



## HMCS EDMONTON

### THE COMMISSIONING CEREMONY PROGRAMME

Invited Guests Arrive

Arrival of Official Party

Inspection of the Guard of Honour

Address by the Guest of Honour  
The Honourable Anne McLelland, P.C., M.P.

Address by the Commander Maritime Command  
Vice Admiral G.L. Garnett

Address by the Mayor of Edmonton  
His Worship Bill Smith

Commissioning Service

Commanding Officer Orders HMCS EDMONTON Commissioned

Address by the Commanding Officer  
Commander G.K. Wong

Ship's Company "Mans Ship"

Commanding Officer Piped On Board

Designated Members of the Official Party Proceed On Board

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# COMMISSIONING SERVICE/SERVICIES DES AUMÔNIERS

Conducted by  
Lieutenant(N) Micheal Brown  
Lieutenant(N) Amy Campbell  
Chaplains Maritime Forces Pacific  
Aumôniers de Forces Maritimes du Pacifique

## THE EXHORTATION (Chaplain)

Seeing that in the course of our duty, we are set in the midst of many and great dangers, and that we cannot be faithful to the high trust placed in us without the help of Almighty God, let us with our prayers and praises seek God's blessing upon this ship and all who serve aboard her, that she may sail safely under God's good providence and protection.

## HYMN (Melita)

O Father, king of Earth and Sea,  
We dedicate this ship to Thee,  
With faith we send her on her way,  
In faith to Thee we humbly pray  
O hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

And when at length her course is run,  
Her work for home and country done,  
Of all the souls that in her sailed,  
Let no one life in thee have failed;  
But hear from heaven our sailor's cry,  
And grant eternal life on high.

## PSALM 107 VERSES 23-31, 43 (to be read responsively)

- C - Those who go down to the sea in ships, who do business on great waters;  
R - They see the works of the Lord, and His wonders in the deep.
- C - For He commands, and raises the stormy wind, which lifts up the waves of the sea.  
R - They mount up to the Heavens, they go down again to the depths; their soul melts because of trouble.
- C - They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wit's end.  
R - Then they cry out to the Lord in their trouble, and He brings them out of their distresses.
- C - He calms the storm, so that its waves are still.  
R - Then they are glad because they are quiet; so He guides them to their desired haven.
- C - O that people would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of people!  
R - Whoever is wise will observe these things, and they will understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.
- C - Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit  
R - As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN.

## THE PRAYER OF BLESSING (Chaplain)

Almighty and Eternal God, the strength and support of those who put their confidence in You, be pleased, we beseech You, to bless Her Majesty's Canadian Ship EDMONTON which is being commissioned today; guard and protect her from all dangers and from all adversity; protect her against the visible and invisible snares of the enemy that she may defend the paths of justice and overcome, with Your help, the powers of the enemy. Pour into this ship, the officer who commands her, and all her officers and crew the richness of Your blessing, guidance, and protection. May they ever be inspired by Your Holy Law. May they grasp with their minds, cherish in their hearts and carry out in their actions the teachings that lead to the safe haven of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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### **LA PRIÈRE DE BÉNÉDICTION**

Dieu, Père Éternel et tout-puissant, Toi qui es la force et le support de ceux qui te font confiance, bénis ce Navire canadien de sa Majesté, l'EDMONTON, qui est chargé d'une mission aujourd'hui. Garde-le et protège-le de tout danger et contre toute adversité. Protège-le contre les pièges visibles et invisibles pour qu'il puisse défendre les sentiers de justice et avec ton aide, vaincre les ennemis. Envoie sur ce navire, sur son Commandant, sur les officiers et sur les membres du personnel, la plénitude de ta bénédiction, de ta protection et de tes conseils et qu'ils soient inspirés par ta Parole. Qu'ils prennent conscience, gardent dans leur coeur et manifestent dans leur action, l'enseignement qui conduit vers le Salut et la vie éternelle, par Jésus-Christ Ton fils Notre-Seigneur. AMEN.

### **THE NAVAL PRAYER**

O Eternal Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rules the raging of the sea; who has compassed the waters with bounds until day and night come to an end; be pleased to receive into Thy Almighty and most gracious protection the persons of us Thy servants, and the Fleet in which we serve. Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, the perils of the air, and from the violence of the enemy; that we may be a safeguard unto our most gracious sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and her Dominions, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of our Commonwealth may in peace and quietness serve Thee our God; and that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the land, with the fruits of our labours, and with a thankful remembrance of Thy mercies to praise and glorify Thy holy Name. AMEN.

### **PRAYER FOR SAILORS**

O God who dwells above the waters and stills the raging of the sea, receive the supplications of your servants for all who in this ship, now and hereafter, shall commit their lives unto the perils of the deep. In all their duties enable them to serve You. Watch over them in their going forth and their coming in, that no harm befall them, nor mischief come nigh to hurt their souls. And so through the waves of this troublesome world and through all the changes and the chances of this mortal life, bring them by your mercy to the sure haven of your everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. AMEN.

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER/LA PRIÈRE DU NOTRE PÈRE**

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux, que ton Nom soit sanctifié, que ton Règne vienne, que ta Volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne soumets pas a la tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal. Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le Règne, la Puissance et la Gloire, dans les siècles des siècles. AMEN.

### **THE BENEDICTION (Chaplain)**

- May the Lord bless you and keep you; grant you strength to live through troubled times and fill you with the graces equal to every one of your needs.
  - May the Lord grant you the wisdom and the will to do justice, to love mercy and to walk humbly with Him.
  - May the Lord surround you with His love, and lead you on the path of everlasting Life. AMEN.
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## **NCSM EDMONTON**

### **LE PROGRAMME DE LA CÉRÉMONIE DE MISE EN SERVICE**

Arrivée des invités

Arrivée des représentants officiels

Inspection de la garde d'honneur

Discours de l'Invité d'honneur

L'honorable Anne McLellan, C.P., député

Discours du Commandant du Commandement Maritime

Vice-Amiral G.L. Garnett

Discours du Maire de la ville d'Edmonton

Son honneur Bill Smith

Service religieux de la mise en service

Le Commandant ordonne la mise en service du NCSM EDMONTON

Discours du Commandant

Captaine de frégate G.K. Wong

L'équipage mis à la bande

Le Commandant est salué à bord

Les représentants officiels pré-identifiés embarquent à bord du navire

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