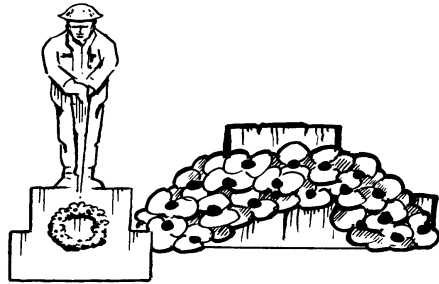


Remembrance Day Service

At the going down of the sun, and in the morning...



We will remember them.



The Sermon on the Mount - The Beatitudes

Matthew 5:3-12

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.



A prayer of St Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness light;
where there is sadness joy.

Opening Sentence - John 14.27

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace. We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

Confession

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away. Jesus said, 'Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.' As we realise our failure to live up to these standards and to obey his commands, let us come in penitence to seek God's forgiveness, as we say together:

Almighty and merciful God, Lord of humanity and nations,
we confess with shame the sins, both private and public,
by which we have broken your law and grieved your Spirit.
We confess our lack of love for you and for our fellow humanity.
Take from us all hatred and bitterness, whether in thought, word or action. Teach us to forgive, as we are forgiven, so that we may grow more like Jesus and live our lives according to your will.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Absolution

God forgives us and calls us to forgive ourselves and one another.
Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Amen.



Readings - verses from John 15:9-17

⁹“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹²My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command. … ¹⁷This is my command: Love each other.

Act of Commitment

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men and women: that we may help, encourage, and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of the nations.

Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all mankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name. Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us faithful now and always. Amen.

Prayers

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy. **Amen.**

O God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth.
lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust.
lead us from hate to love, from war to peace.
Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. **Amen.**

Act of Remembrance – at 11am

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping those who have died for their country in war; those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of humankind.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning
We will remember them. **We will remember them**

(The *Last post*) **2 Minutes silence is kept**

(*Reveille*) **The Kohima Epitaph**
*When you go home, tell them of us and say,
For your tomorrow, we gave our today.*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest,
to all people, unity, peace concord and life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**