The Parish Church of St Matthew
Northampton

Remembrance Sunday

A service of Commemoration and Remembrance
for those who died in the two World Wars
and subsequent conflicts



LEST WE FORGET

The Parish Mass

with Act of Remembrance and Ministry of Healing

Sunday 8 November 2026

Good morning and welcome to St Matthew's Parish Church



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We believe in a generous God, who longs for us to share his generosity with others. A generous life is therefore a hallmark of our faith and a testament to it, as the more generous we are, the more we reflect the generous God we believe in. Generosity is, therefore, at the heart of our faith, and our own generosity is a sure sign of our faith in action. Generosity is a spiritual gift, and we need to encourage people to seek this gift as they grow in their faith. The ministry and mission of St Matthew's is largely funded through the incredible generosity of those who give to it.

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Your generosity is gratefully received. Thank you.

Order of Service

¶ The Gathering

§ *Any essential notices are given before the service*

Introit

Choir	Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine	*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,*
	et lux perpetua luceat eis.	*and let light perpetual shine upon them.*
	Te decet hymnus, Deus in Sion:	*Thou, O God, art praised in Sion:*
	et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem.	*and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.*
	Exaudi orationem meam,	*Thou who hearest the prayer,*
	ad te omnis caro veniet.	*unto thee shall all flesh come.*

Kyrie eleison

Kyrie eleison.	*Lord, have mercy.*
Christe eleison.	*Christ, have mercy.*
Kyrie eleison.	*Lord, have mercy.*

Plainsong

† In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy, and peace be with you

All **and also with you.**

Introduction

We meet in the presence of God to remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror. And 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.

Prayers of Penitence

In life and in death we are with the Lord.
Let us turn to the Lord who is full of compassion and mercy,
and ask that he will forgive us our sins,
and extend his healing love upon our broken world.

Silence is kept

Confession

All **Lord God, we have sinned against you;**
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Absolution

God, the Father of all mercies,
has reconciled the world to himself
through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ,
not counting our trespasses against us,
but sending his Holy Spirit to shed abroad his love for us.
By the ministry of reconciliation entrusted by Christ to his Church,
receive his † pardon and peace,
to stand before him in his strength alone,
this day and evermore.

All **Amen.**

The Collect

Let us pray.

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;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

§ *Sit*

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Reader A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

Wisdom 6.12-16

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Response



Choir God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble;
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains tremble in the heart of the sea;
Though the waters rage and swell,
and though the mountains quake at the towering seas. ***Response***

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place of the dwelling of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her;
therefore shall she not be removed;
God shall help her at the break of day.
The nations are in uproar and the kingdoms are shaken,
but God utters his voice and the earth shall melt away.
The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold. ***Response***

Come and behold the works of the Lord,
what destruction he has wrought upon the earth.
He makes wars to cease in all the world;
he shatters the bow and snaps the spear
and burns the chariots in the fire.
'Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth.'
The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold. ***Response***

Psalm 46

New Testament Reading

Reader A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Acclamation



Choir 'Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,'
says the Lord, 'so that you may be children of your Father in heaven.'

All **Alleluia.**

§ *We turn to face the Book of the Gospels*

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.



All

Jesus said to his disciples, 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

Matthew 25.1-13

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



All

Homily

§ *Sit*

¶ Act of Remembrance

§ *If you are able, please stand as the procession moves off, and turn and face the Memorial Chapel*

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

§ *The folders containing the names and service records of The Fallen are placed on the Memorial Chapel altar*

ROLL OF HONOUR

The First World War

Alfred G T Arnold, Pte, Nptons, Aged 20

John Atkinson, Pte, East Surrey Regt, Aged 33

Alfred G Barnfield, Pte, Nptons, Aged 21

Ralph Bazeley, LCpl, Seaforth Highlanders, Aged 24

Norman S G Beale, 2Lt, Nptons, Aged 21

William E Bellamy, Cpl, MGC(Inf) Regt, Aged 21

Arthur A Billingham, Sjt, Suffolk Regt, Aged 30

Rowland B Bishop, Capt, **MiD**, Nptons, Aged 26

Charles Blundell, Pte, Beds Regt, Aged 25

Albert B Boston, Pte, Nptons, Aged 32 *(1914/15 used alias Arthur Boston)*

Percy J Boyes, Sapper, RE, Aged 31

Alfred Britten, Pte, Royal Fusiliers Regt, Aged 37

Andrew C Byles, Pte, RAMC, Aged 25

Sydney B Carvell, AB, RN, Aged 20

Frank Caswell, Rfn, Rifle Brigade, Aged 25

Alfred Chatfield, Pte, Queens Own Hussars Regt, Aged 21

E Alfred Cheshire, Pte, Suffolk Regt, Aged 21

Donald K Cooper, LCpl and 2Lt, Hants Regt and Nptons, Aged 22

Russell C W Dale, LCpl, Grenadier Guards, Aged 27

Arthur T Day, Pte, Nptons, Aged 24

George Denton, Pte, Northumberland Fusiliers Regt, Aged 32

Albert F Dunkley, Sjt, Nptons, Aged 21

Clarence A Eyden, Cpl, Railway Transport, RE, Aged 27

Percy J Falkner, Pte, Nptons, Aged 21

George A Faulkner, Pte, Lincs plus Notts&Derby Regt, Aged 18

William Faulkner, Gnr, Royal Garrison Artillery, Aged 31

Harold E Fitness, Gnr, Honourable Artillery Co, Aged 31

William E Fitzhugh, attested as Ernest, Gnr, RGA, Aged 24

Arthur J Garner, Pioneer, RE, Aged 25

Ernest Goddard, Pte, Nptons, Aged 21

Charles E Goodman, Pte, Ox&Bucks LI Regt, Aged 24

William Graves, Pte, Nptons, Aged 30

Harry (Henry) T Gurnham, Sjt, E.Surrey Regt, Aged 23 *(brother W G Gurnham)*

William G Gurnham, Pte, Beds Regt, Aged 25 *(brother H T Gurnham)*

Harry Harris, Pte, Nptons and Royal Fusiliers Regt, Aged 24

Harry H Hall, 2Lt, Cambs Regt and Notts&Derby Regt, Aged 32 }

Percy F Hall, Pte, Royal Fusiliers Regt, Aged 19 *(Three of five brothers fell)* }

William D Hall, Pte, Hampshire Regt, Aged 28 }

John D Haviland, Lt, Royal Fusiliers Regt, Aged 34

Frank A Heap, Pte, Nptons, Aged 18 *(brother F W Heap)* }

Frederick W Heap, 2Lt, DLI Regt, Aged 31 *(brother F A Heap)* }

Albert J Herbert, Pte, Nptons, Aged 20

Harry T Holmes, Cpl, Nptons, Aged 22

Cyril B Hornby, 2Lt, Kings Shropshire LI Regt, Aged 24

Percy Howlett, Pte, Nptons, Aged 21

Archibald J Hughes, Pte, Beds Regt, Aged 19

Francis H Hundley, Sjt, Nptons and Labour Corps, Aged 25

Edward J Howes, Pte, Royal Fusiliers Regt, Aged 42

Frank Jeffs, Pte, East Kent (The Buffs) Regt, Aged 30

Alfred F Johnson, Pte, Kings Shropshire LI Regt, Aged 20

James F Johnson, A/Sjt, Nptons, Aged 22

Henry Jones, Sjt, Royal Garrison Artillery, Aged 36

Tom Jones, Gnr, Royal Garrison Artillery, Aged 34

Charles Kendall, Staff Sjt, Army Ordnance Corps, Aged 51 }

Herbert E C Kendall, Lance Sjt, Nptons, Aged 23 *(son of C Kendall)* }

John W King, Royal Marine LI RN (Div), Pte, Plymouth Bn, Aged 20

William G Labrum, Pte, Royal Fusiliers Regt, Aged 19

Albert E Langton, Pte, Royal Welsh Fusiliers Regt, Aged 29

Arthur E Law, Pte, Nptons, Aged 19

Cecil Letts, LCpl, Nptons, Aged 21

Lorenzo W Lilford, Pte, Nptons, Aged 21

Alfred E Lovell, Pte, Nptons plus Yorks. Regt, Aged 20

Arthur H Lowe, Sapper, RE, Aged 33

Ernest Mace, 2Lt previously Cpl, Nptons, Aged 23

Albert E Mackley, Pte, Nptons, Aged 25

Harry Marlow, Pte, Middlesex Regt, Aged 34

Bertram Mason, AB, RN(Div), Anson Bn, Aged 19

Richard McDowell, Pte, Queens Royal West Surrey Regt, Aged 38

Christopher Miller, Pte, Nptons, Aged 27

Francis Miller, Pte, Queens Royal West Surrey Regt, Aged 28

Bertie D Mills, Cpl, Beds Regt, Aged 21

Alaric C Moss, Pte, Royal Navy and 85th Bn Canadian Inf, Aged 19

Jesse H Moss, Pte, Suffolk Regt, Aged 27 *(brother of A C Moss)*

William H Moules, Cpl, Nptons, Aged 35

George E Nash, Pte, Suffolk Regt, Aged 28

George Newcombe, Pte, Nptons, Aged 24

William A Osborn, Pte, Middlesex Regt, Aged 28

Reginald W S Packer, Lt QM, previously Cpl, RF & MGC, Aged 27

Joseph G Page, LS, RN, Aged 24

William Page, Pte, Royal Scots, Aged 27

Charles S Palmer, Gnr, RGA, Aged 32

Alfred W Payne, Pte, Nptons, Aged 23

William R Peach, Pte, Cheshire Regt, Aged 18

Bevan W Pitt, 2Lt, previously Pte, RFC, Aged 19

Sidney Henry James Redley, Pte, 1st L.Gds, Aged 23 *(Mil listed as Henry)*

William J Richardson, Cpl, Norfolk Regt, Aged 41

Frank Robinson, Pte, Nptons, Aged 21

Ralph Robinson, Flight Sub-Lt, RN serving with 206 Sqn RAF, Aged 19

William T Robinson, L/Stoker, RN, Aged 24

Arthur Rodwell, Cpl, Nptons, Aged 20

Alexander Ross, Sjt, Royal Fusiliers, Aged 23 *(brother of R Ross)*

Ralph Ross, Pte, Manchester Regt, Aged 19 *(brother of A Ross)*

Bertram G Rowley, S/Lt (Obs), RNAS, Aged 31

Herbert S Sargent, Pte, Nptons, Aged 25

Leonard W Saunders, Sapper, RE, Aged 29

John W Shaw, 2Lt, **MC**, previously CSM, Kings Royal Rifle Corps, Aged 38

Walter Spring, Sjt, Nptons, Aged 25

Charles Smith, Pte, Northumberland Fusiliers, Aged 19

Frederick J Smith, Stoker 1st Class, RN, Aged 25

William H Smith, Boy Telegraphist, RN, Aged 17

William R L Smith, Sapper, RE, Aged 19

William Sturgess, Pte, Queens Royal West Surrey Regt, Aged 18

Alfred Stevenson, Pte, DCLI Regt, Aged 34

Alfred G Swan (corrected) **MM**, A/Sjt, Nptons and Royal Eng, Aged 26

Herbert J Tarry, Pte, 1st Res Cavalry Regt, Aged 22

Walter Tate, Pte, Nptons, Aged 29

Ralph P Taylor, 2Lt, Nptons, Aged 20

Arthur B Tebbutt, Lt, previously Sjt, Nptons and Norfolk Regt, Aged 24

Charles F Tolliday, LCpl, London (London Scottish) Regt, Aged 26

George H Tompkins, Cpl, Ox & Bucks LI Regt, Aged 35

James Tong, Pte, 15th Bn Canadian Inf, Aged 30

Sydney G Treadgold, Pte, Nptons, Aged 19

Walter E Ward (attested), Ernest (baptised), Pte, Nptons, Aged 23

Albert E W Wardell, A/Mech 2nd Cl, RAF, Aged 20

William H Waters, A/Bdr, RA, Aged 19

James W Watson, Pte, London Regt, Aged 20

Thomas G West, Leading Seaman, RN, Aged 28

Ralph W Westley, Trooper, 1st Life Guards, Aged 21

Fred Wills, Pte, Suffolk Regt, Aged 17

William T White, Pte, Norfolk Regt, Aged 37

Percy J White, Stoker 1st Class, RN, Aged 23

Rand E J Walden, 2Lt, Lancs Fusilers, Regt, Aged 35

Frank P Wiggins, CQSM, Nptons, Aged 34

George Wright, Sjt, Nptons, Aged 32

Charles J Wykes, Pte, Loyal N. Lancs Regt, Aged 33

Arthur W Yorke, Pte, Npton Yeomanry, Aged 22.

Not listed on the screen although recorded within the parish:

Joseph Allen, Pte, 2Bn Nptons, Aged 42

Alfred H Bodily, RNVR and RND Drake Bn, Aged 25

Cyril G Webster, L/Cpl, Npton Yeo and Labour Corps, Aged 32.

The Second World War

Ernest A Allen, F/Sgt, 205 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 21

Ernest L Armer, Pte, 5th Bn Nptons, Aged 27

Clifford G Baldwin, Pte, Royal Army Ordnance Corps, Aged 33

Cyril R Barber, Gnr, 397 Bty 121 LAA Regt, Royal Artillery, Aged 33

Cyril T Barrett, Dvr, 1678 Artillery Platoon RASC, Aged 40

Jack Barringer, L.Tel., HMLCH 185 RN, Aged 29 *(brother George also fell)*

Jack A Beer, W/O Pilot, 464 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 22

Frederick T Bennett, Tpr, B Sqdn 44th Tank Rgt, RAC, Aged 27

Wilson Ceybird, F/O, **DFM**, 143 Sqdn RAFVR, Aged 24

Donald S Cleaver, Cpl, 15 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 36

Wilfred G Clifton, Gnr, 51 Field Regt Royal Artillery, Aged 22

Sidney J Dodd, L/Bdr, 139 Field Regt Royal Artillery, Aged 22

Philip H Douglas, Officer Cadet, Royal Engineers, Aged 23

Arthur E Earl, LAC, RAFVR, Aged 26

Thomas W Farmer, Sgt Nav, 550 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 32

George E Flinn, Stwd, HMS Hurworth RN, Aged 32

Albert D Garley, Sgt, Royal Army Medical Corps, Aged 25

Silas A Greenfield, Pte, 1 Base Supply Depot RASC, Aged 20

Percy A Harrison, Sgt Pilot, 29 Elementary FTS, RAF, Aged 22

Arnold Hillson, Spr, 54 Field Coy Royal Engineers, Aged 21

Albert J Hussey, L/Cpl, 8th Bn Royal Fusiliers, Aged 23

William M Jackson, Lt, 2nd Northants Yeomanry RAC, Aged 33

John S Jones, Gnr, 22 Field Regt Royal Artillery, Aged 20

Tom Jones, Gnr, 443 Bty, 64 Searchlight Regt 1/6th Essex, Aged 26

Sidney Knight, Sgt W.Op.& Air Gunner, 12 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 22

Gerald A Langley, P/O Pilot, 41 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 24

Reginald W Law, Cpl, 1st Bn Nptons, Aged 25

Keith A Laxton, P/O, 107 Sqdn RAF, Aged 21

John D Marshall, Pte, Seaforth Highlanders, Aged 27

John J Reeve, Pte, 4th Bn Kings Shropshire Light Infantry, Aged 31

Albert E Roberts, LCpl, Royal Army Service Corps, Aged 25

Frank Rogers, Sgt, Yorks Hussars. Royal Armoured Corps, Aged 38

Dennis J Rushton, Sgt, 218 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 20

Noel Russell, FlLt, **DFC & Bar**, Instructor RAFVR, Aged 24

Ronald A Sabell, Sgt Air Gunner, 106 Sqdn, RAF, Aged 24

Reginald Smith, Mne, No41 Cdo Royal Marines, Aged 20

Reginald T Smith, Spr, Royal Engineers, Aged 25

Herbert A Tyrrell, Lt, 80Lt AA Regt Royal Artillery, Aged 28

N Vials, believed to be Gordon Nigel, regt affiliation unknown, Aged 19 }

Stephen Vials, Sgt, 221 Sqdn, RAFVR, Aged 26 *(brother of Gordon Nigel)* }

J W Wykes believed to be James W Wilkes, Spr, Royal Engs, Aged 21.

Not listed on the screen although recorded within the parish:

Clifford Keith Morton, Flt Sgt, 619 Sqdn, RAF, Aged 22.

§ *The Vicar lays a wreath on behalf of the Parish*

From 'For the Fallen' *(Robert) Laurence Binyon 1869-1943*

From the ambo:

An older person

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

A young person

At the going down of the sun and in the morning
we will remember them.

All **We will remember them.**

The Last Post

THE NATIONAL SILENCE

The Reveille

Commemoration

Ever-living God,
we remember those whom you have gathered
from the storm of war into the peace of your presence;
may that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Anthem

§ *The procession returns to the dais*

Choir 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.

For the Fallen
Music George Guest 1924-2002

Prayers of the Faithful

Priest In peace let us pray to Almighty God for all who suffer as a result of war.

§ Kneel

Intercessor Where there is war and conflict, we pray for peace and security;
where there is injustice and oppression,
we pray for justice and freedom;
where there is hatred and distrust,
we pray for harmony and understanding.

Let us pray to the Lord:

All **Lord, have mercy, and give us peace.**

We pray for world leaders and all who exercise influence over others,
that they may act wisely and justly and seek the common good;
for the United Nations and all international organizations working for justice and peace, that they may be strengthened and upheld by your presence.

Let us pray to the Lord:

All **Lord, have mercy, and give us peace.**

We pray for all who suffer as a result of war, in body, mind or spirit;
for all who have lost their homes and possessions;
for those who are hungry;
and for all who have lost their livelihood and security;
for those who mourn their dead,
those who have lost husband or wife, children or parents,
and for those who have no hope in Christ
to sustain them in their grief.

Let us pray to the Lord:

All **Lord, have mercy, and give us peace.**

We pray for all who have died in war;
those who have taken up arms;
those caught up in conflicts in any way;
and all innocent victims of war and violence.

Let us pray to the Lord:

All **Lord, have mercy, and give us peace.**

Priest Most holy God and Father,
hear our prayers for all who strive for peace
and all who fight for justice.
Help us, who today remember the cost of war,
to work for a better tomorrow;
and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict,
bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence;
through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

§ *Stand*

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Sign of Peace

Jesus says: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace.

The Offertory

§ *The bread and wine are presented to the presiding priest at the dais step and the altar is prepared*

Hymn

§ *A monetary collection is taken. Please give as you are able using any of the ways indicated at the front of this booklet. Your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you.*

All **ETERNAL God, before whose face we stand,**
Your earthly children, fashioned by your hand,
Hear and behold us, for to you alone
All hearts are open, all our longings known:
So for our world and for ourselves we pray
The gift of peace, O Lord, in this our day.

We come with grief, with thankfulness and pride,
To hold in honour those who served and died;
We bring our hurt, our loneliness and loss,
To him who hung forsaken on the cross;
Who, for our peace, our pains and sorrows bore,
And with the Father lives for evermore.

O Prince of Peace, who gave for us your life,
Look down in pity on our sin and strife.
May this remembrance move our hearts to build
A peace enduring, and a hope fulfilled,
When every flag of tyranny is furled
And wars at last shall cease in all the world.

From earth's long tale of suffering here below
We pray the fragile flower of peace may grow,
Till cloud and darkness vanish from our skies
To see the Sun of Righteousness arise.
When night is past and peace shall banish pain,
All shall be well, in God's eternal reign.

Words Timothy Dudley-Smith 1926-2024 *Music* Unde et Memores
William Henry Monk 1823-1889

Invitation to Prayer

Pray, my brothers and sisters,
that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

All **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord, we are united in this sacrament by the love of Jesus Christ.
Accept these gifts of bread and wine,
receive our brothers and sisters into the glory of your Son,
and grant them peace,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, Lord of life, creator of heaven and earth,
to you be glory and praise for ever.

For through his death on the cross,
your Son Jesus Christ has broken the power of evil,
and by his glorious resurrection
has opened for us the gate of life eternal.
In him you seek the lost,
restoring those whose lives have been shattered and torn apart.

In the fullness of time, he will gather all things to himself,
enfolding us and all who have died in war in his undying love.

And so we pray that we who have set our hope on Christ
may come to the peace of heaven,
there, with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven
for ever praising you and singing:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Choir

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,	*Holy, holy, holy,*
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.	*Lord God of power and might.*
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.	*heaven and earth are full of your glory.*
Hosanna in excelsis. Sanctus.	*Hosanna in the highest. Holy.*
Benedictus qui venit	*Blessed is he who comes*
in nomine Domini.	*in the name of the Lord.*
Osanna in excelsis	*Hosanna in the highest.*

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

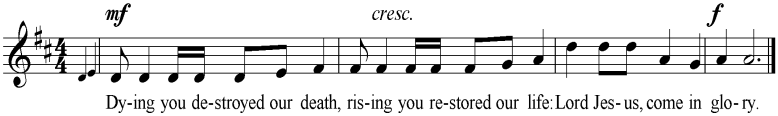
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All



And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world,
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup.
Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters
and all who have left this world in your friendship.
In the company of Mary, the Virgin Mother of God,
of Matthew and all the saints,
may we with them praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

The Blessed Sacrament is elevated and bells are rung

§ Kneel

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray that the Kingdom of God may be clearly seen among us:

All **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.

Breaking of the Bread

Jesus is the living bread which came down from heaven:
if anyone eats this bread, they will live for ever.

All **Lord, give us this bread always.**

Agnus Dei

The choir sing …

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	*Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,*
dona eis requiem.	*grant them rest.*
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Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	*Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,*
dona eis requiem sempiternam.	*grant unto them eternal rest.*

Lux aeterna

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine,	*May light eternal shine upon them, Lord,*
cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es.	*with your saints for eternity, for you are merciful.*
Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine:	*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord:*
et lux perptua luceat eis.	*and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Invitation to Communion

Jesus said: Gather up the fragments that nothing may be lost.

All **Lord, feed us with the bread of heaven.**

Giving of Communion

Unless a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies,
it remains a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.

§ *Baptised persons who are communicant members of other Churches are warmly invited to receive Holy Communion.*

Alternatively, if you wish to receive a blessing, please bring this booklet with you as a sign.

Healing Ministries

Having received Holy Communion or a blessing, you are invited to make your way to the Lady Chapel, where the ministry of healing will be offered through the laying on of hands and the sacrament of anointing.

Motet

Choir

Many waters cannot quench Love,
neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death.
Greater Love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree,
That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified,
ye are justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus.

Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;
That ye should show forth the praises of Him
who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light.

I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God,
that you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy,
acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Words Song of Solomon 8:7, St John 15, I Peter 2, I Corinthians 6; Romans 12
Music John Ireland 1879-1962

Spiritual Communion – *for those watching at home*

Act of Reception

All In union, blessed Jesus,
with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church
where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day,

(and remembering particularly my own parish …)

I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving,
for creation and all the blessings of this life,
for the redemption won for us by your life, death,
and resurrection,
for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

(and particularly for the blessings given me …)

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament,
and, since I cannot at this time receive communion,
I pray you to come into my heart.
I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart,
my soul, and my mind.
Let nothing separate me from you;
let me serve you in this life until, by your grace,
I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace.
Amen.

Hymn

All

FAITHFUL Shepherd, feed me
In the pastures green;
Faithful Shepherd, lead me
Where thy steps are seen.

Hold me fast, and guide me
In the narrow way;
So, with thee beside me,
I shall never stray.

Daily bring me nearer
To the heavenly shore;
Make my faith grow clearer,
May I love thee more.

Hallow every pleasure,
Every gift and pain:
Be thyself my treasure,
Though none else I gain.

Day by day prepare me,
As thou seest best,
Then let angels bear me
To thy promised rest.

Words Thomas Benson Pollock 1836-1896 *Music* Pastor Pastorum Friedrich Silcher 1789-1860

§ *All sit for a period of silent reflection and thanksgiving*

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. § *Stand*

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Hymn

All **JUDGE eternal, throned in splendour,**
Lord of lords, and King of kings,
With thy living fire of judgement
Purge this realm of bitter things:
Solace all its wide dominion
With the healing of thy wings.

Still the weary folk are pining
For the hour that brings release:
And the city's crowded clangour
Cries aloud for sin to cease;
And the homesteads and the woodlands
Plead in silence for their peace.

Crown, O God, thine own endeavour;
Cleave our darkness with thy sword;
Feed the faithless and the hungry
With the richness of your word:
Cleanse the body of the nations
Through the glory of the Lord.

Words Henry Scott Holland 1847-1918 altd

Music Rhuddlan
Melody in Edward Jones 1752-1824
Musical Relicks of Welsh Bards, 1800

Commitment

Let us commit ourselves anew to the service of God and humanity:
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.

All **Lord God our Father,**
we pledge ourselves to serve you and all humankind,
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.

The National Anthem

All **GOD save our gracious King,**
Long live our noble King,
God save The King.
Send him victorious
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save The King!

Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign.
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice,
God save The King!

Melody from *Thesaurus Musicus c* 1743
arranged by Thomas Arne 1710-1778

Author Unknown *c* 1745

¶ Sending Out

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

The Blessing

God grant to the living grace,
to the departed rest,
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth
and to all people, unity, peace, and concord,
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;

and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son †, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.
All **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love your neighbour.
Go in power to work for reconciliation.
Go in hope to proclaim the resurrection.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Voluntary

Elegy *George Thalben-Ball 1886-1987*

§ *Please remain standing until the procession has departed*

§ *Those leaving immediately are asked to be aware of those who wish to listen to the organ voluntary*

§ *Refreshments are being served in the parish centre, adjacent to the carpark. Do please join us.*

§ *If you are a newcomer to the parish, please introduce yourself to the clergy or speak to a member of our Welcome Team.*

This evening at 5.30 pm

Congregational Evensong

(in Quire)

Wednesday 11 November at 12 Noon

Armistice Day

Mass at the Memorial Chapel

Our thanks are due to Martin and Lindsey Stone
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Please take this booklet home
as an aid to prayer and reflection during the week,
and then re-cycle it.

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