



# Remembrance Sunday

Act of Remembrance



**Roborough Team Ministry**

The Parishes of Bickleigh & Shaugh Prior

*As we gather we have the opportunity to reflect on these Holy Scriptures*

God is our refuge and strength;  
a very present help in trouble.

**Psalm 46.1**

I lift up my eyes to the hills -  
from whence will my help come?  
My help comes from the Lord,  
Who made heaven and earth.

**Psalm 121.1-2**

This I call to mind,  
and therefore I have hope:  
the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning.

**Lamentations 3.21-23**

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary  
they shall walk and not faint.

**Isaiah 40.31**

What does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

**Micah 6.8**

### 3 **Gathering**

*We gather outside at the Memorial where there is one outside our Church, or indoors.*

## **The Kohima Epitaph**

When you go home  
tell them of us and say,  
for your tomorrow  
we gave our today.

## **Remembrance**

*Wreaths are laid at the Memorial, and flags are lowered*

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.**

## **Two Minute Silence**

*followed by*

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.  
**Amen.**

*We then follow the Clergy, Servers, Choir and Flags into the Church as we sing our opening hymn*

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;**  
 to his feet thy tribute bring;  
 ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven  
 who like thee his praise should sing?  
 Praise him! Praise him!  
 Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour  
 to our fathers in distress;  
 praise him still the same for ever,  
 slow to chide, and swift to bless:  
 Praise him! Praise him!  
 Glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like he tends and spares us;  
 well our feeble frame he knows;  
 in his hands he gently bears us,  
 rescues us from all our foes:  
 Praise him! Praise him!  
 Widely as his mercy flows!

Frail as summer's flower we flourish,  
 blows the wind and it is gone;  
 but while mortals rise and perish  
 God endures unchanging on.  
 Praise him! Praise him!  
 Praise the high eternal One!

Angels, help us to adore him,  
 ye behold him face to face;  
 sun and moon, bow down before him,  
 dwellers all in time and space:  
 Praise him! Praise him!  
 Praise with us the God of grace!

*Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)*

In the name of the +Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit  
**Amen**

The Lord be with you  
 and also with you

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

## Penitential Rite

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world;  
 its pride, its selfishness, its greed;  
 its evil divisions and hatreds.

Let us confess our share in what is wrong,  
 and our failure to seek and establish that peace  
 which God wills for his children

*Silence*

Lord have Mercy  
 Christ have Mercy  
 Lord have Mercy

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 Christ have Mercy  
 Lord have Mercy

## Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
 have mercy upon you, + pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
 confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life  
 eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

# The Word of God

*A reader says:*

Hear these words from the New Testament

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.

**John 14:27**

The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

**James 3:17-18**

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.

**1 John 1:5**

These are the words of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

*Another reader says:*

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew:

(Matthew 5:1-12)

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"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 for righteousness' sake,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you  
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,  
for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before  
you.”

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

## Homily

**Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,**  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land, in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care;  
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt him,  
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;  
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;  
past put behind us, for the future take us,  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

*Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)*

## Prayers

Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict, and ask that God may  
give us peace:

for the service men and women who have died in the violence of war, each  
one remembered by and known to God; May God give peace  
**God give peace**

for those who love them in death as in life, offering the distress of our grief and the sadness of our loss; May God give peace

**God give peace**

for all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return;

May God give peace

**God give peace**

for civilian women, children and men whose lives are disfigured by war or terror, calling to mind in penitence the anger and hatreds of humanity; May God give peace

**God give peace**

for peace-makers and peace-keepers, who seek to keep this world secure and free; May God give peace

**God give peace**

for all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military and religious; asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve in the search for reconciliation and peace. May God give peace

**God give peace**

O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish, and those whose names we will never know.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord  
and let light perpetual shine upon them

May they rest in peace  
and rise in glory

Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world, and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm. As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. **Amen.**



# 9 Lord's Prayer

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

## Response

*The Congregation are invited to come forward to offer symbols of remembrance and hope, such as single flowers or crosses at the foot of the altar as music is played.*

## Act of Commitment

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.  
Will you strive for all that makes for peace?  
**We will**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?  
**We will**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?  
**We will**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us  
that have not yet been cast out by love:  
May we accept the hope you have placed  
in the hearts of all people,  
And live lives of justice, courage and mercy;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer.  
**Amen**

# The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen,  
 long live our noble Queen,  
 God save the Queen!  
 Send her victorious,  
 happy and glorious,  
 long to reign over us:  
 God save the Queen!

One realm of races four,  
 blest more and ever more,  
 God save our land!  
 Home of the brave and free,  
 set in the silver sea,  
 true nurse of chivalry,  
 God save our land!

Of many a race and birth  
 from utmost ends of earth,  
 God save us all!  
 Bid strife and hatred cease,  
 bid hope and joy increase,  
 spread universal peace,  
 God save us all!

*Official Peace Version (1919)*

## Blessing and Dismissal

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest,  
 to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth and all people,  
 unity, peace and concord,  
 and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting.  
 and the blessing of God Almighty,  
 +Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you all  
 and remain with you always.  
**Amen**

Go in the peace of Christ  
**Thanks be to God**

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;**  
endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won;  
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.  
Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son,  
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
let the Church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing;  
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting. Refrain

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;  
life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love:  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. Refrain

*Edmond L Budry (1854-1932) tr. Richard B Hoyle (1875-1939)*

## Thank You

We hope you have enjoyed your visit to this Church as we share this Act of Remembrance. However, Churches do not run themselves, and the mission of the Church needs to be paid for. In thanksgiving for the Service that you have participated in today, you might like to make a donation on the plate as you leave.

## IF YOU ARE A TAX-PAYER

By putting your donation into an envelope putting your name and address on it **and signing it**, we can claim the tax back from your donation, meaning that for every £1 you give, we can get £1.25! This is at no extra cost to you, and has no implication on your tax status, but it needs to be in one of the giving envelopes, named and signed. Everyone benefits! Please be as generous as you can, for what you give goes directly into the running costs of this church for now and for future generations and to underwrite our work in this parish with young people, the elderly and the isolated and excluded.

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