# REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE



"We will remember them"

## The Burghill Benefice

St Peter's, Pipe-cum-Lyde, St Mary the Virgin, Burghill St Andrew's, Moreton-on-Lugg, St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas

#### INTRODUCTION

Remembrance honours those who serve to defend our democratic freedoms and way of life. We unite across faiths, cultures and backgrounds to remember the sacrifice of the Armed Forces and veterans of Britain and the Commonwealth.

We pay tribute to the special contribution of families, as well as the emergency services. And we acknowledge those innocent civilians who have lost their lives in conflict and acts of terrorism. We will remember them.

Remembrance does not glorify war and its symbol, the red poppy, is a sign of both Remembrance and hope for a peaceful future.

Wearing a poppy is never compulsory but is greatly appreciated by those who it is intended to support.

When and how you choose to wear a poppy is a reflection of your individual experiences and personal memories.

Remembrance unites people of all faiths, cultures, and backgrounds but it is also deeply personal.

#### Act of Remembrance

Everyone is free to remember in their own way, or to choose not to remember at all.

In every act of remembrance, we honour the memory of the fallen and pledge to care for the living. We will remember them.

 $\underline{https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/getinvolved/remembrance/about-remembrance}$ 

#### A SER VICE FOR

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

#### AT THE MEMORIAL

#### ACT OF REMEMBERANCE

Let us commemorate and commend to the loving mercy of our Heavenly Father, the Shepherd of Souls, the Giver of Life Everlasting, those who have died in the service of our country and its cause.

The names of the fallen are read

Buglers sound the "Last Post"

#### THE EXHORTATION

The officiating clergy or a senior member of the Church shall recite: (Standards dip)

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.

All We will remember them.

Wreaths may be placed at this point

#### THE SILENCE

## Buglers sound: "Reveille" (Standards raise on first note)

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 our Lord.

All Amen.

## The Choir processes and the flags may be paraded to the Altar

## A HYMN - All People that on Earth do Dwell

- 1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. him serve with fear, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed; without our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3. O enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

4. For why? the Lord our God is good; his mercy is for ever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

5. To Father, Son and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore, from men and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

#### AN ACT OF PENITENCE

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.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

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.

All Amen.

THE FIRST READING - Job 19.23-27a

PSALM - 17.1-9

A brief silence

## AHYMN - Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

- Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
   Forgive our foolish ways;
   Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
   In purer lives Thy service find,
   In deeper reverence, praise. (x2)
- 2. In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea,
  The gracious calling of the Lord,
  Let us, like them, without a word,
  Rise up and follow Thee. (x2)
- 3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee,O calm of hills above,

Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee The silence of eternity, Interpreted by love! (x2)

4. Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of Thy peace. (x2)

5. Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm; Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm. (x2)

THE SECOND READING - Luke 20.27-38

THE SERMON

#### THE 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.

All 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.

## All 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.

## All 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.

## All God give peace.

For peacemakers and peacekeepers, who seek to keep this world secure and free; may God give peace.

## All 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.

## All 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.

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 eyer.

#### All Amen.

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.

#### A HYMN - Eternal Father, Strong to Save

1. Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm does bind the restless wave, who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

- 2. O Saviour, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard, who walkedst upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the rage, did sleep; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.
- 3. O sacred Spirit, who didst brood upon the waters dark and rude, and bid their angry tumult cease, and give, for wild confusion, peace; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.
- 4. O Trinity of love and pow'r, our brethren shield in danger's hour. From rock and tempest, fire, and foe, protect them where-so-e'er they go; and ever let there rise to Thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

## A moment of silence

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



Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All We will.

All 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 flags may be retrieved and a collection is received.

A HYMN – Jerusalem the Golden

I. Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest, beneath thy contemplation sink heart and voice oppressed. I know not, O I know not, what joys await us there, What radiancy of glory, what bliss beyond compare.

- 2. They stand, those halls of Zion, all jubilant with song, and bright with many an angels, and all the martyr throng; The Prince is ever in them, the daylight is serene.

  The pastures of the blessed are decked in glorious sheen.
- 3. There is the throne of David, and there, from care released, The shout of them that triumph, the song of them that feast; and they, who with their Leader, have fully run the race, are robed in white for ever before their Saviour's face.
- 4. O sweet and blesséd country, the home of God's elect!
  O sweet and blesséd country, that eager hearts expect!
  Jesus, in mercy bring us to that dear land of rest, who art, with God the Father, and Spirit, ever blessed.

#### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

I. 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.

2. Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen

All remain standing for the final blessing

#### THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and the love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord:
And the Blessing of God Almighty.

All Amen

The Choir and Flag-bearers lead the people out

## If wreaths are laid at this point, they are accompanied by:

## Words & Silence

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth and all humanity, peace and concord; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting.

#### All Amen



## In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing,
fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

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