



Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

Sung Eucharist

Remembrance Sunday



Welcome to St Mary's

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Accessible for everyone

We aim to be accessible for everyone. For more information on accessibility at St Mary's please see **wkrk.uk/access** or ask any member of our team.



Our stewards are here to help

Please follow all instructions from our stewards, especially during communion. If you need extra help during a service, or if you would need help to leave the building in an emergency, please let us know.

Digital order of service available

If you prefer, you can follow our order of service on your own phone or tablet. Just visit **wkrk.uk/oos** on your browser or scan this QR Code.



This service is streamed

We record and live-stream many of our services. If you'd prefer not to appear on camera, please let any member of our team know. You can find more information on streaming, privacy and your rights on our website at wkrk.uk/sp or by scanning this QR Code.



Communion is your choice

Communion is available as both bread and wine, but if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your seat. Receiving only the bread is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England.

Children welcome

We love having children at our services and we want them – and their families – to love being here. If your children need to move around or make noise during the service, please don't feel uncomfortable. We are glad to hear and see them; they are the future of the church!

Toys and activities are available in our Tots' Corner are near the main door, and children are welcome to make use of these either in this area or in their pew. This area is not supervised; children must be always supervised by a responsible adult.

Safeguarding

Our Parish Safeguarding team can be contacted at any time. You can talk to Rev'd Claire or to Janet Blenkinsop, our Parish Safeguarding Officer, you can email safeguarding@whitkirkchurch.org.uk, or you can find more information and contact details at wkrk.uk/safe.



Other services this week

Messy Church

Today at 4.00 pm

Said Eucharist

Wednesday 12 November at 10.00 am

Sanctuary

Thursday 13 November at 6.30 pm

Sung Eucharist for the second Sunday before Advent

Sunday 16 November at 10.00 am

Notices and events

Posada at St Mary's

Would you like to be a part of Mary and Joseph's journey around the parish during Advent this year?

Traditionally posadas are a celebration of the Christmas story. Posada at St Mary's is the journey of the figures of Mary, Joseph and the donkey travelling round the parish, spending a night in a different home each night of Advent. The figures will begin their journey on Advent Sunday, where they will be given to the family hosting them for the first night. They will then journey round the parish until Christmas eve, when the last people to host them will bring them to the Crib service.

If you would like to host Mary, Joseph and the donkey for a night in Advent, sign up after the 10.00 am service today or next week, or at the November Messy Church. You'll be given everything you need to take part.

The Leeds South & East Food Bank: What's Needed in November

The Leeds South & East Food Bank continues to be in urgent need of donations of food to help feed those in most need. In particular at the moment they are asking for UHT milk, biscuits, custard, cooking sauces and tinned or packet mashed potatoes.

If you are able, you can donate by picking one of these items up in your weekly shop and dropping it in the box at the back of the church. You can find other ways to help, including donating money or your time, on their website at wkrk.uk/fbd. If you need the help of a foodbank yourself, see wkrk.uk/fbh.

Advent Course 2025

Our Advent Course for 2025 will be using the Archbishop of York's Advent Book, *Listening to the Music of the Soul* by Bishop Guli Francis-Dehqani. The book reflects on the interweaving of the story of faith, our personal story, and music. If you have not listened to Bishop Guli's Desert Island Disks programme, we recommend that you do so (even if you are not able to follow the Advent Course). You can access this online at wkrk.uk/ac25. We will be running four sessions in the weeks commencing 24 November, 1 December, 8 December, and 15 December. A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church. Please let us know when you are able to attend and we will sort out the groups accordingly and publicise them as soon as we can.

Advent and Christmas at St Mary's

We know how busy the run-up to Christmas can be, so here are some dates for your diary, just to ensure that you don't miss anything. More details will be shared in due course, but here are the highlights.

- December 7th, 6pm: Advent Carol Service, 'The one who is to come...'

- December 13th, 7pm: Svitoch Ukrainian Choir, an Advent concert
- December 14th, 4pm: Messy Christingle: Messy Church for Christmas, with a short Christingle service
- December 18th, 6pm: The Longest Night: a chance to reflect and remember
- December 19th, 7pm: Carol Singalong in the Brown Cow with Altofts and Normanton Brass Band
- December 21st, 7pm: Festival of Lessons and Carols
- Christmas Eve, 5pm: Crib Service
- Christmas Eve, 11pm: Midnight Mass

Colton Lodges

A group of parishioners from St Mary's visits Colton Lodges on the 2nd Thursday of every month to offer residents a short service based on familiar hymns, prayers and readings. We are always happy to have new people join us. If you would like to come along, there's no need to let anyone know, just meet in the car park at Colton Lodges at about 10.20 on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Our next session is this Thursday, 13th November, when we will be thinking about Remembrance. If you need a lift, please let Rev'd Claire know.

Remembrance Day

This Tuesday 11 November at 10.45 am
St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

Although our main act of Remembrance is taking place today, the church will be open on November 11th between 10.45 am and 11.15 am for prayer and reflection, with the observation of a 2-minute silence at 11 am. All are welcome to drop into church to remember at this time.

Songs for the Soul: An Afternoon of Beautiful Music

This Saturday 15 November at 5.00 pm

St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

A charity Concert of Beautiful Music in aid of 'Touchstone'

Join us at 2.00 pm for around an hour of uplifting solo songs and duets with piano and flute. Sung by Anne Parker & Heather Woodhead, accompanied by Sue Wanty on piano and Alison Battye on flute.

Entry is free, with a retiring collection and refreshments afterwards. All proceeds will support Touchstone's Community Support Team, providing intensive outreach to people living with complex mental health needs.

This special concert will include the premiere performance of Heather Woodhead's brand-new commissioned work The Woodnook Suite. Composed by Tim Knight with Words by Joe Woodhead. Come and enjoy wonderful music – and help make a difference.

Join us after the Act of Remembrance for refreshments

You are warmly invited to join us after the Act of Remembrance for refreshments in our Community Centre.

St Mary's Christmas Fair *November 29th*

We need donations to fill our stalls please!

**Prizes for Adult Tombola,
Childrens Tombola &
Chocolate Tombola.**

**Prizes for Grand Raffle
Toiletries. Scarves.**

Unwanted gifts, Wine etc.

Hand Knitted Items inc Scarves.

Childrens Gifts. Sweets. Books.

Adult Gifts. Cakes (*on the day*)

***Please leave on the stage on Sunday
mornings. If in doubt Just ask
Joan Williams***

The Gathering

Our worship begins at the sound of the bell, please stand as the sacred ministers enter, during which the introit hymn is sung.

**O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.**

**Beneath the shadow of thy throne,
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defence is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.**

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.**

**O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.**

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Music: William Croft (1678-1727)

Hymn Tune: SAINT ANNE

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

Psalm 46.1

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

Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
and also with you.

cf 1 Timothy 1.2

Words of Welcome

Invitation to Confession

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.

**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.

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit.

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our
being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers
and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or
alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as
though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is
already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for
that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first
and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for

destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Please stand as the gradual hymn is sung. During the hymn a procession will make its way to the centre of the nave from where the Gospel for the day is read. To symbolise our desire to turn to Christ in our daily lives, at the end of the hymn we remain standing and turn to face the place where the Gospel is proclaimed.

**Be still, my soul: the Lord is at your side;
bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in ev'ry change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly friend,
through thorny ways, leads to a joyful end.**

**Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
to guide the future as he has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.
Be still, my soul: the tempests still obey
his voice, who ruled them once on Galilee.**

**Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessèd we shall meet at last.**

*Words: Katharina Von Schlegel (1697-1768)
translated by Jane Laurie Borthwick (1813-1897) alt.
Music: Jean Sibelius (1865-1957)
Hymn Tune: FINLANDIA*

Gospel Reading

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.' Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the

resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

Luke 20.27-38

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Please sit after the preacher leads us in prayer.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Following an invitation to pray from the intercessor we kneel or sit to pray.

The following response is used.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

then at the end

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand with the president.

The Peace

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

I do not give to you as the world gives.'

John 14.27

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

This is usually a handshake shared with those near you.

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.

A hymn is sung. During this hymn a collection, our financial offering in support of the work of the Church both at St. Mary's and across our diocese, is taken.

You can place cash or giving envelopes on the collection plates as they are passed around. If you would prefer, or if you miss the plate, you can also give by scanning this QR code, or by tapping your contactless card or device on the card reader by the door as you leave.



**Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm doth 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.**

**O Saviour, whose almighty word
the winds and waves submissive heard,
who walkedst on the foaming deep,
and calm, amid its rage didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.**

**O sacred Spirit, who didst brood
upon the chaos dark and rude,
who bidd'st its angry tumult cease,
and gavest light and life and peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.**

**O Trinity of love and pow'r,
our brethren shield in danger's hour.
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them wheresoe'er they go:
and ever let there rise to thee
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.**

Words: William Whiting (1825-1878)

Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

Hymn Tune: MELITA

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
you bring forth bread from the earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer (A)

Please kneel or sit.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth,
giver of life and conqueror of death.

By his death on the cross,
your Son Jesus Christ
offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
breaking the power of evil
and putting death to flight.

Through his resurrection from the dead
you have given us new birth into a living hope,
into an inheritance which is imperishable,
undefiled and unfading.

The joy of resurrection fills the universe,
and so we join with angels and archangels,
with all your faithful people,
evermore praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;
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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith;

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.**

Amen.

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**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

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
**we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

*The **Agnus Dei** is sung as the bread is broken for distribution.*

**Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The president and people receive communion. All baptised Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. Please follow the guidance offered by the stewards.

If you are not baptised, or would prefer to not receive, then do still come forward for a blessing bringing this book with you so the president knows your intention.

The sacrament is available in both kinds, however if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your place. Receiving in one kind is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England. Please do not dip bread in the wine (sometimes called ‘intincting’).

For those at home it might be helpful to use this prayer during the distribution.

*Lord Jesus, you have shown us
how great is the price of freedom
by giving your life to deliver us from evil.
Teach us to give the uttermost;
to respect that which others have secured for us;
and to pursue peace in obedience to your will,
until the kingdoms of this world
all give you their full allegiance.
Amen.*

Anthem

Sung by the Choir.

May the Lord show his mercy upon you;
may the light of his presence be your guide :
may he guard you and uphold you;
may his spirit be ever by your side.

When you sleep may his angels watch over you;
when you wake may he fill you with his grace:
may you love him and serve him all your days
then in heaven may you see his face.

Words & Music: John Rutter (b. 1945)

The following communion hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows. Please remain seated.

**Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.**

***O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood, as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.***

**Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.**

***O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood, as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.***

**Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.**

*Words: Sebastian Temple (1928-1997)
based on the Prayer of St Francis*

*Music: Sebastian Temple (1928-1997)
arranged by Norman Warren (1934-2019)*

Immortal love for ever full,
for ever flowing free,
for ever shared, for ever whole,
a never-ebbing sea!

Our outward lips confess the name
all other names above;
love only knoweth whence it came,
and comprehendeth love.

O warm, sweet, tender, even yet
a present help is he;
and faith has still its Olivet,
and love its Galilee.

The healing of his seamless dress
is by our beds of pain;
we touch him in life's throng and press,
and we are whole again.

Through him the first fond prayers are said
our lips of childhood frame;
the last low whispers of our dead
are burdened with his name.

Alone, O love ineffable,
thy saving name is giv'n;
to turn aside from thee is hell,
to walk with thee is heav'n.

Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

Music: Jeremiah Clarke (c. 1673-1707)

Hymn Tune: BISHOPTHORPE

The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand with the president who introduces a time of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.

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.

Amen.

**God of truth,
we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands the bread of life:
strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you
and for each other;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

A hymn is sung.

**He who would valiant be
'gainst all disaster,
let him in constancy
follow the Master.**

**There's no discouragement
shall make him once relent
his first avowed intent
to be a pilgrim.**

**Who so beset him round
with dismal stories,
do but themselves confound –
his strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
though he with giants fight:
he will make good his right
to be a pilgrim.**

**Since, Lord, thou dost defend
us with thy Spirit,
we know we at the end
shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
to be a pilgrim.**

Words: Percy Dearmer (1867-1936) after John Bunyan (1628-1688)

Music: English traditional melody

collected and arranged by

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Hymn Tune: MONKS GATE

The Dismissal

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead
our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Those who are able join the procession to the War Memorial on Selby Road for the Act of Remembrance, which begins at just before 11.00 am. Please take this booklet with you.

Act of Remembrance

The Gathering

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

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.

Remembering

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 beginning of the two-minute silence is signalled. Silence is kept.

The completion of the silence is signalled, and the following prayer is said.

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.

Wreaths are laid on behalf of the church and community.

The Kohima Epitaph is said.

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

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.

Amen.

Responding in hope

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 Blessing

God grant to the living grace,
to the departed rest,
to the Church, the King, 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,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The National Anthem

The first verse of the National Anthem is sung.

**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.**

Our regular services

Sung Eucharist:	Every Sunday at 10.00 am
Said Eucharist:	Every Wednesday at 10.00 am
Choral Evensong:	First Sunday of the month at 6.00 pm
Compline:	First Wednesday of the month at 8.30 pm
Sanctuary:	Second Thursday of the month at 6.30 pm
Sacred Space:	Last Thursday of the month at 6.00 pm
Pilgrims in the Park:	Last Saturday of the month at 2.00 pm at Temple Newsam Park
Daily Prayers:	Tuesday to Saturday at 8.30am and 5.30pm

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