

St Gomonda's Church Roche



An Order of Service for Remembrance Sunday

churches
together

IN BRITAIN AND IRELAND

THE SERVICE

GATHERING (*All gather in silence*)

The presiding minister reads one or more of the following sentences:

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

The presiding minister continues:

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.

***Hymn: (During the singing of this hymn, Colour Parties and Wreath Bearers
will be received at the Altar)***

ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

Onward Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;
forward into battle see his banners go.
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.

At the sign of triumph Satan's host doth flee;
on then, Christian soldiers, on to victory,
Hell's foundations quiver at the shout of praise;
brothers, lift your voices, loud your anthems raise.
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.

**Like a mighty army moves the church of God;
brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod.
We are not divided, all one body we,
one in hope and doctrine, one in charity.
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.**

**Crowns and thrones may perish, kingdoms rise and wane,
but the church of Jesus constant will remain.
Gates of hell can never against that church prevail;
we have Christ's own promise, and that cannot fail.
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.**

**Onward then, ye people, join our happy throng,
blend with ours your voices in the triumph song.
Glory, laud, and honour unto Christ the King,
this through countless ages men and angels sing.
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.**

LISTENING FOR THE WORD FROM GOD

The reader says:

Hear these words from the New Testament
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."

Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon:

***Hymn: (During the singing of this hymn a collection will be taken for the
Earl Haig Poppy Appeal)***

ABIDE WITH ME

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not, abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting?

**Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me**

**Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, o Lord, abide with me
Abide with me, abide with me**

PRAYING TOGETHER

Prayer is led:

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, those named on the memorial,

The Reading of the Roll of Honour, by Roche School children

1914-1918

Albert A Allen
James B Baron
Richard Bennetts
John Borlase
F Clarence Cocks
Arthur Couch
Harry Coad
John H Hawke
Thomas Hawken
George Hambly
Lewis Hawke
William Jeffrey
Frederick J Jewells
Frank Keam
James H May

Archibald W Moyses
Richard Marshall
F Archibald Pond
Alonzo Pedlar
Peter Richards
Wallace Rowe
Arthur Stephens
Percy Stephens
Albert Sanders
John L Skinner
William Trethewey
Thomas Trevenna
Gordon R White
William H Vivian

1939-1945

Albert Hancock
John M Harris
Jack Gregory
Clarence M Chapman

William Cock
Roland Rescorl
Arthur G Grose
Gilbert Hill

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 ever.
Amen.

All join together in the 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.

Hymn: (During the singing of this hymn, Colours and Wreaths will be collected and taken to the main door of the Church)

O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

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

Under the shadow of thy throne
They saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And thy 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 the 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 like a dream
Dies with the dawning day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be our defence while life shall last
And our eternal home.

**The National Anthem (During the singing of the National Anthem,
Colours will be held to attention)**

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.

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

THE ACT OF REMEMBERING AT THE WAR MEMORIAL

An older person says:

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

A younger person may reply:

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

All affirm:
We will remember them.

Two-minute silence
Then the Last Post and Reveille will be sounded

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.

RESPONDING IN HOPE AND COMMITMENT

*Representative and other members of the public come forward to lay
wreaths.*

The Kohima Epitaph is said:
When you go home
tell them of us and say,
for your tomorrow
we gave our today.

The act of commitment is made:

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 following blessing is used:

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

