

THE KOHIMA EPITAPH

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

The minister prays:

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.

THE FINAL BLESSING

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,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you
always.

Amen.

*Gifts placed in the offering plate at the
back of church are gratefully received,
and will be shared equally between the
church and the Royal British Legion.*



A SERVICE FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

*The minister reads some sentences, and
introduces the service.*

GATHERING PRAYER

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.

And we thank you for the freedom we
enjoy because of the sacrifice of others,
and especially the sacrifice made by
Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF THE COLOURS

*The scouts, cubs and explorers present
their colours at the communion table.*

SONG: God is our strength and refuge

God is our strength and refuge,
our present help in trouble;
and we therefore will not fear,
though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble,
though swirling floods are raging,
God the Lord of hosts
is with us evermore!

There is a flowing river,
within God's holy city;
God is in the midst of her —
she shall not be moved!

God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at his presence —
God the Lord of hosts
is with us evermore!

Come, see the works of our maker,
learn of his deeds all-powerful:
wars will cease across the world
when he shatters the spear!
Be still and know your creator,
uplift him in the nations —
God the Lord of hosts
is with us evermore!

SORROW FOR WRONGS

Minister: Gracious God, when we glory
in power and not in humility:
Father forgive us

All: And grant us your peace.

Minister: When we glory in satisfaction
and not service:
Father forgive us

All: And grant us your peace.

Minister: When our hearts are at war
with your will for our lives:
Father forgive us

All: And grant us your peace.

Minister: May almighty God have
mercy on us, forgive us our
sins, and bring us to
everlasting life

All: Amen.

ACTIVITY: POPPIES FOR REMEMBERING

BIBLE READINGS (Easy Reading Translation):

Luke 1:68-75

⁶⁸ "Praise to the Lord God of Israel.
He has come to help his people

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.

We sing 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!**

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Let us remember before God,
and commend to his safe keeping,
those who have died
for their country in war;
and all who lived and died in the
service of the peoples of the world.

We remember especially those from
our village of Mulbarton who have
died for their country in war.

*Wreathes are placed by the war
memorial, and the names of the fallen
are read.*

A parish representative says:

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

Children and young people reply:
At the going down of the sun and in
the morning, we will remember them.

All affirm: We will remember them.

*The flags are dipped and
the Last Post is played*

TWO MINUTES SILENCE

*The Reveille is played, as flags are
raised*

**Under the shadow of your throne
your saints have dwelt secure.
Sufficient is your arm alone,
and our defence is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting you are God,
to endless years the same.**

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

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
soon bears us all away.
We fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.**

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

*The scouts and guides collect their colours
from the communion table, and move to
the front of church, near the pulpit, lining
up ready to dip the flags during the
two-minute silence.*

RESPONDING IN COMMITMENT

We stand to respond.

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

and has given them freedom.
⁶⁹ He has given us a powerful Saviour
from the family of his servant David.
⁷⁰ This is what he promised
through his holy prophets long ago.
⁷¹ He will save us from our enemies
and from the power of all those who
hate us.
⁷² God said he would show mercy to our
fathers, and he remembered his holy
agreement.
⁷³ This was the promise he made to our
father Abraham,
⁷⁴ a promise to free us from the power of
our enemies,
so that we could serve him without fear
⁷⁵ in a way that is holy and right for as
long as we live.

John 15:12-13

¹² This is what I command you: Love each
other as I have loved you.

¹³ The greatest love people can show is to
die for their friends.

**TALK:
Our Remembering, God's Remembering**

SONG: Make me a channel of your peace

**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.**

**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 are born to eternal life.**

(Sebastian Temple, based on the Prayer of St Francis of Assisi)

REMEMBERING FRANK

PRAYING TOGETHER IN HOPE

We give thanks for all who gave their lives and suffered for our freedom, and we pray for all who suffer the fear and misery of conflicts across the world today:

Lord, BLESS all who suffer in body, mind or spirit as a result of war.

Lord, BLESS those living in countries where civil war is destroying communities and making enemies of neighbours, and where fear and violence dominate every aspect of daily living. We especially ask you to BLESS all children living in such circumstances.

Lord, BLESS refugees and all who have been displaced by war, especially those who have lost all hope of a better life.

Lord, BLESS the members of our armed forces, the police and security services, that we may continue to live in peace and safety.

Lord, BLESS those who are peacemakers, those who negotiate and those who speak out for truth and justice at great cost to themselves and their families.

God of encouragement, BLESS those who remember past sacrifices and guide us in building a just and peaceful community for all.

AMEN

A PRAYER FOR THE ARMED FORCES

Almighty God, stretch forth your arm to strengthen and protect Her Majesty's Armed Forces: grant that in meeting danger with courage and all occasions with discipline and loyalty, they may truly serve the cause of justice and peace; to the honour and glory of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY COLLECT

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord and Liberator.
Amen.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, we pray together as the Lord Jesus 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.**

THE TRUE STORY OF EDITH CAVELL

HYMN: 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;**