



The Order for the Requiem Mass
with an Act of Remembrance on
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
**(The feast of the Dedication
of the Lateran Basilica)**
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Welcome to St George's! This booklet contains all the material you will need for today's celebration of Mass. We hope that you will find this service easy to follow, but please do not be afraid to ask if you are unsure what to do at any point. The building is fitted with an induction loop and you will find the best results away from the pillars.

Families with small children are very welcome to make use of the carpeted play area at the back of church, where you will find books, crayons and soft toys.

There is a further play station in the north aisle. Older children should join Children's Church, who will go out to the Hall after the first hymn, and return in time for Communion.

A toilet is at the back of church, behind the screen. After Mass, please join us in the hall for refreshments. Before Mass, please try to maintain an atmosphere of quiet prayer.

Mass setting: Congress Mass.

Please stand when the bell rings, for the procession of the clergy and servers, with Scout flag parties, and to sing hymn 533:

**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
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. *Isaac Watts (1674-1748)*

The priest sings:

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

People **Amen.**

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Children's Church go to their activities, and the priest introduces the Mass, and invites the people to recall and confess their sins:

Priest 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.

People **I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

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

People **Amen.**

Cantor Lord, have mercy.
People **Lord, have mercy.**
Cantor Christ have mercy.
People **Christ, have mercy.**
Cantor Lord, have mercy.
People **Lord, have mercy.**

Then the priest prays the collect:

Priest Almighty everlasting God, who sent your Son to die that we might live, grant, we pray, eternal rest to those who gave themselves in service and sacrifice for their country. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Now sit to listen to the first reading:

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel. (*Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12*).

In those days: The angel brought me back to the door of the Temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the Temple towards the east (for the Temple faced east). The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the Temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate and led me round on the outside to the outer gate that faces towards the east; and behold, the water was trickling out on the south side.

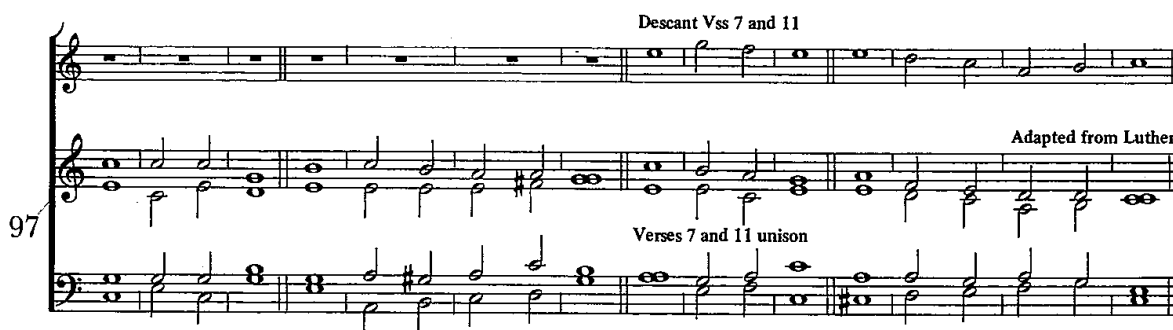
And he said to me, 'This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, and enters the sea; when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh. And wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish. For this water goes there, that the waters of

the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes. And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.'

This is the word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 46 follows the reading. Remain seated to sing:



- 1 God is our | hope and | strength :
a very | present | help in | trouble.
- 2 Therefore will we not fear, though the | earth be | moved :
and though the hills be carried | into ' the | midst ' of the | sea;
- 3 Though the waters thereof | rage and | swell :
and though the mountains shake at the | tempest | of the | same.
- 4 The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the | city ' of | God :
the holy place of the tabernacle | of the | most_ | Highest.
- 5 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she | not ' be re- | moved :
God shall | help her, ' and | that right | early.
- 6 The heathen make much ado, and the | kingdoms ' are | moved :
but God hath shewed his voice, and the | earth shall | melt a- | way.
- 7†* The Lord of | hosts is | with us :
the God of | Jacob | is our | refuge.
- 8 O come hither, and behold the | works ' of the | Lord :
what destruction he hath | brought up- | on the | earth.

- 9 He maketh wars to cease in | all the | world :
 he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder,
 and burneth the | chari- ' ots | in the | fire.
- 10 Be still then, and know that | I am | God :
 I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be ex- | alted | in the |
 earth.
- 11* The Lord of | hosts is | with us :
 the God of | Jacob | is our | refuge.

† = second half of chant

* = with descant

Remain seated for the second reading:

Reader A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
 Corinthians. (1 Corinthians 3; 9-11, 16-17)

Brothers and Sisters: You are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

This is the word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Stand for the gospel acclamation.

Choir Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Choir Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life.

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Priest The Lord be with you,

People **And also with you.**

Priest
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A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (*John 2; 13-*

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the Temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the Temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, 'Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade.' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'

So the Jews said to him, 'What sign do you show us for doing these things?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People

**Praise to you, O Christ.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Please sit for the Homily from Fr Henry.

All stand to say the Apostles' Creed:

People

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;**

on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he shall come to judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting, Amen.

Please remain standing for the Act of Remembrance, and turn to face the War Memorial. The priest goes to the War Memorial, and is joined by Cllr Kira Gabbert, who carries the wreath:

Priest Let us remember before God, and commend to his
safekeeping, those who have died for their country in
war: those whom we knew, and whose memory we
treasure: and all who have lived and died in the service of
the peoples of the world.
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.

People **We will remember them.**

Cllr Gabbert lays the wreath below the Memorial, and all observe the two minutes' silence. At the end of the silence:

Priest Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

People **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Priest Ever-living God, we remember those whom you have
gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your
presence: may the same peace calm our fears, bring
justice to all peoples and to establish harmony among the
nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The priest and Cllr Gabbert return to their places. Please turn to the front and remain standing for the Prayers of Intercession.

The Priest introduces and concludes the prayers.

Priest Let us pray to God, the only giver of peace to the Church
and to the world.

Reader Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

At the prayer for the departed,

Reader Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

People **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

When the prayers of the saints are asked,

**Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed
art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb, Jesus: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us
sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

In conclusion to the prayers:

Priest We make our prayers in the name of Christ, who has left
his peace to his faithful people. Merciful Father,

People **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our
Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Please sit, as the Choir sing the Kontakion of the Departed, to the Kyiv Melody,
and bread and wine are brought to the altar.*

*Stand to sing hymn 456, as the altar is prepared and the collection is taken. If
you want to give by card, there is a card reader at the back of church.*

**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways!
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence praise.**

**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.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love!

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.

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! *JG Whittier (1807-92)*

The Priest says

Priest Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may
be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the
praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good
of all his holy Church.**

Priest Grant, O heavenly Father, that the sacrifice of Christ, who
laid down his life for his friends, may raise all those who
have died in war to the victory of eternal life. Through
Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Priest sings the opening of the Eucharistic Prayer:

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Priest prays the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer, and then all sing the Sanctus and Benedictus:

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

Please kneel. The Eucharistic Prayer continues, until the Words of Institution. Then all make the Memorial Acclamation:

Priest The mystery of faith.

People **Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.**

The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer, and all sing:

People **Amen! Amen! Amen!**

Please stand for the Lord's Prayer.

Priest At the Saviour's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to pray,

People **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.**

Priest Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our day, that by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we

await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

People **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.**

Priest Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Now sing the Agnus Dei

People **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. (repeated)**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Then kneel.

Priest Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Priest Greater love has no one than to lay down his life for his friends, says the Lord.

The people come forward to receive Communion. If you have not been baptized and confirmed, please come forward for a blessing instead of Communion, carrying this order of service.

During Communion hymn 401 is sung, all remaining seated or kneeling.

Sweet Sacrament divine,
Hid in thine earthly home,
Lo, round thy lowly shrine,
With suppliant hearts we come;
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise
In songs of love and heartfelt praise:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,
Dear home for every heart,
Where restless yearnings cease
And sorrows all depart;
There in thine ear all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery:
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,
Ark from the ocean's roar,
Within thy shelter blest
Soon may we reach the shore;
Save us, for still the tempest raves,
Save, lest we sink beneath the waves:
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,
Earth's light and jubilee,
In thy far depths doth shine
Thy Godhead's majesty;
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray
That earthly joys may fade away:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Francis Stanfield (1835-1914)

All stand for the Post-Communion Prayer:

Priest By our communion with this Sacrament, O Lord, grant us,
we pray, fortitude in the cause of right, and may our
remembrance of those who have died in war make us
ardent defenders of your peace. Through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Please sit for the notices.

Then stand for the National Anthem:

**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.**

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and
the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

Priest Go forth, the Mass is ended.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The clergy and servers go to the shrine of Our Lady for the Angelus.

Priest The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary,

People **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art
thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us
sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Priest Behold the handmaid of the Lord,

People **Be it unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...**
Priest And the word was made flesh,
People **And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...**
Priest Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
People **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**
Priest Let us pray. We beseech you, O Lord, pour your grace into
our hearts, so that as we have known the incarnation of
your Son Jesus Christ through the message of an angel,
so, by his cross and passion, we may be brought to the
glory of his resurrection. Through the same Jesus Christ
our Lord.
People **Amen.**

Remain standing to sing hymn 434 as clergy and servers depart:

**And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among those dark satanic mills?**

**Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight.
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant land.**

William Blake (1757-1827)

The organist plays “Nimrod”, from Enigma Variations by Sir Edward Elgar (1857-1934) as Cllr Gabbert and the priest go, accompanied by the Scouts and the trumpeter, to lay the wreath on the memorial in the churchyard.

Scripture readings are taken from the English Standard Version, Catholic Edition.

Collection: we take a collection during the second hymn, towards the cost of providing services and the upkeep of this church. If you are a UK taxpayer please place your offering in one of the envelopes in the pews (completed with your name and address) and place it in the collection plate when it is circulated during the hymn. Pens are in the pews. A card reader to give by contactless payment is available at the back of church. Special thanks if you give by standing order, as this helps us to budget.

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