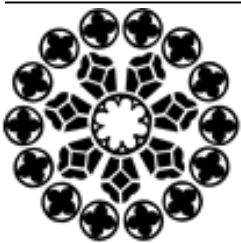


Remember our child

To remember the lives of children who have died



Truro
Cathedral

Sunday 12th May 2024
at 2.00pm

About this Service

We warmly welcome you all to this Service of Remembrance with all that you bring. The first of these services was held in the cathedral nearly thirty years ago in 1995. As you enter the cathedral you will be given a candle. These will be lit shortly after the service begins and then offered up in an act of remembrance towards the end of the service.

If the name of the child you have come to remember is not already in the Remember our Child Book, but you would like them to be remembered by name in the service, please fill in one of the blue forms that can be obtained from the Lay Assistants at the back of the Nave. Please return this form to a Lay Assistant before the start of the service so that your child's name can be added to the list of names to be read out during the Act of Remembrance.

You can also use this form to have your child's name added to the Remember Our Child Book of Remembrance so that your child will be remembered every year on the anniversary of their death at our quiet 9am Holy Communion service. The cathedral will write to you to acknowledge when your child's name has been added to the book, and will keep you informed about future Remember Our Child services.

After the service you are welcome to sit quietly in the Boer War chapel by the main West entrance and refreshments will be served in the Chapter House, accessed by the North door.

The date of next years' service
will be Sunday 11th May 2025 at 2pm.

All stand to sing the hymn.

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the
lathe, Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, Your
strength in our hearts, Lord at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Please be seated

Welcome and Opening Prayer
Canon Alan

The Lighting of the Candles

*Please go to the front of the nave to have your candles lit. The
Easter Candle, positioned on the Podium, reminds us of God's
promise of eternal life. Our candles are lit from this, and thus
brings the hope of Easter directly into our lives, as we hold
before God those whom we remember before him this*

afternoon. During the lighting of candles, a recording of the Cathedral Choir singing 'In My Father's House,' by Philip Stopford will be played.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Remember Me by Christina Rossetti (1881-19589)

read by Stephen Tucker

Remember me when I am gone away,
Gone far away into the silent land;
When you can no more hold me by the hand,
Nor I half turn to go yet turning stay.
Remember me when no more day by day
You tell me of our future that you planned:
Only remember me; you understand
It will be late to counsel then or pray.
Yet if you should forget me for a while
And afterwards remember, do not grieve:
For if the darkness and corruption leave
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,
Better by far you should forget and smile
Than that you should remember and be sad.

A period of silence is kept.

Second Reading

Luke 2. 8-19

read by Revd Dom Whiting, Hospital Chaplain

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the

angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven,

and on earth peace among those whom he favours!' When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A period of silence is kept.

*All **stand** to sing.*

Be still for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here
Come bow before Him now,
With reverence and fear

In Him no sin is found
We stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here.

Be still for the glory of the Lord,
Is shining all around
He burns with holy fire,
With splendour He is crowned
How awesome is the sight
Our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord,
Is shining all around.

Be still for the power of the Lord,
Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal,
To minister His grace
No work too hard for Him
In faith receive from Him
Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place.

Please be seated.

Address
Canon Alan Bashforth, Canon Chancellor

Prayers
led by Carolyn Elliott and Beverly Hulme, Lay Pastoral Ministers

Please sit or kneel

There will be a short pause for silent prayer before each response.

Let us turn to God in prayer.

We gather in remembrance of those whom we love and who have died. We remember with fondness the many gifts they shared with us.

The response in the prayers is,

Compassionate God,
Comfort and heal.

At the end of the prayers the Lord's Prayer is said

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us

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.

Act of Remembrance

All stand whilst the Remember Our Child Book of Remembrance is processed from the West End of the Cathedral to the Podium.

The Book of Remembrance is offered to God as we commend them to God's continuing love and care.

The names of the lost children are read.

Following this, Canon Alan says the following prayer.

Lord of all, we pray for the souls of the faithful departed that they may rest in peace.

We praise you for all who have entered into their rest and reached the promised land where you are seen face to face.

Give us grace to follow in their footsteps as they followed in the way of your Son.

Thank you for the memory of those you have called to yourself:

by each memory, turn our hearts from things seen to things unseen,

and lead us till we come to the eternal rest

you have prepared for your people,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Canon Alan continues.

Eternal Father, we offer our prayers for those whom we have named before you.

When we are weary and in need of strength,

When we are lost and sick at heart,

All We remember them.

When we have a joy we crave to share

When we have decisions that are difficult to make

When we have achievements that are based on theirs,

All We remember them.

At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter
At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring,

All We remember them.

At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer
At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn,

All We remember them.

At the rising of the sun and at its setting,

All We remember them.

All As long as we live, they too will live. For they are
now a part of us, As we remember them.

May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
May the rains fall softly upon your fields.
Until we meet again,
May God hold you in the hollow of his hand.

All Amen.

All sing the final hymn.

YE holy angels bright,

Who wait at God's right hand,
Or through the realms of light
Fly at your Lord's command,
Assist our song,
For else the theme
Too high doth seem
For mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest,
Who ran this earthly race,
And now, from sin released,
Behold the Saviour's face,
God's praises sound,
As in his sight
With sweet delight
Ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below,
Adore your heavenly King,
And onward as ye go
Some joyful anthem sing;
Take what he gives
And praise him still,
Through good or ill,
Who ever lives!

My soul, bear thou thy part,
Triumph in God above:
And with a well-tuned heart
Sing thou the songs of love!

Let all thy days
Till life shall end,
Whate'er he send,
Be filled with praise.

You are warmly invited to stay for refreshments in the Chapter House, which is accessed by the North door.

We are most grateful to St Eval Candle Company for providing candles, which members of the congregation can take home with them at the end of the service.

Please take this order of service
away with you.

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