The Requiem of Remembrance Sunday



ABOUT THIS SERVICE

Welcome to Truro Cathedral and to this Eucharist as we remember with thanksgiving the sacrifices made by many men and women during two world wars and in more recent conflicts. Christians believe that we are part of the vast communion of saints, God's people of every age, and that when we pray we are one with the whole church in heaven as well as on earth. Those who have died are still our partners in faith, surrounding us with their prayers and their love. As we believe that they are praying for us, so it is right that we should pray for them, that in them as in us God's perfect will may be fulfilled. So as we meet in God's presence today, and especially as we recall the sacrifice of Christ through the bread and wine of the Eucharist, we believe that we are not simply remembering and honouring the fallen, but praying for them, and commending them to God's eternal mercy. The ancient words of the Requiem Mass sung by the choir speak of our mortality and weakness, but also of God's love and God's promise that we will share in the joys of his paradise.

Please note that communion will be administered both at the High Altar. Gluten free hosts are available. Please indicate to the priest if you require a gluten free wafer as you come to receive communion.

All who usually receive Holy Communion in their own church are warmly invited to do so today. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head as a signal to the minister.

Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine) is not permitted at Truro Cathedral.

Please feel free to sit or kneel at any point in the service.

Please join in with the responses in bold type.

The congregation **stands** as the ministers, servers, and choir enter in silence.

The choir sings the Introit and Kyrie during which the altar is honoured with incense.

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Te decet hymnus Deus in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem. Exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet. Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

The president says

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

The president greets the people

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

Words of welcome and introduction may be said.

Rest eternal grant unto them,
O Lord,
and let light perpetual
shine upon them.
A hymn, O God, becometh
thee in Sion,
and a vow shall be performed
to thee in Jerusalem.
O Lord, hear my prayer;
all flesh shall come to thee.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The Greeting

Prayers of Penitence

The deacon invites the people to confess their sins using these or other suitable words

God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us.

As we acknowledge our human frailty, we call to mind our sins of word, deed and omission, and confess them before God our Father.

Please sit or kneel

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.

We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light.

Amen.

The president says

May God our Father forgive you your sins, and bring you to the eternal joy of his kingdom, where dust and ashes have no dominion.

Amen.

The president says

Let us pray

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading
Lamentations 3.17-26,31-33

A reading from the book of Lamentations

My soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is; so I say, 'Gone is my glory, and all that I had hoped for from the Lord.' The thought of my affliction and my homelessness is wormwood and gall! My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me. But 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; great is your faithfulness. 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.' The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of

the Lord. For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please **stand**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

Choir Blessed are those who die in the Lord for they rest from their labour.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading John 5: 19.25

The deacon says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, the Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, the Son does likewise. The Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing; and he will show him greater works than these, so that you will be astonished. Indeed, just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whomsoever he wishes. The Father judges no one but has given all judgement to the Son, so that all may honour the Son just as they honour the Father. Anyone who does not honour the Son does not

honour the Father who sent him. Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life. 'Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayers of Intercession

Please Kneel or sit

The intercessor introduces the intercessions:

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Jesus, bread from heaven, you satisfy the hungry with good things: grant us a share with all the faithful departed in the banquet of your kingdom.

Hear us, risen Lord, our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, the light of the world, you gave the man born blind the gift of sight and opened the eyes of his faith: bring those in darkness to your eternal light and glory.

Hear us, risen Lord, our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, Son of the living God, you summoned your friend Lazarus from death to life: raise us at the last to full and eternal life with you.

Hear us, risen Lord, our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, crucified Saviour, in your dying you entrusted each to the other, Mary your mother and John your beloved disciple: sustain and comfort all who mourn.

Hear us, risen Lord, our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, our way and truth and life, you drew your disciple Thomas from doubt to faith: reveal the resurrection faith to the doubting and the lost.

Hear us, risen Lord, our resurrection and our life.

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church, living and departed in the Lord Jesus, to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please Stand

The Peace

The president introduces the Peace, using these or other suitable words.

Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Deacon: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Offertorium is sung by the choir during which the altar is prepared Please sit

O Domine Jesu Christe, Rex gloriae, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de poenis inferni, et de profundo lacu, libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat eas tartarus, ne cadent in obscurum. Sed signifer sanctus Michael repraesentet eas in lucem sanctam. Quam olim Abrahae promisisti, et semini eius. Hostias et preces tibi Domine laudis offerimus, tu suscipe pro animabus illis, quarum hodie memoriam facimus; fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam. Quam olim Abrahae promisisti, et semini eius. Amen.

O Lord Jesu Christ, King of Majesty, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the pains of hell and from the deep pit, deliver them from the lion's mouth, that the dark lake devour them not, that they descend not to the realms of darkness. But let Michael the holy standardbearer restore them to the brightness of glory: which once thou promisedst to Abraham and his seed. We offer thee, Lord, sacrifice and prayers with our praise; accept them for those souls in whose memory we make this oblation. Grant them, Lord, to pass from death to life: which once thou promisedst to Abraham and his seed. Amen.

Taking of the bread and Wine

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement; draw us from hatred to love; make the frailty of our praise a dwelling place for your glory. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer E

Please stand

The president says

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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:

Choir

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra
gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,

in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice

made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread

of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and

resurrection until he comes in glory.

The deacon says:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please remain standing.

Act of Remembrance

The president introduces the following acclamation

This is the will of him that sent me that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, And I will raise them up at the last day.

The president leads the Act of Remembrance

Let us remember before God, and commend to his safe keeping: 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.

We will remember them.

Two minutes silence is kept.

At the end of the silence the president says the Kohima Declaration

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

Please sit or kneel

The Pie Jesus is sung by the choir

Pie Jesu, Domine, Blessed Jesus, O Lord,

dona eis requiem; grant them rest;

dona eis requiem grant them everlasting rest.

sempiternam.

The president concludes the commemoration with the following prayer

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, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer

Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven, 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.

Jesus is the living bread which came down from heaven: if anyone eats of this bread, they will live for ever. **Lord, give us this bread always.**

Giving of Communion

The president says the following 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.

At the Distribution the president says

The Body of Christ. The blood of Christ.

The communicant replies each time Amen, and then receives.

During the distribution the choir sings the Agnus Dei, Lux aeterna and Libera me

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine, cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es.

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna, in die illa tremenda, quando caeli movendi sunt et terra, Dum veneris iudicare saeculum per ignem.

Tremens factus sum ego, et timeo, dum discussio venerit, atque ventura ira. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.

Let light eternal shine upon them, O Lord, together with the saints, for thou art good.

Rest eternal grant unto them,
O Lord, and let light perpetual
shine upon them.
Deliver me, O Lord,
from eternal death,
in that awful day
when heaven and earth
shall be moved,
when thou shalt come to
judge the world by fire.

Trembling I stand before thee, and I fear the trial that is at hand and the wrath to come. Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis et miseriae, dies magna et amara valde.

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. That day, a day of wrath, of calamity and of misery, a great and most bitter day.

Eternal rest grant them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Prayer after Communion

Please stand.

Let us pray

Most holy God and Father, hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice. Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow; and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father,
in your Son Jesus Christ
you have given us a true faith
and a sure hope.
Strengthen this faith
and hope in us all our days,
that we may live as those who believe in
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
and the resurrection to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The president says

The Lord be with you **And also with you.**

The president uses this or another suitable blessing

May God give to you and to all those whom you love his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The deacon says

Neither death nor life can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

In Paradisum

The choir sings the following anthem, during which the clergy and ministers depart.

In Paradisum deducant angeli, in tuo adventu suscipiant te martyres, et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem. Chorus angelorum te suscipiat, et cum Lazaro quondam paupere aeternam habeas requiem.

May the angels receive thee in Paradise; at thy coming may the martyrs receive thee, and bring thee into the holy city Jerusalem.

There may the choirs of angels receive thee, and with Lazarus, once a beggar, may thou have eternal rest.

The ministers, servers and choir depart in silence

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