



# Welcome to St Alban's

## Remembrance Sunday

*Before the children leave for Children's Church we pray together....*

**Dear God, this church is a family.**

**Help us to learn together, to worship together,  
to share together and to pray together.**

**In Jesus name. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: *William Williams (1717-1791) Tr. Peter Williams (1727-1796)*

**1. Guide me, O thou great  
Redeemer  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty,  
Hold me with thy powerful hand:  
Bread of Heaven, Bread of  
Heaven,  
Feed me now and ever more.**

**2. Open now the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing stream doth  
flow;  
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar**

**Lead me all my journey through:  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
Be thou still my strength and  
shield.**

**3. When I tread the verge of  
Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's  
destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side:  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee.**

*We are gathered together as one body*

† 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.

**Amen**

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

#### INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our share in what is wrong in the world, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for his children.

God, be gracious to us and bless us,  
and make your face shine upon us:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth,  
your saving power among the nations:

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,  
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you † pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Glory be to God in heaven, peace to those who love him well;  
on the earth let all his people speak his grace his wonders tell.  
Lord we praise you for your glory, mighty father, heavens king;  
Hear our joyful adoration and accept the thanks we bring.**

**Only Son of God the Father lamb, who takes our sins away;  
now with him in triumph seated, for your mercy, Lord we pray.  
Jesus Christ, most high and holy, saviour you are God alone.  
In the glory of the Father, with the Spirit three in one.**

### **THE COLLECT (The special prayer of the day)**

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

*After each reading...* This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Job 19.23-27a

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end

GRADUAL HYMN: *Sebastian Temple©1967 OCP Publications*

**1. 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.**

*Oh, 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.*

**2. 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. *Oh, Master, grant....*

**3. Make me a channel of your peace.**  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving to all men that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life. *Oh, Master, grant...*

THE GOSPEL – Luke 20.27-38

*We sing: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**Glory to you O God**

*At the end of the reading:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Please stand if you are able*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who redeemed us?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**All: This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*In peace let us pray to the Lord....*

*At the end of the prayers we say together:*

**Merciful Father, accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

### THE KOHIMA EPITAPH

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

*As a sign of our prayers of remembrance, and for peace,  
we attach our red petals to the white cross.*

### THE PEACE

*Please stand. We share a sign of peace with those standing nearest us.*

Jesus said, ‘Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you’.  
The peace of God be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Timothy Dudley-Smith © 1976 Timothy Dudley-Smith*

**Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.**

**Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.**

**Lord, for our land in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:  
For young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.**

**Lord, for our world where men disown and doubt you,  
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,  
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**

**Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us –  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
past put behind us, for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

Jesus Christ welcomes to this celebration all the children of his kingdom on earth.

With this bread that we bring  
**All: We shall remember Jesus.**

With this wine that we bring  
**All: We shall remember Jesus.**

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.**

*The president prays the preface then invites us to join with the whole company of heaven to sing....*

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.** *New People's Mass, A Gregory Murray © 1975, 1987 McCrimmon*

*The president recalls the last supper*

Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

*The president continues to praise God for his mighty acts. At the end we say...Amen*

As our Saviour taught us so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name;**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done;**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins,**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory,**

**are yours, now and for ever. Amen**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

*New People's Mass, A Gregory Murray © 1975, 1987 McCrimmon*

God's holy gifts, for God's holy people.  
**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father. Amen**

*All baptised Christians who receive communion in their own churches are welcome to receive communion. Any member of the congregation may come to receive a blessing*

COMMUNION HYMN *Kevin Mayhew © 1976 Kevin Mayhew Ltd*

**1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.**

***Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.***

**2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice. *Christ, be our light...***

**3. Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed. *Christ, be our light...***

**4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone. *Christ, be our light...***

**5. Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come. *Christ, be our light...***

*Post communion prayer...*

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.  
**Amen**

**Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

*We remain standing for our act of remembrance...*

They shall not grow 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.

**All: We will remember them.**

*The Silence is signaled by the Last Post and ends with the Reveille.*

*Let us pray...*

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

Priest: Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: **We will.**

Priest: Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All: **We will.**

Priest: Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All: **We will**

*We sing the National Anthem*

**God save our gracious Queen,  
Live long our noble Queen,  
God save the Queen!  
Send her victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us,  
God save the Queen.**

## THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

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...

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

CLOSING HYMN: © 1961 Timothy Dudley-Smith

**Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out my soul, the greatness of his name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
his holy name—the Lord, the Mighty One.**

**Tell out my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!**

*Please stay for refreshments after the service. Everyone is welcome here and if you are new or just visiting please feel welcomed as one of the family.*

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