REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

INTRODUCTION

We are here to worship Almighty God, whose purposes are good, whose power sustains the world he has made; who loves us, though we have failed in his service; who gave Jesus Christ for the life of the world; who by his Holy Spirit leads us in his way.

As we give thanks for his great works, we remember those who have lived and died in his service and in the service of others:

we pray for all who suffer through war and are in need; we ask for his help and blessing that we may do his will, and that the whole world may acknowledge him as Lord and King.

HYMN

ACT OF PENITENCE

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.

After a short silence, all say:

Most merciful God,
We confess that we have sinned
In thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy
Forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
And direct what we shall be;
That we may do justly, love mercy,
And walk humbly with you;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Vicar says:

Almighty God 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.**

THE LESSON: MICAH 4.1-5
HYMN

THE LESSON: JOHN 15.9-17

THE SERMON

THE PRAYERS

Let us pray for the peace of the world:
for statesmen and rulers, that they may have wisdom to know and
courage to do what is right ...
and for men and women the world over, that they may have
justice and freedom and live in security and peace ...

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Most gracious God and Father, in whose will is our peace:
turn our hearts and the hearts of all men to yourself,
that by the power of your Spirit
the peace which is founded on righteousness may be established
throughout the whole world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of war:

For the injured and the disabled, for those mentally distressed, and for those whose faith in God and in man has been weakened or destroyed ...

For the homeless and refugees, for those who are hungry, and for all who have lost their livelihood and security ...

For those who mourn their dead, those who have lost husband or wife, children or parents, and especially for those who have no hope in Christ to sustain them in their grief ...

And let us pray for the work of the Royal British Legion and all who relieve the suffering of victims of war.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, infinite in wisdom, love and power, have compassion on those for whom we pray; and help us to use all suffering in the cause of your kingdom; through him who gave himself for us on the cross,

Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, **Amen**.

Let us pray for the members of Her Majesty's Armed Services, especially those on active service.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty and Eternal God, grant that all those who serve in the Royal Navy, the Army and the Royal Air Force, may carry out their duties with courage, discipline, and humanity, truly serving the cause of justice and peace, which is your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN

<u>During the Hymn a collection will be taken for the</u>
<u>Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal</u>

ACT OF COMMITMENT

Remain standing

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men:

That we may help, encourage, and comfort others, and support those

working for the relief of the needy

and for the peace and welfare of the nations.

All say together:

Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all mankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name.

Guide us by your Spirit; Give us wisdom; Give us courage; Give us hope; And keep us faithful now and always. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

All stand and process to the War Memorial outside Then the Vicar says:

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure 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 mankind.

A LIST OF NAMES WILL BE READ

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.

And all shall repeat:

We will remember them.

The Last Post will be sounded followed by:

THE SILENCE

Reveille will be sounded

THE LAYING OF WREATHS

The Vicar says:

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, whether 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. **Amen.**

NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE BLESSING

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all mankind, peace and concord; and to us all, God's servants, life everlasting.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**