

The Peace

Jesus said: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." *John 14:27*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Hymn 504 - O let us spread the pollen of peace throughout our land.

Prayers

Lord in your mercy: Hear our Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 366 - Praise my soul the king of heaven

The Blessing

Dismissal

Let us commit ourselves to faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace? **We Will**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? **We Will**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity? **We Will**

May we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, and live lives of justice, courage and mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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St. Matthew's Church, Irishtown Service of Remembrance - 7th November 2021



Welcome from the parish of St Matthew's Irishtown, Dublin 4 to this Remembrance Day Service – wherein we remember those who paid the ultimate sacrifice so that we might live in freedom.

Greeting

We meet in the presence of God who knows our needs, hears our cries, feels our pain and heals our wounds.

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

"God is our refuge and strength: a very present help in trouble" Psalm 46 v 1

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 and live with justice and peace.

We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror. We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away. **Amen**

Act of Remembrance

*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.*

Time of Silence

The Kohima Epitaph

*“When you go home- tell them of us and say
For your tomorrows, we gave our today”*

Ever living God, we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war and service 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**

Hymn 537 - O’ God our help in ages past, our hope for years to come

Invitation to Confession

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.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are truly sorrow and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, that we may walk in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen

The Absolution

The Collect

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 and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

FIRST READING: Isaiah 2: 1-5

Psalm 130

¹From the depths of my despair I call to you, Lord.

²**Hear my cry, O Lord; listen to my call for help!**

³If you kept a record of our sins, who could escape being condemned?

⁴**But you forgive us, so that we should stand in awe of you.**

⁵I wait eagerly for the LORD's help, and in his word I trust.

⁶**I wait for the Lord more eagerly than watchmen wait for the dawn — than watchmen wait for the dawn.**

⁷Israel, trust in the Lord because his love is constant and he is always willing to save.

⁸**He will save his people Israel from all their sins.**

SECOND READING: John 15: 9-17

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Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family

In heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,

Who lives in our hearts through faith and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,

Who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen