

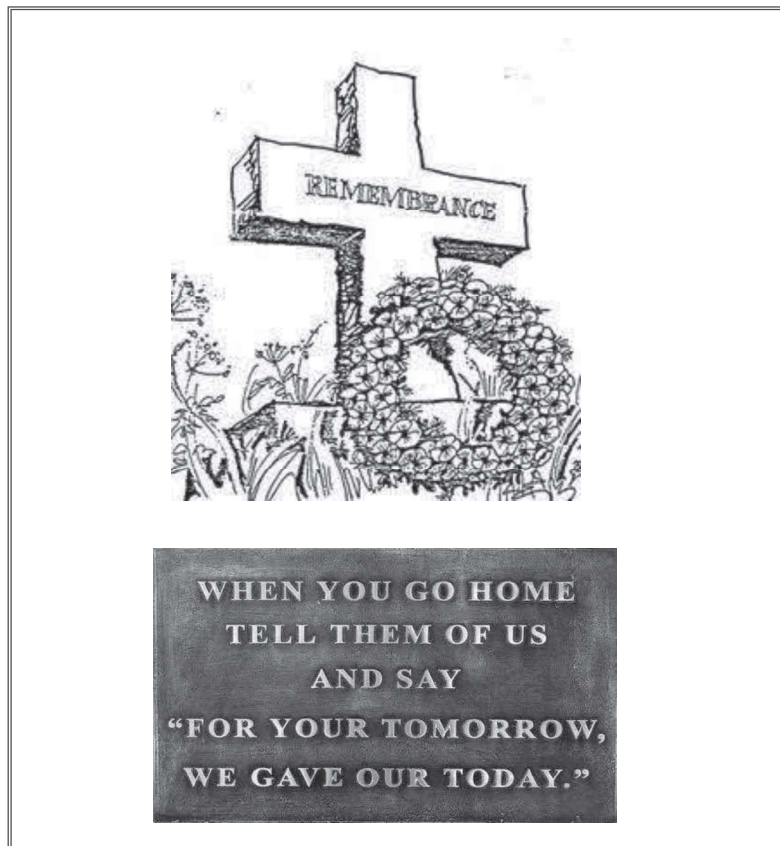


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The Church of North India*

*A member of the worldwide Anglican Communion*

## Remembrance Sunday



Choral Eucharist † Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 • 8.45 a.m.

## Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

We are the mother church of the Diocese of Bombay in the Church of North India, a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Christian worship has been offered to God here for over 300 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

The basis for our worship is the *Book of Common Prayer*, our common liturgical heritage with Anglicans across the world (all churches descended from the Church of England). We are rooted in tradition but celebrate the richness and diversity of the Communion. Music and hymnody represent the best of the Anglican choral tradition.

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Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper from ***The Book of Common Prayer*** (refer page numbers).

The hymns can be found in ***Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard***

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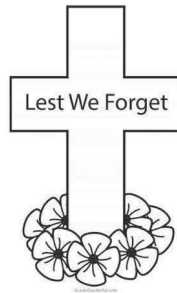
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Remembrance Sunday explores one ongoing theme of the Season of All Saints to Advent, that of memory both corporate and individual, as we together confront issues of war and peace, loss and self-giving, memory and forgetting.



# Order of Service

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The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

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## *The Gathering*

### Voluntary

Prelude on 'Eventide'

('Abide with me') ... .. Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, 1848 - 1918

Nimrod ... .. Edward Elgar, 1857 - 1934

### Welcome

*All keep silence and prepare for worship.*

### Introit

*Sung by the choir*

Eternal Father, strong to save,  
whose arm hath bound the restless wave,  
who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep  
its own appointed limits keep :  
O hear us when we cry to Thee  
for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,  
our brethren shield in danger's hour;  
from rock and tempest, fire, and foe,  
protect them wheresoe'er they go :  
thus evermore shall rise to Thee  
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Words: W. Whiting, 1825 - 78

Tune: MELITA # 292  
J. B. Dykes, 1823 - 76

*All stand and face the West Door.*

## Opening Sentences

*The Presbyter*

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

*All*

**they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary  
they shall walk and not faint.**

Isaiah 40.31

*All sing*

The Entrance Hymn | # 192

***Praise my soul the King of Heaven***

*All sit*

*All say together*

The Collect for Purity | **page 260**

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

### The Collect for Remembrance Sunday

*Read by the Presbyter*

God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars shall cease  
and poverty and pain shall end,  
that earth may know the peace of heaven  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All*     **Amen.**

## The Old Testament Lesson

*Isaiah 2: 1 - 5*

A reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah.

This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths." The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore. 5 Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord

*At the end of the reading* This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

*Sung by the choir to a chant by Turle.*

*121*

*Levavi oculos*

<sup>1</sup> I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.

<sup>2</sup> My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup> He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

<sup>4</sup> Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup> The Lord himself is thy keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

<sup>6</sup> So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

<sup>8</sup> The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

*All stand*            Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
                                 And to the Holy Ghost;  
                                 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
                                 World without end. Amen.

*All sit*

## The Epistle

*Romans 8: 31 - 39*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

‘For your sake we are being killed all day long;  
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.’

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*At the end of the reading* This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand and sing.*

***I vow to thee my country***

**Gradual Hymn | # 295**

*Tune: THAXTED*

*Remain standing for the Gospel  
as the cantor sings the Alleluia and we respond.*

## The Gospel of Christ

*St. Matthew 5: 1 - 11*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.**

Jesus Christ is the firstborn from the dead;  
to him be glory and power for ever and ever. *cf Colossians 1.18*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.**

*The Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And with thy spirit.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

*Continued*



Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

*At the end of the Gospel:*

*The Gospeller* This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

*All* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*Remain standing for the Creed, all reciting together.*

## The Nicene Creed | page 265

*All sit*

Sermon

The Reverend Avinash T. Rangayya, *Cathedral Presbyter*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*All stand*

The Peace

*The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace*

*Celebrant* 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. *cf John 14.27*  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **and also with you.**

*Members of the congregation greet one another.*

*Remain standing to sing the offertory hymn.*

*At this time the altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine and the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. Thank you for your generosity.*

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*All sing*

## Hymn at the Offertory | # 184

**Jerusalem the golden**

*Tune: EWING*

*All say*

## Offertory Prayer | page 270

*We keep a moments silence as a candle is lit  
to symbolise God's light in this time of conflict and depair in the Holy Land.  
Kneel as able or remain seated*

*All say*

## Remembering

**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.**

*All stand*

*An older person says:*

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;  
age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

*A younger person replies:*

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
we will remember them.

*All affirm:*      **We will remember them.**

*Wreaths are placed near the war memorials.*

*Two minutes of silence is observed, after which The Last Post is sounded.*

*The Kohima Epitaph is then said:*

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

*All kneel or sit*

### A Prayer of Commemoration

*The Presbyter* 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;  
fulfill in them the purpose of your love;  
and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

### An Act of Commitment

*Presbyter* Let us commit ourselves to responsible living  
and faithful service.

*All* 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.**

Merciful God,

we offer to you the fears in us

that have not yet been cast out by love:

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.**

The General Confession & Absolution | *pages 275, 276*

The Consecration | *page 277*

The Communion | *page 284*

*Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion.  
During the administration of Communion, while seated we sing.*

Hymn

**<sup>1</sup> 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.*

**<sup>2</sup> 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 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.*

**<sup>3</sup> 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.**

Words: St. Francis of Assisi, c. 1182 - 1226

Music: Sebastian Temple, 1928 - 1997

The Thanksgiving | *page 287*

*All stand and sing.*

Gloria in Excelsis | *page 288*

The Blessing

*The Presbyter*

God grant to the living grace,  
to the departed rest,  
to the Church, our Country, the Commonwealth, the world,  
and all people, unity, peace and concord,  
and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting;  
and the blessing of God almighty, † the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*All join in singing*

Hymn at the Closing | # 224

**Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us**

*Tune: MANNHEIM*

*From the West Door the Presbyter says*

The Dismissal

*Presbyter*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Postlude

Elegy ... .. Malcolm Archer, b. 1952

**Please stay back after the service for a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee.  
Introduce yourself to the Presbyter if you are worshipping with us for the first time.**

### Birthdays this Week

*"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"*

2 Corinthians 9 :15

Sharon Ravichandran (12), Aradhna Knox (13), Samantha Dawson (14),  
Leona Michyari (14), Roshan Thomas (17), Raj Tiwari (18)

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### Wedding Anniversaries this Week

*"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness."*

Galatians 5:22

Ramola & Nikhil Mengde (17)

### Notices

- Today is 'Unity Sunday'. We pray for the *Communion of Churches in India* (The Church of North India, The Church of South India and the Mar Thoma Church).
- An early morning prayer session (online) is conducted every Monday from 6 a.m. to 6.30 a.m. If you would like to log in, contact the Presbyter.
- Advent this year begins on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.



#### **"From Darkness to Light"**

*An Advent sequence of lessons and hymns  
with choral and organ music*

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023 • 6.30 p.m.

Paranjoti Academy Chorus

*presents*

Seasonal Choral Music

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023 • 6.30 p.m.

#### **Cathedral ministries... ..**

*Get involved!*

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| • Sunday School      | Sunday morning during term time                                |
| • Women's Fellowship | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month 10.45 am                   |
| • Youth Fellowship   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month 10.45 am |
| • Choir              | Sunday 10.45 am and occasionally Saturday                      |

## Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** Our heartfelt prayers continue for peace in the Holy Land. For all who have lost relatives and friends, and all those who have been imprisoned • Our hopes and prayers for a solution to the conflict between Ukraine and Russia are on-going.

† **OUR COUNTRY** This morning as we pray in earnest for peace in our world, pray for all our brave personnel in the armed forces: the Navy, the Army and the Air Force. Keep them safe as they defend our borders.

**THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** In the Anglican Communion - Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola (The Anglican Church of Mozambique) and the Most Revd Carlos Simao Matsinhe.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** Today the Church of North India, The Church of South India and the Mar Thoma Church observe 'Unity Sunday'. Let us pray for the *Communion of Churches in India (CCI)*. The CCI has been constituted as the visible organ for common expression of the life and witness by the founding Churches, the CNI, the CSI and the Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church (MTC) which recognise themselves as belonging to the one Church of Jesus Christ in India, even while remaining as autonomous churches, each having its own identity of traditions and organizational structures. The CCI invites other Churches in India to enter into full communion with the member churches separately and join "The Communion" • The Diocese of Chhattisgarh and the Right Reverend Ajay Umesh James • The Diocese of Vellore and the Right Reverend Sharma Nithyanandam • For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the selection of the Moderator of the Church of South India.

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** St. Andrew's Church (Marathi Pastorate) and the Reverend S. G. Mhaske.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** All senior citizens and those who are unwell. Pray for all care providers • This week for the ministry of the Cathedral's *Womens' Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS)*.

## Prayer for Israel and Palestine

O God of all justice and peace,  
we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma  
of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.  
Be with those who need you in these days of suffering;  
we pray for people of all faiths and for all people of the land.  
Amen.

*(Prayer offered by Archbishop Hosam Naoum of Jerusalem)*



I believe in the sun,  
even when it does not shine.  
I believe in love,  
even when I cannot feel it.  
I believe in God,  
even when He is silent.

*Prayer scratched on the wall of a prison cell in Cologne during the Second World War*

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