

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

**Year B**

**SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2012**

**COLLECT**

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

**FIRST READING Micah 4.1–5**

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

**SECOND READING Romans 8: 31 to end**

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.

**GOSPEL Corinthians 15: 50 to end**

I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

**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

**FOR PRAYER**

Give thanks for the sacrifice and courage of all who gave their lives for peace, pray that we may play our part in bringing peace to our homes, community and world.

Please pray for Archbishop Rowan, for Bishop Trevor, Dean Robert and the Cathedral, Provincial Episcopal Visitors Bishop Norman and Bishop Jonathan and for the people and clergy of the diocese.

Please pray for the Diocese as we seek to: grow the church numerically; and spiritually; re-imagine ministry; build partnerships that enrich communities. Our 6 churchwardens and Jenny, Barbara, Geoff and Irene all who are involved in covering all the services for the United Benefice. We pray that a vicar somewhere is thinking about moving to a new parish and they would consider ours as the ideal place to come.

