



St Mary's Church
Saffron Walden
Sharing God's Love

PARISH CHURCH OF

**St. Mary
the Virgin**

SAFFRON WALDEN

**A Service
for
Remembrance Sunday**

Sunday 8th November 2020 at 10.30am

Music:

Nimrod Elgar

INTRODUCTION

The Rev'd Andy Colebrooke

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.

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.

Please kneel or sit

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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Choir sing:

For the fallen Guest

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

*Colonel (retired) Joseph
Hordern*

Let us pray to God for peace:
for all who bear the burden of
leadership, political, military
and religious, give them

wisdom and a steady resolution
in the search for a just peace;

for all who work to bring greater
understanding between people
of different nationalities,
cultures and beliefs; for all
members of the armed forces
who are in danger this day, and
for their families and friends as
they wait for their safe return.

Lord in your mercy;
Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all who suffer as
a result of war: for those
injured, for those emotionally
traumatised and those whose
lives have been disfigured by
war; for refugees, for those who
have lost their homes, and for
those living in fear; for those
who will hear of the death of
someone they love today, for
those who mourn, for those for
whom today is filled with
poignant memories;

Lord in your mercy;
Hear our prayer.

O God of truth and justice,
we hold before you those
whose memory we cherish,
and those whose names we will
never know.

Help us to lift our eyes above
the torment of this broken
world, and grant us the grace to

pray for those who wish us
harm.

As we honour the past, may we
put our faith in your future;
for you are the source of life
and hope, now and for ever.
Amen.

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.

Matthew: 5: 1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying:

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 sons of God.

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

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.

SERMON

The Rev'd Andy Colebrooke

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

All stand

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 humanity.

Colonel (retired) Joseph Hordern:

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.

The Last Post.

Here follows The SILENCE.

Then the Reveille will be sounded.

Margaret Jacobs, representing Girl Guiding:

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

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

Amen.

Please be seated

The choir sings the anthem:

In Paradisum
from Faure's Requiem

PARISH PRAYERS

led by Robin O'Neill

ACT OF COMMITMENT

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and all humanity: 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
humanity, 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

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory.
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

NATIONAL ANTHEM

sung by the Choir

God save our gracious Queen,
long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen.
Send her victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save the Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store
on her be pleased to pour,
long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen.

BLESSING

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 of God
Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be with you all
and remain with you always.
Amen.

Organ Voluntary

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