

A Service of Thanksgiving and Rededication for

Remembrance Sunday



Sunday, 10th November 2013, 12:00 pm The Cathedral Church of St Paul the Apostle, Dunedin, New Zealand

The Great War Memorial Window

This window is dedicated to the glory of God, and in loving and thankful memory of those of Otago and Southland who gave their lives in the Great War, 1914 – 1918. The window was made by James Powell and Son, Whitefriars, London, the money gathered by subscriptions canvassed throughout Otago and Southland.

The window represents Victory (right-hand half) through Sacrifice (left-hand half) symbolised by the Golden Crown and the Crown of Thorns respectively in the upper tracery. Within the tracery sections are the Coats of Arms of the Otago and Southland Regiments, and the Arms of New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

The top line of figures consists of (1) St. Michael the Warrior Angel; (2) the Angel of Suffering; (3) Sacrifice; (4) Death; (5) Gabriel the Archangel of Peace; (6) Angel with Chalice of Remembrance; (7) of the Resurrection; and (8) Victory with the Crown of Glory. The central line symbolises Fortitude, Patience, Truth, Obedience, Love, Faith, Hope, and Peace. The bottom line uses new symbols for the top themes: War in Heaven, the Paschal Lamb, Moses lifting up the serpent in the wilderness, the Entombment, the Nativity, Christ reigning from the Cross, and the Resurrection and Ascension.

N.B. After many years it was discovered that the Angel of Peace and the Angel of Suffering had been transposed. Window No. 2 should be in the No. 6 position, and vice versa.

Welcome

It is the privilege of St Paul's Cathedral to welcome you all to this Service; distinguished guests, members of the Returned Services Association, past and present members of the Armed Forces, their families and friends.

The Service will proceed unannounced.

The Service is conducted by the Dean of St Paul's Cathedral,
The Very Reverend Dr Trevor James.

The music is sung by the Choir of St Paul's Cathedral (Director of Music: *Mr George Chittenden*) and the Dunedin RSA Choir, (Conductor: *Mr Michael McConnell*)

The Liturgical Verger: *Mr Bruce Aitken QSO*The Bugler: *Mr Ralph Miller*

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All stand as the Choir and Clergy Process, and remain standing for the Presentation of Colours, laying of a wreath, the singing of the National Anthem, the Bidding and the first hymn.

The Presentation of Colours and Laying of a Wreath

The National Anthem:

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.

The Bidding Prayer:

In the presence of Almighty God we have gathered on this Remembrance Sunday, as are others throughout the Commonwealth, to offer to God our worship and praise; to remember before God the courage and devotion of our people through days of stress and danger; to pay tribute to those who laid down their lives in war that we and our families might live in peace; to commend to God's care those who today mourn the passing of a loved one through war. We affirm again our determination to put an end to all armed conflicts; we express our penitence for those occasions when they become necessary; and we acknowledge with sorrow the suffering and destruction they cause. We pray for the Armed Forces, that their power and skill may always be used to safeguard justice and peace. And finally, we entreat God that we may hold courageously to the values we possess, working untiringly in God's service here on earth.

Hymn: 'O God, our help in ages past' (*St Anne*)

- O God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come,
 Our shelter from the stormy blast,
 And our eternal home!
- 2) Under the shadow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, And our defence is sure.
- 3) Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.
- 4) A thousand ages in thy sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night, Before the rising sun.

5) Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away; We fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day. 6) O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come: Be thou our guard while troubles last, And our eternal home!

Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748) from Psalm 90

All kneel or sit for The Prayers of Approach and Confession:

Glory to you, God of the universe, for sending Jesus Christ, who teaches us to live peacefully and to walk justly.

In Him, we know the ultimate victory of justice over injustice, and peace over war. **Amen.**

Eternal God, on this day we have much to remember. We think of all those who, in two world wars, and since, have given their lives in the defence of their homeland, and all who, to this day, mourn their passing.

We remember those who lie dead in many lands so that we may live here in peace.
We think also of the dead whose sea-grave is one of the oceans of the world.

As we remember with pride their sacrifice, so too do we remember their nearest and dearest, whose hearts today are heavy at their loss.

We make these prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We confess that we have fallen short of the example shown by those whom we honour today.

The Litany of Reconciliation (from Coventry Cathedral, United Kingdom):

For the hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class; **Father, forgive us.**

For the covetous desires of nations and peoples to possess what is not their own; **Father, forgive us.**

For the greed which exploits human labour and lays waste the earth;

Father, forgive us.

For our envy of the welfare and happiness of others;

Father, forgive us.

For our indifference to the plight of the homeless and the refugee;

Father, forgive us.

For the lust which uses for ignoble ends the bodies of men and women and children;

Father, forgive us.

For the pride which leads us to trust in ourselves, and not in God;

Father, forgive us.

The Absolution:

Through the cross of Christ God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen**.

All sit.

First Reading: Micah 4 (vv. 1-8)

Read by:

Mr Jamie Joseph, Head Coach, 'Highlanders' rugby team

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 forever and ever. In that day, says the Lord, I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away, and those whom I have afflicted. The lame I will make the remnant, and those who were cast off, a strong nation; and the Lord will reign over them in Mount Zion now and forevermore. And you, O tower of the flock, hill of daughter Jerusalem.

Remain seated as the Cathedral Choir sings **Psalm 46** (ch. from M. Luther):

- 1. God is our hope and strength: a very present help in trouble.
- 2. Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved: and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.

- 3. Though the waters thereof rage and swell: and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
- 4. The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God: the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.
- 5. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed: God shall help her, and that right early.
- 6. The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved: but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
- 7. The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- 8. O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord: what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.
- 9. He maketh wars to cease in all the world: he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.
- 10. Be still then, and know that I am God:

I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

11. The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

All stand for the Doxology:

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.

Second Reading:

Romans 8 (vv. 31, 35, 37-39)

Read by:

Ms Karen Clements, New Zealand Red Cross

If God is for us, who is against us? Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 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.

All kneel or sit for the prayers:

The Naval Prayer:

Led by: Sub Lieutenant Marlene Pooley

O Eternal Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; who hast compassed the waters

with bounds until day and night come to an end; be pleased to receive into thy almighty and most gracious protection the persons of us thy servants and the Navy in which we serve.

Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, and from the violence of the enemy; that we might be a safeguard unto our most gracious Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the peoples of New Zealand may in peace and quietness serve thee our God; and that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the land, with the fruits of our labours, and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies to praise and glorify thy holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Army Prayer:

Led by: Major Amanda Jane Brosnan

I pray to you my Lord, whose command is over all, and whose love never fails; Let me be aware of your presence and obedient to your will.

Help me to accept my share of responsibility with a strong heart and a willing mind.

Make me considerate of those with whom I live and work, and faithful to the duties my country has entrusted to me.

Let my uniform remind me daily of the traditions of the Army in which I serve.
When I am inclined to doubt, strengthen my faith.
When I am tempted to sin, help me to resist.
Guide me with the light of your truth and keep before me your light and your presence. **Amen**

The Air Force Prayer:

Led by: Flight Lieutantant Andrew Rooney

Eternal God, who has entrusted us with the care

of the earth, the sea and the air; we pray today for all who serve in the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

Whether it be in the air or on the ground; in our homeland or overseas; in safety or in danger; may they serve with professionalism, integrity and teamwork to serve faithfully in that common cause to make our world a just place for all.

Guide all commanders, give them patience and vision to lead wisely and well. Bless all airmen and airwomen that they may find joy and reward in service; patience in routine; and a sense of worth in all endeavours.

We ask in the Name of the Prince of Peace. **Amen**

The Police Prayer:

Led by: Inspector Alastair Dickie

Spirit of God, guide and inspire each member of our New Zealand Police. Enlarge our vision; shape our plans; rejoice with us in all our achievements.

Gracious God, help us to build security and respect as the sound foundation. for growing harmony and love among all the people of our nation - Maori, Pakeha, Pacific Islanders, all ethnic, religious groups and cultures.

Bless this generation and future generations of our Police personnel: for those seeking a vocation in Policing; for wise leadership, instructors, educators, and researchers; for those in the front line; for those in initial training; for families of police staff and retired members; for all who care in some way for the Police.

We pray for compassion and understanding in our dealings with people. Breathe into our work your energy and courage that we may be faithful, serving people, committed to providing "safer communities" for all. **Amen**.

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

All stand. As the Crucifer, RSA President and Dean process up the nave, all turn to face the Memorial Window.

The Prayer of Remembrance:

Almighty God, into your hands we commend the souls of those who laid down their lives in the cause of freedom; praying that you would grant them the joys of your eternal kingdom, and, to all who mourn them, fortitude of spirit and constant faith in the power of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Silence.

The Ode in Te Reo led by Professor John Broughton ED:

E kore ratou e koroheketia Penei i a tatou kua mahue nei E kore hoki ratou e ngoikore Ahakoa pehea i nga ahuatanga o te wa. I te hekenga atu o te ra Tae noa ki te aranga mai i te ata Ka maumahara tonu tatou ki a ratou.

Ka maumahara tonu tatou ki a ratou.

The Ode led by *Ms Jenepher Glover* (Dunedin RSA President):

They shall grow not old as we who 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

Silence

The Reveille

The Crucifer, RSA President and the Dean process down the nave.

All sit as the Cathedral Choir sings:

'Te Deum in C Major'

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

We praise thee, O God, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens, and all the Powers therein; To thee Cherubin, and Seraphin continually do cry, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;

The Father of an infinite Majesty;

Thine honourable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,

Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the Glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,

Whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints, in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.

Govern them and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name, ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin,

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

Text: Trad. Latin hymn (4th Century)

Eternal God, gratefully we remember the sacrifices of those whom today we honour; those who have inspired us by their devotion to duty; those who have helped purchase freedom by their sacrifice of life itself. Strengthen us to follow them in doing our duty as it is revealed to us; and to be united with you in your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All stand for the **Hymn:** 'Eternal Father, strong to save' (*Melita*)

- 1) Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has 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.
- 2) O Christ, whose voice the waters heard and hushed their raging at thy word, who walkedst on the foaming deep, and calm amid the storm didst sleep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
- 3) O Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the waters dark and rude, and bid their angry tumult cease, and give, for wild confusion peace; O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
- 4) O Trinity of love and power, our comrades' shield in danger's hour from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them whereso'er they go: thus evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting (1825-1878)

The Address: The Dean, The Very Rev'd Dr Trevor James

The RSA Choir sings: 'Let Us Now Praise Famous Men' *Victor Galway* (1894-1960)

Let us now praise famous men, and our fathers that begat us.
The Lord hath wrought great glory by them through his great pow'r from the beginning. Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms, men renowned for their power, Giving counsel by understanding, and declaring prophecies.

Leaders of the people by their counsels, wise and eloquent their instructions.

All these were honoured in their generations, and were the glory of their times.

Their bodies are buried in peace, but their name liveth for evermore.

Text: Ecclesiasticus 44 (vv. 1-4, 7, 14)

The Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession:

Led by: The Dean

Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage: we pray that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favour and glad to do your will.

Save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every way which could potentially harm another.

Defend our liberties, and fashion into one the diverse people who call New Zealand home. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace on these islands. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in you to fail, all this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Keep them safe by your grace and give them courage to face whatever difficulties lie before them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Ever-living God, we pray for those who have served and given their lives in wars past: we pray for them; for their families; and we pray that we with similar conviction will work towards confronting injustice and building a more peaceful world.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

As we look for the coming of God's kingdom; let us pray in faith and trust:

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
And the glory are yours
Now and for ever. Amen.

All stand for the hymn, during which a collection be taken.

Hymn: I vow to thee, my country' (*Thaxted*):

- 1) I vow to thee, my country all earthly things above Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love: The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test, That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best; The love that never falters, the love that pays the price, The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.
- 2) And there's another country, I've heard of long ago, Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know; We may not count her armies, we may not see her King; Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering; And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are Peace.

Text: Cecil Spring-Rice (1859-1918)

All remain standing.

The Act of Rededication

Led by: The Dean

Let us rededicate ourselves to building a world in which there is justice and peace for all, and where women, men and children live a life of full human dignity.

Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all people in the cause of justice and peace, and for the relief of want and suffering. Guide us by your spirit; give us wisdom, courage, vision and hope; and keep us faithful to our calling now and always, for the honour of your name. Amen.

The Blessing:

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, tranquillity; to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth and all humanity, peace and concord; and to us and all His servants, life everlasting. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

The National Anthem of New Zealand:

1) E Ihoa Atua,
O ngā Iwi Mātou rā,
ata whakarongona;
me aroha noa.
Kia hua ko te pai;
kia tau tō atawhai;
manaakitia mai
Aotearoa.

2) God of nations at Thy feet, in the bonds of love we meet; hear our voices we entreat, God defend our free land! Guard Pacific's triple star, from the shafts of strife and war, make her praises heard afar; God defend New Zealand!

The colurs are returned to The Colour Party; they retire, and the Processions move from the Chancel.

Organ Voluntary: Passacaglia und Fuge C-moll (BWV 582) *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685-1750)

Following the service, all are cordially invited to light refreshments in the Crypt beneath the Cathedral, the stairs to which are located at the north-east corner. Please ask the verger or a sidesperson for disabled access directions.

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IN REMEMBRANCE



This service has been prepared by St Paul's Cathedral in conjunction with representatives of the New Zealand Armed Forces and Returned Services Association in Otago