ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BRADING ISLE OF WIGHT



ORDER OF SERVICE

for the

UNVEILING

and

DEDICATION

of the names of the men of the parishes of Brading and Yaverland who lost their lives in the War of 1939-1945, now inscribed upon

THE WAR MEMORIAL

APRIL 21st, 1950

When all are assembled in the Church there shall be sung :-

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM -

Then shall be sung the hymn :-

Let saints on earth in concert sing
With those whose work is done;
For all the servants of our King
In earth and heaven are one.

One family, we dwell in him, One Church, above, beneath; Though now divided by the stream, The narrow stream of death.

One army of the living God,
To His command we bow;
Part of the host hath crossed the flood,
And part is crossing now.

E'en now to their eternal home There pass some spirits blest; While others to the margin come, Waiting their call to rest.

Jesu, be thou our constant Guide; Then, when the word is given, Bid Jordan's narrow stream divide, And bring us safe to heaven.

And the Standard of the British Legion shall be laid up in the Sanctuary.

Then shall THE LORD BISHOP OF PORTSMOUTH address the people.

THE SENTENCES

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.—St. John 11, verses 25, 26.

I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours.—Revelation 14, verse 13.

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.—Romans 8, verses 38, 39,

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

St. Matthew 5, verse 4.

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions.—St. John 14, verse 1.

 ${\it Minister}$; O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us:

Answer; Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

PSALM 121

Levavi oculos.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills: from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh even from the Lord: who hath made heaven and arth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold he that keepeth Israel: shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy keeper: the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

So that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in : from this

time forth for ever more.

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.

THE LESSON Revelation 21, verses 1-7.

Then shall be sung the hymn:—
O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;

Under the shadow of thy throne Thy Saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine Arm alone And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away; Thy fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

And all the people shall kneel.

THE PRAYERS

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers, grant to all thy servants a merciful judgment at the last day; that, in the face of all thy creatures, they may then be acknowledged as thy true children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

We be seech thee, O Lord our God, to set the peace of heaven within the hearts of men, that it may bind the nations also in a covenant which cannot be broken; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of all comfort: Deal graciously, we pray thee, with those who mourn, that casting every care on Thee, they may know the consolation of Thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:—
Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; In earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that 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.

Then shall be sung the hynm :-

Lord God of Hosts, within whose hand Dominion rests on sea and land, Before whose word of life or death The strength of nations is but breath: O King, enthroned all thrones above, Give strength unto the land we love.

Thou Breath of Life since time began, Breathing upon the lips of man, Hast taught each kindred race to raise United word to sound thy praise: So, in this land, join, we beseech, All hearts and lips in single speech.

To George our Saint thou gavest grace Without one fear all foes to face, And to confess by faithful death That Word of Life which was His breath: O help us, Helper of Saint George, To fear no bonds than man can forge.

Arm us like him, who in thy trust Beat down the dragon to the dust; So that we, too, may tread down sin And with thy Saints a crown may win, Help us, O God, that we may be A land acceptable to thee,

During this hymn the Standard of the British Legion shall be delivered again to the bearer, and a procession shall be made to the War Memorial in the following order:—

The Cross

The Choir

The Standard of the British Legion

The Clergy

The Churchwardens

The Bishop

The President and Members of the Legion

A Sidesman

Relatives of those whose names have now been inscribed on the War Memorial

NOTE; The Procession will pass through the West Door of the Church to the War Memorial, and the congregation should leave the Church by the South Door at the direction of the sidesmen.

When all are gathered at the War Memorial The Unveiling shall be done, and the Bishop shall dedicate the freshly inscribed names.

And a member of the British Legion shall say:—

Let us remember with thanksgiving those who gave their lives for their country, and especially the men whose names are now inscribed upon this Memorial.

And he shall add :-

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.

And all shall make response with a loud roice:—
We will remember them.

Then shall flowers be laid upon the Memorial.

And LAST POST shall be sounded, and silence shall be kept for the space of two minutes: after which REVEILLE shall be sounded.

Then shall the Bishop lead the people in praising and thanking Almighty God for His mercies, saying:—

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

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, 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 for ever.

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.

THE BLESSING

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