Lord, for our land in this our generation, spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care: for young and old, for commonwealth and nation, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world where men disown and doubt

loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain, hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you: Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake usself on the cross, and Christ upon the throne, past put behind us, for the future take us: Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

#### Kneel

PRAYERS each ending with: or sit

May God give peace

ΑII God give peace

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

ΑII Our Father, who art in heaven ...

**Stand** THE NATIONAL ANTHEM:

ΑII 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.

Choir Nor in this land alone -

only but be God's mercies known

from shore to shore.

Lord make the nations see

that all should brothers be

and form one family

the wide world o'er.

ΑII 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** 

RECESSIONAL ORCHESTRAL MUSIC

Finlandia - Sibelius

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments please use the stairs or lift accessed from the door to the rear of the Lady Chapel



The Church of Saint James the Greater Leicester 11 November 2012



# SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Music played before the service Homage March - Grieg Soar Valley Music Centre Orchestra Imperial March - Elgar **Organist Matthew Haynes** 

**Please stand** as the procession enters at 10.45am

INTRODUCTION by Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

**HYMN** [A&M 207]

Praise to the Lord,

the almighty, the King of creation;

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health

and salvation:

come ye who hear,

brothers and sisters draw near,

praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so

wondrously reigneth,

shelters thee under his wings,

yea, so gently sustaineth:

hast thou not seen

all that is needful hath been

granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy

work, and defend thee;

surely his goodness and mercy here daily

attend thee:

ponder anew all the almighty can do,

he who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord!

O let all that is in me adore him!

All that hath life and breath come now

with praises before him!

Let the amen sound from his people again:

gladly for ay we adore him.

# REMEMBERING

Vicar We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow

those whose lives,

in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

The names of those recorded on the War Memorial are read

**HOMAGE** 

Diana Jones MBE says:

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

Max Zielonka, Head Chorister replies:

At the going down of the sun

and in the morning we will remember them.

We will remember them. ΑII

We join BBC Radio 4.
The congregation **then sits** until Big Ben strikes.

At the first strike of Big Ben, all stand for

### THE SILENCE

The Last Post and the Reveille are sounded.

## THE LAYING OF THE WREATH

Vicar Ever-living God,
we remember those whom you have gathered
from the storm of war
into the peace of your presence
May that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

# **HYMN** [A&M 99 omit verse 5]

Choir, churchwardens and wreath layer return to their places

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home;

beneath 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.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Sit ORCHESTRAL INTERLUDE Hymn to the Fallen – Williams

# THE WORD OF GOD

## **READING**

The Book of the Prophet Isaiah 40.1-8 Read by Julia Walker, County Vice President of the Royal British legion, Women's Section

# Stand HYMN [A&M 365 t.175 omit verse 3]

God is Love: let heav'n adore him; God is Love: let earth rejoice; let creation sing before him, and exalt him with one voice. He who laid the earth's foundation, he who spread the heav'ns above, he who breathes through all creation, he is Love, eternal Love.

God is Love: and he enfoldeth all the world in one embrace; with unfailing grasp he holdeth every child of every race.

And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then they find that selfsame aching deep within the heart of God.

Sit READING

The Gospel according to St Matthew 5.1- 10

ANTHEM sung by the Choir - music by John Ireland

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it, Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus; ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

### **ADDRESS**

# Stand HYMN [NH&WS 163]

during which a collection is taken

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided, urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way, sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided: Lord for the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us, speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze, teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.