**St Ignatius’ Carryduff**

**12 November 2023** **Remembrance Sunday**

**Hymn 537 - O God our help in ages past**

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

2. beneath 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.

**Remain standing**

**Greeting**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all **and also with you.**

**Confession and Absolution**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

**A Collect for Peace**

**Isaiah 2:1–5 - please be seated**

This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:
In the last days the mountain of the Lord’s temple will be established
as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills,
and all nations will stream to it. Many peoples will come and say,
Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob.
He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths.’
The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples.

They will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.
Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

**Be bold–A call for us to become courageous**

Be bold, be strong,
for the Lord your God is with you;
be bold, be strong,
for the Lord your God is with you!

I am not afraid, NO NO NO
I am not dismayed, NOT ME!
for I’m walking in faith and victory:
come on and walk in faith and victory,
for the Lord your God is with you.

**Matthew 5.1–12**

A Reading from Matthew Chapter 5: beginning to read at verse 1:
Now 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. He said: ‘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 children 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.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

**Children’s Spot - Winning the Peace**

**Hymn 503 - Make me a channel**

Make me a channel of your peace:
where there is hatred let me bring your love,
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
and where there’s doubt, true faith in you:

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console;*
*to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul!*

2 Make me a channel of your peace:
where there’s despair in life let me bring hope,
where there is darkness, only light,
and where there’s sadness, ever joy:

3 Make me a channel of your peace:
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we’re born to eternal life.

**Memorial**

The Laying of the Wreath

The Last Post

The Silence

Reveille

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 Collect of the Third Sunday before Advent & Prayers**

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
**and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, save the King
**and grant his government wisdom.**

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness
**and let your servants shout for joy.**

O Lord, save your people
**and bless those whom you have chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord,
**and let your glory be over all the earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us
**and renew us by your Holy Spirit.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen.

**Offering TP 93 - My heart is filled**

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who bore my pain,
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
and gave me life again,
who crushed my curse of sinfulness
and clothed me with His light,
and wrote His law of righteousness
with pow’r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who walks beside,
who floods my weaknesses with strength
and causes fears to fly,
whose every promise is enough
for every step I take,
sustaining me with arms of love,
and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who reigns above,
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
whose every thought is love.
For every day I have on earth
is given by the King,
so I will give my life, my all,
to love and follow Him.

**The Sermon**

The Colours are Returned

**Hymn 534 v1,2 - The National Anthem**

God save our gracious King,
long live our noble King,
God save the King.
Send him victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us;
God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store
on him be pleased to pour,
long may he reign,
may he defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice
‘God save the King’.

**The Blessing**

Hymn 263v1,3,4,6 - Crown him!

1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne,

hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own:

awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,

and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

3 Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,

those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:

no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,

but downward bends his wondering eye at mysteries so bright.

4 Crown him the Lord of life who triumphed o’er the grave,

and rose victorious in the strife, for those he came to save:

his glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,

who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

6 Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time,

creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:

all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou has died for me;

thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord i**n the name of Christ. Amen.**

The Organisations leave the Building