ARCH Group's aim: "To show love for God and You"



Sunday 9th November

Remembrance Day



Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Today's Post Communion

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Next Week Services: Sunday 16th November

8:30am Church Lench Holy Communion 9:30am Harvington Family Service 11:00am Rous Lench Morning Service

All are invited to the **licencing Service** for our new Rector Rev Glenn Reading at 3pm on 23rd November at Harvington Church. Refreshments and cash bar provided at the Coach and Horses afterwards.

Prayer of Intersession

We remember today O Lord all those who have died in any kind of war throughout your world, soldiers who perished in the horror of battle, innocent people buried beneath the rubble from bomb attacks, men women and children brutally attacked and murdered in their villages.

Today we remember especially those victims of the two world wars including those close to us, or to our parents and grandparents. We remember those who came home with terrible injuries, both physical and psychological and those whose loved ones never returned.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our Prayer**.

Remembering the conflicts of the past and the sacrifices which were made, we pray for a world where war is still a grim reality. Lord as we remember those who have lost their lives, help us to renew our fight against cruelty and injustice, against prejudice, tyranny and oppression. Still we cry out to you in the darkness of our divided world. Lord hear our prayer for the multitudes in every country who do not want war and are ready to walk the path of peace. May their voice be heard and may they not lose heart.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our Prayer

Lord God, we pray for the leaders of the nations, asking you to pour out your spirit on them. Give them a longing to bring freedom from fear and freedom from want for all peoples. Give strength and courage to those who bear heavy responsibilities for the peace of the world. We pray also for the Christian Church, called to witness to your love in this generation. May Christians work with all men of goodwill to break down the barriers which divide people. May those who profess one faith respect those who sincerely hold another faith and build a community where there is harmony and understanding.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our Prayer**

Continued: Prayer of Intercession

Merciful God, we pray for all who face difficulties in their personal lives - problems in their families, in their friendships, in their neighbourhoods or in their workplace. Help them to be calm in times of uncertainty and patient with those around them. Show us when we can help and give support to others around us.

On this day of remembrance our hearts and prayers go out to all who mourn the loss of those we have loved. When we lose someone close we feel that part of us dies as well but part of them lives on in us, give us strength and understanding to honour and cherish that gift. Help all those who are bereaved to find the same consolation. Jesus Christ is the light of the world, a light which no darkness can quench.

Lord in your mercy **Hear our Prayer**

This Week's First Reading: Job 19.23-27a.

- 'O that my words were written down!

 O that they were inscribed in a book!
- 24 O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever!
- 25 For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
- 26 and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- 27 whom I shall see on my side,and my eyes shall behold, and not another.My heart faints within me!

This Week's Psalm: 17.1-8.

Hear a just cause, O LORD; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

- 2 From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.
- 3 If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress.
- 4 As for what others do, by the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.
- 5 My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.
- 6 I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.
- 7 Wondrously show your steadfast love,O saviour of those who seek refugefrom their adversaries at your right hand.
- 8 Guard me as the apple of the eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings.



This Week's Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end.

2 As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the

Continued: 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end.

Rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction.⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? ¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then,

brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

This Week's Gospel Reading: Luke 20.27-38

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him ²⁸ and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? for the seven had married her.'

Continued: Luke 20.27-38.

³⁴ Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

Next Week's First Reading: Malachi 4.1-2a.

⁴ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

Next Week's Psalm: Psalm 98,

O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvellous things.

- His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory.
- The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
- ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Next Week's Psalm Continued: Psalm 98.

- ⁵ Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.
- ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before

the King, the LORD.

- ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.
- ⁸ Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy
- ⁹ at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Next Week's Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13,

⁶ Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Next Week's Gospel Reading: Luke 21.5-19.

- ⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶ 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'
- ⁷ They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' ⁸ And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.
- ⁹ 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' ¹⁰ Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.
- ¹² 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.