

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER

TRINITY

Commemorating Remembrance Sunday

November 10 & 11, 2018

*Go is love; O come, let us
worship!*

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:

✠ Psalm 143 | Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:9 | St. Luke 15:1-10

5:00 p.m. – The Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

Introit: Psalm 147:1-6: *page 518*

The Gloria: *page 86*

The Collect: *page 257*

The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 55:6-11

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The Holy Gospel: *page 258*

The Creed: *page 71*

The Homily

The Prayers of the People: L: Lord, in your mercy;

C: Hear our prayer

The Consecration: *page 82*

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From the Rector _____

A time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:8

William Manchester, in the first volume of what was intended to be a three volume biography of Winston Churchill, wrote that in the moments following the end of the First World War, Churchill, who was a member of the Cabinet, walked over to Downing Street to congratulate the British Prime Minister, David Lloyd George. Once there, Churchill interrupted the discussion of those gathered to say that the "fallen foe[s]", as he called the German people, were close to starvation and that Britain ought to send, he said, "a dozen great ships crammed with provisions" in order to relieve them. His proposal was summarily dismissed.

Manchester then went on to say that, while Churchill's proposal was being coolly rejected, a twice decorated German non-commissioned dispatch runner, who had been temporarily blinded during a gas attack just one month before, sat in a German military hospital and heard the news of his country's shameful capitulation. Six years later that soldier wrote this:

I knew that all was lost. Only fools, liars and criminals could hope for mercy from the enemy. In these nights hatred grew in me, hatred for those responsible for this deed... The more I tried to achieve clarity on the monstrous events in this hour, the more the shame of indignation and disgrace burned my brow. What was all the pain in my eyes compared to this misery? In the days that followed, my own fate became known to me.....I resolved to go into politics.

That soldier's name was, of course, Adolf Hitler. And so, in one way, the seeds of a second war may have been sown within a people and within a person.

Remembrance Day is only partly concerned with remembering the past, remembering those who have died, remembering the horror of war. It is just as much about the future. The very best way to honour those who have surrendered their lives to save the lives of others is by living wisely and carefully in the present; to ensure a stronger, brighter future.

One of the most amazing things that Moses says to the people of Israel once they have left Egypt is this command: "Do not despise an Egyptian, for you were strangers in his land". Of the very people who had caused the Israelites so much misery and unhappiness and suffering, Moses commands, "Do not despise an Egyptian". As one commentator has said, Moses seems to be suggesting that "to be free is not merely to be liberated from a tyrant; it is to refuse to be held captive by memory".

Memories of violence suffered by ourselves or by those whom we love can often lead to revenge. Jesus' call to love our enemies is a call to see them as

people. He knew that violence begets violence; revenge begets revenge. And revenge can be respectable because it is seen as a way of honoring the memory of those who have died. That seems to make it legitimate, but there's no way out of that trap.

If Remembrance Day tells us nothing else it should tell us that we have a duty to the future no less than to the past. Remembrance Day teaches us that we must work for peace, and that means working not so much with our friends as much as with our enemies, both past and potential.

I remember listening to an audio recording of a CBC Radio report from Europe on November 11, 1944; seventy-four years ago today. The reporter was Matthew Halton, the CBC's highly regarded European correspondent both during and after the Second World War.

On what was then called Armistice Day, 1944, Halton spoke in very powerful terms of the profound sense of irony he felt as he travelled over the fields of France and the Low Countries, fields the names for which had passed into our language because of the brutal battles fought just a few decades before; fields where, as Halton reported, "farmers were still using the barbed wire on which one generation was crucified": Ypres; Arras; Vimy Ridge; fields which he was able to travel in a few hours; fields that had once taken four years and a million Commonwealth lives and one and a half million French lives to gain.

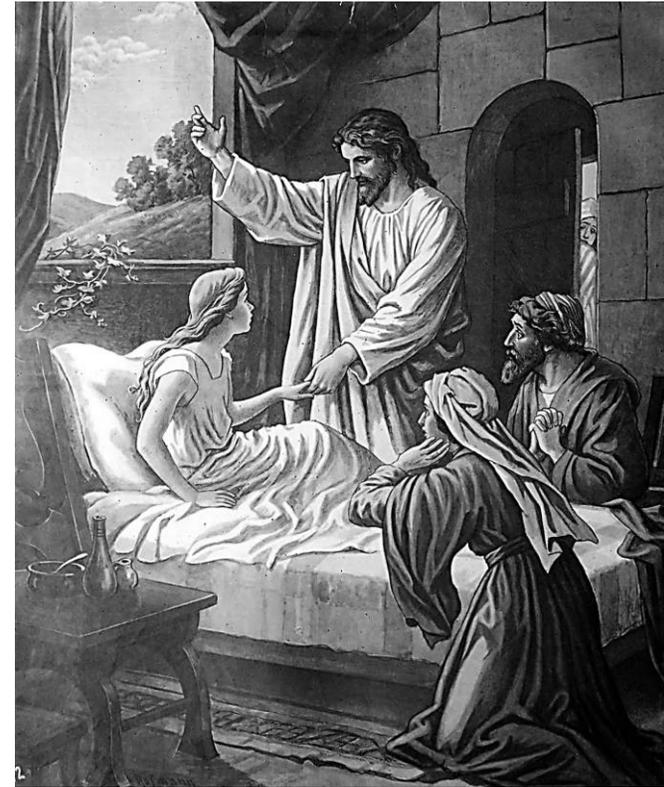
And as he stood at the monument to those Canadians who had fought and died at Vimy, he imagined the dead of one war, the ghosts of Vimy Ridge, the 'dead and damned battalions', as he called them, addressing those who were fighting the next war as it moved to its conclusion, asking them what would be done to keep faith with all those who had died.

In his book *The Dignity of Difference* Jonathan Sacks, who was the Chief Rabbi of Great Britain and the Commonwealth, wrote:

Hating the German people will not bring back to life one victim of the Holocaust. Hating the Palestinians will not bring Israel one step nearer to peace. Loving God more does not entitle me to love people less. Asking God to forgive me, I hear, in the very process of making that request, His demand of me that I forgive others. I forgive because I have a duty to the future no less than to the past — to my children as well as to my ancestors.

For what others have done to overcome evil; for those who were willing to love not just in word but in deed; for those who surrendered their lives in the face of unimaginable brutality and oppression, I remember this day and I give thanks. And for the reminder that hatred never resolves hatred; for the reminder of the horror that war is and always will be; and for the challenge to ensure that justice is always served with mercy, I also give thanks.

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How fair and lovely is the hope which the Lord gave to the dead when he lay down like them beside them. Rise up and come forth and sing praise to him who has raised you from destruction.

Syrian Orthodox Liturgy

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Parish Notices and Updates

THOSE OF YOU WHO WERE ABLE TO JOIN US LAST SUNDAY will recall that we asked for your prayers for Janet Edwards, wife of Bishop David Edwards, who had recently been diagnosed with pancreatic and liver cancer. We thank you for your prayers this past week for both of them as they journeyed through these difficult days. This past Wednesday, gracefully within the Octave of All Saints, Janet passed to her eternal rest in Christ. Please continue to pray for Bishop Edwards, as well as for their friends and colleagues, as they seek strength, comfort, and peace.

*Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord;
and may light perpetual shine up her.
May she rest in peace and rise in glory.*

ST. MARY'S BRANCH OF ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN will be meeting on **Monday, November 12th**, beginning with lunch in the Parish Hall at 12:00 noon followed by a business meeting. The women of St. Mary's are warmly invited to join them. For more information please speak to Doreen Lawrence at 458-5402 or the Rector.

ST. MARY'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY is held every **Friday, at 10:00 a.m.** at the Rectory. We've resumed our study of the Gospel according to St. Luke. Everyone is warmly invited to join us; and if your schedule only permits you to attend occasionally, please plan to join us when you can.

Members of the Parish Corporation (Wardens and Vestry members) are reminded of the meeting next **Sunday, November 18th**, starting at approximately 12:15 p.m. Those who are unable to attend are asked to convey their regrets to the Rector or the Vestry Clerk.

ST. MARY'S BRANCH OF THE MOTHERS' UNION will be meeting on **Tuesday, November 20th**, at 7:45 p.m. following the 7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. They invite everyone to join them. For more information please speak to Adele Knox.

NEWS! NEWS! EVERYONE IS WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN US for the return of **PINT of VIEW**, on **Thursday, November 22nd** at 7:00 p.m. at Bill & Adele Knox's (5 Ruby Court). More details will follow in next Sunday's bulletin but for now mark your calendars! Plan to join us for a stimulating conversation while we enjoy some of Fredericton's finest craft beer. For more information, please speak to the Rector.

PLEASE JOIN US ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24th for our annual **Chicken Pattie Tea & Bazaar** from **11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** The cost of the Tea is \$10.00.

* The organisers are asking for your donations of items for the Food Table, Craft Table (knitting, etc.), Silent Auction (items to make up

baskets e.g. soaps, candles; or any **new items you would like to give** (e.g. sheets, towels, a sweater, pictures, decorations, gift certificates, etc.. Everything is welcome.

* They're also calling for volunteers to help with the serving, as well as in the operation of all aspects of the event. Please speak to the Rector if you have any questions.

GREENER VILLAGE, FREDERICTON'S FOOD BANK, has posted the following as their current wish list. If you can supply any of these items, please drop them in the basket in the Narthex and we'll see that they get to the Food Bank as soon as possible.

Food Hamper: pancake mix; dish soap; canned milk; jam; mayonnaise/Miracle Whip; juice boxes

Baby: jars of baby food

Hygiene: toothpaste; toothbrushes; soap; shampoo

Miscellaneous items: plastic bags

For more information on the many programmes offered at Greener Village and how you might support their work, go to: <http://www.greenervillage.org/>



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

NOVEMBER 14: ST. HUGH, Bishop of Lincoln, 1200

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

NOVEMBER 15: ST. MARGARET, Queen of Scotland, 1093

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

Followed by time for personal prayer in the Church

NOVEMBER 17: THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

NOVEMBER 18: THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Followed by Coffee & Conversation in the Parish Hall