

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

CHURCH OF NORTH INDIA
CALCUTTA



THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 8, 2015
AT 6.00 P.M.

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(The First Cathedral Church)

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THE ORDER OF PROCESSION

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Acolytes

*The Augmented Choir of St. James Church
Church Workers*

Visiting Clergy

Diocesan Clergy

The Wardens

The Rt. Revd. Ashoke Biswas

Bishop of Calcutta

Wreath Layers :

- ✂ ADC to HE the Governor of West Bengal
- ✂ Representative Bishop of Calcutta
- ✂ Representative of Calcutta Diocese
- ✂ Representative of Chief Justice Calcutta High Court
- ✂ Representative of the Indian Army
- ✂ Representative of the Indian Navy
- ✂ Representative of the Indian Air Force
- ✂ Representative of the West Bengal Police
- ✂ Representative of the Kolkata Police
- ✂ The British Deputy High Commissioner
- ✂ Representative the Consulate General United States of America
- ✂ Representative of the East India Charitable Trust
- ✂ Representative of the British Citizens (East India) Association
- ✂ The District Grand Master, District Grand lodge of Bengal
- ✂ Representative of La-Martiniere School (Boys)
- ✂ Representative of La-Martiniere School (Girls)
- ✂ Representative of St. Thomas' School, Kolkata (Boys)
- ✂ Representative of St. Thomas' School, Kolkata (Girls)
- ✂ Representative of St. Johns' Diocesan School
- ✂ Representative of St. James' School
- ✂ Representative of Pratt Memorial School
- ✂ Representative of St. Thomas' Day School
- ✂ Representative of St. Paul's Mission School
- ✂ Representative of St. Thomas' Church School, Howrah
- ✂ Union Chapel School
- ✂ Malay Kumar Ghoshal, Kumar of Sunderbans
- ✂ Representative of St. John's Church

THE ORDER OF SERVICE
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
8TH NOVEMBER 2015

Processional Hymn :

- 1 PRAISE to the Lord, the Almighty, the king
of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is the health
and salvation:
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so
Wondrously reigneth,
Shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when
Fainting sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen
How thy heart's wishes have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy
Work and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily
attend thee :
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If to the end he befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me
adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with
praise before him!
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for ay we adore him.

Call to Worship : The Revd. Pradeep Kumar Nanda.

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." (John II : 25-26)

"Be of good courage and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the lord." (Ps 31 : 24)

Jesus said, "let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions." (John : 14 : 1-2)

We are here to worship Almighty God; whose purposes are good; whose power sustains the world He had made; who loves us, though we have failed in His service; who gave Jesus Christ for the life of the world; who by His Holy Spirit leads us in His way.

As we give thanks for His great works, we remember those who have lived and died in His service and in the service of others; We pray for all who suffer through war, and all who are in need; we ask for His help and blessings that we may do His will and that the whole world may acknowledge Him as Lord and King through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Song : St. Thomas Girls School

Act of Penitence and Confession

(The Minister shall turn to the people and say)

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All Kneel

Let us confess to God, the sins and shortcomings of the world. Its pride, its selfishness, its evil divisions and hatred. Let us confess our sins, in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for his children.

After a short silence, all say :

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned, in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In Thy mercy; forgive what we have been,

help us to amend, what we are,

and direct us, to what we shall be;

that we may do justly, love, mercy,

and walk, humbly with thee;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Absolution : The Rt. Revd. Ashoke Biswas

The Almighty and merciful God grant us pardon and remission of all our sins, time for true repentance, grace to amend our life, and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

All kneeling, the Minister shall sing: The Revd. J.G. Stevens

O Lord, open our lips

Answer : And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Minister : O God make speed to save us.

Answer : O Lord make haste to help us.

Here, all standing, the Minister shall continue :

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Answer : As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. **Amen.**

Minister : Praise the Lord.

Answer : The Lord's name be praise.

Congregation please be seated.

Responsive Reading- Psalm- 118 : 14-21 (The Revd. Thomas Harris)

Response : God is the Lord who hath showed us light.

The Lord is my strength and defense, and, is become my salvation. The sound of joy and deliverance is in the dwellings of the righteousness; the right hand of the lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

Response : God is the Lord who hath showed us light.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The Lord hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death.

Response : God is the Lord who hath showed us light.

Open me the gates of righteousness: that I may enter into them and give thanks unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter into it. I will thank thee because thou hast answered me, and art become my salvation.

Response : God is the Lord who hath showed us light.

The First Lesson : Isaiah 25: 6-9 (British Deputy High Commissioner)

MAGNIFICAT : All stand and sing.

1. My soul doth/magnify the/Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in/
God my/Saviour.
2. For he/Hath re/garded the/lowliness of his/handmaiden.
3. For he/hold from/henceforth all gene/ rations shall/call me/
blessed.
4. For he that is mighty hath/magnified/me, and/holy/is/his name.

5. And his mercy is on/them that/fear him throughout all/generations.
6. He hath showed/strength with his/arm he hath scattered the proud in the imgin/ation of their/hearts.
7. He hath put down the mighty/from their seat, and hath exalted the/humble and meek.
8. He hath filled the hungry with/good things and the rich he/ hath sent/empty away.
9. He remembering his mercy hath helped his / servant / Israel; as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham / and his seed for / ever.

Glory be to the Father, and / to the Son and / to the / Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now and / ever shall be, world without / end. **Amen.**

Special Song : St. Peter Church, Behala.

The Second Lesson : John 11: 17-27 **Mr. Craig Hall**
NUNC DIMITTIS : All stand and sing. **Consulate General, U.S.A.**

1. Lord, now lettest thou servant de / part in / peace, ac / cording / to thy / word.
2. For mine eyes have / seen thy sal / vation.
3. Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.
4. To be a light to lighten the / Gentiles, and to be the / glory of thy people / Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and / to the Son and / to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, in now and / ever / shall be, world without / end. **Amen.**

THE APOSTLE'S CREED (Shall be sung by **The Revd. J.G. Stevens** and the people, standing.)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit. Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, And sited on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And The life everlasting. **Amen.**

Congregation please be seated.

The Prayer : The Revd. J.G. Stevens

(All shall kneel after the Minister sing) :

The Lord be with you :

Answer : And with thy Spirit

Minister : Let us pray

Lord, have mercy upon us

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

(Lords' Prayer)

All Sing :

Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today 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. **Amen.**

(While the congregation remains kneeling, the Minister shall stand and sing) : The Revd. J.G. Stevens

Minister : O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Answer : And grant us thy salvation.

Minister : Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

Answer : And make thy chosen people joyful.

Minister : O Lord, save thy people.

Answer : And bless thine inheritance.

Minister : O Lord, be gracious unto our land.

Answer : And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Minister : Give peace in our time, O Lord :

Answer : For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.

Minister : O God, make clean our hearts, within us.

Answer : And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collect of the Day : The Revd. Nigel Pope

Eternal Lord God, maker and redeemer of all believers, pour out upon your whole Church in heaven and on earth the fullness of your light and grace; and grant that we, following the example of those who have served you here and now at rest, may at last enter with them into your unending joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Peace: The Revd. Sreeraj Mahanty

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants, 'that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts maybe set to obey thy commandments and also that by thee we being defended from the, fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Collect for Aid against all Perils : The Revd. Pradeep Kumar Nanda

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of thy only son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

HYMN :

(During the singing of this hymn, the procession of wreath layers will move to the memorial corner. The congregation will remain in their places and turn towards the Memorial corner.)

Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood
From thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure :
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labours of my hands
Can fulfill thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone:
Thou Must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring;
Simply to thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress;
Helpless, look to thee for grace,
Foul I to the fountain fly;
Wash me, savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting Breath,
When my eyelids shall close in death,
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See thee on thy judgment-throne;
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee.

AT THE MEMORIAL CORNER : *The Revd. Pradeep Kumar Nanda*

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled neither, let it be afraid." (John 14 : 17)

Minister : *The Revd. Paritosh Canning*

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping: Those who have lived and died for their country in war: Those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure, and all who have lived, and died, in the service of mankind.

All :

They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the Sun in the morning, we will remember them.

Minister : *The Revd. James Alistair Gomez.*

Let us remember the courage, devotion to duty and the self sacrifice of the men and women in our armed forces; the toil, endurance, and suffering of those, who were not in uniform; the support of those who sent help from after, or came and stood by our side. Let us remember those who were wounded in the fight. those who perished in the fight; those who perished in air raids at home; those who fell in the battle, and are buried at sea or in some corner of a foreign field; and especially those whom we have known and loved, whose place is forever in our hearts.

Let us remember the continuing grace of God, whose love holds all souls in life, and to whom none is dead but all are alive for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them: granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

(Wreaths shall here be laid in front of the Memorial Tablets.)

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The Silence

The rouse

The Minister says : *The Revd. Pradeep Kumar Nanda*

In memory of those who died, may we be better men and women: and in gratitude to God, may we live as those who are not their own, but bought with a price.

Special Song : St. John's Diocesan Girl's H. S. School.

The Address : The Rt. Revd. Ashoke Biswas (*Bishop, Diocese of Calcutta*)

Vote of Thanks : Mrs. Chhaya Biswas (*Hony. Secretary, St. John's Church*)

Offertory Hymn :

1. Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee.
2. Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my king;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as thou shalt choose.
3. Take my will, and make it thine :
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart : it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee.

Prayer for the offerings : The Revd. Sreeraj Mahanty

Dear Father, our help in all ages and our strength in all circumstances help us in this day of rapid change. We thank you for the assurances that your children will dwell with you in heaven forever. Take this token of our love, we pray, and break it as the five loaves to meet many needs, In Jesus name we pray. ***Amen.***

All shall kneel for the blessings :

BENEDICTION :

The Rt. Revd. Ashoke Biswas (*Bishop, Diocese of Calcutta.*)

Recessional Hymn :

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy powerful hand;
 Bread of Heaven,
 Feed me till I want no more.
Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing waters flow;
 Let the fiery, cloud pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
 Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.
When I tread the verge of Jordan,
 Bid my anxious fears subside;
Bear me through the swelling current,
 Land me safe on Canaan's side;
 Songs of praises
 I will ever give to Thee

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Jana-gana-mana-adhinayaka, jaya he
Bharata-bhagya-vidhata.
Punjab-Sindhu-Gujarat-Maratha
Dravida-Utkala-Banga
Vindhya-Himachala-Yamuna-Ganga
Uchchala-Jaiadhi-Tarango.
Tava Shubha Name jage.
Tava Shubha asish mage.
Gahe taba jaya gatha,
Jana-gana-mangala-dayaka jaya he
Bharata-bhagya-vidhata.
jaya he, jaya he, jaya he,
Jaya jaya jaya, jaya he !

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*Go in peace to love and Serve the Lord.
All : In the name of Jesus Christ.*