

THE MEMORIAL DAY PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader We give thanks for the courage, devotion to duty, and the self-sacrifice of the men and women who have served in our Armed Forces. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for those who were wounded in the fight; those who perished in the field of battle, and are buried at sea or in some corner of a foreign land; and especially those who have known and loved whose place is forever in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for those now serving in our Armed Forces that they will be protected from every danger, have courage to meet all occasions with discipline and loyalty, and serve faithfully the cause of justice and peace. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for those who are suffering from the ravages of war. Grant, O God, that your love may reach out to the wounded, the disabled, the mentally distressed and all those whose faith has been shaken by what they have seen and endured. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the leaders of the nations that they may walk in the way of justice and peace, and bring about a world where war is no more. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for all church leaders, especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer our Bishop, and the clergy of this parish that they may proclaim the good news of God's love for all people. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader In memory of those who have died in the service of our country, let us resolve to be better men and women, and in gratitude to God, may we live as those who are not their own, but who are bought with a price.

**People They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, or the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.**

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All And also with you.