

ST. ELPHIN'S SCHOOL COMMEMORATION SERVICE

22nd October, 1977

Introit Hymn. English Hymnal 170. Tune: "Westminster Abbey

Christ is made the sure Foundation,
And the precious Corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying,
Bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

All that dedicated City,
Dearly loved by God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody:
God the One, and God the Trinal,
Singing everlastingly.

To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls for ay.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
What they supplicate to gain;
Here to have and hold for ever
Those good things their prayers obtain,
And hereafter in thy glory
With thy blessed ones to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father;
Laud and honour to the Son;
Laud and honour to the Spirit;
Ever Three and ever One:
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

Bidding Prayer - all sit. Read by the Head Girl.

The Service follows the order in the Series 3 Booklets from page 7.

Collect (.6.), - all kneel.

Epistle (9) - all sit. Read by the Head Sacristan.

Gradual Hymn. English Hymnal 475. Tune: "Wareham".

Rejoice, O land, in God thy might,
His will obey, him serve aright;
For thee the Saints uplift their voice:
Fear not, O land, in God rejoice.

Glad shalt thou be, with blessing crowned,
With joy and peace thou shalt abound;
Yea, love with thee shall make his home
Until thou see God's kingdom come.

He shall forgive thy sins untold
Remember thou his love of old;
Walk in his way, his word adore,
And keep his truth for evermore.

Gospel (11) - remain standing. Read by the Chaplain.

Sermon (12) Canon J.O.Collings.

Intercessions (15) - all kneel. Read by a Parent,
the Deputy Head Girls and a Governor.

Invitation (17). Confession (18). Absolution (19).
The Peace (21 & 22) - all stand.

(The collection is for the School's Social Service Fund).

Offertory Hymn. English Hymnal 437. Tune: "Blaenwern".

Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

The Thanksgiving (26, 27, 29) - remain standing.

The Fraction (30) - all kneel.

The Lord's Prayer (31) - all kneel.

The Invitation (32).

After the Clergy and Choir those who wish to receive
Communion will be directed to one of the three Altars.

During Communion the Choir will sing:

God be in my head.

Rutter.

Steal away to Jesus.

arr. Robertson.

After Communion: page 27 (40) - said by all kneeling.

Hymn. English Hymnal 533. Tune: "Nun Danket".

Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills,
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

Page 28. Blessing (42) and Dismissal (43) - all kneel.

Stand whilst the Cross, Choir and Clergy leave the Church.