

All Victims of War

especially on Remembrance Sunday: 2nd Sunday in November

Background

Remembrance Sunday falls on the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, 11 November, which marks the end of the First World War. On this day are remembered all those who gave their lives for their country, all who suffered and died through acts of war and those who were left behind to grieve and mourn. In England and Wales one Mass for the Dead may be celebrated on this Sunday.

Prayer of the Faithful

one of the following may be used or adapted according to local needs

- For peace and reconciliation between nations; that enemies may put aside all differences.
- For all those who have died through war or acts of violence; may we never forget their sacrifice.

Prayer

*O God, merciful and strong,
who crush wars and cast down the proud,
be pleased to banish violence
swiftly from our midst
and to wipe away all tears,
so that we may all truly deserve
to be called your children.*

Roman Missal

Liturgical Texts

may be used when permitted - see Table of Rubrics

- Masses for the Dead
- One Mass for the Dead is permitted on this Sunday.

Opportunities and Challenges

- Explore how the texts of the Sunday could be used to speak about the hope of resurrection.
- Remember to pray for those who serve in the Armed Forces through the year.

Links

- CTBI Service for Remembrance Sunday [<http://www.ctbi.org.uk/233>]
- Bishopric of the Forces [<http://www.rcbishopricforces.org.uk>]

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