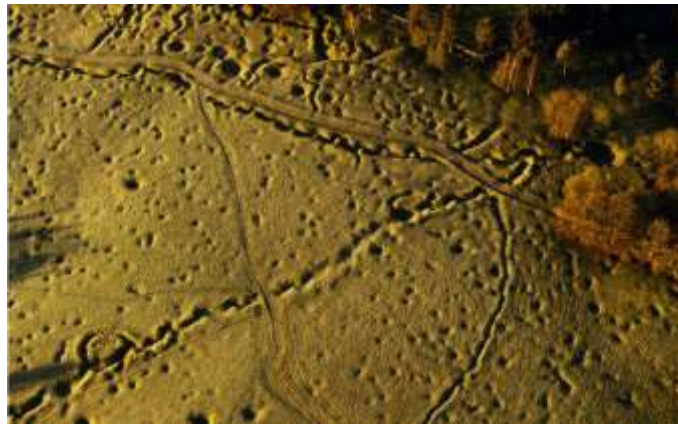




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BEARING THE SCARS

A passer-by might miss the signs. After all, the pock-marked surface is more visible from the air these days than from the ground, as Michael St Maur Sheil's ariel photograph shows. But even after almost a century, the landscape bears the scars of past conflict. It is a photo of where? The Newfoundland Memorial Park near Beaumont Hamel, part of the infamous battlefield of the Somme, where conflict broke out on 1 July 1916 and ended in a muddy quagmire in mid-November, the Allies having advanced only five miles. The Newfoundland Regiment, nearly 800 men, was virtually wiped out on the first day. You can see the shell craters and the trenches to this day, concealed beneath the green sward.



The photograph is only one of a series on public display in St James's Park from Monday 4th August this year. After its initial month in London, the whole exhibition will go on tour nationally and internationally, giving an opportunity to tens of millions of people to remember the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War. You can find out fuller details

online at: www.fieldsofbattle1418.org

As I write, Cathedrals and Abbeys across the land are making sure that this centenary is not just a time of *thinking* about past events, but is also a time for active *praying* too: prayer for the departed and the war dead, of course – but also prayers for peace in our own day. After all, the 'war to end all wars' did no such thing, and seldom do seem to have been so much in the grip of warfare on many fronts as we are right now in 2014.

The image of that scarred landscape put me in mind of a phrase from a favourite prayer for peace from the New Zealand Prayer Book: "the wastes of our wraths and sorrows". The whole prayer goes like this: O GOD, IT IS YOUR WILL TO

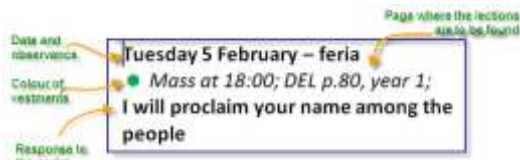
HOLD BOTH HEAVEN AND EARTH IN A SINGLE PEACE. LET THE DESIGN OF YOUR GREAT LOVE SHINE ON THE WASTES OF OUR WRATHS AND SORROWS, AND GIVE PEACE TO YOUR CHURCH, PEACE AMONG NATIONS, PEACE IN OUR HOMES, AND PEACE IN OUR HEARTS. AMEN. Perhaps you'll make a point of using

that prayer this month. It is well-written in so far as it reminds us that peace is not just something to be prayed for in 'far away places' and 'in distant fields of conflict'; the peace for which we long is one and the same peace that must be the characteristic of our own lives; unless peace and justice are the hallmarks of the way we live day by day, and unless peace begins with us, our prayers for peace will be – in truth – little more than pretty words.

With blessings for a peaceful and restful month.
FR ALAN GYLE, VICAR



MASSES & PSALM RESPONSES in AUGUST 2014



Friday 1 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 535 (year 2);
To you, O Lord, I make my prayer.

Saturday 2 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 537 (year 2);
To you, O Lord, I make my prayer.

Sunday 3 August – 7th Sunday after Trinity

● Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

THE COLLECT FOR TRINITY 7:

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Monday 4 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 540 (Week 18; year 2);
Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes.

Tuesday 5 August – Oswald

● Mass at 18:00; EH p. 247;
Blessed be the Lord my rock.

Wednesday 6 August – The Feast of the Transfiguration

○ Mass at 18:45; EH p. 250;
To the Lord be given dominion and glory.

Thursday 7 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 550 (year 2);
Make me a clean heart, O God.

Friday 8 August – Dominic

○ Mass at 18:00; EH p. 253;
To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Saturday 9 August – Mary Sumner

○ Mass at noon; EH p. 257;
Happy are they all who revere the Lord.

Sunday 10th August – 8th Sunday after Trinity

● Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

THE COLLECT FOR TRINITY 8:

O almighty Lord and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws and in the works of thy commandments, that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Monday 11 August – Clare of Assisi

○ Mass at 18:00; EH p. 262;
For God alone my soul in silence waits.

Tuesday 12 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 561 (year 2);
Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord.

Wednesday 13 August – Jeremy Taylor

○ Mass at 18:45; EH p. 265;
I delight in your commandments, O God.

Thursday 14 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 566 (year 2);
Forget not the deeds of the Lord.

Friday 15 August – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

○ Mass at 18:00; EH p. 269;
I will greatly rejoice in the Lord.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who stooped to raise fallen humanity through the child-bearing of blessed Mary: grant that we, who have seen thy glory revealed in our human nature and thy love made perfect in our weakness, may daily be renewed in thine image and conformed to the pattern of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Saturday 16 August – feria

● Mass at noon; DEL p. 573 (year 2);
Make me a clean heart, O God.

Sunday 17 August – 9th Sunday after Trinity

● Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

THE COLLECT FOR TRINITY 9:

Almighty God, who didst send thy Holy Spirit to be the life and light of thy Church: open our hearts to the riches of thy grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Monday 18 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 576 (week 20; year 2);
We will recount the praises of the Lord.

Tuesday 19 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 579 (year 2);
Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious.

Wednesday 20 August – Bernard

○ Mass at 18:45; EH p. 272;
Their sound has gone out into all lands.

Thursday 21 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 585 (year 2);
Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean.

Friday 22 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 588 (year 2);
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.

Saturday 23 August – feria

● Mass at noon; DEL p. 591 (year 2);
The Lord was gracious to his land.

Sunday 24th August – St Bartholomew

● Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

THE COLLECT FOR THE FEAST OF ST BARTHOLOMEW

O almighty and everlasting God, who didst give to thine apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy word: grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, to love that word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Monday 25 August – feria

(Bank Holiday – Parish Office closed all day)
● **Mass at noon;** DEL p. 594 (week 21; year 2);
Hear my prayer, O Lord, and listen to my cry.

Tuesday 26 August – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 596 (year 2);
Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth.

Wednesday 27 August – Monica

○ Mass at 18:45; EH p. 278;
Lord of Hosts, look on your servant.

Thursday 28 August – Augustine

○ Mass at 18:00; EH p. 281;
*How dear to me is your dwelling,
O Lord of hosts!*

Friday 29 August – Beheading of John the Baptist

○ Mass at 18:00; EH p. 283;
*The messenger of the covenant is coming,
says the Lord.*

Saturday 30 August – John Bunyan

○ Mass at noon; EH p. 287;
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

Sunday 31 August – 11th Sunday after Trinity

● Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

THE COLLECT FOR TRINITY 9:

O God, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

God of glory, by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned and the way to life
stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

We pray daily for:

- The renewal of the Church.
- our Bishop, Richard
- our sister parish, St Paul's K-Street
- the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, and for the unity and health of the Anglican Communion
- our sisters and brothers of the Roman Catholic Church and for Pope Francis I, and for the Eastern Orthodox churches and Bartholomew the Ecumenical Patriarch.

Among the sick and those in need:

Graham Cooke; Clifford Browne; Christopher Browne; Jessica Macdonald Johnston; Elizabeth Gordon; Clariette Wilmot; Lane Davenport; Janet Sturdy; John Soderquist; Carole Taylor; Sara Carroll-Parker; Christiane Dupont Nagle; Peter Brook; Michael Cook; John King; Daphne Nugent; John Willmington; Alexandra Holesh; Penri Morgan; Malcolm Walsh; Jean Marc Lehut.

Our departed loved ones:

Jean Reid; Ronald Ind.

and those whose Year's Mind is at this time:

Ted Sheehan	1 August
Farah Russell	1 August
Glenn Brown	3 August
Robert William Haines Moline	8 August
Eleri Davies	6 August
William Bennett	8 August
Bertram Worrall	9 August
Robin Cooke	11 August
James Davis	19 August
Frank Palmer	28 August
Tom Delaney	28 August
Jack Windham	29 August
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