

A Service to Celebrate the Life of



# John Robert Townroe

15th August 1948 - 25th October 2017

St Peter and St Paul's Church, Warsop

Tuesday 7th November 2017

at 11.00 am

## SCRIPTURE SENTENCES

### WELCOME

### OPENING PRAYERS

#### HYMN

And did those feet in ancient time  
Walk upon England's mountains green?  
And was the Holy Lamb of God  
On England's pleasant pastures seen?  
And did the countenance divine  
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?  
And was Jerusalem builded here  
Among these dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!  
Bring me my arrows of desire!  
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!  
Bring me my chariot of fire!  
I will not cease from mental fight,  
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,  
Till we have built Jerusalem  
In England's green and pleasant land.

*William Blake (1757-1827)*

### BIBLE READING

### EULOGY

## HYMN

We plough the fields and scatter  
the good seed on the land,  
but it is fed and watered  
by God's almighty hand:  
he sends the snow in winter,  
the warmth to swell the grain,  
the breezes and the sunshine,  
and soft, refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us  
are sent from heav'n above;  
then thank the Lord,  
O thank the Lord,  
for all his love.*

He only is the maker  
of all things near and far;  
he paints the wayside flower,  
he lights the evening star;  
he fills the earth with beauty,  
by him the birds are fed;  
much more to us, his children,  
he gives our daily bread.

*All good gifts around us  
are sent from heav'n above;  
then thank the Lord,  
O thank the Lord,  
for all his love.*

We thank thee then, O Father,  
for all things bright and good:  
the seed-time and the harvest,  
our life, our health, our food.  
Accept the gifts we offer  
for all thy love imparts,  
and, what thou most desirest,  
our humble, thankful hearts.

## PRAYERS

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the Kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

## HYMN

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
    Forgive our foolish ways;  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
    In purer lives Thy service find,  
    In deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
    Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word  
    Rise up and follow Thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
    O calm of hills above,  
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
    The silence of eternity,  
    Interpreted by love!

Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
    Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
    And let our ordered lives confess  
    The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
    Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
    O still small voice of calm.

*John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)*

## COMMITTAL

## BLESSING

*The interment will take place at Warsop Cemetery*

## POEM

### Turn Again To Life

If I should die and leave you here awhile,  
Be not like others, sore undone, who keep  
    Long vigils by the silent dust and weep.  
For my sake, turn again to life and smile,  
Nerving thy heart and trembling hand to do  
Something to comfort weaker hearts than thine.  
Complete these dear unfinished tasks of mine  
And I, perchance, may therein comfort you!

*Mary Lee Hall*

The family would like to thank you all for being here today and for your kind messages of love and support at this sad time.

You are warmly invited to join us, after the committal, at  
The Hostess,  
Sookholme Road,  
Sookholme,  
Mansfield,  
Nottinghamshire  
NG19 8LL.

All donations in memory of John will be going to  
**Ochre Charity**  
and can be placed in the donation  
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