



**A Service of Thanksgiving
for
Her Majesty the Queen's
90th Birthday**



**St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church,
Wem**

Sunday 12th June 2016 at 11.15 a.m.

Order of Service

OPENING HYMN: No 422

“Praise my soul, the King of Heaven!”

During this hymn the flags and banners are received at the altar.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

BIDDING PRAYER

PRAYER FOR HM THE QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

Let us pray.

Coming together as the family of God let us call to mind our failings and in penitence and faith firmly resolve to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

A short time of silent reflection is kept.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

THE ABSOLUTION

All sit for

The Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 21 verses 1 - 7

SECOND HYMN: No 31

“And did those feet in ancient time”

The New Testament Lesson:

The Gospel of Luke Chapter 10 verses 25 - 37

HOMILY

We stand to affirm our faith in the words of the Creed

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Amen

THE INTERCESSIONS

Led by representatives of Churches together in Wem

*All sit or kneel. At the end of each prayer in response to 'Lord, in your mercy' all reply '**Hear our prayer**'*

For the Queen and the Royal Family

For the Commonwealth and all peoples

For our community and all who serve locally

THIRD HYMN: No 206

"He's got the whole world in his hand"

All sit for

CHILDREN'S TALK

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

Let us pray

**Teach us good Lord to serve Thee as Thou deservest;
To give and not to count the cost;
To fight and not to heed the wounds;
To toil and not to seek for rest;
To labour and not to ask for any reward,
Save that of knowing that we do thy will;
Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen**

As our Saviour taught us we are confident to pray

**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**

A PRAYER OF ST CHRYSOSTOM

FINAL HYMN: No 310
"Lord for the years"

During which the Collection is taken and the flags and banners returned from the altar.

THE BLESSING

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious Queen,
long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen.
Send her victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save the Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store
on her be pleased to pour,
long may she reign:
may she defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice
God save the Queen!



“I cannot lead you into battle. I do not give you laws or administer justice but I can do something else - I can give my heart and my devotion to these old islands and to all the peoples of our brotherhood of nations.”

[From the Queen's first televised Christmas address, in 1957]

“I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service and to the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong.”

[HM Queen Elizabeth on her 21st birthday; the 21st April 1947]