

In Loving Memory of
Rear Admiral
Philip Wilcocks, CB, DSC, DL, RN



14th April 1953 – 9th April 2023

Dore Abbey

Saturday 22nd April 2023, 13:00 hrs

Rector, The Rev'd Dr Mark Godson

*You are all invited to sign the Book of Condolence.
There will be two stations situated at the entrance to the Abbey.*

'Music on Arrival' - a compilation of some of Philip's favourite music

ENTRANCE MUSIC

(Various)

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

HYMN

'Love Divine all Loves Excelling'

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.

Breathe, O Breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find Thy promised rest;
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and omega be:
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy grace 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.

READING
Colossians 3 12-15

EULOGY
by members of the family

HYMN
'The Day thou Gavest'

The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
The darkness falls at Thy behest:
To Thee our morning hymns ascended,
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank Thee that Thy Church unsleeping,
While earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping,
And rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking
Our brethren neath the western sky,
And hour by hour fresh lips are making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, Lord; Thy Throne shall never,
Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
Thy Kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.





POEM

Crossing The Bar
by Alfred Lord Tennyson

ADDRESS

Given by Andrew Piper, Precentor at Hereford Cathedral

ANTHEM

PRAYERS

concluding with

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

'Eternal Father'

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Saviour, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
And calm amid its rage didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O sacred Spirit, who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
Who bad'st its angry tumult cease,
And gavest light and life and peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them whereso'er they go:
And ever let there rise to thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

COMMENDATION

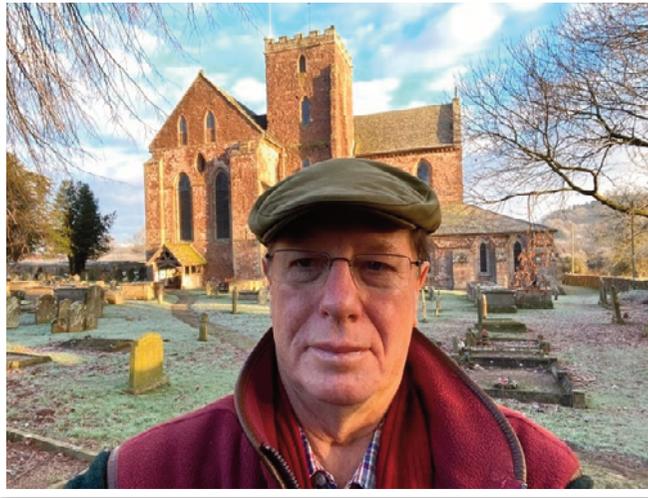
LAST POST AND REVEILLE

BLESSING

CLOSING MUSIC

Gabriel's Oboe from the Mission, Ennio Morricone

The immediate family will accompany Philip to his final resting place.



Kym, Andrew, David and family would like to thank everyone for attending the service today and wish to express their sincere appreciation to all family and friends for their kind expressions of condolence.

Refreshments will be served at Dore Abbey following the service.

Donations given in memory of Philip will be shared between Dore Abbey and Brain Trust (braintrust.org.uk).

The Ensign with Philip is that of HMS Gloucester from her service during the Gulf War. It was flown from her main mast throughout the conflict, with great pride by all her Ships Company.



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