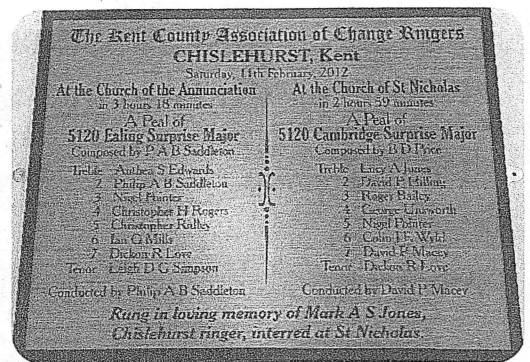


Liturgy for the Blessing and Dedication of a Peal Board



We give you thanks, O God, for the gifts of your people,
and for the work of many hands,
which have beautified this place and furnished it over many generations.
Grant that in these earthly things
we may behold the order and beauty of things heavenly;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Praise the LORD in his sanctuary,
praise him in the firmament of his strength.
Praise him for his mighty deeds,
praise him for his sovereign majesty.

R. Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Praise him with the blast of the trumpet,
praise him with lyre and harp,
Praise him with timbrel and dance,
praise him with strings and pipe.

R. Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Praise him with sounding cymbals,
praise him with clanging cymbals.
Let everything that has breath
praise the LORD! Alleluia.

R. Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Acclamations

We praise you, Almighty and eternal God,
that for us and for our salvation, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be born among us,
that through him we might become your sons and daughters.

Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

We praise you for his life on earth, and for his death upon the cross,
through which he offered himself as a perfect sacrifice for sin.

Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

We praise you for raising him from the dead,
and for exalting him to be our great High Priest.
Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

We praise you for sending your Holy Spirit to make us holy,
to equip us to serve you, and to unite us in your holy Church.
Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

Dedication and Blessing of the Board

Lord God,
✠bless this board as we honour the life of Mark:
Grant that all who look up on it
may give thanks for the skills and gifts he shared,
and with remembrance praise God for the way his life touched so many others,
and for the handprint he left on many hearts.
**Blessed be your Name,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; now and for ever.
Amen.**

Heavenly Father,
your Son is the resurrection and the life for all who believe in his name;
we pray for those who have died, especially all past ringers,
all whom we love but see no longer in this life, and especially for our well-beloved Mark;
at the last grant that we may share with them in the inheritance of the saints in glory
in that eternal kingdom, where with you and the Holy Spirit,
Jesus lives and reigns, world without end.
Amen.

O God our Father,
we give thanks for the comradeship and fellowship of the ringing exercise,
and pray for ringers everywhere.
We ask your blessing upon all of us gathered here,
that we may be enabled to preserve and progress in our art,
using to the full the gifts you have given us;
and grant that by our ringing and our lives, we may witness to the gospel of truth,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

Life is short and we haven't much time
to gladden the hearts of those who journey with us,
so be swift to love and make haste to be kind,
and the blessing of God almighty,
the ✠Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you
and all those you love and pray for,
both in this world, and the next.
Amen.