

Armistice Bells

A Prayer Service for Peace
On Veteran's Day



Church of St. Joan of Arc
Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Armistice Day Prayer Service

St. Joan of Arc, November 11, 2025, 11am.

Ringin of the Armistice Bells | *11 tolls of the bells*

Vesper Hymn

Welcome & Introduction | *Fr. Jim Debruckyer*

History of Armistice Day | *Jean Heberle*

Scripture Reading: Ezekial 37:1-14 | *JP Fitzgibbons*

Song: "Shall We Meet Beyond the River"

**"My Very Dear Wife - The Last Letter
of Major Sullivan Ballou", 1861**

Read in sections by *Mike Steigerwald*

"We Are Tenting on the Old Campground"

"I Am a Poor Wayfaring Stranger"

"Shall We Meet Beyond the River"

Personal Story | *Larry Johnson*

Gospel Reading: John 13:33-34 | *Fr. Jim*

Reflection | *Fr. Jim*

Litany of Peace | *Gabrielle Dane*

Please respond:

We open our hearts to the bells of peace!

Community Peace Prayer

Oh, compassionate God, with great sorrow we confess
that we have been people of war. With great resolve
we offer ourselves as people of peace.

Help us, O God, to build lasting peace. Help us to love
one another, to see God's temple in each other, and to
walk in the footsteps of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Closing Song | "Hymn to Freedom"

When every heart joins every heart and together
yearns for liberty, that's when we'll be free.
When every hand joins every hand and together
molds our destiny, that's when we'll be free.
Any hour, any day, the time soon will come when
all will live in dignity. That's when we'll be free.
When everyone joins in our song and together
singing harmony, that's when we'll be free.
Free. We'll all be free

Final Tolls of the Bell | *Steve McKeown*



Musicians: *Tommy Barberella, Jim Tenbensen
and Prudence Johnson*