Please listen, God,
while we talk to you about - who has died.
Take care of him/her,
and please take care of us too.
Thank you for the times we had together.
Thank you for Jesus who shows us your love.
He is close to -, and he is close to us.
Thank you, God

A New Zealand Prayer Book (A prayer that may be used by children)

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is discord, vision. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master. grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand: to be loved, as to love: for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. St Francis of Assisi

O Comforting One,
Compassionate One,
be with us all
when we suffer loss
and ache with the pain of grieving.
Give us a glimpse
of the way it will be
when love will never be taken away,
when life itself will not be diminished,
when all that we hold most precious
will live and remain with us for ever.

Miriam Therese Winter

St Peter & St Paul, Tring

What next...?
After a funeral

The Book of Remembrance

At a funeral service we often emphasise how important it is to go on remembering our loved ones. As we tell stories we are reminded of the love which we received from them. Christians proclaim that nothing is able separate us from the love of God, for love is eternal.

In St Peter & St Paul's Church, in the Lady Chapel there is a Book of Remembrance. Each day the page is turned, so that the names are displayed on the anniversary of their death.

Services of Remembrance

In the Christian Year we have a season of Remembrance. November 1st is All Saints Day. On this day we remember those who have been examples to the church. The following day is All Souls Day, on this day we remember all those that we have known, but see no longer. We have an annual service of remembrance in the church at this time of year. We will try and write to everyone to invite them to this service but please do look in the church magazine or on the website closer to the time to find out the exact time.

Talking to someone

In many cases, arranging a funeral keeps people so busy that they don't feel their loss fully until afterwards. Grieving is natural and important, and it may take a long time. Many people find that others who have lost a loved one can offer valuable comfort and support. If you would like more information please contact Rev'd Huw Bellis 01442 822170.

A House of Prayer

There are many places and ways in which we can pray and also remember our loved ones. Sometimes it is useful to have a special place to do this. Tring Church is a house of prayer. We try and keep it open everyday so that people can bring their hopes and fears, their joy and sadness to God. You are welcome too.

In the Lady Chapel there is a votive candle stand so you can light a candle, and a prayer box in which you can leave a written prayer. Our prayer ministry team will use these prayers to hold you, and anyone for whom you ask for prayer, in front of God.

Words of Jesus

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' lesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

John 14.1-6 & 27

APPLICATION FORM FOR ENTRY INTO THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE @ ST PETER & ST PAUL, TRING

To. Mrs. Jane Legg, 16, Mulberry Close, Tring. HP23 5DZ

Please make the following entry in the church Book of Remembrance

(using capital letters)

Names
Year of Birth
Date of Death
My name and phone number are

Cheques for donations to TRING PCC

(just in case there are any problems)