



# **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
3pm**

Our thanks to:  
Revd. Sue Foster, Rector of The River Were Churches  
Warminster Royal British Legion,  
Warminster Community Radio  
Warminster Garrison  
Town Crier - Rick Johnston  
Bagpiper – Millie Scott  
Warminster MS Therapy Centre

### **Welcome and introduction**

Councillor Phil Keeble,  
Mayor of Warminster

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

### **SENTENCES FROM SCRIPTURE**

I lift up my eyes to the hills from whence will my help come. My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Psalm 121:1-2  
What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? Micah 6:8

### **BIDDING**

We meet in the presence of God. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice, and peace. We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror. We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

**HYMN** (Tune: Jerusalem)

**We come to You, O Lord our God,  
Bringing our thanks for mercies past:  
For battles done and blessings shared,  
For those who served and put self last.  
And now we ask forgiveness, Lord,  
For sins which stain our nation's soul.  
Grant us Your pardon and Your peace.  
Come, heal our land, and make us whole.**

**Help us to guard the gift of peace,  
Hope of the brave who fought and died.  
May neighbours live in harmony  
And races flourish side by side.  
Peace on the earth, in homes and hearts.  
Let battles cease and barriers fall.  
Peace with our God through Jesus Christ,  
The Prince of Peace and Lord of all.**

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(Tune: Jerusalem)

### **A Reading from the Gospel of St Matthew**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you”.

(Matthew 5: 1-12)

Address given by Reverend Susan Foster

## **THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

Let us remember before God, and commend to His safe keeping, those who have died for their country in war; those whom we name and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of the peoples of the world.

*Parade is brought to attention*

The President of the Warminster Branch of the Royal British Legion says:

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn,  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

**All: We will remember them**

## **THE LAST POST**

## **THE SILENCE**

## **THE REVEILLE**

## THE KOHIMA EPITAPH

When you go home, tell them of us and say  
For your tomorrow, we gave our today

## THE LAYING OF WREATHS

The names of those men listed on the War Memorial will be read out.

The Warminster Military Wives Choir will sing "Brave" by Laura Wright

## THE ACT OF COMMITMENT

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6.8)

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and humanity: that we  
may help, encourage, and comfort others, and support those working for  
the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of the nations.

**Lord God our Father,  
we pledge ourselves  
to Your service and all peoples,  
in the cause of peace,  
for the relief of want and suffering,  
and for the praise of Your name.  
Guide us by Your Spirit;  
give us wisdom;  
give us courage;  
give us hope;  
and keep us faithful  
now and always.  
Amen.**

## PRAYERS

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict, and ask that God may  
give us peace:

For the service men and women who have died in the violence of war,  
each one remembered by and known to God;  
May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

For those who love them in death as in life, offering the distress of our grief  
and the sadness of our loss;

May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

For all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day,  
remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return;

May God give peace.

**All: God give peace**

For civilian women, children, and men whose lives are disfigured by war or  
terror,

calling to mind in penitence the anger and hatreds of humanity;

May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

For peace-makers and peace-keepers, who seek to keep this world secure  
and free;

May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

For all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military  
and religious; asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve in the search for  
reconciliation and peace.

May God give peace.

**All: God give peace**

O God of truth and justice,

we hold before you those whose memory we cherish,

and those whose names we will never know.

Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world,

and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm.

As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future;

for you are the source of life and hope, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## **A PRAYER FOR THE ARMED FORCES**

Almighty God, stretch forth Your mighty arm to strengthen and protect the armed forces: grant that meeting danger with courage and all occasions with discipline and loyalty, they may truly serve the cause of justice and peace; to the honour of Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

We join together in the words our Saviour taught us.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All:** 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

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home:

Under the shadow of Your throne  
Your saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is Your arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.

A thousand ages in Your sight  
Are like an evening gone,  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Soon bears us all away;  
We fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the dawning day.

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Still be our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home!

Att. Issac Watts (1674-1748)

*The Parade is brought to attention*



***The Service ends with the Blessing***

*God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people, unity, peace, and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.*

**ALL Amen**

**THE NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**God save our gracious King, Long  
live our noble King,  
God save the King.  
Send him victorious, Happy  
and glorious, Long to reign  
over us:  
God save the King.**

**Thy choicest gifts in store,  
On him be pleased to pour,  
Long may he reign!  
May he defend our laws,  
And ever give us cause,  
To sing with heart and voice,  
God save the King!**

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE  
Warminster men who fell in the Great War 1914–1918

|              |                 |                |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| J Adlam      | P D Garrett     | O G Penny      |
| R E Akers    | W Garrett       | E D Perry      |
| W Angell     | A V Greenland   | E W Pope       |
| A E Arnold   | A J Hall        | F Pope         |
| W F Ball     | H T Hicks       | B Price        |
| E A Bassett  | H Hill          | G Price        |
| W J Beak     | O E Hiscock     | E H Prince     |
| L Berwick    | F Hobbs         | G Prince       |
| J Brown      | E C Hoddinott   | W W Prince     |
| P W J Brown  | A L Holton      | H F Rendell    |
| W Bull       | W T Holton      | J Rose         |
| F Burgess    | F Howell        | K Sanderson    |
| W H Burgess  | A Hudd          | R Scott        |
| R B Butcher  | W Humphries     | T Self         |
| F H Butler   | W C Hunt        | H R Sims       |
| J S Butler   | A James         | W G Smith      |
| W S Cane     | E S James       | W C Strong     |
| H J Carr     | H E H James     | T H Stubbs     |
| E W Carter   | H Jones         | H Symes        |
| R Compton    | A J Kill        | S Tancock      |
| S Compton    | E J Knee        | W Taylor       |
| G H Cooper   | H D Labrum      | W Taylor       |
| V Creed      | J Lewer         | F Thompson     |
| A Curtis     | E Maidment      | J A J Tisseman |
| S Curtis     | W H Mead        | W Titford      |
| S A Curtis   | D Mees          | A E Titt       |
| W C Curtis   | H J Mitchelmore | J F Titt       |
| H E Daniells | S Moore         | F Tucker       |
| S Dixon      | F R Morgan      | W C Turner     |
| W Doughty    | S H Naile       | E T Udall      |
| J H Edwards  | C Nash          | H G Webber     |
| C Elloway    | J Newall        | C Whatley      |
| J A Everest  | T A Noise       | H J Whatley    |
| T Everley    | E F Norris      | P Whatley      |
| T Farley     | F Norris        | C White        |
| W Franklin   | R Norris        | W V White      |
| H Gaisford   | C Northover     | W Youdell      |
| A J Garrett  | A J Parham      |                |
| L E Garrett  | W H Pearce      |                |

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE  
Warminster men who fell in the World War 1939–1945

|                   |              |              |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| I G Baker         | A Dredge     | W F Pearce   |
| E G Ball          | P Dunn       | R H Penn     |
| F Ball            | W Evans      | R H Phelps   |
| D D Bowie         | V Forde      | D Pitcher    |
| K Bray            | A H Fox      | A E Prince   |
| S Brown           | J H Gadd     | R Rimington  |
| A R C Butterworth | D Girtley    | G W Salmons  |
| G Carhart         | J C Haining  | D Sherwood   |
| M C Cave          | E R R Hannon | R A E Silcox |
| R Chambers        | J W Hinton   | H J Stokes   |
| R G Claydon       | C W Holton   | W Stokes     |
| A Coates          | H Holton     | D P Teichman |
| J C Collins       | M C Holton   | P R Teichman |
| T Copestake       | C E Hudd     | J Thorne     |
| S W Cousins       | E H Jenkins  | W J C Turner |
| H J Curtis        | R T Jones    | W E Watson   |
| J Curtis          | C H Knee     |              |
| R L Doel          | C H Payne    |              |

Warminster military personnel who have lost their lives in  
active service since the Second World War

H Fitz

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The names above are those engraved on Warminster's War Memorial.

## ORDER OF LAYING WREATHS

HM Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Wiltshire

The Mayor of Warminster

Member of Parliament and Wiltshire Council

Royal British Legion Men's and Women's Branches

Garrison Commander, Warminster

International Liaison Officers, Waterloo Lines

Regimental Associations

RAF Association

Red Cross and St John Ambulance

Fire Brigade and Police

CCF, ACF and ATC

Warminster Scouts and Guides

Local organisations

All other wreath layers present and members of the public