

At Legion organised Acts of Remembrance and Dedications it is recommended that those in uniform such as Lords Lieutenant, Officers Commanding military contingents, etc, salute only when National Anthem is played or sung, and not during the Last Post, Exhortation or Silence.

THE PLACING OF THE WREATHS

DEDICATION

The Kohima Epitaph

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

COMMITMENT

We pledge ourselves anew to our work in support of the wartime generations and to all those in other conflicts since. We promise to do everything possible to help where there is a need, and to ensure that they may enjoy the years that lie ahead in comfort and dignity and contentment.

PRAYER

We remember before you, O Lord, and entrust to your keeping, those who have died in defence of justice and freedom. Guide the leaders of this and every nation and give them wisdom and understanding, that men and women everywhere may live in the freedom and fellowship of your kingdom; and we remember before you all members of the armed forces who may be in danger this day and all those who work alongside them. We pray for their families and friends, and all who are praying for their safe return. We make all our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God**

You are warmly invited to pie and peas at the Salterbeck Royal British Legion after the service.



Order of Service for Remembrance Sunday



9th November 2025

**The Parish of St Mary's,
Harrington with Salterbeck**

Please stand if you are able for the opening hymn

During which the standards will be presented.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation.
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen
how thy desire e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,
biddeth them cease,
turneth their fury to peace,
whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
sound from his people again:
gladly for aye we adore him.

Introduction and Welcome

Reverend Dom de Mattos, Rector of Harrington and Distington

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

We gather at the war memorial for the Act of Remembrance

Let us pray:

Let us commemorate and commend to the loving mercy of our Heavenly
Father, the Shepherd of Souls, the Giver of Life Everlasting, those who have
died in the service of our country and its cause.

The names of those commemorated from the two World Wars are read.

Father God, as we give thanks for their lives and their sacrifice, we pray for all
who suffer through war and who are in need because of it. Please help us to
serve the cause of peace and justice, that our lives may reflect your love to the
world. We ask in Jesus' name.

All: **Amen**

THE EXHORTATION

The officiating clergy or a senior member of the Legion shall recite:
(Standards dip)

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

Reveille

(Standards raise on first note)

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.

Blessing

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth, and all people, peace and concord; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and those you love, now and always.

All: **Amen.**

Lords for the Years (during which the standards are collected)

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

First Reading

(Psalm 121)

I lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.
The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on
and for evermore.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Time of penitence

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world; its pride.
Its selfishness, its greed; its evil divisions and hatreds.

Let us confess our share in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and
establish that peace which God wills for his children.

A period of silence

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

Please stand if you are able for the hymn

Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there is hatred let me bring your love;

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;

And where there's doubt, true faith in You

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek

So much to be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved, as to love with all my soul

Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;

Where there is darkness, only light

And where there's sadness, ever joy,

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek...

Make me a channel of your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

In giving of ourselves that we receive;

And in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Second Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then 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 righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil

For doctors, nurses, chaplains and all who minister to those in need or distress,

All: **Thanks be to God**

For the sacrifices made, especially in times of war, whereby our peace has been preserved,

All: **Thanks be to God**

For the Royal British Legion

All: **Thanks be to God**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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.

Please stand if you are able for the National Anthem

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.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

Act of Commitment

Please stand if you are able to do so.

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: **We will**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All: **We will**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All: **We will**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love: May we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, And live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer.

All: **Amen**

Prayers of Thanksgiving

We offer to god our thanksgiving for the many blessings with which he has enriched our lives

For the King and his family, and all under him who bear the responsibility of government,

All: **Thanks be to God**

For those who serve in the armed services on sea,
on land and in the air,

All: **Thanks be to God**

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.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Please stand if you are able for the hymn

1 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.

2 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.

3 O sacred Spirit, who didst brood
upon the chaos dark and rude,
who badst 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.

4 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.

Sermon

Prayers of Intercession

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 for ever.

All: Amen.

During our offertory hymn there will be an opportunity to give to the work of the Royal British Legion. If you would like to use a credit or debit card to make a gift you may do so after the service using the card reader at the back of church.

Please stand if you are able for the hymn

- 1 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home;
- 2 Under the shadow of thy throne
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defence is sure.
- 3 Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.
- 4 A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.