

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY



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Gathering

All gather in silence. The presiding minister welcomes those who have gathered and prays

Hymn

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

Remembering

The presiding minister reads the following exhortation

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping:
those who have died for their country in war; those whom we knew,
and those whose memories are treasured; and all who have lived
and died in the service of others.

HYMN

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

Beneath the shadow of thy throne,
Thy saints have dwelt secure;

Sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.
Before the hills in order stood,

Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting, thou art God,
To endless years the same.

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

Time, like an ever rolling stream
Bears all who breathe away
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past
Our hope for years to come;
Be thou our guide while life shall last,
And our eternal home.

The Parade Marshall reads the Roll of Honour.

RBL representative says:

They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old;
age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.

A young person says:

At the going down of the sun
and in the morning
we will remember them.

All affirm: We will remember them.

The beginning of the two-minute silence is signalled by the Last Post

SILENCE

The completion of the silence is signalled by the Reveille

The Parade Marshall reads the Kohima Epitaph:

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

Prayer

The presiding minister prays

Ever-living God, we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring lasting justice to all peoples and establish and sustain harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wreath laying

Prayer The presiding minister or a representative from one of the churches prays

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.

Final Prayer and Blessing The presiding minister prays

The parade Marshal takes charge and leads the parade to the church where he dismisses it.



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