

LAYING OF THE WREATHES

NATIONAL ANTHEM is played

ACT OF COMMITMENT

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**

BLESSING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Act of Remembrance, Long Marston

2020

If you begin your act of Remembrance at 10.50, then the timings should be right for the silence at 11. It can be used on Remembrance Sunday (8th November 2020) or 11th November (Wednesday). The British Legion website has information on how to donate and how to buy poppies.

On Sunday 8th November, two wreath bearers from our community will walk, one from Bromley and one from Station Road starting at 10.40. They will join together with the vicar at the War Memorial at 10.50. We invite everyone to come to their doors/the road to watch the wreath go by, and then to follow this Act of Remembrance from their doorway, or inside their homes.

This Act of Remembrance has been put together by the Church, so there are references to God and Jesus.

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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.

A Litany of Peace

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.**

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

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 whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of humankind.

1914-18

George Badrick

Harry Gregory

Walter Jesse Chapman

James William Ives

Harry Chappin

Albert Wallis

James Chappin

Joseph Wallis

William Ernest Clarke

Walter Winfield

George Henry Dean

(buried in churchyard)

1939-45

Eric Walter Winfield

From the US Air Force

Fred Becker

Howard Haley

Carl Lindquist

Civilians

Ruth Whelan

They shall not grow 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**

Here follows the Silence. The beginning and the end of the Silence may be signalled by the Last Post and Reveille. At the end of the Silence the Kohima Epitaph is said:

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