Potton Remembrance Sunday 2022 Order of Service

13th November 2022 starting at 10.15am

Introduction and Welcome Hymn 1

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm does bind the restless wave, who bids the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep; o hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

Lord God, who speaks with voice so clear, speak that we know that thou art near; protect your faithful Army friends, for they have helped, our peace to win; and bless us as we join our hands, with those in peril on the land.

Lord, guard and guide all who fly through the great spaces of the sky be with them on their lonely flights through darkening day and endless nights O hear us as we lift our prayers for those in peril in the air.

O Trinity of love and pow'r, your children shield in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire, and foe, protect them where-so-e'er they go; thus, evermore shall rise to Thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.



Bible Reading: Matthew 5: 1-12

Hymn 2

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 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 its sons 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 guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Opening Prayers

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.

We say together...

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 justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers

Each section of the Prayers concludes with:

May God give peace

God give peace.

At the end we pray together...

Most holy God and Father, hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice.

Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow;

and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hymn 3

Guide me, O my great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, ever be my strength and shield, ever be my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.

Death of death, and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.

Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever sing to you,
I will ever sing to you.



Remembrance Parade

This commences at 10:30am to the War Memorial.

Parade Order

Salvation Army / Clergy and Church Leaders / Flag Bearer(s) / Potton Town Council / Ex Service Men and Women / Guides, Brownies and Rainbows / Scouts, Cubs and Beavers / Schools and Pre-schools / Members of the Public / The Fire Service.

At the War Memorial

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.

The list of those to be remembered by name will be read by **David Tall OBE, Captain Royal Navy**.

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.

We will remember them.



Laying of Wreaths now takes place.

The first wreath will be laid by **Deputy Lieutenant Chris Kilroy MBE**.

The Last Post will be sounded and flags are lowered (except for the Salvation Army Standard).

Two Minutes Silence then follows as a sign of respect and remembrance.

Reveille will be sounded at the conclusion of the silence and the flags are raised up again.

Almighty and eternal God,

from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life;

Hear our prayers and thanksgivings

for all whom we remember this day;

fulfil in them the purpose of your love;

and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Act of Commitment

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men and women;

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 serve you and all people, in the cause
of peace,
for the relief of want and suffering,
and for the praise of your name.
Guide us by your Holy Spirit;
give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us
faithful now and always. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 you 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.



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.

Blessing

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth, and all humankind, tolerance, harmony and peace; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Parade returns to the Market Square

Refreshments available in the Community Centre, Brook End following the return of the parade.





