



HAYWARDS HEATH  
TOWN COUNCIL



# REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

## HAYWARDS HEATH



**AT THE WAR MEMORIAL**

**10th November 2024**  
**10.45am**

*INTRODUCTION* by Fr. Edward Pritchett, Rector at St Wilfrid's Church

God is our refuge and strength;  
a very present help in trouble.

Psalm 46.1

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

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

O 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 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.



## **ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

*All stand while the minister says*

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 humanity.

**EXHORTATION** - *Haywards Heath Royal British Legion*

“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 repeat*            **We will remember them**

## **THE LAST POST**

**2 minutes silence**

## **REVEILLE**

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.**



## Hymn

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.

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.

O sacred Spirit, who didst brood  
upon the chaos dark and rude,  
who bad'st 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.

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.

**READING** JOHN 15. 9-17

*Read by Cllr Stephanie Inglesfield, Town Mayor*

## THE PRAYERS

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 peacemakers and peacekeepers,  
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. **Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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.**

# THE LAYING OF THE WREATHS

**KOHIMA ADDRESS** - *Haywards Heath Royal British Legion*

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

## Hymn

**Abide with me; fast falls the eventide:  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide:  
when other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless, O abide with me.**

**Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.**

**I need thy presence every passing hour;  
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.**

**I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.**

**Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:  
heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**



## **ACT OF COMMITMENT**

Let us commit 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

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.  
**Amen.**

## **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 among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**





## 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.**

### ORDER FOR LAYING WREATHS

Deputy Lieutenant of West Sussex – Commodore Mike Mansergh, CBE, DL  
Town Mayor of Haywards Heath - Cllr Stephanie Inglesfield  
Chairman of Royal British Legion, Haywards Heath Branch - Danny Kington  
Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner - Katy Bourne  
On behalf of Alison Bennett MP - Cllr Duncan Pascoe

#### **East Gate**

WSCC- Cllr Sujan Wickremaratchi  
MSDC- Cllr Robert Eggleston  
Royal Air Force Association  
Air Training Corps  
Army Cadet Force  
Burma Star Association  
Sussex Police  
Mid Sussex Police Cadets  
W. Sussex Fire & Rescue  
Scout Association  
Girlguiding UK  
Haywards Heath Social Club  
Haywards Heath Quakers  
War Horse Memorial (Purple Poppies)

#### **West Gate**

Haywards Heath Rotary Club  
Haywards Heath Lions Club  
The Catenian Association  
Mid Sussex Conservatives  
Haywards Heath Labour Party  
Haywards Heath Liberal Democrats  
Age UK West Sussex Brighton & Hove  
SAIF  
Nat. Assoc. of Funeral Directors  
Haywards Heath Town Team  
Haywards Heath Twinning Association  
Haywards Heath Community CIC  
Haywards Heath Arts Festival  
Freemasons

#### Private Wreaths

Our thanks goes to Haywards Heath Concert Band for providing the music for the hymns and to Pitch Black for providing the PA System.