

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

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A SHORT ACT OF REMEMBRANCE ON D-DAY 80



# LIVE ON

TO THE MEMORY OF THE FALLEN  
AND THE FUTURE OF THE LIVING



## **INTRODUCTION**

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 honour the bravery and sacrifice of those who served on D-Day the 06 June 1944. Grant us similar courage to recognise and restrain evil in our own day, and may those who lead the nations of the world work together to defend human liberty, that we may live peaceably one with another. This we ask in the name of the Prince of Peace, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## **ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

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.** (The Reveille).

A page is turned in the "Book of Remembrance".

The presiding minister will invite the public to lay tokens of Remembrance such as crosses, flowers, or other symbols of remembrance.

## ***The Kohima Epitaph is said:***

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



## PRAYERS

### ***For the Departed***

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.**

### ***For the Peace of the World***

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

**Amen**

### ***For all the Armed Forces of the Crown***

Almighty God, stretch forth your mighty arm to strengthen and protect the armed forces: grant that meeting danger with courage and all occasions with discipline and loyalty, they/we may truly serve the cause of justice and peace; to the honour of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

**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**

## 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.

### ***All say together***

**Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all mankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name. Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us faithful now and always. Amen.**

## ENDING

May God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth, and all mankind, peace and concord; 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**

