



Totton and Eling Remembrance Day Parade Service of Remembrance



1. The Branch President's welcome

2. The Chaplain

Will give a short Sermon, and then say:-

We are here to worship almighty God
Whose purposes are good.
Whose power sustains the world He has made;

Who loves us though we have failed in his service.
Who gave Jesus Christ for the life of the world;
Who by His Holy Spirit leads us in his way.

As we give thanks for His great works,
We remember those who have lived in his service
and in the service of others.

We pray for all who suffer through war and are in need;
We ask for His help and blessing that we may do His will;
And that the world may acknowledge Him as Lord and King.

3. 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 are 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.

O God our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard whilst troubles last,
And our eternal home.

4. The Chaplain will read the Act of Remembrance

Let us remember before God the men and women of all nations who have died as a result of war – those who we have known, and those whose memory we treasure; those we never knew, and those who died unknown. We will remember all who have lived in hope, but died in vain – the tortured, the

innocent, the starving, and the exiled, the imprisoned, the oppressed, and the disappeared.

5. The Wreaths will now be placed

- The Royal British Legion Branch.
- The local Member of Parliament.
- The Chairman of the Totton and Eling Town Council.
- Followed by all other wreath Layers.

The **Parade Marshal** will then order "Parade Attention" Standard Bearers will come to the "carry" as ordered separately.

6. Branch President will give the "Exhortation"

"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** will be sounded followed by
- **TWO MINUTES SILENCE** after which
- **REVEILLE** will be sounded

7. The "Kohima Epitaph"

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

8. The Chaplain will say

Almighty and Eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life; Hear our prayer 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

Standard bearers will bring standards to the "order."
Parade Marshal will then order "Parade Stand at Ease".

9. All will sing

**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, O 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.

Reveal Thyself 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.

10. The chaplain will say the 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."

11. All then say together

"Lord God our Father, We pledge ourselves to serve You and all people in the cause of peace, for the relief of suffering, and for the praise of Your name. Guide us by Your spirit, give us wisdom, give us courage, and give us hope and keep us faithful, now and always. 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.

The Parade Marshal will then order "Parade Attention" Standard Bearers will come to the "carry" as ordered separately.

12. The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen
Long live our noble Queen
God save our Queen
Send her victorious
Happy and glorious
Long to reign over us
God save the Queen.

The Standards will return to the "Carry" without being ordered.

13. The Chaplain will give The Blessing

"God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth, and all people, peace and concord; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.
Amen."

-----Parade Dismissed -----

The Royal British Legion needs your help to organise and run events throughout the year and for the Poppy Appeal.

Please speak to a member of The Totton and Eling Branch or Email;

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Or call Dave Taylor on 02380 863618 or Susan Compton (Poppy Appel) 02380 873143

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**We need your help to organise and run the Totton and Eling Remembrance Day Parade and Service. Please speak to a member of the Remembrance Parade Committee or Email; parade@totton.info
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