



The City of Liverpool

# Service of Remembrance & Dedication

Sunday, 8th November 2020  
The Cenotaph, St George's Hall,  
Lime Street, Liverpool

75TH Anniversary VE Day  
75TH Anniversary VJ Day



Remembrance Sunday is a time when the country and the city of Liverpool come together to remember those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in two world wars. It is also a time to remember those injured and bereaved in recent conflict.

Due to the ongoing health pandemic, our traditional annual Service of Remembrance, the dedication and march past will not take place this year. This is deeply disappointing for all concerned and it is not a decision that has been taken lightly.

After extensive consultation and careful consideration, it was decided to hold a reduced virtual service, which will be made available to the public on Remembrance Sunday. In line with the Royal British Legion, we ask that if you are involved in any remembrance activity please abide by the guidelines currently in place, and perhaps consider pausing for the two-minute silence in your home or on your doorstep.

I would like to take this opportunity to praise and thank our present military who have played such a vital role during the pandemic, many who are reservists and key workers, or are working for our National Health Service.

These arrangements will not, in any way, diminish our respect, reverence for the sacrifice, and service of so many. Our living rooms, gardens and doorways will become places to pause and contemplate the importance of our remembrance. In homes across the nation, let us stiffen, rise to attention, lower our gaze and think of those who have answered the call to protect our loved ones, today and throughout history.

Thank you and please stay safe.

*At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them.*

**The Mayor of Liverpool, Joe Anderson OBE**

The Service will begin with the 'Thought for Remembrance Day' by  
**The Bishop of Liverpool, The Right Reverend Paul Bayes**

**THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

**The County President, The Royal British Legion,  
Lieutenant Colonel Anthony Hollingsworth MBE**  
will say:

*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.*

The congregation will reply:  
**We will remember them.**

**The Last Post**

**Two Minute Silence**

**Reveille**

**The County President, The Royal British Legion,  
Lieutenant Colonel Anthony Hollingsworth MBE**  
will say:

**The Kohima Epitaph**  
*When you go home,  
Tell them of us and say,  
For your tomorrow  
We gave our today.*



The laying of wreaths by key representatives will take place.

**Danielle Louise Thomas will sing** '*Eternal God, Before Whose Face We Stand*'  
accompanied by the Willis Organ played by **Professor Ian Tracey DL**

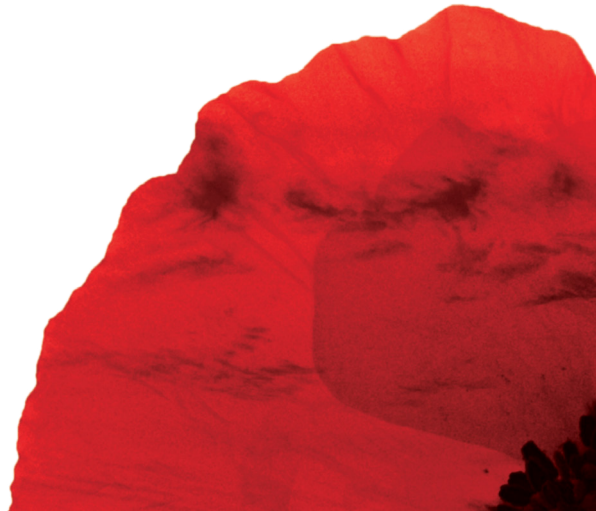
Prayers of Thanksgiving, concluding with *The Lord's Prayer* by  
**The Archbishop of Liverpool, The Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon OP**

**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.**

A prayer offered in the Muslim tradition by  
**Mr Zia Chaudhry DL representing the Faith Leaders' Group**  
**Danielle Louise Thomas will sing** '*O God Our Help in Ages Past*'  
accompanied by the Willis Organ played by **Professor Ian Tracey DL**

**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.**



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 while troubles last,  
And our Eternal Home.

Act of Dedication and Blessing by  
**The Reverend Dr Sheryl Anderson, Chair of the Liverpool Methodist District**

*Will you, the people of Liverpool and the region, dedicate  
yourselves to Peace and Justice in the world?*

The congregation will reply: **We will.**

After the Blessing the congregation will reply: **Amen.**

**Danielle Louise Thomas will sing *the National Anthem***  
accompanied by the Willis Organ played by **Professor Ian Tracey DL**

God save our gracious Queen,  
Long live our noble Queen,  
God save the Queen!  
Send her victorious,  
Happy and Glorious,  
Long to reign over us:  
God save the Queen!



## Digital Wall of Honour

Each year the city unites at St George's Hall in our annual Service of Remembrance & Dedication to commemorate those who have served in conflicts around the world. This year, we are unable to stand together at the Hall as we would normally, but we still take time to remember those who have served, are serving today, and those who have given their lives in conflict.

Today, we are able to remember and share our experiences and memories around the world through our digital Wall of Honour, an interactive wall of memories which is available on the Culture Liverpool website year-round.

While many names of the fallen are recorded in the Hall of Remembrance at Liverpool Town Hall, you can share memories of loved ones, family and friends, as well as stories and photographs on the interactive digital wall. This forms a permanent digital archive for future generations to remember those whom we have lost and to keep stories and memories alive for evermore.

**W: [cultureliverpool.co.uk/service-of-remembrance](http://cultureliverpool.co.uk/service-of-remembrance)**

## Support

While we wish to remember all those who have served and made the greatest sacrifice, we also know that many veterans and serving military personnel are returning home to be with us. For any veterans, active military, family or friends who would like support, advice or assistance in any way, we have details on a variety of organisations on the Service of Remembrance website.

**W: [cultureliverpool.co.uk/armed-forces-support/](http://cultureliverpool.co.uk/armed-forces-support/)**

## To the Memory of the Fallen and the Future of the Living

Every poppy makes a difference to the lives of our Armed Forces community.

The Legion has worked with its members, staff, volunteers and partners to create a range of ways for people to get a poppy and show your support in 2020.

Like so many things this year, the Poppy Appeal has to adapt to the threat of Covid-19 and we are asking the public to support us like never before, because every poppy counts.

**Registered Charity Number 219279**



**Mayor of  
Liverpool**

**Culture  
Liverpool**



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Liverpool City Council would like to extend our sincere thanks to Ocean Media, The Royal British Legion, Storm Media, Adlib, The Royal British Legion and the various businesses across the city region who have kindly donated their time and resources for this event.