

After a suitable pause the attendants at the parade disperse.

Many thanks to Weymouth Concert Brass for their continual support for this annual service.

ORDER OF WREATH LAYING

- ◆ Town Mayor of Portland: Cllr Carralyn Parkes
- ◆ MP For DORSET South—Mr Richard Drax MP
- ◆ The Bishop of Salisbury
- ◆ The Court Leet
- ◆ The Royal British Legion Branch
- ◆ The Royal Naval Association
- ◆ Any Army Associations
- ◆ The Royal Air Force Association
- ◆ Dorset Police
- ◆ Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen.
- ◆ National Coastwatch Portland Bill
- ◆ HM Coastguard
- ◆ The Commanding Officer Portland S.C.C.
- ◆ The Commanding Officer - Portland A.C.F.
- ◆ The Dorset Fire Service
- ◆ H.M. Portland Prison
- ◆ H.M. The Verne Prison
- ◆ All Other Wreaths

The Rector of Portland and RBL invite you to a Memorial Service in Victoria Gardens, Fortuneswell at the American Memorial. This will start at 12:30—you are welcome to join us.



There is no evening service.



**Order of Service at
The Cenotaph
Sunday 12th November 2023
at 10.55 a.m.**
(Preceded by a March/Walk from the Drill Hall, Easton Lane at 10:20)

**The Isle and Royal Manor of
Portland**

ORDER OF PARADE

10:20 **Gathering at the "Drill Hall"**, Easton Lane (DT5 1BW).
March to the front of the Heights Hotel.

10:50 **Dignitaries depart from the Portland Heights Hotel** and
take up positions at The Cenotaph.

10:55 **Call to worship** by the Leader
All sing "**Onward Christian Soldiers**"

Leader "Let us remember before God ..etc."

The Alert (Sounded on the Bugle)

10:59 Chair of Royal British Legion Portland : Exhortation

All repeat: "We will remember them"

Carry Standards

11:00 Bugler sounds (Mr Steve Vaughan) "The Last Post" - ~
Dip standards,
1 minutes silence.

Followed by "Reveille" - Standards return to Carry

Procession Commanders	TSMI C Joynes
Wreath Marshall	2nd Lt M Matthews.
Standard Marshall	Ben Cartwright

Short Service followed by the Laying of the wreaths.

Hymns: "Eternal Father" followed by "Amazing Grace"
and then "Thine be the glory" (during which the
wreaths will be laid at The Cenotaph

When all wreaths are laid the National Anthem is sung
(one verse)

Blessing by the Bishop of Salisbury.

After suitable pause - all disperse

I shall possess within the veil
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there a
thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing
God's praise
Than when we first begun.

**Thine be the glory, risen,
conquering Son;**

Endless is the victory thou o'er
death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the
stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes
where Thy body lay.

Chorus
*Thine be the glory, risen,
conquering Son;*

When all the wreaths have been laid Rev Tim Gomm will introduce 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"**

The Blessing by Rt Rev Stephen Lake

"God grant to the living, grace, to the departed, rest; to the Church,
the Queen, the Commonwealth, and all mankind, peace and
concord; and to His servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of
God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst
you and remain with you always **Amen**"

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the Name of Christ**

*Endless is the victory thou o'er
death hast won!*

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the
tomb!
Lovingly He greets us, scatters
fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death
hath lost its sting.
Chorus

No more we doubt Thee, glorious
Prince of life;
Life is naught without Thee aid us
in our strife;
Make us more than conquerors,
Through Thy deathless love;
Lead us in Thy triumph
To Thy home above.
Chorus

Prayers—led by Rev Ruth
Lownsborough—Methodist Minister
for the Dorset South & West Circuit

**The Laying of the
wreaths at The
Cenotaph**

Eternal Father, strong to save
Whose arm hath bound the
restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean
deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, 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 amidst its rage didst
sleep;
Oh, 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 give, for wild confusion
peace;
Oh, 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 wheresoe'er they
go;
And ever let there rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land
and sea.

**Amazing grace! how sweet the
sound**
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am
found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart
to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace
appear,
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and
snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me safe
thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to
me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Yes, when this heart and flesh
shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,

ORDER OF SERVICE

10:55 Call to service by the Leader

Hymn
Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before!
Christ, the royal Master,
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle,
See, His banners go!

Chorus
*Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.*

At the name of Jesus
Satan's host doth flee;
On then, Christian soldiers,
On to victory!
Hell's foundations quiver
At the shout of praise;
Brothers, lift your voices;
Loud your anthems raise:
Chorus

Like a mighty army
Moves the church of God:
Brothers we are treading

Where the saints have trod.
We are not divided,
All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine,
One in charity.
Chorus

Crowns and thrones may
perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane,
But the church of Jesus
Constant will remain;
Gates of hell can never
'Gainst that church prevail;
We have Christ's own
promise,
And that cannot fail:
Chorus

Onward, then, ye people!
Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph-song:
Glory, laud, and honour
Unto Christ the King!
This through countless ages
Men and angels sing:
Chorus

Welcome by The Rector of Portland—Revd Tim Gomm

"Let us remember before God, and commend to His
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 mankind."

10.59 **Mr Steve Browne—Chairman of the Royal British Legion on Portland** says:

*"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."**

11.00 The Last Post - (Sounded by the bugler)
One minute silence

11.01 Followed by the Reveille - (Sounded by the bugler)

Mrs Paula Brown "Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Jesus Christ we can not be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all we remember this day: Fulfil in them the purpose of Your love, and bring all the faithful with them, to Your eternal joy, Through Jesus Christ Our Lord."

All . Amen

All say together 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"**

"Let us pledge ourselves to the service of God and our fellow mankind: 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"**

Personal accounts readings "In times of conflict"

Read by:

- 1) **Vivien Kimber**
- 2) **Cdt LCpl Megan Grundonner**
- 3) **Cdt Amira White-Balsdon**

Rev Tim Gomm reads: John 15:9-17

9 'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. 10 If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. 11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 12 My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. 17 This is my command: love each other.

A short reflection. By the Bishop of Salisbury— Rt Revd Steve Lake