

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE CHISLEHURST

*You are invited to join in
with words in **bold** type.*

Rev'd Rachel Curley says,

Let us remember before God,
and commend to God's sure keeping
those who have given their lives
in service to the cause of justice,
freedom, and peace,
throughout history and in this current age.

**Then, an older person, local resident,
Mike Pinchen: former Royal Marine says:**

They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old;
age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.

**Then a younger person from St Nicks
Church, Ellis Diamond-Murray replies:**

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

The Last Post

At 11am: we observe a two minute silence.
Reveille

**The Kohima Epitaph is read by Peter
Appleby;**

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

Rev'd Rachel says;

All Rest eternal grant them, O Lord
**and let light perpetual
shine upon them.**

All May they rest in peace
and rise in glory.

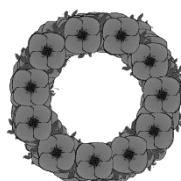
Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ
we cannot be parted,
either by death or life;
hear our prayers and thanksgivings
for all whom we remember this day;
fulfil in them the purpose of your love;
and bring us, with them,
to your eternal joy:
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The following poem is read by former
Royal Marines Commando, Matt Lyons:

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders Fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved,
and now we lie
In Flanders fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep,
though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

*By Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD
(1872-1918) Canadian Army
Published by Punch, 8 December 1915*



*Those wishing to lay wreaths will be
invited to come forward to do so.*

**Please wait until called
by Councillor Mike Jack**

HYMN

**O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.**

**Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defense if sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.**

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

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God of the nations,
as we look to that day when you will
gather people from north and south, east
and west, into the unity of your peaceable
Kingdom, guide with your just and gentle
wisdom all who take counsel for the
nations of the world, that all your people
may spend their days in security, freedom,
and peace. **Amen.**

We offer our thanksgivings for the many
blessings with which enrich our lives:

For the King and his family,
and all who under him bear the
responsibility of government:

All We give our thanks and praise.

For those who serve in the Armed
Forces of the Crown on sea and
land and in the air:

All We give our thanks and praise.

For doctors, nurses, chaplains, and
all who minister to those in need or
distress:

All We give our thanks and praise.

For the sacrifices made, especially in
the two world wars, and in the
many conflicts which still rage in our
world today:

All We give our thanks and praise.



**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.**

BLESSING

God grant to the living grace,
to the departed rest,
to the Church, the King,
the Commonwealth and to all people,
unity, peace and concord,
and to us and all God's people,
life everlasting.
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the ✠Father, Son and Holy Spirit
be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

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