O Lord, grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every language, race and colour will be brought into the unity of Christ's kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The National Anthem

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

### THE BLESSING

God grant to the living, grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the Commonwealth, and all her people, and to us and all Gods servants, life everlasting. The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you and your loved ones now and forever. **Amen.** 

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## **Hailsham Town**

# Act of Remembrance Hailsham War Memorial Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021 10.45 am

#### Welcome and Introduction

We have gathered around this memorial today to remember all those from the community who were caught up in the courageous but tragic events of all wars and conflicts. We remember those who were killed in action, or by disease, the bereaved, the lost, the families that were shattered, the wounded, maimed and injured, those who held in silence unspeakable memories of warfare. As we remember those who fought let us pray that God will heal all memories, speak a word of peace, and bring us his healing.

#### **MINISTER**

Let us remember the work of the Royal British Legion celebrating its 100 years, its Branches throughout the world, its commitment to help all Veterans, young and old, its work with families after all conflicts and wars.

## Hymn

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea: guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us for we have no help in thee, yet possessing every blessing if our God our Father be.

3. Spirit of our God, descending fill our hearts with heavenly joy, love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: thus provided, pardoned, guided, Nothing can our peace destroy.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us: all our weakness thou dost know. thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; lone and dreary, faint, and weary, Through the desert thou didst go.

#### Address

The Chairman of The Royal British Legion, Hailsham & District Branch

#### **ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping, those who have died for their country, in war and conflicts. Those whom we knew, and

whose memory we treasure, and all those other people who have lived and died in the service of mankind. Almighty and Eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life, hear our prayers and thanksgivings for those 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.

11.00 am. LAST POST

(Followed by two minutes silence)

11.02 am. REVEILLE

### 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.

AII: WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

#### **KOHIMA EPITAPH**

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

The laying of wreaths, crosses, posies, chaplets and flowers

#### MINISTER

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow, those whose lives in World Wars and conflicts past and present have been given and taken away. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for the reconciliation between nations, that all people may together live-in freedom, justice, and peace. For all members of the Armed Forces who are in danger this day, remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We pray for the Queen as Patron of the Royal British Legion, for our own Branch here in Hailsham and the work it does in our local community and pray that we can uphold the four pillars of the Legion, Welfare, Remembrance, Representation and Comradeship. 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.

# Hymn

- 1.0 God, our help in ages past. our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.
- 2. Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.
- 3. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.
- 4. A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.
  - 5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
  - 6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come: be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.