



Sunderland Remembrance Parade 2024



Participating units of His Majesty's Forces

88 (Arracan) Battery & Gun Detachment of 4th Regiment Royal Artillery
A Company, 3 Rifles



Order of Service

As part of the on-going support Sunderland shows to all service personnel, we host the unique National Veterans Walk project here in Mowbray Park, alongside the Brothers In Arms Memorial Wall, whose charitable aims support local charities. It offers anyone who is serving or has served an opportunity to create a permanent tribute of their proud commitment to our Armed Forces, both past and present and regardless of area.

For further details on the project background and how to order your own tribute to proud service visit www.nationalveteranswalk.co.uk





Order of Service

10.30am

Parade held in the presence of: Deputy Lieutenant Colonel Wing Commander Dave Harris, DL, The Right Worshipful The Mayor of Sunderland, Councillor Allison Chisnall, Commander Kevin Stockton, Saluting Officer Major Ross Towes, Battery Commander 88 (Arracan) Battery, 4th Regiment Royal Artillery and Parade Regimental Sergeant Major, WO1 T Wood.

10.30am

Music will be played by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band.

10.35am

Gresford will be played by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band.

10.40am

Music will be played by Piper, Alan Jamieson.

10.45am

Hymn

PLEASE STAND

Eternal Father Strong to Save

Accompanied by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band

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 Christ! Whose voice the waters heard
And hushed their raging at thy word,
Who walked'st on the foaming deep,
And calm amidst its rage didst sleep;
O hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

Most Holy Spirit! Who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid 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;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

PLEASE SIT

10.50am

For the Fallen (Laurence Binyon)

Read by Deputy Lieutenant Colonel Wing Commander Dave Harris, DL

With proud thanksgiving, a mother for her children,
England mourns for her dead across the sea,
Flesh of her flesh they were, spirit of her spirit,
Fallen in the cause of the free.

Solemn the drums thrill; Death august and royal,
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres,
There is music in the midst of desolation,
And a glory that shines upon our tears.

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow,
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,
They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall not grow old, as we that are left to 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.

RESPONSE: "We will remember them".

Parade brought to Attention.

PLEASE STAND

Standard Bearers to carry standards.

10.58am

Last Post
The Chimes of Big Ben

11.00am

Two Minutes Silence.

11.02am

Reveille

Standard Bearers to Order Standards and Parade stood at ease.

PLEASE SIT

The Far East Prisoner Of War Prayer (Corporal Arthur E Ogden and Victor Merrett)

Air Cadet Shaun Hair 2214 Usworth Squadron

And we that are left grow old with the years.
Remembering the heartache, the pain and the tears.
Hoping and praying that never ever again,
Man will sink to such sorrow and shame.
The price that was paid we will always remember.
Every day, every month, not just in November.
We shall remember them.

Music played by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band

Deputy Lieutenant Colonel Wing Commander Dave Harris, DL, will lay the first wreath, followed by The Mayor of Sunderland, Councillor Allison Chisnall, on behalf of the people of Sunderland.

In Flanders Fields (Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae)

Major Ross Towes, Battery Commander 88 (Arracan) Battery, 4th Regiment Royal Artillery.

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.

Hymn

PLEASE STAND

Oh God, Our Help In Ages Past

Accompanied by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band

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

A thousand ages in thy sight,
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night,
Before the rising sun.

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

PLEASE SIT

Benediction

Laying of wreaths

Laying of wreaths Music played by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band

Hymn

PLEASE STAND

Jerusalem (Charles Hubert Hastings Parry)

Accompanied by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountain green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among those dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear!
O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant land.

PLEASE SIT

Commemorative Address

Commemorative Address The Right Worshipful The Mayor of Sunderland, Councillor Allison Chisnall.

Parade brought to Attention and Standards "Brought to the Carry".

PLEASE STAND FOR THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Accompanied by Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band.

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!

Thy choicest gift in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign;
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the King!

PLEASE SIT

Permission granted to "March Off".

Civic Party re-locate to front of Sunderland Museum, Library & Winter Gardens for March Past.

The Parade will leave the War Memorial and march along Borough Road into Toward Road where it will be dismissed.

