Bolton's Service of Remembrance

In memory of the men and women who have given their lives in the service of their country

Our service today will be conducted by:

The Vicar of Bolton,
Reverend Hannah Lane







10.55 am – Hymn

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

2. Beneath the shadow of thy throne
   Thy saints have dwelt secure;
   Sufficient in 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 thou our guard while troubles last,
   And our eternal home.

Service Introduction followed by:

11.00am 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.

All to repeat "We will remember them"

Maroon Fire

The Last Post

The 2 minute silence is observed

Maroon Fire

Reveille

The Kohima Epitaph

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

The Mayor will lead the wreath laying. After the wreath laying:

The Lesson

A reading from the Epistle to the Romans followed by:

The Prayers:
When the Minister says 'May God give peace', **ALL** repeat: '**God give peace'**.

The Minister will introduce the Lord's Prayer:

ALL: 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 that 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. I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
   entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
   the love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
   that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
   the love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
   the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

2. And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
   most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
   we may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
   her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
   and soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
   and her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

Act of commitment

The Minister says 'Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and to one another to defend the defenceless, relieve the oppressed, provide for the homeless and the hungry and work for the peace and welfare of the nations.

ALL say together:

We commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.
We will strive for all that makes for peace.
We will seek to heal the wounds of war.
We will work for a just future for all humanity.

Parade brought to attention for **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

Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage. Hold fast to that which is good. Render no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted. Support the weak, help the afflicted. Honour all people. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you all evermore. **Amen.**

The March Past

The parade marches off the square to reform in Le Mans Crescent.

The parade march back on to the square and salute the war memorial. During the march past, those people/organisations who would like to have their wreath laid on the war memorial can hand it to the Mayor's officer at the war memorial as they are marching past to be laid on their behalf as is done in Westminster. Alternatively, those people who would like to lay their own wreath can do so immediately after the march past and the service has finished.



lest we forget

Our Brothers died to win
a better world.
Our part must be to
strive for Truth, Goodwill
and Peace that their
self-sacrifice be not in vain