



Thanks from Jess Greenhalgh, Service Children's Champion, NYCC

My thanks go to all those involved in making this Service so wonderful every year. I am so proud of how well we work together in this county to support this special group of children and young people.

To all the Service children of North Yorkshire—

In the run up to the Service I asked you to all have a think about “Why I wear the Poppy”. I know we usually think of the World Wars when we think about poppies and Remembrance.

I also think the Poppy can be a symbol for your mums and dads and the sacrifices you sometimes have to make as a family—from moving house every couple of years to being apart during deployments.

Your Serving family members are doing such an important job for their country and you have so much to be proud of, but I know it's not always easy. You face so many challenges but you also have so much to celebrate. Your strength consistently amazes me and each and every one of you is so deserving of a chance to shine.



Service to Remember

For North Yorkshire's Service Children

Friday 12th November 2021

1pm—2.30pm



100 Years of the Poppy





Welcome from the Dean of Ripon

Welcome to Ripon Cathedral for this Annual Service of Remembrance for the service children of North Yorkshire. I am extremely pleased that we can, once again, meet for this service in person in this cathedral where people have been gathering to say their prayers, in both good and difficult times, for almost 1350 years.

Everyone here is welcome, of course, and I want to say a particular welcome to the Deputy Lieutenant of North Yorkshire Major General Charlton-Weedy. In representing Her Majesty the Queen, the Major General demonstrates the significance of this service and the importance of North Yorkshire's military communities, not least their children.

I am also delighted to welcome local and regional civic representatives who show the support for the armed forces of the wider community.

This year we are marking the centenary of the poppy being used as a symbol of remembrance. Over those hundred years, the annual poppy appeal has raised huge sums of money to support those whose lives have been hurt by war and conflict. We give thanks for that. And we also thank God for all those whom we do remember at this time of year, those who have been killed in the cause of peace, and those who have been bereaved or injured.

The really special people at this service, of course, are you children; members of families who make a tremendous contribution to the wellbeing of our country and the peace and stability of the whole world. So, we say a big thank you to God for you, your brothers and sisters, your mums and dads.

I hope you enjoy the service.

And now a prayer,

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for bringing us together in this service.

At this time of remembrance, we commemorate all those who, in former wars and conflicts, have fought for, and contributed towards, the cause of peace, justice and freedom. We especially remember those who died, and we pray for the injured and bereaved.

We thank you also, Father, for the military communities of North Yorkshire, all service men and women and their families – praising you for all they do for the good of the country and the world.

In Jesus Christ's name we pray.

Amen.

Dean John

The Very Revd John Dobson DL,

The Dean of Ripon



Final Blessing given by Dean John

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted;
support the weak;
help the afflicted;
honour all people;
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.



Please stand

National Anthem

During which the Standards are collected and form up in the aisle

All: God save our gracious Queen,	Thy choicest gifts in store,
Long live our noble Queen,	On her be pleased to pour;
God save the Queen:	Long may she reign:
Send her victorious,	May she defend our laws,
Happy and glorious,	And ever give us cause
Long to reign over us:	To sing with heart and voice
God save the Queen.	God save the Queen.

Please sit

END OF SERVICE



Please stand

‘This Little Light of Mine’ sung by pupils from

Alanbrooke Primary School

All: This little light of mine,	I'm going to let it shine,
I'm going to let it shine,	Let it shine,
This little light of mine,	Let it shine,
I'm going to let it shine,	Let it shine.
This little light of mine,	
I'm going to let it shine,	On Monday he gave me the gift of love,
Let it shine,	Tuesday, peace came from above,
Let it shine,	On Wednesday he told me to have some faith,
Let it shine.	On Thursday he gave me a little more grace.
	Friday he told me just to watch and pray,
The light that shines is the light of love,	Saturday he told me just what to say,
Lights the darkness from above,	On Sunday he gave me the pow'r divine
It shines on me and it shines on you,	to let my little light shine.
And shows what the power of love can do.	
I'm going to shine my light both far and near,	This little light of mine,
I'm going to shine my light both bright and clear,	I'm going to let it shine,
Where there's a dark corner in this land	This little light of mine,
I'm going to let my little light shine	I'm going to let it shine,
	This little light of mine,
	I'm going to let it shine,
This little light of mine,	Let it shine,
I'm going to let it shine,	Let it shine,
This little light of mine,	Let it shine.
I'm going to let it shine,	
This little light of mine,	

Please sit

To find out more about the work being done in North Yorkshire supporting Service Children please contact the Service Children's Champion:

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Please remain seated as guests and clergy take their places.



All stand for the arrival of the Deputy Lieutenant Major General Charlton-Weedy representing Her Majesty the Queen.



**Welcome from Dean John
and Opening Prayer delivered by Canon Barry**

Opening Hymn

‘This Remembrance Day’ sung by Bolton-on-Swale

Primary School Choir

During which the Royal British Legion Standard and two MKC Heroes standards will be received (carried by Owen Smith from Outwood Ripon and Theo McCrossan from Richmond School

This day's for you,
This day's to remember who you are,
And all that you gave.
This prayer's for you,
This prayer's to say you're in our hearts,
This Remembrance Day.

We celebrate your service,
Pay tribute to your lives,
This day is to honour what you've done.
We celebrate your courage,
Your legacy's alive,
Remember those we've lost,
But never forgotten.

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**Message for all Service children from:
the Garrison Commander at Catterick
Colonel Jim Turner.**

A prayer led by Padre Richard Hall



Please stand

'Little Poppy of Flanders' sung by the Northern Military Kids Club Choir

Little Poppy of Flanders
What a story you can tell
How the countryside like heaven
Could be turned into a hell
How the beauty of the hillside
Turned from green and ran with blood
While so many young and brave died
Out there amidst the mud

You remind me of fields full of flowers
and the soldiers who went there for me.
They fell with their face in the flowers
they died so that I could be free

Little Poppy of Flanders
You were blooming yesterday
While the fields were full of soldiers
And the blue skies turned to grey
While the air was full of thunder
Smoke and flames blocked out the sun
War reached out and took it's victims
And it changed for everyone

You remind me of fields full of flowers
and the soldiers who went there for me.
They fell with their face in the flowers
they died so that I could be free

Little Poppy of Flanders, in the fields you're
blooming yet.

Over hills now filled with crosses, graves of
those we won't forget.

May you speak to all who see you, little fragile
flower of red.

It was peace they all were seeking, tell the liv-
ing of the dead.

You remind me of fields full of flowers
and the soldiers who went there for me.
They fell with their face in the flowers
they died so that I could be free.

Please sit



Poems written and read by students from Bedale High School





**A few words for North Yorkshire's Service Children from the Mayor
of Ripon, Mayor Eamon Parkin**



Please stand

All things Bright and Beautiful

All: All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.
Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.
All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all
The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brightens up the sky;
The cold wind in the winter,

The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one;
All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all
He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.
All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.

Please sit



**A word for the Service children of North Yorkshire from Major
General Charlton-Weedy CBE DL,
Deputy Lieutenant of North Yorkshire and County President of the
Royal British Legion**



Prayers written and read by pupils from

Hipswell Primary School

Concluding with:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven
Hallowed be your name;
Your kingdom come;
Your will be done;
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins

As we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
Are yours, now and forever.
Amen



Remembrance song sung by The Wensleydale School Choir



Introduction to the song 'Welcome Home' by Lady Lucy French OBE
Founder of the Never Such Innocence project



'Welcome Home' sung by the Northern
Military Kids Club Choir

Waiting at the dockyard
Time is moving slow
Great anticipation
Someone's coming home
Waiting at the airhead
Time apart is hard
No more need to worry
When you're in my arms

Chorus:
Welcome home
Feeling proud together
We are family
No one's left alone

Come on home
It's so nice to see ya
Been a while since
We've had this, I know
So welcome home

Waiting at the barracks
Standing side by side
All in this together
Full of strength and pride

In the Armed Forces
Lives are on the line
Seen so many things
But they keep their spirits
high

Chorus:
Welcome home
Feeling proud together
We are family
No one's left alone

Come on home
It's so nice to see ya
Been a while since
We've had this, I know
So welcome home

Bridge:
A day at sea
And another mission
Flying solo

We're marching on
Strength in us together
We're unbreakable
So sing it out loud

Chorus:
Welcome home
Feeling proud together
We are family
No one's left alone

Come on home
It's so nice to see ya
Been a while since
We've had this, I know
So welcome home



Message for all Service children from
the Station Commander at RAF Leeming
Group Captain Blythe Crawford



Remembrance animations and narrations by pupils from Romanby
Primary School



‘In Flanders Fields’ read by Mr Ken Cooke,
WWII Veteran

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.



Bible Reading—Genesis Chapter 9 Verses 12-16

Read by Freddy Lugg, Aria Cooke and Xavier Francis from Leeming
RAF Primary school

This reading is about God creating the rainbow as a symbol of the covenant between Him and all living creatures on Earth, just as the poppy is a symbol for our covenant to those who have lost their lives fighting for their country. We will always remember them.

¹² And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: ¹³ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. ¹⁶ Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.”



Reflection by Canon Barry



The Last Post performed by students from Ripon Grammar during which a wreath is laid by WWII veteran Mr Ken Cooke and _____ from Holy Trinity Infants on behalf of all the Service children of North Yorkshire.

2 minutes silence

The Reveille performed by students from Ripon Grammar



Act of Commitment led by Canon Barry

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All: We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All: We will



'You are the Reason' sung by The Wensleydale School choir

There goes my heart beating
'Cause you are the reason
I'm losing my sleep

Please come back now

There goes my mind racing
And you are the reason
That I'm still breathing
I'm hopeless now

I'd climb every mountain
And swim every ocean

Just to be with you
And fix what I've broken
Oh, 'cause I need you to see
That you are the reason

There goes my hands shaking
And you are the reason
My heart keeps bleeding
I need you now

If I could turn back the clock
I'd make sure the light defeated the dark
I'd spend every hour, of every day
Keeping you safe

And I'd climb every mountain
And swim every ocean
Just to be with you
And fix what I've broken

Oh, 'cause I need you to see
That you are the reason (I don't wanna
fight no more)
I don't wanna hide no more
I don't wanna cry no more
Come back I need you to hold me (You are
the reason)

A little closer now
Just a little closer now
Come a little closer
I need you to hold me tonight

I'd climb every mountain
And swim every ocean
Just to be with you
And fix what I've broken
'Cause I need you to see
That you are the reason



Poems written and read by pupils from Hunton Arrathorne
Primary School



Act of Remembrance led by Canon Barry

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure 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 humanity.

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: We will remember them.