

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY PARADE AND SERVICE IN NEWBURY

The Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service will be held in Newbury on Sunday 11 November 2018. This year, Newbury's War Memorial will be adorned with a 'River of Poppies' knitted and crocheted by members and friends of the Newbury Trefoil Guild.

The Remembrance Sunday proceedings will commence with the main parade stepping off at 10.25am from Pelican Lane and marching the length of Northbrook Street turning into Mansion House Street where the Mayor of Newbury, Cllr Margo Payne will take the salute prior to continuing to the Market Place where the Remembrance Service will take place.

Following the brief Service of Remembrance in the Market Place, the parade will march past the War Memorial where wreaths will be laid on the way into St Nicolas Church.

Again this year, in response to requests from members of the public with hearing difficulties, there will be a qualified British Sign Language expert who will be on a rostrum in order to ensure that those people who need help hearing the service are in a position to see the Signer. It is requested that members of the public wishing to be near to the Signer should position themselves in the roadway near to the old Strada restaurant to give them a clear view.

Using the larger area in the Market Place means we are better able to accommodate the ever growing numbers attending the Remembrance Service which also allows the younger members of our community to see what is happening and for everyone attending to feel more comfortable.

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Cllr Margo Payne, Mayor of Newbury said, "We are pleased that so many veterans, serving personnel, uniformed organisations and members of the public attend Newbury's Remembrance Parade and Service each year to remember those who have served our country. It is a very moving occasion and I am honoured to be taking the salute on behalf of the town."

This year, on marking the end of the 100th Anniversary commemorations for the First World War, in addition to the Mayor of Newbury laying a wreath recognising all those in our community who have given their lives in active service, Cllr Jo Day, Chairperson of the NTC World Wars Working Group, will also lay a white WW1 wreath.

Service sheets are available on the day and the service, commencing at 10.53am comprises of:

- Hymn 'O God our Help in Ages Past'
- Bidding prayers, Exhortation, Last Post, Solemn Silence, Reveille, Kohima Epitaph, Prayer,
- Symbolic laying of wreaths, National Anthem (one verse only), Blessing.

Everyone is welcome to attend this event.

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