

Remembrance 2019



A Service at the
War Memorial
and the
Memorial Sundial

at

South Wales Police Headquarters, Bridgend

Monday 11th November, 2019 at 10.50am

Heddlu De Cymru • South Wales Police



At the War Memorial

*Chief Constable
Matt Jukes*

WELCOME

*Chaplain Reverend
Glynne James*

We are gathered here together in the presence of Almighty God to give thanks and to commemorate the sacrifices of those who gave their lives for our freedom.
Amen

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

THE LAST POST

THE SILENCE

REVEILLE

THE EXHORTATION

Chief Constable

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.
And all shall repeat:
We will remember them

LAYING OF WREATHS

THE KOHIMA EPITAPH

Chief Constable

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

A READING

JOHN Ch. 15 v. 12-17

*Police and Crime
Commissioner
Alun Michael*

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

This I command you, to love one another:

REMEMBRANCE AND SOUTH WALES POLICE

Gareth Madge

We gather again this year at the War Memorial to remember those from our predecessor forces who gave their lives in two world wars. At the Memorial Sundial we also remember those from South Wales Police who have died whilst serving with it as police officers and police staff.

As this is the year which has seen the fiftieth anniversary of the force's formation it's appropriate that we reflect on these acts of remembrance.

The War Memorial originally stood in Cardiff and was unveiled and dedicated in 1925 in honour of 58 police officers from the Glamorgan Constabulary who gave their lives during the First World War.

Later the memorial was brought here when it became the Glamorgan Constabulary Headquarters. The names of those who had died during the Second World War, 28 of them, were then added to it.

Significantly, among them are the names of three policemen who died on duty during enemy bombing raids.

There are other memorials too in Cardiff, Swansea and Merthyr to remember those from their police forces who died during the world wars.

In 2001 a Memorial Sundial was unveiled in a garden on a site now occupied by Y Bont. It was moved to its present location in 2017 when the new memorial garden was created.

The semi-circular walls in the garden contain plaques with the names and brief details of all those who have died whilst serving with South Wales Police since its formation.

The first plaque contains the name of Police Constable 1884 Jeffrey Pitman.

He initially joined the Cardiff City Police and in 1968 was awarded the Queen's Commendation for Bravery when he and another officer arrested two men in Cardiff. One of them was armed with a shotgun which he fired at PC Pitman.

The following year, in August 1969, PC Pitman, as an officer of the newly formed South Wales Constabulary, was responding to an incident on his police motorcycle in Cardiff when a vehicle collided with him.

He died of his injuries on 13th August. He was twenty one years of age and had been married just a few weeks earlier.

By this annual Service of Remembrance, we ensure that he and all those who have died whilst serving the people of South Wales, and in two world wars, will not be forgotten.

Yn angof ni chant fod.

Bishop of Llandaff
Right Reverend
June Osborne

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 mankind.
May they rest in peace and rise in glory

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Bishop

Heavenly Father we bring
Before you the deep
Divisions of our world.
Set in people's hearts the
Spirit of penitence, forgiveness,
And reconciliation,
That they may no longer distrust
Or fear one another,
But be drawn together in
Understanding, so that in
Unity of purpose they may
Seek the way of peace;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Bishop

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

BLESSING

Bishop

Go forth into the world in peace, be of good courage, hold fast to that which is good, render to no one evil for evil. Support the weak, help the afflicted love and serve the Lord and may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and all whom you love, now and always.
Amen



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— 1969 - 2019 —

At the Memorial Sundial

Bishop

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

We come to the Memorial Sundial to remember before God our Father all those we love, but now no longer see, who died whilst serving members of the South Wales Police, and to give thanks to God for their lives and dedication.

MEMORIAM

Bishop

O gracious Lord, help us to listen lovingly to your Word, that we may find comfort in our grief, light in our darkness, and faith in the midst of doubt; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

ROMANS Ch. 8 v. 31-39

Chaplain

If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies; who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For thy sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A PRAYER FOR THE DEPARTED

Bishop

Most merciful God, who in your loving kindness gave us so much joy through your servants departed; we thank you for them and for our memories of them. We praise you for your goodness and mercy that followed them all the days of their life and for their faithfulness in the tasks to which you called them. We bless you that for them the tribulations of this world are over and that death is past; we give them back to you dear lord and we pray that you will bring us with them to the joy of your perfect kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO MOURN

Bishop

Eternal God we pray for all who mourn, comfort and support and uphold them. Help them to know you are always with them and not to think of the darkness of death, but of the splendour of everlasting life in your presence. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

A PRAYER FOR THE POLICE

Bishop

Almighty God we bring to you in prayer those who bear responsibility for maintaining law and order in our land especially members of the police service.

Give them faith, hope, courage and wisdom to carry out their duties justly and mercifully without fear or favour, so that the innocent may be protected, evil doers be brought to account, the rights of all be defended, so that we as a nation may enjoy the blessing of a just, free and peaceful society.

In Jesus name we pray. Amen

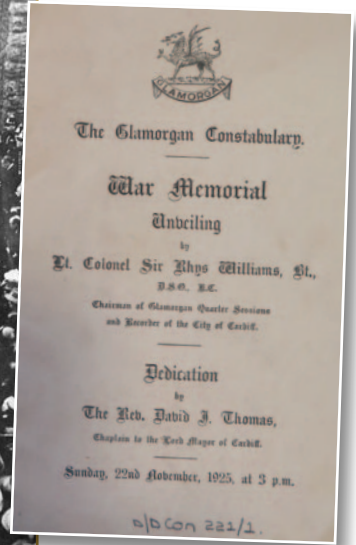
Chief Constable

LAYING OF WREATH AT THE MEMORIAL SUNDIAL BLESSING

Bishop

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest, to us and all his servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you and abide with you always. Amen

Remembrance



The Unveiling of the Glamorgan Constabulary War Memorial in 1925.



The unveiling of the War Memorial after its removal to Police headquarters, Bridgend.

Remembrance



The Sundial and the former Memorial Garden.

The dedication of the new Memorial Garden by the Archbishop of Wales, the Most Reverend John Davies, November 2017.



Remembrance Service 2018.