



THE ROYAL ANGLIAN REGIMENT

REGIMENTAL DAY

DRUMHEAD SERVICE

AT THE

**IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM
DUXFORD**

1st September 2024





DRUMHEAD SERVICE

Conducted by the Assisant Honorary Chaplain to the Regiment
for Cambridgeshire, the Reverend Alan Jesson TD,
the Reverend B J Norton CF – Chaplain 1 Royal Anglian,
the Reverend V Sampara CF – Chaplain 2 Royal Anglian

*The Colours are marched on Parade,
Received by the Chaplains and laid on the drum stacks.*

All Stand

Welcome and Introduction

All Stand

We are here to worship Almighty God, whose purposes are good; whose power sustains the world he has made; who loves us, even when we fail in his service; who gave Jesus Christ for the life of the world; who by his Holy Spirit leads us in his way.

Hymn

All Stand

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

Beneath the shadow of thy throne
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defense is sure.

All Stand

A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

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



All Sit

Brethren, we are met together in the presence of Almighty God in the memory of Past and Present comrades and to give thanks for their years of service to the Crown and to our Regiments. We witness now to the noble ideals and great purposes, inspired by Almighty God, which motivate the members of our fellowship. Such purposes being the succor of those of our brethren who fought in war and who have fallen out by the way of life; the care of widows, orphans and other dependents of those who served; the fostering of brotherly love and comradeship amongst its members; the remembrance of ideals for which we served, and of our fellow citizens who have laid down their lives for us; and also the preservation of true loyalty and devotion to our Sovereign and country at all times, and in all places.

Prayer

We remember now O Lord, all those, the brave and the true, who have died the death of honour and are departed in the hope of the Resurrection to Eternal Life, especially the Officers and Men of our Regiments who have given their lives for the cause of Freedom and Justice. In that Place of light, whence sorrow and mourning are far banished, give them rest O Lord, the lover of men. Grant this, for thine only Son, Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

THE EXHORTATION

All Stand

Major General SL Porter CBE – President of the Regimental Association

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.

Response: We will remember them



THE LAST POST

Silence for two minutes

THE REVEILLE

THE KOHIMA EPITAPH

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

LAYING OF WREATHS

Wreaths will be laid on behalf of The Regiment, the Regimental Association, and our bereaved families. Those wishing to lay personal tributes to their comrades or loved ones are asked to do so after the March Past has concluded.

Let Us Pray

All Sit

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 them 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.

Grant O merciful God, that with malice towards none; with charity to all, with firmness in the right as Thou givest us to see the right, we may strive and dedicate ourselves afresh to finish the task which Thou hast appointed us, to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for the widow and the orphan; to do all that may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR THE 14TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



A PRAYER FOR THE KING'S MAJESTY:

O Lord our heavenly Father, the high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth; most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King CHARLES; and so replenish him with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that he may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: endue him plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant him in health and wealth long to live; strengthen him that he may vanquish and overcome all his enemies; and finally, after this life, he may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*After each bidding the Priest will say "Lord have Mercy"
All respond "Hear our Prayer"*

THE REGIMENTAL COLLECT

All Say:

O Lord God who by the brightness of a star didst lead men to the Saviour of mankind, give Thy Grace to The Royal Anglian Regiment, that trusting in Thee as our strong rock and our Castle we may, in unity with Thee and one another, rightly serve our Sovereign and our native land, and at the last be led by Thy mercy to Thy heavenly Kingdom through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

All Stand

Hymn

1. Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load



3. I will hold the Christlight for you
in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.
4. I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow,
till we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.
6. Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

THE READING

Taken from **Micah 4. 1-5**
read by Major General Dom Biddick MBE MC
Colonel of the Regiment

ADDRESS – The Chaplains of the Royal Anglian Regiment

Hymn

All Stand

*(During which the Colour Party and Standard Bearers
March into position)*

1. For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords;
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word,



2. Lead us Father into freedom;
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.
3. All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned;
pride of status, race, or schooling,
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
may we hallow life's brief span.
4. You, Creator God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness
bring the life of Christ to mind,
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.

Colours and Standards recovered

NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE BLESSING

*After the Blessing the Colours will march off, saluted by the Standards.
The Standards then march off.*

All Sit

Address by Major General Dom Biddick MBE MC
Colonel of The Regiment





At the conclusion of the address Members of the Association **All Stand**
will move to the Assembly Area for the March Past.

Detachment 1 – 1st Battalion and The Royal Norfolk, The Suffolk,
and Cambridgeshire Regiments.

Detachment 2 – 2nd Battalion and The Royal Lincolnshire and
Northamptonshire Regiments.

Detachment 3 – 3rd Battalion and The Bedfordshire and
Hertfordshire and Essex Regiments.

Detachment 4 – 4th Battalion and The Royal Leicestershire Regiment.

Detachment 5 – The 3rd Battalion (Army Reserve), The Territorial Army,
5th, 6th 7th Battalions, and EER.

Detachment 6 – ACF and CCF Detachments.

Regimental Day program of events

Music for the day is kindly provided by the Band of the Royal
Anglian Regiment

09:30 Gates open for guests, veterans, serving soldiers and cadets.
No dogs please. Please go to Gate 1.

11:00 Muster for Drumhead Service, please be seated by 1115.

11:20 Colours and Standards march on

11:30-12:10 Drumhead service

12:10 Address by the Colonel of the Regiment followed by march
past of Past & Present

12:30 Bars and stalls open

13:00 Cadet Coin Presentation, Rhys Thurtell presentation, Royal Anglian
Riders presentation of Pennants – at the Regimental Memorial.

15:30 Flag lowering

16:00 Site closed

At the Flag Lowering ceremony in the Marquee Area all are asked stand.

The Royal Anglian Benevolent Fund – There is no charge for your entry to
the Regimental Day, which is funded by the Royal Anglian Benevolent Fund.
It is estimated to cost at least £15 per person to put on this prestigious event.
There will be an opportunity for the Regimental family to donate to our
benevolent fund at various points throughout the day.