



REMEMBRANCE DAY

2017 NATIONAL CEREMONY

SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER, 10.30 AM
AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL



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OUR PRIDE
2014  18

The Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial, the Council, the Director, and staff welcome you to today's Remembrance Day ceremony, which marks the 99th anniversary of the Armistice.

Order of Service

Arrivals

Senator the Honourable Mathias Cormann, representing the Prime Minister of Australia

His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, and Her Excellency Lady Cosgrove

Playing of the Didgeridoo

Wing Commander Jonathan Lilley
Air Force Senior Indigenous Liaison Officer and member of the Worimi people

The Ode

*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.*

The Last Post

One Minute's Silence

The Rouse

Response

Lest we forget.

Commemorative Address

Senator the Honourable Mathias Cormann

Laying of Wreaths

Wreaths will be laid by the following or their representative:

- The Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia
- The Prime Minister of Australia
- The Chief Minister of the Australian Capital Territory
- The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives
- The Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia
- The Leader of the Federal Opposition
- The Chief of the Defence Force
The Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial
The National President of the Returned and Services League of Australia
- The Chief of Navy
The Chief of Army
The Chief of Air Force
- The National President of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans and Services Association
- The National President of the Naval Association of Australia
The National Secretary of the Air Force Association
- The National President of the War Widows' Guild of Australia
The National President of the Australian Federation of Totally and Permanently Incapacitated Ex-Servicemen and Women
- The Chairman of Legacy Australia and Junior Legatees

Hymn

O God, our help in ages past

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

*Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy Saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.*

*Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.*

Laying of Wreaths

Members of the Diplomatic Corps will lay wreaths on behalf of the citizens of their countries.

Readings

Miss Elizabeth Spollard, 2017 ACT Simpson Prize recipient

Laying of Commemorative Crosses:

School students representing the youth of Australia:

- St Francis de Sales College - South Australia
- Tenison Woods College - South Australia
- St Anthony's Catholic Primary School - South Australia
- Mary Mackillop Memorial Primary School - South Australia
- Dominican Primary School - South Australia
- Wesley College - Western Australia
- Merici College - Australian Capital Territory

National Anthem

*Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.*

Acknowledgements

Mr Scott Bevan, Master of Ceremonies

Australia's Federation Guard

Band of the Royal Military College, Duntroon

Last Post Ceremony

The eulogy for the Unknown Australian Soldier, first delivered by the Honourable Paul Keating in 1993, will be read at today's Last Post Ceremony. The ceremony will take place at 4.55 pm in the Commemorative Area.

The Last Post Ceremony is also streamed live daily on the Memorial's YouTube channel and Facebook page. These can be accessed via the Memorial website at awm.gov.au.





In Flanders fields

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.

John McCrae



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