

THE GATHERING

Councillor Mike Harrison (Chairman of the Chapel-en-le-Frith Parish Council):

On behalf of the Parish Council I am pleased to welcome our Civic Guests – Her Majesty’s Lord Lieutenant, The Mayor and Mayoress of High Peak, the Vice Chairman of Derbyshire County Council and the President of the Derbyshire Branch of the Royal British Legion – the Standard bearers and all others who we have invited to witness the rededication of our public War Memorial and to participate in the Service of Remembrance on this special day, the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in the year 2011. I now invite the Chaplain to the Parish Council to introduce our first hymn.

Rev. Derrick Leach will introduce the first hymn: “O valiant hearts”

O valiant hearts who to your glory came

Through dust of conflict and through battle flame;

Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,

Your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war

As you had heard God’s message from afar;

All you had hoped for, all you had, you gave,

To save mankind – yourselves you scorned to save.

**Splendid you passed, the great surrender made;
Into the light that nevermore shall fade;
Deep your contentment in that blest abode,
Who wait the last clear trumpet call of God.**

PRAYERS

**Led by Rev. David Philo – Chaplain to the Royal British
Legion, Chapel-en-le-Frith Branch**

We have come together to worship Almighty God, to offer Him praise and thanksgiving for deliverance of our nation in times of war but especially on this ninetieth anniversary of the Royal British Legion to remember all those whose names have now been placed on this War Memorial and all those who through death, injury or bereavement suffered to give us our freedom, and for their families who in love continue to remember.

We ask for strength to overcome injustice, wherever it is found, and rededicate ourselves to work in His service and in the service of this community.

**We now join together in the prayer our Lord has taught us:
“Our Father which art in heaven....”**

THE DEDICATION

Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the County of Derbyshire, William Tucker, will rededicate the War Memorial and unveil the plaque with these words:

It is my privilege, as the Queen's representative in the County of Derbyshire, to re-dedicate this Public War Memorial so that it may continue to be a symbol of the selfless service and sacrifice those named on it were called upon to render in the two World Wars, and a fitting tribute to all who have been called upon to serve their Queen and Country in the years which have followed.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE EXHORTATION

The President of the Derbyshire Branch of the Royal British Legion will say:

"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.

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REVEILLE**

The Chairman of the Chapel-en-le-Frith Branch of the Royal British Legion (Ted Fell) will then invite our Civic Guests to lay wreaths at the Memorial followed by the President of the Chapel-en-le-Frith Branch of the Royal British Legion.

LAYING OF WREATHS

THE KOHIMA EPITAPH

Rev Dr Nick Bralesford (Vicar of Chapel-en-le-Frith) will introduce our final Hymn: “Abide with me”

**Abide with me; fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me**

**Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not abide with me.**

**Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth and people unity, peace and concord and to us, and all God's servants, life everlasting.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father Son and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

