



SHAVINGTON CUM GRESTY  
PARISH COUNCIL



Shavington-cum-Gresty  
Community

**9 NOVEMBER 2025**

**SERVICE OF  
REMEMBRANCE**

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*Lest We Forget*



# 2025 SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

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Remembrance Sunday in Shavington-cum-Gresty this year will give people the option of gathering at the war memorial or watching a live stream of the event in your own home.

Follow along with the service using this booklet.

## Ways to take part

### At the Ceremony

At the war memorial, outside Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall, from 10:40am.

### Watch Online

Watch it at home with your family at [shavingtononline.co.uk/remembrance](http://shavingtononline.co.uk/remembrance) for a 10:40am start.

### With Your Neighbours

Follow along with the service in your street with your neighbours.

## Scout Parade

There will be a small parade before the service starts. The procession will include any Uniformed Services, Scouts, Beavers, Cubs and Brownies, Armed Forces Veterans, members of community groups and organisations laying wreaths, Council representatives and any members of the community that wish to join in.

Anyone wishing to join the parade should assemble at the Scout Hut at **10:15am**.

The parade will leave from the Scout Hut on Main Road at **10:25am** and will walk along Main Road to reassemble outside Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall ready for the start of the service at **10:40am**.

## Would you like to lay a wreath?

If you, or an organisation you are a member of, would like to lay a wreath at the ceremony in person, please register in advance by 6pm on Friday 31 October using this method:

**Phone 01270 42 11 25 or email [communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk)**

Details on how this will work will be conveyed to you nearer the day.

## Would you like to dedicate a cross?



We are offering the opportunity for community members to pay their own respects by placing a Royal British Legion wooden tribute cross around our Tommy Soldier in the Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall gardens.

Crosses can be collected on Sunday 2 November from either St Mark's or Shavington Methodist Church at their Sunday services:

**Phone 01270 42 11 25 or email [communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk)**



# ORDER OF SERVICE

The service will be led by a representative from Shavington Methodist Church and a representative from St Mark's Church, Shavington.

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or bring it with you on the day.

10.40am - A welcome from Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council.

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**A representative from Shavington Methodist Church will commence the service.**

We meet in the presence of God.

We meet to remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

We meet to pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

We meet to commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace.

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## **Hymn – I Vow to Thee my Country**

Led by a representative from Shavington Village Festival Committee.

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,  
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:  
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,  
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;  
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,  
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,  
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;  
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;  
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;  
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,  
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

### **Poem – In Flanders Fields**

Read by a representative of Cheshire East Council.

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.

### **Prayers**

A representative from St Mark's Church, Shavington will lead the prayers.

Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict,  
and ask that God may give us peace:  
for the service men and women  
who have died in the violence of war,  
each one remembered by and known to God;  
may God give peace.  
*All God give peace.*

For those who love them in death as in life,  
offering the distress of our grief  
and the sadness of our loss;  
may God give peace.  
*All God give peace.*

For all members of the armed forces  
who are in danger this day,  
remembering family, friends  
and all who pray for their safe return;  
may God give peace.  
*All God give peace.*

For civilian women, children and men  
whose lives are disfigured by war or terror,  
calling to mind in penitence  
the anger and hatreds of humanity;  
may God give peace.  
*All God give peace.*

(continued overleaf)

For peacemakers and peacekeepers,  
who seek to keep this world secure and free;  
may God give peace.

*All God give peace.*

For all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership,  
political, military and religious;  
asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve  
in the search for reconciliation and peace;  
may God give peace.

*All God give peace.*

O God of truth and justice,  
we hold before you those whose memory we cherish,  
and those whose names we will never know.  
Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world,  
and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm.

As we honour the past,  
may we put our faith in your future;  
for you are the source of life and hope,  
now and for ever.

*All Amen.*

### **Lord's Prayer**

*All join together in the Lord's Prayer*

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.

**Poem – The Inquisitive Mind of a Child:  
A Poem for Remembrance Day**

Read by a representative of Shavington Primary School.

Why are they selling poppies, Mummy?  
Selling poppies in town today.

The poppies, child, are flowers of love.  
For the men who marched away.

But why have they chosen a poppy, Mummy?  
Why not a beautiful rose?

Because my child, men fought and died  
In the fields where the poppies grow.

But why are the poppies so red, Mummy?  
Why are the poppies so red?

Red is the colour of blood, my child.  
The blood that our soldiers shed.

The heart of the poppy is black, Mummy.  
Why does it have to be black?

Black, my child, is the symbol of grief.  
For the men who never came back.

But why, Mummy are you crying so?  
Your tears are giving you pain.

My tears are my fears for you my child...  
For the world is forgetting again.

**Hymn – Make me a Channel of your Peace**

Led by a representative from Shavington Village Festival Committee.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;  
Where there is injury your pardon, Lord;  
And where there's doubt true faith in you.

*Oh, Master grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console;  
To be understood as to understand;  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;  
Where there is darkness, only light;  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

*Oh, Master grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console;  
To be understood as to understand;  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
In giving to all men that we receive;  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

## Roll of Honour

*1914-1918*

Charles Baker  
Samuel Broadhurst  
John Brookshaw  
John Charlesworth  
Arthur Clarke  
John Clarke  
Edwin Cooke  
Frank Dawson  
Jack Edwards  
Richard Gilbert  
James Gresty  
William H. Hughes  
William H. James

John T. Jobson  
George E. Kendrick  
Charles A. King  
Charles A. Kirk  
William Madeley  
George T. Palin  
Harry Palin  
Alfred Potts  
Charles H. Ray  
William Stockton  
Charles W. H. Thomas  
Harold Vickers  
Charles Yorke

*1939-1945*

Dennis Booker  
Jack (Jimmy) Gresty  
Roy Gresty  
Joseph Henshall  
Richard P. Hughes

Harry Palin  
Percy F. Preston  
Wilfred C. Purcell  
James Whitehead

*Active Service*

Douglas J. Flory 1947

## The Last Post

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### The Exhortation

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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### 2 Minutes Silence

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### Reveille

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### Laying of Wreaths

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### The Kohima Epitaph

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



### **National Anthem**

Led by a representative from Shavington Village Festival Committee.

God save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King.  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us,  
God save the King.

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### **Final Prayer**

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest,  
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all 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 us all and remain with us always.

*Amen.*

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