



**ANZAC  
COMMEMORATION  
SERVICE**



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Brethren, at this time of the year it has been our custom to conduct a ceremony in proud and thankful remembrance of the inspiring and noble traditions which are our heritage.

At this, our Anzac meeting, we pay tribute to our brethren and comrades who gave their lives for their Queen and Country.

This commemoration also helps to remind us that as Freemasons, it is our duty to use every effort for the promotion of Peace, Love and Harmony throughout the world.

Let us join in singing: 'O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST'

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

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  
Be Thou our guard while life shall last  
And our eternal home.

### THE ATTITUDE OF FREEMASONRY TOWARDS WAR

#### What is the attitude of Freemasonry towards war?

The institutions of Freemasonry are neither political nor national; but of the political course of a Mason in his individual and private capacity there can be no doubt. He must be 'a peaceable subject of the civil powers and never be concerned in plots and conspiracies against the peace and welfare of the nation' (He must be a patriot). He should love his country with all his heart, he should serve it faithfully and cheerfully; he should take an active part in civil matters and obey the laws of the State. In war he should be ever ready to support its honor and defend it from the attacks of its enemies. In all national conflicts involving the principles of liberty, freedom and justice, the Mason makes a good soldier; he fights of course, like every other patriotic soldier for victory; but, even so, the benign principles of Masonry extend their influences and divest the battle of many of its horrors so far as his conduct is involved. When the victory is won the conquered foe is still his Brother. But the Masonic Lodge in its organised capacity has nothing to do with war. The din of battle, the cry for vengeance, the shout of victory, must never penetrate its portals. Its principles and dogmas teach love and fraternity among men.

Let us all make Commemoration of our Fallen

## COMMEMORATION PRAYER

O Great Architect and Supreme Ruler of the Universe,  
Who through the mouth of Thy Prophet of old has declared that all Souls are Thine,  
we thank Thee for the brave, and the faithful dead, who laid down their lives  
on the battlefield, or succumbed to the peril of the deep or of the air.  
We bless Thee for the dauntless courage of the sailors, soldiers, airmen and nurses  
who have fallen in the cause of truth and righteousness.  
In Thy hands, O Father, we leave their departed spirits.  
Grant us so to follow their good example in faithfulness and endurance even unto  
death, that we may, with them, be found worthy of the Crown of Everlasting Life.

### LAYING OF WREATHS

By the Master

WE WILL FACE THE WEST

### THE LAST POST (Lights Out)

They shall not grow 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 — REST WE FORGET.

### (TWO MINUTES SILENCE)

### (THE SOLDIER)

Man is born into this world to perform his allotted task, be it what it may, as ordained  
by the Great Over-seer. Some old age attain, and even win renown — wealth — and  
enjoy the quiet chair of comfort and contentment. But the Volume of the Sacred Law  
sayeth:

'It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to  
enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. Verily I say unto you, he who has fought, bled  
and died for this country a heavenly place is assuredly his.'

So May it Be

WE WILL FACE THE EAST (Lights On)

### REVEILLE

WE WILL FACE CENTRE

## 23rd PSALM

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green; He leadeth me  
The quiet waters by.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
Yet will I feel no ill;  
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff will comfort still.

Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house for evermore  
My dwelling place shall be.

