Singing today in Etcetera are:

Sopranos

Katherine Beard Isobel Cave Elizabeth Chrominska Kate Cornford Bronwyn Donne Laura Edwards Nicola Ellis Carolyn Foxall

Sarah Hendry Beverley Howes Joanna Irish Bridget Jones Suzanne Lehrer Diana MacDowall Catriona Marchant Gill McManus

Doreen Mitchell

Leila Morris

Sue Nowak

Louise Mount Rosalynd Phillip Rosalind Read-Leah Maisie Robinson Ruth Shin Adele Stevenson Laura Tingle* Tricia Vincent

Altos

Clare Gillett

Elena Hartley

Anne Barry Esther Chilcraft Gillian Clissold Elspeth Coke Catherine Duce Sue Harling Alison Harvey

Katharine Haworth Jane Houghton Olivia Lewis Fiona Lloyd Catherine Lovell Sara Lymath

Mary Obeng Jennifer Rutter Barbara Stewart Suzanne Verhoven Edith Walker

Tenors

Alan Bowden Andrew Davis Andrew Frost Jan Gladysz

David Lawson Giles Lindon William Sing Lam Ng Robert Thomas

Richard Vidal Richard Vincent Paul Whiteside James Young

Basses

Mike Bourne Boris But Andrew Burman David Freeman

Paul Gillett** Ian Grimley Ashley Holt Graham Hysted Hans Rashbrook Krishna Sompura Philipp Thiessen Jonathan Tillson

- Soprano solo in Kyrie
- ** Percussion

Rehearsal accompanists: Stephen Axford, Alan Bowden

We are grateful to Major-General E. Smyth-Osbourne CBE, Household Division, and the Revd. Dowell Conning CF, Senior Chaplain to the Household Division for the use of the Guards Chapel. We would also like to thank Lieutenant Colonel K F N Roberts, Director of Music Band of the Welsh Guards and Major P Stredwick, Director of Music, Band of the Grenadier Guards.

We would like to thank Westminster Cathedral and the Cardinal Hume Centre for allowing us to use the Sacred Heart Church, Horseferry Road, for our weekly rehearsals. Thanks also to Revd. Graham Buckle for allowing rehearsals at St Stephen's Church, Rochester Row. We would also like to thank him for his participation today.



Act of Remembrance on the Centenary of the Battle of the Somme

Etcetera Civil Service Choir

Conductor: Stephen Hall - Organist: Stephen Axford

WELCOME AND PRAYER: Revd. Graham Buckle, St. Stephen's, Rochester Row

The Armed Man (L'Homme armé)

Kyrie

READING: THE BATTLE OF THE SOMME

Read by Colonel (Retd.) Hugh Boscawen, late Coldstream Guards

Sanctus

READING: ON SOMME Ivor Gurney

Read by WOII Stuart Jordan, Army Reservist

Benedictus

Cello solo: David Rawlins

READING: "THE SHORT BUT TERRIBLE RUSH..." 1 July 1916 Diary of Private William Roberts, 18th Durham Light Infantry

Read by Sergeant Ken Cooper (Retd.), 2nd Battalion, late Coldstream Guards

Agnus Dei

Hymn Before Action

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE (Please stand)

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.**

Last Post: Lance Corporal Simon Hicks, Band of the Grenadier Guards

Two Minutes Silence

Reveille

Dedication: The Kohima EpitaphWhen you go home, tell them of us and say For your tomorrow, we gave our today.

HYMN: Be Still My Soul

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
In every change, He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart, And all is darkened in the vale of tears, Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart, Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears. Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay From His own fullness all He takes away

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on When we shall be forever with the Lord. When disappointment, grief and fear are gone, Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious Queen! Long live our noble Queen! God save the Queen! Send her victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us, God save the Queen. Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Oueen.

BLESSING

There will be a charity collection as you leave. All proceeds will be shared by:

- The Household Division Charity, providing welfare including help for veterans, especially those wounded on operations, widows and bereaved families
- SSAFA, the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association
- The Guards Chapel

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