SEER GREEN WAR MEMORIAL

The names of those whom we are honouring and remembering today and who appear on the memorial are noted below:

Lest we forget

1914-18
Frederick Batting
Joseph Gilmore
Arnold Goodall
Percy Goodall
Arthur Green
George Hoad
Charles Holmes
Bertie Knott
Edward Payne
Ernest Payne
George Payne
Richard Timson
Joe Wass
Edmund Worley
Harold Worley
William Worley

1939-45
Colin Boddy
John Gershom Parkington
Arnold Harding
Donald Hyde
George Lane
Ronald Mance
Cyril Sansom
Gerald Sprake
Reginald Taylor

Rest in Peace

DEDICATION OF THE
SEER GREEN WAR MEMORIAL
Sunday 14th July 2013 at 2pm

ORDER OF SERVICE

Music by the Chalfont Wind Band
and the Holy Trinity Church Choir
Entrance, seating of official party and procession of standards

The Introduction: Revd Derrick Carr, Chaplain to the Defence School of Languages, Beaconsfield

We are gathered here to remember with thanks before God, the men of this village who unselfishly gave their lives in two world wars. In their memory, we will dedicate this Memorial and give thanks that their ultimate sacrifice gave us our freedom. But first let us offer our prayers to almighty God.

Mrs Linda West – Licensed Lay Minister at Holy Trinity Church, Seer Green and Jordans

Prayers for the peace of the world that those whom we commemorate may not have died in vain.

Revd Daniel Joy - Pastor, Seer Green Baptist Church

Prayers for grace to follow the example of all who have died in the service of God and their country.

Revd Derrick Carr - Let us gather up our thanks and dedication in the prayer which Jesus taught us: **The Lord’s Prayer**

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.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

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 Dedication Ceremony: Revd Derrick Carr

We dedicate this Memorial to the memory of those who died for their country and whose names are recorded here. For those whom we knew, for those whose memory we treasure and who lived and died in the service of their country.

Sir Henry Aubrey- Fletcher, Her Majesty’s Lord Lieutenant for Buckinghamshire - Unveils the Memorial.

The Exhortation: Mr Dick Smith, Chairman of the Beaconsfield British Legion Branch

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. **Response: We will remember them**

Last post (played by Conor Bradley)

Revd Derrick Carr: Let us be silent in honour of those who have died for us. Two minutes silence follows.

Reveille

The Kohima Epitaph - Mr Dennis Scourfield, Chairman, Seer Green Parish Council

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

Laying of the wreaths

The Lord Lieutenant lays the first wreath followed by others.

Schoolchildren: Read out the names of those on the memorial as wreaths are laid.

Hymn: Abide with me (The first verse will be sung as a solo by Melissa Alder)

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.

I need Thy presence every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter’s power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death’s sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou 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.

Revd Derrick Carr: The Blessing

The National Anthem