



I do hope that you have managed to stay safe, well and occupied over these past months which have brought challenges to us all at both a personal and professional level. For those who have had pressures and, in some cases, family tragedy to face, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

As we indicated in our previous newsletter, sadly, current circumstances mean that we cannot physically gather in the way we usually would to mark National Police Memorial Day (NPMD) and that is hugely regrettable, not least for those of you who attend year-on-year to share memories and support each other. However, we remain committed to our NPMD on Sunday 27 September so we will be hosting an online service. You may choose to join family, friends and colleagues to watch the service in a socially-distanced gathering, or you may watch it in your own homes in quiet reflection.

Significantly, we will join as a nation to pay our respects and remember the officers who gave us their all from Northern Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. The service will be available to watch from 3pm on Sunday 27 September.

We look forward to us being together, albeit virtually, for NPMD 2020. Please read on to find out how you can be involved.

Virtual Service

The service will be held on a website that you can access via the button below. To access the site, you will be asked to log in by providing your name and email address. Please note that it is not available to view until **3pm** on **Sunday 27 September**.

Virtual service

Tribute Wall

The website that has been set up for the service also hosts a Tribute Wall where you can post messages and photos of remembrance. This is now live so please feel free to start posting.

Tribute Wall

Socially-distanced group viewing

We know that it's difficult to gather in groups at the moment, but some families, individual forces and other organisations may wish to consider gathering, in a suitably socially-distanced manner, at one location in a small ceremony to watch the NPMD service together. If you can gather in this way, please post your messages and photos on the Tribute Wall or on social media, using the hashtag above.

Challenge Coin

National Police Memorial Day, the Police Memorial Trust and the Police Roll of Honour Trust have jointly produced a specially minted 'Challenge Coin' for 2020. All three charities are committed to honouring the memory of fallen officers in their own significant way and this coin allows us to do this alongside each other.



If you would like to purchase one or more commemorative coins, then please visit our <u>website</u> where other merchandise is also available. The coins are £10 each (incl. p&p). For those who do purchase a coin you may wish to hold this, as an act of solidarity, during the Act of Remembrance.



Light a virtual candle

If you want to show your support on social media, join us in lighting a virtual candle. You can do this by clicking the button which will take you to the image for you to share.

Light your candle

Dance of a Thousand Lights

The <u>British Police Symphony Orchestra</u> invites you to show your appreciation by taking part in a project in support of #Team999 on Sunday 27 September at **8pm**.

Rick Wakeman's sparkling Dance of a Thousand Lights will provide the perfect incidental music to a nationwide visual spectacular when the skies are lit for our emergency service workers.

Read more

JustGiving

As we will not be able to physically provide collection envelopes for donations this year, we have created a JustGiving account so that gifts can be donated online. If you would like to donate, please click the button.

Donate