

Police Memorial Day

Liverpool's magnificent Anglican Cathedral will be the setting for this year's National Police Memorial Day on September 28th, 2008.

Families, friends and colleagues of officers who have been killed or died in the line of duty in forces across the United Kingdom will gather in honour of their loved ones. The annual service aims to recognise the courage and dedication to duty shown by police officers across the UK and to show family and friends that their sacrifice is not forgotten.

Paul McKeever, chairman of the Police Federation of England and Wales: "National Police Memorial Day is an incredibly important event which provides a platform of remembrance for the friends, family and colleagues of all the officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

"With the increasing dangers and risks officers face as they go about their duties it is a sad reality that year on year these fatalities are continuing to occur. But we must not only grieve our losses but also celebrate the dedication and courage of these incredible individuals who are a tremendous example to us all."

The Police Roll of Honour currently contains the names of nearly 4000 men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice since modern policing began more than 175 years ago.

The annual service is held on the nearest Sunday to the 29th September which is



St Michael's Day who is the patron saint of police officers. The service rotates round the four countries of the United Kingdom. It is in its fourth year a day has been held specifically in honour of fallen officers. Last year, HRH, The Prince of Wales, lent his support by becoming patron of this annual event.

For more information on the event, please visit www.polfed.org

