

The booking system is now open for NPMD24 in Glasgow

Join us on Sunday 29th September



EASTER THOUGHTS

It's a relief for most of us to see the back of winter - spring is truly on the way with daffodils in bloom, signs of new life, renewed hope, and warmer weather imminent.

This is a special time of year that lifts the spirits as we approach the Easter break, looking forward to spending time with friends and family - and indulging in a little chocolate!

Time with loved ones and Easter treats are to be enjoyed, with the true sentiment of this time of year at the heart of what we do - reflecting on sacrifice and all that means.

Many in the police family, and especially those reading this newsletter, will have experienced personal sacrifice that makes this time of year even more poignant. We find solace in memories and everlasting friendships that make the hard times easier to bear.

National Police Memorial Day (NPMD) brings an extended family together every year to honour officers who sacrificed their all for the communities they served. This year we celebrate 21 years of friendships forged through NPMD.

We are preparing to meet in Glasgow, on Sunday 29th September 2024 and we very much hope you can join us and please do extend the invitation to others by forwarding the newsletter. The service is open for anyone to attend and all are welcome. This newsletter provides more information on NPMD24 - importantly the booking system is now open so please register asap.

I look forward to seeing registrations coming in and I wish you a peaceful Easter.

Reverend Canon David Wilbraham MBE



GLASGOW 2024

Glasgow is ready to welcome us with open arms and we will gather in the city's <u>Royal Concert Hall</u> on Sunday 29th September 2024, 2 Sauchiehall Street G2 3NY

This will be our 21st National Police Memorial Day (NPMD) and we will once again deliver a poignant and fitting service in honour of fallen police officers who died or were killed on duty in the island of Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales.

The NMPD service will start at 2pm and those attending are asked to be seated by 1.30pm.

Find out more on what's going on in and around Glasgow by visiting <u>Glasgow Life</u>. Visit <u>Discover Glasgow</u> to read up on travel information to get to and around the city.

BOOK YOUR PLACE AT NPMD24

Once again this year, booking is via **Eventbrite here**.

During the registration process you are asked if you have any requirements for access to the venue and/or assistance once inside - please could you ensure that you let us know so that we can make the necessary arrangements to support you?

If you have any queries regarding the booking process, please email NPMD@rollofhonour.police.uk

HOTEL RATES

There is lots of choice when it comes to places to stay in and around Glasgow. We've managed to secure special rates with the following - available until 31 August 2024.

<u>Radisson Blue Glasgow</u>, Argyle Street - Single occupancy rate: £217 per room per night, bed and breakfast; Double occupancy rate: £227 per room per night, bed and breakfast.

Please book by calling 0141 204 3333 / option 2, quoting National Police Memorial Day - Louise Burke or one of her colleagues will be able to assist.

<u>Doubletree by Hilton</u>, Cambridge Street - please click the link to reserve your room(s), adding the 'Group Code' **ANATP** under 'Special Rates'.

<u>Leonardo Glasgow</u>, Jamaica Street - Single occupancy rate (Sat): £199 per room per night, bed and breakfast; Double occupancy rate (Sat): £211 per room per night, bed and breakfast; Single occupancy rate (Sun): £99 per room per night, bed and breakfast; Double occupancy rate (Sun): £111 per room per night, bed and breakfast. Please click the link to the hotel to book, entering the promotionall code: **LHPOLI280924**.



INTRODUCING OUR NEW NATIONAL POLICE CHAPLAIN

As you will be aware our very own David Wilbraham retired last year from his role as National Police Chaplain. In early January 2024, Pastor Matthew Hopley took the helm, having been involved with Police Chaplaincy for more than 12 years, firstly as a volunteer with West Midlands Police, then as leader of the Chaplaincy team at Warwickshire Police.

During that time, Matthew was also a staff member of the Assemblies of God Church in Birmingham now known as Trinity Church. Having become National Police Chaplain, Matthew has left the Trinity Church staff team, but is still supporting its senior leaders by preaching and leading church services as required.

Matthew is married to Donna and together they have two sons and a daughter.



National Police Chaplain Matthew Hopley

FUNDRAISING AND DONATIONS

NPMD is a charity that relies solely on donations and fundraising activities.

Over the years NPMD has been fortunate to have been the chosen charity for incredible individuals who have gone to physical and mental extremes in order to raise funds so that NPMD can continue honouring officers for years to come.

We are indebted to many who have gone above and beyond to support the charity.

Please share this newsletter with your colleagues, family and friends, thank you.



WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE!

Our eagle-eyed readers will notice that we have a new website which brings the Police Roll of Honour Trust and National Police Memorial Day under the Police Remembrance Trust umbrella. We will be adding more content in the coming weeks and months and welcome any feedback you may have.

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