

**Name of memorial:** Reade Memorial

**Inventory No. 518**

**Place:** St. Anne's Cathedral

**Address and map reference:** St. Anne's Cathedral, Donegall Street, Belfast.  
Map reference: J 339 746 (Map 15)

**Position:** On wall of south aisle, at western end..

**Description and dimensions:** Stained glass window. Height: 380cms appx, width: 110cms.  
Brass plaque. Height 70cms appx.; width 42cms

**Recorded by:** Michael Pegum, 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2008.

Text:

(Window)

BE THOU STRONG AND VERY COURAGEOUS

JOSHUA

(Plaque)

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**ROBERT ERNEST READE, D.S.O.**

LIEUTENANT 1<sup>ST</sup> BAT. KING'S ROYAL RIFLES.

THE WINDOW ABOVE IS DEDICATED.

HE SERVED IN THE BATTLE OF TALANA HILL, THE  
RETREAT FROM DUNDEE, AND THE SIEGE OF LADYSMITH,  
AND RECEIVED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER FOR  
CONSPICUOUS GALLANTRY AT THE BATTLE OF WAGON HILL.

A YEAR AFTER THE RELIEF OF LADYSMITH WHEN IN  
THE N.E. TRANSVAAL WITH A SMALL COLUMN UNDER  
COLONEL CAMPBELL, A.D.C. COMMANDING 1<sup>ST</sup>. BAT.  
K.R.R. HE WAS MORTALLY WOUNDED IN AN ENCOUNTER  
WITH THE BOERS AND DIED TWO DAYS LATER.

A MONUMENT MARKS NEAR THE SPOT NEAR BOSCHMANN'S PAN  
ABOUT 25 MILES S.E. OF MIDDELBURG WHERE HE WAS LAID BY HIS COMRADES.

BORN 29 APRIL 1879 DIED 4 FEB<sup>Y</sup>, 1901

ERECTED BY HIS FATHER

R. H. READE, D.L.

OF WILMONT, CO. ANTRIM