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A cross-border public inquiry is the only proper tribute to relatives bereaved by the Omagh bomb blast, a second memorial service in just over 48 hours heard on Sunday.

The system has failed everyone and its leaders should hang their heads in shame because of the lack of progress, grieving father Michael Gallagher told mourners in the Tyrone town.

They had gathered to mark ten years since the Real IRA bombing, which killed 29 people and unborn twins in the single greatest atrocity of the conflict.

Mr Gallagher, whose son Aidan, 21, died, said: "The only proper tribute to Omagh's dead, ten years on, must be that full crossborder public inquiry.

"We call on public figures to back our call, otherwise the system continues to fail everyone and should hold its head in shame.

"They will be judged not on their token gestures but on what they have or have not done to actually bring justice to Omagh, not wreathes."

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On 17 Aug at 22:08 - Carol from Omagh said:

What a lovely dignified but informal Service today in Omagh. My thoughts and prayers are with all those who were bereaved and injured. I trust that the truth will be heard eventually and justice will be done.

On 18 Aug at 15:34 - Iorna from limavady said:

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