

A REQUIEM MASS FOR THE
REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF



William Ross Longmore

20th April 1929 - 19th June 2021

Sacred Heart Catholic Church,
Lake Albert Road, Wagga Wagga
Wednesday, 23rd June 2021 at 11:00am

Celebrant: Fr John Baptist
Organist: Margaret Adams
Vocalist: John Egan

ENTRANCE SONG

“On Eagles Wings”

Refrain: I have carried you on eagle’s wings!
I will care for you in all your years!

My heart is full of peace;
You have been within my life!
Your guiding hand has always covered me,
I am full of confidence in you! **Refrain:**

My soul is like a child,
Cradled safe within your arms!
You have carried me across my years,
Leading me through sorrow and through joy! **Refrain:**

You have bridged the flowing streams!
And moved aside the mountains tall!
You have kept me through the stormy past
I know that you secure and guide me still! **Refrain:**

GREETING

Fr John Baptist: In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

Fr John Baptist: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and
the love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.
All: And with your spirit.

SPRINKLING OF HOLY WATER
LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

EULOGY

Read by Robert Longmore

PICTORIAL REFLECTION

“Perhaps Love”

by John Denver & Plácido Domingo

OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Wisdom 3: 1-6,9

Read by Barry Longmore

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God,
no torment shall ever touch them.

In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die,
their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us,
like annihilation, but they are in peace.

If they experienced punishment as men see it,
their hope was rich with immortality,

slight was their affliction, great their blessing be.

God has put them to the test and provide them worthy to
be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace,
and accepted them as a holocaust.

They who trust in him will understand the truth,
those who are faithful will live with him in love;
and mercy await those he has chosen.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”

The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow.
Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters and byways,
Valleys and highways, he's waiting for me.

**I want to go to meet him there
To lay myself down in his love.
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.**

And while on the journey to where we are going
He promised to be there to help us along
And over the mountains we will walk on together
To know all the wonders he's given to me. **Refrain:**

SECOND READING

**A reading from the Second Letter of
St Paul to Timothy 4: 6-8**

Read by Anne Maude

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation
and the time of my departure has come.

I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.

From now on there is reserved for me
the crown of righteousness,
Which the Lord, the righteous judge,
will give me on the day,
And not only to me but also to all
who have longed for his appearing.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Come, you whom my Father has blessed, says the Lord:
Inherit the kingdom prepared for you since
the foundation of the world.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 14:1-6

Fr John Baptist: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr John Baptist: A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way.” Thomas said to him, “Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him,

“I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Fr John Baptist: God our Father raised Jesus from the dead and He will give life to our mortal bodies. We pray to him in faith.

Lily Shipway: We pray for Bill who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that he may now be counted among the company of the Blessed as the Lord takes Bill gently into his care and grants his eternal life. We pray the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Lily Shipway: We pray for Bill's family; Robert and Graeme, Jack, Barry, Anne and their extended families. We remember all the good times shared together with Bill. May all be comforted by the love they shared and may that love encourage their lives for the future. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Sophie Longmore: We pray for all the family and friends who cared for Bill, the Staff at Mirinjani Uniting Care and Dr Sunita Singh. May the Lord reward them all for their kindness and compassion. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Sophie Longmore: We pray for all here today who knew and loved Bill; that we may be comforted in our grief and that we will continue to remember Bill's love for all of us and the wonderful times he shared with us. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Marianne Wishart: We pray for Bill whose life was filled with faith, family and love. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Marianne Wishart: We pray for the repose of Bill's soul that now rests with his beloved wife Hazel. May they and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in the peace of Jesus Christ our Saviour. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Fr John Baptist: Loving Father, you govern all things wisely and with great love. Listen to our prayers and lead us through. Your spirit to complete joy and communion with you. We make this prayer through Christ your Son.

All: Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

“Here I Am Lord”

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.

Refrain:

**Here am I, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send? **Refrain:**

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away. **Refrain:**

I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my words to them.
Whom shall I send? **Refrain:**

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will send the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save. **Refrain:**

Finest bread I will provide,
'Til their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? **Refrain:**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Fr John Baptist: Pray, brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable
to God the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of His name, for our good
and the good of all His Holy Church. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Fr John Baptist: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr John Baptist: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Fr John Baptist: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

Fr John Baptist: And so with the angels and all the Saints we declare your glory, as with one voice we acclaim:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Fr John Baptist: The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection until you come again.

Fr John Baptist: Through Him, with Him and in Him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE

Fr John Baptist: At the saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.

Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE

Fr John Baptist: Deliver us, Lord; we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and coming of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Fr John Baptist: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your church, and graciously grant him peace and unity in accordance with your will? Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Fr John Baptist: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr John Baptist: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Fr John Baptist: Behold the Lamb of God; behold him who takes away the sins of the world, Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION SONG

“Come As You Are”

**Come as you are, that’s how I want you
Come as you are, feel quite at home
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven
Come as you are, why stand alone?**

No need to fear, love sets no limits
No need to fear, love never ends
Don’t run away, shamed and disheartened
Rest in my love, trust me again.

**Come as you are, that’s how I want you
Come as you are, feel quite at home
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven
Come as you are, why stand alone?**

I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous
I came to bring peace, not to condemn
Each time you fail, to live by my promise
Why do you think, I’d love you the less?

**Come as you are, that’s how I want you
Come as you are, feel quite at home
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven
Come as you are, why stand alone?**

Come as you are, that’s how I love you
Come as you are, trust me again
Nothing can change, the love that I bear you
All will be well, just come as you are.

**Come as you are, that’s how I want you
Come as you are, feel quite at home
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven
Come as you are, why stand alone?**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

SONG OF FAREWELL

Receive his soul and present him to God the most High.

Fr John Baptist: Saints of God, come to his aid!
Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord! **Response:**

Fr John Baptist: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself, May angels lead you to Abraham's side. **Response:**

Fr John Baptist: Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon him. **Response:**

RECESSIONAL SONG

"Amazing Grace"

Played on the bagpipes by Adam Wishart

PALLBEARERS

**Robert Longmore, Graeme Anderson, Barry Longmore,
Peter Maude, Brett Longmore and Scott Shipway**



It is with love and gratitude that Bill's family thank you for your kindness and expressions of sympathy at a time when it is needed and deeply appreciated.

Following the service at the Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery, Brunskill Road, Lake Albert you are invited to the Alan Harris McDonald Function Room, 76 Copland Street for refreshments and to share the many wonderful memories we all have of Bill



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