

Prayers for the Repose Of The Soul Of

RAYMOND GEORGE WILLIS



1ST AUGUST 1942 - 16TH AUGUST 2022

St Michael's Cathedral, Wagga Wagga
Friday 26th August 2022 at 10:30am



CELEBRANT

Rev Fr. Reece Beltrame

ENTRANCE SONG

"Amazing Grace"

by Andrea Bocelli and Alison Krauss

WELCOME

Rev Fr. Reece Beltrame

EULOGY

given by Tim and Larn^{on}, Kelly and Joe & Tash

PICTORIAL MEMORIES

"Wind of Change" by Scorpion

"Heart of Gold" by Neil Young

"End of the Line" by the Travelling Wilbury's



OPENING PRAYER
Rev Fr Reece Beltrame

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 14:13
Read by Mick

I, John, heard a voice from Heaven say to me, "Write down:
Happy are those who die in the Lord!
Happy indeed, the Spirit says;
now they can rest for ever after their work,
since their good deeds go with them".

The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Read by Emiliyah

Response: ***I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the
land of the living***

How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me.

Response

I trusted, even when I said:
I am sorely afflicted,
and when I said in my alarm:
No man can be trusted.

Response

O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.
You servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.

Response

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

Fr Reece Beltrame: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr Reece Beltrame: A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to Luke 23: 44-46

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

It was about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said, Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit. With these words he breathed his last. Then a member of the council arrived, an upright and virtuous man named Joseph. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. He then took it down, wrapped it in a shroud and put him in a tomb which was hewn in stone in which no one had yet been laid. On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? he is not here, he has risen.

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Read by Rodney

Rev Fr. Reece Beltrame: In complete trust and humility we make our prayers to the Lord of Heaven and Earth

Reader: In baptism Ray was given the pledge of eternal life, may he now be admitted to the company of the saints.
We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That we mourn the loss of Ray, may he receive God's light and comfort.
We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord hear our prayer.**

Reader: For those who cared for Ray in his sickness and for those who showed acts of kindness towards him and his family during this time.
We pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Rev Fr. Reece Beltrame: Almighty God, hear our prayers for your people, who cry out to you, fulfil their prayers through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**
All: Amen.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.



PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

SONG OF FAREWELL

Response:

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

Rev Fr. Reece Beltrame: Saints of God, come to his aid!
Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord! **Response:**

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

Rev Fr Reece Beltrame: Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon him. **Response:**

RECESSIONAL SONG

"You'll Never Walk Alone"

by Gerry and the Pacemakers



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

Following the Graveside committal at the Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery, Brunskill Road, Lake Albert, you are invited to join the family at the Tolland Hotel, 245 Bourke Street Wagga Wagga for light refreshments and to share the many wonderful memories you have of Raymond.



ALAN HARRIS MCDONALD
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