

Prayers for the Eternal Repose of the Soul of



JOHN PATRICK MACK

27th September 1946 - 17th November 2022

Saint Michael's Cathedral, Wagga Wagga

Monday 28th November 2022

Rev Fr. Kevin O'Reilly

Entrance Hymn

*Organist Margaret Adams
Cantor Michael Jones*

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come
This grace that brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

When we've been here ten thousand years
Bright, shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Greeting and Welcome

Father Kevin O'Reilly

Fr. O'Reilly

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of
the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Fr. O'Reilly

The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Introductory Rites

Lighting of Pascal Candle

Gail, Jodie & Ella

Sprinkling with holy water

Eulogy

Leah

Photo Tribute

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

read by Bella

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

25: 6-9

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all
peoples
a banquet of rich food.

On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death forever.

The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation,
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

A reading from the first letter of St John

3: 1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been
revealed;

all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Scripture

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A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 5: 1-12a

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was by his disciples.
Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

"How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of
calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be
great in heaven."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

Fr. O'Reilly

Prayers of the faithful

*Read by Kristen, Sophia,
Olivia & Amelia*

Lord, we come here today to thank you for the life of John, which was filled with love, laughter and family. We have special memories of him to cherish forever. Lord hear us.

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Lord, we thank you for the gift of John's life. We pray for him and entrust him into your loving care. May we continue to remember his love for all of us and the wonderful times he shared with us. Welcome him now into your heavenly home where he will know peace and happiness forever. Lord hear us.

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Lord, we pray for Nanna, that in her sadness and grief she may be consoled and comforted by the enduring love and support of her family and friends. Lord hear us.

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Lord, we pray for John's sister and family, Fay, Ian, Amanda, Paul and Kristy, who could not be with us today. In your wisdom give them all the strength they need to achieve peace in their hearts. Lord hear us.

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Lord, we pray for the doctors and nurses at the Wagga Base Hospital, especially the Renal Unit, who cared for John with kindness and dedication over the past 9 years. May their works of service be richly blessed. Lord hear us.

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Lord, we pray for all of those that have gone before us in faith, in particular John's mother and father, Mary and Martin, brother, Peter, and son, Nigel. May they know the peace and joy of God's presence. Lord hear us.

Response: Lord hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Remembrance and Final Commendation

Prayer of Commendation

Fr. O'Reilly

Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother John. May our Farwell express our affection for him; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. one day we shall joyfully greet him again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

Fr. O'Reilly

Saints of God, come to his aid!

Hasten to meet him angels of the Lord!

All: Receive his should and present him to God the Most High.

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May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself,
may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

All: Receive his should and present him to God the Most High.

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Eternal rest grant unto John, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him.

All: Receive his should and present him to God the Most High.

Recessional Hymn

The Lord is my Shepherd

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.
My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.
Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.
My table Thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.
Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me,
And in God's house forevermore
My dwelling-place shall be.

Pallbearers

<i>Ronnie</i>	<i>Jason</i>
<i>Michael</i>	<i>Lachlan</i>
<i>Darren</i>	<i>Harrison</i>
<i>Marcus</i>	<i>Benjamin</i>

Committal

at the Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery



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

Please join us after the committal at the Thomas Blamey Lake Albert.

