

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



*Joan Catherine
Mangan*

15th December 1945 - 5th July 2023

Saint Michael's Catholic Church
Thursday, 13th July 2023 10:00am
Coolamon Lawn Cemetery



CELEBRANT

Monsignor Doug George

OPENING HYMN

"St. Patrick's Breastplate"

(Tune to Morning Has Broken)

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.
Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my heart.
Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me Christ ever be.

OPENING PRAYER

God of faithfulness, in your wisdom
you have called your servant Joan out of this world;
release her from the bonds of sin,
and welcome her into your presence,
so that she may enjoy eternal light and peace
and be raised up in glory with all your saints.
We ask this...



FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom 3:1-9

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 will their blessings be.

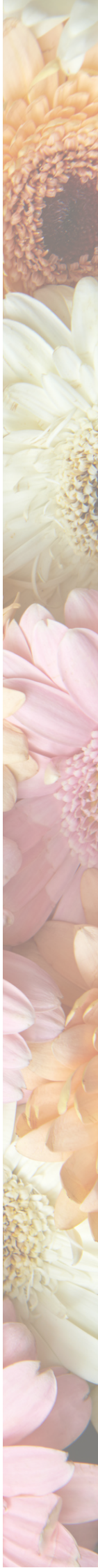
God has put them to the test
and proved them worthy to be with him;
he has tested them like gold in a furnace,
and accepted them as a holocaust.

When the time comes for his visitation
they will shine out;

as sparks run through the stubble, so will they.

They shall judge nations, rule over peoples,
and the Lord will be their king for ever.

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







PSALM

R: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.

Relieve the anguish of my heart
and set me free from my distress.
See my affliction and my toil and take all my sins away.

Preserve my life and rescue me.
Do not disappoint me, you are my refuge.
May innocence and uprightness protect me:
for my hope is in you, O Lord.

SECOND READING

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him anymore.



GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left.

Then the King will sit to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me."

Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?"

HOMILY

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Read by Bernadette Proctor

Msgr George:

Jesus spent much of his time among the suffering and the sick because he had great compassion for them. Turning to our compassionate Lord we pray.

1. For Joan, who for so long had been under the limitations and pain of illness; that she may know the freedom and joy of the kingdom. Let us pray to the lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For the family of Joan and those who cared for her in her illness: that they may be consoled in the knowledge that Joan is now released from pain to enjoy peace forever. Let us pray to the Lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For healing of the sick, especially those in our own community: that they may be granted health. Let us pray to the Lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For all who suffer in hospitals and at home: that they may feel close to Christ, who suffered so much during his life. Let us pray to the Lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

5. For all who have died in faith: that the Lord will lavish love and life upon them. Let us pray to the Lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Msgr George:

Almighty God, the mystery of your suffering and death is the way to glory and life. Confidently we ask you to hear our prayers in the name of Jesus who is life. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Crimond"

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,
Even 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 for evermore
My dwelling place shall be.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Almighty and merciful God, by means of these sacrificial offerings, wash away, we pray, in the Blood of Christ, the sins of your departed servant Joan, for you purify unceasingly by your merciful forgiveness those you once cleansed in waters of Baptism.
Through Christ our Lord.



COMMUNION HYMNS

"I Have Loved You"

REFRAIN:

I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine;
I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine;

VERSES:

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him;
He will bring you his light and his peace.
Seek the face of the Lord and long for him;
He will bring you his joy and his hope.
Seek the face of the Lord and long for him;
He will bring you his care and his love.

"Jesus Come To Us"

REFRAIN:

Jesus come to us, lead us to your light
Jesus be with us, for we need you.

VERSES:

Lord we come before you,
Listen to our prayer
Fill us all with hope
And your love

Lord, we come to praise you
For your faithfulness through night,
You will be with us
This we know

Lord, you give us wonders
Your glory to all,
We believe in you,
Come to us

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that your servant Joan, for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament, may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace.
Through Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Strong and Constant"

I will be Yahweh who walks with you
You will be always within my heart
Take your heart and give it all to me
Strong and constant is my love
Strong and constant is my love

Should you wander far away from me
I will search for you in every land
Should you call then you will truly know
Strong and constant is my love
Strong and constant is my love

When you know sorrow within your life
I will come I will embrace your heart
Through your pain you will discover me
Strong and constant is my love
Strong and constant is my love

**THE FUNERAL CORTEGE WILL NOW PROCEED TO
THE COOLAMON LAWN CEMETERY, THOMPSON LANE**



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

Joan's family would like to welcome you to the Coolamon Sport & Recreation Club, Lewis St N for light refreshments and to share the many wonderful memories of Joan's life.



ALAN HARRIS MCDONALD

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