

A Celebration & Thanksgiving in Loving Memory
For the Life of

Odelia Bonello

Born to this Life on 17th June 1930

Born to Eternal Life on 20th November 2024

A cherished Mother, Nanna and Great Nanna



Requiem Mass

Star of the Sea Catholic Church
Cleveland

28th November 2024

Celebrant: Fr Rony Chacko

Memorial Mass for

Odelia Bonello

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Hymn

Amazing Grace - Hayley Westenra

Opening Hymn

Here I am Lord - John Michael Talbot

Greeting

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

All: Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

Welcome

Fr Rony

Lighting of the Paschal Candle - Tony

In Baptism Odelia received the light of Christ. This light has guided her throughout her life.
May Christ now embrace her in love and bring her to eternal life.

All: May she now enjoy eternal light and peace.

Sprinkling with Holy Water - Fr Rony

In the waters of baptism

Odelia Bonello died with Christ and rose with him to new life.

All: May she now share with him eternal glory.

Placing of the Pall - Jane & Mary

On the day of Baptism Odelia was clothed in Christ. With deep faith, she lived out her
Christian life. May Christ now enfold her in love and bring our dear Odelia to eternal life.

All: May Christ the Good Shepherd now enfold her in his tender love.

Placing of Christian Symbols – Jane, Mary & Tony

In life Odelia Bonello cherished the Gospel of Christ.
May Christ now greet her with these words of eternal life:
Come, blessed of my Father!

Collect

Let us pray.

O God, almighty Father,
our faith professes that your Son died and rose again;
mercifully grant, that through this mystery
your servant Odelia Bonello, who has fallen asleep in Christ,
may rejoice to rise again through him.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading - Madison

A reading from the Book of Proverbs (31: 10-31)

A good woman is hard to find, and worth far more than diamonds. Her husband trusts her without reserve, and never has reason to regret it. Never spiteful, she treats him generously all her life long. She shops around for the best yarns and cottons and enjoys knitting and sewing. She's like a trading ship that sails to faraway places and brings back exotic surprises. She's up before dawn, preparing breakfast for her family and organizing her day. She looks over a field and buys it, then, with money she's put aside, plants a garden. First thing in the morning, she dresses for work and rolls up her sleeves, eager to get started. She senses the worth of her work, is in no hurry to call it quits for the day. She's skilled in the crafts of home and hearth, and diligent in homemaking. She's quick to assist anyone in need and reaches out to help the poor. She doesn't worry about her family when it snows; their winter clothes are all mended and ready to wear. She makes her own clothing, and dresses in colourful linens and silks. Her husband is greatly respected when he deliberates with the city fathers. She designs gowns and sells them, and brings the sweaters she knits to the dress shops. Her clothes are well-made and elegant, and she always faces tomorrow with a smile. When she speaks she has something worthwhile to say, and she always says it kindly. She keeps an eye on everyone in her household and keeps them all busy and productive. Her children respect and bless her; her husband joins in with words of praise: "Many women have done wonderful things, but you've outclassed them all!" Charm can mislead and beauty soon fades. The woman to be admired and praised is the woman who lives in the Fear-of-GOD. Give her everything she deserves!
Adorn her life with praises!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 22) - Sarah
R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. **Response.**

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these, you give me comfort. **Response.**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **Response.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
forever and ever. **Response.**

Second Reading - Taylor

2 Corinthians 4:14 - 5:1

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

We know that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God. That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 11:25, 26

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die forever.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Fr Rony

John 14:1-6

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Jesus said to the disciples:

‘Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father’s house;
if there were not, I should have told you.

I am going now to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,

I shall return to take you with me;

so that where I am

you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.’

Thomas said, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?’

Jesus said:

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

General Intercessions – Sophia, Indi, Adam & Madison

Fr Rony: God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence
we ask him to save all his people, living and dead:

Sophia

For Nanna Odelia who shared our joys and tears, memories and friendships.

May she dwell forever in God’s presence. We pray to the Lord.

Indi

For Nanna Odelia's grandchildren (and great-grandchildren) who loved her so dearly,
that they may inherit her courage, strength, generosity and love for others.

We pray to the Lord.

Adam

For all who gather to mourn the death of Odelia, that we may reach out to one
another in love. We pray to the Lord.

That the staff at Seaton Place who took such good care of Odelia
may receive the reward of their kindness and know the gratitude of those
they have served. We pray to the Lord.

Madison

For Odelia and her spouse Anthony, now reunited, that they may see God face to face.
We pray to the Lord.

That we will always acknowledge God's presence and mercy, just as Odelia taught
us by her example. We pray to the Lord.

Fr Rony: God, our shelter and our strength,
you listen in love to the cry of your people:
hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters.
Cleanse them of their sins
and grant them the fullness of redemption.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory procession – Daniel & Mitchell

Offertory Hymn

How Great Thou Art - The Priests (Traditional)

Prayer over the Offerings

Priest: Pray, brethren (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.**

Priest: As we humbly present to you
these sacrificial offerings, O Lord,
for the salvation of your servant Odelia Bonello ,
we beseech your mercy,
that she, who did not doubt your Son
to be a loving Saviour,
may find in him a merciful Judge.
Who lives and reigns forever and ever.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Preface

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

Holy, Holy, Holy

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.

Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours,
forever and ever.
Amen.

The Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**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.**

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 the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and forever.**

Sign of Peace

Communion Hymn

One Bread, One Body - John Michael Talbot

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.
Lord God, whose Son left us,
in the Sacrament of his Body,
food for the journey,
mercifully grant that, strengthened by it,
our sister Odelia Bonello may come
to the eternal table of Christ.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE FINAL COMMENDATION

Words of Remembrance: Tony, Sarah and Amanda

Photo Reflection

Invitation to Prayer

With faith in Jesus Christ, we must reverently bury the body of our sister.

Let us pray with confidence to God, in whose sight all creation lives, that he will raise up in holiness and power the mortal body of our sister and command her soul to be numbered among the blessed.

May God grant her a merciful judgment, deliverance from death, and pardon of sin. May Christ the Good Shepherd carry her home to be at peace with the Father. May she rejoice forever in the presence of the eternal King and in the company of all the saints.

All pray in silence.

Song of Farewell

Saints of God, come to her aid!
Hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord!

All: Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

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

All: Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

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

All: Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

Prayer of Commendation

Into your hands, Father of mercies,
we commend our sister Odelia Bonello
in the sure and certain hope
that, together with all who have died in Christ,
she will rise with him on the last day.
We give you thanks for the blessings
which you bestowed upon Odelia Bonello in this life:
they are signs to us of your goodness
and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ.
Merciful Lord,
turn toward us and listen to our prayers:
open the gates of paradise to your servant
and help us who remain

to comfort one another with assurances of faith,
until we all meet in Christ
and are with you and with our sister for ever.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

In peace let us take Odelia Bonello to her place of rest.

At hearse: May the angels lead you into paradise;
may the martyrs come to welcome you
and take you to the holy city,
the new and eternal Jerusalem.
(Sprinkling with Holy Water)

GRAVESIDE COMMITTAL

Processional Hymn

How Do I Say Goodbye - Dean Lewis

Committal Hymn

Ave Maria - Schubert (Hannah Holgersson)





Sincere Thanks

We wish to thank you for the heartfelt and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to us for the loss of our beloved Odelia.

At the conclusion of the mass, a burial service will be held for both Odelia and Anthony at Great Southern Memorial Park 1774-1794 Mount Cotton Road, Carbrook. You are then warmly invited to join us to share memories and refreshments at Redland Bay Golf Club, North Street, Redland Bay.