



# THANK YOU

Thank you for being with us to celebrate Carlos' life.  
Words cannot express our most sincere and heartfelt thanks for  
the kindness, love, support and friendship that we have been  
shown during this difficult time.

  
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Celebrating with Love & Gratitude the Life of  
**JOSEPH CARLOS  
ABREU**

Born 21 December 1964  
Born into Eternal Life 22 March 2025

4th April 2025 at 11:30am  
Our Lady Help of Christians Church

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## Welcome

Fr Michael Grace

## Eulogy

Krystile

## Photo Reflection

*Sound Of Silence - Disturbed*

## Opening Hymn

*You Raise Me Up - Josh Groban*

## Opening Rites

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

Fr: The Lord be with you.  
All: And with your spirit.

## Remembrance of Baptism

*The priest sprinkles the coffin with holy water and a white pall is placed over it to remind us that Carlos has been baptised in Christ and has died with Him into eternal life.*

## The Pall is placed by: Smell, Poozin

Fr: In the waters of baptism  
Carlos died with Christ and rose with him to new life.  
May he now share with him eternal glory.

## Placing of Symbols

*Family photos, rosemary beads.  
Placed by Maria*

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

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

Fr: Into your hands, Father of mercies,  
we commend our brother, Carlos  
in the sure and certain hope  
that, together with all who have died in Christ,  
he will rise with him on the last day.

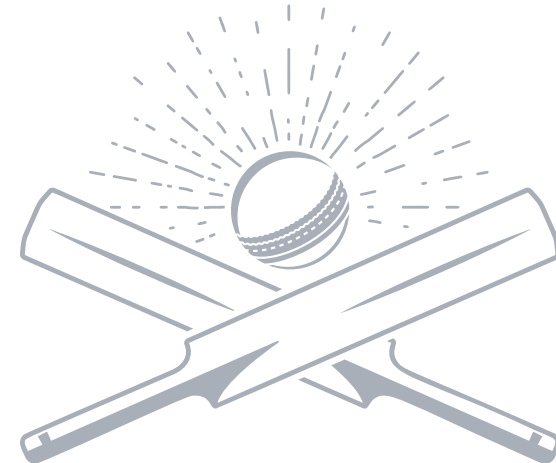
We give you thanks for the blessings  
which you bestowed upon Carlos in this life:  
they are signs to us of your goodness  
and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ.

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 brother forever.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In peace let us take our brother to his place of rest

## Recessional Hymn

*Lucilia Do Carmo - Maria Carmo*



**All:** Lord hear our prayer.

**Reader:** For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face.  
*We pray to the Lord.*

**All:** Lord hear our prayer.

**Fr:** 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

**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

### **Final Commendation and Farewell**

**Fr:** Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother.  
May our farewell 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:** Saints of God, come to his aid!  
Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord!

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

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

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

### **Opening Prayer**

**Fr:** My brothers and sisters, we have come together to renew our  
trust in Christ who, by dying on the cross, has freed us from  
eternal death and, by rising, has opened for us the gates of  
heaven. Let us pray for our brother Carlos, that he may share in  
Christ's victory, and let us pray for ourselves, that the Lord may  
grant us the gift of His loving consolation.

Let us pray

Almighty God and Father it is our certain faith that your Son, who  
died on the cross, was raised from the dead, the first- fruits of all  
who have fallen asleep. Grant that through this mystery Carlos,  
who has gone to his rest in Christ, may share in the joy of his  
resurrection. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

*(Please be seated)*

### **First Reading**

Annalise

**Reader:** A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

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 for ever.  
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.



**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Psalm 22 (sung) - 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,  
E'en for his own name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through 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 forever more  
My dwelling place shall be.

**Gospel Acclamation** *(Please stand)*

Glory and praise to you Lord Jesus Christ  
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever  
believes in me will not die for ever.  
Glory and praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

**Gospel**

Fr : The Lord be with you.  
All: And with your spirit.

Fr : A reading from the holy gospel according to John  
All: Glory to You, O Lord.

Fr: 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.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*(Please be seated)*

**Homily**  
Fr Michael Grace

**Prayers of the Faithful**  
Manaia, Montana, Estella

*(Please stand)*

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

Reader: For Carlos, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life,  
that he now be admitted to the company of the saints.  
                    *We pray to the Lord.*

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: For our brother, who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that  
he may be raised up on the last day.  
                    *We pray to the Lord.*

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: For the family and friends of our brother, Carlos, that they may  
be consoled in their grief.  
                    *We pray to the Lord.*

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: For our deceased relatives and friends, that they may be united  
with Christ in the Kingdom of Heaven  
                    *We pray to the Lord.*