

Order of Service

Gathering Hymn

BE NOT AFRAID
Bob Dufford S.J.

1. You shall cross the barren desert
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety,
though you do not know the way.
You will speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

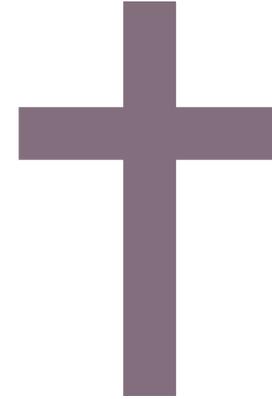
**Be not afraid, I go before you always.
Come, follow Me, and I will give you rest.**

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea,
you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the power of hell,
and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.

**Be not afraid. I go before you always.
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.**

Blessed are your poor,
for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you
all because of me,
blessed, blessed are you!

**Be not afraid. I go before you always.
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.**



Our family sincerely thank you for your support, prayers and your presence here today.

We will be departing for a private burial, there is no wake. However for those who remain, you are most welcome to refreshments at the Parish Hall following the Mass.

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In Loving Memory of Mamma

*The moment that you left me,
My heart was split in two.
One side was filled with memories,
The other died with you.*

*I lay awake at night,
When the world is fast asleep,
And take a walk down memory lane
With tears upon my cheek.*

*Remembering you is easy,
I do it everyday.
But missing you is a heartache,
That doesn't go away.*

*I hold you tightly within my heart,
And there you shall remain.
Life goes on without you,
But it can never, ever be the same.*

- Author Unknown



Introductory Rite

Greeting

Sprinkling with Holy Water

Placing of Symbols

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians
Read by Catherine McGrath

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

Brian Boniwell

1. *The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters and byways,
valleys and highways he's waiting for me.*

*I want to go to meet him there,
to lay myself down in his love.
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.*

2. *And while on the journey to where we are going,
he promised to be there to help us along,
and over the mountains we'll walk on together
to know all the wonders he's given to me.*

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord.

Alleluia

Final Commendation

Fr. Regi: *Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister, Michelina. May our farewell express our affection for her; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet her again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.*

Fr. Regi: *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.

Fr. Regi: *May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself; may angels lead you to Abraham's side.*

All: Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.

Fr. Regi: *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.

Fr. Regi: *Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our sister, Michelina 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 Michelina 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, Michelina, 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, Michelina, forever.

All: Amen.

Procession from Church

YOU RAISE ME UP

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Hymn

AVE MARIA

Gospel

From the Gospel of John 14:1–6

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.

Homily

Eulogy

Read by Diana Radin and Liliana O'Bryan

Photo Presentation

Prayers of the Faithful

Read by Marina Ribeiro, Daniela Radin, Kylie Fox, Sarah O'Bryan, and Liliana O'Bryan

In baptism, Michelina received the light of Christ. Let us pray that God will now scatter the darkness and lead her over the waters of death.

Lord in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

That all of us, Michelina's family and friends, may be comforted in our grief.

Lord in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom.

Lord in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. May God grant them an everlasting home with Christ.

Lord in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

For the carers and nurses of Regis Birkdale who cared for Michelina, that their works of service may be richly blessed.

Lord in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

Secret Garden Medley

Preparation of the Gifts

Jacob Ribeiro and Abbie Ribeiro

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

Mystery of Faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,

and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Our Father

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.