

Gathered in faith, hope, love and gratitude

Raymund Massingham



Born: 21st August, 1936
Born to Eternal Life: 15th July, 2026

Celebrant: Rev. Prem Rethnamony
at St Mary MacKillop, Birkdale
on 28th July, 2026

Gathering Hymn

COME AS YOU ARE

Deirdre Browne

1. Come as you are, That's how I want you
Come as you are, Feel quite at home
Close to my heart, Loved and forgiven
Come as you are, Why stand alone?
2. No need to fear, Love sets no limits
No need to fear, Love never ends
Don't run away, Shamed and disheartened
Rest in my love, Trust me again.
3. I came to call sinners, Not just the virtuous
I came to bring peace, Not to condemn
Each time you fail, To live by my promise
Why do you think, I'd love you the less?

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Introductory Rite

Greeting

Sprinkling with Holy Water

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

From the Second Letter of St Paul to Timothy 4:6-8

Read by Lisa Massingham

As for me,
I am already being poured out as a libation,
and the time of my departure has come.
I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.
From now on there is reserved for me
the crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous judge,
will give me on that day,
And not only to me
but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

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 by ways,
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

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 Andrew Massingham

Prayers of the Faithful

Read by Ryan Massingham, Fraser Massingham, Jordan Massingham and Jacob Fife

For Raymund, a child of God and heir to the kingdom, that he may be held securely in God's loving embrace now and for all eternity. Lord in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer

That the Lord Jesus who blesses those who mourn and are in pain will look upon Raymunds family and friends who gather around him today. 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

For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness. Lord in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer

That God may grant an everlasting home to the many friends and members of our families who have gone before us and await the kingdom. Lord in your mercy.

Response: 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.

Final Commendation and Farewell

Fr. Prem: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother, Raymund. 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. Prem: 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. Prem: May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself; may angels lead you to Abraham's side.

All: Receive his soul and present him to God the most high

Fr. Prem: 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. Prem: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother, Raymund 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 Raymund 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, Raymund, 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, Raymund, forever.

All: Amen

Procession from Church

ON EAGLE'S WINGS - Michael Joncas

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord:
“My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust!”

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**

2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear;
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield

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