

Requiem Mass to Celebrate the Life of

Peter Loughnan



24th March 1942 – 22nd August 2025

St John the Baptist Church 5th September 2025
Fr Wayne Edwards



Entrance Hymn

(please stand)

Here I am Lord – *John Michael Talbot*

I the Lord of sea and sky, I have
heard my people cry. All who dwell
in dark and sin, My hand will save.

I the Lord of wind and flame, I will
take the poor and lame, I will set a
feast for them, my hand will save.

I, who make the stars at night, I will
make the darkness bright. Who will
bear my light to them? Whom shall I
send?

Finest bread I will provide, till
their hearts be satisfied. I will give
my life for them, Whom shall I
send?

Refrain

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

Refrain

Greeting

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

Priest The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the
 communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
All And also with you.

Sprinkling with Holy Water

Fr Wayne

Priest In Baptism, Peter was given a share in the death and resurrection of
 Christ. As we gather today to celebrate the mystery of faith, we greet
 the body of our brother.
All May he now share in eternal life with Christ in glory.

Lighting of the Paschal Candle

Margaret Loughnan

Priest In Baptism, Peter received the light of Christ. This light has guided him
 through life.
All May it now lead him to eternal life.

Placing of the Pall

Maya Loughnan & Mia Loughnan

Priest In Baptism, Peter was clothed in the white garment and was asked to wear it through his life with the love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **May he now be wrapped in the eternal love of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Words of Remembrance

(please be seated)

Anna Loughnan, Gary Sheehan, Peter McDougall, Paul Loughnan & Adam Loughnan

Opening Prayer

(please stand)

Priest 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 Peter, who has fallen asleep in Christ, may rejoice to rise again through Him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

Reading

(please be seated)

Molly McNamara

A reading from Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 :

To everything there is a season,
A time for every purpose under heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die;
A time to plant, and a time to pluck what is planted;
A time to kill, and a time to heal;
A time to break down, and a time to build up;
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
A time to mourn, and a time to dance;
A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones;
A time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing;
A time to gain, and a time to lose;
A time to keep, and a time to throw away;
A time to tear, and a time to sew;
A time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
A time to love, and a time to hate;
A time for war, and a time for peace.

All The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Amelia Loughnan

Psalm 23 – The Lord is My Shepherd

Response: 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: The Lord is my shepherd. There is nothing I shall want.

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: The Lord is my shepherd. There is nothing I shall want.

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: The Lord is my shepherd. There is nothing I shall want.

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

Response: The Lord is my shepherd. There is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation

(please stand)

Priest Alleluia, alleluia!

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

All Alleluia!

Holy Gospel

Priest The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Priest A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John - *John 14:1-6*

Jesus said to his 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, and the Truth, and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

All The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(please be seated)

Prayers of the Faithful

Amelia Loughnan, Molly McNamara, Maya Loughnan, Tom McNamara, Alice McNamara, Mia Loughnan & Charlie Loughnan

Priest Father, we are here at the conclusion of one life, to celebrate, though with sadness, the beginning of a new life. In the shadow of this death which now clouds our joy, let us call upon the Lord, that he might lift us up to new life in the same Christ, our risen Saviour.

Priest God of the living and the dead, hear us, and at the hour of death welcome us into your kingdom, where Jesus is Lord for ever and ever.
All **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Procession

Anne Glenn & Mary Sheehan

(please be seated)

Offertory Hymn

Meet Me in the Middle of the Air – Paul Kelly and the Stormwater Boys

I am your True Shepherd
I will lead you there
Beside still waters
Come and meet me in the middle of the air
I will meet you in the middle of the air

I will lay you down
In pastures green and fair
Every soul shall be restored
I will meet you in the middle of the air
Come and meet me in the middle of the air

Through the lonesome valley
My rod and staff you'll bear
Fear not death's dark shadow
I will meet you in the middle of the air
Come and meet me in the middle of the air

With oil I shall anoint you
A table shall I prepare
Your cup will runneth over
Come and meet me in the middle of the air
I will meet you in the middle of the air

In my house you'll dwell forever
You shall not want for care
Surely goodness and mercy will follow you
Come and meet me in the middle of the air
I will meet you in the middle of the air
Come and meet me in the middle of the air

Invitation to Prayer

(please stand)

Priest Pray, 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.**

The priest then says the Prayer over the Gifts.

Eucharistic Prayer

Priest The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

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.**

The priest continues with the Preface followed by:

All **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.**

The priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

Priest **The mystery of faith.**
All **We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

The priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.

Priest ... for ever and ever.
All **Amen.**

Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

(please stand)

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

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.**

Priest Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by 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.

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

Sign of Peace

Priest Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant him peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Priest The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
All And also with you.

Breaking of the Bread

All 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.

Communion

Priest Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the
 world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
All 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

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring – *Bach, The Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square*
Air on a G String – *Bach, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Frank Shipway*

Prayer After Communion

(please stand)

Priest Let us pray.
 Lord God, who's Son left us, in the Sacrament of his Body, food for the
 journey, mercifully grant that, strengthened by it, our brother Peter, may
 come to the eternal table of Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and
 ever.
All Amen.

Photo Tribute

Oh Very Young – *Cat Stevens*
Here Comes the Sun – *The Beatles*

Final Commendation

Priest Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother Peter.
 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 and destroys even
 death itself.

The coffin is sprinkled with Holy Water and then Incensed.

Priest 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.**

Priest May Christ, who called you, take you to himself; may angels lead you
into the bosom of Abraham.
All **Receive his soul and present him to God the most high.**

Priest 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.**

Priest Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother Peter, in
the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ,
he will rise with Him on the last day. Merciful Lord, turn to us and
listen to our prayers, open the gates of paradise to your servant and help
us who remain to comfort one another with the assurances of faith, until
we all meet Christ and are with you and with our brother forever.
All **Amen.**

Priest May the angels lead you into paradise, may the martyrs come to
welcome you and take you into the Holy City, the new and eternal
Jerusalem. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon him. May he rest in peace.
All **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

Leaving on a Jet Plane – *John Denver*

Pall Bearers

Paul Loughnan, Anna Loughnan, Adam Loughnan, Tom McNamara, Alice McNamara & Charlie Loughnan





Peter's family are deeply grateful for your presence, your prayers and your kindness.

May the love you have shown be returned to you in peace.

You are all warmly invited to join us for refreshments next door at the Clifton Hill Brew Pub.