

In Loving Memory of
Stephanie Payne



20th August 1972 – 7th October 2021

Lonergan & Raven Chapel, Thursday 21st October 2021

Fr. Tom Cleary

The Mass of Thanksgiving

Opening Hymn

Ag Críost An Siol

The Preists

Ag Críost An Siol, Ag Críost an fómhar
(With Christ of the seed, with Christ of the harvest)

I n-Iothlainn Dé, go dtugtar Sinn
(In the granary of God, may we be taken)

Ag Críost an Mhuir, ag Críost an t-iasc
(With Christ of the sea, with Christ of the fishes)

I líonta Dé go gcastar sinn,
(In the lines of God may we be entwined)

Ó fhás go h-aois, is ó aois go bás
(From growth to age and from age to death)

Do dhá láimh a Críost anall tharainn
(Your two hands o Christ hither draw us)

Ó bhas go críoch, ní críoch ach athfhás
(From death to the end, not the end, but all eternity)

I bParrthas na nGrást go rabhaimíd
(In paradise of the blessed may we reside)

Priest In the name of the Father, and 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 with your spirit. *please be seated*

Words of Remembrance/Eulogy

Robert Payne
Eileen Payne
Kenneth Payne
Jenny Payne
Emma Louise Payne

Blessing with Holy Water

Priest

Priest In the waters of baptism, Stephanie died with Christ and rose with Him to new life. May she now share eternal life with Him in glory

Lighting of the Candle

John Rodden

Priest In Baptism, Stephanie received the light of Christ. That light has guided her throughout her life. May she now enjoy the risen life with her risen Lord.

Opening Prayer

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 Stephanie, 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

First reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

Greg Wright

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 the nations, he will destroy death forever.

The Lord God 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

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.

Second reading: First Letter of St John 3:1-2

Claire Daley

Think of the love the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called
God's children; and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not
acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are
to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because
we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

(please stand)

Alleluia!

Happy are those who have died in the Lord;
let them rest from their labours
for their good deeds go with them.

All Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (5:1-10)

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill, there he sat down and was joined by his disciples, then he began to speak: this is what he taught them:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are the gentle, they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Blessed are those who mourn they shall be comforted.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for what is right, they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, they shall have mercy shown them.

Blessed are the pure in heart, they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted in the cause of right, theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account.

Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in Heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(please be seated)

Photo Tribute

Prayers of the Faithful

Claire Daley

Priest My dear friends; if we trust in God, and have as our top priority to live a life pleasing to him, he will take care of us in life and in death. Let us pray with confidence to our Father in our hour of need.

Claire Lord, we pray for Stephanie, we pray that you will welcome her into your Presence. Lord, hear us.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Claire Lord, we pray for Stephanie's family, especially Eileen, Robert, Kenneth, Jenny and Emma Louise, who cannot be with us today. May they be consoled in the knowledge that your love is unconditional and everlasting
Lord, hear us.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Claire Lord, we pray for all the deceased members of Stephanie's family, especially her loving father Stephen. Lord, hear us

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Claire Lord, we pray for Stephanie's friends in both Ireland and Australia who cannot be with us today. We thank them for their kindness, love and support. Lord, hear us

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest We ask you, Loving God, to hear and grant all the prayers in our hearts. Through Christ our Lord.

All Amen

Saints of Ireland

Eamonn Naughton

Poem for Stephanie

Greg Wright

Final Commendation

Priest Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister, Stephanie. 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.

Signs of Farewell

Priest 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.

Priest 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

Priest Give 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

Priest Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our sister Stephanie, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will rise with him on the last day.

Merciful Lord, turn to us and listen to our prayers, open the gates of paradise to our servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with the assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our sister Stephanie for ever.

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 her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

All Amen.

Recessional Music: Dublin in the Rare Auld Times Greg Wright & Sean O'Neill



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