# In Loving Memory of Myrtle Verna Low Kee (nee Fick)



10 November 1923 – 19 August 2019

Holy Family, Doveton, Wednesday 28th August 2019

Rev. Michael Payyapilly VC

# Requiem Mass

**Opening Hymn** 

Prayer of St Francis

(please stand & sing)

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt - true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope, where there is darkness - only light, and where there's sadness - ever joy.

O Master grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all men that we receive and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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)

Lighting of Pascal Candle

Muriel Naidoo

Blessing with holy Water

Priest

Placing of the Pall

Vernette Wynford, Muriel Naidoo and Claire Naidoo

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## **Opening Prayer**

Priest

Faithful God, you have lovingly brought Myrtle's journey to an end. We praise you for her life of faithfulness and strength. Grant that as we grieve her death we may hold her memory dear and live in the hope that death opens out into glory. We make this prayer through Christ who abides with us forever and ever.

All Amen.

# Liturgy of the Word

First reading Muriel Naidoo

## A reading from the Prophet Isaiah (25:6-9)

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 forever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his peoples 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 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: The Lord is My Shepherd (sung)

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.

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.

Second reading:

David Naidoo (Snr)

## A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (14:7-12)

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was that he might be both Lord of the dead and the living. We shall all have to stand before the judgement seat of God as scripture says; By my life – it is the Lord who speaks – every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall praise God. It is God, therefore, that each of us must give an account of himself.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

David Naidoo (Snr) (please stand)

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

All Alleluia

## Gospel -

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to 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, 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* (please be seated)

Prayers of Intercession David Naidoo (Jnr) and Stavroula (Stav) Papadopoulos

Priest Let us pray to our God for Myrtle.

David We pray for Myrtle. May God bring her to a place of light, happiness and peace. Lord hear us.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

David We pray that God may comfort us who mourn for Myrtle, and may God help us to comfort one another in this time of grief. Lord hear us.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

**David** We give thanks for those who are gathered here today and those who could not be here. May God bless us all with hope of one day sharing eternal life and being re-united with our loved ones. Lord hear us.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

**Stav** We pray for the dear family of Myrtle who grieve this day as they offer her into the hands of the Lord. May the Lord's loving mercy bring healing to their grieving heart. Lord hear us.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Stav We pray for the friends, neighbours and community for their loving care and concern for Myrtle's well-being, especially during the last year. Lord hear us.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

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

All Amen.

Offertory

Vernette Wynford and Stavroula Papadopoulos

#### All That I Am

All that I am, all that I do, all that I'll ever have, I offer now to you.

All that I dream, all that I pray, all that I'll ever make, I give to you today.

Take and sanctify these gifts for your honour, Lord. Knowing that I love and serve you is enough reward.

All that I am, all that I do, all that I'll ever have, I offer now to you.

## Prayer over gifts

**Priest:** As we humbly present to you these sacrificial offerings, O Lord, for

> the salvation of our sister Myrtle we beseech your mercy, that she, who did not doubt your Son to be a loving Saviour, may find in Him

a merciful judge who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

A11: Amen

Preface

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit

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

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and

everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, Holy Father, almighty and

eternal God.

For it is at your summons that we come to birth, by your will that we are governed, and at your command that we return, on account of sin, to the earth from which we came. And when you give the sign, we who have been redeemed by the Death of your Son, shall be

raised up to the glory of His Resurrection.

And so with the company of Angels and Saints, we sing the hymn of your praise, as without end we acclaim:

## Holy Holy Prayer (sung)

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.

#### Acclamation

**Priest:** Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

All: (sung) We proclaim your death O Lord and profess your resurrection until you come again

Amen - (sung)

## Our Father - (sung)

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.

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

## Communion hymns

Hail Queen of Heaven

Hail Queen of heav'n the ocean star, guide of the wand'rer here below; thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care. Save us from peril and from woe. Mother of Christ, star of the sea, pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless maid, we sinners make our prayers through thee; remind thy son that He has paid the price of our iniquity. Virgin most pure, star of the sea, pray for the sinner, pray for me.

And while to Him who reigns above, in Godhead one, in persons three. The source of life, of grace, of love, homage we pay on bended knee; do thou, bright Queen, star of the sea, pray for thy children, pray for me.

## **Reflection** Gentle woman

Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Ref: Gentle woman, quiet light, morning star so strong and bright. Gentle Mother, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom, teach us love.

You were chosen by the Father, you were chosen for the Son. You were chosen from all women and for woman shining one.

Blessed are you among women, blessed in turn all women too. Blessed they with peaceful spirits, blessed they with gentle hearts.

## Prayer after Communion

Priest: Let us pray. Lord God your Son Jesus Christ gave us the

sacrament of His bodyand blood to guide us on your pilgrim way to His kingdom. May our sister Myrtle who shared in the Eucharist

come to the banquet of life Christ has prepared for us.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

All: Amen

Eulogy David Naidoo (Jnr) and Claire Naidoo

Memorial DVD

## **Final Commendation**

Priest

Before we take Myrtle to her final resting place, let us take our leave of her. May our farewell express our love 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 With water, and with incense, we farewell Myrtle.

Saints of God, come to her aid!

Come 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 her eternal rest, O Lord,

and may your light shine on her forever.

All Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

## **Prayer of Commendation**

Priest

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

Grant her eternal rest, O Lord. Let her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

#### All Amen.

Priest In peace let us take our sister, to her place of rest.

#### The Departure

Photograph: Muriel Naidoo

Pall Bearers: Vernette Wynford, Claire Naidoo, David Naidoo (Jnr), David Naidoo (Snr), Lenny Scrimmizi and Owen D'Olivero

#### Recessional Music: Just a closer walk

I am weak but Thou art strong Jesus keep me from all wrong I'll be satisfied as long As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Just a closer walk with Thee Grant it, Jesus, is my plea Daily walking close to Thee Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

When my feeble life is o'er Time for me will be no more Guide me gently, safely o'er To Thy kingdom's shore, to Thy shore

Just a closer walk with Thee Grant it, Jesus, is my plea Daily walking close to Thee Let it be, dear Lord, let it be



Myrtle's family would like to thank you for your love and support.

At the conclusion of Mass the interment will occur at Springvale Cemetery.

You are warmly invited to refreshments at Holy Family (small hall) after the interment.

