

Mass in Celebration of the Life of Elizabeth Mary Callanan

22nd October, 1933 - 19th June, 2021



St. Pius Church, West Heidelberg.

Fr. Wayne Edwards and Fr. Ian Waters

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN: BE NOT AFRAID

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 shall speak your words to foreign men and they will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

Response:

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 pow'r of hell and death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all.

Response:

BE NOT AFRAID, I GO BEFORE YOU ALWAYS. COME, FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST.

GREETING & INTRODUCTION: Father Waters**LIGHTING of the PASCAL CANDLE:** Sylvia Isaac**BLESSING with HOLY WATER:** Fr. Waters**ALL:** AMEN**EULOGY:**

1. Father Waters
2. Sylvia Isaac
3. Gregory Hallinan

LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING PRAYER: Fr. Waters

FIRST READING: Margaret Ayers

A reading from: Wisdom 3: 1-9

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us like annihilation but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope is rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be. God has put them to the test and proved them worth to be with him; he has tested them like gold, in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust. When the time comes for his visitation, they will shine out; as sparks run through the stubble, so will they. They shall judge nations, rule over peoples, and the Lord will be their king forever. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

ALL: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 'Pie Jesu' - G. Faure – soloist Allegra Giagu, organist Jennifer Chou.

SECOND READING: Teresa Daws

A reading from Romans: 14, 7-9

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 so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

ALL: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

PRIEST: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you

GOSPEL:

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 not 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.'

PRIEST: The Gospel of the Lord

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYERS of the FAITHFUL:

John Hallinan: We pray for Elizabeth that she may be held safely in God's loving embrace now and for all eternity.

Lord hear us

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

Sandra Roche: We pray for Elizabeth's family and friends. We ask for your blessing on them. Grant them comfort and strength

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

John Hallinan: We pray for those who care for the elderly and frail at Chomley House, all those working in the Health sector and all who give care and love, in often difficult circumstances.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

Sandra Roche: We pray for peace in our world, that nations of the world may learn to live in peace and work together to care for our planet and to feed the hungry and give shelter to the homeless.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

LITURGY of the EUCHARIST
Eucharistic Prayer**Sign of Peace****The Lord's Prayer**

Priest: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Saviour taught us:

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 and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety, as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

COMMUNION:

Communion Hymn: 'I know that my Redeemer Liveth' – from 'Messiah' - GF Handel
Soloist Allegra Giagu, organist Jennifer Chou

FINAL PRAYERS:

Father Waters

ALL: Amen

RITE OF FAREWELL

Father Waters: Saints of God come to her aid.

ALL: Receive her soul and present her to God the most High.

Father Waters: 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.

THE PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

Father Walters: To you, Oh Lord, we commend Elizabeth your servant; in the sight of this world she is now dead; in your sight may she live for ever.

Forgive whatever sins she may have committed through human weakness and in your goodness grant her everlasting peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Father Waters: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you.

Father Waters: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen

Slide Show..... + 'Rowan Tree'

PLEASE COME and have a cuppa together in the hall!

RECESSIONAL: 'Ashokan Farewell' – Margaret Ayers.



BLESSING

May He support us all the day long,
Till the shades lengthen and the evening comes,
And the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done.
Then in His mercy, may He give us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last.

Cardinal Henry Newman

Thank you all for coming to celebrate Elizabeth's life.

Please pray for her Eternal Rest



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