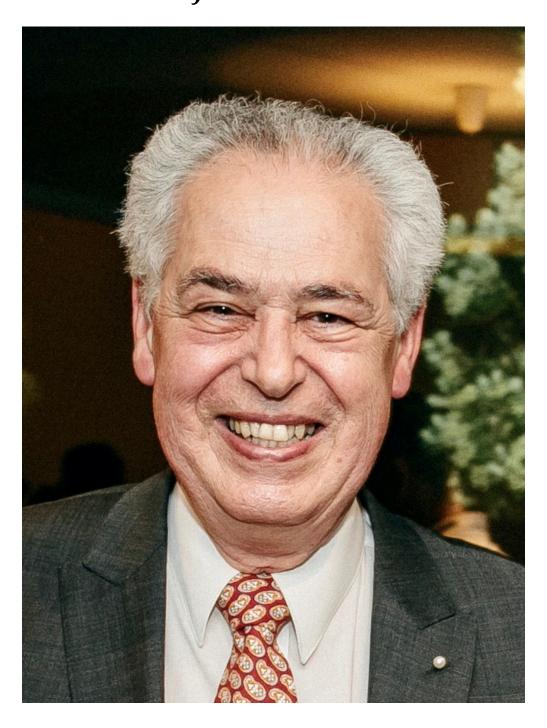
# Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Lewis Julian Zammit



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Father John Madden

# The Mass of Thanksgiving

## Opening Hymn Here I Am Lord

(please stand & sing)

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

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.

I the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my people's pain I have wept for love of them, they turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone I will speak my love to them, whom shall I send?

## Refrain

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

# Refrain

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

Sprinkling of Holy Water& Lighting of Pascal Candle

Placement of the Pall & Photo

Alan & Pat Truscott

Bill Chapman & Vanessa Machado Shane Caruana, Joe & Elizabeth Cini

#### Memorial Slide Show

## **Opening Prayers**

**Priest** 

Faithful God, you have lovingly brought Lewis' journey to an end. We praise you for his life of faithfulness and strength. Grant that as we grieve his death we may hold his 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: Wisdom 3: 1-6 & 9 Marie Zammit

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,

and no torment will ever touch them.

In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be an affliction, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality.

Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them...

Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his elect,

This is the word of the Lord

and he watches over his holy ones.

#### All Thanks be to God

# Psalm: The Lord is My Shepherd

(please stand & sing)

The Lord is my Shepherd, and I want to follow, wherever he <u>leads</u> me, wherever he goes.

Over the <u>mountains</u>, the waters and by-ways, <u>valleys</u> 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.

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.

Second Reading Phillip Crisp

A reading from the First letter of St John (3:1-2)

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

#### All Thanks be to God

## Gospel Acclamation

(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 the Faithful: Marlene Gatt, John A

Marlene Gatt, John Ackland & Agnes Cauchi

Priest:

Loving God, we celebrate Lewis' journey through life with joy and we remember the many blessings you gave him in life. Knowing that you are faithful to your promises, we now turn to you in prayer.

Readers:

Lord we pray together in sorrow and always give thanks for the love and commitment to family and friends that Lewis showed us. May his generosity of spirt and kind heart be an example in our lives. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

For our brother Lewis, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said: "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me shall live even in death and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die." Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Lord we pray for Lewis' wife Susan, his brother Vince, his sister Yvonne and their families and friends. Grant them the consolation and comfort, knowing that he is now resting with his parents Joseph and Carmen. *Lord hear us*.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

We thank God for those who cared and supported Lewis during his illness with their medical skills or their friendship, love and companionship. *Lord hear us.* 

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Lord we pray for those terminally ill. May your guiding spirit grant them courage and strength through their daily lives. *Lord hear us.* 

All: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for all those gathered here today who have come to help and support us as we celebrate Lewis' life and to help us say goodbye. *Lord hear us*.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Priest: God of love and compassion look on us this day and strengthen our faith. We ask you to listen to these prayers and the silent prayers of our heart. In your mercy grant us consolation and peace. We ask all this through Christ our Lord

All: Amen.

# Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presentation of the gifts:

Susan Zammit & Yvonne Caruana

Hymn: Come As You Are

(please stand & sing)

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?

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.

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?

Come as you are, that's how I love you. Come as you are, trust me again. Nothing can change the love that I bear you. All will be well, just come as you are.

# Offertory:

Priest:

Blessed are you Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest:

Blessed are you Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

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.

Priest will say a prayer over the gifts, to which all respond **Amen** 

Priest: The Lord be with you **All:** And with your spirit

Priest: Lift up your heart

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: (continues with a long prayer ... at the end of this prayer:)

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.

Priest will pray the Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The mystery of faith

All: We proclaim your Death O Lord and profess your

Resurrection until you come again.

Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching,

we dare to say:

**A11:** 

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 ..... and the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

A11:

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

Priest:

Lord Jesus Christ ...... who live and reign forever and ever.

**A11:** 

Amen.

Priest:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All:

And with your spirit.

Priest:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace

A11:

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.

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:

Ave Maria

Prayer after Communion

#### Final Commendation

Priest

Before we take Lewis to his final resting place, let us take our leave of him. May our farewell express our love 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.

## Signs of Farewell

Priest With water, and with incense, we farewell Lewis.

(Carmelites sing - Saints of God, Come to his aid!)

## **Prayer of Commendation**

Priest

Into your hands, God of mercies, we commend our brother Lewis in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he will rise with him on the last day. Grant him eternal rest, O Lord, let perpetual light shine on him, forever.

#### All Amen.

Priest In peace let us take our brother, to his place of rest.

# The Departure

## Recessional Music: How Great Thou Art

(please follow the casket out)

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee;

How great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee; How great thou art, how great thou art! When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

Refrain

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I can scarce take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin;

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

Refrain

#### **Photo Bearers:**

Andre & Marcus Machado

#### **Pall Bearers:**

Vince Zammit Sam Caruana
Mario Machado Shane Caruana
Tony Gatt Ludwig Tusek
Vanessa Machado Katelyn Caruana



Lewis's family would like to thank you for your kindness and support, and for sharing this celebration of his life.

At the conclusion of Mass you are warmly invited to join the family for refreshments in the hall.

There will be a Private Cremation

