

In Loving Memory of



Stefania Freyer

9th February 1927 - 4th February 2025



*Gedling Crematorium
Saturday 1st March 2025
at 1.00 pm*

Order of Service

Gathering Music

Ave Maria

Schubert



Hymn

I watch the sunrise lighting the sky;
Casting its shadows near.
And on this morning,
bright though it be
I feel those shadows near me.

*But you are always close to me,
Following all my ways.
May I be always close to you,
Following all your ways, Lord.*

I watch the sunlight shine through the clouds,
Warming the earth below.
And at the mid-day, life seems to say:
'I feel your brightness near me.'
For you are always...

I watch the sunset fading away,
Lighting the clouds with sleep.
And as the evening closes its eyes,
I feel your presence near me.
For you are always...

I watch the moonlight guarding the night:
Waiting till morning comes.
The air is silent, earth is at rest -
Only your peace is near me.
Yes, you are always...

John Glynn (b.1948)

Opening Prayer

Ad libitum

Reading

The Book of Wisdom, Chapter 3: verses 1-6 and 9
read by Luke, grandson



Hymn

As I kneel before you,
As I bow my head in prayer,
Take this day, make it yours
And fill me with your love.

*Ave Maria, gratia plena,
Dominus tecum, benedicta tu.*

All I have I give you,
Ev'ry dream and wish are yours,
Mother of Christ, Mother of mine,
Present them to my Lord.

As I kneel before you,
And I see your smiling face,
Ev'ry thought, ev'ry word
Is lost in your embrace.

Maria Parkinson (b.1956)

Second Reading

A Reading from the First Letter of St. John, Chapter 3: verses 1-2
read by Ivonna

Gospel

Alleluia Alleluia. It is my Father's Will, says the Lord,
that anyone who believes in me will have eternal life. Alleluia”

Gospel Reading

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to
St John, Chapter 11: verses 17-27

Homily

The Universal Prayers

read by Ivonna

One of the following sets of intercessions may be used or adapted to the circumstances, or new intercessions may be composed.

The minister begins:

God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead:

A reader or the minister then continues:

For Stefania who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

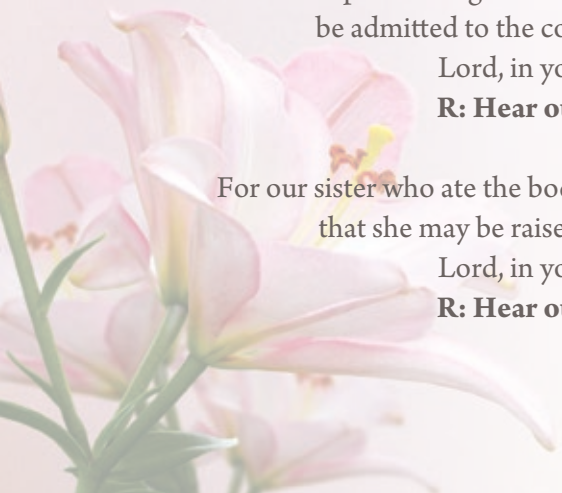
Lord, in your mercy:

R: Hear our prayer.

For our sister who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that she may be raised up on the last day.

Lord, in your mercy:

R: Hear our prayer.



For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us,
that they may have the reward of their goodness.

Lord, in your mercy:

R: Hear our prayer.

For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again,
that they may see God face to face.

Lord, in your mercy:

R: Hear our prayer.

For the family and friends of our sister Stefania that they may be consoled
in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus.

Lord, in your mercy:

R: Hear our prayer.

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith,
that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy:

R: Hear our prayer.

The minister begins:

Brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and
sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his
Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust
in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his:

A reader or the minister then continues:
In baptism Stefania received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness
now and lead her over the waters of death.

Lord, in your mercy:
R: Hear our prayer.

Our sister Stefania was nourished at the table of the Saviour.
Welcome her into the halls of the heavenly banquet.

Lord, in your mercy:
R: Hear our prayer.

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and
await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son.

Lord, in your mercy:
R: Hear our prayer.

Many people die by violence, war, and famine each day. Show your mercy to
those who suffer so unjustly these sins against your love, and gather them to the
eternal kingdom of peace.

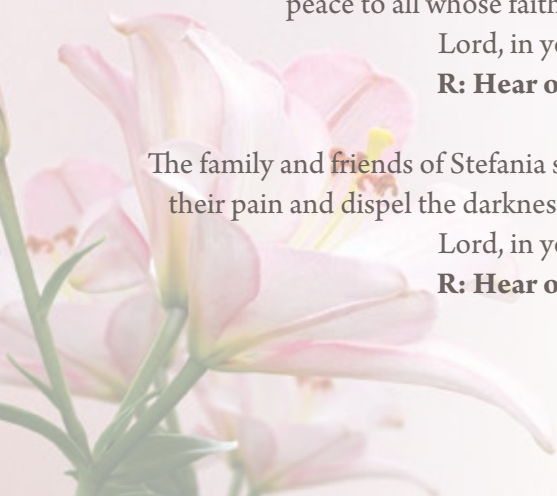
Lord, in your mercy:
R: Hear our prayer.

Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord. Give refreshment, rest, and
peace to all whose faith is known to you alone.

Lord, in your mercy:
R: Hear our prayer.

The family and friends of Stefania seek comfort and consolation. Heal
their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come from grief.

Lord, in your mercy:
R: Hear our prayer.



We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our sister Stefania
Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of your Son's coming.

Lord, in your mercy:

R: Hear our prayer.

The minister begins:

My dear friends, let us join with one another in praying to God, not
only for our departed sister, but also for the Church, for peace
in the world, and for ourselves.

A reader or the minister then continues:

That the bishops and priests of the Church, and all who preach the Gospel, may
be given the strength to express in action the word they proclaim.

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

That those in public office may promote justice and peace.

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who bear the cross of pain in mind or body
may never feel forsaken by God.

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Commendation

Commendation Hymn

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;

*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:

Then sings my soul...

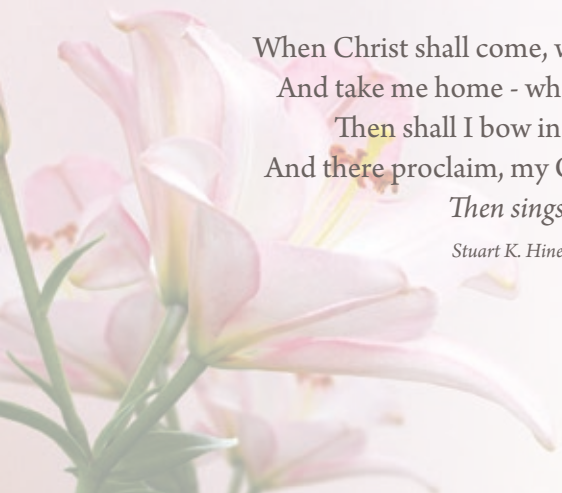
And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die - I scarce can take it in:
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin;

Then sings my soul...

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

Then sings my soul...

Stuart K. Hine (1899-1989)



The Lord's Prayer

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 Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Final Prayer and Blessing

Exit Music

Nocturn
Chopin





The family would like to thank everyone
for their kind words and support at this sad time.

A.W. LYMN

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