

Tell us master what of death? "Life and death are one, even as the river and the sea are one In the depths of your hopes and desires lies your silent knowledge of the beyond; and like seeds dreaming beneath the snow, your heart dreams of spring. Trust the dream, for in them is hidden the gate of eternity.: Kahil Gibran (1881-1931)

Denis' family thank you for attending the service here today and for all the messages of sympathy.

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Requiem Mass in Loving Memory of



# DENIS EDWARD HENNESSY

22nd October 1928 - 16th June 2019

'A special life has passed from our sight, but never from our hearts'

St George and All Soldier Saints' Roman Catholic Church Wednesday 10th July 2019 at 1.00 pm



Order of Service

CLOSING HYMN Going home, going home, I'm just going home. Quiet light, some still day, I'm just going home. It's not far, just close by; Through an open door; Work all done, care laid by, Going to fear no more. Mother's there expecting me, Father's waiting, too. Lots of folk gathered there, All the friends I knew. I'm going home.

Nothing's lost, all's gain, No more fret nor pain. No more stumbling on the way, No more longing for the day. Going to roam no more. Morning star lights the way, Restless dream all done. Shadows gone, break of day, Real life begun.

There's no break, there's no end, Just a living on. Wide awake with a smile, Going on and on. Going home, going home, I'm just going home. It's not far, just close by, Through an open door. I am going home, I'm just going home.

EXIT MUSIC played by the organist

The committal now follows at Markeaton Crematorium



#### COMMUNION

After the priest has consumed the Body and Blood of Christ, communicants come forward to receive Holy Communion. Those who are not Catholic, or do not feel able to receive, are welcome to come forward for a blessing, and should signify this by placing their hand across their chest.

# FINAL COMMENDATION

# INVITATION TO PRAYER Please stand

Before we go our separate ways, let us take our leave of brother Denis. May our farewell express our affection 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. Saints of God, come to his aid! Hasten to meet him angels of the Lord!

All: Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.

#### ENTRANCE MUSIC Stardust by Nat King Cole

#### GREETING

#### **OPENING HYMN**

And did those feet in ancient time Walk upon England's mountain green? And was the holy Lamb of God On England's pleasant pastures seen? And did the countenance divine Shine forth upon our clouded hills? And was Jerusalem builded here Among those dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold! Bring me my arrows of desire! Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold! Bring me my chariot of fire! I will not cease from mental fight, Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand, Till we have built Jerusalem In England's green and pleasant land.

# INTRODUCTORY RITES

## PLACING OF CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS by Canon Alan

Almighty God and Father, it is our certain faith that your Son, who died on the Cross, was raised from the dead, the first-fruits o all who have fallen asleep. Grant that through this mystery your servant Denis, who has gone to his rest in Christ, may share in the joy of his resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes, Chapter 8: verses 15-17

I saw all the work of God.

Therefore I praised joy, because there is nothing better for mortals under the sun than to eat and to drink and to be joyful this will accompany them in their toil through the limited days of life God gives them under the sun. I applied my heart to know wisdom and to see the business that is done on earth, though neither by day nor by night do one's eyes see sleep and I saw all the work of God. All: Thanks be to God.

> RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 27 sung Response: The Lord is my light and my help.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is my life's refuge; of whom shall I be afraid? **Response** 

One thing I ask of the Lord, this I seek: To dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, That I may gaze on the loveliness of the Lord and contemplate his temple.

#### Response

Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call; have pity on me, and answer me. Your presence, O Lord, I seek. Hide not your face from me. Response

#### CONCLUSION

Priest: God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters. Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption. We ask this through Christ our Lord. All: Amen.

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### COMMUNION HYMN

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come: 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home. The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

# BREAKING OF THE BREAD

# SIGN OF PEACE

#### 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.

# PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Please stand

# INTRODUCTION

Priest: God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead: Reader: For Denis who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that he now be admitted to the company of the saints. We pray to the Lord.

#### All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For Denis who was nourished at the table of the Saviour. That he may be welcomed into the halls of the heavenly banquet. We pray to the Lord. All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For the family and friends of Denis, that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus. We pray to the Lord. All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom. We pray to the Lord. All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For those who have fallen asleep, especially his wife Doreen, in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face. We pray to the Lord. All: Lord, hear our prayer. I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord with courage; be strong hearted, and wait for the Lord. **Response** 

response

Please stand

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Priest: The Lord be with you All: And with your spirit

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to John John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6 "There are many rooms in my Father's house"

#### 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 toJd 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!

## HOMILY Please sit

# FAMILY TRIBUTES

POEM My Great Grandad by Grace

FAMILY EULOGY by Denise

#### POEM

The Dash read by Louise, Emily and Faith

I read of a man who stood to speak At the funeral of a friend, He referred to the dates on his tombstone, From the beginning to the end.

He noted that first came the date of his birth And spoke of the following date with tears, But he said what mattered most of all Was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time That he spent alive on earth, And now only those who loved him Know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own, The cars, the house, the cash, What matters is how we live and love And how we spend our dash. So think about this long and hard; Are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left That can still be rearranged.

If we could just slow down enough To consider what's true and real And always try to understand The way other people feel.

And be less quick to anger And show appreciation more And love the people in our lives Like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect And more often wear a smile, Remembering that this special dash Might only last a little while.

So when your eulogy is being read With your life's actions to rehash, Would you be proud of the things they say About how you spent your dash?

> So, Grandad, we will think of you And remember memories past, They will be full of love and joy And reflect your well spent dash.