

In Loving Memory of



Eileen Mary Heaps
'Molly'

13th October 1936 - 6th October 2025



*St Joseph's Roman
Catholic Church*

*Wednesday 5th November 2025
at 11.00 am*

Poem

She Is Gone

by David Harkins

You can shed tears that she is gone,
or you can smile because she has lived.

You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back,
or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
or you can be full of love that you shared.

You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.

You can remember her and only that she is gone,
or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.

You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,
or you can do what she would want : smile, open your eyes, love and go on.



Order of Service

Introductory Rites

Welcome

by Deacon Richard

Tributes

by Julia and Ben

Opening Hymn

by David Schutte

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

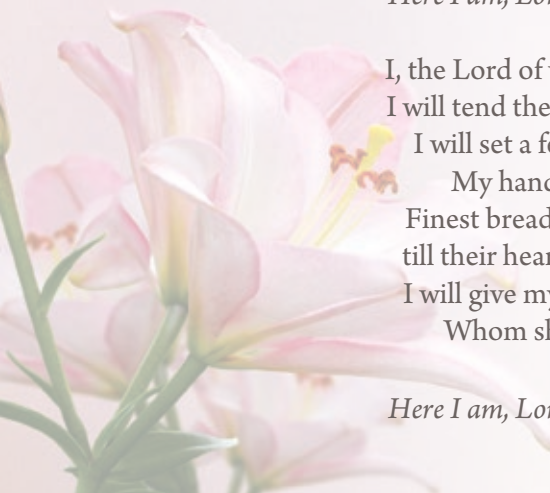
*Here I am, Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne 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 word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, Is it I Lord?...

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend 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?

Here I am, Lord, Is it I Lord?...



Opening Dialogue

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All. 'Amen.'

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.'

Penitential Act

Brothers and Sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**All. 'I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault.
Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.'**

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All. 'Amen.'

Opening Prayer

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 of all who have fallen asleep.

Grant that through this mystery
your servant Molly, who has gone to her 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, God, for ever and ever.

All. 'Amen.'

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah, Chapter 25: verses 6-9

read by Margaret

On that day: On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food.

And he will swallow up on this mountain the
covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death for ever;
and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,
'Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him,
that he might save us.

This is the Lord; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.'

The Word of the Lord.

All. 'Thanks be to God.'

Responsorial Psalm

(Psalm 22)

read by Christine

The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want.

All. 'The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want.'

The Lord is my shepherd,
there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me;

he revives my soul.

All. 'The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want.'

He guides me along the right path,
for the sake of his name.

Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death,
no evil would I fear, for you are with me.

Your crook and your staff will give me comfort.

All. 'The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want.'

You have prepared a table before me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil,
my cup is overflowing.

All. 'The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want.'

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending.

All. 'The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want.'

Second Reading

Romans, Chapter 14: verses 7-12
read by Ali

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself.

For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then,
whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be the Lord both of the
dead and the living.

For we all stand before the judgement seat of God ; for it is written,
'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall confess to God.

So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God.'

The Word of the Lord.

All. 'Thanks be to God.'

Gospel Acclamation

John, Chapter 11: verses 25-26

All. 'Alleluia, Alleluia.'

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord.

Everyone who believes in me shall never die.

'Alleluia.'



Gospel Reading

John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6

read by Deacon Richard

‘The Lord be with you.’

All. ‘And with your Spirit.’

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

All. ‘Glory to you, O Lord.’

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples:

‘Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

In my Father’s house are many rooms.

If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare you a place?

And if I go and prepare a place for you,

I will come again and will take you to myself,

that where I am you may be also.

And you know the way to where I am going.’

Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going.

How can we know the way?’

Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

All. ‘Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.’

Homily

by Father Deogratias Arumasi

Prayer of the Faithful

read by Deacon Richard

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

For Molly, 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.

All. '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.

All. '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.

All. 'Hear our prayer.'

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

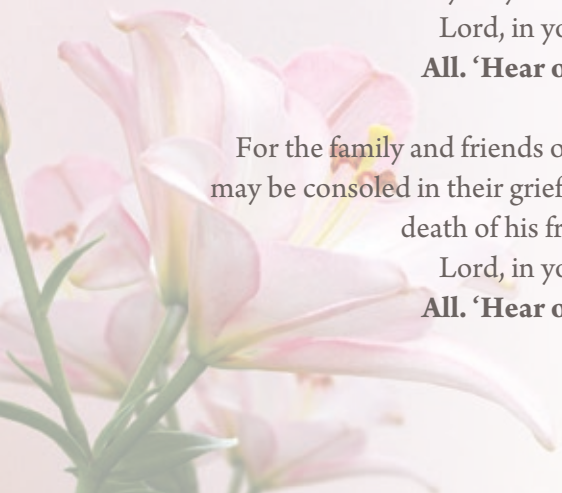
Lord, in your mercy.

All. 'Hear our prayer.'

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

Lord, in your mercy.

All. '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.

All. 'Hear our prayer.'

The Hail Mary

All. 'Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou amongst women,

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now,
and at the hour of our death.**

Amen.'

Concluding Prayer

God, our shelter and our strength,

you listen in love to the cry of your people:

hear the prayers we offer for our departed sister Molly.

Cleanse her and all the faithful departed of their sins

and grant them the fullness of redemption.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All. 'Amen.'

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn
by Gerald Markland

*Do not be afraid,
for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by your name;
you are mine.*

When you walk through the waters I'll be with you.
You will never sink beneath the waves.

Do not be afraid...

When the fire is burning all around you,
you will never be consumed by flames.

When the fear of loneliness is looming,
then remember I am at your side.

When you dwell in the exile of the stranger,
remember you are precious in my eyes.

You are mine, O my child, I am your father,
and I love you with a perfect love.

Eucharistic Prayer



Communion Hymn

by Maria Parkinson

As I knee 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.

Ave Maria...

As I knee before you,
and I see your smiling face,
ev'ry thought, ev'ry word
is lost in your embrace.

Ave Maria...

Final Commendation

Song of Farewell

Saints of God, come to her aid,
hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord.

All, 'Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.'

May Christ, who called you, take you to himself.

May angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

All, 'Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.'

Eternal rest grant onto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.

All, 'Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.'



Prayer of Commendation

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

We give you thanks for the blessings
which you bestowed upon Molly in this life:
they are signs to us of your goodness
and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ.

Merciful Lord,
turn towards us and listen to our prayers:
open the gates of paradise to your servant
and help us who remain
to comfort one another with the assurance of faith,
until we all meet in Christ
and are with you and with our sister for ever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All. 'Amen.'

Recessional Music

Going Home
by Antonin Dvořák



Immediately after this Mass, the Committal Service will take place at Markeaton Crematorium, to which close family are invited.

Sue, Julia and Dave thank you for attending today and for all your support and prayers. Please do join us for refreshments at:
The Great Northern, Station Road, Mickleover DE3 9FB.

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