

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
KATHLEEN MARY WOODCOCK

5th June 1935 - 4th November 2025



Church of The Holy Spirit
Wednesday 26th November 2025
at 10.00 am

ORDER OF SERVICE

Celebrant: Father Evarist Kaniki

RECEPTION AND BLESSING OF KATHLEEN'S BODY AT THE ENTRANCE

Priest: Kathleen, may the God of hope give you the fullness of peace
and may the Lord of life be with you always.

Priest: In the waters of baptism, Kathleen died with Christ and rose with
him to new life. May Kathleen now rest in peace and rise in eternal glory.

Priest blesses Kathleen's Coffin with Holy Water

ENTRANCE MUSIC

Be My Love

Mario Lanza

PLACING OF TWO CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS ON KATHLEEN'S COFFIN

by Malcolm

Book of the Gospels is placed on Kathleen's coffin

Priest: In life, Kathleen cherished the Gospel of Christ.
May Christ now greet Kathleen with these words of eternal life:
Come, you, blessed of my Father!

The Cross is placed on Kathleen's coffin

Priest: In baptism, Kathleen received the sign of the cross.
May Kathleen now share in Christ's victory over sin and death!

WELCOME

Father Evarist

Welcome to this beautiful Church of the Holy Spirit. I warmly welcome you all! I am Father Evarist assistant Priest, and we gather this morning to give thanks to Almighty God and celebrate the wonderful and amazing life of Kathleen. A treasured friend to all of us.

A life well lived and well loved. A beautiful gift given by God, and now Kathleen's Mission is complete we return her dear soul back to God.

The whole Catholic community of the Holy Spirit Church, and in the Parish of the Annunciation, stand united with you, Kathleen's family, on the great loss of your beloved mother, and grandmother. We, your wider family and Kathleen's friends, want you to know that you are in our love and prayers during this difficult time.

Priest: My friends, as we gather: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

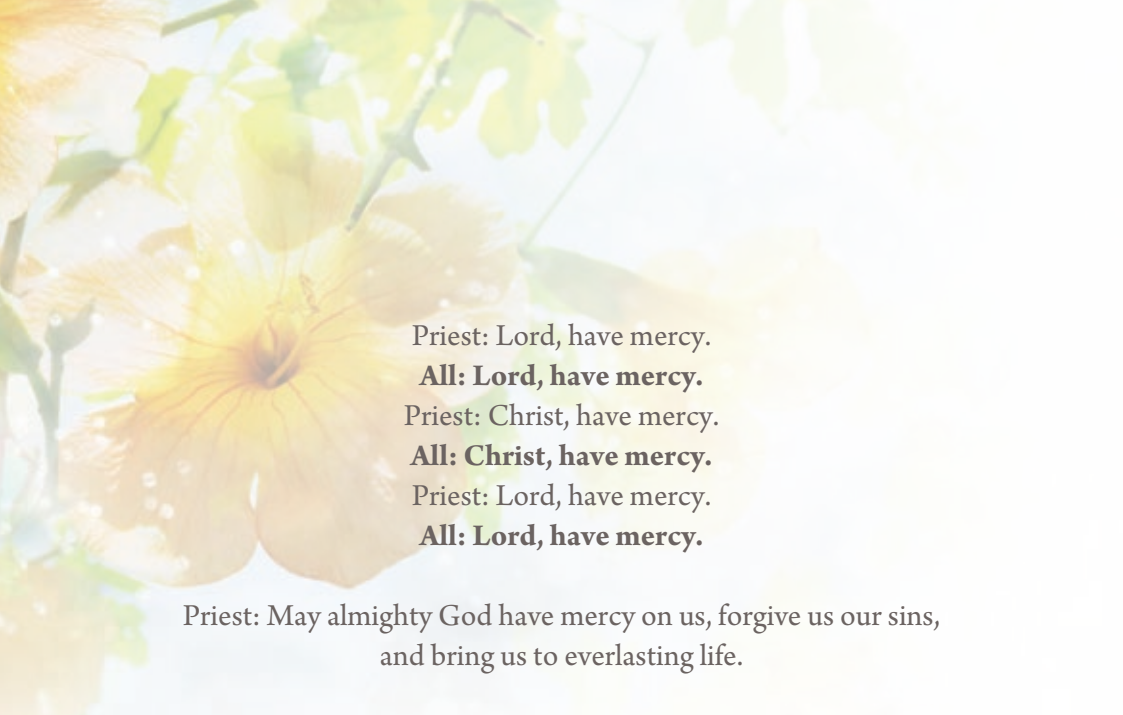
All: Amen.

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.

Priest: My friends, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate these most 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 to you my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.



Priest: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

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

All: Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Priest: Let us pray.

O God, almighty Father, our faith professes that your Son died and rose again; mercifully grant, that through this sacrifice your servant Kathleen, who has fallen asleep in Christ, may rejoice to rise again with him, and flourish now and forever in the happiness of your Eternal Kingdom.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

All: Amen.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah, Chapter 25: verses 6-9
read by Lorraine

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

The Lord Is My Shepherd: Psalm 23(22): verses 1-3a, 3b-4, 5 and 6
read by Lorraine

Response: 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. **R**

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. **R**

You have prepared a table before me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R**

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. **R**



SECOND READING

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans, Chapter 6: verses 3-9
read by Jon

Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that all of us who have been baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Alleluia! Alleluia.

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to
Luke, Chapter 23: verses 44-46, 50, 52-53 and Chapter 24: verses 1-6a
read by Father Evarist

It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the Temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!' And having said this he breathed his last. Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, and wrapped it in a linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb cut in stone, where no one had ever yet been laid. On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, 'Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

Father Evarist

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

read by Alison

Priest: Father of hope, we now present to you in trust our prayers of petition.

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

Lord, in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: 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.

Reader: 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.

Reader: Let us take a moment to make our own prayer of petition to the Lord.
We ask our blessed Lady the Mother of Sorrows to accompany our prayers
to her beloved Son as we say, 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.

Priest: 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, Kathleen.

Cleanse her and all the faithful departed of their sins
and grant them the fullness of redemption.

We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.



OFFERTORY 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 LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please Stand

Priest: Pray, sisters and brothers, 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. Amen.

Priest: Be near, O Lord, we pray, to your servant Kathleen, on whose funeral day we offer this sacrifice of reconciliation, so that, should any stain of sin have clung to Kathleen, or any human fault have affected her, it may, by your loving gift, be forgiven and wiped away through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

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: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For as one alone he accepted death, so that we might all escape from dying; as one man he chose to die, so that in your sight we all might live forever. And so in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise you, and with joy we proclaim:

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.



Please kneel

Priest: You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my body, which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice, and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me.



THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.

Priest: Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Leo our Pope and Patrick our Bishop and all the clergy.

Remember your servant Kathleen, whom you have called from this world today, to yourself. Grant that Kathleen, who was united with your Son in a death like his, may also be one with him in his Resurrection.

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her spouse, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.




Please stand
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**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, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.



Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: 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.

Those present share a sign of God's peace, for example, handshake!

All:

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.

Please kneel

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.

After Father Evarist has reverently consumed the Body and Blood of Christ the communicants come forward in reverent procession, and make a preparatory act of reverence by bowing their head in honour of Christ's presence in the Sacrament. They receive Holy Communion. For those who are not of the Catholic Faith and would like to come forward for a blessing, please feel free to do so. If you place your arms across your chest that will indicate to Father Evarist, you would like a blessing.



THE RITE OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains 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 these 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.

William Blake (1757-1827)

THE CONCLUDING RITES

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Priest: Grant we pray almighty God, that your servant Kathleen, who has journeyed from this world, may by this sacrifice be cleansed and freed from sin and so receive the everlasting joys of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

EULOGY

read by Lorraine and Jon

Saints of God, come to Kathleen's aid!

Come to meet her, angels of the Lord!

Receive Kathleen's soul and present her to God the Most High.

May Christ, Who called you, take you to Himself;

may angels lead you to Abraham's side.

Receive Kathleen's soul and present her to God the Most High.

Give Kathleen eternal rest, O Lord,

and may Your light shine upon her forever.

Receive Kathleen's soul and present her to God the Most High.

We venerate Kathleen's Coffin with holy water and incense.

FINAL COMMENDATION

Priest: Let us pray.

Trusting in God. We have prayed together for Kathleen and now we come to the last farewell. There is sadness in parting, but we take comfort in the hope that one day we shall see Kathleen again and enjoy her friendship. Although this congregation will disperse in sorrow, the mercy of God will gather us together again in the joy of his kingdom. Therefore, let us console one another in the faith of Jesus Christ.

ALL: AMEN.



BLESSING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your Spirit.

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

Priest: In peace let us take Kathleen to her place of rest.

RECESSIONAL MUSIC

The Lord's Prayer

by Mario Lanza

The congregation will now move to Beeston Cemetery for the interment.



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

All are welcome for light refreshment at
The Nurseryman Pub.

Donations in memory of Kathleen for
Hayward House
may be sealed in the donation envelope
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