

In Loving Memory of



RONALD SMITH

5th May 1943 - 8th June 2026

Tuesday 30th June 2026

St Alban's Church, Chaddesden
at 2.00 pm
thereafter to a committal
at Trent Valley Crematorium
at 3.30 pm



ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTRY HYMN

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be in all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

James Quinn (1919-2010)

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

GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD



READING

from the letter of St Paul to the Romans,
Chapter 6: verses 3-4 and 8-9

Brothers and sisters:
are you unaware that we who were baptised into Christ Jesus
were baptised into his death?
We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death,
so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead
by the glory of the Father,
we too might live in newness of life.
If, then, we have died with Christ,
we believe that we shall also live with him.
We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more;
death no longer has power over him.

The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
R/ My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek;
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water. **R/.**

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary
to see your power and your glory,
for your kindness is a greater good than life;
my lips shall glorify you. **R/.**

Thus will I bless you while I live;
lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.
As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you. **R/.**

You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.
My soul clings fast to you; your right hand upholds me. **R/.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

It is my Father's will, says the Lord,
that I should lose nothing
of all that he has given to me,
and that I should raise it up on the last day. Alleluia!

READING

from the holy Gospel according to John, Chapter 17: verses 24-26

All: Glory to you, Lord.

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

'Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am,
so that they may always see the glory you have given me
because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

Father, Righteous One, the world has not known you,
but I have known you, and these have known that you have sent me.
I have made your name known to them and will continue
to make it known, so that the love with which you loved
me may be in them, and so that I may be in them.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Reader: Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Gifts of bread and wine, gifts we've offered,
Fruits of labour, fruits of love:
Taken, offered, sanctified,
Blessed and broken; words of one who died:

*'Take my body, take my saving blood.'
Gifts of bread and wine: Christ our Lord.*

Christ our Saviour, living presence here,
As he promised while on earth:
'I am with you for all time,
I am with you in this bread and wine.'

To the Father, with the Spirit,
One in union with the Son,
For God's people, joined in prayer,
Faith is strengthened by the food we share.

Christine McCann (b.1951)

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COMMUNION RITE

*Those who do not wish to receive Communion may come forward
in the Communion procession for a blessing.*

COMMUNION HYMN

Soul of my Saviour,
Sanctify my breast,
Body of Christ,
Be Thou my saving guest,
Blood of my Saviour,
Bathe me in Thy tide,
Wash me with water
Flowing from Thy side.

Strength and protection
May Thy Passion be,
O blessèd Jesus,
Hear and answer me;
Deep in Thy wounds, Lord,
Hide and shelter me,
So shall I never,
Never part from Thee.

Guard and defend me
From the foe malign,
In death's dread moments
Make me only Thine;
Call me and bid me
Come to Thee on high
When I may praise Thee
With Thy saints for aye.

William Maher (1823-1877)

REFLECTION AND
POST-COMMUNION HYMN

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
Oh my soul,
Worship His Holy name,
Sing like never before,
Oh my soul,
I'll worship Your Holy name.*

The sun comes up,
It's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing
When the evening comes.

Chorus

You're rich in love,
And You're slow to anger,
Your name is great,
And Your heart is kind,
For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find.

Chorus

And on that day
When my strength is failing,
The end draws near
And my time has come;
Still my soul will sing
Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore.

Chorus

Yes I'll worship Your Holy name.
Lord, I'll worship Your Holy name.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

FAMILY TRIBUTE

FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Priest: Saints of God, come to his aid.

Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord.

All: Receive his soul and present him to God most high.

Priest: May Christ who called you, take you to himself,
may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

All: Receive his soul and present him to God most high.

Priest: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord:
and let perpetual light shine upon him.

All: Receive his soul and present him to God most high.

May the angels lead you into Paradise;
may the martyrs come to welcome you
and take you to the holy city,
the new and eternal Jerusalem.

EXIT 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)



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

The family would like to thank everyone for attending the service today, and invite you to join us for light refreshments at the Toby Carvery, Chaddesden.

Donations in memory of Dad to
St Alban's Church.

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