



REQUIEM MASS
FOR



Francesco “Frank” Trefilo

9th March 1956 ~ 5th June 2024



Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Griffith NSW 2680
Friday 14th June, 2024 | 10:00am



My Husband

My Lover

My Best Friend

I will always love you!

Nina X.

Frank Trefilo

Adored husband of

Nina

Loved father and father-in-law of

Anthony and Alana

Cherished Nonno of

Florence, Amelia and Charli

Loved brother and brother-in-law of

Franca (deceased) & Antonio Giacca

Tina & Giuseppe Gullo

Giovannina Trefilo (deceased)

Alfio & Tracy Trefilo

Rossetta Leuver

Lillian & Raymond Vitucci

Luisa & Fabrizio Pesavento

Loved son and son-in-law of

Antonio (deceased) & Concetta (deceased) Trefilo

Rosaria & Leonardo (deceased) Scuderi

Pall Bearers

Anthony Trefilo

Frank Gullo

Ferdi Bergamin

Frank Giacca

Lorenzo Freddi

Matteo Scappucchi

Priest

Father Connell Perry

Organist

Belinda Aventi

Soloist

Mechlene Nehme

Entrance Hymn *Power of Your Love*

Sign of the Cross / Greeting

Priest 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.

Sprinkling with Holy Water

Priest In the waters of Baptism, Frank died with Christ and rose with
Him to new life. May he now share with Him eternal
glory.

Opening Prayer

Priest Let us pray:
Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord:
as our faith in Your Son, raised from the dead, is deepened, may
our hope of resurrection for your departed servant Frank, also
find new strength.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns
with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

First Reading *Read by Sam Gullo*

A reading from the book of Wisdom

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God,
no torment shall ever touch them.
In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die,
their going looked like a disaster,

their leaving us, like annihilation;
but they are in peace.
If they experienced punishment as men see it,
their hope was rich with immortality;
slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be.
God has put them to the test
and proved them worthy to be with him; he has tested them like gold in a
furnace and accepted them as a holocaust.
They who trust in him will understand the truth,
those who are faithful will live with him in love;
for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm I Have Loved You

Second Read by *Jacinda Sergi*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

We know that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

All Alleluia! Alleluia!
Happy are those who have died in the Lord;
let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with
them.
Alleluia!

Gospel *Fr Connell*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

When the soldiers reached the place called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there and the two criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily (Fr Connell)

Prayers of the Faithful

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.

Alana Trefilo Lord, we thank you for the gift of sharing our lives with Frank, who taught each of us the joy and value of family. May his strength, courage, loyalty and love for all of us be a source of inspiration as we continue on life's journey.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer

Amelia Trefilo Lord, please give comfort to Nonna Nina and all our families. May we treasure the beautiful memories we shared with Nonno Frank and hold him in our hearts forever.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer

Florence Trefilo We pray that Nonno is watching over Amelia, Charli and myself. May we be strengthened with the knowledge that Nonno is safely in Your hands.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer

Charli Trefilo For Nonno, whose stories were full of cheeky wisdom. We will hold your words so tightly as we grow in life.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer

Sarah Rosenboom We pray for Marlene, Juanita, Clayton, Jacinda, Tiffany and their extended families. May they be consoled in their grief knowing that Frank and Bruno are together.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer

Maria Smith We pray for Dr. Abadir and all the haematology staff at RPA Hospital Camperdown, and Dr. Calaizis and the staff of St Vincent's Hospital Griffith. May their support and dedication to Frank over the past 4 years be richly blessed by the Lord.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer

Conclusion

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 brother, Frank. Cleanse him of his sins and grant him the fullness of redemption.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Procession of the Gifts *Tina & Giuseppe Gullo and Alf Trefilo*

Offertory Hymn *A New Commandment*

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest Look favourably on our offerings, O Lord, so that your departed servant, Frank, may be taken up into glory with Your Son, in whose great mystery of love we are all united. Through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Preface

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.

In Him, the hope of blessed resurrection has dawned, that those saddened by the certainty of dying might be consoled by the promise of immortality to come.

Indeed, for Your faithful, Lord, life is changed, not ended, and when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in Heaven.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

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.

Eucharistic Prayer II

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.

Priest 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 Francis our
Pope, and Mark our Bishop, and all the clergy.

Remember your servant Frank, whom You have called today
from this world to Yourself.

Grant that he 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 co-heirs 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.

Communion Rite

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
forever.

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.

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.

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.

Communion Hymn *Be Not Afraid*

Reflection *The Prayer*

Prayer after Communion

Priest Grant, we pray, O Lord, that your servant Frank,
for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament, may pass
over to a dwelling place of light and peace.
Through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Words of Remembrance *Rody O'Grady*

Final Commendation

Priest Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother,
Frank. 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.

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 the 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 the 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 the Most High.

Priest Into Your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother, Frank, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he will rise with him on the last day.

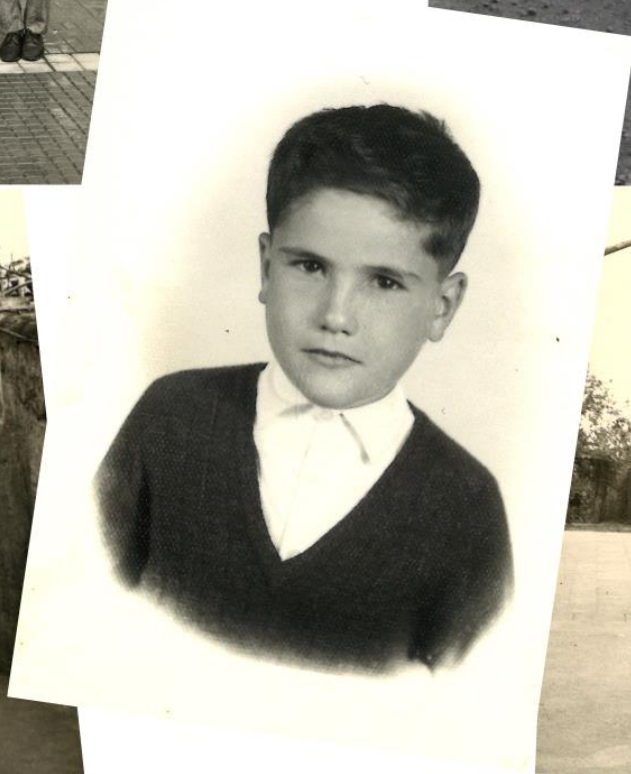
We give you thanks for the blessings which you have bestowed upon Frank in this life: they are signs to us of your goodness and of our fellowship with the Saints in Christ.

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

All Amen.

Priest In Peace let us take our brother to his place of rest

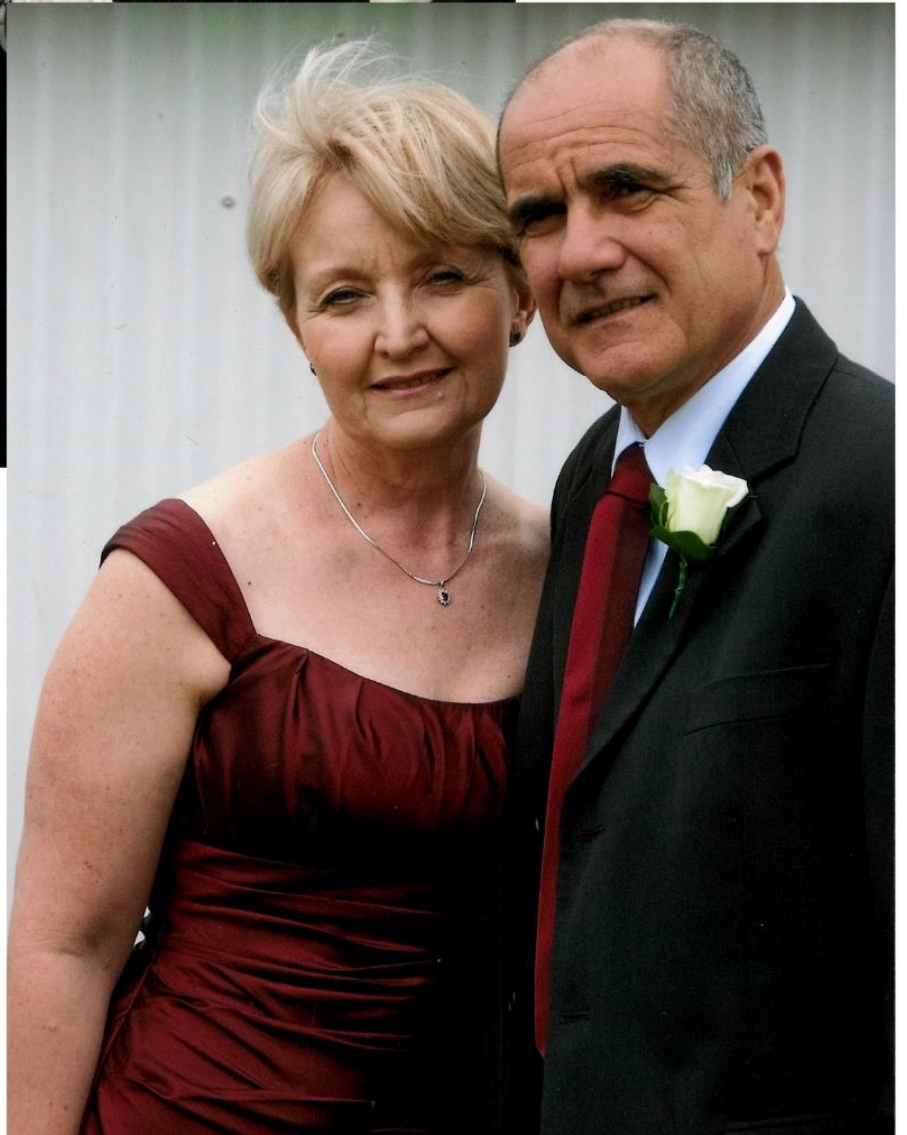
Recessional *Just Let Me Say*













Thank You



for your thoughts, prayers, visits and acts of sympathy and kindness since we lost Frank.

Your generosity has been of great comfort to us all.

Please join with us, as we continue to celebrate Frank's life at Romeo & Giulietta's Restaurant.



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