



REQUIEM SERVICE FOR



Mary Virago

13th March 1941 ~ 10th September 2024







MARY VIRAGO

Loving Wife of

Angelo

Adoring Mother and Mother-in-Law of

Neil & Barbara

Kieran & Marlena

Darren & Irene

Cherished Nonna of

Tara, Jordan, Ben, Kayla & Marcus

Pall Bearers

Neil Virago

Jordan Virago

Kieran Virago

Marcus Virago

Darren Virago

Ben Virago

Priest

Fr Henry Ibe

Organist

Belinda Aventi

Soloist

Mechlene Nehme





ORDER OF SERVICE

Entrance Hymn

Ave Maria.

Introductory Rites

Fr Henry: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Fr Henry: 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

Fr Henry: In the waters of Baptism, Mary died with Christ and
rose with Him to new life. May she now share with
Him eternal glory.

Opening Prayer

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 Mary,
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 Eliza Serafin*

A reading from the book of Apocalypse (14:13)

I, John, heard a voice from heaven saying to me, 'Write down: Happy are those who die in the Lord! Happy Indeed, the Spirit says; now they can rest for ever after their work, since their good deeds go with them.'

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 23)

The Lord is My Shepherd

Gospel Acclamation (John 6:39)

Alleluia! Alleluia!

This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, and that I should raise it up on the last day.

Alleluia!

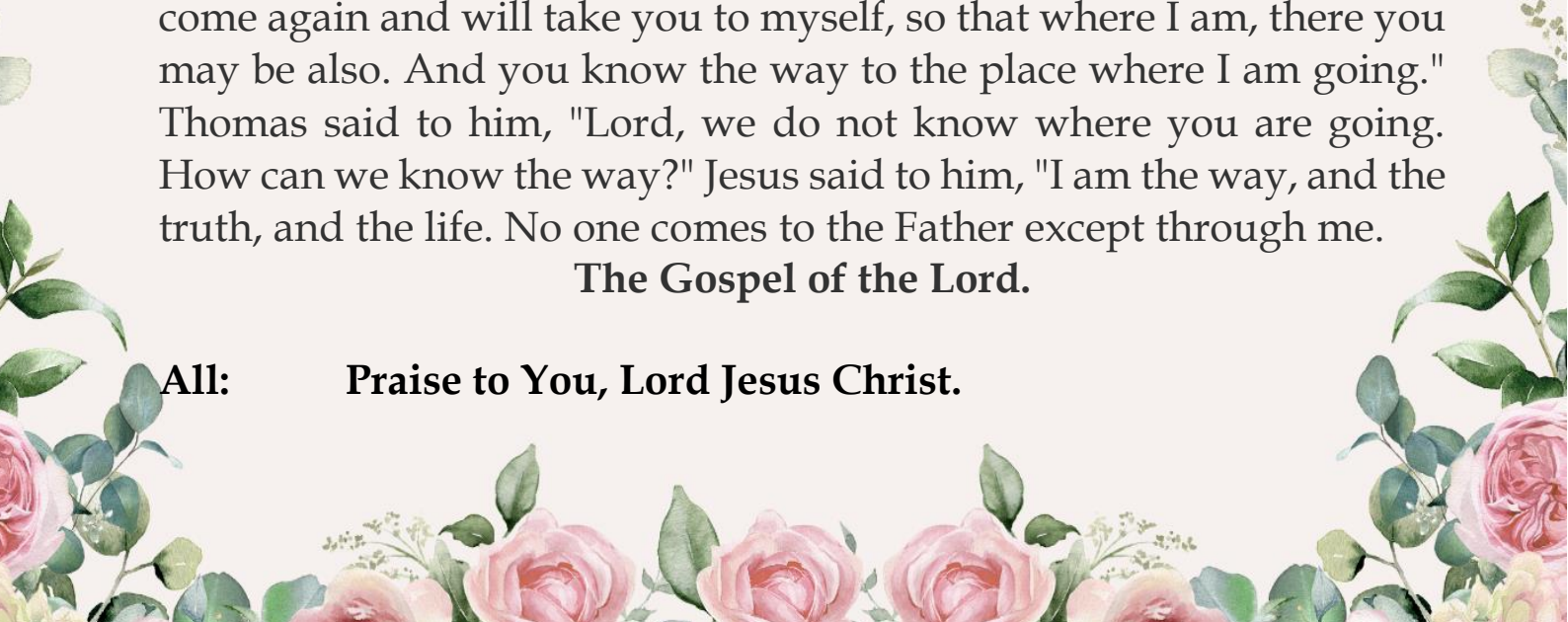
Gospel (Fr Henry)


A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (14:1-6)

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house, there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place 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 (Fr Henry)

Prayers of the Faithful (Tara, Kayla, Jordan, Marcus & Ben)

Fr Henry: 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 Mary, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she now be admitted to the company of the saints. We pray to the Lord.

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

Reader: For Mary, who was nourished at the table of the Saviour, that she 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 Mary, 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 the Clergy and those who care for the sick, the elderly and the poor. We pray to the Lord.

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

Reader: For all of us assembled here to worship in faith and honour Mary, that we may be gathered again in God's kingdom. We pray to the Lord.

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



Fr Henry: 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, Mary. Cleanse her of her sins and grant her the fullness of redemption. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Fr Henry: 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.**

Words of Remembrance

By Neil Virago

Photo Tribute (Abide with Me)



Final Commendation

Fr Henry: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister Mary. May our farewell express our affection for her; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet her again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

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.

Fr Henry: 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.

Fr Henry: Eternal rest, grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

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



Fr Henry: Into Your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our sister, Mary, 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 have bestowed upon Mary 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 sister for ever.

All: Amen.

Fr Henry: In Peace let us take our sister to her place of rest.

Recessional: **Amazing Grace**
Elvis Presley and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

















The Virago Family wish to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy, friendship and for your attendance here today.

We really appreciate your support during this difficult time and would like to invite you to join with us at the Griffith Exies Sports Club from 11:30am.

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