

Prayers for the Eternal Repose of the Soul

# Charles William Hunt



Born 13<sup>th</sup> February 1931

Entered Eternal Life 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023

St Patrick's Catholic Church, Gundagai

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Rev. Fr. Yoseph

## **ENTRANCE HYMN** 'Amazing Grace' The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards

### **WELCOME AND GREETING**

**Fr. Yoseph:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

**Fr. Yoseph:** 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. Yoseph:** When Charles was baptised, he was baptised into the life and death of Jesus. Now that he has ended his journey of faith, we sprinkle his coffin with water that is holy as a reminder of Christ's promise of everlasting life.

**All:** May Christ now enfold him in his love and bring him to eternal life.

### **LIGHTING OF THE PASCAL CANDLE** Libby Parker

**Fr. Yoseph:** In Baptism, Charles received the light of Christ. He walked a child of the light and kept the flame of faith alive in his heart.

**All:** May Christ, the eternal and unfading light, now welcome him into the kingdom of light and peace.

### **PLACING THE PALL** Jane Bryant and Kate Eggington

**Fr. Yoseph:** On the day of Baptism, Charles was clothed in Christ.

**All:** My Christ now enfold him in love and bring him to eternal life.

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brother Charles. In this life You Embrace him with Your tender love; deliver him now from every evil and bid her eternal rest. Welcome him into paradise where there will be no more sorrow, no weeping nor pain, but the fullness of peace and joy with Your Son and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Michael Hunt

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 43:1-4

Do not be afraid for I have redeemed you,  
I have called you by your name, you are mine.  
When you pass through deep waters, I will be with you,  
Your troubles will not overwhelm you.  
When you walk through fire you will not be burned,  
The hard trials that come will not hurt you.  
I am the Lord your God, the Holy One, your Saviour.  
You are precious in my eyes and honoured  
And I love you.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Libby Parker

**The Lord is my Shephard (Psalm 23)**

**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.  
Beside restful waters he leads me, he refreshes my soul. **R.**

He guides me along the right path, for his name's sake.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you will give  
me comfort. **R.**

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

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell forever and ever. **R.**

## SECOND READING

Tony Hunt

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (13:4-7)

Love is patient and kind; it is not jealous or conceited or proud; love is not ill-mannered or selfish or irritable; love does not keep a record of wrongs; love is not happy with evil, but is happy with the truth. Love never gives up; and its faith, hope, and patience never fail.

The Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### Please Stand For The Gospel

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 14: 1-6)

Alleluia, Alleluia.

I am the Way, the Trust, and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

Alleluia.

## GOSPEL

**Fr. Yoseph:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your spirit.**

**Fr. Yoseph:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 14:1-6.

**All: Glory to you O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am, you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Jesus answered, "I am the Way, 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.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Fr. Yoseph:** For our brother Charles let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ, who said: “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me shall live even in death and whoever lives, and believes in me, shall never die.”

**Sarah Bryant:** Lord, we thank you for the amazing gift of Papa’s life; for his love, for his wisdom, for his hospitality, and for his cheeky sense of humour. We are grateful that we were blessed to have him in our lives. Lord hear us.

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

**Madeleine Hunt:** We pray Lord, for our family, that we may feel the healing power of Christ, in the midst of our pain and grief, and that we may be comforted in the loss of our father, brother, father-in-law, grandfather, and great grandfather. Lord hear us.

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

**Georgina Eggington:** Lord, we pray for Papa’s wife, Patricia, his parents, Leo and Mona, and his brothers, Tommy, John, and Graham, and his sister Anne, who have gone before him. May they be there to meet him, and we pray You grant them an everlasting home in Your Presence. Lord hear us.

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

**Sophie Parker:** We pray for the compassionate carers and staff at Uralba, who cared for, supported, and loved Papa during his time with them. They showed him kindness, compassion, and dedication. May God bless their unwavering works of service. Lord hear us.

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

**Alice Hunt:** Lord, we pray for Papa, that he finds peace, and comfort in the love and support of his family, friends, and his loving God. Lord hear us.

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

**Fr. Fr. Yoseph:** We make these prayers Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen**

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## OFFERTORY PROCESSION

Meredith Hunt, Eliza Eggington, and Chloe Parker

## OFFERTORY HYMN 'Here I am Lord' Daniel O'Donnell

I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save

I who made the stars and night  
I will make the 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

Fill their hearts with love alone

I will speak my word to them

Whom shall I send?

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

**Fr. Yoseph:** As we humbly present to you these sacrificial offerings, O Lord, for the salvation of your servant Charles we beseech your mercy, that he, who did not doubt your Son to be a loving Saviour, may find in him a merciful Judge. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**All:** Amen.

## **PREFACE**

**Fr. Yoseph:** The Lord be with you.

**All:**           **And with your spirit.**

**Fr. Yoseph:** Lift up your hearts.

**All:**           **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**Fr Yoseph:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:**           **It is right and just.**

**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.**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II**

**Fr. Yoseph:** The mystery of faith.

**All:**           **Amen.**

## **COMMUNION RITE**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Fr. Yoseph:** At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**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.**

**Fr. Yoseph:** 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.

**Fr. Yoseph:** For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

## **SIGN OF PEACE**

**Fr. Yoseph:** 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.

**Fr. Yoseph:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Fr. Yoseph:** Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

## **BREAKING OF BREAD**

**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

## **COMMUNION**

**Fr. Yoseph:** 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' Bob Dufford SJ and Choir

You shall cross the barren desert  
But you shall not die of thirst  
You shall wander far in safety  
Though you do not know the way  
You shall speak your words to foreign men  
And they will understand  
You shall see the face of God and live

Be not afraid  
I go before you always  
Come, follow me and I will give you rest

If you pass through raging waters in the sea  
You shall not drown  
If you walk amid the burning flames  
You shall not be harmed  
If you stand before the power of hell  
And death is at your side  
Know that I am with you through it all  
  
And blessed are your poor  
For the kingdom shall be theirs  
Blest are you that weep and mourn  
For one day you shall laugh  
And if wicked men insult and hate you  
All because of me  
Blessed, blessed are you

## **REFLECTION AFTER COMMUNION**

**REFLECTION HYMN:** 'Sound of Silence' The Two Cellos

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Fr. Yoseph:** Let us pray. Lord God, whose Son left us, in the Sacrament of his Body, food for the journey, mercifully grant that, strengthened by it, our brother Charles, may come to the eternal table of Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**All:**           **Amen.**

## FINAL COMMENDATION

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

## SONG OF FAREWELL

**Fr. Yoseph:** 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.**

**Fr. Yoseph:** 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.**

**Fr. Yoseph:** Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.

**All:**           **Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.**

## PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

**Fr. Yoseph:** Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother Charles, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he will rise with Him on the last day. Merciful Lord, turn to 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 assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our brother for ever.

**All:**           **Amen.**

**Fr. Yoseph:** May the angels lead you into paradise, may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you into the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

**All:**           **Amen.**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN** 'You raise me up' Josh Groban

When I am down and, oh my soul, so weary  
When troubles come and my heart burdened be  
Then, I am still and wait here in the silence  
Until You come and sit awhile with me.

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains  
You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas  
I am strong, when I am on your shoulders  
You raise me up to more than I can be

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## **PALLBEARERS**

Michael Hunt	Alexander Hunt	Charles Bryant
Tony Hunt	David Bryant	Harry Eggington

Charles' family would like to sincerely thank you for your  
kind thoughts, prayers, and presence here today.

You are warmly welcome to join the family for refreshments at  
The Gundagai Services District Club

# If

If you can keep your head when all about you  
    are losing theirs and blaming it on you;  
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,  
    but make allowance for their doubting too;  
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,  
    Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,  
    Or, being hated, don't give way to hating,  
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;

If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;  
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;  
    If you can meet with triumph and disaster  
    And treat those two impostors just the same;  
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken  
    'Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,  
Or watch the things you gave your life to broken,  
And stoop and build 'em up with worn out tools;

If you can make one heap of all your winnings  
    And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,  
    And lose, and start again at your beginnings  
    And never breathe a word about your loss;

If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew  
    To serve your turn long after they are gone,  
    And so hold on when there is nothing in you  
    Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on";

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,  
Or walk with kings—nor lose the common touch;  
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you;  
    If all men count with you, but none too much;  
    If you can fill the unforgiving minute  
    With sixty seconds' worth of distance run—  
    Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,  
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!



by Rudyard Kipling