

Prayers for the Eternal Repose of the Soul



Alan Frederick George Mills

Born 16th August 1934

Born to Eternal Life 1st September 2021



Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Wagga Wagga

Monday 6th September 2021

Rev. Fr Thomas Casanova

GREETING AND WELCOME

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

All: Amen

Fr Thomas: 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.



WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

LIGHTING OF PASCHAL CANDLE

Fr Thomas: Christ came as a light shining in the darkness. May He always be our light, and may His resurrection always be our hope.

All: May Christ, the eternal and unfading light, now welcome Alan into the Kingdom of light and peace.

SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER

Fr Thomas: In the waters of Baptism, Alan died with Christ and rose with Him to new life. May he now share with Him eternal glory.

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

OPENING PRAYER

Fr Thomas: O' God, almighty Father, our faith professes that your Son died and rose again; mercifully grant, that through this mystery your servant Alan, who has fallen asleep in Christ, may rejoice to rise again through him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

All: Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A Reading from the Book of Lamentations 3:17-26

My soul is deprived of peace, I have forgotten what happiness is; I tell myself my future is lost, all that I hoped for from the Lord.

The thought of my homeless poverty is wormwood and gall;

Remembering it over and over leaves my soul downcast within me.

But I will call this to mind, as my reason to have hope:

The favours of the Lord are not exhausted, his mercies are not spent; they are renewed each morning, so great is his faithfulness.

My portion is the Lord, says my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

Good is the Lord to one who waits for him, to the soul that seeks him;

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM The Lord's My Shepherd (*Crimond*)

SECOND READING

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn? It is Christ Jesus who died, rather, was raised, who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?

No, in all things, we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia

“I am the resurrection and the life”, said the Lord; “Whoever believes in me will not die forever”.

Alleluia



GOSPEL READING

Fr Thomas: The Lord be with You

All: And with your Spirit.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to John, 14:1 - 6

All: Glory to You O Lord.

And Jesus said: “Don’t let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way”. Thomas said to him, “Master, 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 Thomas



PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL

Fr Thomas: 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: In Baptism, Alan received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead him over the waters of death.

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

Reader: Alan received the Body of Christ. May he be welcomed in joy to the Heavenly Banquet.

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

Reader: For all who have cared for Alan, may God reward them richly with His grace.

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

Reader: Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the Kingdom. Grant Alan's parents Dorothy and Fred, his sisters Shirley, Pam, Audrey and Margaret, his son John, Irene and all our deceased family and friends an everlasting home with your Son.

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

Reader: For Alan's family and all those who mourn, that grief may be lightened by the risen Christ and His promise to unite us again in our heavenly home and for the grace of a well prepared death, that when God calls we will be ready with the lamp of faith alight.

Lord hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fr Thomas: God our shelter and our strength, You listen in love to the cry of your people: Hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters. Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption. **All: Amen**



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PRAYER OF FINAL COMMENDATION

SONG OF FAREWELL

Response: "Receive his soul and present him to God the most high"

Fr Thomas: Saints of God, come to his aid. Come to meet him angels of
the Lord.

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

Fr Thomas: May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself, and may
the angels lead you to Abraham's side.

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

Fr Thomas: Give Alan eternal rest, O Lord and may your light shine
upon him forever.

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN "We'll Meet Again" Vera Lynne





*"Memories keep those we love
in our hearts forever"*





“During this time, we realise how much family and friends mean to us. We thank you for your prayers and support.”




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