

# Service of Thanksgiving

for the life of

Simon Marc Peter Rogers St. Kilian's Church, Bendigo

1.30pm Friday May 25th, 2018

Celebrant - Rev. Fr. Rom Hayes

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Entrance Song: Photographs (Ed Sheeran)

Greeting: Fr. Rom

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**Eulogy:** Janelle Rogers supported by Simon's Brothers

Luke & Anthony Rogers

Photo Tribute: Last Dollar (Tim McGraw)

True Blue (John Williamson)

## **CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS**

Lighting of Paschal Candle - Luke Rogers

Fr. Rom In Baptism, Simon received the light of Christ,

It has guided him through his life.

All: May this light now lead him into eternal Life.

Sprinkling with Holy Water - Fr. Rom

Fr. Rom In the waters of Baptism, Simon died with Christ

and

rose with Him into Eternal Life.

All: May he now share eternal life with Him in Glory.

Placing of White Pall - Pat Rogers & Janene Reidy

Fr. Rom On the day of his Baptism, Simon was clothed in

Christ and given a Christian dignity forever.

All: May Christ now enfold him in His love and bring

him into Eternal Life.



#### **LIFE SYMBOLS**

Kelsie Guitar & Hat
Kade Carpenter's Tool
Bella Richmond Cap
Max Cricket Trophy

Ron Cardboard Cut Out

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#### Collect (Opening Prayer): Fr. Rom

Let us Pray,

Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brother Simon. In this life you embraced him with your tender love, deliver him now from every evil and bid him enter eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome him then into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain, but the fullness of peace and joy with Your Son and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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## LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Read by Mike Rogers

A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes 3:1, 2, 6-8

Everything that happens in this world happens at the time God chooses. He sets the time for birth and the time for death, the time for planting and the time for pulling up. He sets the time for finding and the time for losing, the time for saving and the time for throwing away, the time for tearing and the time for mending, the time for silence and the time for talk. He sets the time for love and the time for hate, the time for war and the time for peace.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22 (23) Read by Lisa Leonard

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. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. 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 give me comfort.

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

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

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

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.

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

## Second Reading: Read by Eric Rogers

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 6:3-4. 8-9

#### Let us walk in newness of life.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with Him and joined Him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with Him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over Him anymore.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



## Gospel Acclamation (all say together)

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Our true home is in Heaven and Jesus Christ, whose return we long for, will come from Heaven to save us.

Alleluia!

Gospel: (John 14:1-6) Fr. Rom

Fr. Rom: The Lord be with you. All: And with your Spirit.

Fr. Rom: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you O Lord.

Do not let your hearts be troubled.

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, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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Homily: Fr. Rom

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## Prayers of the Faithful:

#### Introduction: Fr. Rom

We pray to the Lord, may He welcome Simon into His love and peace. May his life be now completed and fulfilled in God's presence forever.

#### Melissa Rogers

We pray for Simon that he may be held safely in God's loving embrace now and for all eternity.

#### Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

#### Clare Thurman

We pray for Simon's family and friends. Lord, heal their pain and dispel the doubt that comes from grief, give them comfort and consolation at this time.

#### Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

#### John Neylon

We pray for peace and an end to conflict in troubled parts of the world.

## Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

#### Louise Reidy

Grant that we who gather here today will one day be together again in the kingdom of heaven.

## Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

#### Monica Lougoon

For all the deceased members of our families we ask your light and peace. May all of us be united with them in eternal life.

## Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.



### FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Invitation to Prayer: Fr. Rom

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

#### Song of Farewell:

Fr. Rom: 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. Rom: May Christ who called you take you to Himself;

May Angels lead you to Abraham's side.

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

Fr. Rom: 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.

## Prayer of Commendation: Fr. Rom

To you, O Lord, we commend the soul of Simon your servant; in the sight of this world he is now dead; in Your sight may he live forever. Forgive whatever sins he committed through human weakness and in Your goodness grant him everlasting peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

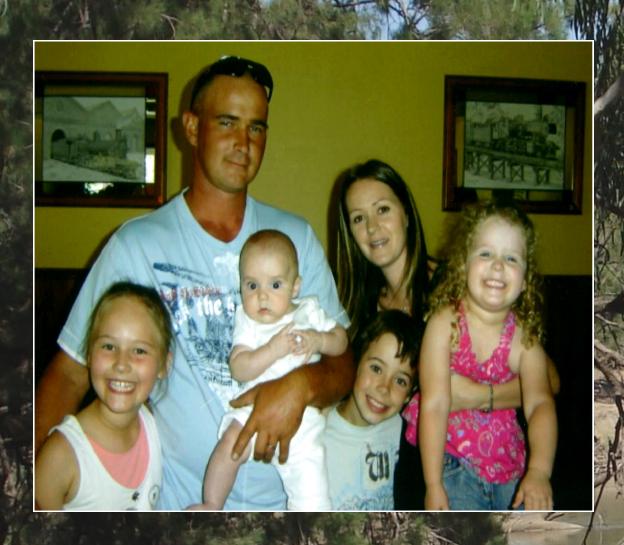
All: Amen

Recessional Song: Take It Easy (The Eagles)



Janelle and Family would like to thank you all for your comfort and support and for your presence here today as we celebrate the life of our much loved Husband, Father, Grandfather, Son and Brother,

'Simon Rogers'



Following the Interment at the Axedale Catholic Cemetery, the family would like to extend an invitation to join them for light refreshments at the Longlea Recreation Reserve.

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