

Mass of Thanksgiving
Celebrating the life of



***Mary Catherine “Mollie”
Driscoll***

2nd August 1927 - 13th September 2019
Aged 92 Years

St. Kilian’s Church, Bendigo
2.00pm, Wednesday, September 18th, 2019
Concelebrating Priests: Fr. Junray Rayna & Fr. Justin Driscoll
Singers: Joseph, Cath & Jessica McCarthy
Lauchlan Driscoll & Andrew Quin
Organist: John Hogan



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Entrance Procession: Piper - Mr. Darryle Kenyon
Cross Bearer - Mr. Chris Driscoll
Concelebrating Priests

Entrance Hymn: Amazing Grace (*played on the Pipes*)

Greeting: Fr. Justin

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Eulogy: Sean Driscoll, Paul Driscoll, Belinda Driscoll

CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS

Lighting of Paschal Candle - Joshua Davies

Fr. Junray: In Baptism, Mollie received the light of Christ,
it has guided her through her life.

All: May this light now lead her into Eternal Life.

Sprinkling with Holy Water - Fr. Junray

Fr. Junray: In the waters of Baptism, Mollie died with Christ and
rose with Him into Eternal Life.

All: May she now share Eternal Life with Him in Glory.

*Placing of White Pall - Martin Driscoll, Rosie Driscoll
Antoinette Geary, Zita Spicer*

Fr. Junray: On the day of her Baptism, Mollie was clothed in
Christ and given a Christian dignity forever.

**All: May Christ now enfold her in His love and bring her
into Eternal Life.**

LIFE SYMBOLS

A Winx Cap

Martin's Family, Andrew

A North Melbourne Scarf

Genevieve's Family, Izak

A St Kilda Scarf

Antoinette's Family, Jarryn & Harriet

Cards and Rose

Genevieve's Family, Sara's Family

Flower Arrangements

Kirrily

A Cup of Tea and Jug

Maria and Dolly's Families



Colouring Books, Pencils & Crosswords

Chanel no.5 perfume, heels and scarf

Picture of Leo and Jacinta

Candles

Cold beer

A 'Baby Box'

Rosary Beads

Peter's Family

Rosie's Family, Paul & Brady

Gerard's Family

Damian's Family, Arlan & Brady

Leo's Family

Zita's Family, Kate and Sophia

Martin's Family, Bev

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Collect (*Opening Prayer*): *Fr. Junray*

Lord, in our grief we turn to You. Are You not the God of love always ready to hear our cries? Listen to our prayers for Your servant Mollie, whom You have called out of this world: lead her to Your Kingdom of light and peace and count her among the saints in glory.

We make our prayer in the name of Jesus who is our Risen Lord.

All: Amen.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: *Read by Megan Driscoll*

A reading from the Book of Proverbs 31:10-31

A perfect wife - who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit, advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is like a merchant vessel bringing her food from far away. She gets up while it is still dark giving her household its food. She puts her back into her work and shows how strong her arms can be. She finds her labour well worth while; her lamp does not go out at night. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. She is clothed with strength and dignity, she can laugh at the days to come. When she opens her mouth, she does so wisely; on her tongue is kindly instruction. Her sons and daughters proclaim her blessed, her husband, too, sings her praises; many women have done admirable things, but you surpass them all! Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the City Gates.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Psalm: *(Sung)*

The Lord's My Shepherd *(Crimond)*

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want,
He makes me down to lie.
In pastures green, He leadeth me,
the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make.
Within the paths of righteousness,
ev'n for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill:
for Thou art with me; and Thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table Thou has furnished,
in presence of my foes;
my head Thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life,
shall surely follow me:
and in God's House for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

Second Reading: *Read by Eli Geary*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 12:31-13:13

The greatest of the gifts is love.

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them. If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever. Love is always patient and kind; it is never



jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation: *(all say together)*

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord,
whoever believes in Me will not die forever.**

Alleluia!



Gospel: (John 14:1-6) *Fr. Justin*

Fr. Justin: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit

Fr. Justin: 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. Justin*

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Prayers of the Faithful:

Introduction: *Fr. Junray*

Dear friends, we celebrate Mollie's journey through life with joy and we remember the many blessings God granted her in life and knowing He is faithful to His promises, we now turn to Him in prayer.

Read by Sara Amor

We thank you for Mollie our Grandma who has lead us in this world with love, care and determination. We thank You for her guidance as a Grandmother.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer

Read by Jacoby Khoo

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the Kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with Your Son.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Read by Kallen Geary

For the doctors and nurses who cared for Mollie, that their works of service may be richly blessed.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Read by Rebecca Spicer

We pray for all present with us today and for those who could not be here. Lord, may you bless us all with the hope of one day sharing Eternal Life and being reunited with our loved ones.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Read by Riley Driscoll

We pray that Christ the Lord bid Mollie welcome and may she rejoice in the company of all who have gone before us.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Read by Chloe Driscoll

Lord, comfort Mollie's family in their pain of loss and sorrow. Remember us all gathered here today that we too may comfort one another and experience Your joy and peace.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.



Read by Andrew Driscoll

We pray for those gathered here today. Fill the sadness of our hearts with the presence of Your love; increase our faith and strengthen our love for God and one another.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Read by Kara Driscoll

Lord, fold Leo, Jacinta and Mollie into Your arms and let them be a message of love between our hearts and Thine.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Procession: *Members of the McCarthy, Cunningham & Morris Families*

Offertory Hymn: **Hail Mary, Gentle Woman**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you,
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinner now, and at the hour of death, Amen.

Gentle woman, quiet light,
morning star, so strong and bright,
gentle mother, peaceful dove,
teach us wisdom, teach us love,

You were chosen by the Father, You were chosen for the Son,
You were chosen from all women, and for women, shining one.

Gentle woman, quiet light, morning star, so strong and bright,
gentle mother, peaceful dove,
teach us wisdom, teach us love,
teach us wisdom, teach us love.



Mystery of Faith: *(all say together)*

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim Your death O Lord until You come again.

COMMUNION

Communion Hymn: Here I am Lord

I the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I have made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright,
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: 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 wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied,
I will give My life to them, Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Make me a channel of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love.
Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord and where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Make me a channel of Your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek, so much to be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of Your peace. It is pardoning that we are pardoned.
In giving to all men that we receive and in dying that we're born to Eternal Life.

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek, so much to be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

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Be Not Afraid

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 in foreign lands and all will understand
You shall see the face of God and live

Refrain: 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. ***Refrain***

Blessed are your poor, for the Kingdom shall be theirs.
Blessed 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! ***Refrain***

Photo Presentation: (Prepared by Family Members)

Danny Boy

Oh, Danny boy, the pipes, the pipes are calling
From glen to glen, and down the mountain side.
The summer's gone, and all the roses falling,
It's you, it's you must go and I must bide.

But come ye back when summer's in the meadow,
Or when the valley's hushed and white with snow,
It's I'll be here in sunshine or in shadow,
Oh, Danny boy, oh Danny boy, I love you so!

But when ye come, and all the flowers are dying,
If I am dead, as dead I well may be,
You'll come and find the place where I am lying,
And kneel and say an Ave there for me.

And I shall hear, though soft you tread above me,
And all my grave will warmer, sweeter be,
For you will bend and tell me that you love me,
And I shall sleep in peace until you come to me!



Ed Sheeran - Supermarket Flowers -To be sung by Lauchlan Driscoll and Andrew Quin

I took the supermarket flowers from the windowsill
I threw the day old tea from the cup
Packed up the photo album Matthew had made
Memories of a life that's been loved
Took the get well soon cards and stuffed animals
Poured the old ginger beer down the sink
Dad always told me, "don't you cry when you're down"
but Mum, there's a tear every time that I blink

Oh I'm in pieces, it's tearing me up, but I know
A heart that's broke is a heart that's been loved

So I'll sing Hallelujah
You were an angel in the shape of my Mum
When I fell down you'd be there holding me up
Spread your wings as you go
And when God takes you back we'll say Hallelujah
You're home

I fluffed the pillows, made the beds, stacked the chairs up
Folded your nightgowns neatly in a case
John says he'd drive then put his hand on my cheek
And wiped a tear from the side of my face

I hope that I see the world as you did cause I know
A life with love is a life that's been lived

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You were an angel in the shape of my Mum
When I fell down you'd be there holding me up
Spread your wings as you go
And when God takes you back we'll say Hallelujah, You're home

Hallelujah
You were an angel in the shape of my Mum
You got to see the person that I have become
Spread your wing
And I know that when God took you back he said Hallelujah You're home

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FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Invitation to Prayer: *Fr. Junray*

Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister Mollie. 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.



Song of Farewell:

Fr. Junray: 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. Junray: May Christ who called you take you to Himself;
may Angels lead you to Abraham's side.

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

Fr. Junray: 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.

Prayer of Commendation: *Fr. Junray:*

You are the Author and Sustainer of our lives, O God. You are our Final Home. We commend to You our sister Mollie. In Baptism she began her journey toward You. Take her now to Yourself and give her the life promised to those born again of water and the Spirit. Turn also to us who have suffered this loss. Strengthen the bonds of this family and our community. Confirm us in faith, in hope, and in love, so that we may bear Your peace to one another and one day stand together with all the saints who praise You for Your saving help.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Recessional Hymn: Ave Maria (*sung by Cath, Jessica & Joe McCarthy*)

COFFIN BEARERS CHURCH

Benjamin O'Sullivan, Leo Driscoll, Rosemary Davies,
Gerard Driscoll, Kevin Dobry, Leighton Driscoll

COFFIN BEARERS CEMETERY

Leo Driscoll, Dwayne Amor, Kirby Driscoll,
Kevin Dobry, Mark Davies, Keller Ross



Mollie's family and friends would like to thank you for your prayers, comfort and support and for joining them today to celebrate and say goodbye to Mollie.



Following the Mass you are invited to join the family at the Kangaroo Flat Lawn Cemetery for the Interment Service and afterwards for some light refreshments at The Foundry Hotel - 366 High Street Golden Square.



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