

Mass of Thanksgiving for the Life of
Lucia Alesiani



23rd March 1919 – 6th October 2019

St Patrick's Catholic Church, Wangaratta

10 am Saturday 12th October 2019

Celebrant: Fr Dean Bongat

Lucia's Family

Santina Giorgi

Angelo and Mary Alesiani

Beatrice & John, Adriano & Verity, Roberto, Carla Speziale

Nazzareno Giorgi

Lucia Alesiani

Adam Alesiani

Sandra Alesiani & Patrick, Harrison Clarke

Rita & Daniel, Austin, Arlo, Alfonso Hamilton

Pall Bearers

Nazzareno Giorgi

Adam Alesiani

John Speziale

Adriano Speziale

Roberto Speziale

Patrick Clarke

Photo

Carla Speziale

Entrance Music

Time to say Goodbye - Andrea Bocelli

Welcome

Fr Dean Bongat

Placing of Christian Symbols

Lighting of Paschal Candle

Mary Alesiani & Beatrice Speziale

Fr Dean Bongat: In Baptism Lucia received the light of Christ.
The light has guided her through her life.

All: May Christ's light, now lead her into eternal life.

Sprinkling of the Holy Water

Fr Dean Bongat: In the waters of Baptism, Lucia died with
Christ and rose with Her into eternal life.

All: May Lucia now, share eternal life with Him in glory.

Placing of the White Pall

Adriano, Roberto & Carla Speziale

Fr Dean Bongat: On the day of her Baptism Lucia
was clothed in Christ and given a Christian dignity forever.

All: May Christ now, enfold Lucia in his love and bring her to eternal life.

Please be Seated

Words of Remembrance

Read by Lucia Alesiani

Penitential Rite

Opening Prayer

Fr Dean Bongat

First Reading

Read by Sandra Alesiani

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

Who shall find a valiant woman? Who shall find a woman of strength?
A pearl of great price is she. All who are with her have confidence
in her and benefit from her experience. She works diligently,
taking pride in her inner resources and strengths.
She opens her heart to the needy, she is generous with the poor,
yet she does not neglect her family's needs nor her own priorities.
She is known for her dignity and strength and she laughs at
the days to come. She speaks with wisdom and she
teaches in a kindly way. Those who are close to her, praise her.
May all value who she is and may all applaud her integrity.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is My Shepherd Read by Sandra Alesiani

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 for ever and ever.

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

Second Reading

Read by Rita Hamilton

A Reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to Timothy

As for me, the hour has come for me to go; The time is here for me to leave this life. I have done my best in the race, I have run the full distance, I have kept the faith. And now, the prize of victory is waiting for me, the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, will give me on that day. And not only me, but for all those who wait with love for Him to appear.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Happy are those who have died in the Lord: Let them rest
From their labours, for their good deeds go with them.**

Alleluia!

Gospel

Fr Dean: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:1-12

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain,
and when He was seated His disciples came to Him.
Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
For they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you and
say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven,
for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Family

Fr Dean Bongat

Prayers of the Faithful

Read by Adriano, Roberto & Carla Speziale

Introduction – Fr Dean Bongat

Lord receive our praise and thanks for Lucia's life and welcome her with love and peace. May her life be now completed and fulfilled in your presence forever. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for Lucia that she may receive the joy of eternal life promised in his Baptism. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for Lucia's family and friends that they will not dwell on the loss but be inspired by the guidance and love she has given. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

For the gift of eternal life: that Lucia may be received into the Lord's loving embrace. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

We remember all those who have been part of Lucia's life. Her loving children Santina and Angelo and her grandchildren, great grandchildren and family, and all those involved around her. As they valued her in life, may her legacy continue to live with them.

Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Dear Lord, we know that Lucia is safe with you in heaven. Help us not to be afraid and always know she is in our hearts.

Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray that Lucia is now in peace and that God wraps her in his love and that she is now able to watch over us and guide us through our life journey. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

The Prayer - Andrea Bocelli

Offertory - Procession of Gifts

Santina Giorgi and Angelo Alesiani

Prayer over Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer

Acclamation at Consecration

**All: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess
your resurrection, until you come again.**

Communion Rite

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.
Amen**

Communion Hymn

Ave Maria - Ariodante Speziale

Communion

Reflection

Final Farewell and Commendation

Fr Dean Bongat: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister Lucia. May our farewell express our affection for her; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope.

One day we shall joyfully greet her 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 Dean Bongat: 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 Dean Bongat: Eternal rest grant unto her
O Lord and let perpetual light shine on her.

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

Recessional Hymn

Viaggio Nella Vita - Tony Rino





*Our family would like to thank everyone for the support,
and expressions of sympathy they have received and
your presence at this service today.*

*We would be delighted if you could join us
for refreshments following the service at
The Memories Room at Mason Park,
Mason Street, Wangaratta.*