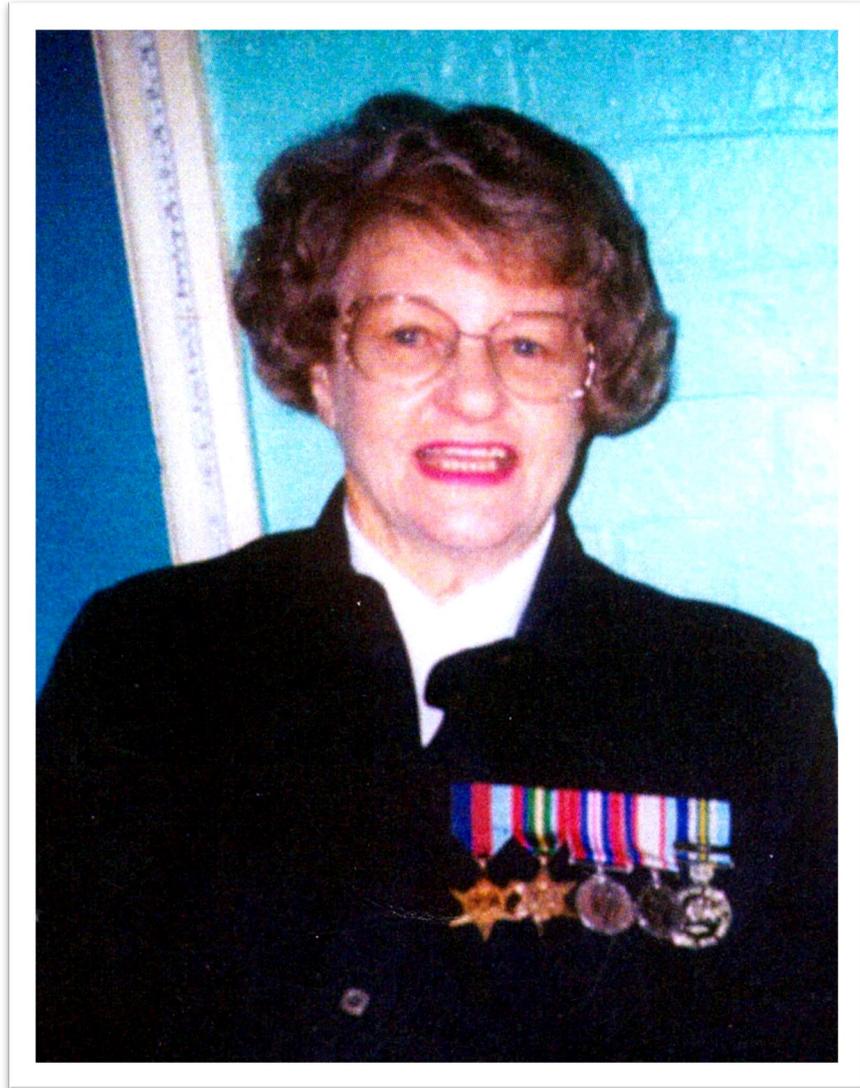


*Mass of Thanksgiving  
for the life of*



***Moreen 'Nin' DIXON***

*21st January, 1924 - 11th August, 2020*

*Aged 96 Years*

***Bendigo Funeral Centre Chapel***

*11am Tuesday August 18th, 2020*

***Celebrant: Fr. Peter Dell'Avo PP***



**Entrance Song:** Danny Boy (Kate Smith)

**Welcome & Greeting:** Fr. Peter Dell'Avo

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**Eulogy:** Mary Eddy

**Photo Presentation:** Time To Say Goodbye  
(Sarah Brightman & Andrea Bocelli)

### CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS

*Lighting of Paschal Candle - Mark Trevean*

Fr. Dell'Avo: In Baptism, Nin 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. Dell'Avo*

Fr. Dell'Avo: In the waters of Baptism, Nin 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 - Marsha Cameron & Helen Molloy*

Fr. Dell'Avo: On the day of her Baptism, Nin 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

Mary Eddy	Special Auntie Poem & Rosary Beads
Rachel Cambridge	Crochet Rug
Hannah Tweed	A.W.A.S. Badge/RSL Plaque
Lizzy Weekly	Magpies Scarf
Paula Trevean	Jelly Slice & Mints



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**Collect (Opening Prayer):** *Fr. Dell'Avò*

Let us Pray,

God of loving kindness, listen favorably to our prayers: strengthen our belief that Your Son has risen from the dead and hope that Your servant Nin will also rise again.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

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**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First Reading:** *Read by Hannah Tweed*

A Reading from 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 26(27) Read by Marsha Cameron*

**Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation**

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?

**Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold His temple.

**Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. It is Your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not Your face.

**Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation**



I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in Him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

**Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation**

**Second Reading:** *Read by Lizzy Weekly*

A Reading from the Book of the Apocalypse 14:13

**Rest and happiness await them.**

I, John, heard a voice from Heaven say to me, "Write down: Happy are those who die in the Lord! Happy indeed, the Spirit says; now they can rest for ever after their work, since their good deeds go with them."

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, said the Lord, whoever believes in Me will not die forever.**

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel** *(John 14:1-6) Fr. Dell'Avo*

**Fr. Dell'Avo:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And with your Spirit.**

**Fr. Dell'Avo:** 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. Dell'Avo*

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**Prayers of the Faithful:**

***Introduction:*** *Fr. Dell'Avo*

My Dear friends, we celebrate Nin'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.

Reader: *Marsha Cameron*

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

Lord, hear us.

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

Reader: *Marsha Cameron*

Lord, comfort Nin'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.**

**Offertory Procession:** Mark Trevean & Helen Molloy

**Offertory Hymn:** The Lord Is My Shepherd (*Stuart Townend*)

**Communion Hymn:** Here I Am Lord (*Daniel O'Donnell*)



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FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

**Invitation to Prayer:** *Fr. Dell'Avo*

Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister Nin. 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. Dell'Avo:* 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. Dell'Avo:* 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. Dell'Avo:* 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. Dell'Avo*

Into your hands, Father of Mercies, we commend our sister Nin in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will rise with Him on the last day. We give You thanks for the blessings, which You bestowed upon Nin in this life: they are signs to us of Your goodness and of our fellowship with the Saints in Christ. Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of Paradise to Your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with You and with our sister forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen**

**Recessional Song:** Smile (*Nat King Cole*)

**Song at Grave:** What A Wonderful World (*Louis Armstrong*)



Nin's Family would like to thank you  
all for your prayers, comfort and support in joining with  
them to celebrate the life of their much loved  
'Aunty Nin'



At the conclusion of Mass the Funeral cortege will leave for the  
White Hills Lawn Cemetery.



## The Road Home

When I come to the end of the road, and the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room; why cry for a soul set free!  
Miss me a little—but not too long and not with your head bowed low;  
Remember the love that we once shared, miss me—but let me go!  
For this journey we all must take, and each of us go alone;  
It's all part of the Master's plan, a step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick of heart, go to the friends we know,  
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds,  
Miss me but let me go...



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