

IN LOVING MEMORY



Joe Poidomani

26.05.1949 ~ 14.07.2021

The Funeral Service for Joe

Held at Mason Park Chapel
on Wednesday 21st July 2021 at 10am
Celebrant Father Nathan Verallo

Entrance Hymn

Welcome Home ~ sung by Maggie Edmond

Rite of Introduction

Welcome

Father Nathan Verallo

Lighting of the Paschal Candle

Evie Poidomani

In Baptism Joe received the light of Christ.

This light has carried him through his life.

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

Sprinkling of Holy Water

Lord, in the waters of Baptism Joe died with Christ
and rose with Him in eternal life.

All: May he now share eternal life with Christ in glory.

Placing of the Pall

Julianne Styles and Daniel Poidomani

On the day of his baptism, Joe was clothed in Christ
and given Christian dignity for ever.

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

Placing of the Flowers

Lucinda Steel

Placing of the Personal Symbols

Helen and Evie Poidomani

Lord, these symbols of Joe's life remind us of your goodness to him.

All: May his good deeds go before him.

Opening Prayer

Father Nathan Verallo

God we gather here today to celebrate the life of our dear departed loved one, Joe. We celebrate a life of love, integrity and grace, a life that was a legacy of those left behind. May this not be a day of mourning but a day to celebrate a life that touched us all. We celebrate the memories that we will always have. Bless this gathering today. Father we give thanks for the life we have in you.

All: Amen.

Homily

A Life In Pictures

Islands In The Stream ~ Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers

First Reading

A Reading from Ecclesiastes (3:1-8) ~ Lisa Steel

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord's My Shepherd ~ sung by Maggie Edmond

Second Reading

A reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to Timothy ~ Sarah Poidomani

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Blessed are those who have died in the Lord,
Let them rest from their labours, For their good deeds go with them.*

Alleluia.

Gospel

Father Nathan Verallo

The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Prayers of the Faithful

Tilly Steele and Oliver Poidomani

Fr Nathan: We gather here today to praise God for the life of Joe. Let us ask the Father that all may share in the life of the Risen Christ.

Tilly: We remember Poppy with great love. We thank you for what you have been to us. We ask now for a quiet heart knowing that nether life nor death can separate us from your love. Lord receive Poppy into your loving embrace.

Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Oliver: We ask for our Lord to bring peace and comfort to Grandma, poppy's children and grandchildren and that our family is sustained by the love of God.

Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Tilly: We ask God to bless and reward those who cared for Poppy with such devotion and care, especially the wonderful, dedicated and professional Oncology, Palliative and District Nurses. Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

Oliver: We pray for all those who have gathered here today. We thank them for their support, prayers, love and comfort to our family. Help us in our grief to comfort one another. May we find light in the time of darness, and faith in time of doubt. Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Led by Cathedral College Chaplain Cathy Carden.

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.

Reflection Song

Will You Love Me ~ sung by Maggie Edmond

Reflection Poem

Miss Me But Let Me Go ~ read by William Styles

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 for long
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the love that once we shared
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the master plan
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at all the things we used to do
Miss me, but let me go.

Final Commendation and Farewell

Fr Nathan: With faith in Jesus Christ, we reverently bring the body of our brother Joe to be buried in its human imperfections.

Let us pray with confidence to God who gives life to all things, that he will raise up the mortal body to the perfection and the company of saints.

May God give him a merciful judgement and forgive all his sins.

May Christ the Good Shepherd lead him safely home to be at peace with God our Father, and may he be happy forever with all the saints.

Holy Water: Sprinkled to remind us we first share in the Resurrection through Baptism. It recalls our initial washing in Baptism.

Incense: Because we believe the body is a Temple of the Holy Spirit and one day will be resurrected by God's power.

Fr Nathan: 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 Nathan: 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 Nathan: Give him eternal rest, O Lord,
and may your light shine on him forever.

All: Receive his soul and present him to God the most high.

Fr Nathan: Father, into your hands we commend our brother Joe. We are confident that with all who have died in Christ, he will be raised to life on the last day, and live with Christ forever.

We thank you for the blessings you have given Joe in this life. They are signs of your Fatherly goodness to us all, and of our union with all the saints in Christ.

Merciful Lord, listen to our prayers. Welcome Joe into paradise. Help us to comfort one another with the assurance of our faith until we all meet in Christ, and are with you and with our brother Joe, forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Hallelujah ~ sung by Maggie Edmond

Coffin Bearers

Lisa Steel, Sarah Poidomani,
Julianne Styles, Daniel Poidomani,
William Styles, Tilly Steel



The Poidomani family wish to thank those who attended today's service and also those who are unable to attend but sent their best wishes and support. Your prayers, kind thoughts and support you have given is greatly appreciated.