

Clare Frances Harris
(nee Curry)

1963 - 2022





*Service of Thanksgiving for the life of
Clare Frances Harris (nee Curry)*

held at

Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo

1.00pm Wednesday November 16th, 2022

Celebrant - Mgr. Frank Marriott P.E.

PLEASE STAND

Entrance Hymn: Amazing Grace (*Andrea Bocelli*)

Welcome & Greeting: Mgr. Frank Marriott

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Eulogy: Tony Curry
Maryanne Curry

Family Thanks: Greg Harris
Tim Harris

Photo Presentation: What a Wonderful World (*Louis Armstrong*)
Memories (*Maroon 5*)

CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS

Lighting of Paschal Candle - Anne Curry

Mgr. Frank: In Baptism, Clare 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 - Mgr. Frank

Mgr. Frank: In the waters of Baptism, Clare 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 - Ben Harris & Millie Harris

Mgr. Frank: On the day of her Baptism, Clare 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

Millie Harris	St. Kilda Scarf
Ben Harris	Family Photo
Georgia Harris	Colourful Boots



PLEASE STAND

Collect (Opening Prayer): Mgr. Frank

Let us Pray,

Almighty God and Father, by the mystery of the cross, You have made us strong; by the sacrament of the resurrection You have sealed us as Your own. Look kindly upon Your servant Clare, now freed from the bonds of mortality and count her among Your saints in Heaven.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Read by Justin Curry

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.

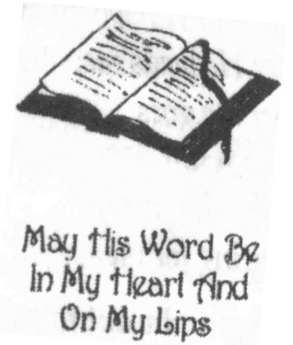
All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22 (23) Read by Brendan Curry

*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.*

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Gospel Acclamation *(all say together):*

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Happy are those who die in the Lord,
let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them.

Alleluia!

Gospel: *(Matthew 5:13-16)* Mgr. Frank

The Lord be with you.

All: And with your Spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

All: Glory to you O Lord.

You are the light of the world.

Jesus said to His disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men."

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must



shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in Heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Homily: *Mgr. Frank*

PLEASE STAND

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Introduction: *Mgr. Frank*

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

Reader: Adrian Curry

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

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Louise Lucas

We pray for Clare’s husband and for all members of her family. We ask for Your blessing on them, Your consolation and strength. May they continue to draw life from Clare’s presence in their lives.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: John Curry

We pray for all who have helped Clare, during her illness and showed kindness to her family, especially the nursing and medical staff at Bendigo Hospital, the volunteers, visitors and special ministers of Communion. We thank them and ask, Lord, Your continued blessings upon them.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Nikki Ketterer

Clare was very patient and peaceful in her illness. May we too learn to accept the trials of life as she did.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.



FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Invitation to Prayer: *Mgr. Frank*

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

Mgr. Frank: 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.

Mgr. Frank: 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.

Mgr. Frank: 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: *Mgr. Frank*

You are the Author and Sustainer of our lives, O God. You are our Final Home. We commend to You our sister Clare. 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 Song: Hello Again (*Neil Diamond*)



Greg, Tim, Ben, Millie, Georgia and their families would like to thank you all for your love, support and presence here today to celebrate the beautiful life of their much loved Wife, Mother and Grandmother,

Clare



Following this Service, the family warmly invite you to join with them for light refreshments at 'The Conservatory' - All Seasons Resort Hotel Bendigo, 171-183 McIvor Highway, Bendigo.



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