

Mass of Christian Burial
for
Florence Bastiampillai

January 4, 1930 – January 29, 2021



February 6, 2021
12:30 PM

Our Lady of Mercy Church
Potomac, Maryland

Poems

Written by Annette Rambukwelle (sister), read by Lisa-Marie Balasandiran

Written by Robini Xavier (sister), read by Shyara Cherubim

Words of Remembrance

Tony Balasandiran & Harisha Bastiampillai

Opening Rite

Opening Song

Dufford

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wonder 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 pow'r 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.
Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh;
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of me,
Blessed, blessed are you! Refrain.

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Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Job19:1, 23-27

Milan Bastiampillai

Responsorial Psalm 23

Grail

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

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Second Reading

Romans 8:31b-35, 37-

39

Anne-Marie Vanniasinkam

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Walker

Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

Homily

Reverend Joseph Cwik

General Intercessions

Response: **Lord hear our prayer**

Pravin Cherubim

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

Dorsey

Precious Lord,

Take My Hand

Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
And the day is past and gone,
At the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

Take my hand, precious Lord, Lead me home.

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Eucharistic Acclamations

Hymnal 353-356

Mystery of Faith

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup
We proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.**

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Isele

Communion Song

Joncas

On Eagle's Wings

Refrain And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

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Concluding Rite

Song of Farewell

Old Hundredth

Come to her aid, O saints of God;
Come meet her, angels of the Lord.

Refrain: **Receive her soul, O holy ones;
Present her now to God, Most High.**

May Christ, who called you, take you home,
And angels lead you to Abraham. *Refrain*

Give her eternal rest, O Lord.

May light unending shine on her. *Refrain*

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Closing Song

Hine

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed!

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art! 2x

When Christ shall come in shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

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Alina Belenky

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