

A SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR THE REPOSE
OF THE SOUL OF

*George Edward
McNuff*

25th March 1925—26th December 2020

**“There is no greater strength than gentleness.
He was a strong gentle man”**

Celebrant: Fr Paddy Sykes

Cantor: Kate Dunn

Organist: Margaret Adams

St Michael's Cathedral, Wagga Wagga
Monday, 4th January 2021 at 2:00pm

ENTRANCE HYMN

“Come As You Are”

Come as you are, that's how I want you.
Come as you are, feel quite at home.
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven;
come as you are, why stand alone?

No need to fear, love sets no limits.
No need to fear, love never ends.
Don't run away shamed and disheartened.
Rest in my love, trust me again.

GREETING

Fr Paddy: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Fr Paddy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of
God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

WELCOME

Dianne van Meegen (George's Daughter)

Margaret, Judy and I welcome you this afternoon
to a final tribute for George. Today, while saddened by
the loss of a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and
Great-grandfather, we would like you to join us in
celebrating George's long and meaningful life and give
thanks for the many memories he has left for us.

SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER

Margaret McNuff (George's Daughter)

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Margaret McNuff (George's Daughter)

EULOGY

Read by George's daughters Margaret McNuff,
Dianne van Meegen and Judy Hewitt

MEMORIES & TRIBUTES

Written by George's granddaughters Julie Hannah, Lorraine
McNuff, Suzie van Meegen
who are unable to be with us today.

Read by Georgie van Meegen and family friend, Jo McIntosh

OPENING PRAYER

Fr Paddy: George's long and rich life has come to an end. We thank God for his spirit, courage and for his life of generosity, love and strength. We will grieve his death and always hold his memory dear. May he now be reunited with Therese and Peter in the glory of the resurrection.

All: Amen

FIRST READING

**A Reading from the letter of St. Paul
to the Philippians 1: 3-11**

Read by Dianne van Meegen

I thank my God whenever I think of you. And every time I pray for you I pray with joy, remembering how you helped us all grow to maturity from the day you first took us into your arms right up to the present. I am quite sure that the one who began this work in you will finish it when the day of Jesus comes.

It is only natural that we should feel sadness at losing you, since you have shared your life with us - your hard times and your happiness. You will have a permanent place in our hearts, and God knows we will miss you. We love you, Jesus Christ loves you. My prayer is that peace and happiness may be your reward now with the Lord where you will reach that perfect understanding that Jesus Christ will produce in you.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Read by Judy Hewitt

To You, O Lord, I Lift My Soul

Response: To You, O Lord, I Lift My Soul

Remember your mercy, Lord
And the love you have shown from of old.
In your love remember me,
Because of your goodness, O Lord. **Response**

Relieve the anguish of my heart
And set me free from my distress.
See my affliction and my toil
And take all my sins away. **Response**

Preserve my life and rescue me.
Do not disappoint me, you are my refuge.
May innocence and uprightness protect me:
For my hope is in you, O Lord. **Response**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
It is My Father's will, says the Lord.
That whoever believes in the Son
Shall Have Eternal Life
And that I Shall raise Him up on the last day.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Fr Paddy Sykes: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr Paddy Sykes: A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Fr Paddy Sykes:

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."

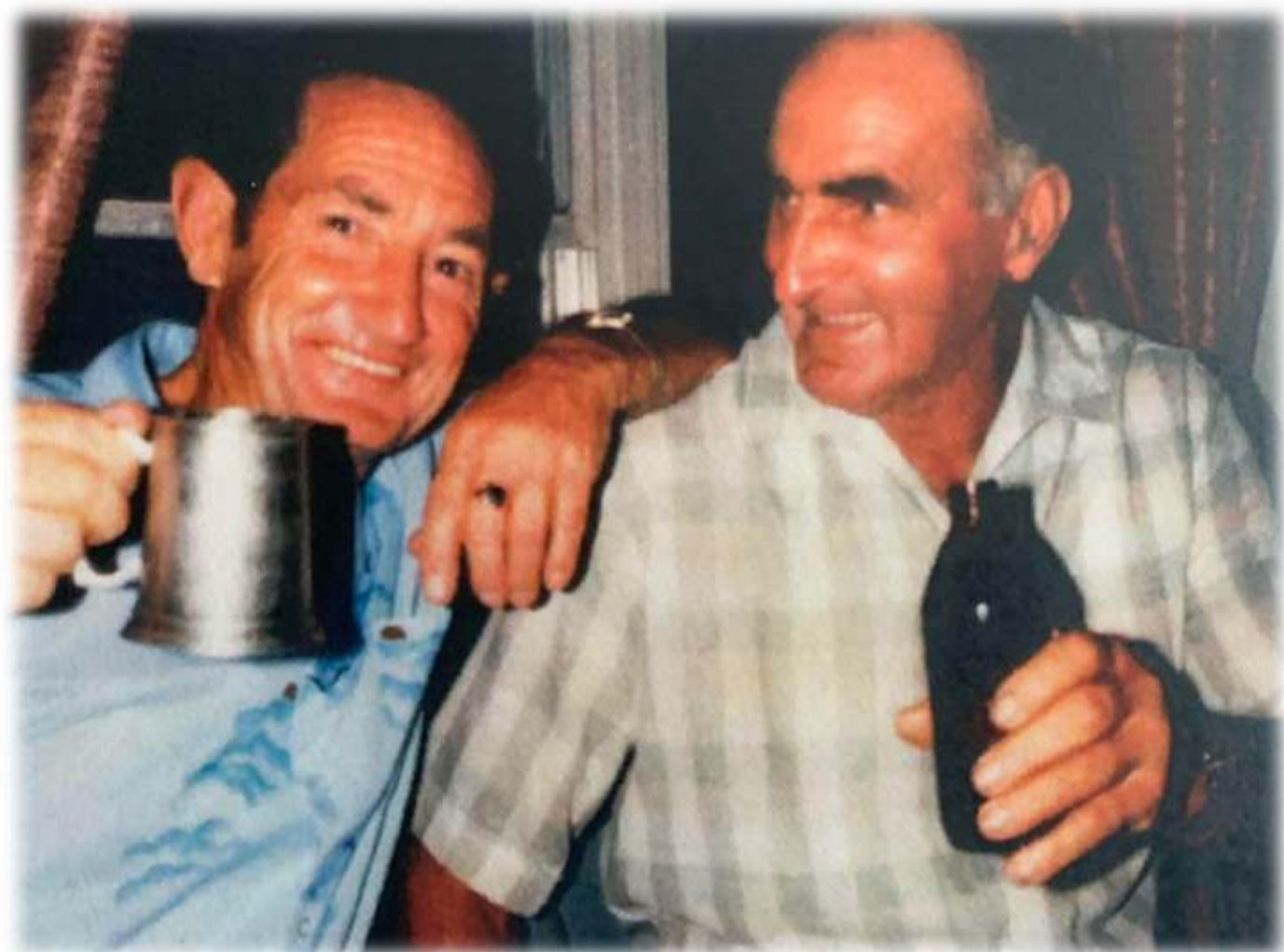
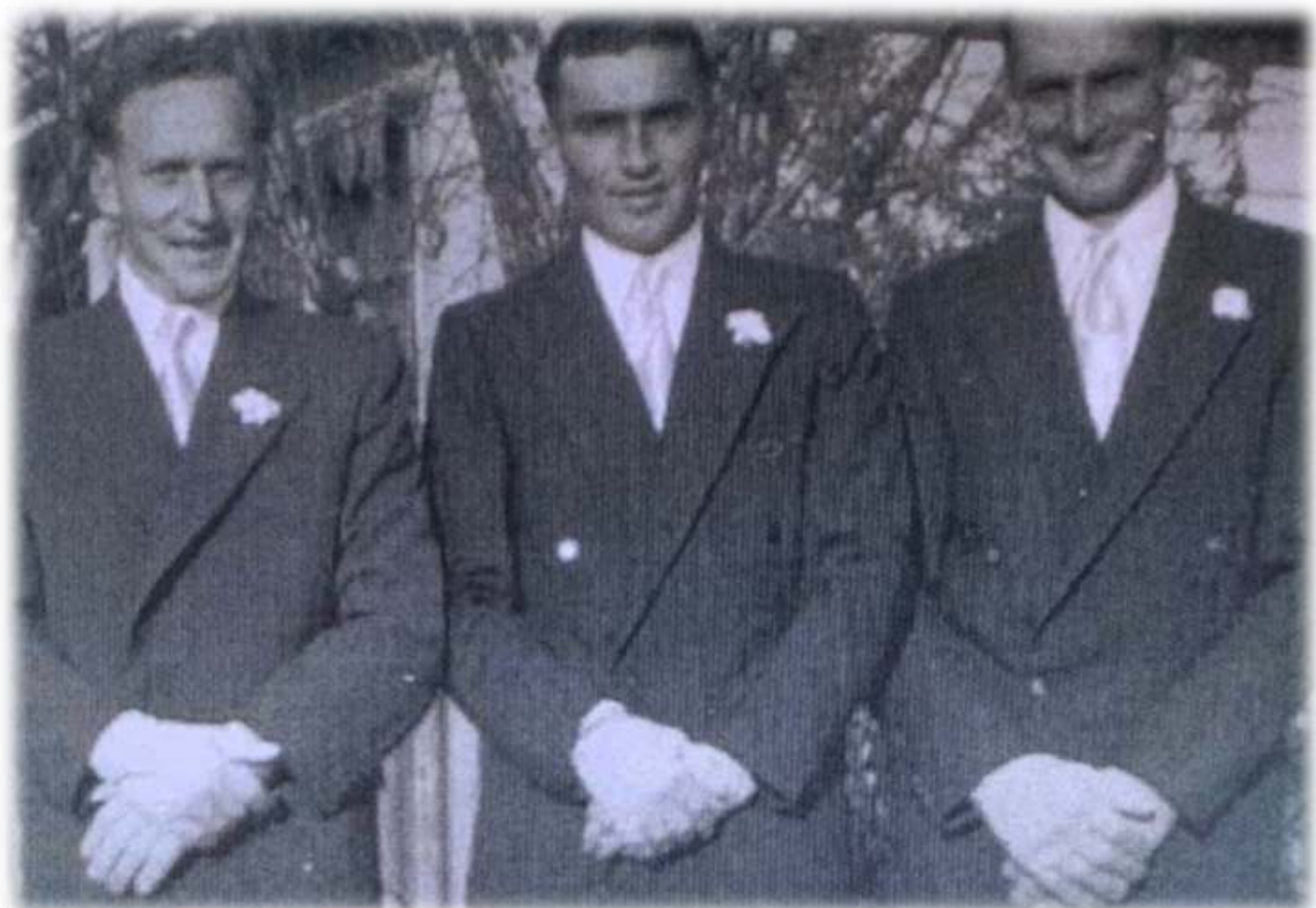
The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PICTORIAL REFLECTION





Wagga Livestock Marketing Centre
LAMB & SHEEP SALE
24/1/08

LAMBS	No.	\$/HD
RRM CARROLL & SONS, Olive Park Garmain (RODWELLS)	195	\$144.60
BURRINGA PAST CO, Illabo (ELDERS)	93	\$141.00
GJ & A GRAHAM, Meethol (LANDMARK)	113	\$140.20
RR & MM HARRIS, Currawarna (ELDERS)	97	\$140.00
K,M & D SOMERVILLE, Collingulie (LANDMARK)	102	\$136.00
GLADLEA PASTORAL CO, Marrar (HULM)	123	\$130.00
AGOODCO FARMS, Lockhart (FRANCIS)	203	\$129.50
POST FAMILY TRUST, Tarcutta (HULM)	211	\$128.00
P & S MCCAIG, Meethol (LANDMARK)	114	\$124.80
WR & MB GOODEN, Lockhart (FRANCIS)	49	\$124.00
K & T DOIG, Lockhart (FRANCIS)	107	\$124.00
JA & SO CLOUGH, Junee (LANDMARK)	101	\$124.00
SUCKERS		
JJ & B, Temora (LANDMARK)	140	\$102.00
MR & WG BRUCE, Bombala (LANDMARK)	23	\$98.00
GJ & M INGRAM, Delegate (LANDMARK)	124	\$98.00
S GRACZOL, Delegate (LANDMARK)	54	\$97.80
DI & CO MCREA, Temora (LANDMARK)	214	\$94.00
SHORN LAMBS		
PR & IE SCHIRMER, Lockhart (FRANCIS)	106	\$118.00
RG & RP HILLAM, Hillview Illabo (RODWELLS)	100	\$114.00
DJ, HM, MJ & EF PERRYMAN, Lockhart (FRANCIS)	105	\$112.00
SW ALLEN, Rannock (RODWELLS)	36	\$105.00
BINDINYAH PTY LTD, Cootamundra (RODWELLS)	135	\$104.00
WETHERS		
DA OLIVER, Bombala (LANDMARK)	94	\$65.80
GF & SM KINGSTON, The Rock (FRANCIS)	30	\$65.20
TOM FRENCH, Brungle (HULM)	121	\$62.00
WR & BA HARPER, Aria Park (ELDERS)	5	\$58.00
TOM FRENCH, Brungle (HULM)	28	\$56.00
FJ WHITBY, Delegate (LANDMARK)	130	\$54.20
RW & SM JAQUES, Wagga Wagga (RODWELLS)	66	\$54.00
WP CRAIN & CO, Bangadan Adelong (RODWELLS)	35	\$53.40
EWES		
GEORGE MCNUFF, Ladysmith (FRANCIS)	30	\$60.00
SG & GM MORTON, French Park (FRANCIS)	75	\$56.60
BP & HG HARPER, Wagga Wagga (LANDMARK)	30	\$56.60
GE & P HOPKINS, Braidwood (LANDMARK)	82	\$55.80
PJ & PR GUTHRIE, Delegate (LANDMARK)	170	\$55.00
DI & CO MCREA, Temora (LANDMARK)	203	\$54.00









A Tribute To Mum & Dad On Their 60th Wedding Anniversary

Now here's a story that is true
Memories it will evoke
About George McNuff and his bride
Who are loved by all these folk.

George was born to George and Alice
More than eighty years ago
He's had some ups and down since then
But he still will have a go.

There are a few good stories
About mates and fooling round
It seems to us that George McNuff
Was the young man of the town.

He didn't mind a beer or two
And loved his sport and mates
He later met the girl next door
And took her on some dates.

When he met Therese Catherine
It seems she stole his heart
Sixty years and a bit
They have rarely been apart.

Now the story goes
That George was not too bad
At aerial ping pong
He made the locals glad.

Mum however did not see
All those fantastic goals
She was too busy knitting
To see the ball go thru the poles!

Sixty years ago
They did tie the knot
And then off to Ladysmith
To take up their home plot.

You are a great example
To all who come your way
You support and love us all
And make everything OK.

There's Peter as the eldest
And Margaret the eldest girl
There's Dianne in the middle there
And Jude who's such a pearl

Each of us has learnt a lot
From you over the years
We sure do appreciate
The blood, sweat and tears.

That you both have given for us
To help us along the way
Your love and dedication
We never can re-pay

Now Mum you were always there
You cooked and cleaned and toiled
I think we're all well aware
That we've all been very spoiled!

There is nothing that you would not do
To keep us clothed and fed
From dawn till dusk you always Worked
And were glad when we went to bed!

Sixty years is quite a while
To live the married life
Most would say it's impossible
For so long to keep a wife.

Dear Mum, it's great to be here with you
To show our love and pride
You've been a tower of strength
Since Dad took you for his Bride.

Dear Dad, It's great to be here with you.
And your bride Therese
We know you've had your ups and downs
But you've soldiered on with ease.

Congratulations to you both
You've really done us proud
Sixty years together now
So we'd like to shout out loud.

How wonderful we think you are
So lucky we have been
To have you as our Mum and Dad
Good times we've always seen.



PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Read by Maria McNuff and Jenny Lovekin

Fr Paddy: God our Father raised Jesus from the dead and He will give life to our mortal bodies. We pray to him in faith.

Reader: We thank God for George's life and for the strong and lasting legacy he leaves for his family, his many friends and for all whom he met. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for family and friends who have died, especially George's beloved wife Therese, their son Peter, George's parents and his brothers and sisters. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for George's family that they continue to find comfort from the love and support of family and friends.
We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We thank God for Therese and George's long and happy marriage for over 68 years and for their strong and never failing love, guidance and stewardship as parents.
May their example of patience, love and true grit be an inspiration to us all. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Read by George's family members.

Reader: We pray for the Mary Potter Nursing Home staff and doctors. We give thanks for their untiring care, love and support for George over the last eight years. We also pray for Father Paddy Sykes and Father Anto for their care and support for George. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for our family members; Peter's wife Margaret and their daughters, Julie and Lorraine, also for Dianne and Jerry's daughter Suzie who all could not be with us today due to COVID-19 travel restrictions. We pray for all those affected by the pandemic. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for all who are attending this celebration, especially George's sister Dot, and brothers Leo and Kenny. We pray too for Therese's sisters Marie, Nellie, Kitty and Neta and thank them for their love and support for George. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for peace in war torn countries and for all those living in poverty. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Fr Paddy: Loving Father, you govern all things wisely and with great love. Listen to our prayers and lead us through Your Spirit to complete joy and communion with you. We make this prayer through Christ, your son.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

SONG OF FAREWELL

Response: Receive his soul and present
him to God the most High.

Fr Paddy: Saints of God, come to his aid!
Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord! **Response:**

Fr Paddy: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself,
May angels lead you to Abraham's side. **Response:**

Fr Paddy: Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon him. **Response:**

RECESSIONAL SONG

"Hail Queen Of Heaven"

Hail, Queen of Heaven, the ocean Star,
Guide of the wanderer here below,
Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care:
Save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, star of the sea,
Pray for the wanderer, pray for me.
And while to Him who reigns above,
In Godhead One, in Persons Three,
The source of life, of grace and love,
Homage we pay on bended knee.
Mother and Queen, star of the sea,
Pray for thy children, pray for me.

WHAT DOES 60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE ADD UP TO?

From George's Grandchildren

1 son, 3 daughters, 1 daughter in-law, 3 son-in-laws, 4 grandchildren +
2 husbands, + 1 great grandchild...

53 years at Cunningdroo Street Ladysmith..

45+ years on the School Committee, Hall Committee
and Flower Show Committee...

A million miles of fences in the district...

20,000+ packed summer, autumn, winter & spring lunches...

Over 21,000 visits to the Ladysmith corner shop...

Over 21,000 Daily Advertisers read...

2,700 shopping trips to Waggaon a Thursday

3,000+ loads of washingon a Monday

Millions of knitting stitches...every night..

Undocumented beers at the Shanty...

Millions of cakes, jam drops, coconut kisses,
hot roasts, hot custards...

Tonnes of wood chopped...

Many outings and bets placed at the Wagga race track...

3 cars, 4 utes, 100's of sheep dogs, more chooks, and over 200,000
eggs collected...

Billions of happy memories



PALLBEARERS

Jerry van Meegen, Georgie van Meegen, Michael McNuff, Mark McIntyre, John McIntyre and Francis Mullins.



Margaret, Dianne and Judy thank you for attending today and for your kindness and sympathy.
We are strengthened by your love and comfort.

Following the Service at the Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery, Brunskill Road, Lake Albert, the family invite you to join them at the Wagga Wagga RSL Club, Pacific Lounge, Dobb Street, Wagga Wagga from 3.30pm.



Alan Harris McDonald
EST. 1928