A Service and Prayers of Thanksgiving and Celebration for the Life and Love of

Joanne Patricia Barnes



14th June 1959—3rd January 2021

Alan Harris McDonald Chapel

Thursday, 7th January 2021 at 2:00pm



Celebrant: Fr Paddy Sykes

*The Prayer" by Josh Groban

ENTRANCE SONG*
"In The Arms Of An Angel" by Sarah McLachlan

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.

SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER
Tyson Behan

LI*GHTING OF THE PASCAL CANDLE* Mikalah Regan

EULOGY
Read by Stephanie Anthony & Grahame Winson

*You Raise Me Up" by Josh Groban



OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING

A Reading from the book of Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 Read by Anne Knott

A perfect wife - who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her. from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff. her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for. and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM The Lord Is My Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow. Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes. Over the mountains, the waters and byways, Valleys and highways, he's waiting for me.

Refrain: I want to go to meet him there
To lay myself down in his love.
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.

And while on the journey to where we are going He promised to be there to help us along And over the mountains we will walk on together To know all the wonders he's given to me. **Refrain:**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Come, you whom my Father has blessed, says the Lord:
Inherit the kingdom prepared for you since
the foundation of the world.
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



PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL Read by Garry Ryan

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 pray that God will accept our praise and thanksgiving for the life of Jo.
We pray to the Lord. All: Lord hear our prayer

Reader: We pray that the family and friends of Jo seek comfort and consolation. Let us pray that God will heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that comes with grief.

We pray to the Lord. All: Lord hear our prayer

Reader: We pray that all of us assemble here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom.

We pray to the Lord. All: Lord hear our prayer

Reader: We pray for Dr Boland and all the nurses, carers and staff at Calvary Riverina Hospital and Wagga Base Hospital, that their works of service may be richly blessed.

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 her soul and present her to God the most High.

Fr Paddy: Saints of God, come to her aid! Hasten to meet her, 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 her, O Lord, And let perpetual light shine upon her. **Response:**

"Stand By Me" by Ben E. King



The family of Jo Barnes would like to thank you very much for your thoughts, prayers and kind expressions of sympathy shown following her passing. Your support at this difficult time is very much appreciated and of great comfort to all of the family.

Following the Service you are invited to join the family for light refreshments and to share the many wonderful memories you have of Joanne in the adjoining Function Room of Alan Harris McDonald.

