In Loving Memory Of

Catherine Ann Foster

OAM

27th October 1943 - 30th September 2022

CELEBRANT

Deacon Leonie White

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYERS

Deacon Leonie White

EULOGY given by Callum Joce

JOHN 14:1-6

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

23RD PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

HYMN "Abide With Me" by Katherine Jenkins

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies. Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me. In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me. **HOMILY** Deacon Leonie White

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

MEMORIES OF CATHERINE given by David Lewis and Allan Taig

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. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

POEM

Don't think of her as gone away her journey's just begun life holds so many facets this earth is only one.

Just think of her as resting from the sorrows and the tears in a place of warmth and comfort where there are no days or years.

Think how she must be wishing that we could know today how nothing but our sadness can really pass away.

And think of her as living in the hearts of those she touched for nothing loved is ever lost and she was loved so much.

FAREWELL PRAYERS AND COMMITTAL PRAYER

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN "Be Still My Soul - The Lord Is On Your Side"



Michael Telfing

Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia and Chancellor of the Order of Australia

To

CATHERINE ANNE FOSTER

Greeting

Now KNOW YOU that, with the approval of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Second, Queen of Australia and Sovereign of the Order of Australia, I have been pleased to award you the Medal of the Order of Australia in the General Division.

I DO by these Presents authorise you to hold and enjoy the dignity of such an award together with membership in the said Order and all privileges thereunto appertaining. GIVEN at Government House, Canberra, under the seal of the Order of Australia this thirteenth day of June 2005.

By His Excellency's Command

Secretary of the Order of Australia

It is with love and gratitude the family thank you for your kindness and expressions of sympathy at a time when it is needed and deeply appreciated.

Catherine's family would like to welcome you to the Alan Harris McDonald Function Room for light refreshments and to share the many wonderful memories of Catherine's life.