

*John's family thank you for your attendance today  
and invite you to the Manvers Arms  
for light refreshments*



*There will be a retiring collection in memory of John  
in aid of The Alzheimer's Society  
or donations may given care of  
A. W. Lymn, The Family Funeral Service  
59 Main Road, Radcliffe on Trent  
Nottingham NG12 2BJ*

St. Mary's Church  
Radcliffe on Trent

A Service to Celebrate the Life of



**John Meredith Baxter**

4<sup>th</sup> January 1927 - 26<sup>th</sup> December 2016



Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017

# Order of Service

## SENTENCES and INTRODUCTION

### HYMN

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;  
Be Thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend:  
I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side,  
Nor wander from the pathway if Thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel Thee near me: the world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;  
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear Thee speaking in accents clear and still,  
Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee,  
That where Thou art in glory there shall Thy servant be;  
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end:  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend;

O let me see Thy foot-marks, and in them plant mine own;  
My hope to follow duly is in Thy strength alone:  
O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end;  
And then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my Friend.

### READING

Revelation 21:1-7

### ADDRESS

Canon Alan Haydock

## PRAYERS and 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. Amen.

### HYMN

The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended.  
The darkness falls at Thy behest;  
To Thee our morning hymns ascended,  
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank Thee that Thy Church unsleeping,  
While earth rolls onward into light.  
Through all the world her watch is keeping,  
And rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island  
The dawn leads on another day.  
The voice of prayer is never silent,  
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking  
Our brethren 'neath the western sky.  
And hour by hour fresh lips are making  
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, Lord: Thy throne shall never,  
Like earth's proud empires, pass away:  
Thy Kingdom stands, and grows for ever,  
Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.

## COMMENDATION and BLESSING