

A Requiem Mass for the Life of

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Sonia Pauline Mary Pike

25th January 1937 - 15th October 2020

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Stapleford
Friday 23rd October 2020 at 9.30 am

Welcome Music

Ave Maria
by Sheku Kanneh-Mason

INTRODUCTORY RITES

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Penitential Act

Brothers and sister, let us acknowledge our sins, and
so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Have mercy on us, O Lord,

All: For we have sinned against you.

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

All: And grant us your salvation.

May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Song of Farewell

Procession to the Place of Committal

In peace let us take Sonia to her place of rest.

All: May the angels lead you into paradise:

May the martyrs come to welcome you

And take you to the holy city,

The new and eternal Jerusalem.

Recessional Music

The Lark Ascending
by Vaughan Williams

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Post Communion Music

Benedictus
by Karl Jenkins

FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation to Prayer

Signs of Farewell

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

from the book of the Apocalypse, Chapter 14: verse 13
read by Timothy Pike
Happy are those who die in the Lord!

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say to me,
'Write down: Happy are those who die in the Lord!
Happy indeed, the Spirit says; now they can rest for ever
after their work, since their good deeds go with them.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22

read by Caroline Barker

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
There is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
Where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
To revive my drooping spirit.

Response:

He guides me along the right path;
He is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
No evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
With these you give me comfort.

Response:

You have prepared a banquet for me
In the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
My cup is overflowing.

Response:

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
All the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
For ever and ever.

Response:

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant: The Mystery of Faith.

**All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

COMMUNION RITE

**All: 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.**

Celebrant: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil.
Graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope and the coming our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Tim: Let us pray that God's love and strength may be strong in the hearts of the young people, that they may be inspired by the values they cherished in Sonia's life, and continue those qualities in their own.

Lord, hear us. **All: Lord, graciously hear us.**

Caroline: We ask for the intercession of our Blessed Lady, Mother of Mercy, as together we say:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you among women

and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.**

Priest's closing prayer

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,

Hosanna in the highest.

Second Reading

from the letter of St Paul to the Romans, Chapter 6: verse 3-9

read by Christopher Pike

Let us live a new life.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again.

Death has no power over him any more.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

All stand

Alleluia, Alleluia

It is my Father's will, says the Lord,

That I should lose nothing

Of all that he has given to me,

And that I should raise it up on the last day.

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

from the holy Gospel according to John, Chapter 6: verses 37-40

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life,
and I shall raise him up on the last day.*

Jesus said to the crowd:

‘All that the Father gives me will come to me,
and whoever comes to me
I shall not turn him away;
because I have come from heaven
not to do my own will,
but to do the will of the one who sent me.
Now the will of him who sent me
is that I should lose nothing
of all that he has given to me,
and that I should raise it up on the last day.
Yes, it is my Father’s will
that whoever sees the Son and believes in him
shall have eternal life,
and that I shall raise him up on the last day.’

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

said by Father Andrew Harding

Prayers of the Faithful

read by Sonia’s family

Priest’s opening prayer

Harry: Let us pray for the comfort and consolation of
Sonia’s family, relatives and friends.

Lord, hear us. **All: Lord, graciously hear us.**

Lydia: Let us pray that God will give us consolation, peace and
encouragement as we continue along the journey of life.

Lord, hear us. **All: Lord, graciously hear us.**

Billy: For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who
have helped us: that they may now be enjoying a Heavenly reward
for their goodness and kindness.

Lord, hear us. **All: Lord, graciously hear us.**

Ellie: For people everywhere who are grieving, that the pain they endure
may not be too much to bear. And that they may experience consolation
from Christ who suffered, died and rose again to eternal life.

Lord, hear us. **All: Lord, graciously hear us.**

Alana: Let us pray for the virtues of faith, hope and love, that we may be
strengthened and reassured on our own journey through life.

Lord, hear us. **All: Lord, graciously hear us.**

Thomas: For Sonia, who began eternal life with Jesus in Baptism:
that our merciful and loving God will grant Sonia a place of peace
and light in God’s heavenly Kingdom.

Lord, hear us. **All: Lord, graciously hear us.**