



Kelly, Adam, Chloe and Oliver wish to thank you all for helping to celebrate Benjamin today. Thank you for all the cards, flowers and messages of support – we have been inundated and overwhelmed by all your kind thoughts and words. Benjamin will remain forever in our hearts.

You are welcome to join the family at
Ye Olde Spa Inne,
Abbey Street,
Derby
DE22 3SU.

If you wish to make a charitable donation in Benjamin's name, please donate to
The Children's Hospital Charity for Ward 6.

Thank you x

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*The Family Funeral Service**

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Celebrating the Life of Benjamin James Topley



Friday 20th May 2022
at 12.30 pm

Trent Valley Crematorium,
Aston-on-Trent, Derby



The Blessing

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and
love of God and of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
And the blessing of God Almighty, who is Father,
Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain
with you today, tonight and for evermore.

Sleep in peace Benjamin.

*The family will now spend a few moments with
Benjamin in private, as you leave.*

Exit Music

Uptown Funk
Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars

Order of Service

Entrance Music

You Are The Reason
Calum Scott



Opening Prayer and Introduction

Canon Alan Burbidge

As a mother comforts her child
so will I comfort you, says the Lord.

I am the good shepherd;

the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

My own sheep listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I will give them eternal life and they will never perish;

No one will take them from my care.

My Father who has given them to me is greater than all,

And no one can take them out of the Father's care.

We gather here for what is for all of us a very sad occasion. We were looking forward to a time of joy and happiness, and instead there are tears of grief. We had great hopes, but now we are left with a feeling of emptiness. All that has happened seems futile and pointless. There are many questions, but no answers.

There is much we do not understand.

We are left feeling lost.

However, there are truths to which we can hold.

The God who made us all, loves us always.

Through Jesus Christ, God has promised never to leave us nor forsake us.

Just as others before us have found strength in those promises, so we too, even in our darkness, can turn to them for hope.

We say the The Lord's Prayer together:

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.

The Committal

We have now come to say our goodbyes to Benjamin. As we have entrusted him into the hands of God, we now commit his earthly body to the elements, ashes to ashes, dust to dust, having our whole trust and confidence in the mercy of our heavenly Father and in the victory of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who died, was buried and was raised again for us and is alive and reigns for ever.

Amen.



Commendation

Lord Jesus, you took children into your arms
and laid your hands upon them and blessed them.
We are assured that you have taken little Benjamin
into your arms and into your care and that they
and we together are enfolded in your love.

Creator and Keeper of life, we acknowledge that Benjamin
is a child of God, loved since the beginning. Of time and
until eternity, Grant us trust in your Son our Saviour
and enable us to look with hope towards the full
knowledge of his earthly life, we have so little shared
but will now be complete in Christ with you.
Amen.

For all those who grieve, God of compassion,
you alone can heal our broken hearts;
you alone can wipe away the tears that well inside us;
you alone can give the peace we need;
you alone can give us the strength to carry on.

We ask you to be near those for whom joy has been
turned to sadness. May we be aware of your presence;
may we be encouraged by your strength; and may
our love for one another be deepened by the
knowledge of your love for us all.
Amen.

Lord, amid all our questions,
help us to trust you.
In our time of darkness,
shine into our lives
with the light of your presence.

Scripture Readings

Let us then listen for God's Word in the scriptures.

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Corinthians

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious, boastful,
arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is
not irritable or resentful. It does not rejoice in wrongdoing
but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all
things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never
ends. For now we see in a mirror, dimly but then we
will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I
will know fully, even as I have been fully known.
And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three;
and the greatest of these is love.

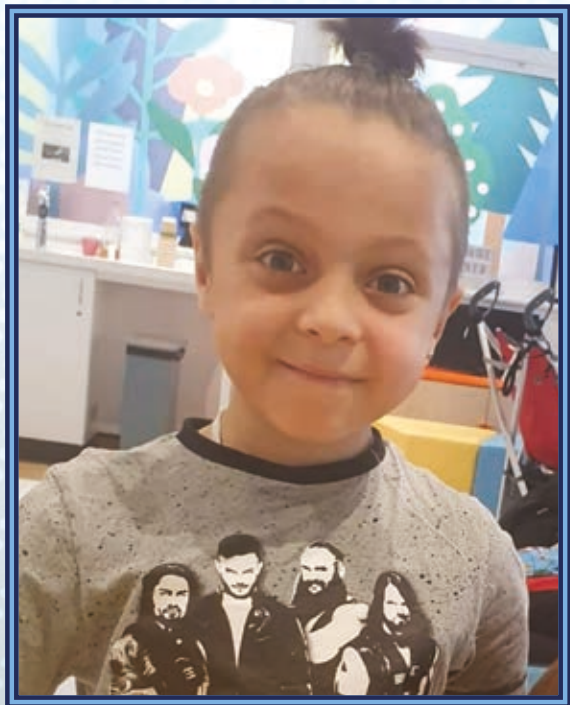
The Word of the Lord.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Matthew

See that you don't despise any of these little ones.
Their angels in heaven, I tell you, are always in
the presence of my Father in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.





Thanksgiving

read by Julie Young

Lord, we thank you for the love which Benjamin has shared amongst us and bought so much joy to the lives of those who knew him. We thank you for the love of the family and the home in which he lived; his school, his friends and the health care teams who looked after him.

We pray that the love which his family and friends have for each other may give the support they need to one another to get through this sad time. Give us grace, in patience and understanding, to listen to each other and to help one another in the days to come.

We ask these prayers through Our Lady Mary:
Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women and blessed is
the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary,
Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

Poems

read by family members

Prayers

Lord God, our Father,
these reassuring words have
brought comfort and strength
to your followers and
friends through the ages.
May we also know the truth
of your promises and find the
strength and peace we need.

Benjamin

Mum and Adam

Music

Count On Me
Bruno Mars

sung by the Children of St George's CVA

