Funeral Mass to Celebrate the Life of



Luigi Di Vitantonio

1943 - 2017

The Church of the Good Shepherd Monday 24th July 2017 *Entrance Music* My Sweet Lord by George Harrison

Opening Hymn /No. 337/ Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down, Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown. Jesu, Thou art all compassion, Pure unbounded love Thou art; Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver, Let us all Thy grace receive; Suddenly return, and never, Never more Thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above; Pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation: Pure and spotless let us be; Let us see Thy great salvation, Perfectly restored in Thee; Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

The Mass

Introductory Rites

Opening Prayer

First Reading A reading from the Prophet Isaiah, Chapter 25: verses 6-9

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 102

Response: The Lord is compassion and love.

Italian Prayer Non piangete la Mia assenza Sono beata in Dio e prego per voi Io vi amero dal cielo Come vi ho Amato Sulla terra

Do not cry in my absence. I am with God and pray for you; I will love you from heaven As I loved you on earth.

Gospel Acclamation

Álleluia, alleluia! Come, you blessed of my Father, says the Lord, take for your heritage the Kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. Alleluia.

Gospel Reading Luke, Chapter 23: verse 44

Homily

Bidding Prayers

Offertory Hymn /No. 262/

I watch the sunrise lighting the sky, Casting its shadows near. And on this morning, bright though it be, I feel those shadows near me.

> But You are always close to me, Following all my ways. May I be always close to You, Following all Your ways, Lord.

I watch the sunlight shine through the clouds, Warming the earth below. And at the mid-day, life seems to say: I feel Your brightness near me. *For You are always...*

> I watch the sunset fading away, Lighting the clouds with sleep. And as the evening closes its eyes, I feel Your presence near me. *For You are always...*

I watch the moonlight guarding the night, Waiting till morning comes. The air is silent, earth is at rest -Only Your peace is near me. Yes, You are always... John Glynn (b.1948) Communion Hymn /No. 533/ The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again, And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, Yet will I fear none ill; For Thou art with me, and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.

> My table Thou hast furnishèd In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in God's house for evermore My dwelling-place shall be. Scattish Psalter (1650)

> *Recessional Music* Hey Jude by The Beatles

Liliana and family thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers. R.I.P.

Please join the family for the burial at Redhill Cemetery.



The Family Funeral Service

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