John, Matthew, Elizabeth and Marianne would like to thank the priests, altar servers, parish community, musicians, readers and all those who have attended today in memory of our beloved Mary.

They also wish to give special thanks to all those who have provided care to Mary throughout her illness, particularly Anorma and Nilusha.

Donations in memory of Mary for the **MS Trust** may be left in the box provided on leaving the service, sent care of A.W. Lymn The Family Funeral Service or left online at www.lymn.co.uk/obituaries or at: www.justgiving.com/runningformuminnottingham

Mary's family invite you to join them at Wilford Hill Cemetery for the burial and for refreshments afterwards at The Boundary's Edge Suite, Radcliffe Road Stand, First Floor, Trent Bridge Cricket Ground, West Bridgford, where all will be most welcome to continue the celebration of Mary's life.



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# Mary Stella Head

17th June 1955 - 25th September 2019

"I find ecstacy in living; the mere sense of living is joy enough." Emily Dickinson

The Catholic Church of the Holy Spirit, West Bridgford Thursday 10th October 2019 at 10.00 am





#### Final Hymn

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy, Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace, Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

> **Recessional Music** When I Stop Loving You Larry Campbell and Teresa Williams

# Order of Service

#### **Entrance Hymn**

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, Oh my soul, Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, Oh my soul, I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, It's time to sing Your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger, Your name is great, and Your heart is kind, For all Your goodness I will keep on singing, Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day when my strength is failing, The end draws near and my time has come; Still my soul will sing Your praise unending, Ten thousand years and then forevermore. O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by; Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting Light; The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to-night.

O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth! And praises sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth. For Christ is born of Mary, And, gathered all above, While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wondering love.

How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of his heaven. No ear may hear his coming, But in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive him, still The dear Christ enters in.

> O holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us to-day. We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel.

#### Holy Communion Hymns

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

> Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them, they turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, my hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Bless the Lord, oh my soul, Oh my soul, Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, Oh my soul, I'll worship Your holy name.

Yes, I'll worship your holy name. I'll worship your holy name.

Sing like never before, Oh my soul, I'll worship your holy name. Jesus I'll worship your holy name, Worship your holy name. Welcome and Introduction by Father Michael

A Reading from St Paul's letter to the Romans read by Lucy

So far, we have seen that, through Our Lord, Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory.

But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

> The Word of the Lord. **Response: Thanks be to God.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

**Our Father** 

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.

Please come forward to receive Holy Communion. If you are not a Catholic or for any reason cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come forward with arms across your chest for a blessing.



Psalm 102 Response: The Lord is compassion and love.

> **Gospel** Matthew, Chapter 11: verses 25-30

**Tributes** read by Matthew and Mary

**Intercessions** read by Josephine and Patricia

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

## **Offertory Hymn**

As I kneel before you, As I bow my head in prayer, Take this day, make it yours And fill me with your love.

> Ave Maria, Gratia plena, Dominus tecum, Benedicta tu.

All I have I give you, Ev'ry dream and wish are yours, Mother of Christ, Mother of mine, Present them to my Lord.

> As I kneel before you, And I see your smiling face, Ev'ry thought, ev'ry word Is lost in your embrace.