

Funeral Mass
for



Michael Joseph Diver

1st August 1938 - 30th September 2018

Tuesday 30th October 2018 at 10.30 am

Our Lady and St Edward

Led by Father Jonathan Cotton

Order of Service

INTRODUCTORY RITES

RECEPTION OF THE FUNERAL PROCESSION

The Priest welcomes the mourners and, as the procession enters the Chapel, he sprinkles the coffin with holy water.

In the waters of Baptism Michael died with Jesus Christ and rose with him to new life. May he now share with Jesus Christ in eternal glory.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

ENTRY MUSIC

Ashokan Farewell by Phil Coulter and James Galway
written by Jay Ungar

INTRODUCTION TO THE MASS

GREETING THE PEOPLE

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

The Priest says a few words of welcome and introduction to the Service.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Repeat the following after the Priest:

Priest: Lord, have mercy... Christ, have mercy... Lord, have mercy.

Priest: May Almighty God... life everlasting.

All: Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Priest: Let us pray. *[Brief silent prayer for Michael.]*

Lord our God, the death of our brother Michael recalls our human condition and the brevity of our lives on earth. But for those who believe in your love, death is not the end, nor does it destroy the bonds that you forge in our lives. We share the faith of your Son's disciples and the hope of the children of God. Bring the light of Jesus Christ's resurrection to this time of testing and pain as we pray for Michael and for those who love him, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans, Chapter 14: verses 7-12
read by Denis Murray

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. We shall all have to stand before the judgement seat of God; as scripture says: by my life – it is the Lord who speaks – every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall praise God. It is to God, therefore, that each of us must give an account of himself.

At the end of the Reading:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 22

**Response by all: 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: The Lord is...

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: The Lord is...

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: The Lord is...

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: The Lord is...

ACCLAMATION

said by all

**Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life.
If anyone believes in me, even if he dies he will live." Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

read by Father Jonathan

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6

All: Glory to you, Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said, "Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

At the end of the Reading:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

by Father Jonathan Cotton

BIDDING PRAYERS

Response after each prayer:

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PROCESSION OF GIFTS

*The water, bread and wine and a candle are carried to the altar by
the grandchildren Michael and Lucy with Helen.*

HYMN

Gifts Of Bread And Wine by Kathryn Crossweller
written by Christine McCann

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

All: Blessed be God for ever...x2

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We have lifted them up to the Lord.

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

All: It is right and just.

The Preface prayer concludes with

Holy, Holy, Holy.

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.

The Mystery of Faith:

All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

THE COMMUNION RITE

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,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

ACCOMPANYING PRAYERS

including

For the Kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.

LAMB OF GOD,

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

After the Priest's prayer, we all say:

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN

Take My Hand, Precious Lord by Jim Reeves

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

EULOGY

by Sophie Diver, granddaughter

FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Exhortation, followed by a Farewell Chant

Response by all: Receive his soul and present him to God the most high.

PRAYER

Concluding with:

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Priest: Let us go in procession to take our brother to his place of rest.

RECESSIONAL MUSIC

God Be With You Till We Meet Again by Jim Reeves

Procession to Carlton Cemetery for burial at 12.00 noon

A retiring collection will be taken in memory of Michael for the
British Heart Foundation.

After the burial, the reception will be at
Tree Tops, Plains Road, Woodthorpe, Nottingham NG3 5RF.





The family would like to thank you for your kind words of sympathy
and support at this difficult time.

A.W. | YMN

The Family Funeral Service

Robin Hood House
Robin Hood Street
Nottingham
NG3 1GF

www.lymn.co.uk

CCLI Copyright Licence No. 508305