



A Celebration for the Life of

# Alice May Rattenberry

15th December 1927 ~ 9th September 2017

Funeral Service  
Friday 22nd September 2017  
Higher Cemetery Chapel  
1.00pm

Service taken by Father Andrew Down

## ENTRANCE MUSIC

Daniel O'Donnell, 'Beyond the rainbow's end'

## GATHERING AND WELCOME

### HYMN

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide:  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide:  
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see:  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour;  
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy Cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

## THE COLLECT

### READING

John Ch 14 1-4

## POEM AND TRIBUTE

by Kim Collins

### PRAYERS

The response to the bidding 'Lord in your mercy' is  
**Hear our prayer**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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 today 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.  
For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.

Amen

## **HYMN**

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 no ill;  
For thou art with me, and thy rod  
And staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished  
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.

## **COMMENDATION**

### **MUSIC ON EXIT**

Vera Lynn, 'We'll meet again'

## **COMMITTAL AND BLESSING**

at the graveside

*Leslie and Susan wish to thank you  
for attending the service today, for your prayers,  
messages of sympathy and kind donations.*

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