
*Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of
Margaret Holyoake*



23rd February 1945 - 26th January 2022

Trent Valley Crematorium, Derby
Friday 18th February 2022 at 11.30 am







Order of Service





Entrance Music

Woman by John Lennon

Music as the Congregation Gather

Welcome

Father Alan

Almighty God and Father, it is our certain faith that your Son, who died on the Cross, was raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Grant that through this mystery your servant Margaret who has gone to her rest in Christ, may share in the joy of his resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Lord, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.





Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

1 John, Chapter 3: verses 1-2

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.





Responsorial Psalm 102

Response: The Lord is compassion and Love.

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rush in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults.

All: The Lord is Compassion and Love

As a father has compassion on his sons the lord has pity of those who love him; He remembers that we are dust.

All: The Lord is Compassion and Love

As for man, his days are like grass; he flowers like the flower of the field; the wind blows and he is gone and his place never sees him again.

All: The Lord is Compassion and Love

But the love of Lord is everlasting upon this who hold him in love; his justice reaches out to children's children when they keep his covenant in truth.

All: The Lord is Compassion and Love

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation

All: Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

Alleluia!





Gospel

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6


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 also.
You know the way to the place 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.”

Father Alan: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!





Homily

Family Tribute

Eulogy





Poem

The Train

At birth, we boarded the train and met our parents
and we believe they will always travel on our side.

As time goes by, other people will board the train and they will be significant,
i.e. our siblings, friends, children, and even the love of our life.

However, at some station our parents will step down
from the train, leaving us on this journey alone.


Others will step down over time and leave a permanent vacuum.

Some, however, will go so unnoticed
that we don't realise they vacated their seats.

This train ride will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hellos,
goodbyes and farewells. Success consists of having a good relationship
with all passengers, requiring that we give the best of ourselves.

The mystery to everyone is: we do not know at which station we
will step down. So, we must live in the best way, love,
forgive, and offer the best of who we are. It is important to do this
because when the time comes for us to step down
and leave our seat empty, we should leave behind beautiful
memories for those who will continue to travel on the train of life.

I wish you a joyful journey.





Prayers of the Faithful

Please stand


Father Alan: God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead: For Margaret who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she may now be admitted to the company of the saints.
Lord, in your mercy. **R. Hear our prayer.**


For our Sister who shared in communion the body of Christ, the bread of life, that she may be raised up on the last day.
Lord, in your mercy: **R. Hear our prayer.**

For our deceased relatives and friends that have gone before us and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward if their kindness and goodness.
Lord, in your mercy: **R. Hear our prayer.**

For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face. Lord, in your mercy: **R. Hear our prayer.**

For the family and friends of Margaret that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus.
Lord, in your mercy: **R. Hear our prayer.**





We offer all our prayers through Our Mother Mary as we say:
Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst
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.

Father Alan: God, our shelter and our strength,
you listen in love to the prayers we offer for our departed sister.
Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**All: 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.
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Final Commendation





Invitation to Prayer

Father Alan: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister. May our farewell express our affection for her; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet her again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

Saints of God, come to her aid!

Hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord!

Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;

may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,

and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

Saints of God, come to her aid!

Hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord!

Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

Priest: May the angels lead you into paradise. May the martyrs welcome your arrival and take you into the heavenly city of Jerusalem

Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

To you, O Lord, we commend the soul of Margaret your servant; in the sight of this world she is now dead; in your sight may she live for ever.

Forgive whatever sins she committed through human weakness and in your goodness grant her everlasting peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**






May our Farewell

Listen, O God to the prayers of your Church on behalf
of the faithful departed, and grant to your servant Margaret,
the inheritance promised to all your saints.

Through Christ our Lord.

Eternal rest give unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light upon her may Mar-
garet Rest in Peace – **Amen.**





Committal

Please stand

So let us commend Margaret to the Lord that the Lord
may embrace her in love and peace and raise her up on the last day.
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Recessional Music

Vincent by Don McLean







The family would like to thank everyone
for their kind words and support at this sad time.

All are welcome for light refreshment at
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