

Requiem Mass
for the Repose of the Soul of
Francis Joseph Brennan
'Frank'




6th February 1934 - 20th July 2019

St Joseph's Catholic Church

Tuesday 6th August 2019
at 11.00 am





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County Monaghan, Ireland

Frank's Heartland

Entrance Hymn

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.*

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.
So I'll cherish...

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see,
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
To pardon and sanctify me.
So I'll cherish...

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true;
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away,
Where His glory forever I'll share.
So I'll cherish...

George Bennard (1873-1958)

First Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians,

Chapter 15: verses 51-57

read by Danielle, granddaughter

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 102

read by Andrea, niece

R: The Lord is compassion and love.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **(R.)**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R.)**

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
His wrath will come to an end;
he will not be angry for ever. **(R.)**

For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our sins. **(R.)**

Second Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom, Chapter 4: verses 7-15
read by Simone, granddaughter
Untarnished life, this is ripe old age.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

All: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Our Homeland is in heaven.

**From heaven comes the saviour
we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ.**

Alleluia!

Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John, Chapter 6: verses 37-40
Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life and I shall raise him up on the last day.

At the end of the Gospel reading:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

by Father John Trenchard

Bidding Prayers

Sean, grandson:

Dear Granddad Frank we know that you are now alongside our Nana Maureen and we take great comfort from this. Both lovingly reunited with Kieran.

Lord in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

Jemma, granddaughter:

Frank, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, happy and bright, a channel of light. He provided stability, security and unconditional love for all his family. May this encourage us all to follow his example in living our lives with these beautiful values.

Lord in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

Euan, great-grandson, aged 7 years old:

We thank the Lord for giving us Great-Grandad Frankie Boy. His kindness, compassion and love will be greatly missed by us all. Sleep tight in heaven with our Nana Maureen and Uncle Kieran.

Lord in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

Katie, granddaughter:

Lord, we pray for Granddad Frank that he may now be at peace in the Kingdom of God and free from the pain he suffered. We pray for all his family and friends and ask the Blessed Virgin Mary to hear our prayers.

All: Hail Mary, full of grace,

The Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women,

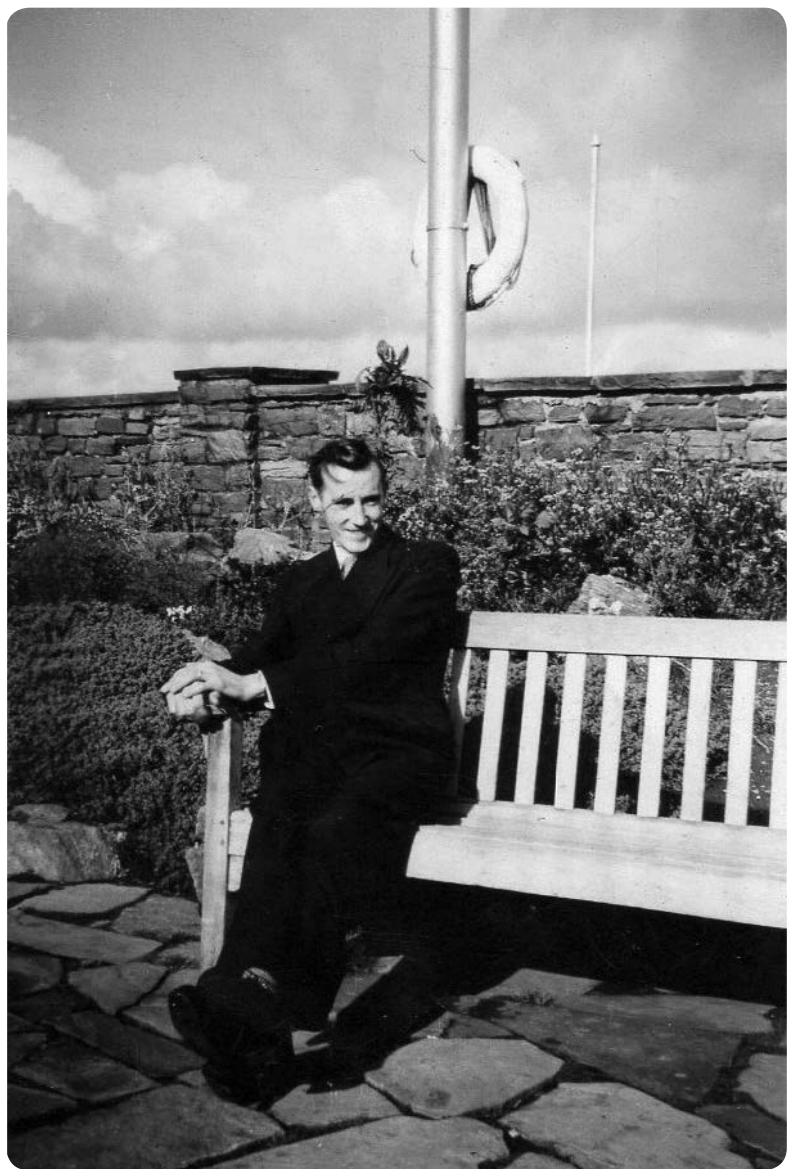
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

Pray for us sinners now

And at the hour of our death.

Amen.



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Procession

by Frank's daughters

Offertory Hymn

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?

Here I am, Lord...

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?

Here I am, Lord...

Dan Schutte (b.1947)



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 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.

Holy Communion Hymn

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)



Frank Remembered

Tributes from all his family
read by Steve, son-in-law

Final Commendation and Prayers

Recessional Music

Back To Castleblayney by Big Tom

Heartfelt thanks from Colette, Deirdre, Noel, Francis, Carol and all the family to each of you for being here to remember their dad today.

Your thoughts, love and kindness at such a sad time will be a lifetime memory.

Following the service and committal, they all warmly invite each of you to celebrate Frank's life with them at

The Irish Club, Becket Street, Derby DE1 1HT.

This is for the part of the day where you can gather to share your memories of their dad with them and each other over a bite to eat and a drink.

Frank's request was for memorial donations for

Cancer Research UK

as this was close to his and Maureen's hearts.

Donations 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 <https://www.lymn.co.uk/obituaries>

To Frank's friends and family... Goodnight, Irene.



If I don't see you in the week, I'll see you through the window.

A.W. LYMN

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