

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
THOMAS DOMINIC GROGAN

13th March 1979 - 4th January 2023



St George's Roman Catholic Church
Wednesday 8th February 2023
at 10.30 am



A bouquet of vibrant red roses with green leaves and stems, resting on a light-colored wooden surface. The roses are in various stages of bloom, with some fully open and others as buds. The background is a soft, light green gradient.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Taken by Canon Alan Burbidge

ENTRANCE MUSIC

In My Mind

by Dynoro and Gigi D'Agostino

PLACING OF CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS

OPENING PRAYER

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 Thomas, who has gone to his 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 Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

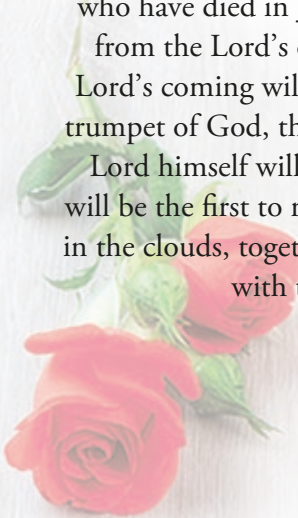
A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We shall stay with the Lord forever.

We want you to be quite certain about those who have died, so make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of you who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So shall we stay with the Lord forever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.





RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.

He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

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

Response: Glory to You, O Lord.

There are many rooms in my Father's house.

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.”

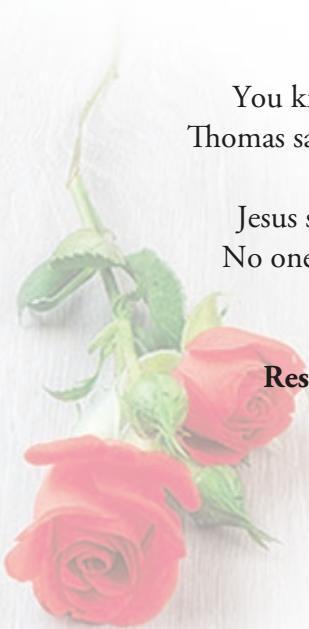
Thomas said “Lord, we do not know where you are going,
so how can we know the way?”

Jesus said, “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord,

Response: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY





FAMILY TRIBUTES

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

READING

One night I had a dream.

I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord, and across the sky flashed scenes from my life. For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One belonged to me, and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of my life flashed before us, I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that many times along the path of my life, there was only one set of footprints. I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in my life.

This really bothered me, and I questioned the Lord about it.

“Lord, You said that once I decided to follow You,
You would walk with me all the way;
but I have noticed that during the
most troublesome times in my life,
there is only one set of footprints.

I don't understand why, in times when I
needed You the most, You should leave me.”

The Lord replied, “My precious, precious
child. I love you, and I would never,
never leave you during your times of
trial and suffering.

When you saw only one set of footprints,
it was then that I carried you.”

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Sail Away
by David Gray

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

COMMUNION RITE

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

HOLY COMMUNION AND BLESSINGS





HYMN

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come,
‘Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise
Than when we’ve first begun.

John Newton (1725-1807)



PRAYERS OF COMMENDATION

EXIT MUSIC
Goodbye My Lover
by James Blunt

The committal follows at Nottingham Road Cemetery.







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

All are welcome for light refreshment at
The Chestnut Tree, 174 Portland Street,
Derby DE23 8PJ.

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