



In Loving Memory
of

JOHN THOMAS MAHER

13th April 1924 – 12th October 2018



Service followed by interment at Wilford Hill Cemetery.

John's family thank you for attending
and warmly invite you for refreshments at:

The Beeches Hotel
69 Wilford Lane
West Bridgford
Nottingham
NG2 7RN

A.W. LYMN

The Family Funeral Service

Rutland House
128 Melton Road
West Bridgford
NG2 6EP

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The Catholic Church of the Holy Spirit, West Bridgford

Thursday 15th November 2018

at 1.15 pm



FUNERAL SERVICE FOR JOHN MAHER RIP

ENTRANCE HYMN

*Do not be afraid,
for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by your name;
you are mine.*

When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you.
You will never sink beneath the waves.

When the fire is burning all around you,
you will never be consumed by the flames.

When the fear of loneliness is looming,
then remember I am at your side.

When you dwell in the exile of the stranger,
remember you are precious in my eyes.

You are mine, O my child, I am your Father,
and I love you with a perfect love.

GREETINGS AND WELCOME



FINAL 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 close to me,
following all my ways.
May I be always close to you,
Following all your ways, Lord.

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 close to me,
following all my ways.
May I be always close to you,
Following all your ways, Lord.

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.

For you are always close to me,
following all my ways.
May I be always close to you,
following all your ways, Lord.

BIDDING PRAYERS

Teresa

For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again,
that they may see God face to face.

Lord, in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

For the family and friends of our brother, John, that they may be consoled in their
grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend, Lazarus.

Lord, in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

For John, who in Baptism was given the pledge of eternal life,
that he may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

Lord, in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith,
that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy.

Response: Hear our prayer.

MUSIC

Ave Maria by Schubert

COMMENDATION PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE READING

Paul

1 Corinthians, Chapter 12: verse 31 - Chapter 13: verses 8 and 13

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better
than any of them. If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak
without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing.

If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are,
and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains,
but without love, then I am nothing at all.

If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my
body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited;
it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no
pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse,
to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes.

Love does not come to an end. In short, there are three things that last; faith,
hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

John

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 my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

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 my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

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 my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

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 my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.



GOSPEL

Matthew, Chapter 5: verses 1-12

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle; they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn; they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right, they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful; they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart; they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers; they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward will be great in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

TRIBUTE

Sean