In Loving Memory of

Cecilia Neckles



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Our Lady of Lourdes Church Acton W3 6LX

14th November 2023 10am

> **CELEBRANTS:** Fr Patrick Adusei Poku Rev Tito Pereira



INTRODUCTORY RITES

RECEPTION OF COFFIN

OPENING HYMN: Blessed Assurance

 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading: Isaiah 25:6–9

2. Perfect communion, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight. Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest. I in my Saviour am happy and blessed, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

A reading from the Book of Isaiah – Mary McQueen

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain, he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death forever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: 'See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord Response: Thanks be to God

Psalm: The Lord's my Shepherd

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.

2. 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.

3. Yea, though I walk thro' death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for Thou art with me, and Thy rod and staff me comfort still. 4. My table Thou hast furnishéd in presence of my foes; my head Thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

5. Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me: and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be. 2nd Reading: Romans 8:31-35.37-39

A reading for the Book of Romans A reading from the Book of Isaiah – Marjorie John

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give.

Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us — he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

Nothing therefore can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord Response: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation (please stand)

Alleluia, alleluia!

It is my Father's will, says the Lord, that whoever believes in the Son shall have eternal life; and I shall raise him up on the last day. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31–46 - Deacon Tito Pereira

Priest: The Lord be with you Response: **And with your spirit** Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew Response: **Glory to You, O Lord**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and

you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."

Response: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

HOMILY Rev Tito Pereira

EULOGY Royston John, Lorraine & John Neckles

BIDDING PRAYERS led by Aaliyah, Chelsee, Reiah, Isaiah, and Amber

Response: Lord of life, hear your people.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

 Make me a channel of Your peace Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love

Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord

And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

 Make me a channel of Your peace Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope Where there is darkness, only light And where there's sadness, ever joy. Oh master, grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console To be understood as to understand To be loved as to love with all my soul

3. Make me a channel of Your peace It is in pardoning that we are pardoned In giving to all men that we receive And in dying that we're born into eternal life.

COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER & SIGN OF PEACE

HOLY COMMUNION

Catholics and non-Catholics who cannot receive communion are encouraged to come forward for a blessing. Indicate this by crossing your hands across your chest.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Precious Lord, Take My Hand - Soloist: Ulanda Alexander

Amazing Grace

- Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me

 once was lost, but now I'm 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

FINAL COMMENDATION

SONG OF FAREWELL: Choirs of Angels

RECESSIONAL HYMN: How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r thru-out the universe displayed!

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When thru the woods and forest glades I wander And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze,

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in – That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

My Chains are Gone, I've been set free My God, my Saviour has ransomed me And like a flood, His mercy reigns Unending love, Amazing grace

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

May the choirs of angels come to greet you. May they speed you to paradise. May the Lord enfold you in His mercy. May you find eternal life.



Hymns for the burial

1. Farther Along

Tempted and tried we're oft made to wonder, Why it should be thus all the day long; While there are others living about us, Never molested though in the wrong.

Refrain:

Farther along we'll know all about it, Farther along we'll understand why; Cheer up, don't worry, live in the sunshine, We'll understand it all by and by.

When death has come and taken our loved ones, It leaves our home so lonely and drear; Then do we wonder why others prosper, Living so wicked year after year.

Faithful till death said our loving Master, A few more days to labor and wait; Toils of the road will then seem as nothing, As we sweep through the beautiful gate.

When we see Jesus coming in glory, When He comes from His home in the sky; Then we shall meet Him in that bright mansion, We'll understand it all by and by.

2. Thank you Jesus

Thank you Jesus Thank you Jesus Thank you Lord, for loving me. (x2)

You went to Calvary, there you died for me, Thank you, Lord, for loving me.

You rose up from the grave, to me new life you gave, Thank you, Lord, for loving me.

3. Abide With Me

Abide with me, fast falls the even tide; The darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide! When other helpers fail, and comforts flee, Help of the helpless Lord, 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, ev'ry passing hour: What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me!

4. Old Rugged Cross

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

> Refrain: 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.

Oh, 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.

In the old rugged Cross, stain'd with blood so divine A wondrous beauty I see For the dear Lamb of God, left his Glory above To pardon and sanctify me.

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.

5. Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassion's, they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

6. I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; Lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon My breast." I came to Jesus as I was, weary and worn and sad; I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give The living water; thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light; Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun; And in that light of life I'll walk, till traveling days are done.

7. Power in the Blood

Would you be free from the burden of sin? There's power in the blood, power in the blood; Would you o'er evil a victory win? There's wonderful power in the blood.

Refrain:

There is power, power, wonder-working power In the blood of the Lamb; There is power, power, wonder-working power In the precious blood of the Lamb.

Would you be free from your passion and pride? There's power in the blood, power in the blood; Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide– There's wonderful power in the blood.

Would you be whiter, yes brighter than snow? There's power in the blood, power in the blood; Sin stains are lost in its life-giving flow– There's wonderful power in the blood.

Would you do service for Jesus, your King? There's power in the blood, power in the blood; Would you live daily His praises to sing? There's wonderful power in the blood.

8. Soon and very soon

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, (x3) Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we are goin' to see the King!

No more cryin' there we are goin' to see the King, (x3) Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we are goin' to see the King!

No more dyin' there we are goin' to see the King, (x3) Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we are goin' to see the King!



"She is Gone"

You can shed tears that she is gone Or you can smile because she has lived You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left Your heart can be empty because you can't see her Or you can be full of the love that you shared You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday You can remember her and only that she is gone Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back Or you can do what she would want: smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

Our mother suffered with dementia in her later years. So, instead of flowers, we would prefer donations to support these charities.

Scan the QR code or visit https://cecilianeckles.muchloved.com/ to leave a tribute, light a candle or donate to one of these charities.





We would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest thanks to family and friends for the amazing support and kindness we have been blessed with.

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We lost an amazing lady who has not only nurtured and cared for us and has been a pillar of strength to so many others.

As we mourn the passing of our much-loved mother, grandmother, aunt, niece, cousin, and friend, we can take comfort in the assurance that she has been reunited with her son, husband, and the rest of her family, safe in the arms of the Lord.