Funeral Mass to Celebrate the Life of

Patrick Joseph Edward Denham O'Brien

Lovingly known as *Pad, Pat and Paddy*

 27^{th} October $1941 - 1^{st}$ January 2024





Our Lady of Lourdes Acton

Monday 5th February 2024 at 11am. *Celebrant: Fr. Fergal Maguire SS.CC.*

Rest in Peace

Order of Service

Entrance Hymn Lord of All Hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever childlike no cares could destroy: Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: Be there at our homing and give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

The Coffin is sprinkled with Holy Water Reminding us of our baptism and the promise of life everlasting

Words of Welcome and Opening Prayer

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

from the Book of Wisdom 3: 1-9 read by Hutch

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

> **The Psalm** 'The Lord is my Shepherd'

Second Reading

I Corinthians 13, 1-13 read by D'Arcy

Though I command languages both human and angelic -- if I speak without love, I am no more than a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. And though I have the power of prophecy, to penetrate all mysteries and knowledge, and though I have all the faith necessary to move mountains -- if I am without love, I am nothing. Though I should give away to the poor all that I possess, and even give up my body to be burned -- if I am without love, it will do me no good whatever. Love is always patient and kind; love is never jealous; love is not boastful or conceited, it is never rude and never seeks its own advantage, it does not take offence or store up grievances. Love does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but finds its joy in the truth. It is always ready to make allowances, to trust, to hope and to endure whatever comes. Love never comes to an end. But if there are prophecies, they will be done away with; if tongues, they will fall silent; and if knowledge, it will be done away with. For we know only imperfectly, and we prophesy imperfectly; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will be done away with. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and see things as a child does, and think like a child; but now that I have become an adult, I have finished with all childish ways. Now we see only reflections in a mirror, mere riddles, but then we shall be seeing face to face. Now I can know only imperfectly; but then I shall know just as fully as I am myself known. As it is, these remain: faith, hope and love, the three of them; and the greatest of them is love.

Alleluia

The Gospel

The Homily

Fr. Fergal

Prayers of the Faithful

Mick, Tish, Johnny and Ginger

Offertory Hymn

Ave Maria (solo) Presented by Anna and Sam

Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymn The Lord Bless You and Keep You

The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord lift his countenance upon you, And give you peace;

The Lord make his face to shine upon you, And be gracious unto you. Amen, amen.

May God bless you and keep you; May God lift his countenance upon you, And give you peace;

May God make his face to shine upon you, And be gracious unto you. Amen, amen.

Eulogy

Given by Anne

Tributes

Given by Sam Edward Tish

Poem

Read by Johnny

Final Commendation

May the Choirs of Angels Come to Greet You' (solo)

Final Prayer and Blessing

Recessional Hymn Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers, living still In spite of dungeon, fire and sword, O how our hearts beat high with joy Whene'er we hear that glorious word!

> Faith of our fathers! holy faith! We will be true to thee till death!

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark, Were still in heart and conscience free; And blest would be their children's fate, If they, like them should die for thee:

Refrain

Faith of our fathers, we will strive To win all nations unto thee; And through the truth that comes from God Mankind shall then indeed be free.

Refrain

Faith of our fathers, we will love Both friend and foe in all our strife, And preach thee, too, as love knows how By kindly words and virtuous life.

Refrain



The Rite of Committal and cremation will take place at Mortlake Crematorium, Kew Meadows Path, Townmead Road TW9 4EN.

The Committal

My Way – Frank Sinatra **The Committal** Gloria by Karl Jenkins **Tribute** Given by Darek, Sue, Lawson (Jerry) You got It - Roy Orbison Yoshimi and Anna would like to thank you all for coming today and for the support and kindness during this sad and difficult time. Many thanks to all those who have sent cards, floral tributes and messages of support.



A special word of thanks to Fr. Fergal for his support and for helping us to organise Paddy's funeral.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank you all personally at a reception at WASPS FC Twyford Avenue, London W3 9QA after the crematorium service.

Donations in Paddy's memory can be made in support of Meadow House Hospice by using this link: <u>www.justgiving.com/page/patrickobrien-memorial</u>