



**ST GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
SUDBURY**



REQUIEM MASS
for the Repose of the Soul of
THOMAS FRANCIS DOLAN

(3rd September 1935 – 28th December 2021)

Wednesday 19th January 2022
at 11.00am

Followed by burial at Carpenders Park

ORDER OF SERVICE

STAND

Reception of the Body & Placing of Christian symbols

Opening 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 born my peoples 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?

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,

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Give me peace in my heart, I pray.
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Keep me resting 'till the end of day.



We, Tom's family, would like to convey our sincere gratitude to everyone for your thoughts and prayers during our time of grief.

We would also like to extend our thanks to the staff at St Lukes Hospice, Kenton for their care and compassion through this difficult journey. The collection as you leave Mass today t will be given to St Luke's hospice to support the amazing work they do.

In celebration of Tom's life, we would like to invite you all you join us at the Three Crowns, 1 High Road Bushey Heath, Bushey WD23 1EA

EULOGY

STAND

Final Commendation and Farewell

*May angels guide you and bring you into paradise:
and may all the martyrs come forth to welcome you home;
and may they lead you into the holy city, Jerusalem.*

*May the angel chorus sing to welcome you,
and like Lazarus, forgotten and poor,
you shall have everlasting rest.*

HYMN

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
Give me joy in my heart, I pray;
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
Keep me praising till the break of day.

*Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King!*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,
Give me peace in my heart, I pray;
Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,
Keep me loving till the break of day:

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart, I pray;
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Keep me serving till the break of day:

Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them,
Whom shall I send?

The Collect

SIT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: *Isaiah 43:1-5*

Do not be afraid.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord who created you says, "Do not be afraid - I will save you. I have called you by name - you are mine. When you pass through deep waters, I will be with you; your troubles will not overwhelm you. When you pass through fire, you will not be burned; the hard trials that come will not hurt you. For I am the Lord your God, the holy God of Israel, who saves you. I will give up whole nations to save your life, because you are precious to me and because I love you and give you honour. Do not be afraid - I am with you! "

The word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Responsorial psalm 26

Response: ***The Lord is my light and my help.***

The Lord is my light and my help;
Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? **R/.**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple. **R/.**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face. **R/.**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart
Hope in the Lord! **R/.**

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8
I have fought the good fight.

A reading from rom the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy,

The time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end. I have run the race to the finish. I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the Crown of righteousness reserved for me, Which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give on that Day, and not only to me but to all who have longed for his appearing.

The word of the Lord. ***The word of the Lord.***

STAND

Invitation to Holy Communion

Catholics who are present are invited to come to receive Holy Communion. Others present are invited to come forward to receive a prayer of blessing: they should come to the minister with their arms crossed before them, to make it clear that they are coming to receive the prayer of blessing.

HYMN

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.

*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.*

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.

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 to eternal life.

STAND

Post-Communion Prayer

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KNEEL

Memorial Acclamation

The mystery of faith.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer the priest concludes
...for ever and ever. Amen.

STAND

The 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. Amen.

The Sign of Peace

Agnus Dei

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.***

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.***

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
grant us peace.***

KNEEL

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

***It is my Father's will, says the Lord,
that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me,
and that I should raise it up on the last day.
Alleluia!***

Gospel: John 14:1-6

There are many rooms in my Father's house.

The Lord be with you. ***And with your spirit.***

A reading from the holy Gospel according John. ***Glory to you, O Lord.***

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. ***Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.***

SIT

Homily

STAND

Prayers of Intercession

Priest: Brothers and Sisters, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his:

We pray for our family and ask you Lord to give comfort and love to Tom's wife, Kathleen, his children Caroline, Angela, Paul and Janice and his grand children George, Niamh, Gracie, Tara, Lucy, Henry and Thomas Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who care for the sick, especially those who cared for Tom during his illness
Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those suffering from a terminal illness and for their families and carers, grant them your strength and comfort.
Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We ask Mary the mother of Jesus, who mourned the death of her son to pray with us. **Hail Mary, full of grace....**

Priest: Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, hear the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Forgive the sins of all who sleep in Christ and grant them a place in the kingdom. We ask this through Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn

As I kneel before you,
As I bow my head in prayer,
Take this day, make it yours
and fill me with your love.

*Ave Maria, Gratia plena,
Dominus tecum, Benedicta tu.*

All I have I give you,
Every dream and wish are yours,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of mine, present them to my Lord.

*Ave Maria, Gratia plena,
Dominus tecum, Benedicta tu.*

As I kneel before you,
And I see your smiling face,
Ev'ry thought, ev'ry word
Is lost in your embrace.

*Ave Maria, Gratia plena,
Dominus tecum, Benedicta tu.*

STAND The Eucharistic Prayer

The Preface dialogue

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.