

A Celebration of the Life of Fr Michael McMahon sac

Born 27 January 1939
Ordained 20 July 1963
Died 5 July 2008



FUNERAL MASS FOR MICHAEL MCMAHON sac

TRINITY COLLEGE CHAPEL
THURSDAY JULY 10 2008

OPENING HYMN

ONE MORE STEP ALONG THE ROAD

CHORUS

One more step along the road I go;
One more step along the road I go;
From the old times to the new
Keep me travelling along with you.

CHORUS

And it's from the old I travel to the new;
Keep me travelling along with you.

Round the corner of the world I turn,
More and more about the world I learn;
All the new things that I see
You'll be looking at along with me

CHORUS

As I travel through the bad and good,
Keep me travelling the way I should;
Where I see no way to go
You'll be telling me the way I know

CHORUS

Give me courage when the world is rough
Keep me loving though the world is tough;
Leap and sing in all I do,
Keep me travelling along with you

CHORUS

You are older than the world can be,
You are younger than the life in me;
Ever old and ever new,
Keep me travelling along with you:

CHORUS



WELCOME TO COUNTRY

GREETING

PLACEMENT OF SYMBOLS

OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans (8: 31-39)

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are counted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

THE LORD HEARS THE CRY OF THE POOR

Soloist Daniel Mullaney

Refrain

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Blessed be the Lord.

Verses

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.

Refrain

2. Let the lowly hear and be glad, the Lord listens to their pleas;
and to hearts broken God is near, who will hear the cry of the poor.

Refrain

3. Ev'ry spirit crushed, God will save; will be ransom for their lives;
will be safe shelter for their fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.

Refrain

4. We proclaim your greatness, oh God, your praise ever in our mouth;
every face brightened in your light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

Refrain

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face
Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.
Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice
Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.
Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you.
Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.



GOSPEL READING

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew. (25: 31-40)

"When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left.

Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from 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 welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or thirsty and give thee drink? And when did we see thee a stranger and welcome thee, or naked and clothe thee? And when did we see thee sick or in prison and visit thee? And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

HOMILY

by Fr Michal Gitner and Fr Eugene San.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

OFFERTORY HYMN

CITY OF GOD

Dan Schutte

1. Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.

Refrain

Let us build the city of God. May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day!

2. We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.
The one who has loved us has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be
A light for his people to set their hearts free.

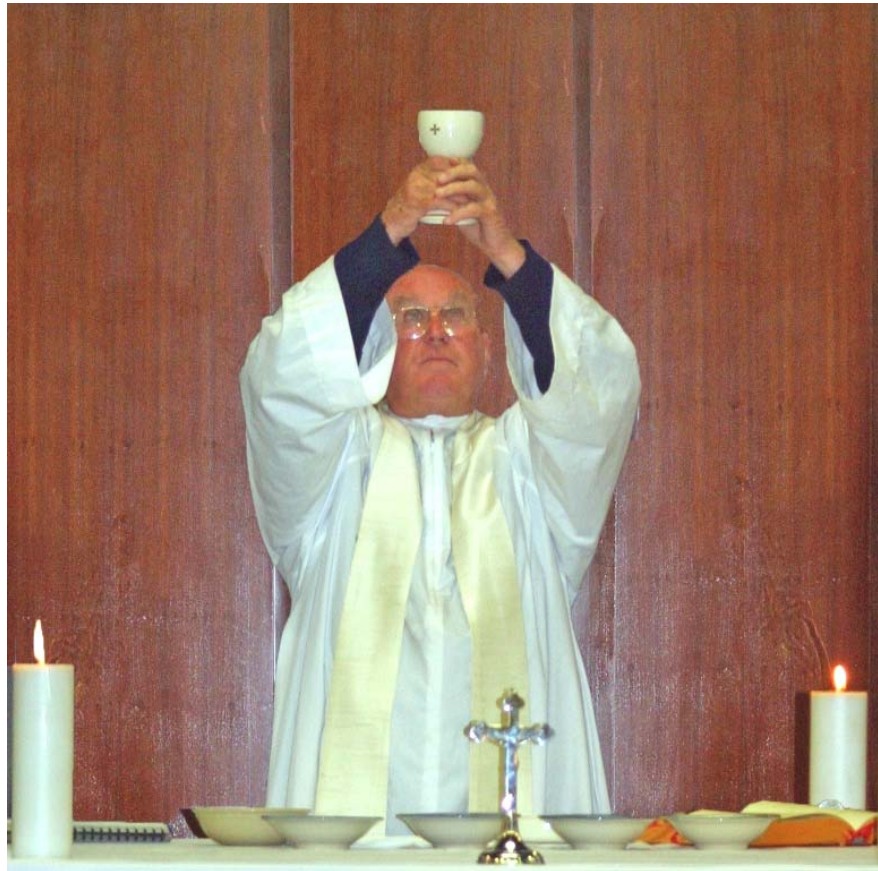
Refrain

PREFACE OF THE DEAD

SECOND EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Sung



ABORIGINAL OUR FATHER

You are our Father, You live in heaven, We talk to you, Father you are good.

You are our Father, You live in heaven, We talk to You, Father you are good.

We believe Your word, Father, We are your children, give us bread today.
We believe Your word, Father, We are your children, give us bread today.

We have done wrong, we are sorry, Teach us, Father all about Your word.
We have done wrong, we are sorry, Teach us, Father all about Your word

Others have done wrong to us, And we are sorry for them, Father, today.
Others have done wrong to us, And we are sorry for them, Father, today

Stop us from doing wrong, Father, Save us all from the evil one.
Stop us from doing wrong Father, Save us all from the evil one.

You are our Father, You live in heaven, We talk to You, Father, You are good.

You are our Father, You live in heaven, We talk to you, Father, You are good.

COMMUNION HYMN WE WALK BY FAITH

We walk by faith, and not by sight:
No gracious words we hear
Of him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
But we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,
Nor follow where he trod;
Yet in his promise we rejoice
And cry "My Lord and God!"
Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
And may our faith abound;

To call on you when you are near,
And seek where you are found:

That when our life of faith is done
In realms of clearer light
We may behold you as you are
In full and endless sight.

SILENT PRAYER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

EULOGY: Frank McMahon

ACTIONS OF HONOUR

FINAL HYMN

LORD OF THE DANCE

I danced in the morning
When the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon
And the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven
And I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem
I had my birth.

CHORUS

Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he

I danced for the scribe
And the Pharisee,
But they would not dance
And they wouldn't follow me.

I danced for the fishermen,
For James and John -
They came with me
And the Dance went on.

CHORUS

I danced on the Sabbath
And I cured the lame;
The holy people
Said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
And they hung me on high,
And they left me there
On a Cross to die.

CHORUS

I danced on a Friday
When the sky turned black -
It's hard to dance
With the devil on your back.
They buried my body
And they thought I'd gone,
But I am the Dance,
And I still go on.

CHORUS

They cut me down
And I leapt up high;
I am the life
That'll never, never die;
I'll live in you
If you'll live in me -
I am the Lord
Of the Dance, said he.

