

A Service to Celebrate the Life

— of —

Diarmaid Mac Diarmada

who passed away 30th September 2024



Funeral Mass

St. Thomas the Apostle Church

Laurel Lodge

Thursday: 3rd October 2024

11.00am

Celebrant: Father Páraic McDermott

Soloist: Barbara Galvin

Accompanist: Vincent Lynch

Entrance Hymn: The Deer's Cry

Reading 1: Readers Name: Ciarán Mac Diarmada

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes (3:1-7,11)

For everything there is a season, and
A time for every matter under heaven.
A time to be born, and a time to die;
A time to plant, and
A time to root up what is planted;
A time to break down and a time to build up;
A time to weep and a time to laugh;
A time to mourn and a time to dance;
A time to embrace and
A time to refrain from embracing;
A time to seek, and a time to lose;
A time to keep and a time to discard;
A time to tear, and a time to sew;
A time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
God has made everything suitable for its time.

This is the word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

‘Sé an Tiarna m’Aoire (Anne Murray)

Reading 2: Readers Name: Madeleine Murray

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians (4:13-18)

We want you to be quite certain about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from Heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up into the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So, we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these we will comfort one another.

This is the word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Prayers of the Faithful:

Readers Name: Aifric Mac Diarmada

God of consolation, help us to comfort one another in our grief, finding light in time of darkness and faith in time of doubt.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: Sinéad Brennan

Let us pray for all the wonderful staff who cared for Diarmaid in Connolly Hospital and in the Hermitage Clinic during his illness.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: Laura Boyle

Lord, we ask for your blessing today on all those who are seriously ill. Be close to them in their time of sickness and give them strength and courage.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: Judy Mac Diarmada

We pray for all our departed brothers and sisters. We remember especially today, Diarmaid's parents, Eibhlin and Diarmaid, his sister Máirín and her husband Jeremy. We also remember Mary's parents, Vivian and Nancy, who loved Diarmaid so much. Unite them all in God's kingdom where there is no more pain or suffering.

Readers Name: Brendan Ryan

Let us pray for peace in the Middle East and in Ukraine and an end to war and suffering in our world.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: Emer Mac Diarmada

Máire and Diarmaid recently celebrated 43 happy years together. Let us pray for Máire, that God will give her strength and comfort her in her grief.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Offertory Procession

Hymn: Mo Ghrá Thú a Thiarna

Acclamation of Faith: He is Lord

Communion

Hymn 1: Eagle's Wings

Hymn 2: Pie Jesu (Fauré)

Recessional

Song of Choice: Will you go, lassie go

