

A Service to Celebrate the Life

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Elizabeth (Betty) Nolan

who died 3rd December 2022



Funeral Mass

St. Patrick's Church

Esker, Lucan

Wednesday: 7th December 2022

10.00am

Celebrant: Father Gareth Byrne

Organist: Ian Brabazon

First Reading: Alicia Byrne

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

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 people see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessing be.

God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with Him. He has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust.

When the time comes for His visitation they will shine out; as sparks run through the stubble, so will they.

They shall judge nations, rule over peoples, and the Lord will be their king forever.

Those who trust 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 word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want

Second Reading: Ailish Kavanagh Nolan

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the Saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and He will transfigure those wretched bodies of ours into copies of His glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which He can subdue the whole universe.

The word of the Lord

Prayers of the Faithful: Seán Nolan

1. Let us thank God for having given Mam the gift of life.
We pray that He will now grant her the greater gift of eternal life.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us

2. As we thank God for Mam's contribution in life, may we, as a family, now find inspiration and comfort in her example.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us

3. For the nursing staff/doctors and all the carers in Blanchardstown Hospital who looked after Mam: may they be rewarded for their goodness.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us

4. That we may see Christ as the companion of our lives and allow Him to draw close to us especially in the dark moments of our journey.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us

5. For all those who have left this world in God's friendship, especially those who were dear to us.

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