

A Service to Celebrate the Life

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Kathleen O'Kane

13th February 2024



Funeral Mass

St Mary's Church, Lucan

Friday 16th February, 2024, 10:00am

Celebrants: Father Michael Dunleavy O.P.

& Father Philip Curran

Organist: Ian, Soloist: Nicky

Entrance Hymn: Be Not Afraid

Procession with Symbols: Eimear O’Kane

Presented by Saoirse, Aoife, Aedin, Laura, Charlie, Naomi & Cian

Reading 1: Reader: Kevin O’Kane

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 25:6–9

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food.
On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
He will destroy Death forever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek;
He will take away his people’s shame everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters He leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. (R)

He guides me along the right path; He is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. (R)

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R)

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R)

Reading 2: Reader: Liam O’Kane

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

We know that for those who love God, and are called to his plan, everything works out for the good.

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own son but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain that after such a gift he will not refuse anything he can give. When God acquits can anyone condemn?

Nothing therefore can come between us and the love of God even if we are troubled or worried. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power nor any created thing can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Word of God.

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, no one can come to the Father except through me.

Gospel; John 14:1–6

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. 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

Prayers of the Faithful:

Readers Name: Saoirse O’Kane Hackett

We pray for Kathleen who lived a life of generosity and dedication to Jesus Christ and his Mother Mary, that she will be welcomed with love and joy into the heavenly home of the Eternal Father.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: Grace O’Kane

We pray for those who mourn Kathleen’s death, especially her husband Bill and their children, son-in-law, daughters-in-law and grandchildren; may their tears be wiped away and turned into joy.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: James O’Kane

We pray for all our departed brothers and sisters. Today we pray for Kathleen’s brothers Seamus and John and her parents Maggie Jane and James Patrick. May Kathleen be reunited with them in God’s kingdom where there is no more pain or suffering.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: Darragh O’Kane

We remember the staff at Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown who were so kind and caring to Kathleen and we thank the palliative care team who helped us so much. We remember all who are suffering from illness and we pray for them and their families and all medical professionals that the Lord may always be their support.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Readers Name: Alannah Conroy

We pray for all gathered here today, the gift of life which we all share, is very precious. Lord, make us more aware of the gifts and talents you have given us, particularly those that we so often take for granted. May we use them to make the world a better place.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Offertory Procession: Ave Maria

Aoife & Aedin O’Kane Hackett

Acclamation of Faith: He is Lord

Sign of Peace:

Communion Hymn

Hymn 1: Here I am Lord

Hymn 2: Nearer My God to Thee

Blessing: Catherine O’Kane

May the road
Rise up to meet you.
May the wind
Be always at your back.
May the sunshine
Warm upon your face;
And the rains fall
Soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you
In the palm of His hand.

Eulogy: Colm O’Kane

Recessional

You Raise Me Up – André Rieu

