A Service to Celebrate the Life

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Sheila Catherine Murphy

6th July 1941 - 24th September 2026

Funeral Mass

St. Brigid's Church

Blanchardstown

Tuesday: 29th September 2026

10.00am

Celebrant: Father John Gilligan

Soloist: Keith Matthews

Organist: Louis Ronayne

Entrance Hymn: "Here I am Lord"

Reading 1: Ciara

A reading the second Letter of St. Paul to Timothy

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Be not afraid.

Reading 2: Breffni

A reading from St. Paul to the Corinthian

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.
Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm
Be not afraid.

Gospel Acclamation Hymn:

Prayers of the Faithful:

1. Reader Declan
We pray for Sheila, who has died. In Baptism she was given the pledge of eternal life. May she now be admitted to the Company of the Saints in heaven.
Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

2. Reader Ciarán
We pray for those whose lives are dedicated to caring for the sick. We pray especially for the staff at James Connolly Hospital, St Francis Hospice, the Meridian Clinic, and the public health nursing staff and carers who so lovingly looked after Nanny in the final months of her life. May God reward their kindness.
Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

3. Reader Julie-Ann
We pray for all the faithful departed, especially our relatives, friends, neighbours and members of the community so that they may dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

4. Reader Fiona
We pray for all those here and those watching on the live stream that we may remember at all times, but especially at times of trouble and anxiety, that we are loved by God and that he will take care of us.
Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

5. Reader Mick
We pray for an end to all hatred, conflict, and suffering in the world today, and that we may find peace among all peoples.
Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

6. Reader Susan
We pray for all those who mourn Sheila's passing, especially her husband, family and friends. May they find strength and comfort in the love and support of those around them, and in the many happy memories of the life they shared with Sheila

Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us.

7. Reader Jamie
We pray for Nanny Blanch's family, especially her children and grandchildren.
May the love, memories and happiness she shared with us remain in our hearts,
and may we find comfort in one another as we remember and give thanks for her life.

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Lord, graciously hear us.

Offertory Procession
Hymn Ave Maria

Acclamation of Faith: He is lord

Sign of Peace:

Communion: Hymn 1 Panis Angelicus
Hymn 2 Pie Jesu

Eulogy by: Jack, Rory, Ruaidhrí

Recessional
Song of Choice - Be not afraid