

REQUIEM MASS

IN CELEBRATION AND THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF

Joseph Preston (Joe)

Died 5th December 2020

Aged 80 Years



Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

Tuesday 22nd December 2020 at 1:00 pm

Followed by burial at Killingbeck Catholic Cemetery



OPENING HYMN

I watch the sunrise *by Organist – Peter Siney*

EULOGY

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom 3 1-6 9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

The word of the Lord. *All: Thanks be to God.*



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: 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/**



Please stand to greet the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are those who die in the Lord!
Now they can rest forever after their work,
since their good deeds go with them.

Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit

Celebrant: A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

John 14 1:6

There are many rooms in my Father's house.

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

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

BIDDING PRAYERS

Lord in your mercy. ***Response: Hear our prayer.***

REFLECTIVE SONG

Our Lady of Knock *by Tommy McLoughlin*

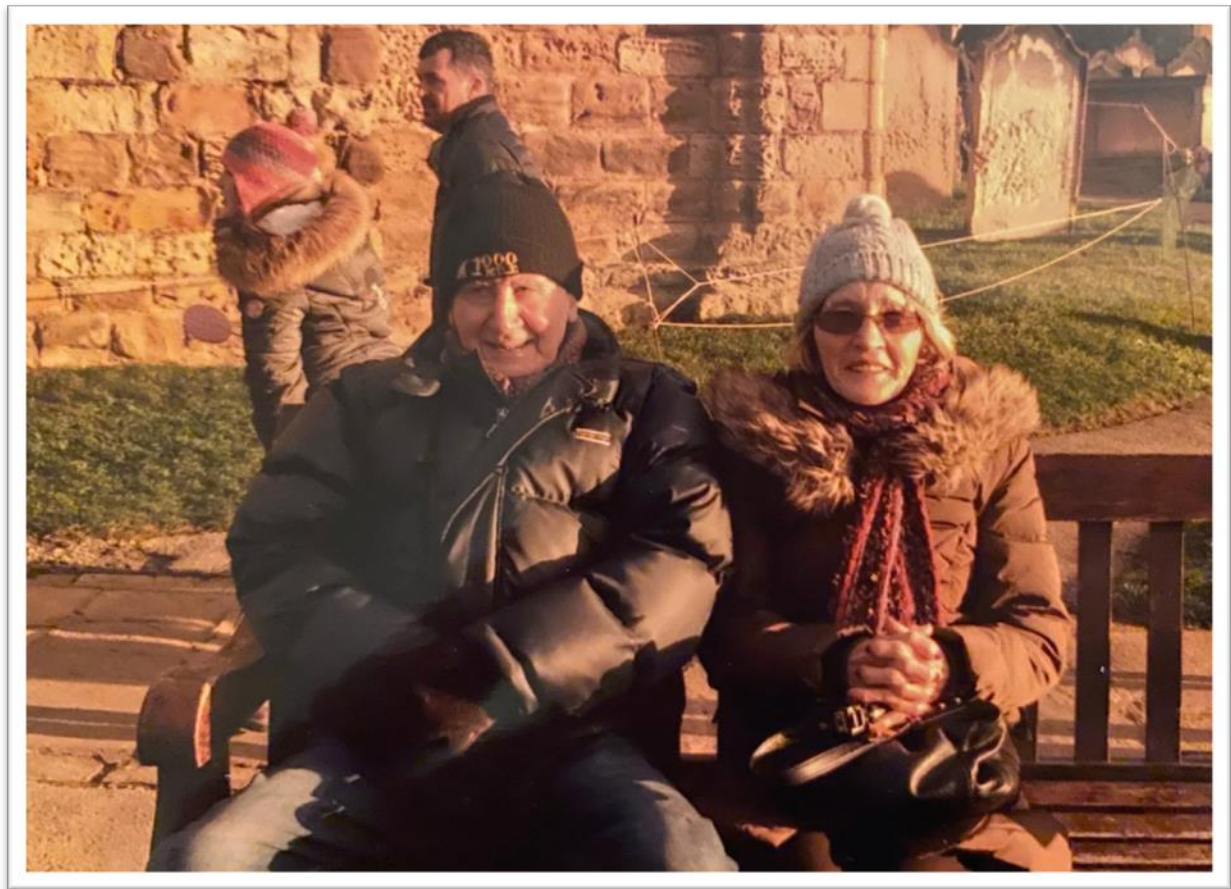
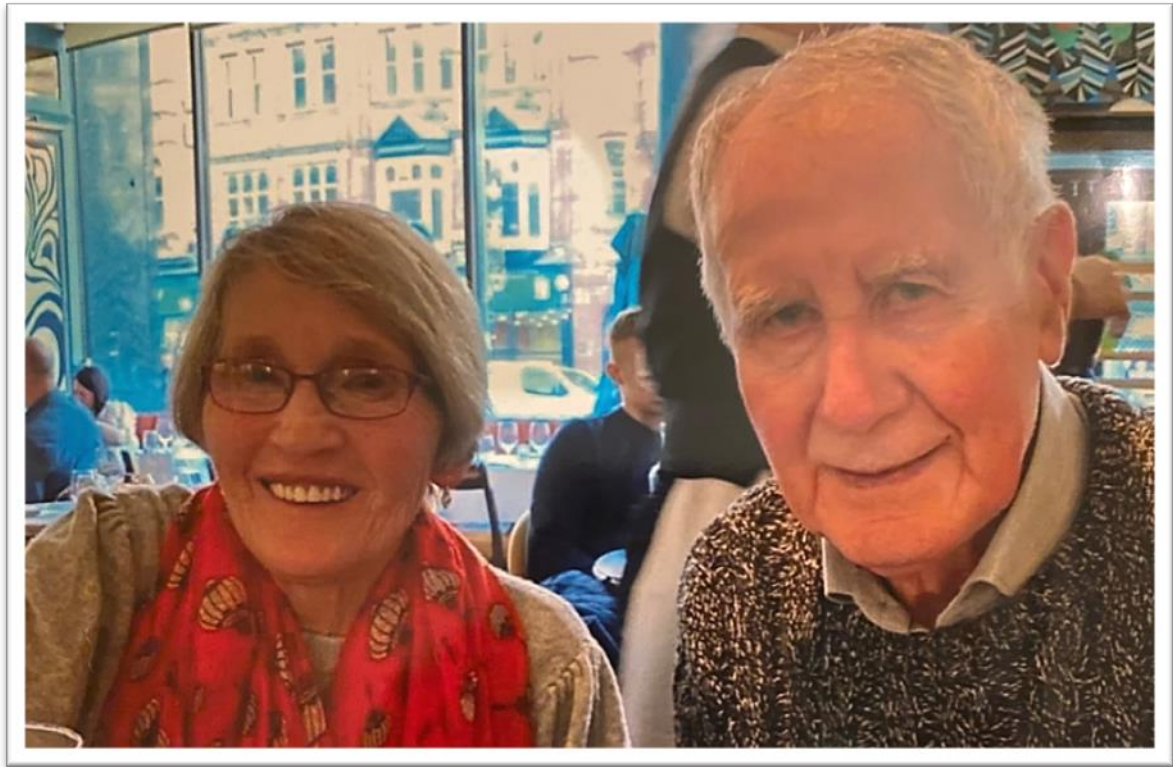
COMMUNION HYMN

Amazing Grace *by Tommy McLoughlin*

FINAL HYMN

O Lord my God *by Organist – Peter Siney*







Joe's family wish to express their sincere thanks for the many kind wishes of sympathy received at this sad time.

All donations kindly received in memory of Joe will be given to St. Gemma's Hospice. Alternatively, if you wish to make an on-line donation, please visit St. Gemma's website.

Thank you.



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