

Funeral Mass for Jane Elizabeth Bruer

July 25, 1957 - May 17, 2023

St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Chapel Hill, NC Friday June 2, 2023

Prelude "Amazing Grace", "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" performed on piano by Brenda Hampden

Entrance Hymn:

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"



Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1933, alt. Tune: HYMN TO JOY, 8 7 8 7 D; arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, by Edward Hodges, 1796–1867

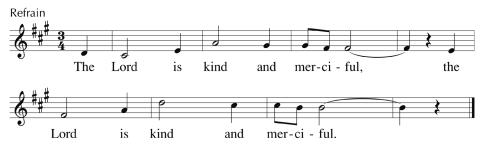
Liturgy of the Word

First Reading - Isaiah 25: 6a, 7-9 read by Steve Dickoff

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, The web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces; The reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!"

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103



Verses

- 1. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless God's name; bless the Lord, and forget not God's benefits.
- 2. God pardons all your iniquities, and comforts your sorrows, redeems your life from destruction and crowns you with kindness.
- 3. Merciful, merciful, and gracious is our God; slow to anger, abounding in kindness.

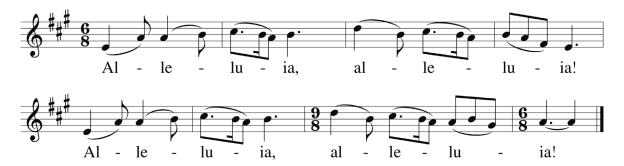
Text: Psalm 103:1–2, 3–4, 8; para. by Marty Haugen, © 1983, GIA Publications, Inc.; refrain trans. © 1969, ICEL Music: Marty Haugen, © 1983, GIA Publications, Inc.

Second Reading - Romans 8:31b-35,37-39 read by Ray Dooley

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn? It is Christ Jesus who died, rather, was raised, who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things, we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation "Celtic Alleluia"



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Gospel - Matthew 11:25- 30 read by Fr. Steven DiMassimo

At that time Jesus answered:

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike.

Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will.
All things have been handed over to me by my Father.
No one knows the Son except the Father,
and no one knows the Father except the Son
and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Homily Fr. Steven Dimassimo

Prayer of the Faithful read by Mary Sander

Liturgy of the Eucharist

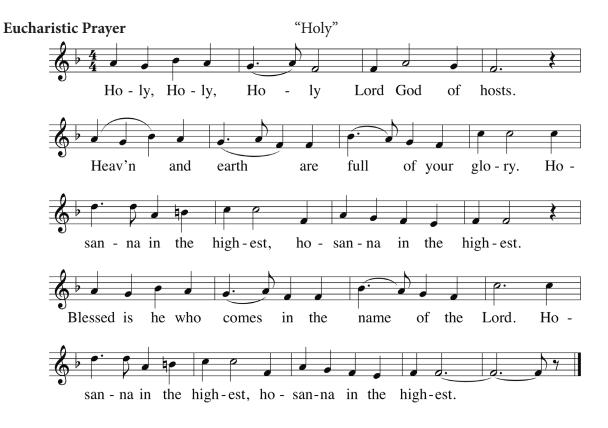
Presentation of the Gifts "All Creatures of Our God and King"

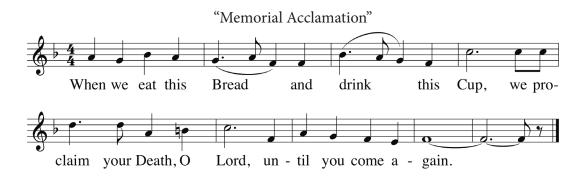
Gifts presented by Ray and Rebecca Dooley



- 6. And you, most kind and gentle death, Waiting to hush our final breath, Sing your praises! Alleluia! You lead to heav'n the child of God, Where Christ our Lord the way has trod. Sing your praises! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 7. Let all things their Creator bless,
 And worship God in humbleness,
 Sing your praises! Alleluia!
 Praise God the Father, God the Son,
 And God the Spirit, Three in One!
 Sing your praises! Alleluia!
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer Over the Offerings

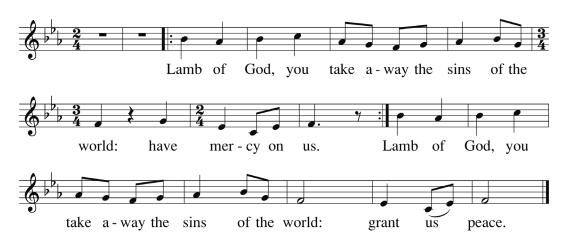






Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer Sign of Peace Lamb of God



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Guidelines for the Reception of Holy Communion

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist. Thank you for being here with us today. Central to Catholic belief is that of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We believe that in the Eucharistic celebration, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. This is the action of Christ, within the celebrating community, signifying a oneness of faith, life, and worship. It is our hope and prayer that one day, we may realize Christ's prayer: "that all may be one." Until that day, we are unable to offer the Eucharist to those who join us today from other faith traditions that are not in communion with the Catholic Church. Those Catholics who are prepared to receive Holy Communion today are invited to come forward. Those present not receiving Holy Communion today are invited to join with us in prayer and song at this time.

Communion

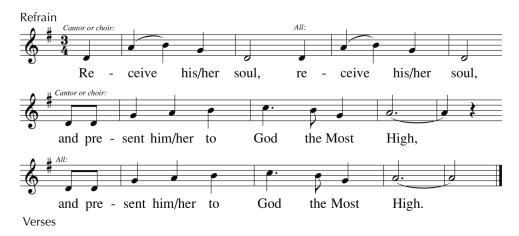
"Panis Angelicus" Cesar Franck

Prayer After Communion

Words of Remembrance delivered by Ray Dooley

Song of Farewell

"Saints of God"



- 1. Saints of God, come to his/her aid! Hasten to meet him/her, angels of the Lord!
- 2. May Christ, who called you, take you to himself; may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.
- 3. Eternal rest grant unto him/her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him/her.

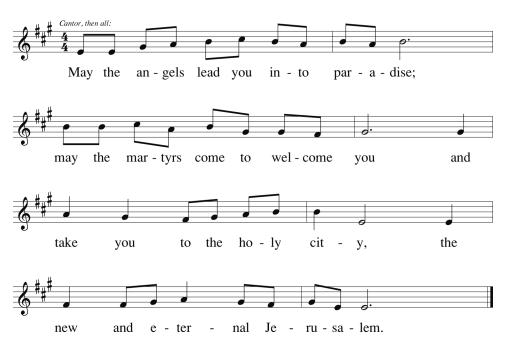
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Concluding Rite

Final Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional Hymn

"May the Angels Lead You into Paradise"



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Patrick Bruer Steve Dickoff Mike Dickoff

Rallbearers

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Pelebrant

Fr. Steven DiMassimo

Musicians

. Laura Makey-Gondek, cantor Lynn Blakey, cantor Brenda Hampden, piano Barbara Reynolds, accompanist Suneral Pare

Adrienne Puech

Thank You

The family of Jane Bruer is grateful for your love and support at this time. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Eyes, Ears, Nose and Paws at eenp.org/main/contact, or to Horse and Buddy Theraputic Riding at P.O. Boc 675 Apex, NC 27502.