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Your prayers and support have given them great comfort in this period of sadness.

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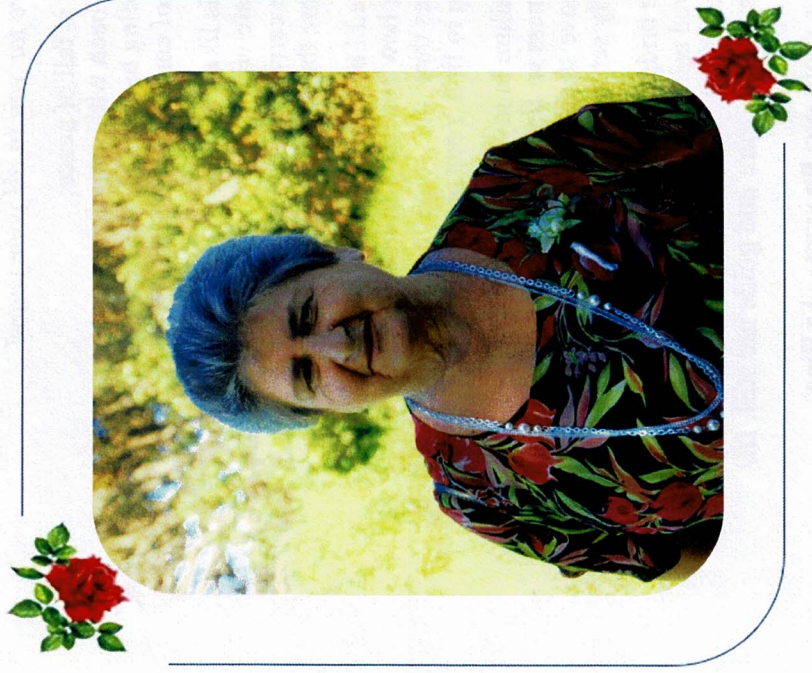
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Requiem Mass
for the Repose of the Soul
of

Carmel Lenore Mitchell



10 April 1940 - 30 November 2024
St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore
Thursday 19 December 2024, 1.00pm
Celebrant: Fr Bing Monteagudo

ENTRANCE HYMN: Eagles Wings

*Refrain: I have carried you on eagle's wings
I will care for you in all your years!*

My heart is full of peace;
You have been within my life
Your guiding hand has always covered me!
I am full of confidence in you! (R)

My soul is like a child,
cradled safe within your arms!
You have carried me across my years
Leading me thru' sorrow and thru' joy. (R)

Never need I be afraid,
no matter how uncertain things may be!
Sometimes thru' me, sometimes in spite of me
You seem to find Your purpose in my life. (R)

I know failure in my life,
the weakness so central to my heart
When I have strayed or fallen in my life,
You gently set me on my feet again. (R)

You have bridged the flowing streams!
And moved aside the Mountains tall!
You have kept me through the stormy past!
I know that you secure and guide me still. (R)

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER - Fr Bing

PLACING OF CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS

Singer: Give her eternal rest, O Lord,
and may your light shine on her forever.

Response: Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.

Fr Bing: Father, into your hands we commend Carmel.

We are confident that with all who have died in Christ, Carmel will be raised to life on the last day and live with Christ for ever.

We thank you for all the blessings you gave her in this life to show your fatherly care for all of us and the fellowship which is ours with the saints in Jesus Christ.

Lord, hear our prayer; welcome Carmel to paradise and help us to comfort each other with the assurance of our faith until we meet in Christ to be with you and Carmel for ever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Response: Amen

Fr Bing: Carmel may the angels lead you into paradise;
may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city,
the new and eternal Jerusalem.

Fr Bing: The Lord be with you.

Response: And with your spirit

Fr Bing: And may almighty God bless you.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Response: Amen.

Fr Bing: Let us now take Carmel to her place of rest

Let us continue to love and serve the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now I'm found was blind but now I see.

T'was grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed?

Through many dangers, toils and snares, we have already come
T'was grace that brought us safe thus far and grace will lead us home.

When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise then when we first begun.

COMMUNION HYMN: Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.
*Refrain: Be not afraid. I go before you always
Come follow me And I will give you rest.*

If you pass through raging waters in the sea,
you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the power of hell
and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all (R)

Blessed are your poor, for the Kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
for one day you shall laugh
And if wicked men insult and hate you,
all because of me, blessed, blessed are You! (R)

THANKSGIVING HYMN: Ave Maria

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE: Peter Kirk

FINAL COMMENDATION: Fr Bing

Fr Bing: With faith in Jesus Christ, we reverently bring the body of Carmel to be buried in its human imperfection. Let us pray with confidence to God, who gives life to all things, that he will raise up this mortal body to the perfection and the company of saints. May God give Carmel a merciful judgment and forgive all her sins. May Christ, the Good Shepherd, lead her safely home to be at peace with God our Father.

Singer: Saints of God come to her aid!
Come to meet her, angels of the Lord.

Response: Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.

Singer: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself,
may angels lead you to Abraham's side.

Response: Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Morgan Kirk

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord Is My Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters and byways,
valleys and highways he's waiting for me.

*Refrain: I want to go to meet him there,
to lay myself down in his love.
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.*

And while on the journey to where we are going,
he promised to be there to help us along,
and over the mountains, we'll walk on together,
to know all the wonders he's given to me. (R)

PLEASE STAND TO WELCOME THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are those who have died in the Lord;
let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them.
Alleluia



Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

‘How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

(Please be seated)

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:

Maddison Swyny and Lexi Mitchell

Fr Bing:

As we come together today to remember in prayer the life of Carmel let us ask our loving Father to give eternal rest to her and comfort and hope to her family, relatives and friends.

Reader: For Carmel, that she may receive the happiness of eternal life, promised by her baptism into Christ’s Church.

Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For Carmel’s family that grief may be lightened by the risen Christ and his promise to unite us again in our heavenly home.

Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For the grace of a Christian life, that, when God calls, we will be ready with the lamp of faith alight and our baptismal robe shining.

Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For our deceased relatives and friends, and all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness.

Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together in the joy and peace of God’s kingdom.

Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Fr Bing:

Lord, when our time comes to die, give us the grace to let ourselves go to you in peace and joy and may we live in eternal happiness.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

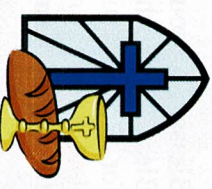
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY PROCESSION:

Melissa Lee and Padraig Heffernan

OFFERTORY HYMN: One Bread, One Body

*Chorus: One bread, One Body one Lord of all
One cup of blessings which we bless
And we though many, through-out the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.*



Gentle or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. *Chorus*
Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *Chorus*

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all. *Chorus*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

(Please Kneel)

THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Please Stand)

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come;

thy will be done on earth, as it is, in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil. Amen.