



Frank's family would like to thank you all
for joining them today.
Your prayers and support have given them
great comfort in this period of sadness.

They invite you to continue this celebration of
Frank's life by joining them at
Mary G's
Lismore
Corner of Woodlark and Keen Street

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Requiem Mass
For the Repose of the Soul
of
Frank Vanz



16 May 1939 - 19 March 2024

St Carthage's Cathedral
Saturday 23 March 2024, 8.30am
Celebrant: Fr Michael Nugent

ENTRANCE SONG: How Do I Live - LeAnn Rimes

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER : Fr Michael

PLACING OF CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS

The Sacred Scriptures - In life Frank cherished the Gospel of Christ.
May Christ now greet him with these words of eternal life:
Come, blessed of my father!

The Cross - In baptism Frank received the sign of the cross.
May he now share in Christ's victory over sin and death.

Flowers - These flowers we place here, as a sign of love and respect
from your family and from the community of the Risen Lord.

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE -

Family Members

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6a, 7-8a

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

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 enveloping all nations, he will destroy death for ever.

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 your 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.

All: Thanks be to God.

Fr Michael: In baptism Frank shared in the death and resurrection of

Christ.

May he be welcomed into the glory of eternal life.

As a sign of respect for our brother we let this incense rise to God, who has called Frank to share in this glory.

SONG OF FAREWELL

Deacon: Saints of God come to his aid!

Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord.

Response: **Receive his soul and present him to God the most high.**

Deacon: May Christ who called you, take you to himself;

may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

Response: **Receive his soul and present him to God the most high.**

Deacon: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,

and may perpetual light shine upon him.

Response: **Receive his soul and present him to God the most high.**

Fr Michael: To you, O Lord, we commend the soul of Frank your servant;

in the sight of this world he is now dead;

in your sight may he live for ever.

Forgive whatever sins he committed through human weakness

and in your goodness grant him everlasting peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Response: Amen

Deacon: 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.

Where Lazarus is poor no longer

may you my brother find eternal rest.

Deacon: In peace let us take our brother to his place of rest.

RECESSIONAL : Right Here Waiting - Richard Marx

COMMUNION HYMN: I Am The Bread Of Life

I am the bread of life,
You who comes to me shall not hunger;
you who believes in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

*Refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up
And I will raise you up on the last day.*

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
And he who eats of this bread,
He shall live forever, he shall live forever. (R)

Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
And drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you. (R)

I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
He who believes in me
even if he die he shall live forever. (R)

Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come into the world. (R)

THANKSGIVING SONG: Speak Softly Love - Andy Williams

FINAL COMMENTATION:

Fr Michael: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother.
May our farewell express our affection for him;
may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope.
One day we shall joyfully greet him again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

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)

SECOND READING: Revelations 14:13

A reading from the book of Revelations.

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say to me, "write down: Happy are those who die in the Lord! Happy indeed, the Spirit says; now they can rest for ever after their work, since their good deeds go with them."

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PLEASE STAND TO WELCOME THE GOSPEL

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

This is the will of my Father, says the Lord.
all who believe in the Son will have eternal life
and I will raise them to life again on the last day.

Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!



GOSPEL: John 14:1-6

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.

(Please be seated)

HOMILY: Fr Michael

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:

Fr Michael:

God the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead.

Reader: For Frank who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that he may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

Lord, in your mercy,
R. Hear our prayer.

Reader: For our brother Frank who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that he may be raised up on the last day.

Lord, in your mercy,
R. Hear our prayer.

Reader: For the family and friends of our brother Frank, that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus.

Lord, in your mercy,
R. Hear our prayer.

Reader: For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness.
Lord in your mercy,
R. Hear our prayer.

Reader: For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face.

Lord in your mercy
R Hear our prayer.

Reader: For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom.
Lord in your mercy
R. Hear our prayer.

Fr Michael:

God our shelter and our strength,
you listen in love to the cry of your people;
hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters.
Cleanse them of their sins
and grant them the fullness of redemption.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PROCESSION OF GIFTS

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III

(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.