

**"You are a priest forever in the
Order of Melchizedek"**

Hebrews 7:18

TU ES SACERDOS

Tu es Sacerdos in aeternum
secundum ordinem
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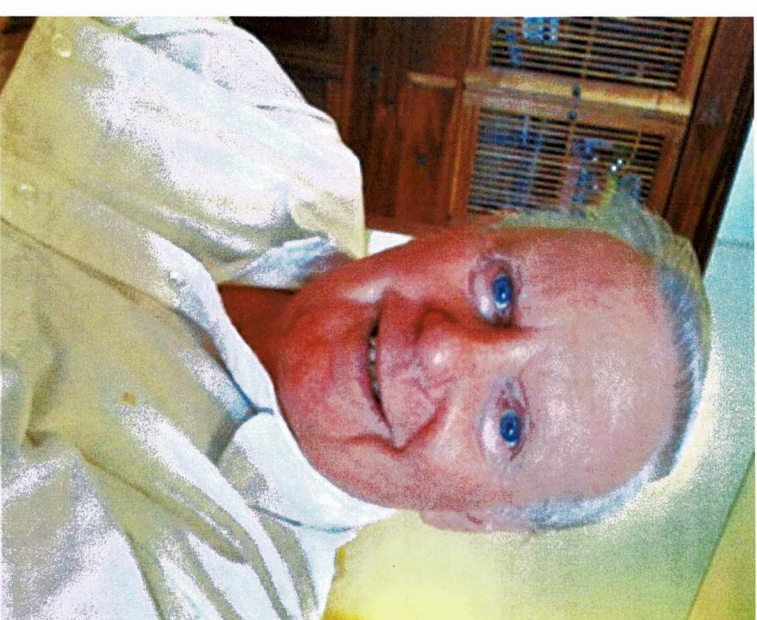
Juravit Dominus
et non poenitebit eum.

Ora pro nobis
ora pro nobis Deum.

'Rest in peace, Father John'

*Requiem Mass
for
the Repose of the Soul
of*

Fr John Phillip Kelly



24th December 1935 ~ Casino - 22nd July 2024 ~ Ballina

St Francis Xavier Church, Ballina ~ 5th August, 2024

Officiating: Bishop Gregory Homeminy OCD

And the Priests of the Cismore Diocese

Please Stand

ENTRANCE HYMN:

ON EAGLE'S WINGS

By Michael Joncas - Used with permission ONELICENCE#A-641103

Refrain:

You who dwell
in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in His shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust." **R/:**
**And He will raise you up
on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of His
hand.**

The snare of the fowler
will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
Under His wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield. **R/:**
You need not fear the terror of
the night
Nor the arrow that flies by day
Though thousands fall about you
Near you it shall not come. **R/:**

For to His angels He's given a
command
to guard you in all your ways,
upon their hands they will bear
you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a
stone. **R/:**
And he will raise you up on
eagle's wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his
hand. And hold you,
hold you in the palm of his hand.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITE:

Bishop: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

Bishop: The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you all.

People: And with your spirit.

PLACING OF CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS: Jim and Paulette Kelly
OPENING PRAYER:

O God, to whom mercy and forgiveness belong, hear
our prayer on behalf of your servant Father John whom
You have called out of this world; And because he put
his hope and trust in Your command that he be carried
safely home to heaven and come to enjoy Your
eternal reward.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be Seated:

FIRST READING: Wisdom 3:1-6

Reader: Louise Kelly

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be. God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust.
The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

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1.	The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie, in pastures green; He leadeth me the quiet waters by.	2.	My soul He doth restore again; And me to walk doth make, Within the paths of righteousness, Even for His own name's sake.
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3.	Ye a, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill. For Thou art with me; and Thy rod and staff me comfort still.	4.	My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes: my head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.
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5.	Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in God's house for evermore My dwelling place shall be.
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SECOND READING: 1John 3:1-2

Reader: Caroline Olding

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.
The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Please Stand:

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:
Alleluia Alleluia!**

God loved the world so much that he gave us his only Son, that all those who believe in him may have eternal life.

Alleluia

Bishop: The Lord be with you

People: **And with your spirit.**

Bishop: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please be seated:

HOMILY:

Fr Michael Nilon

Please Stand:

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Reader: Margaret Boyle

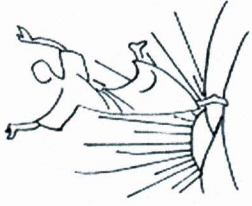
Bishop: God the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead.

Reader: For Father John who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that he now be admitted to the company of the saints. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For Father John who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that he may be raised up on the last day. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.



RECESSIONAL HYMN: BE NOT AFRAID

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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.

R/-

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 pow'r 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/-**

Pallbearers: Clergy attendees



*Father John's family wish to sincerely thank everyone
who attended this Requiem Mass today and the many people
who have kindly offered their prayers and loving support.*

*After the burial at East Ballina Cemetery, please
join the family for light refreshments at*

The Crowley Activity Centre, 154 Cherry Street, Ballina.

COMMUNION REFLECTION:

GENTLE WOMAN

Refrain:

Hail Mary, full of grace
the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you among

women,

and blest is the fruit of your

womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary; Mother of God

Pray for us sinners now

and at the hour of death.

Amen

**Gentle Woman, quiet light
Morning star so strong
and bright.**

Gentle Mother,

peaceful dove

Teach us wisdom,

teach us love.

You were chosen by the Father

You were chosen for the Son

You were chosen from

all women

And for woman, shining one. **R:**

Blessed are you among women

Blessed in turn all women too

Blessed they with peaceful spirit

Blessed they with gentle hearts.

R:

Please Stand:

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

Please be Seated

HYMN: TU ES SACERDOS (LYRICS ON BACK PAGE)

FINAL COMMENTATION & FAREWELL

SONG OF FAREWELL:

Bishop: Saints of God, come to his aid! Hasten to meet him,
Angels of the Lord!

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

Bishop: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;
May angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

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

Bishop: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon him.

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

Please Stand:

BLESSING:



Reader: For the family and friends of Father John that they may be
consoled in their grief by the Lord who wept at the death of his
friend Lazarus. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, 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.
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For deceased Bishops, Clergy and Religious of the Diocese –
especially Sister Mary Kelly – that they may see God face to face.
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For all of us who assemble here to worship in faith, that we may
be gathered together again in God's kingdom.
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Bishop: **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.**

People: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please be Seated:

OFFERTORY PROCESSION:

OFFERTORY HYMN:

Kevin and Louise Reynolds

HERE I AM LORD

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Refrain:

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin

My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard You calling

in the night.

I will go, Lord, if You lead me.

I will hold Your people

in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne My people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.

They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my words to them.
Whom shall I send? **R/:**

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send? **R/:**

Whom shall I send? **R/:**

Bishop: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Bishop: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Bishop: (washes hands)

Please Stand:

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Bishop: (prayer to bless and accept our offering)

People: Amen

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

PREFACE:

SANCTUS: People: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please Kneel

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Bishop: The mystery of faith.

People: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your

Resurrection until you come again.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER CONCLUSION:

People: Amen.

Please Stand:

THE COMMUNION RITE: THE LORD'S PRAYER: All pray.

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.



Bishop: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

People: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

SIGN OF PEACE:

Bishop: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And with your spirit.

Bishop: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Please Kneel:

Bishop: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

HOLY COMMUNION:

COMMUNION HYMN:

BREAD BROKEN, WINE SHARED

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Refrain: Bread broken, wine shared

Jesus, here, taking our lives,

Opening our hearts,

Making us whole,

Setting our loving free.

Take all our dreams,

All that we are,

All we could ever be.

Lord of all life, we want to be yours, we take bread and eat. **R/-**

Open our minds,

Open our hearts,

Let love set us free within.

Lord of all life,

We want to be yours

We pour wine and drink.

R/-

Make us alive,

Filled with your hope,

Living what's really true.

Lord of all life,

We want to be yours,

We know this is you

R/-

