

Mass of Christian Burial for

George Albert Perrero

Born into life April 4, 1933

Born into eternal life February 19, 2021



I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;

Whoever believes in me will not die for ever.

-- John 11:25-26

Rev. Edward Burns

Welcome to St. Michael the Archangel Parish. At the Catholic funeral liturgy, the community gathers with the family and friends of the deceased to give praise and thanks to God for Christ's victory over sin and death, to commend the deceased to God's tender mercy and compassion, and to seek strength in the proclamation of the Paschal Mystery.

Through the Holy Spirit, the community is joined in faith as one Body in Christ to reaffirm in sign and symbol, word and gesture, that each believer through baptism shares in Christ's death and resurrection, and can look forward to the day when all the elect will be raised up and united in the kingdom of light and peace.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Prelude Music

Amazing Grace

NEW BRITAIN

The priest welcomes George's family and honors his body with the symbols of baptism.

Greeting [stand]

Priest: The grace and peace ... be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**

Processional Hymn

Be Not Afraid

Dufford

1. 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.

2. 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. *Refrain*

Text: Isaiah 43:2-3, Luke 6:20ff; Bob Dufford, SJ, b. 1943

Tune: Bob Dufford, SJ, b. 1943; acc. by Sr. Theophane Hytrek, OSF, 1915-1992

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading [sit] Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Responsorial Psalm Shepherd Me, O God

Haugen

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the text: "Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -". The second staff continues the melody for the second line: "yond my fears, from death in - to life." The second staff begins with a triplet of eighth notes, followed by a 2/4 time signature change, and ends with a 4/4 time signature change. The melody is simple and pastoral in style.

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want;
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love;
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul;
You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth:
My spirit shall sing the music of your name.

Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side;
Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

Text: Psalm 23; Marty Haugen

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Second Reading

Timothy 4:6-8

Gospel Acclamation [stand]

Haugen



Gospel Reading

John 14:1-6

Homily [sit]

General Intercessions [stand]



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts [sit]

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Temple

Invitation to Prayer [stand]

Priest:

Pray, brothers and sisters ... almighty Father.

All:

**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.**

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Preface Dialogue

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**
Priest: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right and just.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Mass of Redemption

Janco

Sanctus



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

5 Heavn'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na, ho -

9 san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

13 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -

16 san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Mystery of Faith

Two staves of musical notation in G major and 6/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are: "We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain."

Great Amen

Two staves of musical notation in G major and 6/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are: "A - men, a - men, a - - - men. A - men, a - men, a - - - men."

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The Lord's Prayer [stand]

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God

Holy Cross Mass

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Invitation to Communion [kneel]

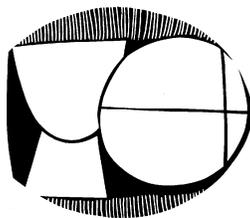
Priest: Behold the Lamb of God ...

... called to the supper of the Lamb.

All:

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

*Those who share our belief in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist
are invited to come forward in procession to receive.
If you would rather receive a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of you
as you come forward. You may also remain in your seat if you prefer.*



Communion Procession I Am the Bread of Life

Toolan

1. I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe 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.

2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live
for ever, you shall live for ever. *Refrain*

3. 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. *Refrain*

Text: John 6 and 11; Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927

Tune: BREAD OF LIFE, Irregular with refrain; Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927

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Prayer after Communion [stand]

FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation to Prayer

Song of Farewell

May the Angels Be Your Guide

MacAller/McGrath

May the an-gels be your guide, may they lead you in-to par-a-
dise, and take you home to the new Je-ru - sa - lem.

The musical notation consists of two staves in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is simple and melodic, with lyrics written below the notes.

There is one thing I ask of God; for this I long, for this I hope: to dwell in the house of God ev'ry day of my life.

When I cry out, hear my voice. Have mercy, Lord, and answer me. Do not cast me away in anger, for you are my help.

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Prayer of Commendation

Recessional Hymn

On Eagle's Wings

Joncas

1. 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!"

Refrain

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.

2. 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. *Refrain*

Text: Psalm 91; Michael Joncas, b. 1951

Tune: Michael Joncas, b. 1951

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