

Memorial of
Margaret "Jill" Duke
(née Rudkin)

21 May 1938 - 16 November 2022



Order of Service



Fr Bernard Gordon, Vicar General & Administrator
12pm, Saturday 26th November 2022
H.Parsons Chapel, Wollongong

Service Commences at 12 Noon (song - Amazing Grace by Andrea Bocelli, Allison Krauss)

The Introductory Rites (Fr Bernard Gordon)

Greeting

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

Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And with your spirit.

Sprinkling with Holy Water

In the waters of baptism

Jill died with Christ and rose with him to new life.

May she now share with him eternal glory.

Invitation to Prayer

My brothers and sisters,

we have come together to renew our trust in Christ
who, by dying on the cross, has freed us from eternal death
and, by rising, has opened for us the gates of heaven.

Let us pray for our sister,
that she may share in Christ's victory,
and let us pray for ourselves,
that the Lord may grant us
the gift of his loving consolation.

Collect

Let us pray.

O God, almighty Father,
our faith professes that your Son died and rose again;
mercifully grant, that through this mystery
your servant Jill, who has fallen asleep in Christ,
may rejoice to rise again through him.

Amen.



The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading 1 John 3:1-2 (Jed Green)

A reading from the first letter of St John

We shall see God as he really is.

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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.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22 (Josephine Hayward)



R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation cf Philippians 3:20 (Fr Bernard Gordon)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our true home is in heaven,
and Jesus Christ, whose return we long for,
will come from heaven to save us.
Alleluia!

Gospel from St John 14:3-6

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

There are many rooms in my Father's house.

Jesus said to the 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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Homily (Fr Bernard Gordon)

General Intercessions (Pascal Green)

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

1. For Jill who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she now be admitted to the company of the saints. Lord, in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For our sister Jill who ate the body of Christ, the Bread of Life, that she may be raised up on the last day. Lord, in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For the family and friends of our sister Jill, that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus. Lord, in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

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

Lord, hear our prayer.

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

Lord, hear our prayer.

6. 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:

Lord, hear our prayer.

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.



Amen.

Lord's Prayer

With longing for the coming of God's kingdom, let us offer our prayer to the Father:

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.

The Final Commendation

Invitation to Prayer

With faith in Jesus Christ, we must reverently bury the body of our sister.

Let us pray with confidence to God, in whose sight all creation lives, that he will raise up in holiness and power the mortal body of our sister and command her soul to be numbered among the blessed.

May God grant her a merciful judgment, deliverance from death, and pardon of sin. May Christ the Good Shepherd carry her home to be at peace with the Father. May she rejoice for ever in the presence of the eternal King and in the company of all the saints.

All pray in silence.

Final Blessing

Lord,
we rejoice in the victory of your Son over death:
by rising from the tomb to new life
he gives us new hope and promise.
Bless all the members of this household
and surround them with your protection,
that they may find comfort and peace
in Jesus Christ, the paschal lamb,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



Words of Remembrance

Eulogy (Carol Johnston)

Sharing Memories of Mum (Joanne Duke)

Poem for Nanna (Tallulah Marsh)

Reflections video for Jill: Sister, Mum, Nanna, Daughter, Friend

Two songs: Take Me Home, Country Roads by John Denver

The Carnival is Over by The Seekers

Closing Thanks and Farewells (Michael Duke)

Closing Song: End of the Line by the Traveling Wilburys

Jill is farewelled from the chapel

Please note light refreshments
after the Service is provided.

Our Family then welcomes all to join us at Collegians Club
for a drink and chat from 2pm.

(3a Charlotte Street, around the corner from H. Parsons)



For all the kindness you have shown,
We thank you very much.
For sympathy in sorrowing days,
For friendships healing touch.
With gratitude our hearts are full
Though words cannot convey
The tender thoughts and thankfulness
We hold for you today.