

*A Service to Pray for & Celebrate
the life of
Mary Teresa Read
18th October 1952 - 26th September 2020*



*Poole Crematorium
Thursday 15th October, 2020 at 11am
Service by Father Paul Keys*

Order of Service

WELCOME:

We gather together for our service which begins as Andy Williams sings 'The Village of St Bernadette'

Kieran would like to say some words about his Auntie Mary

OPENING PRAYERS:

We then spend some time in prayer and reflection as 'Soul of my Saviour' is sung.

HYMN:

(please do not sing, just listen)

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be;
O Blessed Jesus hear and answer me;
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;
In death's dread moments make me only thine;
Call me, and bid me come to thee on high.
When I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

FIRST READING:

Psalm 22(23)

Read by Danny, Mary's Nephew

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.

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.

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

GOSPEL READING:

John 14:1-4

Jesus said to his disciples. 'Do not let your hearts be troubled Trust in God 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.

Father Paul then shares some thoughts on our readings.

EULOGY:

By Mary's husband, Barry

There is now an opportunity to reflect on our own memories of Mary, followed by Mary's favourite song "Flying without Wings" by Westlife.

BIDDING PRAYERS:

Prayers are now said for Mary; her family and friends.

After each prayer, the reader says: 'Lord, hear us', to which we all respond

'Lord, graciously hear us.'

We then join together in saying the Lord's Prayer.

We place Mary into the loving hands of your son, Jesus Christ who said, 'There are many rooms in my Father's house'.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

We give thanks for Mary's life. For all the good times, joy and laughter we shared with her.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

You raised the dead to life. May Mary now be admitted to the company of saints and raised up on the last day.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Many friends and members of our family have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them, and all who have fallen asleep, an everlasting home with you.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

For the family and friends of Mary. May they be consoled by the Lord, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us

THE LORDS PRAYER:

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.

FINAL PRAYERS OF COMMITTAL AND COMMENDATION:

We leave the chapel as 'You raise me up' by Westlife is played.

Mourners are invited to leave their red Carnation with Mary.

Donations in memory of Mary
for The Donkey Sanctuary,
Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance
and Friends of Wareham Hospital
may be sent to
Albert Marsh Funeral Directors
St Michaels Road, Wareham, Dorset,
BH20 4QU.

Or made online at www.funeraldirector.co.uk/mary-read



Barry and Rita will be having a celebration of Mary's life when
the current restrictions are lifted.