

A Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of

STEPHEN JOHN STOCKLEY

19th March 1953 - 8th February 2021

The Church of St Edward the Martyr, Wareham Tuesday 23rd February 3:00pm

At the door of the Church, the Priest sprinkles the coffin with Holy Water, as a reminder of Baptism, in which Christ promises eternal life to his people. He says:

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

People: Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: In the waters of baptism Stephen died with Christ and rose to new life with him. May he now share with him eternal glory.

The coffin is now taken into the church.

ENTRY MUSIC: Heart of Oak, Royal Navy March

COLLECT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD (Please Sit)

READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans. (Romans 8:31-9)

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

At the end the reader says:

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (129)

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Reader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading.

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Reader: If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you.

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Reader: My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Reader: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,

Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption

Please stand

People: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory

Priest: I am Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord. No-one can come to

the Father except through me.

People: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

People: Glory to you O Lord.

THE 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.'

At the end he says:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily, then stand again for the Bidding Prayers.

After each prayer:

Reader: Lord, in your mercy.
People: **Hear our prayer.**

After the final bidding, the Hail Mary is said:

All: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou

among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the

hour of our death. Amen

PRAYER

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please sit as the offerings for Mass are prepared.

HYMN

Please do not sing, just listen

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder Consider all the works thy hand has made, I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul my Saviour God to thee, How great thou art, How great thou art! Then sings my soul my saviour God to thee, How great thou art, How great thou art!

And when I think that God his Son not sparing, Sent him to die I scarce can take it in That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home what joy shall fill my heart Then shall I bow in humble adoration And there proclaim my God how great thou art

All stand

Priest: Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be

acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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

church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right and just.

The Priest concludes the Preface:

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:

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.

All kneel (or sit) as the priest continues to say the Eucharistic Prayer, including the words of the Lord over the bread and wine, which become his Body and Blood.

Then the priest says: The mystery of faith.

People: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, all say: Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

Please stand

All: 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.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

PRAYER FOR PEACE

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

People: And with your spirit.

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 sit or kneel

Priest: 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.

EULOGY

FINAL COMMENDATION

Please stand

As the coffin is sprinkled with Holy Water, and incensed, the priest prays for Stephen. Holy Water is a reminder of the new life of baptism; incense is a sign of honour to the human body, which in life is the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit.

Priest: Saints of God come to his aid, hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord.

People: Receive his soul, and present him to God, the Most High.

Priest: May Christ who called you take you to himself, and may the angels

lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

People: Receive his soul, and present him to God, the Most High.

Priest: Eternal rest grant to him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon

him.

People: Receive his soul, and present him to God, the Most High.

HYMN

please do not sing, just listen

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide: the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide: when other helpers fail, and comforts flee, help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see:

O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour; what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless; ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.

Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes; shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies: heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Priest: In peace, let us take Stephen to his place of rest.

The people come to receive Holy Communion. Those who are not receiving are very welcome to come forward for a blessing from the priest. Please cross your hands in front of you to indicate this to him.

EXIT MUSIC: Eternal father strong to save

This Requiem Mass will conclude with a private cremation.



Donations in memory of Stephen for Wareham Museum

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