



Requiescat in Pace

A Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of

Elizabeth Ellen Baker

20th January 1932 – 12th August 2021

The Church of St Edward the Martyr, Wareham

Wednesday 8th September

1:00pm

All stand. 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.

All: **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

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

ENTRY MUSIC - Bach Cello Suite no 1 (Prelude)

The coffin is taken into the church, and on it is placed the book of the Gospels, his Word which nourishes our Christian souls during our lives. The priest welcomes all present, and invites them to pray for Elizabeth.

COLLECT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD *(Please sit)*

A Reading from the book of Wisdom

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 blessing 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. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Response: **The Lord is my light and my help.**

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?

The Lord is my light and my help.

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long,

to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life,

to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple.

The Lord is my light and my help.

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek, hide not your face.

The Lord is my light and my help

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.

Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

The Lord is my light and my help.

Please stand

Alleluia. alleluia. Come you whom my Father has blessed, says the Lord; take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. Alleluia.

GOSPEL – Matthew 5:1-12

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.

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.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST *(Please sit)*

Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who didst brood
upon the chaos dark and rude,
and bid his angry tumult cease,
and give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,
our brethren shield in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them wheresoe'er they go:
thus evermore shall rise to thee
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

All stand

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

All: **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 GIFTS

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:

**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.

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

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, all sing: 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.

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.

The people come to receive Holy Communion. Due to the restrictions still in place please approach the altar one person at a time.

During Communion – Music: Bach Cantata 208

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(Please stand)*

EULOGY *(Please sit)*

By Sophia Booth

FINAL COMMENDATION *(Please stand)*

As the coffin is sprinkled with Holy Water, and incensed, the priest prays for Elizabeth. 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 her aid, hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord.

People: **Receive her soul, and present her 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 her soul, and present her to God, the Most High.**

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

People: **Receive her soul, and present her to God, the Most High.**

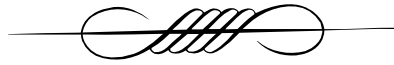
PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Priest: In peace, let us take Elizabeth to her place of rest.

EXIT MUSIC - Bach Double Violin Concerto (Largo)

This Requiem Mass will conclude with a Private cremation.



Donations in memory of Elizabeth for Action Aid UK and The Children's Society may be sent to Albert Marsh Funeral Directors, St Michaels Road, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4QU.

Or online at www.funeraldirector.co.uk/elizabeth-baker