

A Funeral Service for the repose of the soul of

Adrian Pearce

7th September 1949 – 24th November 2021

The Church of St Edward the Martyr, Wareham

Wednesday 5th January

1:00pm

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:

In the waters of baptism Adrian 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.

The priest welcomes all present and invites them to pray for Adrian.

OPENING PRAYER

(Please sit)

A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
Romans 8:31-35 & 37-39

At the end of the reading:

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 129

(please join in with the response where indicated)

Response after each verse:

Out of the depths, I cry to you, O Lord.

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.

People: **Out of the depths, I cry to you, O Lord.**

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,

Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:

For this we revere you.

People: **Out of the depths, I cry to you, O Lord.**

My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
More than watchman for daybreak.

People: **Out of the depths, I cry to you, O Lord.**

Because with the Lord there is mercy
And fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
From all its iniquity.

People: **Out of the depths, I cry to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL

(Please stand)

Priest: A reading from the holy gospel according to John. (John 14:1-6)

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

When he reaches the end of the reading, he says:

Priest: The gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

(Please Sit)

PRAYERS

(Please Stand)

Response: **Hear our prayer.**

People: **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.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

FINAL COMMENDATION

As the coffin is sprinkled with Holy Water, and incensed, the priest prays for Adrian. 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. The priest prays three times for him.

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.**

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

Priest : Let us take Adrian to his place of rest

This Requiem Mass will be followed by a Private cremation.



Adrian's family wish to thank you for all your kind messages of sympathy and support and for attending this Service here today to celebrate his life.

There will be a Retiring Collection in memory of Adrian for NACOA. Donations may be sent to Albert Marsh Funeral Directors, St Michaels Road, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4QU.

Or made online at: www.funeraldirector.co.uk/adrian-pearce