

A Service of Celebration for the life of

# May Ann Selby

 $2^{nd}$  July 1937 ~  $12^{th}$  August 2024

The Priory Church of Lady St Mary Wareham

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024 2:00pm



Please enjoy the photos of Ann and her family which will be displayed on the screen at the front of the Church.

#### Music

Seasons in the sun, Peters and Lee

### Welcome & Opening Prayer

Reverend Deborah Swann

#### Hymn

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.

### **Bible Reading**

#### Ecclesiastes 3, verses 1-4

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance.

#### Poem

#### Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.

I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,

Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;

Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

### **Eulogy**

By Merville Gover on behalf of the family

# **Prayers**

Led by Merville Gover

### The Lord's 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. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

#### Hymn

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now I'm found; was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come.
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,

Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.

# The Blessing

#### Music

January, February, *Barbara Dickson*I'll never find another you, *The Seekers*Rainbow, *Peters and Lee* 



Paul wishes to express his appreciation for your presence here today and for the lovely messages of sympathy and offers of support that he has received over this last month. This is why Ann was so proud of being part of this wonderful community.

There will be a retiring collection in memory of Ann for The Stroke Unit at The Royal Bournemouth Hospital. Donations may be sent to Albert Marsh Funeral Directors, St Michaels Road, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4QU

or made online at: www.funeraldirector.co.uk/ann-selby

You are warmly invited to Carey Hall, Mistover Road, Wareham, BH20 4BY for refreshments following this service.

# WEDDING AT WAREHAM



Married at Wareham Lady St. Mary's Church were Mr. John William George Selby, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Selby, West Holme Cottage, Wareham, and Miss May Ann Hawkes, foster-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Sinnick, 10, Mistover - road, Wareham.

The Rector of Wareham (Rev. David Maddock) conducted the service and Mr. P. F. Gibbons was organist. Given away by her foster-father, the bride wore a dress of nylon taffeta, with a headdress and veil of nylon net. She carried a bouquet of cream rosebuds and stephanotis.

The two small attendants were Mastin (friend of the bridegroom) was held at Stoborough Village Hall, and afterwards Mr. and Mrs. Selby the gift of the bridegroom. The West Country, the bride wearing page was dressed in cinnamon a turquoise two-piece, with beige pink trousers and a white nylon accessories.

You have to dance while you are able, And do the can-can on the table, Grab each chance that flashes past, For life goes by so deadly fast.

Pam Ayres