

Order of Service for

Eileen Dawn Lynch

Friday 11th July 2025 Steiglitz Cemetery

Celebrant: Fr Joseph Panackal

WELCOME

Fr Joseph: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Fr Joseph: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your Spirit.

LIGHTING OF A CANDLE

Naomi Haskins

Fr Joseph: In Baptism, Eileen received the light of Christ.

Throughout her life she has kept this flame of faith alive

in her life.

All: May Eileen now share eternal light and Life.

SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER

Fr Joseph: In the waters of Baptism, Eileen died with Christ and rose

with him to new life.

All: May Eileen now share eternal light and Life.

OPENING PRAYER

Fr Joseph: Into your hands, O Lord,

we humbly entrust our sister Eileen

In this life you embraced her with your tender love;

deliver her now from every evil and bid her enter eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome her then into paradise,

where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain, but the fullness of peace and joy with your Son

and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

FIRST READING

Kathryn Lynch

(A reading from Ecclesiasticus 44:1 15)

Here is a generous woman whose good works have not been forgotten. In her descendants there remain a rich inheritance born of her. Her descendants stand by the covenants and thanks to them, so do their children's children. Their offspring will last forever, their glory will not fade. Her body will be buried in peace, and her name will live on for all generations. The people will proclaim her wisdom the assembly will celebrate her praises.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

'The Lord's my Shepherd' (Sung by congregation)

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again, And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill; For Thou art with me, and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished me In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in God's house forevermore, My dwelling place shall be.

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 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 to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"

Jesus replied, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Fr Joseph: My dear friends, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ,

who said, "I am the Resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, shall never die."

In baptism, Eileen received the light of Christ. Let us pray that God will now scatter the darkness and lead her over

the waters of death.

Lord, hear us.

All: LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

The family and friends of Eileen seek comfort and consolation. Let us pray that God will heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that comes from grief.

Lord hear us

All: LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. We think particularly today of Maurie Lynch, Baden Argent and Mark Purnell. May God grant them an everlasting home with Christ.

Lord, hear us.

All: LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

We pray for Eileen's caregivers who gave her a life of kindness, humour and dignity in her later years.

Lord, hear us.

All: LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Fr Joseph: Ever loving Father, help us to live our lives gently with

others and to trust and believe that Eileen is never far away from us. Help us live so that we may share the

fullness of life with you forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: AMEN.

LORD'S PRAYER

Fr Joseph: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching,

we dare to say:

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.

Cel: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant

peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour,

Jesus Christ.

All: For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever.

COMMENDATION

Fr Joseph: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave

of our Sister Eileen . May our farewell express our affection for her; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet her again when the love of Christ, which conquers

all things, destroys even death itself.

Fr Joseph: Saints of God come to her aid.

Come to meet her angels of the Lord.

All: Receive her soul and present her to

God the Most High.

Fr Joseph: May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself;

may angels lead you to Abraham's side.

All: Receive her soul and present her to

God the Most High.

Fr Joseph: Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,

and let perpetual light shine upon her.

All: Receive her soul and present her to

God the Most High.

Fr Joseph: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend

our Sister Eileen in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will

rise with him on the last day.

Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of Paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our sister forever. We ask

this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Fr Joseph;: In peace let us take our Sister to her place of rest.

FINAL HYMN

'Take My Hand, Precious Hands' - Sung by Annette Lynch

THANK YOU

Eileen's family would like to thank you all for the many expressions of kindness, care, love and support you have shown them at this time, and for your presence here today.

REFRESHMENTS

Following today's service you are invited to share in refreshments and memories of Eileen at GMHBA Stadium.

DONATIONS



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