

2 He guides me along the right path:  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with our crook and your staff  
with these you give me comfort. **Response**

3 You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. **Response**

4 Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **Response**

**A reading from the Book of Wisdom (3:1-6, 9) read by Annie Penrice**

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace. For if before men indeed, they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality; Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worthy of himself. As gold in the furnace, he proved them, and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself. Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love; Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, and his care is with his elect.

The word of the Lord.      **Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord,  
whoever believes in me will never die  
Alleluia!

## Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 11:28-30 read by Annie Penrice**

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Homily

Music Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, **Requiem in D Minor**

**Bidding Prayers read by Fr. Sebastian Paul**

1. For Anthony who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that he may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

Lord, in your mercy **R/ Hear our prayer.**

2. For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face

Lord, in your mercy **R/ Hear our prayer.**

3. That the bishops and priests of the Church, and all who preach the Gospel, may be given the strength to express in action the word they proclaim

Lord, in your mercy **R/ Hear our prayer.**

4. Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord. Give refreshment, rest and peace to all whose faith is known to you alone

Lord, in your mercy **R/ Hear our prayer.**

5. For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together in God's kingdom

Lord, in your mercy **R/ Hear our prayer.**

## **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.**

God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people, hear the prayers we offer for our departed brother Anthony. Cleanse him and all of the faithful departed of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

## **Eulogy - Biddy Househam & Tony Smeiman**

### **Final Commendation**

### **Invitation to Prayer**

Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother. May our farewell express our affection for him; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet him again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

Saints of God, come to his aid.  
Come to meet him, angels of the Lord.  
Welcome his soul.  
Present him to God the Most High.

May Christ, who called you, welcome you:  
and may the angels bring you into the arms of Abraham  
Welcome his soul:  
Present him to God the Most High.  
Lord, grant him everlasting rest:  
and let perpetual light shine upon him:  
present him to God the Most High.

### **Prayer of Commendation**

To you, O Lord, we commended the soul of Anthony, your servant; in the sight of this world he is now dead; in your sight he may live forever. Forgive whatever sins he committed through human weakness and in your goodness grant him everlasting peace. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

In peace let us take our brother to his place of rest.

**Exit Music** Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, **The Piano Sonata No. 16 in C Major**

