

FUNERAL MASS

for



Fr Kevin Liam Condon, O.P.

31 January 1932 -14 June 2021

*What we suffer in this life
can never be compared to the glory to be revealed,
which is waiting for us.*

- St Paul to the Romans.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Please stand.

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright:
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night;
I will go, Lord,
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
'Till their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?

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Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night;
I will go, Lord,
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart.

ANNA LAURA PAGE / DANIEL L. SCHUTTE

GREETING

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

PLACING OF SYMBOLS

The coffin is now clothed with a white pall by a Dominican and a Nazareth sister, in remembrance of Kevin's baptism. A Book of the Constitutions of the Order placed by a student brother recalls his religious profession, and a stole placed by a priest represents his priestly ministry. Beside the coffin stands the paschal candle, symbol of the risen Christ. As these items are placed, we join in the Kyrie:

VIII
K ý-ri- e e- léi-son. Ký-ri- e e- léi-son.

Christe, e-léi-son Christe, e-léi-son

Ký-ri- e e- léi-son. Ký-ri- e e- léi- son.

The musical notation consists of three systems of staves. Each system has a 'Cantor:' part and an 'All:' part. The lyrics are written below the staves. The first system starts with a large 'K' and the lyrics 'ý-ri- e e- léi-son. Ký-ri- e e- léi-son.' The second system has the lyrics 'Christe, e-léi-son Christe, e-léi-son'. The third system has the lyrics 'Ký-ri- e e- léi-son. Ký-ri- e e- léi- son.'

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

Please sit.

Sr Margaret Mary Brown, O.P.

COLLECT

Please stand.

Prior Let us pray.

Hear with favour our prayers,
which we humbly offer, O Lord,
for the salvation of the soul of Kevin, your servant and Priest,
that he, who devoted a faithful ministry to your name,
may rejoice in the perpetual company of your Saints.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Br. Howard Malcom, O.P.

Please sit.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

25: 1. 6–9

The Lord will destroy Death for ever.

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples
a banquet of rich food.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us.

The word of the Lord.

R̄. Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 41

℟ My soul is thirsting for the Lord;
When shall I see him face to face?

SECOND READING

A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.

4: 6–8

All that remains now is the crown of righteousness

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The word of the Lord.

℟ **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Please stand, and join in welcoming the Gospel by singing:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth;

You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

11: 25–30

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Come to me, and I will give you rest.

Jesus exclaimed, ‘I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

‘Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.’

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. ℟ **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY
Please sit.

Fr Mark O'Brien, O.P.
Prior

UNIVERSAL PRAYER (Intercessions)

Please stand.

... Lord, hear us. *Rx* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

An upper room did our Lord prepare
for those he loved until the end:
and his disciples still gather there
to celebrate their risen friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own:
to share his bread, his loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
he by his cross shall lift us up.

And after supper he washed their feet,
for service, too, is sacrament.
In Christ our joy shall be made
complete:
sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace.
He loves beyond our uttermost:
in every room in our Father's house
Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (Stand)

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

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

Priest: We ask your mercy, Lord,
that this sacrifice of our service,
offered for the soul of Kevin, your servant and Priest,
may now bring pardon to him,
who devoutly offered sacrifice to you in the Church.
Through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

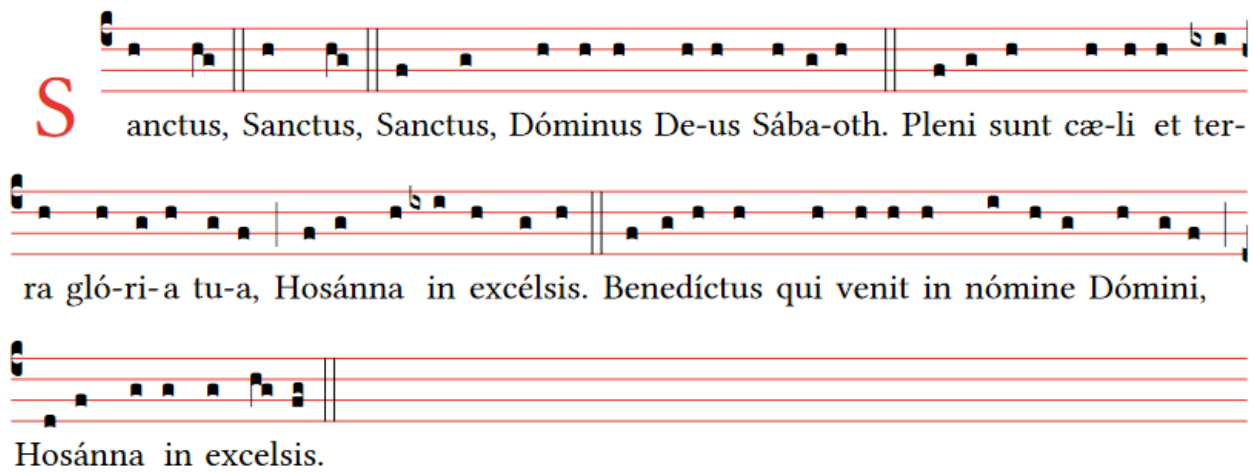
Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

All: **It is right and just.**

The priest prays the preface, and concludes:

We praise you, Lord, with all the angels and saints in their song of joy:

All:



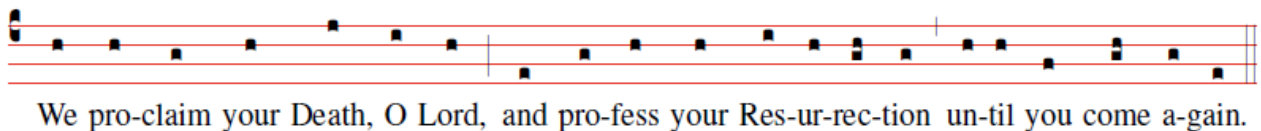
Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus De-us Sába-oth. Pleni sunt cæ-li et terra gló-ri-a tu-a, Hosánna in excélsis. Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini, Hosánna in excélsis.

Please kneel.

The Eucharistic prayer is continued by the priest. After the consecration:

Priest Let us proclaim the Mystery of Faith.

All:



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain.

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer the priest sings:

Priest Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

COMMUNION RITE

Please stand.

Priest: 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.**

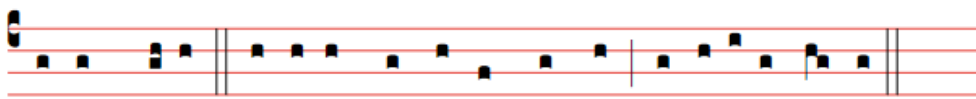
Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles,
"Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,"
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will,
who live and reign for ever and ever.

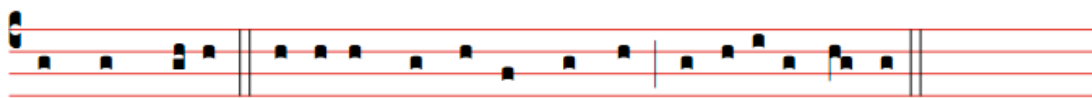
All: **Amen.**

Priest The peace of the Lord be with you always.

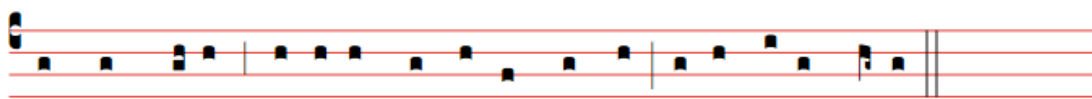
All: **And with your spirit.**



A gnus De-i, qui tollis peccá-ta mundi, mis-erére no-bis.



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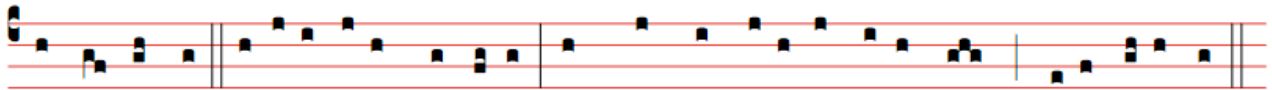


Agnus De-i, qui tollis peccá-ta mundi, dona nobis pacem.

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.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION PSALM



Lux æ-térna lúce-at e-i, Dómine, cum sanctis tu-is in ætérnum: qui-a pi-us es.

Eternal light shine on him, O Lord, with all your saints for ever, for you are loving.

Ps 125

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.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord.
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.

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

COMMUNION HYMN

Refrain:

Where there is charity and love,
there the God of love abides.

The love of Christ has gathered us as one,
Rejoice in him with joy which he imparts;
Let us revere and love the living God
And love each other with unfeigning
hearts.

And so when we are gathered here as one,
Let quarrels die and envious rancour cease;
Be our resolve all bitterness to shun
And in our midst be Christ, his love and
peace.

Oh, lead us, Master, by your saving grace,
To where the blessed glory in your sight;
There let us see and love you face to face,
Gathered once more in everlasting light.

REFLECTION AFTER COMMUNION

I know that my redeemer lives, the one who calls me home...
by Scott Soper.

Br Oliver

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Priest Renewed by food from your heavenly table,
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,
that by the power of this sacrifice
the soul of Kevin, your servant and Priest,
who faithfully ministered in your Church,
may exult for ever in your sight.
Through Christ our Lord

All **Amen.**

FINAL COMMENDATION

Please stand. (The texts for this Final Commendation are particular to the Dominican Order.)

INVITATION TO PRAYER

The priest invites the congregation to pray:

Our brother Kevin has fallen asleep in the peace of Christ. Confident in our hope of eternal life, let us commend him to the most loving mercy of our Father and let our prayers go with him. He was received adoption as God's son in baptism and was nourished at the table of the Lord; may he now inherit the promise of eternal life and take his place at the table of God's children in heaven.

Let us pray also on our own behalf, that we who now mourn and weep may one day go forth with our brother to meet Christ, when He, who is our life appears in glory.

SONG OF FAREWELL

*As the body of Kevin is honoured with holy water (recalling his baptism) and incense (a mark of honour and symbol of our rising prayer), the friars will sing the responsory **O Spem Miram**, which recalls St Dominic's promise to his brethren that he would be of more use to them after his death than in life:*

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O spem mir- am, quam de- dísti mortis ho- ra te
flénti- bus, dum post mortem promi- sí- sti te pro- fu tú- rum frá- tri- bus! *

Imple Pa- ter, quod di- xísti, nos tu- is ju- vans pré- ci- bus.

¶ Qui tot signis clar- u- ísti in ægró- rum corpó- ri- bus, no- bis opem fe-rens Chris- ti,
ægris me- dé- re mó- ri- bus. * Imple Pa- ter. Gló- ri- a Pa- tri, et Fí- li- o, et Spí-
ri- tu- i San-cto. * Imple Pa- ter.

Translation:

O wonderful hope which you gave to those who wept for you at the hour of your death, promising that after your decease you would be helpful to your brethren. *Fulfil, Father what you have said, and help us by your prayers.*
You enlightened the bodies of the sick with so many miracles:
bring us the help of Christ, to heal our sick souls.
Fulfil, Father what you have said, and help us by your prayers.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
Fulfil, Father what you have said, and help us by your prayers.

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

O God, our liberation and our hope,
you have conquered death in your Son
and restored life in the Holy Spirit:
receive our brother Kevin into the heavenly homeland.

Since you chose him as a priest of the New Covenant
and a minister of your mysteries,
now be pleased to admit him into the sanctuary of heaven
where, trembling, he may join his voice
to the voice of Christ, the supreme and eternal High Priest.

Look on him with eyes of mercy
for you are good, and the lover of the human race,
and wipe out his sins with the gentle dew of your pardon.
You who are peace and light,
make your servant happy in rest and peace;
may he see you face to face and enjoy immortal glory.

Grant that we, who still await your coming,
may run life's race caring for our brothers and sisters
and then, with eyes cleansed, as it were, by hope,
having stepped over the border of death
may we come to you in faith.

To you, who are the Father and fount of life,
in the life-giving Spirit,
through Christ, the conqueror of death,
be all honour and glory for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Priest Let us take our brother to his place of rest.

PROCESSION

The funeral procession will now leave the church. Please join in singing the final hymn:

In faith and hope and love
with joyful trust we move
towards our Father's home above.

Christ, our star, our map, our road
To the Father's high abode.

In faith and hope and love
with joyful trust we move
towards our Father's home above.

Christ, our bread along the way;
Christ, our rescue when we stray.

In faith and hope and love
with joyful trust we move
towards our Father's home above.

Christ, our shelter, Christ our friend,
Our beginning and our end.

In faith and hope and love
with joyful trust we move
towards our Father's home above.

Christ, our hope and our reward;
Our redeemer and our Lord.

JAMES PHILLIP MCAULEY
MELODY : RICHARD CONNELLY

Fr Kevin will be buried in the Dominican plot at Box Hill Cemetery.

