

A Mass in Thanksgiving
for the life of
Molly (Mary) Alty
4th July 1928 -29th January 2024



Requiem Mass at St Patrick's RC Church, Southport
Friday 16th February 2024 at 12.30pm

Service conducted by
The Reverend Father Michael McCormick



1959



1957



1980



1960



1993



2018



2018



2019



2018

Entrance Hymn

*Do not be afraid, For I have redeemed you.
I have called you by your name; You are mine.*

When you walk through the waters I'll be with you,
You will never have to sink beneath the waves.

When the fire is burning all around you,
You will never be consumed by the flames.

When the fear of loneliness is looming,
Then remember I am at your side.

When you dwell in the exile of a stranger,
Remember you are precious in my eyes.

You are mine, O my child; I am your father,
And I love you with a perfect love.



Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the Saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The Lord is compassion and love

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. (R.)

The Lord is compassion and love,
Slow to anger and rich in mercy.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
The Lord has pity on those who fear him (R.)

The love of the Lord is everlasting
Upon those who hold him in fear,
His justice reaches out to children's children
When they keep his covenant in truth. (R.)

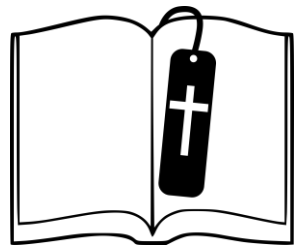
Second Reading

A Reading from the first letter of St. John

Think of the love that the father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God, but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is and we shall become like him.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**It is my Father's will, says the Lord,
that whoever believes in the Son shall have eternal life: and that I
shall raise him up on the last day.
Alleluia!**

Gospel Reading

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

Prayers for the Faithful

Each prayer concludes: Lord hear us.

Response: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Offertory Hymn

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 snow and rain,
I have borne my peoples pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them,
Whom shall I send?

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?

Liturgy of the Eucharistic

In our celebration of the Eucharist we recognise Christ who nourished Molly through the Sacraments throughout her life, it is also a reminder of the heavenly banquet to which we are all called.

Holy Communion

Family Tributes

By Marie Alty



Prayers of Commendation

Symbolically we use the water of Baptism to remind us of the promise of eternal life made to Molly at the time of her Baptism, the incense is a mark of our reverence and a reminder as the smoke rises heavenward that we are united in prayer with those who have died.

May the Choir of Angels Come

May the choirs of angels come to greet you.
May they speed you to paradise.
May the Lord enfold you in His mercy.
May you find eternal life.

The Lord is my light and my help;
It is he who protects me from harm.
The Lord is the strength of my days;
Before whom should I tremble with fear?



Concluding Hymn

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am 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,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be,
As long as life endures.

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'd first begun.



1980s

The service will be followed by a burial at
Duke Street Cemetery.

The family thank you for being here today,
for your kind words and messages of sympathy.

You are all warmly invited to join with the family at
Ainsdale Sports and Social Club, 772a Liverpool Road, PR8 3QF
for cuppa, a sandwich and to share some memories of mum!



2016



2020

Donations in Molly's memory are in aid of Dementia UK
www.justgiving.com/page/inmemoryofmolly

The family would also like to thank:
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