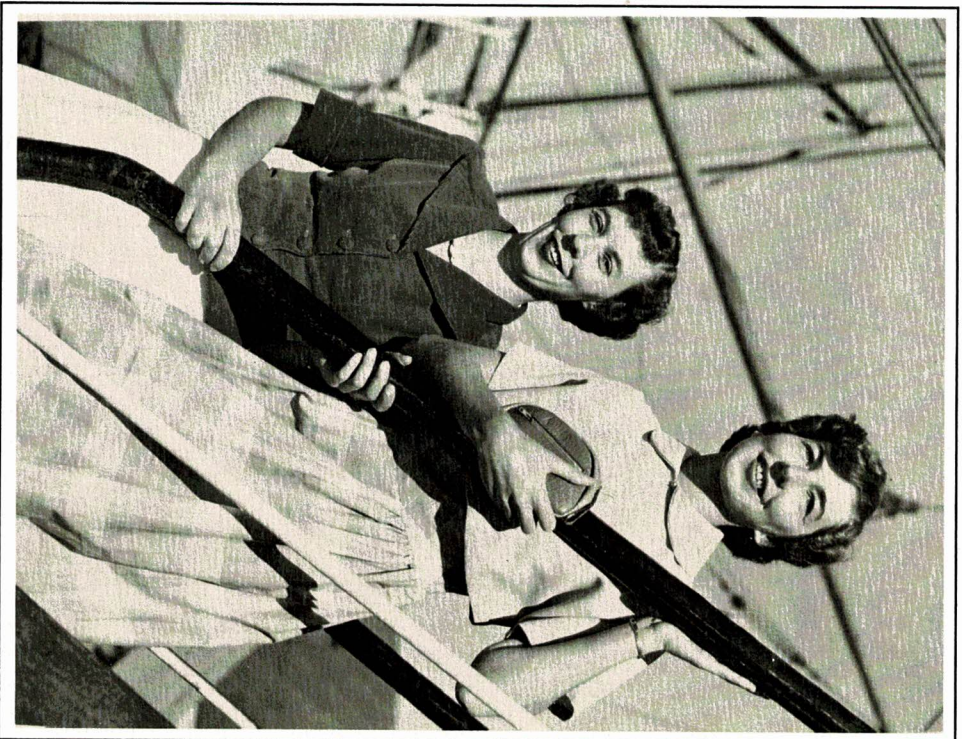


*CELEBRATION AND THANKSGIVING
FOR THE LIFE OF*

Marie Kathleen Myers

2nd November, 1923 – 9th April, 2024



*You are welcome to join the family for refreshments
at Heritage House, Bangalow following Marie's burial
at the Bangalow Lawn Cemetery.*

*Requiem Mass
St Kevin's Catholic Church
Bangalow*

*1pm Wednesday 17th April, 2024
Rev. Fr. David Gilbey*

Entrance Hymn: 'Come As You Are'

(Please Stand)

1. Come as you are, that's how I want you.
Come as you are, feel quite at home.
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven.
Come as you are, why stand alone?
2. No need to fear, love sets no limits.
No need to fear, love never ends.
Don't run away, shamed and disheartened.
Rest in my love, trust me again.
3. I came to call sinners, not just the
virtuous. I came to bring peace, not to
condemn. Each time you fail to live by my
promise, why do you think I'd love you the
less?
4. Come as you are, that's how I love
you. Come as you are, trust me again.
Nothing can change the love that I bear
you. All will be well, just come as you are.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GREETING

SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER

COLLECT



LITURGY OF THE WORD

(Please Sit)

FIRST READING: A reading from the book of Revelation 14:13

Christine and Errin

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say to me,

‘Write down:

Happy are those who die in the Lord!

Happy indeed, the Spirit says;
now they can rest for ever after their work,
since their good deeds go with them.’

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

‘The Lord’s My Shepherd’

Response: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord’s my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,

To revive my drooping spirit.

Response:

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 your crook and your staff,

With these you give me comfort.

Response:

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:

Surely goodness and kindness

shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell forever and ever.

Response:

RECESSIONAL HYMN: ‘The Galilee Song’

(Please Stand)

Deep within my heart I feel voices whispering to me.

Words that I can’t understand;

Meanings I can’t clearly hear!

Calling me to follow close, lest I leave myself behind!

Calling me to walk into evening shadows one more time!

Refrain:

So I leave my boats behind!

Leave them on familiar shores!

Set my heart upon the deep!

Follow you again, my Lord! Lord! Lord!

In my memories,

I know how you send familiar rains falling gently on my days;

dancing patterns on my pain!

And I need to learn once more in the fortress of my mind,

To believe in falling rain as I travel deserts dry!

As I gaze into the night, down the future of my years,

I’m not sure that I want walk past horizons that I know.

HYMN: 'Gentle Woman.'

Refrain: Gentle woman, quiet light, morning star, so strong and bright,
gentle Mother, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom, teach us love.

You were chosen by the Father, you were chosen for the Son.
You were chosen from all women and for woman, shining one.

Refrain.

Blessed are you among women, blessed in turn all women, too.
Blessed they with peaceful spirits. Blessed they with gentle hearts.

Refrain.

FINAL COMMENTATION

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE: Terry and Carmel

SIGNS OF FAREWELL: Incensation and Sprinkling of Holy Water

SONG OF FAREWELL

Priest: Saints of God, come to her aid!

Hasten to meet her angels of the Lord! (Response)

Response: Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.

Priest: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself.

May angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham. (Response)

Priest: Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her. (Response)

PRAYER OF COMMENTATION

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 14:7-12

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

We shall all have to stand before the judgement seat of God: as scripture says; by my life, it is the Lord who speaks, every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall praise God.

It is to God, therefore, that each of us must give an account of themselves.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(please stand)

Alleluia, alleluia!

*This is the will of my Father, says the Lord,
that all who believe in the Son will have eternal life
and I will raise them to life again on the last day.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to 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 now 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, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'
Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

(Please sit)

HOMILY: Fr David Gilbert

GENERAL INTERCESSION

Priest: My dear friends, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his people. Confident that God hears the voices of those that trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to His.

Trish: We pray for the staff at Crowley Village whose expertise and care in Mar's final years were a comfort to all of us. Lift their spirits, grant them resolve in their continued care for the frail and elderly and keep them and their loved ones in good health.
We pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

Trish: Lord, we pray that you help us to have compassion for those who do not have the good fortune of unconditional support from their family as we have had. Help us to remember Mar by welcoming those who need help into our hearts as she did throughout her life. We pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

Trish: Lord, we pray that during our grieving for Mar you help us to remember her resilience and courage in difficult times. Grant us the strength to call on support and lean on each other when we are hurting.

We pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

Trish: Lord, we pray for members of Marie's family; may her wisdom, humour and courage live on in the lives of her nieces, nephews, and their families whom she loved so much. We pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

Trish: Comfort and heal, merciful Lord, all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other trouble. Give them a firm trust in your goodness; help those who minister to them; and bring us all into the joy of your salvation.

We pray to the Lord.

Priest: Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, hear the voices of your people and we ask these prayers through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION AND PROCESSION OF GIFTS: Kieran and Basia, Miles and Sandy

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

COMMUNION RITE

COMMUNION HYMN - 'Here I Am Lord'

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

Refrain: Here I am, Lord.

Is it I Lord?

I have hard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

2. 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? **(Refrain)**