

Funeral Mass

*Julienne Ethel Hayes*

31st March 1956 - 18th August 2021



*“Julie”*

Saints Joseph's Church Uralla  
10am Thursday, 26th August 2021

Entrance Hymn

“Gentle Woman”

Sprinkling of the Coffin

Placing of the Pall, Photograph, Ink Drawing, Artwork & Bible

A Reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans (Rm 14:7-12)

*Read by Angela Hayes*

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 be long 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 himself.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God



Responsorial Psalm: 62:2-6,8-9

**Response:** My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
For you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
Like a dry, weary land without water. R

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
To see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
My lips will speak your praise. R

So I will bless you all my life,  
In your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
My mouth shall praise you with joy. R

You have been my help;  
In the shadow of your wings I rejoice.  
My soul clings to you;  
Your right hand holds me fast. R



## A Reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Philippians (1:1-11)

*Read by Mark Hayes*

From Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, to all the saints in Christ Jesus. We wish you the grace and peace of God our Father and of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God whenever I think of you; and every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. It is only natural that I should feel like this towards you all, since you have shared the privileges which have been mine: both my chains and my work defending and establishing the gospel. You have a permanent place in my heart, and God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

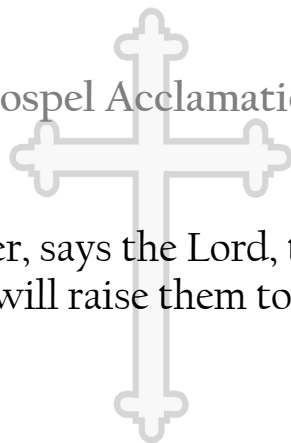
The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

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



## A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (Jn 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. *All:* Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

## Homily

### Prayers of the Faithful

*Read By Adam and Angela Hayes, Mark and Kristy Hayes*

**Priest:** My dear friends in Christ, let us pray to our merciful Father and ask his help in our time of sorrow:

For Julie, a child of God and heir to the kingdom, that she may be held securely in God's loving embrace now and for all eternity.

Let us pray to the Lord. *Response:* Lord, hear our prayer.

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

Let us pray to the Lord. *Response:* Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Lord Jesus who blesses those who mourn and are in pain will look upon Julie's family and friends who gather around her today.

Let us pray to the Lord. *Response:* Lord, hear our prayer.

For the doctors and nurses at Armidale and Tamworth Hospitals who cared for Julie, that their works of service may be richly blessed.

Let us pray to the Lord. *Response:* Lord, hear our prayer.

**Priest:** God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people. Hear the prayers we offer in faith and confidence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

## Holy Communion Hymn

“Be Not Afraid”

## Words of Remembrance

*Read By Lauren Jordan and Trevor Hayes*

## Final Commendation

**Priest:** Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister, Julie. 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.



## Song of Farewell

Saints of God come to her aid!  
Hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord!

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

May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;  
May angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham. **R**

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,  
And let perpetual light shine upon her. **R**

Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our sister, Julie, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will rise with him on the last day. We give you thanks for the blessings which you bestowed upon Julie in this life: they are signs to us of your goodness and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ. 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 for ever.

**R.** Amen

## Recessional Hymn

“Lady of the Rosary”





*Trevor, Claire, Adam, Mark, Lauren, Sarah and their families would like to thank you for your prayers, thoughts, love and support. They look forward to celebrating Julie's life with you all at a memorial mass on the first anniversary of Julie's passing. Most importantly we give thanks to God for the blessing of Julie's life.*



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