In Loving Memory Of

Margaret Lois O'Neill

September 7th 1946 ~ December 31st 2025

Holy Mass For The Repose of the Soul of Margaret Lois O'Neill

Officiant: Fr. Melvin Llabanes

Welcome and Eulogy: Bernard O'Neill and Rex O'Neill

Introductory Rites

Entrance Song: "Here I Am Lord"

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in the dark and Sin, My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, 1 will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send.

Chorus: 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?

Chorus

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.

Chorus

Priest: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: **Amen.**

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
All: **And with your spirit.**

Placement of Chirstian Symbols

Sprinkling Holy Water:

Priest: In the waters of baptism Margaret died with Christ and rose with Him to new life. May she now share with Him eternal glory.

Placing of Pall; Kara O'Neill and Michelle O'Neill

The pall over Margaret's coffin reminds us that on day of her baptism, she was clothed in a white garment as a sign of being clothed in Christ. May Christ now enfold her in His love and clothe her in glory.

Lighting of the Paschal Candle

Priest: In baptism Margaret received the light of Christ. May she now enjoy eternal light in the presence of the risen lord. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Priest: Almighty God and Father, it is our certain faith
that your Son, who died on the cross, was raised from the dead, the first fruits of all who have fallen asleep.
Grant that through this mystery
your servant Margaret, who has gone to her rest in Christ, may share in the joy of his resurrection.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading - Shelley Bell

A reading from the book of prophet Isaiah (25:6-9)

Reader: Think of the love that the Father has lavished upon 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.
The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm - Vanessa O'Neill

Psalm 23
Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my Shepherd, and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters, and by-ways,
valleys and highways he's waiting for me.

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

I want to go to meet him there, to lay myself down in his love. The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.

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

And while on the journey to where we are going,
he promised to be there to help us along.
And over the mountains we'll walk on together,
to know all the wonders he's given to me.

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

Gospel Acclamation Fr. Melvin Llabanes (please stand)

All: Alleluia, Alleluia

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the father except through me

Alleluia, Alleluia.

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Gospel Reading

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

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 Dean O'Neill, Michelle O'Neill, Kara O'Neill

Priest: As God's children, we have a divine dignity which death cannot touch. With confidence we bring you our prayers for Margaret.

Reader: For Margaret, who in Baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she may be now admitted to the company of the Saints.

We pray to the Lord.

R:/ Lord, hear our prayer

Reader: For Margaret's family, that they may be given hope, peace, and consolation, treasuring the memories they have of her.

We pray to the Lord.

R:/ Lord, hear our prayer

Reader: For those who mourn the loss of their loved ones, that they may be granted comfort from the Holy Spirit and discover the consolation in their grief from God.

We pray to the Lord:

R:/ Lord, hear our prayer

Reader: For all those who offered support and care for Margaret, that they may be rewarded with peace and reassurance.
We pray to the Lord.
R:/ **Lord, hear our prayer**

Reader: For us gathered here, that we may be filled with faith and hope in God's goodness.
We pray to the Lord.
R:/ **Lord, hear our prayer**

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

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Procession- Billy Jackson, Rex O'Neill and Sam O'Neill

Offertory Hymn - "Come As You Are"

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?

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.

I came to call sinners, notjust 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 less.

Come as you are, thats 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.

Prayer Over The Gifts:

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

All: **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

All: **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest: Pray, brethren, 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.**

(Please Stand)

Offertory Prayer:

Lord, receive the gifts we offer for the salvation of Margaret. May christ be merciful in judging our sister, for she believed in Christ as her Lord and loving Saviour. We ask this through Christ our Lord

Preface:

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**

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father most holy. And so, with the Angels and all the Saints we declare your glory, as with one voice we acclaim:

All: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

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 for ever.**

Sign of Peace:

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.**

Priest: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Holy Communion

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.**

(Be Seated)

Communion Hymn: "One Bread One Body"

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we though many, throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew,
Servant or free,
Woman or man, no more.

Many the gifts
Many the works,
One in the Lord of all.

Grain for the fields,
Scattered and grown,
Gathered to one, for all.

Prayer After Communion

Priest: Let us pray, Lord God, your Son Jesus Christ gave us the sacrament of his body and blood to guide us on our pilgrim way to your kingdom. May Margaret, (*who shared in the Eucharist*), come to the banquet of life Christ has prepared for us.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Remembrance Presentation for Margaret
"Unforgettable" - Nat King Cole
"Moments to remember" - Ann Murray
"I'll See You In My Dreams" - Joe Brown

Final Commendation

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

Song of Farewell

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

All: **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.

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

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

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

Prayer of Commendation

Priest: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend Margaret in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will rise with Him on the last day. Merciful Lord, turn to us and listen to our prayers, open the gates of paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with the assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with Margaret for ever.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

All: **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn - "Be Not Afraid"

You shall cross the barren desert
but you shall not die of thirst
You shall wander far in safety
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

ANTIPHON:
Be not afraid I go before you always.
Come follow me and I will give you rest.

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea
You shall not drown
If you walk amid the burning flames
You shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the power of hell
And death is at your side,
Know that I am with you
Through it all.

ANTIPHON:

3. Blessed are the poor,
for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourne,
For one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked men insult and hate you
All because of me.
Blessed blessed are you!

ANTIPHON:

Thank you

The family would like to thank you for attending today and for the endless support and sympathy you have shown at this time.

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