

Requiem Mass to celebrate the life of

*Raymond William
Holder*

27 December 1948 – 1 July 2024



St Michael's Cathedral, Wagga Wagga
Wednesday, 10 July 2024
Celebrant: Fr Kevin O'Reilly

Hymn: We Gather in Love

Welcome: Fr O'Reilly

Eulogy: Peter Holder & Charlotte Makeham

Reflection: I will love you ev'ry time by The Fureys

Opening Prayer: Fr O'Reilly

Lighting of the Candle: Lyette and Lucy Makeham

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Read by Rachel Crane

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

I thank my God each time I think 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 Jesus Christ comes.

It is only natural that I should feel like this towards you since you have shared the privileges which have been mine. You have a permanent place in my heart and God knows how much I miss you – loving you as Christ Jesus loves you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Psalm: Read by Michael Swan

Response: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from the old. In your love, remember me because of your goodness, O Lord.

Response: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Relieve the anguish of my heart and set me free from my distress, see my affliction and my toil and take all my sins away.

Response: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Reserve my life and rescue me. Do not disappoint me, you are my refuge. May innocence and uprightness protect me; for my hope is in you, O Lord.

Response: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Second Reading: The Revelation to John 14:13 Read by Monique Swan

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 forever after their work, since their good deeds go with them".

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia Alleluia

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, He who believes in me will not die forever.

Alleluia.



Gospel:

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.



After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:
“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayers of the Faithful: Read by Archie and Lucy Makeham

Lord Jesus, we thank you for the gift of Pop and for all the blessings that he gave to us throughout his life. Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, Bless Pop’s family and friends who gather here today. May Pop’s memory be forever in our hearts. Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, we pray for all those who cared for Pop, may the Lord reward them with kindness and patience. Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, we give thanks for all our family and friends who have gone before us. Lord Hear Us.

All: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Offertory Procession:

Offertory Hymn: One Bread, One Body

*Refrain - 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 *(Refrain)*

Many the gifts, many the works, One in the Lord of all *(Refrain)*

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, Gathered to one, for all. *(Refrain)*

Communion Hymn: Here I am Lord

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?

*Refrain: 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 people's 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)*

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? *(Refrain)*

Farewell Prayer and Blessing

Final Hymn: Eagle's Wings

Refrain:

*I have carried you on eagle's wings
I will care for you in all your years*

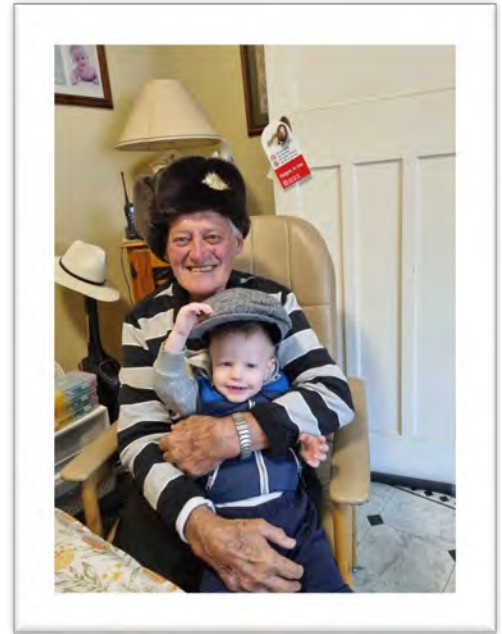
My heart is full of peace
You have been within my life
Your guiding hand has always covered me
I am full of confidence in You (*Refrain*)

My soul is like a child, cradled safe within your arms
You have carried me across my years
Leading me thru' sorrow and through joy (*Refrain*)

You have bridged the flowing streams
And moved aside the mountains tall
You have kept me through the stormy past
I know that you secure and guide me still (*Refrain*)

Never need I be afraid
No matter how uncertain things may be
Sometimes through me, sometimes in spite of me
You seem to find Your purpose in my life (*Refrain*)

I know failure in my life
The weakness so central to my heart
When I have strayed or fallen in my life
You gently set me on my feet again (*Refrain*)



Pall Bearers:

Scott Holder

Tom Makeham

Michael Makeham

Archie Makeham

Michael Swan

Steve Rake

Ray's family thank you all for attending today to share this celebration of his life. Your love, support and friendship has been greatly appreciated.

Memories of a wonderful loving husband, father and grandfather will be ours to treasure forever.

The family invite you back to the
Union Club Hotel, 122 Baylis Street, Wagga Wagga.



Life Well Lived

A life well lived is a precious gift
Of hope and strength and grace,
From someone who has made our world
A brighter, better place
It's filled with moments, sweet and sad
With smiles and sometimes tears,
With friendships formed and good times shared
And laughter through the years.
A life well lived is a legacy
Of joy and pride and pleasure,
A living, lasting memory
Our grateful hearts will treasure.

