



Jeffrey Patrick Francis

28th October 1935 - 6th June 2024

St Michael's Cathedral
Wagga Wagga

Friday, 14th June 2024

Celebrants

Fr Doug George and Fr Kevin O'Reilly

Organist

Margaret Adams

Cantor

Doug Sutton

Opening 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 have 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 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
'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send? *Refrain:*

Welcome and Introduction

Sprinkling of Holy Water

Lighting of Paschal Candle

Lorraine Francis

Words of Remembrance

Tim Francis and Mandy Mullavey

Father: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Father: 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.

Opening Prayer

O God, who called your servant Jeffrey to serve you in affliction and sickness, grant, we pray, that he, who followed your Son's example of suffering, may also receive the reward of his glory. Who lives and reigns in you forever and ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading

A reading from Romans (14:7-12)

Read by Paul Francis

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.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Read by Peter Chambers

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

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.

In your love remember me,
because of your goodness. *Response:*

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:*

Preserve 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. *Response:*

Gospel Acclamation

John 6:40

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

Father: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Father: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (14:1-6)

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

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.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Read by Vanessa Livermore and Des Mullins

Father: God, the almighty Father, raised Christ His Son from the dead; with confidence we ask Him to save all His people, living and dead:

Reader: We pray for those who care for the sick and dying, especially all the staff at the Wagga Wagga Base Hospital, Specialist and Doctors, who have assisted Jeff along the way.

We pray to the Lord: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for the Missionary Sisters, who have provided help, support and comfort to the family through this difficult time.

We pray to the Lord: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

We pray to the Lord: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For the deceased relatives and friends of Jeff, may the peace and happiness of Heaven be theirs forever.

We pray to the Lord: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for Lorraine during this difficult time.

May God give her strength and guidance.

We pray to the Lord: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for all Jeff's grandchildren and great-grandchildren, that they may live in his legacy.

We pray to the Lord: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Father: God our shelter and our strength,
You listen in love to the cry of your people:

Hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters.
Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption. **Amen.**

Offertory Procession

Susan Chambers and Kathy Bowen

Offertory Hymn

“You Raise Me Up” by Josh Groban

Prayer over the Offerings

Look favourably on our offerings, O Lord, on your servant Jeffrey, for whom we offer you the sacrifice of praise, humbly entreating that, reconciled with you through these devoted offices, he may merit to rise again.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

Preface

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Christ our Lord.

For as one alone he accepted death,
so that we might all escape from dying;
as one man he chose to die,
so that in your sight we all might live forever.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels,
we praise you, and with joy we proclaim:

**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.**

Mystery of Faith

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymn

Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

*Chrous: O Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving all to men that we receive
And in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Chrous:*

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that your servant Jeffrey,
for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament,
may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayers of Commendation

Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother Jeffrey,
in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ,
he will rise with him on the last day.

We give you thanks for the blessings
which you bestowed upon Jeffrey in this life:
they are signs to us of your goodness
and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ.

Merciful Lord, turn towards 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 again
in Christ and are with you and with our brother for ever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Song of Farewell

Father: Saints of God, come to his aid!

Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord!

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

Father: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;
may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

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

Father: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him.

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

In peace let us take our brother to his place of rest.
May the angels lead you into paradise;
may the martyrs come to welcome you
and take you to the new and eternal Jerusalem.

Recessional Song

How Great Thou Art

Oh Lord, my God
When I, in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin. *Refrain:*

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art. *Refrain:*

Pallbearers

*Fred Francis, Will Mullavey, Paddy Francis,
Charlie Bowen, Anthony Francis, and Oscar Mullavey*

Tom Relish 15/1/09.

6 lb Tom.	2 tsp	Mustard
2 lb Onions	3 Tbs	Curry Powder
1/2 Cup Salt	3 Tbs	cornflour
1 1/2 lbs Sugar	1 tsp	grated nutmeg
Vinegar	1 tsp.	ground ginger
	1 tsp.	Cinnamon

Pour boiling water over Tom leave 10 mins then peel & dice, add onions, shell and add salt, cover with water and stand overnight (I haven't had to use water as the Tom had plenty of juice)

Next morning pour off brine, almost cover pulp with Vinegar, bring to boil, then add sugar. Stir well to mix. Take the Curry powder, Mustard and cornflour mix in a bowl then put in with Tom etc. Stir well and boil for 40/60 mins.

then add Cinnamon, Nutmeg & ground ginger boil for about another 5 mins.

then it should thicken. Pour into Jars and you should get \$5.00 for your product.

Jeff's Relish Recipe



Jeffrey's family sincerely thank you for all your love and support and for your attendance today.

Following the committal service in the Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery, please join the family at the Murrumbidgee Turf Club, Travers Street for light refreshments and the sharing of memories you have of Jeffrey.