

Requiem Mass to celebrate the life of





Gerard Devlin

Who died 2nd September 2020 Rest In Peace



Funeral on Monday 7th September 2020 St Patrick's Cathedral 11.00am Mass Burial St Patrick's Cemetery

Entrance Hymn

First Reading Read by Jimmy McKee

A reading from the Book of Wisdom (4:7-15)

The virtuous man, though he die before his time, will find rest. Length of days is not what makes age honourable, nor number of years, the true measure of life; understanding, this is man's grev hairs. untarnished life, this is ripe old age. He has sought to please God, so God has loved him; as he was living among sinners, he has been taken up. He has been carried off so that evil may not warp his understanding or treachery seduce his soul: for the fascination of evil throws good things into the shade, and the whirlwind of desire corrupts a simple heart. Coming to perfection in so short a while, he achieved long life; his soul being pleasing to the Lord, he has taken him quickly from the wickedness around him. Yet people look on, uncomprehending: it does not enter their heads that grace and mercy await the chosen of the Lord, and protection, His holy ones.

Responsorial Psalm

The Word of the Lord.

Second Reading

Read by Colleen O'Hare

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Corinthians 12:31-13:1-7

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them. If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing.

If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever. Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and it is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end.

 $The \ Word \ of \ the \ Lord.$

Gospel Acclamation

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Read by Mary O'Hare

Let us pray for Uncle Gerard now that he has passed from this life, may he be experiencing eternal peace in God's Heavenly Kingdom.

Lord hear us... Lord graciously hear us.

Read by Cathy Devlin

Let us pray for all who are mourning Gerard's death: His wife Bebe, his daughters Roisin and Ciarrai and son Connor, brother Brian, sister Patricia and all the Devlin and Conroy family.

Lord hear us... Lord graciously hear us.

Read by Maura Fitzgerald

Lord let us remember Gerard's devotion to his wife and children, his strong faith, the kindness and generosity he showed to everyone and his determination to strive for perfection in everything he did in life. May we be inspired by his example.

Lord hear us... Lord graciously hear us.

Read by Oisin McKee

Let us pray for those who are troubled in mind and body may they feel the support and love from those around them and the presence of God.

 $Lord\ hear\ us...\ Lord\ graciously\ hear\ us.$

Read by Paul Devlin

Gerard's passing has brought great shock and sorrow to not only his family and friends but all here in Armagh and the wider GAA community in which Gerard was held in such high regard, may God give us all strength in this tragic time.

Lord hear us... Lord graciously hear us.

Read by Christine Devlin

For all our loved ones who have died especially the deceased members of the Devlin and Kelly family, His parents Patsy and Nancy, brother Mick and sister Margaret.

Lord grant all of them the fullness of new life and happiness in the kingdom of heaven.

Lord hear us... Lord graciously hear us.

Offertory Hymn

Communion Hymn

Communion Reflection

Final Hymn



Gerard's family would like to take this opportunity to thank you for attending the funeral today and for all your prayers, kindness, care and support shown to them at this sad time.

