



*Welcome to the Requiem Mass
for
Bruna Volombello*

Entrance Hymn:

(Please stand)

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, Not just 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 the less.

Come as you are, That's 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.

Introductory Rite:

Father Joe: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Greeting:

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

Presentation of Symbols

Read by Teresa Hewlett, Anthony, Mark Tommasini, Amanda Volombello & Jared Foster

A Basket of Crostoli - Symbolic of Nonna's care for her family and love of family gatherings

Flowers - Nonna's love of flowers reminds us of her vibrancy and joyful nature.

The Broom and scoop - Nonna believed in working hard and lived a life of service to her husband and family.

CD of Italian music – Nonna had an endless love for her first home, Italy, as well as a great joy for music and celebration.

Cards from the great grand children— Bruna was a proud Nonna and Bisnonna. She was loved greatly by her grandchildren and her great Grandchildren.

Placing of Baptismal Symbols:

Presented by Silvio Volombello

Lighting of the Paschal Candle

Father: In Baptism Bruna received the light of Christ. May she now enjoy eternal light and peace.

All: Amen

Sprinkling of Holy Water

Father: In the waters of Baptism Bruna died with Christ and rose with Him to new life. May she now share with Him eternal glory.

All: Amen

Placing of the Pall

Father: On the day of her Baptism, Bruna put on Christ. May He now enfold her in His love and clothe her in Glory.

All: Amen

Opening Prayer:

O God, to whom mercy and forgiveness belong, hear our prayers on behalf of your servant Bruna, whom you have called out of this world; and because she put her hope and trust in you, command that she be carried safely home to heaven, and come to enjoy your eternal reward. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Eulogy

Presented by Ben and Anita Volombello, Carli Foster and Mark Tommasini

First Reading

Read By Teresa Hewlett

A reading from the Book of Wisdom (3:1-6)

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them.

In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die,

Their going looked like a disaster,

Their leaving us, like annihilation;

But they are in peace.

If they experienced punishment as men see it,

their hope was rich with immortality;

slight was their affliction,

great will their blessings be.

God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with him;

He has tested them like gold in a furnace,

and accepted them as a holocaust.

They who trust in Him will understand the truth,

those who are faithful will live with him in love;

for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

The word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Response (Sung)

May the choirs of angels come to greet you.

May they speed you to paradise.

May the Lord enfold you in His mercy.

May you find eternal life.

Read by Amanda Volombello

The Lord is my light and my help;

It is He who protects me from harm.

The Lord is the strength of my days;

before whom should I tremble with fear? ®

There is one thing I ask of the Lord;
that He grant me my heart-felt desire.
To dwell in the courts of our God
every day of my life in His presence. (R)

Lord, hear my voice when I cry;
have mercy on me and give answer.
Do not cast me away in Your anger,
for you are the God of my help. (R)

I am sure I shall see the lord's goodness;
I shall dwell in the land of the living.
Hope in God, stand firm and take heart,
place all your trust in the Lord. (R)

Second Reading

Read by Anthony Tommasini

“A Reading from the first Letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians”

We want you to be quite certain brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the Archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

(Please stand)

Gospel Acclamation

**All: Alleluia, alleluia
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
Whoever believes in me will never die.
Alleluia.**

Gospel

Father Joe:

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There He sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then He began to speak. This is what He taught.

“How happy are the poor in spirit;
Theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy and gentle;
They shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn;
They shall be comforted.
Happy those in hunger and thirst for what is right;
They shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful;
They shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart;
They shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers;
They shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of the right;
Theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

“Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Presented by Sandra Tommasini

Lord, we thank you for our beautiful mother, Nonna and Bisnonna and for the joyful and loving times we spent together as a family. May she be reunited with Gino and all her family in heaven.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, Bruna was given the promise of eternal life in baptism; grant her communion with your Saints forever.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank and praise you for the life of Bruna and her unfailing love and devotion to her family. She was our foundation and support.

Lord hear us

ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, we pray for our relatives and friends and for all families who are touched by personal loss. May God give them strength on their journey.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, we give thanks for Bruna's eternal life. Grant us comfort at our time of loss as we will miss her earthly presence.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.

Offertory

Gifts presented by Ada Volombello, Peter Tommasini

Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Hail Mary, full of grace
The Lord is with you,
Blesses are you among women
And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, mother of God
Pray for us sinners now
And at the hour of death, Amen.

Gentle woman, quiet light,
Morning star, so strong and bright.
Gentle Mother, peaceful dove,
Teach us wisdom, teach us love.

You were chosen by the Father,
You were chosen for the Son,
You were chosen from all woman,
And for woman, shining one.

Gentle woman, quiet light,
Morning star, so strong and bright.
Gentle Mother, peaceful dove,
Teach us wisdom, teach us love.

Blessed are you among women,
Blest in turn, all women too.
Blessed they with peaceful spirits.
Blessed they, with gentle hearts.

Gentle woman, quiet light,
Morning star, so strong and bright.
Gentle Mother, peaceful dove,
Teach us wisdom, teach us love.



Preparation of the Gifts:

Father: 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 forever.

Father: 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 forever.

Father: Pray brethren, that my sacrifice and yours, may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

(All Stand)

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.

Prayer over the Gifts:

Father: Look favorably on our offerings, O Lord, so that your departed servant Bruna may be taken up into glory with your Son, in whose great mystery of love we are all united. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Preface:

Father: The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit.

Father: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord

Father: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right and just.

Father: 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.

In him the hope of blessed resurrection has dawned, that those saddened by the certainty of dying might be consoled by the promise of immortality to come. Indeed for your faithful, Lord, life is changed, not ended, and, when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory as without end 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.**

(Please kneel or sit)

Father: You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts we pray, be sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: "Take this, all of you, and eat of it; for this is my body which will be given up for you."

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice, and once more giving thanks, He gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take this, all of you and drink from it; this is the chalice of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me".

The mystery of faith.

**All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death,
O Lord, until you come again.**

Father: Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his death and resurrection we offer you, Lord, the bread of life and the chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember Lord, your Church spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Francis our Pope, Denis our Bishop and all the Clergy.

Sign of Peace

Father: 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 the Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign forever.

All: Amen.

Father: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

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

Breaking of the Bread

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.

Father: 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.

(Please sit)

Communion Hymn:

Ave Maria Sung by Il Divo

Prayer after Communion

Father: Let us pray. Lord God, whose Son left us, in the Sacrament of his Body, food for the journey, mercifully grant that, strengthened by it, our sister Bruna, may come to the eternal table of Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

All: Amen

Pictorial Reflection

Reflection

read by Jared Foster

A limb has fallen from our family tree
I hear a voice that whispers, "Grieve not for me
Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.
The good life I lived while I was strong.

My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest
Remember that I was truly blessed.
Continue traditions, those big and those small
Go on with your lives, be strong and tall.

I miss you all dearly, though my love will remain
until that fine day when we are together again."

Final Commendation and Farewell:

Father: Trusting in God, we have prayed together for Bruna, and now we come to the last farewell. There is sadness in parting, but we take comfort in the hope that one day we shall see Bruna again, and enjoy her friendship.

Although this congregation will disperse in sorrow, the mercy of God will gather us together again in the joy of His kingdom. Therefore, let us console one another in the faith of Jesus Christ.

Father: 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.

Father: 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.

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

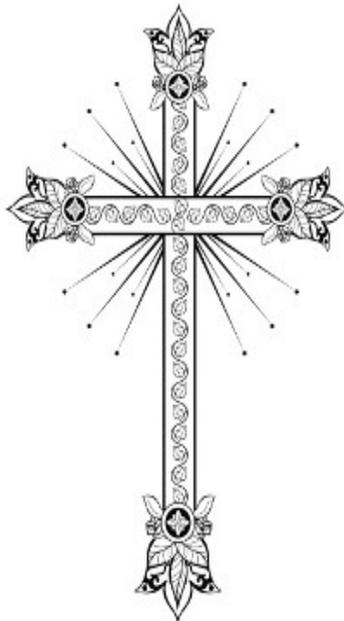
All: Receive her soul and present her to God the most high.

Father: To you, O Lord, we commend the soul of Bruna In the sight of this world, she is now dead; in your sight may she live forever. Forgive whatever sins she may have committed through human weakness, and in your goodness grant her everlasting peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord

ALL: Amen.

Recessional Song

Pie Jesu sung by The Priests



Thankyou

*We would like to thank you
For attending today
For your kind thoughts and words
during this difficult time.*

*If you would like to
Join us for the burial
Service, this will take place at
Lilydale Memorial Park
Cemetery.*

(Mel: 280 C10)

*Refreshments will follow
in the function room.*

