

(ANYTHING IN RED NEEDS TO BE ALTERED)

*Resource: "Life is Changed, Not Ended" – Brisbane Liturgical Commission
Church Prayer service – No mass*

*The Funeral Service
of*

(name of the deceased)

*Place photo here
(Optional)*

(birth date - date of death)

*Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pearce, ACT
or Name of Church and town*

(date of funeral)

ENTRANCE HYMN/SONG/MUSIC

WELCOME

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS:

Celebrant: *Candle* - **N** received the light of Christ at **his/her** baptism. The Easter Candle reminds us of the flame of faith that burned ever brightly in **his/her** heart.

All: May Christ now welcome **him/her into the kingdom of light and peace.**

Celebrant: *Holy Water* - In the cleansing waters of Baptism **N** died with Christ and rose with him to new life.

All: May **he/she now share new life with God in glory.**

WORDS OF PERSONAL REMEMBRANCE *(by whom?)*

OPENING PRAYER: Celebrant

Scripture readings should be taken from a Catholic Bible translation

FIRST READING: *(by whom?)*

A reading from *(select one of the pages 36-42)*

After the reading, the reader concludes with...

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *(by whom?) or a Hymn/Song/Music. This is an example only:*

Response by all: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help;
Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
Before whom shall I shrink? **R**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long,
To live in the house of the Lord,
All the days of my life,
To savour the sweetness of the Lord,
To behold his temple. **R**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
Have mercy and answer.
It is your face O Lord, that I seek;
Hide not your face. **R**

I am sure that I shall see the Lord's goodness
In the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! Hope in the Lord! **R**

SECOND READING: OPTIONAL *(by whom?) pages 43-49*

A reading from*(sample only)*
(The Reading ends with...)
The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (said by all) *(This is different in Lent)*
Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy are they who mourn;
They shall be comforted.
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL - Celebrant. *Please choose a Gospel for the celebrant to read from pages 56-67.*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint

All: Glory to you O Lord.

The Gospel text goes here if it is to be printed.

The priest/deacon finishes the Gospel with:

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY - Celebrant *(This is the Sermon)*

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *(read by whom?) Samples below. Feel free to write your own, as many or as few.*

For dear **N**, that **she/he** may be received into the presence of God, a reward **she/he** so richly deserves. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

For **N's** children, their spouses and grandchildren, that they may be comforted by knowledge of **her/his** great love for them. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

For **N's** extended family and old and new friends who loved **her/him** for **her/his** enduring interest in their lives and welfare. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

For those who cared for **N** during **her/his months at the (Mercy Care Centre)**, that God may reward them for their special care and compassion. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

For all of us, that we continue to espouse the family values that **N** presented in **her/his** life. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

For all those suffering in the world, especially, that God may comfort them and that we may continue to remember them in our prayers. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

***Optional* REFLECTION HYMN/SONG/MUSIC**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: said by all

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name;
Your kingdom come, your 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;
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

FINAL PRAYER

FINAL COMMENDATION

SPRINKLING AND INCENSE

SONG OF FAREWELL

Celebrant: Saints of God, come to **his/her** aid!

Hasten to meet **him/her**, angels of the Lord!

All: Receive her/his soul and present her/him to God the Most high

Celebrant: May Christ who called you take you to himself;

May angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

All: Receive her/his soul and present her/him to God the Most high

Celebrant: Eternal rest grant unto **him/her**, O Lord,

And let perpetual light shine upon **him/her**.

All: Receive her/his soul and present her/him to God the Most high

Celebrant: In peace, let us take our **brother/sister** to **his/her** place of rest.

May the angels lead you into paradise;

may the martyrs come to welcome you to the holy city,
the new and eternal Jerusalem.

RECESSIONAL HYMN/SONG/MUSIC

perhaps a poem/thought/reflection—here is an example

AN IRISH BLESSING

**May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back
May the sun shine warm upon your face
And the rain fall gently on your fields
May there be the sound of laughter in your home
And your days be long and warm together
May the good Lord hold you in the palm of his hand
Until we meet again.**

(place photo or picture here - optional)

If Hymns are printed you **MUST** consult your funeral directors regarding Copyright.

SAMPLE ONLY

***The N family wishes to thank you for your presence here today
and invites you all to join them after the burial for refreshments
at***

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