

# Mass of Christian Burial



George Joseph McPherson, Jr.

June 16, 1937 – August 3, 2023

August 9, 2023

St. Luke Catholic Church  
7001 Georgetown Pike  
McLean, VA 22101

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

BLESSING *of the* REMAINS

HYMN **Amazing Grace!**

Worship Hymnal No. 650

## LITURGY *of the* WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Please be seated.*

Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9

*Following the Reading:*

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

*Assembly:* **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 23

Worship Hymnal No. 37



My shep-herd is the Lord, noth-ing in-deed shall I want.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39

*Following the Reading:*

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

*Assembly:* **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Please stand. Alleluia*

GOSPEL

John 14:1-6

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*Assembly:* **And with your spirit.**

*Priest:* A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

*Assembly:* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Following the Gospel:*

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*Assembly:* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY *Please be seated.*

Rev. Richard M. Guest

UNIVERSAL PRAYER *Please stand.*

# LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

## PRESENTATION and PREPARATION of the GIFTS

### HYMN **Be Not Afraid**

Worship Hymnal No. 680

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

*Assembly:* **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.**

### The Eucharistic Prayer

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*Assembly:* **And with your spirit.**

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts.

*Assembly:* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

*Assembly:* **It is right and just.**

### HOLY ACCLAMATION

Worship Hymnal No. 365

*Following the Holy Acclamation, please kneel.*

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Worship Hymnal No. 366

### AMEN

Worship Hymnal No. 367

*Following the Amen, please stand.*

## Communion Rite

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*All:* **Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

*Priest:* Deliver us, Lord, we pray... our Savior, Jesus Christ.

*All:* **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

### THE SIGN of PEACE

### BREAKING of BREAD

*Cantor or Choir*

*All:*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

*To repeat* *Last time*

have mercy on us. grant us peace.

## INVITATION to COMMUNION

*Priest:* 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.**

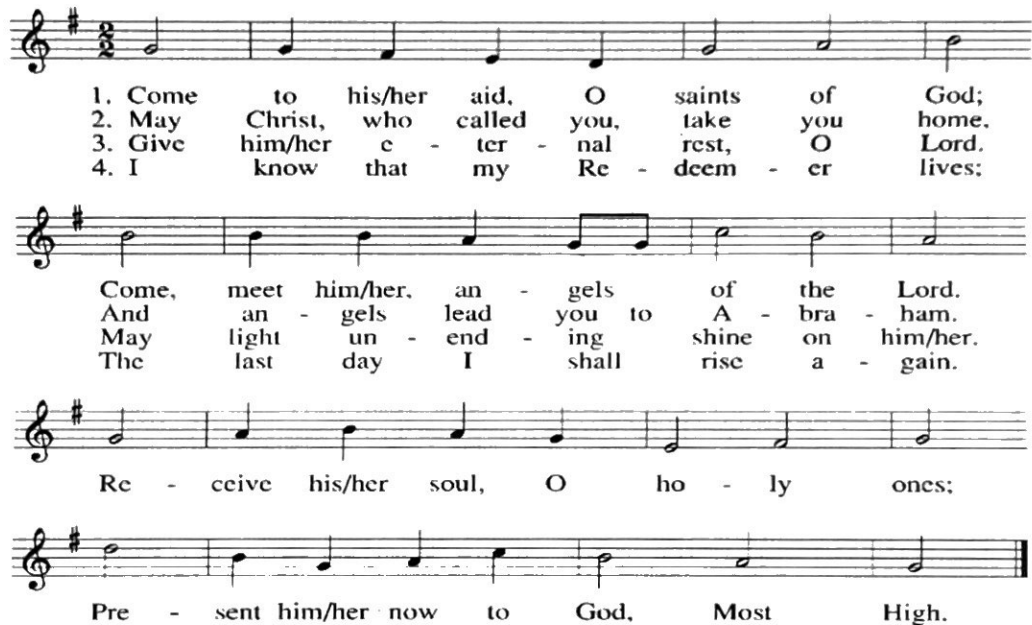
*All Roman Catholics who are in a state of Grace and prepared to receive Communion may come forward. If you are not Catholic or do not wish to receive, you may remain in your pew to pray.*

## HYMN On Eagle's Wings

Worship Hymnal No. 690

## FINAL COMMENDATION

### SONG of FAREWELL



1. Come to his/her aid, O saints of God;  
2. May Christ, who called you, take you home,  
3. Give him/her e - ter - nal rest, O Lord,  
4. I know that my Re - deem - er lives;

Come, meet him/her, an - gels of the Lord.  
And an - gels lead you to A - bra - ham.  
May light un - end - ing shine on him/her.  
The last day I shall rise a - gain.

Re - ceive his/her soul, O ho - ly ones;

Pre - sent him/her now to God, Most High.

TEXT: Based on Subvenite and Job 19:25-27; Dennis C. Smolarski, © 1981  
TUNE: OLD HUNDREDETH; LM: Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561, alt.

## PRAYER of COMMENDATION

### SOLO In Paradisum

*The family invite you to join them for a reception immediately following the funeral at Westwood Country Club.*

*800 Maple Avenue East*

*Vienna, Virginia*