



REQUIEM MASS

In Loving Memory Of

*Armando Curto*



*6th December 1939– 31st December 2021*

*St. Anthony's Church, Hanwood*

Thursday 6th January 2022



# Armando Curto

**Dearly loved husband of**  
*the late Barbara Curto.*

**Much loved brother and brother in law of**  
*Mary & the late Vittorio Barzan, Angelo Curto,*  
*Christine & the late Doug Fox,*  
*Lyn & the late Russel Cornish.*

**Dearly loved by his many nieces and nephews.**

## **Pall Bearers**

<i>John Barzan</i>	<i>Robert Lee</i>
<i>Matthew Lee</i>	<i>Duncan McWhirter</i>
<i>Jennah Barzan</i>	<i>Kevin Rossetto</i>

**Priest:** *Fr Peter Stojanovic*

**Assisting Priest:** *Fr Paul Lu*

## **Organist**

*Mary Santos*

## **Vocalist**

*Nilva Close*

## WELCOME

### WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

Read by: *Paula Barzan, Leanne McWhirter and Bruno Bagatella*

#### ENTRANCE HYMN: "Here I am Lord"

*(Please Stand)*

PRIEST: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

PRIEST: 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.**

PRIEST: In the waters of baptism,  
Amando died with Christ and rose with him to new life.  
May he now share with him eternal glory.

#### OPENING PRAYER

PRIEST: O God, almighty Father, our faith professes that your Son died and rose again; mercifully grant, that through this mystery your servant Armando, who has fallen asleep in Christ, may rejoice to rise again through Him, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**ALL: Amen.**

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD



**FIRST READING**  
**Read by *Alison Lee***

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES 18:8-13

For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven.

A time to be born and a time to die.

A time to plant and a time to harvest.

A time to kill and a time to heal.

A time to tear down and a time to build up.

A time to cry and a time to laugh.

A time to grieve and a time to dance.

A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones.

A time to embrace and a time to turn away.

A time to search and a time to quit searching.

A time to keep and a time to throw away.

A time to tear and a time to mend.

A time to be quiet and a time to speak.

A time to love and a time to hate.

A time for war and a time for peace.

God has made everything suitable for its time.

The word of the Lord.

**ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD.**





## RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 22)

**(R):** *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. **(R)**

He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. **(R)**

You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. **(R)**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **(R)**

### **SECOND READING : Read by Lara Rossetto**

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST PAUL TO TIMOTHY 4: 6-8

As for me, my life has already been poured away as an offering, and the time has come for me to depart. I have fought the good fight till the end, I have run the race to the finish. I have kept the faith. All there is to come for now is the crown of uprightness which the Lord, the upright judge, will give to me on the day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his appearing.  
The word of The Lord

**ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*(Please Stand)*

**ALL: Alleluia, Alleluia,  
I am the resurrection and the life, said the Lord:  
He who believes in me will not die for ever.  
Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

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."  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**ALL: PRAISE TO YOU LORD, LORD JESUS CHRIST!**

## HOMILY

*(Please be seated)*



## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL Read by *Darcy Barzan*

*(Please Stand)*

**PRIEST:** 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 thank God for the wonderful memories of Uncle Armando. Give us the strength and courage to mourn his loss and to also celebrate his life here on earth. Lord, hear us:

**ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For Uncle Mando, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life; that he may now be admitted to the company of the saints. Let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear us:

**ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for all the family and friends of our Uncle Mando, especially his wife Barbara and his parents that have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your son. Lord, hear us.

**ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for the doctors, nurses and carers at Scalabrini Village, especially the Sisters of Saint Anne that their works of service may be richly blessed. Lord, hear us.

**ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**PRIEST:** Lord God,

Giver of peace and healer of souls,  
hear the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ,  
and the voices of your people, whose lives were purchased  
by the blood of the Lamb. Forgive the sins of all who sleep  
in Christ and grant them a place in the kingdom. We ask  
this through Christ our Lord

**ALL:** **Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*(Please be seated)*

OFFERTORY HYMN: 'Make me a Channel of Your Peace'

Prayers over the Gifts

### **PREFACE**

*(Please Stand)*

PRIEST: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And with your spirit.**

PRIEST: Lift up your hearts.

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

PRIEST: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

### Sanctus

PRIEST & 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.**

### **Eucharist Prayer**

*(Please Kneel)*

PRIEST: The mystery of faith:

**ALL: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

### **Communion Rite**

#### *Lord's Prayer*

*(Please Stand)*

PRIEST & 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.**

**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.

**COMMUNION**  
*(Please Kneel)*

**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 word and my soul shall be healed.**

**COMMUNION HYMN: "I am the Bread of Life"**

**Prayer After Communion**

*(Please Stand)*

**PRIEST:** Lord God, whose Son left us  
in the sacrament of His Body,  
food for the journey,  
mercifully grant that, strengthened by it,  
our brother, Armando, may come  
to the eternal table of Christ.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**ALL: Amen.**

**FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL**

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

**RECESSIONAL HYMN: "How Great Thou Art"**



*The Curto and extended families thank you for your attendance here today and for your expressions of sympathy, love and prayers.*

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