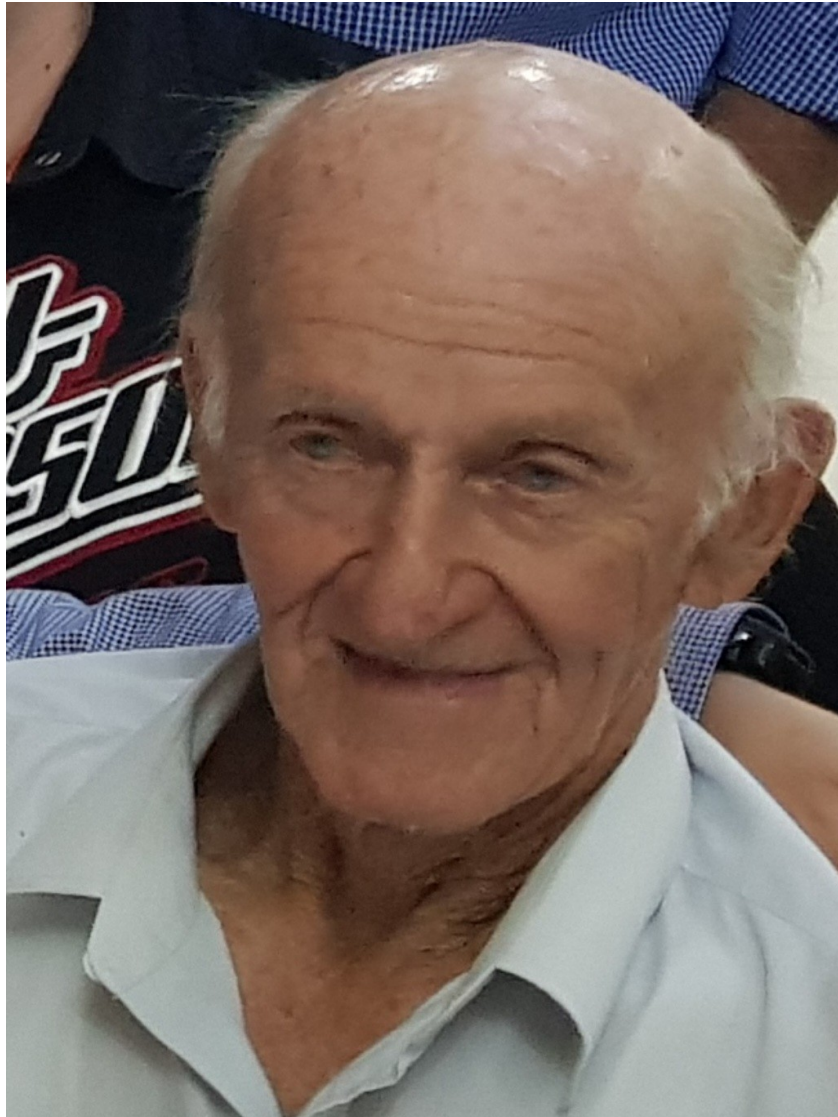




REQUIEM MASS

In Loving Memory Of

Arthur McIntosh



8th May 1927 ~ 5th April 2022

St Therese Catholic Church, Barellan
Wednesday 13th April 2022



Arthur Leonard McIntosh

Dearly loved husband of

Betty

Loved father and father in law of

*Marie, Leonie & Greg, Ian & Tori,
Donald & Sue (dec), Colin & Angela.*

Andrew & Vicki

Adored Grandad of

*Will, Tom, Emma, Matthew, Connor, Callum,
Ben, James, Bethany, Abigail, Bradley & Chantal*

Cherished Great Grandad of

Chloe, Remi and Zoey

Pall Bearers

Ian McIntosh

Donald McIntosh

Colin McIntosh

Andrew McIntosh

Priest

Father Sijo Jose

Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save

I who made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them
Whom shall I send?

chorus

*Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go Lord, if You lead me
I will hold your people in my heart*

I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have born my peoples pain
I have wept for love of them, they turn away

I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them
Whom shall I send?

Chorus

I, the Lord of wind and rain
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?

chorus

Opening Hymn- 'Here I Am Lord'

Lighting of the Paschal Candle – Andrew McIntosh

Fr.Sijo: Arthur received the light of Christ at his Baptism.

The Easter candle reminds us of the Easter resurrection, the promise held out to all: death is not the end.

All: May Christ now welcome him into the kingdom of light and grace.

Blessing of the Coffin with Holy Water

Fr.Sijo: In cleansing waters of Baptism Arthur became one with Christ. May he now share the promise of glory and peace.

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

Eulogy– Matt Mills

Opening Prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brother Arthur. In this life You embraced him with Your tender love; deliver him now from every evil and bid him eternal rest. Welcome him into paradise where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain, but the fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading – Bethany McIntosh

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans. (14:7-10).

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

This is the Word of the Lord

All. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 23) – Connor McIntosh

Response: *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. **Response.**

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. **Response.**

You have prepared a banquet for me
In the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
My cup is overflowing. Response.

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. **Response**

Gospel Acclamation

God so loved the world so much that He gave His only Son,
that all who
believe in Him might live forever.

Gospel Reading

Fr.Sijo- A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (14:1–6)

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.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful – *Abigail McIntosh & Will Keeling*

Fr. Sijo- Living God, you raised Jesus from the dead and promised us new life through his resurrection. With faith in your promise we pray:

Family -Lord, we thank you for the gift of Arthur’s life and pray that we may draw strength from his love and affection. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Lord, we ask you to bless Arthur’s relatives and friends that they may find peace in your love and find comfort in each other. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Lord, many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. May God grant them an everlasting home with Christ. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

For all of us who assembled here today to worship in faith and hope, that we may be gathered together in God’s Kingdom. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Fr. Sijo- Father you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are not at rest until they rest in you. Hear these prayers we make for your son Arthur, as we trust in your mercy, through Christ, Our Lord.

All: Amen

Offertory Hymn- *'Come as You Are'*

Mass continue with the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Communion Hymn- *'Amazing Grace'*

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.

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

Prayers of Commendation and Farewell

Fr.Sijo- Before we go to our separate ways let us take leave of our brother Arthur. May our farewell express our affection for him; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet him again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

Fr Sijo: Saints of God, come to his aid! Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord.

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

May Christ who called you, take you to himself; may angels lead you to the arms of Jesus.

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

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.

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

Fr.Sijo: Into your hands, God of Mercy, we commend our brother Arthur in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he will rise with Him on the last day. We give you thanks for the blessings, which you bestowed upon Arthur in his life; they are signs to us of your goodness and of our fellowship with the saints of Christ.

Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of heaven to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith until we all meet in Christ and are with you and Arthur

forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

In peace let us take our brother Arthur to his place of rest. May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem.

All: Amen

Recessional Hymn – ‘How Great Thou Art’

How Great Thou Art

Oh Lord, my God
When I, in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder

Thy power throughout the universe displayed
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

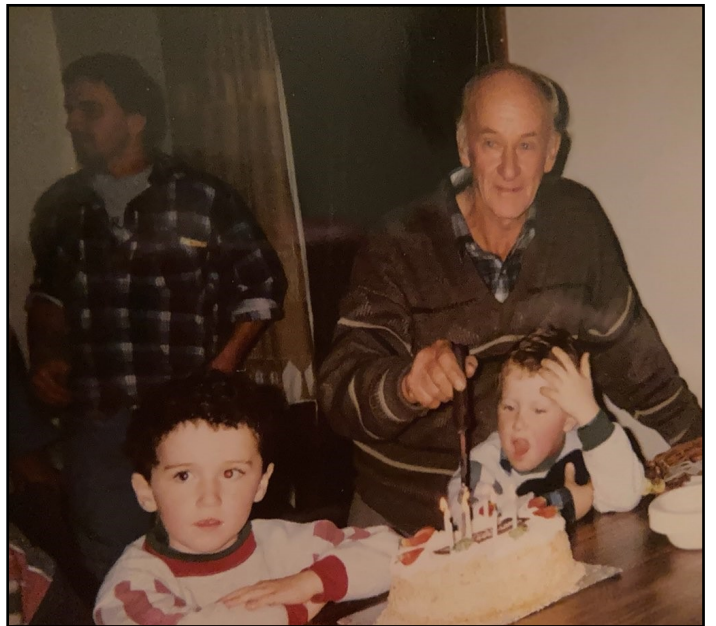
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing

He bled and died to take away my sin
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art
When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration

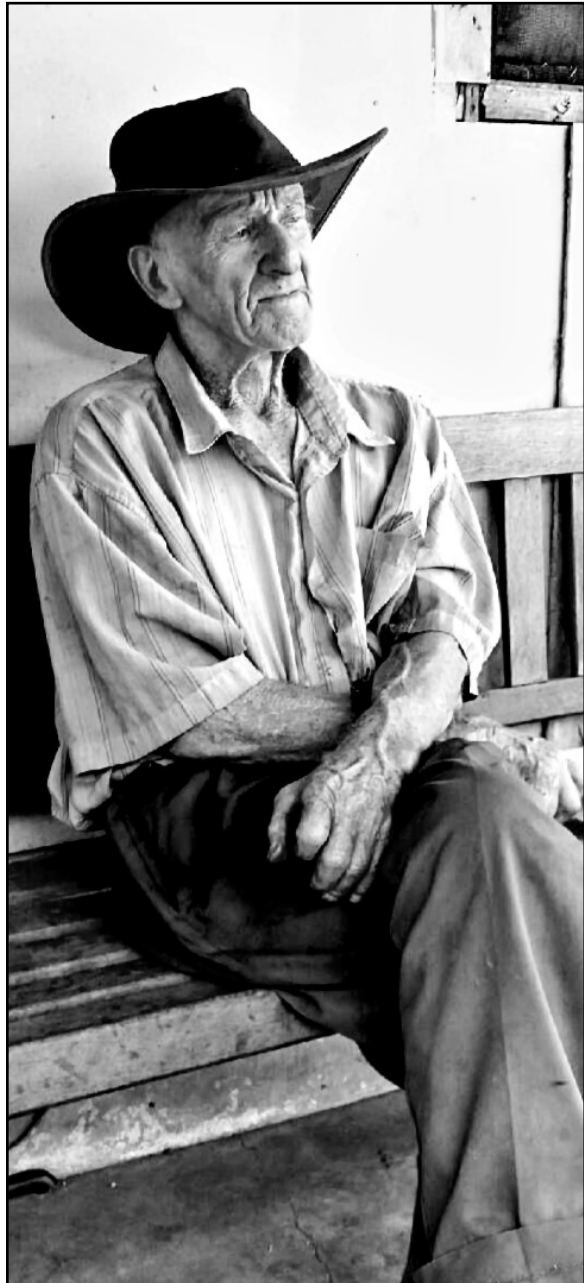
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art
How great Thou art, how great Thou art









I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.*

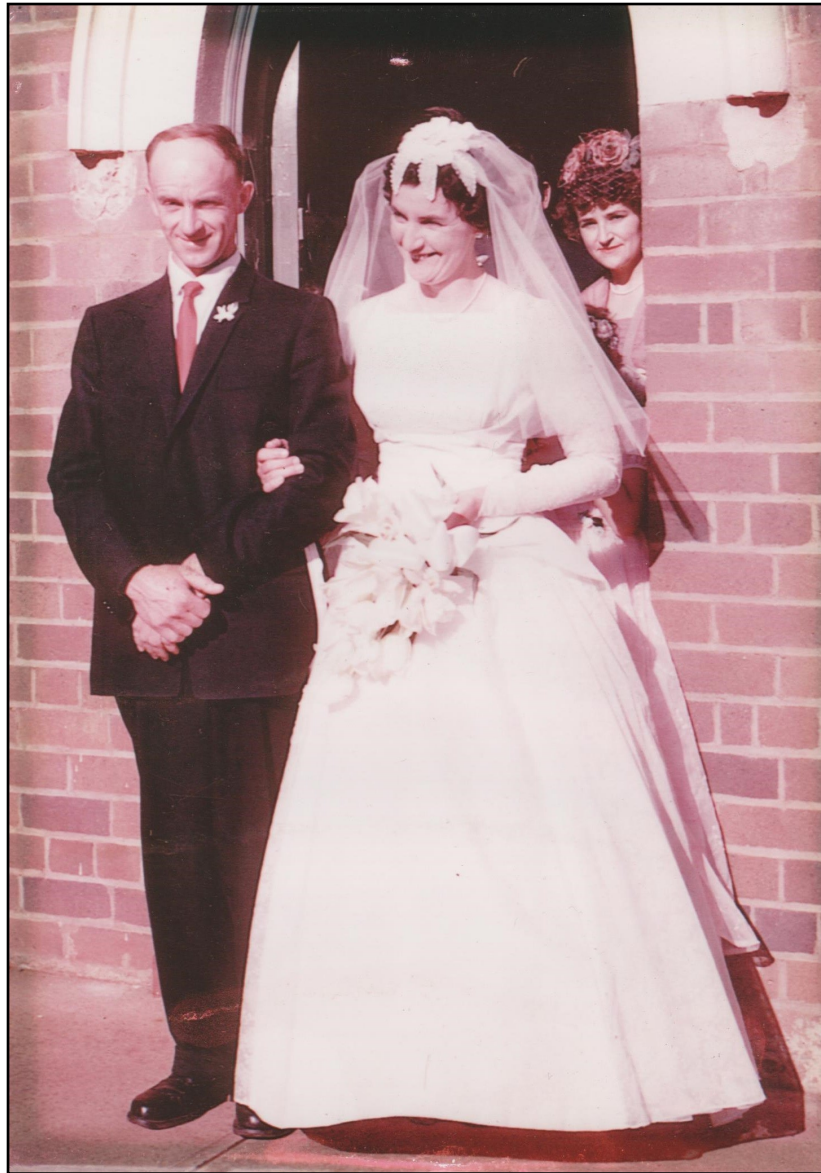
*I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found the peace at the close of the day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savoured much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

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Betty and family thank you for your thoughts,
prayers and presence here today.

Your support brings us great comfort.

You are invited to join with them at the
Barellan War Memorial Club
following the service.



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