

Requiem Eucharist for

The Revd Robert Anthony D'Venning Thorn AKC

(Bob)

Holy Saturday 19th April 11.00am

St Mary's Burton Bradstock

Music before the Service will be played by David Woodford (Organ) and Bridget Pearse (Violin)

David and Bridget will play a series of Folk tunes, reflecting Bob's lifelong love of folk music.

The President & Preacher is The Ven Paul Taylor Archdeacon of Sherborne

Commendation and Committal led by The Right Revd Nicholas Holtham, Bishop of Salisbury

Singers from St Peter's Dorchester,

Servers from St Swithun's Bridport

10.45am: The Clergy led by Bishop Graham Bishop of Sherborne will enter the church and take their place in the North transept.

10.55am: Bob's Body will be brought to the church accompanied by Bishop Nicholas, Archdeacon Paul, Jean and her family. They will be greeted at the Church Door by the Bride Valley Ministry team.

10.55am: The music will stop and the congregation is asked to remain silent in preparation for the beginning of the service.

The sentences

We meet in the name of Jesus Christ who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father. Grace and mercy be with you **All: and also with you**

Hymn:

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, and companions on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for youin the night-time of your fear;I will hold my hand out to you,speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you; I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too. *Words: Richard A. M. Gillard*, 1977

The Archdeacon of Sherborne introduces the Eucharist

As children of a loving heavenly father let us ask his forgiveness for he is gentle and full of compassion. (*Remain standing*)

All: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen

The kyries are sung from the Missa de Angelis

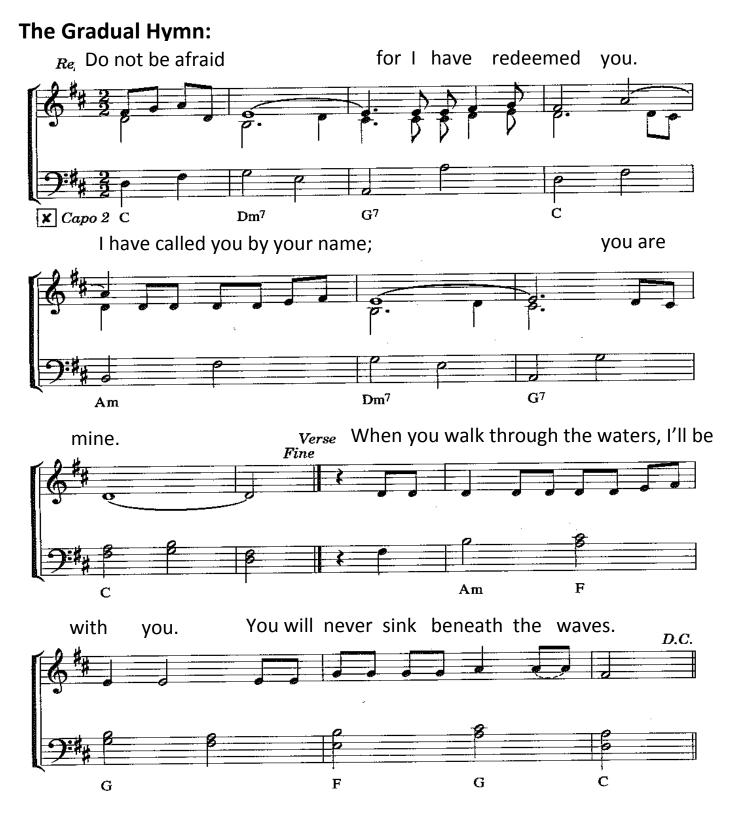
May God our father forgive us our sins and bring us to the eternal joy of his kingdom where dust and ashes have no dominion. All: Amen

The Collect

Merciful father, hear our prayers and comfort us; renew our trust in your Son, whom you raised from the dead; strengthen our faith all who have dies in the love of Christ will share in his resurrection; who lives and rains with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **All: Amen**

1st Reading: Acts 4. 32-37 Read by Bob's Sister, Anys

This is the word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God.**



When the fire is burning all around you, you will never be consumed by the flames. Do not be afraid... When the fear of loneliness is looming, then remember I am at your side. Do not be afraid...

When you dwell in the exile of the stranger, remember you are precious in my eyes. Do not be afraid...

You are mine, O my child; I am your Father, and I love you with a perfect love. Do not be afraid...

The Gospel (Please stand)

Alleluia, Alleluia blessed are those who die in the lord for they rest from their labour. **All: Alleluia**

The Lord be with you **All: And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John All: Glory to you O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord All: Praise to you O Christ

Homily by The Archdeacon of Sherborne Paul Taylor

The Intercessions (Please sit or kneel)

Lead by the Revd Ryder Rodgers After each bidding the singers will sing the response:

Through our lives and by our prayers your Kingdom come.

The prayers conclude with:

All: God of mercy, Entrusting into your hands all that you have made And rejoicing in our communion with all your faithful people, we make our prayers through Jesus Christ our saviour. Amen

The Peace (Please stand)

Jesus says: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you **All: and also with you**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. (The congregation is asked to exchange the peace with those nearest to them)

Hymn:

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever childlike, no cares can destroy, be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Lyrics: Jan Struther, 1901-1953

Offertory Prayers

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: Through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. **All: Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: Through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation. Blessed be God for ever.

Prayer over the Gifts

Look favourably on our offerings, O Lord, so that your departed servant Bob 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

Eucharistic Prayer:

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

... and so we join with angels and arch angels with Bob and all your faithful people ever more praising you and singing,



.... Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me



Dom Gregory Murray

....by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

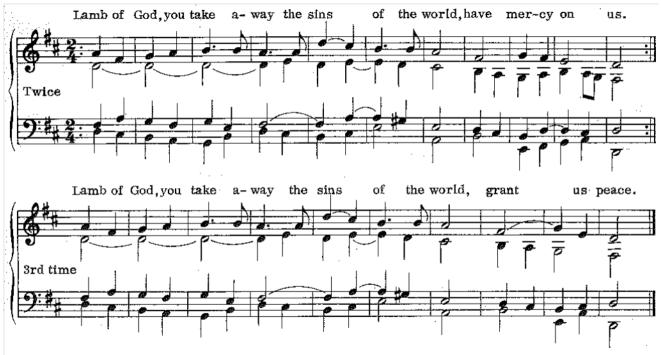
All: Amen

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

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. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ Though we are many we are one body because we all share in one bread.



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Jesus is the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper Lord I am not worthy to receive you but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Please go to the nearest communion station as directed by the sidespersons to receive communion or if you wish a blessing. If you wish to receive a blessing it would be helpful if you could carry your service booklet to indicate this.

During communion the singers will sing; Holy, Holy, Holy by Schubert and Ave Verum Corpus, by Mozart

Hymns:

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end: and his disciples still gather there, to celebrate their Risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own, to share his bread, his loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his Cross shall lift us up.

And after Supper he washed their feet, for service, too, is sacrament. In him our joy shall be made complete sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace. He loves beyond our uttermost: in every room in our Father's house he will be there, as Lord and host.

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast; Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest; Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide, wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be; O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me; deep in thy wounds, Lord, Words: Fred Pratt Green hide and shelter me; so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign; in death's dread moments make me only thine; call me, and bid me come to thee on high, where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

Post Communion Prayers

Gracious God, We thank you that in your great love You have fed us with the spiritual food and drink Of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ And have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet: Grant that the sacrament may be to us A comfort in affliction And a pledge of our inheritance In that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow or crying, But fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **All: Amen**

All Heavenly father,

In your Son, Jesus Christ You have given us a true faith and a sure hope. Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days, That we may live as those who believe in The communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins And the resurrection to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The following hymn has special meaning for Bob and Jean. It was sung at their wedding

Final Hymn:

It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old, From angels bending near the earth,

To touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, goodwill to men

From heavens all gracious King!" The world in solemn stillness lay To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,

With peaceful wings unfurled; And still their heavenly music floats

O'er all the weary world: Above its sad and lowly plains They bend on hovering wing, And ever o'er its Babel sounds The blessed angels sing. O ye beneath life's crushing load, Whose forms are bending low, Who toil along the climbing way With painful steps and slow; Look now, for glad and golden hours

Come swiftly on the wing; Oh rest beside the weary road And hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on, By prophets seen of old, When with the ever-circling years Shall come the time foretold, When the new heaven and earth shall own The Prince of Peace, their King, And the whole world send back the song

Which now the angels sing.

(Please sit)

A letter from Seamus, a pupil at the village school read by the Revd Sue Linford

Poem by Richard Baxter (sent to Jean by Bishop David Stancliffe) Read by The Bishop of Salisbury (Please Stand)

Commendation & Farewell by The Bishop of Salisbury

Let us commend Bob to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer

Silence is kept

Prayer

Bob, go forth upon you journey from this world, in the name of God the Father almighty who created you; in the name of Jesus Christ who suffered death for you; in the name of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you; in communion with the blessed saints, and aided by angels and archangels, and all the armies of the heavenly host. May your portion this day be in peace, and you're dwelling the heavenly Jerusalem. **All: Amen**

The coffin will then be sprinkled and censed

Rest eternal grant unto him O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon him and may he rest in peace **All: and rise in Glory**

The Nunc Dimittis is sung to a setting composed especially for Bob by David Woodford

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight every people; a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Isreal. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. **All: Amen.**

Bob will now be taken to Swyre for burial. Everyone is invited back to the village hall for refreshments

