

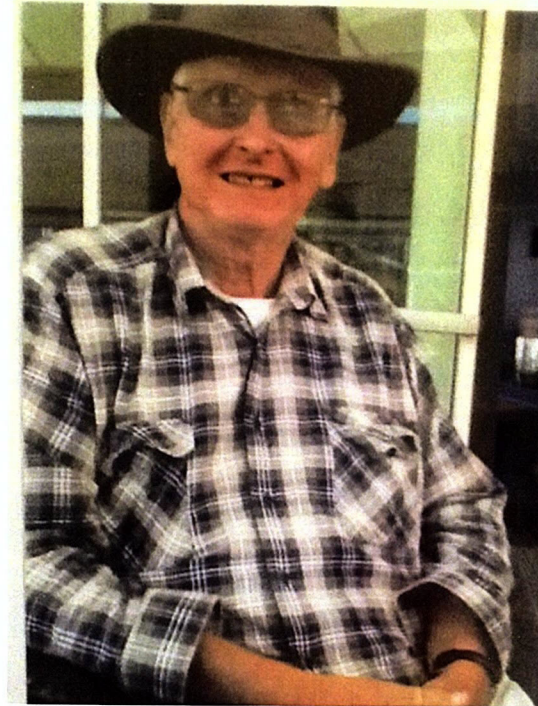


Bob showed his generosity in life and has continued to do so by donating his lungs to assist with lung disease research. We have today placed donation envelopes at the rear of the church and at the Bowling club for the Lung Foundation and the Autism Spectrum Australia which are foundations very close to Bob's heart. Thank you.

"If I cannot be helped then I may be able to help someone else..."



*In Loving memory of
Robert Andrew McCloskey*



05 February 1947 - 03 August 2016

*"Maintain lifes revolving door, full of demand
and strength..." Bob*

In Celebration of the Life of Bob

St John Bosco Catholic Church, Engadine

11 August 2016

ORDER OF SERVICE

*Giving thanks for the life of **Bob McCloskey** and his journey to eternal life with God.*

Presiding Priest - Fr Michael Court

Opening Hymn: "We are Called"

Greeting -

We frame Bob's life with symbols of the Christian Faith and symbols that characterised his life.

Lighting of the Paschal Candle - (Ann, Di and Sue)

PRIEST: In baptism Bob was enlightened by Christ.

ALL: May Christ, the eternal and unfading light now welcome him into His kingdom of light and peace.

Sprinkling with Holy Water

PRIEST: In the waters of baptism, Bob died with Christ and rose with him to new life.

ALL: May Bob now share eternal life with Christ in glory.

Placing of the Pall (Di and Sue)

PRIEST: On the day of his baptism Bob was clothed in Christ. By his work and example he lived with Christian dignity.

ALL: May Christ now enfold Bob in His love and bring him to eternal life.

Placing of Symbols by Grandchildren, Chantelle, Daniel, Jesse, Aidan, Kyleisha, Tamsyn and Sienna

Opening Prayer

PRIEST: Loving God, Bob is loved and appreciated by so many and has touched the hearts of all gathered here and beyond. It is with thanks that we pray you receive him into the fullness of eternal life, and comfort us as we walk through our paths of grief. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Eulogy: Sue Ferguson and Di Treister
Work History as prepared by Inspector Hill: Mark Mark
Letter to family and friends from Bob: Ryan Ryan

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Mark James

A Reading from Wisdom 4:7-15

He sought to Please God

The virtuous man, though he die before his time will find rest.

Length of days is not what makes age honourable nor number of years the true measure of life;

Understanding, this is mans grey hairs, untarnished life, this is ripe old age.

He has sought to please God, so God has loved him;

As he was living among sinners, he has been taken up.

He has been carried off so that evil may not warp his understanding or treachery seduce his soul;

For the fascination of evil throws good things into the shade,

And the whirlwind of desire corrupts a simple heart.

Coming to perfection in so short a while, he achieved long life;

His soul being pleased to the Lord,

He has taken him quickly from the wickedness around him.

Yet people look on, uncomprehending;

It does not enter their heads that grace and mercy await the chosen of the Lord,

And protection, his holy ones.

The Word of the Lord.

All Response: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd.

Gospel Acclamation:

ALL: Alleluia, Alleluia!

If we have died with Christ, then we shall live with him!

If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.

Alleluia

Gospel

John 14:1-6

DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED

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 now 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 Jesus Christ.

Homily: Song “The Lord is my Shepherd”

Prayers of the Faithful

PRIEST: Loving God we thank you for Bob. His life has made a difference. His death has also left us needing love and grace in our grief and pain. Hear our prayers of thanks and our prayers of need.

Sienna: We are very thankful for our special Pa Pa, may we learn from his generosity and his love.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Tamsyn: We pray for Bob, may he now share in the fullness of Christ's resurrection. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Aidan: We give thanks for the years we had Pa Pa with us. Look after him now he is in your care and give him peace forever. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Jesse: We pray for all the family and friends that Bob loved so dearly.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Daniel: Pa Pa's nature was all forgiving and he taught us to respect a person for who they were. Help us to appreciate those around us. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Kyleisha: God of all consolation, help us to comfort one another in our grief, finding light in time of darkness, and faith in time of doubt. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Chantelle: We pray for those here today, that our memory of Bob whom we loved will inspire us with a renewed love for others. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

PRIEST: God of mercy, you are our refuge in times of need. Comfort us in our grieving and hear the prayers of all who loved Bob. We pray through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Offertory Procession- Jacqueline Blair and Judith Boidon.

Song: "Jerusalem"

Communion: "Gentle Woman" and "You are mine"

Slide Reflection on Bob's life -" You Raise me Up."

Final Prayer and Blessing:

Final Hymn: "Good Night Irene" (a special favourite of Bob)

Recessional Hymn: "Star Crossed Lovers"

Our special thanks to you all for your prayers, love and messages of support.

Your presence here today is a great comfort and support to us.

You are welcome to join us at Engadine Bowling Club where we will join you for refreshments.