REMEMBERING GAVIN JOHN FREW

MARCH 26TH 1969 – SEPTEMBER 23RD 2017



OPENING SONG

Heaven For Everyone - Queen

WORDS OF WELCOME

Fr Mike Pullar

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Neil Frew, Maree Frew, Brendan Frew Fr. Peter Hudson

In baptism, Gavin received the light of Christ, which gave Gavin an aura of goodness in his heart.

All: May Gavin now share eternal light and life

BLESSING OF THE CASKET

Fr Peter Hudson

In the waters of baptism Gavin died with Christ and rose with him to new life.

All - May Gavin come to eternal life with Christ our Saviour

EULOGY

Anthony Hoffmann, Kaycee Frew, Shane Dignam, Bec Frew, Nicole Mynard

POLICE SERVICE HISTORY

Sergeant Michael Connors

OPENING PRAYER

Fr Mike Pullar

FIRST READING

A reading from St Paul to the Philippians Read by Jodi Sefton

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: The Lord is very near. There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guide your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

Finally, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble. Keep doing all the things you have learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do.

Then the God of Peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

All - Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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?

Refrain:

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 wind and flame,
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?

Refrain

SECOND READING

Read by Jemma Frew

Your life was love and labor.
Your love for mum and your family true.
You did your best for all of us.
We will always remember you.

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say to me,

'Write down: Happy are those who die in the Lord! Happy indeed, the

Spirit says; now they can rest for ever after their work,

since their good deeds go with them.'

The Word of the Lord

All – Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia!

God, you love us into life, and you guide our journey with your wisdom and word.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

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 says "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

No one comes to the Father except through me."

The Gospel of the Lord

All – Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

HOMILY

REFLECTION

Nicole Mynard

A limb has fallen from the family tree.

I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me."
Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.
The good life I lived while I was strong.
Continue my heritage. I'm counting on you.
Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.
Remembering all, how truly was blessed.
Continue traditions, no matter how small.
Go on with your life, don't worry about falls.
I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.
Until the day comes when we're together again.

REFLECTION MUSIC

I Was Born To Love You - Queen

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Nick Mynard, Greg Sefton

We give thanks, Lord, for the life given to Gavin. May he be held securely in your loving embrace, now and for all eternity. Lord hear us.

All - Lord hear our prayer

We pray for Rebecca, Brendan, Jemma, Kaycee, Maree, Neil, Jodi, Nicole and family. May they be consoled in the knowledge that as they loved and cherished Gavin in life, their memories of Gavin will keep him alive in their hearts until they see him again. Lord hear us.

All - Lord hear our prayer

We give thanks to all that have gathered here today who mourn Gavin's passing. May our openness in knowing him be our strength to move forward. Lord hear us.

All - Lord hear our prayer

Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord. Let us pray that all the faithful departed will find in God refreshment, rest and peace.

Lord hear us.

All - Lord hear our prayer

May we ask your blessing on the members of Victoria Police, our loved ones and our communities as they work together to maintain law and order to create safe and secure neighborhoods, towns and cities.

Lord hear us.

All - Lord hear our prayer

That those who bear the cross of pain in mind or body, may never feel forsaken by God. Lord hear us.

All - Lord hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 in to temptation
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Fr Mike Pullar & Fr Peter Hudson

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

All – May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Let us go in peace as we place Gavin in the care of our living and loving God in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All – Amen

RECESSION OF THE CASKET



BEC, BRENDAN, KAYCEE AND JEMMA TOGETHER WITH GAVIN'S FAMILY THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVE, SUPPORT AND PRESENCE WITH THEM TODAY.

PLEASE JOIN THE FAMILY AFTER THIS SERVICE AT

REBECCA AND GAVIN'S FAMILY HOME; 63 MOUNT BRUNO RD, MOUNT BRUNO FOR THE CONTINUED SHARING OF MEMORIES AND REFRESHMENTS.