

A portrait of an elderly man with white hair, a full white beard, and glasses, smiling. He is wearing a dark brown Capuchin habit. The background is a blurred green hedge.

*Brother Paul
Adrian Hanbridge*
Capuchin Friar

1952 – 2015

Requiem Mass

Entrance Hymn "The Lord is my Shepherd"

Eulogy Read by the family

Lighting of the Paschal Candle *Br Lawrence Sweeper OFM Cap*

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Celebrant: In Baptism, Paul was enlightened by Christ. He walked as a child of the light and kept the flame of faith alive in his heart. May Christ, the eternal and unfading light now welcome him into the kingdom of light and peace.

Sprinkling with Holy Water

Celebrant: In the waters of Baptism, Paul died with Christ and rose with Him to new life. May Paul now share with eternal life with Christ in glory.

Placing the White Pall *Brett Hanbridge and Susan Smith*

Celebrant: On the day of his baptism our brother Paul put on Christ.
In the day of Christ's coming may our brother be clothed in glory.

Placing of the Scriptures *Moirah Dahlberg*

Celebrant: The Rule of life of the Friars Minor is this, namely, to observe the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. May Christ now greet our brother with these words of eternal life: Come, blessed of my Father!

Placing of the Cord *Br Peter Tullis OFM Cap*

Celebrant: Our brother bound himself to Christ through the profession of vows to live in obedience, without property and in chastity. May he be filled in heaven now with the blessing of Almighty God.

Placing of Stole and Chalice *Fr Michael Moore SM & Fr Julian Messina OFM Cap*

Celebrant: Our brother Paul served the Church through his ministerial priesthood. May he be given now a place in the liturgy of heaven.

Opening Prayer

Celebrant: All powerful God, we pray for our brother Paul, who responded to the call of Christ pursuing wholeheartedly the ways of perfect love as a Capuchin friar, and who responded to the call of the Church to serve your people as a priest. Grant that he may rejoice on that day when your glory will be revealed and in company with all his sisters and brothers, share forever the happiness of your kingdom.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

All: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading *Dominic Torresan*

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans (8:19-39)

Responsorial Psalm "Who will separate us" Romans 8:35 (sung)

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel *Fr Gerard O'Dempsey OFM Cap*

A reading from the Gospel according to John: (14:1-9a)

HOMILY *Fr Gary Devery OFM Cap*

"Creed" (sung)

Prayers of the Faithful

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Procession

Offertory Hymn "You will show me the path of life"

Communion Hymns "When I awake"
"How lovely are your dwelling places"
"I love the Lord"
"Let all mortal flesh keep silence"

FINAL COMMENDATION

Song of Farewell

Celebrant: Saints of God, come to his aid.
Come to meet him, angels of the Lord.

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

Celebrant: May Christ who called you, take you to Himself;
may the angels lead you to Abraham's side.

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

Celebrant: Give him eternal rest, O Lord,
and may your light shine upon him forever.

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

Recessional "Take Me To Heaven" (English and Italian)

Prayer over the Place of Committal

God of endless ages through disobedience to your law we fell from grace and death entered the world; but through the obedience and resurrection, of your Son you revealed to us a new life. You granted Abraham, our father in faith, a burial place in the promised land; you prompted Joseph of Arimathea to offer his own tomb for the burial of the Lord. In a spirit of repentance we earnestly ask you to look upon this-grave and bless it, so that, while we commit to the earth the body of your servant Paul, his soul may be taken into paradise. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Committal (As the coffin is lowered)
In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother Paul, and we commit his body to the ground: earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

With longing for the coming of Gods Kingdom, let us pray:

All: Our Father...

Celebrant: God of blessings, source of all holiness, the voice of your Spirit has drawn countless men and women to follow Christ and to bind themselves to you with ready, willing and loving heart. Look with mercy on our brother Paul who sought to fulfil his vows to you, and grant him the reward promised to all good and faithful servants. May he rejoice in the company of the saints, especially our Father Francis, our sister Clare and together with them praise you forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Friars Farwell Prayer

All the Friars: Merciful Father, we commend our brother Paul into your hands. We return to you the gift you have given us. We thank you for all you have done for him, and for all you have done for us through him, Welcome him into your kingdom. Comfort us who remain. Strengthen our faith, increase our hope and deepen our love. We make this prayer through your Son Jesus who is our resurrection and life.

All: Amen.

(All the friars extend their hands toward the body and say:)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord let his face shine on you and have mercy on you.

The Lord look upon you with kindness, and give you his peace.

May the Lord bless you.

All: Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

All: And let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace.

All: Amen.

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

All: Amen.

"Salve Regina" (led by friars)

Final Blessing

Concluding Song "Hymn to the Glorious Cross"



After the burial, the family and friars
invite you to refreshments at
St Fiacre's Parish Hall, Leichhardt.
(People will probably arrive back at
the hall around 2.00pm onwards)



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