

A Celebration of the Life
– of –

David Woods

22nd August 1941 – 31st July 2024



Held at
St. Catherine's Church, Didsbury
Tuesday 20th August 2024
at 10.00 a.m.
followed by interment at
Southern Cemetery at 11.30 a.m.



TILL THE SHADES LENGTHEN
AND THE EVENING COMES
AND THE BUSY WORLD IS HUSHED
AND THE FEVER OF LIFE IS OVER
AND OUR WORK IS DONE
THEN IN HIS MERCY
MAY HE GIVE US A SAFE LODGING
AND A HOLY REST
AND PEACE AT THE LAST
AMEN

CARDINAL NEWMAN

Entrance Hymn
"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?

*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 borne my people's 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?

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?

First Reading *1 John 3: 14 – 16*
"We have passed out of death and into life"

Psalm 23

*Response – “The Lord is my Shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want”*

Gospel John 11: 21 – 27

“Whoever believes in me will never die”

Homily

Bidding Prayers

Offertory Hymn

“In Bread We Bring You, Lord”

In bread we bring you, Lord, our bodies' labour.
In wine we offer you our spirit's grief.
We do not ask you, Lord, who is my neighbour?
But stand united now, one in belief.
Oh we have gladly heard your Word, your holy Word,
And now in answer, Lord, our gifts we bring.
Our selfish hearts make true, our failing faith renew,
Our lives belong to you, our Lord and King.

The bread we offer you is blessed and broken,
And it becomes for us our spirit's food.
Over the cup we bring your Word is spoken;
Make it your gift to us, your healing blood.
Take all that daily toil plants in our heart's poor soil,
Take all we start and spoil, each hopeful dream,
The chances we have missed, the graces we resist,
Lord, in thy Eucharist, take and redeem.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy Communion

Eulogy

Prayers of Final Commendation

“May the Choirs of Angels...”

Final Hymn *“Walk With Me, O My Lord”*

*Walk with me, O my Lord, through
the darkest night and brightest day.
Be at my side, O Lord,
hold my hand and guide me on my way.*

Sometimes the road seems long,
my energy is spent.
Then, Lord, I think of you
and I am given strength.

Stones often bar my path
and there are times I fall,
but you are always there
to help me when I call.

Just as you calmed the wind
and walked upon the sea,
conquer, my living Lord,
the storms that threaten me.

Help me to pierce the mists
that cloud my heart and mind,
so that I shall not fear
the steepest mountain-side.

As once you healed the lame
and gave sight to the blind,
help me when I'm downcast
to hold my head up high.



The family thank you for your attendance here today
and for the many kind expressions of
sympathy received at this sad time.

You are all warmly invited to join the family
for refreshments at The Parrswood Pub.
Parrs Wood Road, M20 6JD.

Donations, if desired, to
St. Ann's Hospice and Macmillan Nurses.



Funeral arrangements by:
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