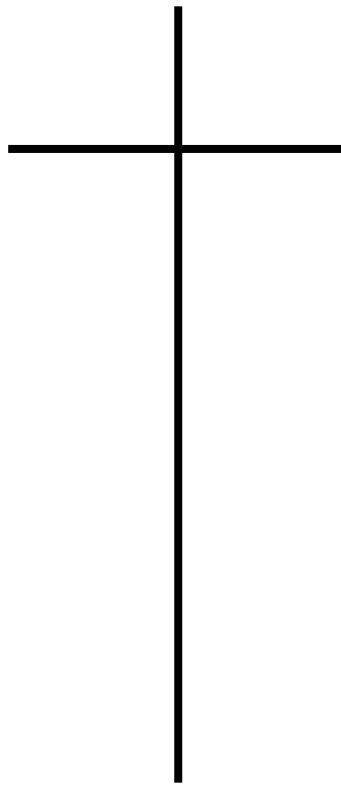




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**SAINT MARY'S
CATHEDRAL**
LIMERICK



**FUNERAL SERVICE
OF
TERENCE CUSACK**

13th January 2021

ORDER OF SERVICE

Music: *Largo from Xerxes (G.F. Handel)*

RECEIVING THE COFFIN

The coffin may be received at the door, and the minister may say

We receive the body of our brother Terry with confidence in God, the giver of life, who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead.

Grant, Lord, that we who are baptized into the death of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ may continually put to death our evil desires and be buried with him; that through the grave and gate of death we may pass to our joyful resurrection, through his merits, who died and was buried, and rose again for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord. 'Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet shall they live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.'

We brought nothing into this world, and we can take nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord.

GREETING

We meet in the name of Christ who died and was raised by the glory of God the Father. Grace and mercy be with you all
and also with you.

We have come here today to remember before God our dear brother Terry; to give thanks for his life, to leave him in the keeping of God his creator, redeemer and judge, to commit his body to be buried, and to comfort one another in our grief, in the hope that is ours through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore we pray that here today we may know the peace of Christ in communion with all God's faithful servants.

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 that all who have died in the love of Christ will share in his resurrection; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Eulogy: Mark Cusack

Music: *Lay your hands gently upon us*

PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD

1st Reading ~ Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore.

Music: *Psalm 23 (H. Goodall)*

2nd Reading ~ Saint John 14: 1-6

Jesus said, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

Sermon: The Dean

Music: *Be thou my vision*

The Prayers

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 FAREWELL IN CHRIST

Our help is in the name of the Lord: **who has made heaven and earth.**

God our creator and redeemer, by your power Christ conquered death and entered into glory. Confident of his victory and claiming his promises, we now leave you servant Terence in your gracious keeping; in the name of Jesus our Lord, who died and is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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 into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

May God give to you and to all those whom you love his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Music: *The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* (G.F. Handel)

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