

Mass of Christian Burial

Fr Kenneth Petersen, O.Carm



**Born 17 September 1938
First Profession 12 February 1963
Solemn Profession 12 March 1966
Ordained 22 June 1968
Died 13 June 2020**

**Our Lady of Mount Church
Middle Park
22 June 2020**

SANCTA SOPHIA

Holy Wisdom

She is a breath of the power of God

A reflection of the eternal Light...

Image of his goodness.

Wisdom 7:25-26

Entrance Hymn: Christ Be Our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Ref*

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come. *Ref*

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Greeting

Father Paul Cahill, Prior Provincial

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.
And with your spirit.

Eulogy

Prepared by Sr Kathleen Murphy OP and read by Venerable Bom Hyon Sunim

Recalling Ken's Baptism, Carmelite Life & Ministry

Fr Paul Dear brothers and sisters,
let us recall Ken's journey of faith,
and the bonds that unite us to him in Christ:

Through the sign of the Cross,
the pouring of water
and the anointing with oil
our brother was immersed
in the love of God
and sealed with the Holy Spirit
on the day of his baptism.

*All Death had no power over him then;
 death has no power over him now.*

Ken's body is sprinkled with holy water by Fr Hugh Brown

Fr Paul Surrounding Ken's body are the symbols representing the
various dimension of Ken's life and ministry:
The Easter candle, representing Ken's life in Christ;
A copy of the Carmelite Rule, representing Ken's commitment
to the Carmelite ideals of 'walking in the footsteps of Christ,
following the tradition of the Prophet Elijah and Mary, the
mother of Jesus;
A copy of the scriptures of all traditions representing Ken's
openness to the word of God;
A priest's stole, representing Ken's ministry among the people of
God;
and the palm cross and beads which Ken carried always with
him.

*All On the day of Christ's coming may Ken hear the words,
 'Well done good and faithful servant!'*

Opening Prayer

Let us pray for our brother Ken.

Lord, you are the glory of those who serve you.
Look lovingly on our departed brother, Ken.
The waters of baptism and the bonds of Carmel
unite us with him in following Christ and his Mother.
In your mercy grant him everlasting sight of you,
his Creator and Redeemer.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading 1 Kings 19:9b-16

Br Marcolino Gomes

A reading from the first book of Kings.

Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?'

He replied, 'I am full of jealous zeal for the Lord, the God of hosts, because the Israelites have abandoned your covenant, torn down your altars and put your prophets to the sword. I am the only one left, and now they want to kill me.'

Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain for the Lord is about to pass by.'

Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting the mountain and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind.

After the wind an earthquake,
but the Lord was not in the earthquake;
and after the earthquake a fire,
but the Lord was not in the fire;
and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.

When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Then a voice came to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I am full of jealous zeal for the Lord, the God of hosts.'

Then the Lord said to him, 'Go back by the same way to the wilderness of Damascus. You are to go and anoint Hazael as king of Aram. You are to anoint Jehu, son of Nimshi, as king of Israel, and to anoint Elisha of Shaphat, of Abel Mehilah, as prophet to succeed you.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 Streams of Running Water

Fr Paul Gurr

Gospel Acclamation

Cantor repeated by All first time -
then All each time thereafter.

James Chepponis:
Jubilation Mass

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Christ the Word of Life! Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al le - lu ia!

Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

Fr David Hofman

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:
they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:
they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:
they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called children of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Fr Paul Cahill

Prayer of the Faithful

Fr Paul Brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his:

Gai For Ken, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life:
Rich may he now be admitted to the company of the saints.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

For Ken, who in Carmel, spent his life in allegiance to Jesus Christ: may he be counted among all the holy men and women of Carmel now united to the Lord.

We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

For Ken's family: may they be comforted and strengthened by the Lord in this moment of loss. May Ken now enjoy the fullness of God's peace in union with all the members of his family who are now with God.

We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Sr Corrie For all who remember Ken with admiration, gratitude and love,
van den for his long and generous service and commitment to the
Bosch MSS Lord, the Church, the Carmelites, spirituality ministry and inter-
religious dialogue. May his example and memory continue to
inspire us to be faithful and generous friends to one another.
We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Like Elijah, Ken was filled with zeal for God. His life of prayer unlocked for many people gifts of wisdom, wise counsel and a listening ear. May we who have been richly blessed by Ken's ministry to us also be God's love in the heart of the world.

We pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Fr Paul God, our shelter and our strength,
you listen in love to the cry of your people:
hear the prayers we offer for our departed brother Ken.
Welcome him and all our departed brothers and sisters
into the joy of your presence.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

*The bread and wine are brought to the altar by Ken's cousins,
Kathleen Billen and Genevieve Slattery*

Fr Paul Pray, brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable
to God the almighty Father.

*All May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of God's name,
for our good and the good of all God's holy Church.*

Prayer Over the Gifts

Fr Paul Look favourably on our offerings, O Lord,
so that your departed servant, Ken,
may be taken up into glory with your Son,
in whose great mystery of love we are all united.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Holy, Holy

Mass for the City:
Setting by Richard Proulx

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.

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The Mystery of Faith

James Chepponis:
Jubilation Mass

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain. Un-til you come a-gain.

Great Amen

James Chepponis:
Jubilation Mass

A - men. A - men. A - - - men. A - men. A - men. A - - - men. A - men.

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

James Chepponis:
Jubilation Mass

Cantor each time: All each time:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have

mer-cy on us. world. Grant us peace.

All last time:

Communion

Hymn *We Shall Rise Again*

Like a shepherd I will feed you; I will gather you with care.
I will lead you and hold you close to my heart.

Refrain We will run and not grow weary,
for our God will be our strength,
and we will fly like the eagle,
we will rise again.

I am strength to the weary, to the weak I am new life.
Though the young may grow weary; I will be their hope. *Ref.*

Lift up your eyes and see who made the stars.
I lead you, and I know you, I call you each by name. *Ref.*

Fear not, I am with you; I am your God.
I will strengthen you, and help you; uphold you with my hand.
Ref.

Text from Isaiah 40: 11,26,29-30; 41:10

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Final Commendation

Invitation to Prayer

Song of Farewell

Refrain May the choirs of angels come to greet you.
 May they speed you to Paradise.
 May the Lord enfold you in his mercy.
 May you find eternal life. (Repeat)

Text: Psalm 27 Ernest Sands
Thomas Moore Centre Search For The Lord

Ken's body is incensed by Fr David

Prayer of Commendation

Hymn

Flower of Carmel

Flower of Carmel, tall vine blossom laden;
Splendour of heaven, Child-bearing yet maiden.
None equals thee.

Mother so tender, whom no man didst know,
On Carmel's children Thy favours bestow.
Star of the Sea.

O gentle Mother who in Carmel reigns,
Share with your servants that gladness you gained
and now enjoy.

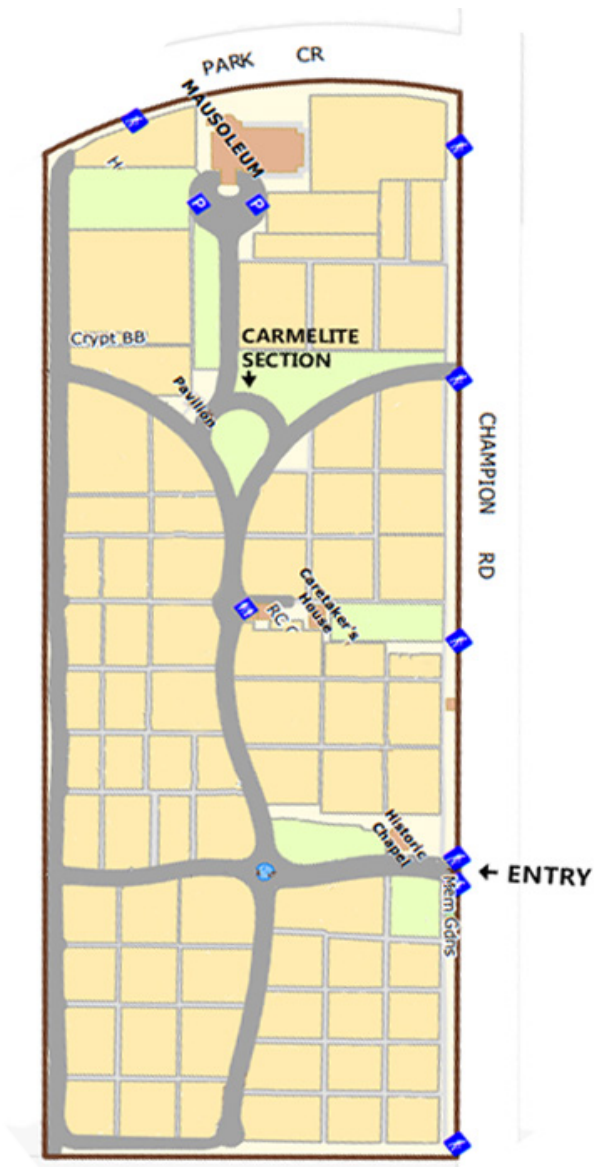
Hail, Gate of Heaven, with glory now crowned,
Bring us to safety where thy Son is found,
true joy to see.

Ascribed to St Simon Stock, 13th Century.

*Please follow Ken's coffin out of the Church at the conclusion of Mass,
preserving social distancing.*

You are warmly welcome to join us for refreshments in the O'Connor-Pilkington Rooms adjacent to the Church at the conclusion of Mass.

The procession will leave the Church at approximately 11.45am for Williamstown Cemetery, Champion Road, Williamstown.



Rite of Committal at the Cemetery

Fr Paul Let us pray.
 Lord Jesus Christ,
 by the three days you lay in the tomb
 you made holy the graves of all who believe in you;
 and even though their bodies lie in the earth,
 we trust that they, like you, will rise again.

 Give our brother Ken peaceful rest in this grave,
 until that day when You, the resurrection and the life,
 will raise him up in glory.
 Then may he see the light of your presence
 in the kingdom where you live for ever and ever.
 Amen

The grave is blessed with Holy Water by Fr Paul Gurr

Fr Matthew Into your hands Lord, I commend my Spirit.
All *Into your hands Lord, I commend my Spirit.*

Fr Matthew You have redeemed us Lord God of Truth
All *Into your hands Lord, I commend my Spirit.*

Fr Matthew Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
All *Into your hands Lord, I commend my Spirit.*

Fr Paul Since Almighty God has called our brother Ken
 from this life to himself,
 we commit his body to earth from which it was made.
 But the Lord Jesus Christ will change our mortal bodies
 to be like his in glory.
 So let us commend our brother Ken to the Lord
 that the Lord may embrace him in peace
 and raise him up on the last day.

Fr Matthew Guard us O Lord while we sleep
All *and keep us in peace.*

Fr Matthew At last powerful Master
All *you give leave to your servant to go
in peace according to your promise.
For my eyes have seen your salvation
which you have prepared for all nations,
the light to enlighten the Gentiles
and give glory to Israel, your people.*

*Give praise to the Father almighty,
to his Son, Jesus Christ the Lord,
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts
both now and forever Amen.*

Fr Matthew Guard us O Lord while we sleep
All *and keep us in peace.*

Fr Paul Eternal rest give to him Lord. May perpetual light shine on him.
All *May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, rest in peace. Amen.*

May the love of God and the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ
bless and console us and gently wipe every tear from our eyes;
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All *Amen.*

Fr Matthew Salve Regina,
All *Mater misericordiae
vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus, exsules filii Hevae.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum vale.
Eia ergo, Advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos
ad nos converte.
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.
O clemens: O pia: O dulcis Virgo Maria.*

Fr Paul We have committed our brother Ken into God's loving care.
All *Let us now go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.*



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