

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL FOR
MICHAEL JOHN WILSON

BORN 3 SEPTEMBER 1938

ENTERED ETERNAL LIFE 25 DECEMBER 2025



BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF VICTORIES CATHOLIC CHURCH
548 BURKE ROAD, CAMBERWELL

WEDNESDAY 7 JANUARY 2026

SERVICE CONDUCTED BY FR SANG

Order of Service

Introductory Rites

Entrance Hymn

Ave Maria

Symbols

Light of the Pascal Candle

Pamela

Sprinkling of the Holy Water

Father Sang

Placing of White Pall

Benjamin and Banjo

Life Symbols

Olivia, Holly, Hugo
and Patrick

Pharmacy: Mortar & pestle, medicine jar

Squash: Racquet and trophy

Sailing: Life jacket and trophies

East Melbourne Group: 40 years service certificate

Eulogy

Mark, Glenn, Chris, Lisa,
and Philip

Scripture Readings

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

Harry

A reading from Ecclesiastes.

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:
a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to be alone,
a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
a time to love and a time for peace.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd (sung)

The Crimond version

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!!

Blessed are those who have died in the Lord, let them rest from their labours, for their good deeds go with them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

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 the 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.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Lachlan: We pray that Michael, who lived a long and active life dedicated to family, faith, work and community may now be welcomed into the joy of God's eternal kingdom, where there is rest from all labour and peace without end. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Holly: For Michael's family, his wife Pam, his children Mark Glenn Chris Lisa and Philip, his daughters and son in-law Kylie, Amanda, Petrice and Steve, his grandchildren William, Hugo and Harry, Lachlan and Holly, Olivia, Ruby and Benjamin, Rémy and Banjo, his sister-in-law Wendy and his nephew Patrick, who will all miss him dearly, may they find solace and strength knowing he's now at peace and may his spirit and memory live on through them. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Hugo: For all those whose lives were touched by Michael, may they continue to be inspired by his dedication to family, friends and community, his work ethic and his generosity. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Ruby: We pray for all those who live with a dementia related illness, that may they be treated with dignity, patience and love, and may their carers be blessed with the strength, compassion and dedication to carry out their work. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Rémy: We pray that all gathered here today may find peace, hope and love in their own lives and be reassured in the belief that one day we will all be reunited in heaven. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory of Gifts Benjamin and Banjo

Communion Hymn Make me a channel of your Peace

Photo Tribute Organist, John Cinema
Vocalist, Madeleine Ryan

Final Commendation Father Sang

Recessional Hymn On Eagle's Wings

Michael's family would like to thank you
for all your prayers and support
and for your presence here today
for the celebration of the Eucharist
to mark Michael's entry into eternal life.

The family warmly invites you to join us for refreshments
immediately following the service in the Rutherford Room
at St John's Anglican Church,
562 Burke Road, Camberwell
(150 metres down Burke Road).

Our sincere thanks to our organist John Keunema
and our vocalist Madeleine Ryan.



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