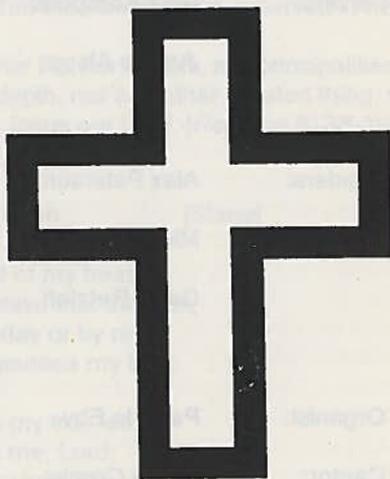


FUNERAL LITURGY

St. Mark's Chapel

Lennoxville, Quebec

13th February 1998



ROBIN BRUCE BURNS

3 April 1944 - 9 February 1998

Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon him

Clergy: The Rev. Canon Heather Thomson
Dr. Harvey White

Crucifer: Ian Gillis

Servers: Rina Kampeas
Justine Alsop

Readers: Alex Paterson
Michael Childs
Garry Retzleff

Organist: Pamela Eby

Cantor: Jamie Crooks

Soloist: Eleanor Gang

Ushers: Brian Jenkins
Louis Harvey
Karl Wegert

ORGAN PRELUDE

All stand as the crucifer enters the chapel and remain standing until the end of the Collect.

ACCLAMATIONS

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. [*John 11: 25-26*]

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for us. [*1 Peter 1: 3-4*]

I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. [*Romans 8: 38-39*]

Hymn **Be Thou My Vision** [Slane]

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
naught be all else to me save that thou art,
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, thou my true word;
I ever with thee, thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true Son,
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
3. Be thou my battle-shield, sword for the fight;
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O power of my power.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
5. High King of heaven, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Priest: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

KYRIE ELEISON

Priest: Lord have mercy upon us.
People: Christ have mercy upon us.
Priest: Lord, have mercy upon us.

COLLECT

Priest: God of all consolation,
in your unending love and mercy
you turn the darkness of death
into the dawn of new life.
Show compassion to your people in their sorrow.
Be our refuge and our strength
to lift us from the darkness of grief
to the peace and light of your presence.
Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
by dying for us, conquered death,
and by rising again, restored life.
May we then go forward eagerly to meet him,
and after our life on earth
be reunited with our brothers and sisters
where every tear shall be wiped away.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Lord.

People: Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The congregation is seated for the lessons and psalm.

Reader: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

ISAIAH 25: 6-9

Reader: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 121

The congregation is invited to join the choir in singing the refrain.

Refrain: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

1. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills:
O whence cometh my help?
2. My help cometh even from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

Refrain: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

3. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
4. Behold he that keepeth Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.

Refrain: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

5. The Lord himself is thy keeper:
the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;
6. So that the sun shall not burn thee by day,
neither the moon by night.

Refrain: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

7. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil:
yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
8. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in,
from this time forth for evermore.

Refrain: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Reader: A reading from the First Epistle of Paul the Apostle to
the Corinthians.

I CORINTHIANS 15: 20-26 and 51-57

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn **The Lord's My Shepherd** [Crimond]

1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want:
 he makes me down to lie
 in pastures green; he leadeth me
 the quiet waters by.
2. My soul he doth restore again,
 and me to walk doth make
 within the paths of righteousness,
 even for his own name's sake.

All remain standing for the reading of the Gospel.

Reader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.
People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

JOHN 6: 35-40

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

3. Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
 yet will I fear no ill;
 for thou art with me, and thy rod
 and staff me comfort still.
4. My table thou hast furnished
 in presence of my foes;
 my head thou dost with oil anoint,
 and my cup overflows.
5. Goodness and mercy all my life
 shall surely follow me,
 and in God's house for evermore
 my dwelling-place shall be.

The congregation is seated.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF ROBIN BURNS

Philip Portelance

Robert Forrest

Harvey White

Priest: I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, " From henceforth blessed are the dead
 which die in the Lord; even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours."

ANTHEM

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth George Frederick Handel

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All stand to affirm the articles of our faith.

Priest: I believe in God
All: the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

THE COMMENDATION

Leader: The Lord be with you;
People: And with thy spirit.
Leader: Let us pray.

Those who wish to do so may kneel for the prayers.

Priest: Our Father,
All: 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 them that 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.

Priest: O Saviour of the World, who by thy cross and precious
blood hast redeemed us;
People: Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Priest: Graciously look upon our afflictions, O Lord;
People: Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Priest: Make thy servants to be numbered with thy saints;
People: In glory everlasting.

Priest: O Father of All, we pray to thee for those whom we love
but see no longer. Grant them thy peace; and in thy
loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good
purpose of thy perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of all
comfort: deal graciously, we beseech thee, with those who
mourn, that casting every care on thee, they may know the
consolation of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

Priest: Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of them that
depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the
faithful are in joy and felicity, we praise and magnify
thy holy Name for all thy servants who have finished
their course and kept the faith; and committing our
brother Robin to thy gracious keeping, we pray that we
with him, and with all those that are departed in the
true faith of thy Holy Name, may have our perfect
consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy
eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

Priest: Give rest, O Lord, to thy servant Robin with thy saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting;
where thou, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
All: Amen.

Priest: Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord, and let light
perpetual shine upon him.
All: Amen.

THE COMMITTAL

Priest: Forasmuch as it hath pleased Almighty God of his great
mercy to receive unto himself the soul of our dear
brother Robin here departed, we have committed his body
to be consumed by fire; earth to earth, ashes to ashes,
dust to dust; in sure and certain hope of the
resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus
Christ; who shall change our mortal body, that it may be
like unto his glorious body, according to the mighty
working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

Priest: O God of spirits, and of all flesh,
who hast trampled down Death,
and overthrown the Devil,
and given life unto thy world:
Do thou, the same Lord, give rest
to the soul of thy departed servant Robin,
in a place of brightness,
a place of verdure, a place of repose,
whence all sickness, sorrow and sighing have fled away.
Pardon every transgression which he hath committed,
whether by word, or deed or thought.
For Thou art a good God, and lovest mankind;
because there is no one who liveth and sinneth not;
for thou only art without sin,
and thy righteousness is to all eternity,
and thy word is true.
Give rest eternal in blessed falling asleep
O Lord, to the soul of thy servant Robin,
departed this life,
and make his memory to be eternal.
All: Amen.

THE BLESSING

Priest: The God of peace,
that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great Shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the everlasting covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight,
through Jesus Christ;
to whom be glory for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

All stand for the dismissal.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest: The eternal God is your dwelling place,
and underneath are the everlasting arms.

People: **Blessed is the Lord, our strength and our salvation.**

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn **IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE** [Montgomery]

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish - but nought changeth thee.
4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

POSTLUDE

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