

**Invitation to Prayer:**

**Priest:** Pray my sisters and brothers that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

**All:** May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

**The Eucharistic Prayer:**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And with your spirit**

**Priest:** Lift up your hearts.

**All:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**Priest:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** **It is right and just.**

**Holy, Holy**

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Bless'd is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
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**Memorial Acclamation:**

**All:** When we eat this bread, and drink this cup, we proclaim your death  
O Lord, until you come again.

**Our Father:** 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.

**Priest:** Deliver us, Lord....

**All:** For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

**Lamb of God:**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

**Communion Thanksgiving:** Gentle As Silence

Oh the love of my Lord is the essence, of all that I love here on earth  
All the beauty I see, He has given to me, and His giving was gentle as silence.

Every day, every hour, every moment, has been blessed by the strength of his love.  
At the turn of each tide, He is there at my side, and His touch is as gentle as silence.

There've been times when I've turned from His presence  
And I've walked other paths, other ways  
But I've called on his name in the dark of my shame, and His mercy was gentle as silence.

**Prayers of Farewell:**

**Priest:** Saints of God come to her aid, come to meet her angels of the Lord.

**All:** **Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.**

**Priest:** May Christ who called you, take you to himself and may the angels lead  
you to Abraham's side.

**All:** **Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.**

**Priest:** Give her eternal rest O Lord, and may your light shine on her for ever.

**All:** **Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.**

**Recessional:** Swiss Bells



*Theresa's family thank you for your presence and support here today  
and warmly invite you to share refreshments in the Community Hall  
across the road from the Church following the Mass.*

*Donations to Hospice Waikato would be appreciated and may  
be left at the service.*

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In Loving Memory Of  
**Marie 'Theresa' Theresia Risi**

11th June 1933–9th January 2024





Welcome to this Requiem Mass to Celebrate the Life of

**Theresa**

Held at St Peter's Catholic Church, Anzac Street, Cambridge  
On Friday, 12th January 2024 at 12 Noon.

**Celebrant:** Monsignor Leonard Danvers V.G.

**Accompanist:** Gillian Kneebone



**Entrance Hymn: Come As You Are**

Come as you are, that's how I want you.  
Come as you are, feel quite at home.  
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven.  
Come as you are, why stand alone?

No need to fear, love sets no limits.  
No need to fear, love never ends.  
Don't run away, shamed and disheartened.  
Rest in my love, trust me again.

I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous  
I came to bring peace, not to condemn.  
Each time you fail to live by my promise.  
Why do you think, I'd love you the less.

Come as you are, that's how I love you.  
Come as you are, trust me again.  
Nothing can change the love that I bear you.  
All will be well, just come as you are.

**Welcome:**

**Eulogy:** Barbara Risi

**Family Tributes:**

**Introductory Rites:**

**Priest:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen

**Priest:** The grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the  
Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Opening Prayer:**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 25:6-9  
Read By: Peter Risi



**Responsorial Psalm: (said) Psalm 63**

Oh God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you like a dry weary land without water.  
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory

For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.  
So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands,  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night  
For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice,  
My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:8  
Read By: Marianne Hindley

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Seek Ye First the kingdom of God and His righteousness  
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia.

**Gospel:** John 14:1-6

**Homily:**

**Prayers of the Faithful:**

Lead by: Catholic Women's League Members

Our response to each invocation: **Lord hear our prayer.**

**Procession of the Gifts:** Grandchildren

**Gift Hymn: Strong and Constant.**

I will be Your God who walks with you!  
You will be always within my hand!  
Take your heart and give it all to me!  
Strong and constant is my love!  
Strong and constant is my Love!

Should you wander far away from me  
I will search for you in every land!  
Should you call then you will truly know  
Strong and constant is my love!  
Strong and constant is my love.

When you know sorrow within your life  
I will come I will embrace your heart!  
Through your pain you will discover me.  
Strong and constant is my love!  
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