

Together transforming our City and Diocese

A Service of Thanksgiving to celebrate the life and ministry of Bishop Barbara Brinsley Darling

17 October 1947—15 February 2015

Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Melbourne Senior Canon of St Paul's Cathedral



The First Sunday in Lent 22 February 2015, 5 pm

ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE DEAN OF MELBOURNE PRECENTOR

PREACHER

The Most Reverend Dr Philip Freier The Very Reverend Dr Andreas Loewe The Reverend Canon Heather Patacca The Right Reverend Kay Goldsworthy Assistant Bishop of Perth Bishop-elect of Gippsland



THE RIGHT REVEREND BARBARA BRINSLEY DARLING was made a deacon in the church of God in 1986, one of the first women to be ordained in the Anglican Church of Australia. In 1992 she was ordained to the priesthood among the first women priests in the Diocese of Melbourne. In 1995 she joined the Chapter of St Paul's, becoming the Senior Clerical Canon in 2003.

Barbara exercised an extensive ministry before her ordination: following a period as a teacher in New South Wales she moved to Melbourne in 1975. From 1975 until 1989 she took on various roles at Ridley College, as student, tutor, lecturer and librarian. From 1981 until her deaconing in 1986, she held a laywoman's role in the Parish of Heidelberg. From 1989 until her priesting in 1992, she was Minister in Charge of Ascot Vale, becoming the Incumbent on being made priest. From 1995-2005 she served as the Incumbent of All Souls' Sandringham, from 2005-08 as the Incumbent of St James' Dandenong.

On 31 May 2008 Barbara was consecrated Bishop in this Cathedral, becoming the first woman Bishop in Victoria. As an Assistant Bishop in this Diocese, she first headed up the Department of Diocesan Services and then became Bishop of the Eastern Region of Melbourne, with episcopal oversight of around 67 parishes. Her other ministries included the oversight of Chaplains in Anglican Schools and Tertiary Chaplains, and the Melbourne Cursillo Movement.

We give thanks for her life, and will cherish her memory and example.

WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, the home for worshippers from more than two dozen nations, and the home church for Anglicans in Melbourne and Victoria.

We worship on the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin nation and we acknowledge and pay our respect to their elders past and present and to Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders with us today.

Some of the hymns and music chosen were sung at Bishop Barbara's consecration and farewell service. The Cathedral Choir is directed by Mr Philip Nicholls, the organ is played by the Cathedral organist, Mr Siegfried Franke. The singing of the responsorial Psalm is led by Dr Muriel Porter OAM, accompanied by Mr David Byrne.

We commit Bishop Barbara into God's care on the first Sunday in Lent, the first celebration of the Day of Resurrection in the Christian season where we give thanks for the triumph of the Cross over death, and look towards refreshment and renewal.

We pray that God will confirm within each of us the strong and certain hope of resurrection to eternal life.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Books of Condolence are available in the entrance area of the Cathedral.

Prior to the service, the body is received by the Senior Canons of St Paul's Cathedral, Lay Canon Colin Reilly and the Reverend Canon Dr Peter Adam OAM, the Dean of Melbourne, the Very Reverend Dr Andreas Loewe, and the Archbishop of Melbourne and Primate of Australia, the Most Reverend Dr Philip Freier.

Canons and Lay Canons of St Paul's Cathedral attend the coffin, and then join the procession.

Stand for

THE PROCESSION

The Dean's Chorister The Cathedral Choir

Taperers and Crucifer

Visiting Clergy Clergy of the Province of Victoria

A Verger

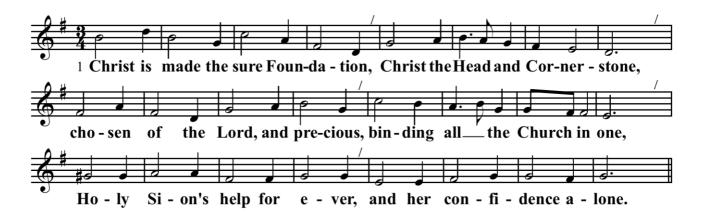
Heads of Churches

Cathedral Clergy
Members of the Cathedral Chapter
Archdeacons of the Diocese of Melbourne

The Dean's Verger

Deans of the Anglican Church of Australia Retired Bishops Bishops of the Anglican Church of Australia

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN



All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody, God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today; with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain, what they gain from thee for ever with the blessèd to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son, laud and honour to the Spirit, ever Three, and ever One, consubstantial, co-eternal, while unending ages run.

Latin, tr. John Mason Neale (1818-66) Hymns Ancient and Modern New Standard 332

THE FUNERAL SENTENCES

The coffin is accompanied to its place in the Chancel by the Senior Canons, the Dean and the Archbishop of Melbourne.

The Senior Canons place Bishop Barbara's staff, mitre and stole on the coffin.

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.

St John 11.25-26

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another.

Job 19.25-27

We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord.

1 Timothy 6.7, Job 1.21

The Book of Common Prayer 1662 William Croft (1678-1727)

Please sit for

THE WELCOME

The Dean of Melbourne

THE GREETING

The Primate greets the congregation

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

The Primate pays tribute to Bishop Barbara and introduces the service

We gather in the presence of God
to remember and give thanks for the life of our sister,
Barbara Brinsley Darling, Bishop,
to mourn and honour her,
to prepare her mortal body to be cremated,
and to support one another in our grief.
We face the certainty of our own death and judgement.
Yet as Christians we believe that those who die in Christ
share in eternal life with him.
As we give thanks to God for Barbara's life,
we turn in faith and hope to God,
who created and sustains us all.

Let us pray:

Loving God, you alone are the source of life. May your life-giving Spirit flow through us, and fill us with compassion, one for another. In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace. Kindle our hope, and let our grief give way to joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE TRIBUTES

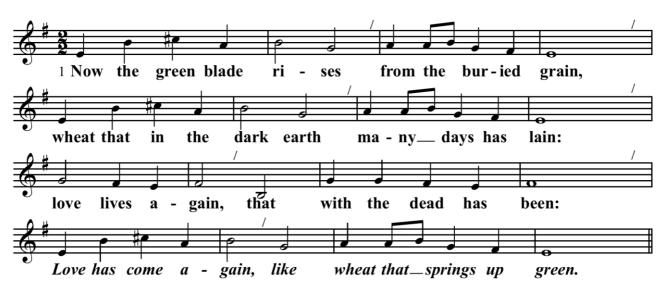
Mr Christopher and Mrs Merril Darling on behalf of Bishop Barbara's family

The Reverend Canon Heather Marten Sub-Dean, St Paul's Cathedral Bendigo, on behalf of Bishop Barbara's friends and colleagues

The Most Reverend Dr Glenn Davies

Archbishop of Sydney, on behalf of Bishop Barbara's episcopal colleagues

THE HYMN



In the grave they laid him,
Love whom hate had slain,
thinking that he never
would awake again,
laid in the earth,
like grain that sleeps unseen.
Love has come again,
like wheat that springs up green.

Up he sprang at Easter, like the risen grain, he who for the three days in the grave had lain, raised from the dead my living Lord is seen:

Love has come again, like wheat that springs up green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, then your touch can call us back to life again — fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Love has come again, like wheat that springs up green.

John Macleod Campbell Crumb (1872-1948) alt. Together in Song 382

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the

THE FIRST READING

A Reading from the Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Romans:

Read by Mr Rowan Darling Bishop Barbara's nephew

WHAT THEN are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:31-35, 37-38

For the word of the Lord: thanks be to God.

Remain seated for

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Led by Dr Muriel Porter OAM, accompanied by Mr David Byrne

Please sing the response after the cantor, then as indicated



I lift my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come? My help comes from the Lord: the maker of heaven and earth.

Response



God will not let your foot be moved; Our God who watches over you will not fall asleep. God is your shade at your right hand, watching over you, So the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

Response

God shall preserve you from all evil and keep you safe, Watching over you at all times, from this time forth for ever more.

Response

Psalm 121. Response: David Byrne (b.1948)

THE SECOND READING

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Mark:

Read by The Most Reverend Dr Jeffrey Driver, Archbishop of Adelaide Bishop Barbara's fellow student at Ridley College

WHEN THE SABBATH was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him'.

St Mark 16.1-6

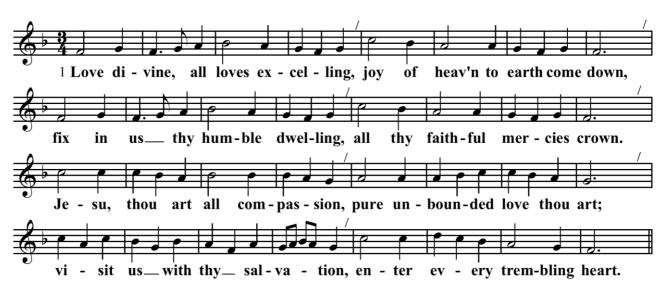
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thanks be to God.

THE SERMON The Right Reverend Kay Goldsworthy
Assistant Bishop of Perth
Bishop-elect of Gippsland

Silence follows the sermon.

THE HYMN



Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave: thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be, let us see thy great salvation, perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Charles Wesley (1707–88) Australian Hymn Book 148

Please sit or kneel for

THE LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Led by the Venerable Gail Pinchbeck Archdeacon of Maroondah

We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past: for Abraham, the father of believers and Sarah his wife: we give you thanks, O Lord of life.

For Moses, the lawgiver, and Aaron, the priest; for Miriam and Joshua, Deborah and Gideon, and Samuel with Hannah his mother; for Isaiah and all the prophets: we give you thanks, O Lord of life.

For Mary, the mother of our Lord; for Peter and Paul and all the apostles; for Mary and Martha, and Mary Magdalene: we give you thanks, O Lord of life.

For Stephen, the first martyr, for St Columba (*whose Chapter stall Bishop Barbara occupied*), William Broughton, Charles and Frances Perry, and all the martyrs and saints in every age and in every land: we give you thanks, O Lord of life.

For your mercy, O Lord our God, in giving us, with our sister Barbara and all your saints in glory, the hope of salvation and the promise of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first-born of many from the dead: we give you thanks, O Lord of life.

Sit as the Choir sings

THE ANTHEM

Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem. Blessed Lord Jesus, grant them rest, eternal rest.

Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924), Requiem in D-minor, op. 48

THE PRAYERS

The Precentor of St Paul's, the Reverend Canon Heather Patacca, introduces the prayers

Let us pray with confidence to God our Father, who raised Jesus Christ from the dead for the salvation of all, giving thanks to him for the gift of life in his servant Barbara, whom we now hold before God in a moment of silent prayer.

Silence is kept.

The Reverend Canon Amy Turner, Rector of Drouin and Canon of St Paul's Cathedral Sale, Diocese of Gippsland, prays

Let us pray for all who love Barbara and mourn her death, praying that God would bring them comfort in their grief:

Father in heaven, as Barbara's death brings an emptiness into our lives we seek your comfort. As she passes from our earthly sight, we thank you for the years of her presence among us. We pray for all who mourn Barbara's death, for her family and friends, and neighbours in Christ. Show us all the depths of your love, a glimpse of the kingdom of heaven. Give us confidence that Barbara's life is complete with you, and bring us together at the last to the wholeness and fullness of your presence in heaven, where your saints and angels worship you for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Reverend Canon Colleen O'Reilly, Vicar of St George's Malvern and Canon of St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne, prays

Let us pray for all whose lives were touched by Barbara, praying that we might follow her example of loving service:

God our Father, we thank you that you have made each of us in your own image, and given us gifts and talents with which to serve you. We thank you for Barbara, for her ministry among us as a much loved teacher, pastor and bishop. Thank you for the good we saw in her and the love we received from her. Now give us strength and courage to leave her in your care, and empower us to live our lives following her example of loving service and faithful discipleship of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Venerable Philip Newman OAM, Deputy Chair Melbourne Anglican Foundation, prays

Let us pray for all who follow Jesus, asking God to give us grace to live our lives in the light of his glorious resurrection:

Living God, you have lit the day with the sun's light and the night with shining stars. Lighten our hearts with the bright beams of the Sun of Righteousness, risen with healing in his wings, Jesus Christ our Lord. And so preserve us in the doing of your will, that at the last we may shine as the stars for ever; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Right Reverend Alison Taylor, Bishop of the Southern Region, Diocese of Brisbane, prays

Let us thank God for his great love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, and ask that we might show forth the fruits of God's grace in our lives, praying in the words of St Richard of Chichester:

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you for all the benefits you have won for us, for all the pains and insults you have borne for us. Most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. **Amen.**

St Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)

The Precentor leads the congregation in praying

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our FATHER in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

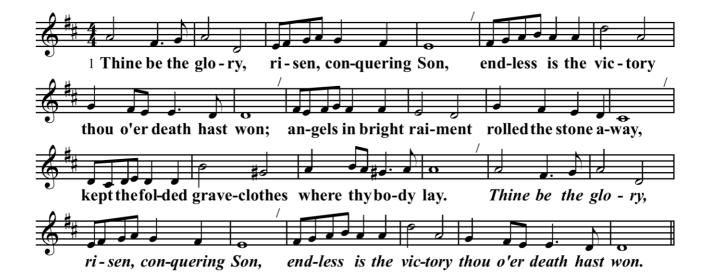
Please stand to sing

THE HYMN

Members of Bishop Barbara's family, her immediate friends, the Cathedral Chapter, and the College of Bishops gather around the coffin.

The Senior Canons remove Bishop Barbara's pastoral staff, mitre and stole from the coffin, and place them in the High Altar Sanctuary.

The pall is removed, and family lay flowers on the coffin.



Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord is living, death has lost its sting: *Thine be the glory* ...

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life; life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above: *Thine be the glory* ...

Edmond Louis Budry (1854-1932) tr. Richard Birch Hoyle (1875-1939) Australian Hymn Book 303

THE FAREWELL

The Primate invites the congregation to pray in silence, and then says

I ORD JESUS CHRIST, you gave new birth to our sister Barbara by water and the Spirit. Grant that her death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way, to live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

Let us entrust our sister Barbara to the mercy of God:

Holy and loving Father, by your mighty power you gave us life, and in your love you have given us new life in Christ Jesus. We entrust Barbara to your merciful keeping: in the faith of Jesus Christ, who died and rose again to save us, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit in glory forever. Amen.

THE COMMITTAL

The Primate lays his hands on the coffin, and invites the Dean and the Senior Clerical Canon to do the same.

Silence is kept.

Then the Primate prays

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you have given us a sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life.

In your keeping are all who have departed in Christ. We here commit the body of our dear sister Barbara to be cremated, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, and who shall change our mortal body that it may be like his glorious body:

Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hebrews 13.20

Please remain standing

The choir sings

THE SONG OF SIMEON NUNC DIMITTIS

Taperers and Crucifer, the Senior Canons, the Dean and the Archbishop lead the coffin from the Chancel through the Great West Doors to the Cathedral Close.

Bishop Barbara's family, immediate friends, Members of the Cathedral Chapter and the College of Bishops follow the coffin.

Other robed clergy process through the Cathedral Corridor to the Cathedral Close.

CRD, NOW lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

St Luke 2.29-32

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.

Sir George Dyson (1883-1964), in F

When the processions have left, you are invited to sit for

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

J.S. Bach (1685-1750), arr. Noel Rawsthorne (b. 1929), Nun danket alle Gott or you may wish to proceed through the Great West Doors to the Cathedral Close.

THE COMMENDATION

In the Cathedral Close, the Dean of Melbourne prays

We shall not all die

but we shall be changed.

The trumpet shall sound and the dead will rise immortal and we shall be changed.

The perishable must be clothed with the imperishable and the mortal must be clothed with immortality.

We shall not all die but we shall be changed.

1 Corinthians 15.51-54

At the hearse, the Primate prays

Barbara, go forth upon your journey from this world, in the name of God the Father who created you. **Amen.**

In the name of Jesus Christ who suffered for you. Amen.

In the name of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you. Amen.

In communion with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host:

All respond

May your portion this day be in peace and your dwelling in the heavenly Jerusalem. Amen.

Taperers and Crucifer, Senior Canons, Archbishop and Dean lead the hearse from the Cathedral Close to the corner of Russell Street and Flinders Lane.

Family, friends, clergy and people are invited to follow the hearse in procession, and to return to the Cathedral Close via Flinders Lane.

Others may wish to line Flinders Street.

Bishop Barbara's ashes will be interred in All Saints' Churchyard, Sandringham, in a family celebration.

THANK YOU



Bishop Barbara thanking attenders at her farewell as Bishop of the Eastern Region last October

THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS of Bishop Barbara, the Dean and Chapter of St Paul's Cathedral, and the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne wish to thank the many people who have made this celebration possible:

Thank you to the Cathedral Clergy, Events Team, Administrative Staff, Vergers, and volunteer Welcomers and Stewards. Thank you to our musicians: the Cathedral Choir led by Mr Philip Nicholls, Cantor Dr Muriel Porter, and organists Mr Siegfried Franke and Mr David Byrne. Thank you to choristers from our Cathedral Choir School, Trinity Grammar, Kew, and senior students of the school who carried the coffin on Bishop Barbara's final journey. Thank you to the St Paul's Cathedral Society of Bell Ringers, led by Tower Captain Mrs Helen Pettet, and the Cathedral Flower Guild, convened by Mrs Anne Yule.

Thank you to all who travelled long distances to be part of this celebration, and all who have come to be with us from the places associated with Bishop Barbara's ministry.

Thank you to all who cared for Bishop Barbara in the Clayton Medical Centre, and for all who upheld Bishop Barbara in their prayers during her brief illness.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory!



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