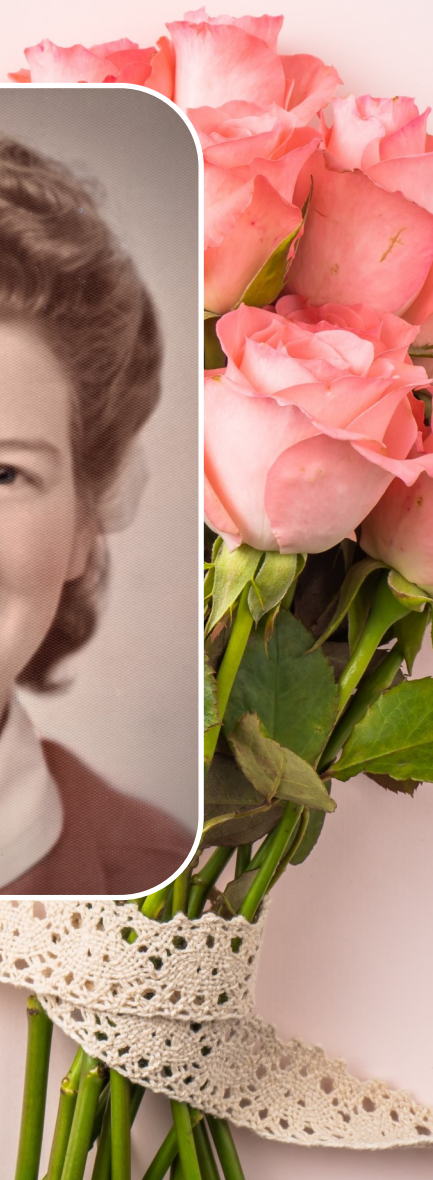


*Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul*  
*of*  
*Verna Margaret Donohue*  
*01.01.1928 - 10.10.2020*



# *Requiem Mass*

*held at*

*St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Wonthaggi  
on Thursday 15th October, 2020*

*Father Manny*







## Order of Service

**Entrance Music:** 'Amazing Grace' - Bagpipe Master

**Introduction:** Fr. Manny Lomagno

**Eulogy:** Brodie Churchill

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Manny Lomagno

God of faithfulness, in your wisdom you have called your servant Verna out of this world; release her from the bonds of sin, and welcome her into your presence, so that she may enjoy eternal light and peace and be raised up in glory with all your saints.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**First Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:14-5:1** read by Barry Donohue

We know that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God. That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal. For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm:** read by Fiona Donohue

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (ALL)**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **Response**

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;

with these you give me comfort. **Response**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **Response**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **Response**

**Gospel Acclamation: (ALL)**

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Happy are those who have died in the Lord;

Let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them.

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel: John 14:1-6** Father Manny Lomagno

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.**

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**Homily:** Fr. Manny Lomagno

**Prayers of the Faithful:**

**Introduction:** Fr. Manny Lomagno

**God, the Almighty Father raised Jesus His Son from the dead.**

**With confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead.**

*read by Nancy Tuddenham*

For Verna, a child of God and heir to the kingdom, that she may be held securely in God's loving embrace now and for all eternity.

We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord hear our prayer**

That all of us, Verna's family and friends, may be comforted in our grief.

We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord hear our prayer**

We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our sister Verna. Let us pray that God will strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of the coming of Christ. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord hear our prayer**

For the doctors, nurses and staff at Rose Lodge who cared for Verna, that their works of service may be richly blessed. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord hear our prayer**

That God may welcome into glory those of our family and friends who have departed this life, especially Jim. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord hear our prayer**

**Conclusion: Fr. Manny Lomagno**

God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people: hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters.

Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fulness of redemption.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**Offertory Hymn: 'Here I am, Lord' - John Michael Talbot**

Pray, my 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 his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy Church. Amen.**

**Prayer over the Gifts:**

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

**Fr. Manny Lomagno:** The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And with your spirit**

**Fr. Manny Lomagno:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**Fr. Manny Lomagno:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

**Preface:** Fr. Manny Lomagno

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For it is at your summons that we come to birth, by your will that we are governed, and at your command that we return, on account of sin, so that earth from which we came. And when you give the sign, we have been redeemed by the Death of your Son, shall be raised up to the glory of his Resurrection. And so, with the company of Angels and Saints, we sing the hymn of your praise, as without end we acclaim:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer: No: 2

The Mystery of Faith

All: We proclaim Your Death O Lord and profess Your Resurrection until  
You come again.

The Communion Rite

At the Saviour's command  
and formed by divine teaching,  
we dare to say:

All: 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.

All: 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.



Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All:** Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.

**Communion Hymn:** 'Gentle As Silence' - Danielle Kneipp

**Prayer After Communion:**

**Fr. Manny Lomagno:** Grant we pray, O Lord, that your servant Verna, for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament, may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace. Through Christ our Lord.

**Final Commendation:** Father Manny Lomagno

**Prayer of Farewell:**

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

Saints of God, come to her aid!  
Hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord! **(R)**

May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;  
may angels lead you to Mary and Joseph. **(R)**

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon her. **(R)**

**Recessional Music:** 'Open Up Them Pearly Gates'- The Seekers

**Music at Cemetery:**

You Are My Sunshine









DONOHUE (nee Collins)

Verna Margaret

01.01.1928 - 10.10.2020

Passed away peacefully at Rose Lodge Wonthaggi.

Loved wife of James (Jim),

mother and mother-in-law of Barry & Marg, Colin & Caroline,

Glenda & Glenn. Adored Nana of 8 grandchildren and

9 great grandchildren. Sister of Nancy.

Our heartfelt thanks to Dr Roger and all the staff at

Rose Lodge for their dedication and care.

Reunited with Jim

*Rest in Peace*