

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



*Maria Rizzi*

Born: 14th May 1935  
Roccamandolfi  
Molise Italy

Deceased: 15th July 2025  
Perth  
Western Australia

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*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,  
And let perpetual light shine upon her.  
May she rest in Peace.*

**Celebrant**

Fr Oscar Aguilera OSM

Infant Jesus Catholic Church - Morley

Tuesday, 5th of August, 2025

## *Entrance Hymn*

'The Prayer' - Andrea Bocelli

## *Sprinkling of the Holy Water*

**Priest:** In the water of Baptism, Maria died with Christ and rose with him to new life. May she now share with him eternal glory.

## *Lighting of the Paschal Candle*

## *Eulogy*

Read by Rosanna Franceschino & Julius D'Amelio

## *Photo Tribute*

'Reginella Campagnola'

'Quel Mazzolin Di Fiori'

## *Opening Prayer*

**Priest:** Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our sister, Maria. In this life you embraced her with your tender love; deliver her from every evil and bid her enter eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome her then into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain, but the fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

**All:** Amen.

# *The Liturgy of the Word*

## *First Reading*

*Read by Jessica Maseyk*

### *A reading from the book of Wisdom (3: 1-6, 9)*

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace.

For if before men, indeed, they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality; Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worthy of himself.

As gold in the furnace, he proved them, and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself. Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love: Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, and his care is with elect.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## *Responsorial Psalm*

*Read by Vanessa Scarvaci*

**The response is: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.**

Remember your mercy, Lord,  
And the love you have shown from of old.  
In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O Lord. **Response**

Relieve the anguish of my heart  
And set me free from my distress.  
See my affliction and my toil  
And take all my sins away. **Response**

Preserve my life and rescue me.  
Do not disappoint me, you are my refuge.  
May innocence and uprightness protect me:  
For my hope is in you, O Lord. **Response**

## *Second Reading*

*Read by Antonietta D'Amelio*

***A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy (4: 7-8, 17-18)***

The time is here for me to leave this life. I have done my best in the race, I have run the full distance. I have kept the faith. And now the prize of victory is waiting for me, the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on that day and not only to me, but to all those who wait with love for Him to appear.

The Lord has stayed with me and given me strength, he has been my rock, my safety and now he will rescue me from all evil, and take me safely into his heavenly Kingdom.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand to welcome the Gospel)*

## *Gospel Acclamation*

*Antonietta D'Amelio*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Come, you whom my father has blessed, says the Lord;  
inherit the kingdom prepared for you  
since the foundation of the world.**

**Alleluia!**

## *Gospel*

*A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.*

**All: Glory, to you, O Lord.**

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 sons of God.  
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:  
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'  
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## *Homily*

Fr Oscar

## *Prayers of the Faithful*

*Julia Franceschino & Estelle D'Amelio*

**Priest:** God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with the confidence we ask him to save all his people living and dead;

**Reader:** For our Nonna Maria who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she now be admitted to the company of saints.  
We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For our Nonna Maria who nourished at the table of the Saviour. That she may be welcomed into the halls of the heavenly banquet.  
We pray to the Lord.

**All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son.  
We pray to the Lord.

**All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For the family and friends of Nonna Maria seek comfort and consolation. Heal the pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come from grief.  
We pray to the Lord.

**All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's Kingdom.  
We pray to the Lord.

**All:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Priest:** 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 fullness of redemption.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All:** **Amen.**

## *Liturgy of the Eucharist*

### *Offertory Procession*

*Offertory brought to the altar by Enzo & Isabella*

### *Offertory Hymn*

*'Ave Maria' – Andrea Bocelli*

### *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 the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church.

### *Prayer over the Gifts*

'Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again' - Sarah Brightman

### *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.

### *Sanctus*

**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.

*(Please Kneel)*

### *Memorial Acclamation*

**All:** We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

### *Communion Rite*



## *The Lord's Prayer*

**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.

**Priest:** Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant  
peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be  
always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await  
the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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

**Priest:** Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave  
you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith  
of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in  
accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and  
ever.

**All:** Amen.

**Priest:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Priest:** Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

## *Lamb of God*

**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.

*(Please kneel)*

**Priest:** 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*

### *Communion Music*

'Lord Is My Shepherd'  
'Hallelujah'

### *Prayer after Communion*

**Priest:** Lord God, may the death and resurrection of Christ which we celebrate in this Eucharist bring our sister Maria the peace of your eternal home. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All:**     **Amen.**

### *Committal Prayers*

**Priest:** With water, and with incense we farewell our sister Maria.  
Maria's coffin is now sprinkled with holy water.

This reminds us of Maria's baptism where she was adopted by God as his daughter, and she became a sister of Jesus Christ, her Lord and Saviour. She was made a living temple of God's Spirit and was incorporated into the Communion of Saints.

After the sprinkling, the coffin is incensed.

This shows our respect for the body which had within it the Spirit of God. As the smoke rises towards heaven so do our prayers for Maria and ourselves.

### *Song of Farewell*

**Priest:** Saints of God, come to her aid!  
Hasten 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;  
may angels lead you to Abraham's side.

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

**Priest:** Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon her.

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

### *Recessional Hymn*

'Supermarket Flowers' - Bloom



## *Thank You*

The Family of Maria Rizzi  
Together with Carmine (Charlie) & Maria Anna and their  
families, Palmina (Nina) & Robert and their families.

Thank you for your prayers, sympathy,  
love and support during this time.

## *Burial*

Please join us for the Burial Service at  
Karrakata Cemetery commencing at 1:15pm.

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