



*Henry Morgan Saxon
Mellish
1970-2007*



*A Service of Thanksgiving
St Andrew's Cathedral Sydney
10am, 21 March, 2007*



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Welcome

Deryck Howell, Archdeacon of South Sydney

Funeral Sentences

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

John 11:25-26

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Psalms 46:1

I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

Prayer (said by all)

Heavenly Father,
In your Son Jesus Christ
You have given us a true faith and a sure hope
Help us to live as those who believe in the communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
And the resurrection to eternal life;
Through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



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Hymn - Rock of Ages (modern tune)

Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood
From thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labours of my hands
Can fulfil thy laws demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone,
Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring;
Simply to thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress;
Helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly;
Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When my eyelids close in death,
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See thee on thy judgement throne,
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee.

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Eulogy

Ben Hunter

Bible Reading - Ecclesiastes 7:1-15

Lucy Chik

A good name is better than fine perfume,
and the day of death better than the day of birth.

It is better to go to a house of mourning than to go to a house
of feasting, for death is the destiny of every man; the living
should take this to heart.

Sorrow is better than laughter,
because a sad face is good for the heart.

The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning,
but the heart of fools is in the house of pleasure.

It is better to heed a wise man's rebuke
than to listen to the song of fools.

Like the crackling of thorns under the pot,
so is the laughter of fools. This too is meaningless.

Extortion turns a wise man into a fool,
and a bribe corrupts the heart.

The end of a matter is better than its beginning,
and patience is better than pride.

Do not be quickly provoked in your spirit,
for anger resides in the lap of fools.



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Do not say, "Why were the old days better than these?"
For it is not wise to ask such questions.

Wisdom, like an inheritance, is a good thing
and benefits those who see the sun.

Wisdom is a shelter as money is a shelter,
but the advantage of knowledge is this:
that wisdom preserves the life of its possessor.

Consider what God has done:
Who can straighten what he has made crooked?

When times are good, be happy;
but when times are bad, consider:
God has made the one as well as the other.
Therefore, a man cannot discover
anything about his future.

In this meaningless life of mine I have seen both of these:
a righteous man perishing in his righteousness,
and a wicked man living long in his wickedness.



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Bible Reading - 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Peter Mellish

Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.

By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

Sermon

Dominic Steele, Christians in the Media



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Song - In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my strength, my light, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my All in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on the cross, as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied,
For every sin on Him was laid -
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine -
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.



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No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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Prayers Bishop Robert Forsyth, Bishop of South Sydney Region

(Congregation joins in prayers in bold type)

Lord have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.
Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, in 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.



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*Recessional Eternal Father, Strong to Save
(The Navy Hymn)*

You are invited to join the family, friends and colleagues for morning tea in the Chapter House next door immediately following the service.



*'More and more as I am here and see what life really
is I understand that it's not when or how you die but
how and if you truly lived.'*

Dr Nielson

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