

MEMORIAL MASS

Sister Carolyn Brambilla, OP

Celebrating New Life

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Opening Song: BE NOT AFRAID

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst;
you shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

***Be not afraid. I go before you always.
Come follow me, and I will give you rest.***

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Welcome: Sister Irene Ellis, OP, *Prioress*

Opening Prayer - Lord, welcome into your presence your daughter,
Sister Carolyn, whom you have called from this life. Release her
from all her sins, bless her with eternal light and peace, raise her up
to live forever with all your saints in the glory of the resurrection.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 27

- Scott Soper



I be - lieve, I be - lieve I shall see the good - ness of the
Lord in the land, in the land of the liv - ing.

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Second Reading: Romans 8:31-39

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-10

Homily: Fr. Roman Palecko, CO

General Intercessions: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

✠ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

Preparation of the Gifts

All: O God, we thank you for the future you have promised us,
for we know that death is but a passing moment
which leads from life to life.

We set before you bread and wine which we offer in
Sister Carolyn's memory, we speak our loving trust in you,
and we ask you to bless us and our world.

At this meal which we share in the name of your Son, we hear
once more your pledge of life which will never come to an end.
So may we bless your name with him now and forever. Amen.

Presentation Song: AMAZING GRACE

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound that saved and set me free
I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved,
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Thru many dangers, toils and snares I have already come.
'Twas grace that brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

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Holy, Holy

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

Great Amen

✠ COMMUNION RITE ✠

The Lord's Prayer

Rite of Peace

Lamb of God

Communion Song: I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE - Suzanne Toolan, RSM

I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

***And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day.***

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever.

I am the Resurrection I am the life.

You who believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever.

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Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Recalling that in Christ, God has made us sisters and brothers to one another, let us pray...

All: O God, you have put us on this earth, not to live alone, but with each other, to bear one another's burdens and to share one another's joys. Others touch our lives and share of themselves with us and we grow closer to you together with them.

We thank you for the time that Sister Carolyn spent among us, for the gift of her love and friendship. We ask that her soul be purified by this holy sacrifice, and that we may be comforted until that day when we will all be joined together again forever, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Song: HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;
How great thou art, how great thou art!***

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

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