

# Keith Edward Carter

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Mass of Christian Burial

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St Mary's Catholic Church  
Lockhart NSW

Officiating: Fr Henry Ibe

## **Opening Hymn: 'Just A Closer Walk With Thee'**

### **Eulogy**

**Photo Tribute** 'Fly Me To The Moon' and 'My Way' (Frank Sinatra)

### **Greeting**

### **Sprinkling with Holy Water**

Fr Henry: In the waters of baptism Keith died with Christ and rose with him to new life. May he now share with him eternal glory.

### **Opening Prayer**

Fr Henry:

Almighty God and Father, it is our certain faith that your Son, who died on the Cross, was raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Grant that through this mystery your servant Keith, who has gone to his rest in Christ, may share in the joy of his resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.** (Please be seated)

## Liturgy of the Word

### 1st Reading: Apocalypse 21:1-7

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth;  
the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now,  
and there was no longer any sea.

I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem,  
coming down from God out of heaven,  
as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband.

Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne,  
(You see this city? Here God lives among men.  
He will make his home among them;  
they shall be his people, and he will be their God;  
his name is God-with-them.

He will wipe away all tears from their eyes;  
there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The  
world of the past has gone:

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke:

(Now I am making the whole of creation new; he said.

cl will give water from the well of life free to anybody who is thirsty; it  
is the rightful inheritance of the one who proves victorious;  
and I will be his God and he a son to me:

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsorial Psalm: The Lord Is My Shepherd (sung)**

The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow  
Wherever He leads me, wherever He goes  
Over the mountains, the waters and by-ways  
Valleys and highways, He's waiting for me.

*Refrain: I want to go to meet Him there  
To lay myself down in His love  
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow  
Wherever He leads me, wherever He goes.*

And while on the journey to where we are going  
He promised to be there to help us along  
Over the mountains we'll walk on together  
To know all the wonders He's given to me. Refrain.

## **2nd Reading: Philippians 1: 3-11**

I thank my God whenever I think of you. And every time I pray for you I pray with joy, remembering how you helped us all grow to maturity from the day you first took us into your arms right up to the present. I am quite sure that the one who begun this work in you will finish it when the day of Jesus comes. It is only natural that we should feel sadness at losing you, since you have shared your life with us – your hard times and your happiness. You will have a permanent place in our hearts, and God knows we will miss you. We love you, Jesus Christ loves you. My prayer is that peace and happiness may be your reward now with the Lord where you will reach that perfect understanding that Jesus Christ will produce in you.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation: John 6: 40**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**This is the will of my Father, says the Lord,  
that all who believe in the Son will have eternal life  
and I will raise them to life again on the last day.  
Alleluia!**

## **Gospel: John 14: 1-6**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way.”

Thomas said to him, “Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?”

Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Homily:** Fr Henry (Please be seated)



## **Prayers of the Faithful**

Fr Henry: Jesus Christ is Risen, the Firstborn of the Dead. With confidence in the Salvation He brings, we now confidently offer our prayers.

Lord, we pray for Pop, that God will guide him through eternal life.  
Lord hear us.

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

Lord, we thank you for the gift of Keith and the love which he brought to our lives. May his example of faithfulness, love and devotion live on in his family. Lord hear us.

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

Lord, we pray for all families who have lost loved ones. May they have the strength to carry on without them. Lord hear us.

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

Lord, we give thanks and pray for Pop's wonderful hospital family. Especially Dr. Bond, Dean and Ann-Maree. Lord hear us.

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

Lord, we give thanks to all those who were near and dear to Pop. Those wonderful and loyal friends who visited him always.  
Lord hear us.

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

Fr Henry: Lord God of justice and mercy, hear our prayers.  
Grant eternal rest to our beloved Keith and grant us your consolation  
in our loss. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.** (Please be seated)

## **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

### **Offertory Hymn: One Bread, One Body**

**Invitation to Prayer** (Please stand)

Fr Henry: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may  
be acceptable to God, the almighty Father. (stand)

**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 Offerings**

Priest: As we humbly present to you these sacrificial offerings, O  
Lord, for the salvation of your servant Keith, we beseech your mercy,  
that he, who did not doubt your Son to be a loving Saviour, may find  
in him a merciful Judge. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

Holy, Holy, Holy

**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.**



## **Memorial Acclamation**

Fr Henry: The mystery of faith.

**All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

## **The Lord's Prayer (Please stand)**

**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.**

## **Doxology**

For the kingdom, the power and the glory and yours now and for ever.

## **Rite of Peace**

Fr Henry: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All: And with your spirit.**

## **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.**

## **Communion Hymn: Eagles' Wings.**

### **Prayer after Communion** (Please stand)

Priest: Lord God, whose Son left us, in the Sacrament of his Body, food for the journey, mercifully grant that, strengthened by it, our brother Keith may come to the eternal table of Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**All: Amen** (Please be seated)

### **Final Commendation**

#### **Invitation to Prayer** (Please stand)

Fr Henry: Before we go our separate ways, let us take our leave of brother Keith. May our farewell express our affection for him; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet him again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

### **Sprinkling and Incensing of the Coffin**

#### **Song of Farewell**

Fr Henry: Saints of God, come to his aid! Hasten to meet him angels of the Lord!

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

Fr Henry: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself; may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

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

Fr Henry: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

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

### **Prayer of Commendation**

Fr Henry: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother Keith, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he will rise with him on the last day. We give you thanks for the blessings which you have bestowed upon Keith in this life: they are signs to us of your goodness and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ. Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our brother/sister for ever.

**All: Amen!**

### **Procession to the Place of Committal**

Fr Henry: In peace let us take our brother to his place of rest.

**Recessional Hymn: Welcome Home.**



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and for your love, comfort and support.

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