

Tempus Fugit...

Time Flies

Memento Mori

Remember Death



CHRISTIAN WAKE

SERVICE FOR

SIR KNIGHTS

FOURTH DEGREE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

"I am the Resurrection and the Life"

Leader: In the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: For to those who have faith in you, O Lord life does not cease, it merely changes. And when our earthly dwelling falls to ruin, we find an eternal home in heaven.

Leader: I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. In green pastures he gives me repose. Beside restful waters he leads me. He refreshes my soul. He guides me in the right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk in the valley of darkness I fear no evil, for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes, you anoint my head with oil, my cup is overflowing. Only goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

Leader: I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

First Reading (Thessalonians 4:13-18) We would have to be clear about those who sleep in death, brothers; otherwise, you might yield to grief, like those who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, God will bring forth with him from the dead those also who have fallen asleep believing in him.

We say to you, as if the Lord himself had said it, that we who live, who survive until his coming, will in no way have an advantage over those who have fallen asleep. No, the Lord himself will come down from heaven at the word of command, at the sound of the archangel's voice and God's trumpet, and those who have died in Christ will rise first. Then we, the living, the survivors, will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thenceforth we shall be with the Lord unceasingly. Console one another with this message.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Leader: Give rest, O Lord, to your servant and appoint his place in paradise where the choirs of Saints and the righteous ones are shining like the stars. O Lord, to your departed servant (N) give rest and forgive.

All: For those who have faith in you, O Lord, life does not cease, it merely changes. And when our earthly dwelling falls to ruin, we find an eternal home in heaven.

Leader: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

All: I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal. For he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him.

They surround me, the snares of death with the anguish of the tomb. They caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name.

How gracious is the Lord, and just. Our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts.

I was helpless, so he saved me. Turn back my soul to your rest for the has been good.

He kept my soul from death and my feet from stumbling.

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SECOND READING: Matthew 25:31-40

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels of heaven, he will sit upon his royal throne and all the nations will be assembled before him.

Then he will separate them into groups, as a shepherd separates sheep from goats. The sheep he will place on his right hand, the goats on his left. The king will say to those on his right, COME! You have my Father's blessing, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, I was ill and you comforted me, in prison and you came to visit me.

Then the just will ask him: Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you or see you thirsty and give you drink? When did we welcome you away from home or clothe you in your nakedness? When did we visit you when you were ill or in prison?

The king will answer them: I assure you, as you did for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.

This is the Word of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Leader: we remember, O God, that we are only pilgrims on the earth, and that it is our duty to walk in your ways, to do what is good in your sight, and to keep ourselves free from all sin. When you call us, may we enjoy the reward which you have prepared for those who have tried to live in accordance with your will.

All: for to those who have faith in you, O Lord, life does not cease, it merely changes. And when our earthly dwelling falls to ruin, we find an eternal home in heaven.

Leader: I am the resurrection and the life, he who believes in me; even if he dies shall live, and whoever lives in me shall never die.

All: my soul magnifies the Lord, my Spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.

Because he has regarded the lowliness of his handmaid, for behold, henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

Because he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. and his mercy is from generation to generation to those who fear him. He has shown might with his arm and has scattered the proud in their conceit of heart. He has put down the mighty from their thrones and has exalted the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich he has sent away empty. He has given help to Israel his servant mindful of his mercy, even as he spoke to our Fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity forever.

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Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Our Father.....

Hail Mary...

Glory be....

Leader: Lord, welcome into your presence you son (N), whom you have called from this life. Free him from all his sins, bless him with eternal light and peace, raise him up to live forever with all your saints in the glory of the resurrection. We ask you this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Leader: May the soul of Sir Knight (N), and all the souls of our departed Sir Knights rest in peace.

All: Amen

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Leader: The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Response: And also with you.

Leader: Father, into your hands we commend our Brother Sir Knight (N).

We are confident that with all who have died in Christ, SK (N) will be raised to life on the last day and live with Christ forever.

We thank you for all the blessings you gave him in this life as a Sir Knight, which he shared so generously with us in Jesus Christ.

Lord, hear our prayer: welcome our Brother SK (N) to paradise and help us to comfort each other with the assurance of our faith until we all meet in Christ to be with you and with our Brother Sir Knight (N) forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord

All: Amen

Our Father.....

Hail Mary.....

Glory be....

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen