

In loving memory of

RUTH MURIEL KELLY

15th August 1929 – 7th June 2026





A Celebration

Thursday, 18th June 2026, 11am.
Holy Spirit Anglican Church, Kenmore.
Celebrant: Reverend Deborah Bird

GATHERING WORDS

Rev'd Deb welcomes the congregation and then invites the family to place symbols of memory and devotion.

Creator God, through the gifts of faith and devotion
you have woven your love into the life we have shared with Ruth.
May we, with Ruth and all the baptised,
be gathered into the rich tapestry of your eternity,
where all that is good, true and beautiful finds fulfilment in you.

Amen.

St Paul once said:
Nothing in death or life, nor anything else in all of creation
that can separate us from the love of God.

Let us pray:

***Compassionate God may your life-giving Spirit flow through us,
and fill us with compassion, one for another.
In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace.
Kindle our hope, and let our grief give way to joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

HYMN: The Lord's My Shepherd

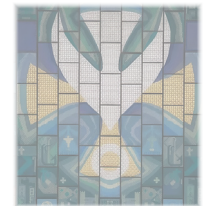
The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green, he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
ev'n for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill:
for Thou art with me; and Thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head Thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.



EULOGIES

John and Melanie

RUTH'S LIFE IN PICTURES

Unforgettable ~ Nat King Cole

FIRST READING

Richard

A reading from the Gospel of John, chapter 14, beginning at the 1st verse

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

Thomas said to him, 'Lord, 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.'

SECOND READING

Rev'd Albert

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 11, beginning at the 25th verse

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

HOMILY

Rev'd Jan Crombie

HYMN: *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 thru-out the universe displayed;

Chorus:

***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 thru the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze, **Chorus**

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!" **Chorus**

PRAYER'S OF THANKSGIVING

Susan

concluding with the Lord's Prayer.

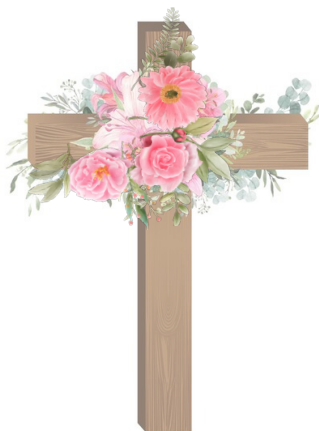
***Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in Heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.***

FAREWELL AND COMMITTAL

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

As we go back into the world,
be strong and of good courage
hold fast to all that is good,
and all that lights this world –
loving and caring for each other
with all the love that Ruth gave us,
and with the faithfulness of God.

May the Lord bless you and keep you
May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you
May the beauty of the Lord's countenance lift us up
And bring us peace. **Amen.**



Rev'd Deb



Sharing Mum's Memory

In loving memory of Ruth Kelly, we would like to encourage donations to be sent to Sri Lanka for the initiative "Houses for the Poor" which Mum and Dad supported.

Your kind donation can be made to the following account via a transfer.

*National Australia Bank
IABT , Gift Account*

*BSB: 084209
Acc No: 172389542*

*As reference, please show:- "HFTP"
(HFTP is "Houses For The Poor")*

*All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible
and a receipt will be issued.*





Sincere Thanks

John, Mel and their families thank you for your love and support, and your presence here today.

It was one of Mum's final wishes that you join us for refreshments and sharing memories up at the Hall.