

With Love We Remember

DR REX PERERA

9 May 1938 - 12 June 2025



**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
41 BRITANNIA STREET, PETONE
WEDNESDAY, 18 JUNE 2025 AT 12.00PM**

Officiating: Fr. Marlon P. Maylon, SVD

Organist: Marianne Callaghan

ORDER OF SERVICE

Entrance Hymn

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am 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.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

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Welcome

Eulogy

Travis Perera
Glynis Ahamat

Liturgy of the Word

1st Reading

Ecclesiastes 3 : 1 - 9

Roshan Perera

Psalm 23

The Lord is 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,
E'en for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished
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 forevermore
My dwelling place shall be.

2nd Reading

Revelation 21 : 1 - 7

Ashleigh Perera

Gospel

Matthew 25 : 31 - 46

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Lina Schmidt-Uili

Liturgy of The Eucharist

Offertory


Marie Nissanka

Glynis Ahamat

Ashleigh Perera


Communion Hymn

Be Thou My Vision



Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;
Thou my best Thought, in the day and the night;
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word;
Be Thou ever with me and I with Thee, Lord;
Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true child;
Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee bide.



Be Thou my breastplate, my word for the fight;
Be Thou my whole armour, be Thou my true might;
Be Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower;
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor world's empty praise;
Be Thou mine inheritance now and always;
Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won;
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Photo Tribute

Vote of Thanks

Travis Perera

Final Commendation

Recessional Hymn Immaculate Mother

Immaculate Mother, we call upon thee,
From this land of the South, from our isles of the sea.
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

We pray for God's glory, may His kingdom come;
We pray for His vicar, our Father in Rome.
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

We pray for our Mother, The Church upon earth;
And bless, sweetest Lady, The land of our birth.
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

We pray for relief from our burdens of pain;
None kneels to thee, Mother of Mercy, in vain.
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

In death's solemn moment, dear mother be nigh;
As children of Mary, O teach us to die.
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

And crown thy sweet mercy with special grace,
To see in His glory Our Lord face to face.
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!



Invitation

Rex's family thank you for your presence today and for your kind words of comfort and support. Following this service, you are warmly invited to join the family in the church foyer for fellowship and refreshments and thereafter for the interment at Akatarawa Cemetery.

Book of Remembrance

Please take a moment to sign the book of remembrance.

Burial

Akatarawa Cemetery, Upper Hutt at 2:30pm.
All are welcome.

Thank you for joining the family to celebrate Rex's life.





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