

Mass of Christian Burial

Friday, July 10, 2026 · St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

FIRST READING

Job 19:1, 23-27a

Then Job answered,
“Oh that my words were now written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
That with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
But as for me, I know that my Redeemer lives.
In the end, he will stand upon the earth.
After my skin is destroyed,
then in my flesh shall I see God,
Whom I, even I, shall see on my side.
My eyes shall see, and not as a stranger.
“My heart is consumed within me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 23:1-6

℟ Yahweh is my shepherd:

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I shall lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He guides me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me.
Your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil.

My cup runs over.

Surely goodness and loving kindness shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in Yahweh's house forever.

SECOND READING

Romans 5:5-11

and hope doesn't disappoint us, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

For while we were yet weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

For one will hardly die for a righteous man. Yet perhaps for a righteous person someone would even dare to die.

But God commends his own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we will be saved from God's wrath through him.

For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we will be saved by his life.

Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12a

Seeing the multitudes, he went up onto the mountain. When he had sat down, his disciples came to him.

He opened his mouth and taught them, saying,

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the gentle,
for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness,
for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,
for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

“Blessed are you when people reproach you, persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven. For that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

To God, in whom the faithful find rest, let us bring our prayers for Robert and for all who mourn.

For Robert, that he who was baptized into Christ's death may now share in his resurrection, we pray to the Lord.

℟ Lord, hear our prayer.

For his wife, children, and grandchildren, that the God of all consolation may comfort them in their grief, we pray to the Lord.

℟ Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face, we pray to the Lord.

℟ Lord, hear our prayer.

For this community of faith, that we may support one another in sorrow and in hope, we pray to the Lord.

℟ Lord, hear our prayer.

For each of us, that we may be ready to meet the Lord when he calls, we pray to the Lord.

℟ Lord, hear our prayer.