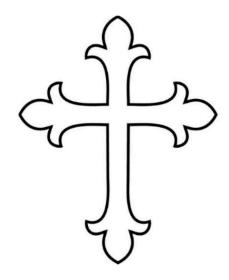


Funeral Mass of Helen A. Fila



July 6, 1920 - July 10, 2020



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Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Boonton, NJ

Celebrant: Reverend Marcel H. Bouchard Deacon of the Mass and Homilist: Hank Fila

Order of the Mass of Christian Burial

Opening Song "Here I Am, Lord"

First Reading
Wisdom 3:1-6,9

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd, There is Nothing I Shall Want

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

Gospel Reading Deacon Hank Fila

John 14: 1-6

Homily Deacon Hank Fila

Prayers of the Faithful

Offertory Song "Prayer of St. Francis"

Communion Songs "You Are Near"

"You Are Mine"

Words of Reflection John Fila

Final Commendation Rev. Marcel H. Bouchard

Closing Song "O God Beyond All Praising"





Gone From My Sight

I am standing upon the seashore. A ship, at my side, spreads her white sails to the moving breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength. I stand and watch her until, at length, she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.

Then, someone at my side says, "There, she is gone."

Gone where?

Gone from my sight. That is all. She is just as large in mast, hull and spar as she was when she left my side.

And, she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined port.

Her diminished size is in me -- not in her.

And, just at the moment when someone says, "There, she is gone,"

there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices ready to take up the glad shout, "Here she comes!"

And that is dying...

Henry Van Dyke