



THANKSGIVING

Celebration

FOR THE LIFE OF



PHILIP ELENGICAL

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North Chapel
Forest Lawn Memorial Park - Leppington
Thursday 15th August 2024

Celebrant - Fr Satheesh Antony OSH
Frenchs Forest Catholic Parish



Entrance Hymn

'Come As You Are' by Deirdre Browne



Greeting

Fr Satheesh

Introductory Rite

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

All: *Amen.*

Fr: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: *And with your Spirit.*

Blessing with Holy Water

Fr: In the waters of Baptism, Philip died with Christ and rose with Him to new life. May he now share with Him in eternal glory.

Opening Prayer

Fr: God of faithfulness, in your wisdom you have called your servant, Philip out of this world; release him from the bonds of sin, and welcome him into your presence, so that he may enjoy eternal light and peace and be raised up in glory with all your saints. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: *Amen.*

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the book of Job (19:1,23-27)

'Ah, would that these words of mine were written down, inscribed on some monument with iron chisel and engraving tool, cut into the rock forever. This I know: that my Avenger lives, and he, the Last, will take his stand on earth. After my awaking, he will set me close to him, and from my flesh I shall look on God.

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He whom I shall see will take my part: these eyes will gaze on him and find him not aloof.'

The Word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm 27

Response:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
Before whom shall I shrink? **Response**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long,
To live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life,
To savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. **Response**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. **Response**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.
Hope in Him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! **Response**

Second Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom (3:1-9)

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. In the eye of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be.

God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust. When the time comes for his visitation they will shine out; as sparks run through the stubble, so will they. They shall judge nations, rule over peoples, and the Lord will be their King for ever.

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They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

The Word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation

All: *Alleluia! Alleluia!*
This is the will of my Father, says the Lord,
all who believe in the Son will have eternal life
and I will raise them to life again on the last day.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Fr: The Lord be with you.

All: *And with your spirit.*

Fr: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (14:1-6)

All: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'

Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Homily

Words of Remembrance



Prayers of the Faithful

Fr: God of tenderness and compassion, you continually invite us to come to you in prayer. We are gathered here today to remember with gratitude the life of Philip Elengical and to celebrate his entry into eternal life.

Reader: That God will receive our praise and thanksgiving for the life of our brother, uncle and friend Philip. We pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Reader: That all of us, family and friends here and overseas, may be comforted in our grief. We pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Reader: Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. May God grant them an everlasting home with Christ. We pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Reader: For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom. We pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Fr: Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, hear the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and the voices of your people, whose lives were purchased by the blood of the Lamb. Forgive the sins of all who sleep in Christ and grant them a place in the kingdom. This we ask through Christ our Lord.

All: *Amen.*

Our Father...

Fr: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: *Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

Visual Tribute



FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Fr: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother Philip. May our farewell express our affection for him; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet him again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

Fr: Saints of God, come to his aid!
Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord.

All: *Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.*

Fr: May Christ who called you, take you to himself
And may the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

All: *Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.*

Fr: Eternal rest, Grant unto him, O Lord
And let perpetual light shine upon him.

All: *Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.*

Prayer of Commendation

Fr: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother Philip in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he will rise with Him on the last day. We give you thanks for the blessings which you bestowed upon our brother Philip in this life; they are signs to us of your goodness and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ. Merciful Lord, turn towards us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our brother Philip forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: *Amen.*

Fr: Philip, may angels lead you into Paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the Holy City, the new and eternal Jerusalem.

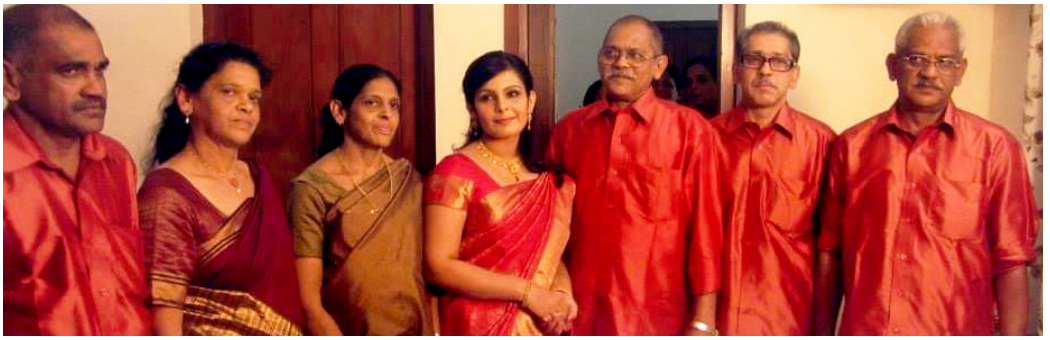
In peace let us take our brother Philip to his place of rest.

Recessional Hymn

'Be Not Afraid' by St. Louis Jesuits







Thank you for joining us today to celebrate the life of Philip Elengal.

Afterwards, please join us for refreshments at Crossroads Hotel 'Lounge One'
Cnr Hume Hwy & Camden Valley Way, Casula.



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