



ROSARIO (ROSE) MERCADO BAXTER
OCTOBER 20, 1937 – AUGUST 20, 2020

Mass of Christian Burial
Saturday, September 5, 2020
St. Austin Catholic Church

Rosario (Rose) Baxter lived a full and graceful life. A native Austinite, she was the daughter of Panteleon and Adela Mercado. At an early age she played violin in the University of Texas Junior String Project while attending University Junior High School; graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School in 1956 where she was a Red Jacket, and in 1960 she earned a Fine Arts degree from the University of Texas at Austin. Her father and immigrant mother made sure Rose and her siblings attended college and became respected professionals in architecture, education and graphic arts.

Rose had a long art career. Her portfolio included fashion illustration, book design and illustration and botanical watercolors. She worked with Lady Bird Johnson in the early years of the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, designing the Center's first fundraising materials. Her botanical artwork graces the homes of Texans across the country.

She leaves behind her husband of more than 52 years, David; son Jason, sister Alice Mercado-Castro and husband Zeke, as well as sister-in-law and brother-in-law Judy and Richard Hamner. Alice and Rose's brother Jose died in 2016. Aunt Rose remains in the hearts of her beloved nephews, nieces, great-nephews and great niece.

Rose and her family are especially grateful to Dr. Kunjan Bhatt, Laura Calais and Christa Lincke of the Austin Heart Hospital; Cheryl Soto of Encompass Home Health; Radhika Nayak and Paula Pratte of Hospice Austin. Their gentle and compassionate care eased this journey for Rose and her loved ones. During the pandemic, her Circle C neighbors pitched in to help and keep Rose safe at home; her family will be forever grateful for their kindness.

The family urges you to contribute generously to Hospice Austin, the work they do for our community is invaluable.

OPENING RITE

OPENING SONG

Prayer of St. Francis

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt true faith in you.
2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.
3. Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console.
To be understood, as to understand. To be loved as to love with all my soul.
4. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

Please be seated after the prayer.

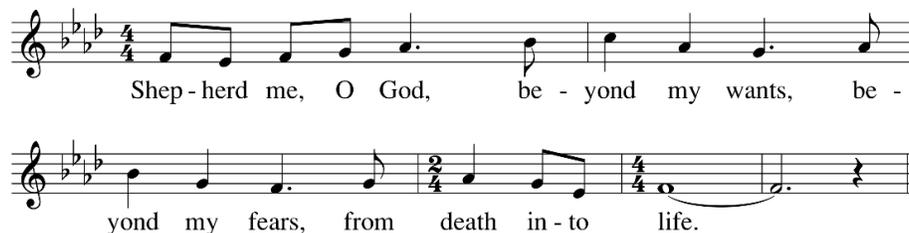
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING – WISDOM 3:1-6, 9

Read by Jon Mercado

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace. For if before men, indeed they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality; Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worthy of himself. As gold in the furnace, he proved them, and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself. Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love: Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, and his care is with his elect.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 23



Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -
yond my fears, from death in - to life.

SECOND READING – ROMANS 14:7-9, 10C-12

Read by Nickloas Hamner

Brothers and sisters: No one lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why then do you judge your brother? Or you, why do you look down on your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written: *As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.* So then each of us shall give an accounting of himself to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

repeat after the cantor

GOSPEL- JOHN 14:1-6

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, 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."

HOMILY

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

All respond "Lord, hear our prayer" after each petition.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

On Eagle's Wings

Refr:



And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the
breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and
hold you in the palm of his hand.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & ACCLAMATIONS (MASS OF CREATION)

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

Amen

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Our Father ☩ Sign of Peace

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2x)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

For the distribution of Holy Communion, those who are not Catholic, or for another reason, unable to receive communion, are invited to come forward with their arms crossed to receive a blessing

♩ Refrain

Be not a - fraid. I go be - fore you al - ways.

Come, fol - low me, and I will give you rest.

COMMUNION MEDITATION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

EULOGY

*Given by Mark Mercado*CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

CLOSING SONG

Amazing Grace

1. 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.
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!
3. The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures
4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.
5. When we've been there ten-thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

