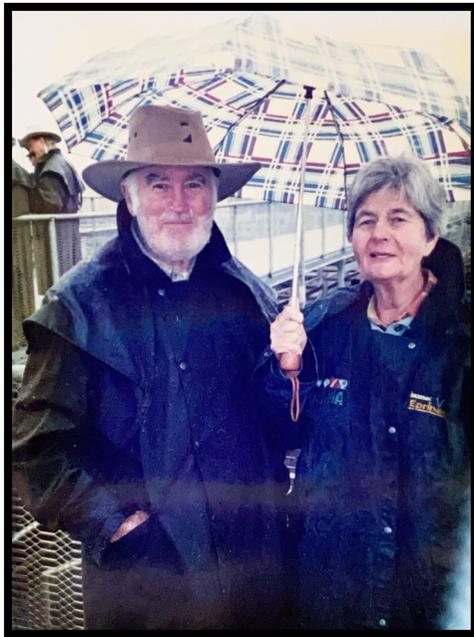
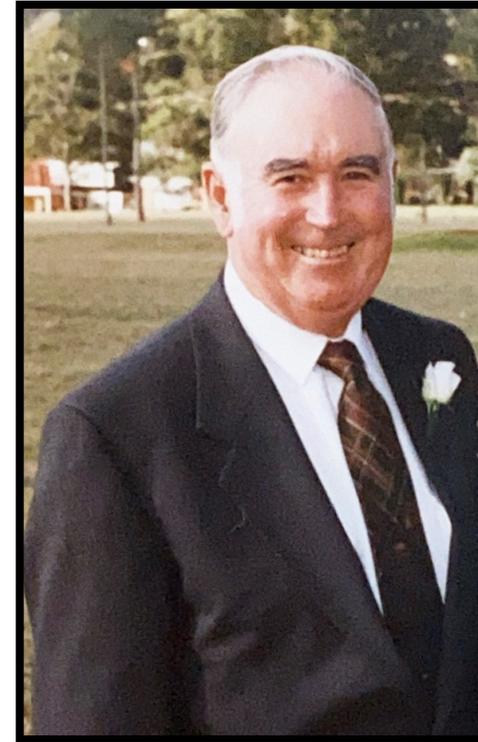




*Tenderly we treasure the past,  
With memories that will always last.*



A Service of Thanksgiving  
for the life of



**ROSS GRAHAM WEBSTER**

**12TH OCTOBER 1931 — 6TH JULY 2021**

St Peter's Church, Injune  
Friday 16th July 2021 at 1.30pm

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Good afternoon and welcome.

I am the Reverend Heather Dearden of the Roma Anglican Parish and it is my honour today to conduct this service of thanks-giving for the life of Ross Webster. Before we commence please check that your mobile phone is turned off or on silent.

I invite you to join in the parts in dark type in your service booklets.

*(Please stand)*

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

HYMN

***Glory, Glory Hallelujah!***

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are  
stored;**

**He has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword;  
His truth is marching on.**

***Glory, glory hallelujah. Glory, glory hallelujah.***

***Glory, glory hallelujah. His truth is marching on.***

**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;  
He is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat;  
O be swift, my soul, to answer him, be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on.**

***Glory, glory ...***

**In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea;  
With a glory in his bosom which transfigures you and me;  
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free;  
While God is marching on.**

***Glory, glory ...***

**He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;  
He is wisdom to the mighty, he is succour to the brave;  
So the world shall be his foot-stool, and the soul of time his slave:  
Our God is marching.**

***Glory, glory ...***

## AS WE GATHER AT THE GRAVESIDE

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

By his great mercy, he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.

**1 Peter 1.3-4**

## THE COMMITTAL

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
you have given us a sure and certain hope  
of the resurrection to eternal life.  
In your keeping are all who have departed in Christ.  
We here commit the body of our dear brother Ross  
to be buried in the ground,  
earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust  
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who died, and was buried, and rose again for us,  
and who shall change our mortal body  
that it may be like his glorious body.

**Thanks be to God who gives us the victory  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**MUSIC**     *The Traveller's Prayer by Slim Dusty*

## BLESSING

God of all consolation, in your unending love and mercy for us you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life.  
Be our refuge and strength in sorrow and the blessing...

Go in peace in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL 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

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've first begun.

*John Newton*

**Pall Bearers**

<i>Murray Webster</i>	<i>Lloyd Laycock</i>
<i>Katelin Webster</i>	<i>Ken Fien</i>
<i>Darcy Douglas</i>	<i>Jock Douglas</i>

*Many thanks to Narelle Compagnoni for the music.*

*Following committal at the Injune Cemetery,  
the family invites you to join them for refreshments  
at the Injune Bowls Club, 60 Hutton St, Injune.*

We have come together to thank God for the life of **Ross Graham Webster** to mourn and honour him, to lay to rest his mortal body, and to support one another in grief. We face the certainty of our own death and judgement. Yet Christians believe that those who die in Christ share eternal life with him. Therefore in faith and hope we turn to God, who created and sustains us all.

*'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord.*

*'Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet will they live.'*

**John 11.25**

*Let us pray*

**Loving God, you alone are the source of life. May your life-giving Spirit flow through us, and fill us with compassion, one for another. In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace. Kindle our hope, and let our grief give way to joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

EULOGY

*Christine Webster  
Greg Webster*

POEM

*Kylie Douglas*

HYMN:

**The Day You Gave Us**

**The day you gave us, Lord, is ended,  
The darkness falls at your behest;  
To you our morning hymns ascended,  
Your praise shall sanctify our rest.**

**We thank you that your church unsleeping,  
While earth rolls onward into light,  
Through all the world her watch is keeping,  
And rests not now by day or night.**

**Across each continent and island  
As dawn leads on another day,  
The voice of prayer is never silent  
Nor dies the strain of praise away.**

**So be it Lord; your throne shall never,  
Like earth's proud empires, pass away;  
Your kingdom stands, and grows for ever,  
Till all your creatures own your sway.**

*John Ellerton 1826-93 alt*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

PSALM 23 *read by Katelin Webster*

The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.  
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leads me beside the still waters.  
He restores my soul;  
He leads me in the paths of righteousness  
For His name's sake.  
Yea, 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 mercy shall follow me  
All the days of my life;  
And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever

ROMANS 8: 38-39 *read by Grayson Webster*

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

JOHN 14.1-6 *read by Annabelle Guest*

“Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to myself; that where I am, there you may be also. And where I go you know, and the way you know.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

HOMILY: *The Reverend Heather Dearden*

## PRAYERS

*We pray for Ross and those who mourn*

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray  
**Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

THE FAREWELL (*please stand*)

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave new birth to our brother Ross by water and the Spirit. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love.  
Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way, to live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

Let us entrust our brother Ross to the mercy of God.

**Holy and loving Father, by your mighty power you gave us life, and in your love you have given us new life in Christ Jesus. We entrust Ross to your merciful keeping: in the faith of Jesus Christ, who died and rose again to save us, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit in glory for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

May the Lord bless us and keep us;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon us,  
and be gracious to us.  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon us,  
and give us peace. **Amen.**