

Liturgy of Christian Burial

✠ **Marcia Frey Giglio**

August 4, 1930 - October 26, 2020

Saturday, October 31, 2020 10:00 a.m.

St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica

Beaumont, Texas

Reverend Monsignor Jeremiah J. McGrath



“Never let anything so fill you with sorrow that you forget the joy of the resurrection.”

Mother Teresa

Gathering Rites

Reception at the Cathedral Door

Marcia was baptized in Christ. Her body is now received at the door of the Cathedral, sprinkled with holy water and covered with the white pall as a reminder of her baptism.

We pray that as Marcia died and rose with Christ, that she may now be clothed in the radiance of Christ's eternal glory.

Procession

Gathering Hymn

O God Beyond All Praising

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Proverbs 31:10-12,25-31

Responsorial Psalm

Shepherd Me O God- Psalm 23

Refrain



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

Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9,10-12

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts *Set Your Troubled Hearts at Rest*

Preface Acclamation (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Breaking of the Bread Litany (Lamb of God)

Reception of Holy Communion

For Catholics: As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For our fellow Christians: We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

For all not receiving Communion: All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

For non-Christians: We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

Communion Hymn

Now We Remain

Refrain

We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts.

Liv - ing; now we re - main with Je - sus the Christ.

Meditation Hymn

These Alone are Enough

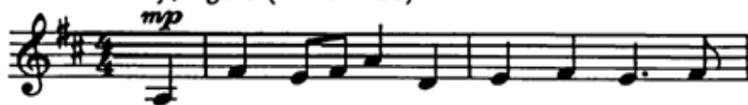
Prayer after Communion

Final Commendation

Invitation to Prayer

Song of Farewell

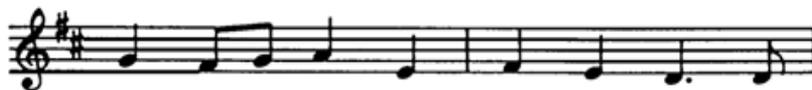
Gently, legato (♩ = 74–80)



May songs of the an - gels wel - come you and



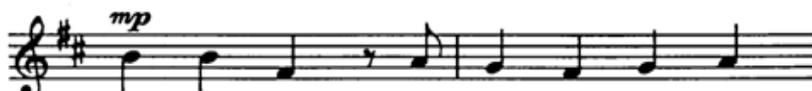
guide you a - long your way. — May the



smiles of the mar - tyrs greet your own as



dark - ness turns in-to day. — Ev - 'ry fear will



be un - done and death will be no



more, — as songs of the an - gels



bring you home be - fore the face of God. —

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Prayer of Commendation

Song of Commendation

Songs of the Angels



Marcia May Frey Giglio was born on August 4, 1930, in Buffalo, New York, to Severn Michael and Antoinette Langlois Frey. She passed away on Monday, October 26, 2020 after a brief period of illness.

Marcia led a life of service to God, family, and community. Through all of this shined an immense intellectual curiosity, indomitable good humor, and a love for art.

Marcia's father was a chemist and worked for Union Carbide. Her mother was French-Canadian. Marcia was the second of four children. The oldest child was Norma Claire, then Marcia, third Louis James, and the youngest, Frances June. The family would move

from New York and go to West Virginia, then Canada, and at last to Galveston, the city which Marcia called home. Her father was chief chemist of the Union Carbide plant in Texas City and was at that plant when it exploded. Marcia said that it was a couple of days before they knew that he was alive.

A product of the Catholic School system, she was graduated from Ursuline Academy of Galveston, an all-girl school, in 1947. Marcia was President of her Senior class and President of the Ursuline Press Club. She was a scholar and athlete in school and was a member of the CLC Honor Society. She was recognized as the Outstanding Ursuline Girl of 1947. Marcia was chosen for being the girl who received the most merit points based on her "Courtesy", "Loyalty", and "Courage". In addition, Marcia was the Salutatorian, or second highest ranking scholar in her class.

After high school graduation, Marcia attended Loyola University of the South in New Orleans and had received a full scholarship to Ursuline College. When Ursuline College closed temporarily in 1948, Marcia decided that she would serve God by becoming a nun.

Marcia joined a group of Ursuline cloistered sisters in Crystal City, Missouri. She was a novice sister for 1-1/2 years. During this time, she was diligently adhering to her vows and waiting for final vows to the sisterhood. However, her health had declined during her time at the cloister. She had lost 30 pounds and was weak. The Mother Superior spoke to her and explained that not everyone was meant to serve God by becoming a cloistered nun. Marcia left the novitiate and returned to Ursuline College.

Marcia was busy at Ursuline College. Her senior year she was elected the Sodality Prefect of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This organization was a religious organization responsible for promoting faith on campus.

Marcia was the presiding officer. In addition, she would serve as treasurer of the Student Council and a member of the Ursuline College Chorale. Marcia was selected to appear in the 1952-53 edition of Who's Who Among Students In American Universities and Colleges. She graduated in 1953 with a B.A. in Education.

Marcia would begin her teaching career by teaching first grade in Orleans Parish for the 1953-54 school year.

She would then take a job with the Island School. A rural elementary school which Galvestonians would say was "down" island. Which meant that it was west of 61st street. In 1954, Marcia met her husband, Dr. Francis A. Giglio, on the steps of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Galveston. He was a student at University of Texas Medical Branch. They were married at Sacred Heart on June 25, 1955.

Just after the wedding, Marcia and Frank would be headed to Washington D.C. and, later, Birmingham, Alabama so Frank could complete internships in Obstetrics and Gynecology. During this time, Marcia would help support the family by teaching first grade in Silver Springs, Maryland.

Marcia and Frank's family would grow by two along the way. Joan Marie, born in Beaumont in 1956, and Suzanne, born at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, while Frank was completing his college draft deferral commitment, in 1958. The family would return to Birmingham where Frank taught at the University of Alabama Medical School for a while and, in 1965, would return to Beaumont to begin Frank's OB/GYN practice. They lived with Frank's parents for about a year until the medical practice was established. Marcia would work for three years as a docent at the Beaumont Art Museum, teaching fifth grade students.

Marcia and Frank bought their first home at 2360 Liberty Street in Beaumont and their daughters attended St. Anne's Catholic School. During this time, Marcia never forgot her background in education. Many times she would substitute teach at St. Anne's. In fact, she would spend eight years volunteering her time teaching Movement to Music Classes at St. Anthony Cathedral School. Marcia knew that she was serving God by serving her family and her community.

Always eager to expand her knowledge, Marcia would return to college in the 1970's and she would study art. This would result in 60 earned hours in Studio Art from Lamar University. This would not be her last time to expand her education.

During the 1960's and 70's, Marcia would be very involved in Southeast Texas amateur tennis competition. She would win many trophies for tennis for the next twenty years, many of them first place. Marcia would also take up golf during the 70's and would hit the coveted hole-in-one shot on a par-3 at Terrell Park. She would serve as the Vice President of the Toastmistresses group.

During the 1980's, Marcia would become a grandmother and would start another phase of her life. During this time she would keep her grandchildren and would structure their playtime so they would participate in a fun activity which would teach them about art, music, and dance. The grandchildren called her "Nonnie" and many times you would see Marcia, a very good pianist, playing while the kids would dance or move or the kids would bring home an art project from "Nonnie's". Little did anyone guess that these fun times would result in Marcia returning to college in the mid 1990's to once again enhance her education.

Marcia felt that the Movement to Music course she taught at St. Anthony would be the basis for a graduate education. She noticed that the structured playtime with her grandchildren seemed to greatly reinforce learning. She also noticed that when you coupled information with movement it was much more readily learned. This caused her to return to Lamar University in 1995. Marcia was seeking her graduate degree in elementary education. She would write her graduate thesis on how movement, through dance and physical activity, enhanced lessons for children. It was titled "A Comparison in Perceptual Motor Performance in Early Childhood of a Motor/Music Program with a Motor/Beat Program". On May 16, 1998, Marcia would receive her Masters Degree in Elementary Education with Honors (Summa Cum Laude).

During this same time, Marcia would approach the pastor at St. Anthony's Cathedral and propose that the cathedral should host a St. Michael's Mass to honor area law enforcement. She would shepherd this mass for many years in the late 90's and the early 2000's.

As much as Marcia did in her community, It pales in comparison to the things that she did for her family. Marcia decided many years ago that her way to serve God was to serve her family. Whether it was her full support of husband Frank and her daughters or her sincere involvement and pride in her grandchildren. She knew that the family was the key unit in the Kingdom of God.

She realized that the way to keep the family together was to offer a place for that togetherness. For over 20 years, Marcia and Frank hosted family members and close friends almost every Friday night at their house. It started as soon as people got off from work and usually ran until 10 or 11 o'clock. Everything was discussed and many times, the conversation turned to faith and God's Grace. It became known as Martini Night because of the adult libation concocted by Frank and it was a real family tradition. Outsiders who were aware of Martini Night coveted an invitation.

It was during these gatherings where Marcia's gift of listening became so apparent. Very quiet and attentive, she would be fully engaged. As if she were following a tennis match. Then she would interject. Often questioning. Many times supportive. Never frivolous. Most times her addition was the perfect

response which caused the conversation to come into sharp focus. It is no wonder that Frank sought her counsel in almost all matters. Frank would say, "I can outshout your mother. But I make damn sure I listen to her."

It was at Martini Night that Marcia inaugurated the "Grandchild of the Month" award and wouldn't you know that every grandchild was featured as a monthly winner. It was funny and a great example of "Nonnie's" gracious love for her grandchildren and a gentle humor that was in evidence whenever Marcia was around. She was never heard talking against anyone or being critical of anyone. She was always willing to give people the benefit of the doubt.

Marcia traveled extensively with Frank and, on a few occasions, with friends who liked to hike and white water raft. Avid travelers and birders, Marcia and Frank traveled all over the world. One time a relative asked Marcia where were all her diamonds and she showed her rather plain wedding ring. When the relation was not very impressed, Marcia said, "If we have any extra money available at our house I would rather spend it on an experience than diamonds or gold. You can steal a diamond but you can't take my experiences."

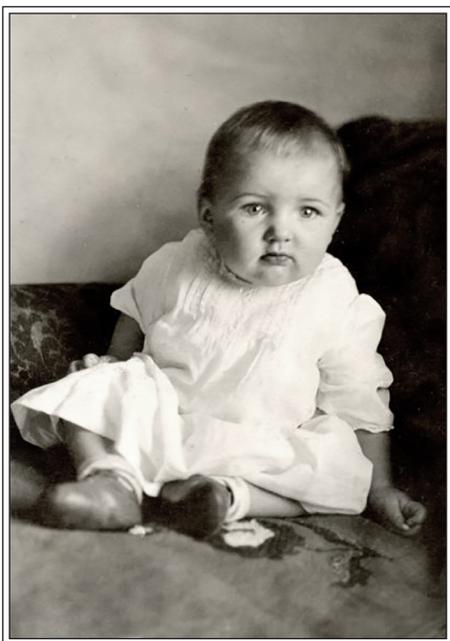
Marcia always found the "silver lining" in every cloud. She suffered, like so many, with dementia at the end of her life. A few years back, she fell and split her lip, knocking out a tooth. About three weeks later, a friend, Gene Hoiby told her that her lip was healing nicely after the fall. She said, "What fall?". After the family explained, again, to her what happened, she said, "Isn't it wonderful that I don't remember that."

Many things can be said about Marcia. That she was a great student. She was a great intellect. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She was a devout follower of God. All of this would be true.

But, perhaps, the greatest living testament to a life built around service to God, family, and community was that bestowed by her daughters. Both Joan and Suzanne chose to be married on June 25 in honor of Marcia and Frank's wedding day.

Marcia May Frey Giglio was preceded in death by her parents Severn Michael and Antoinette Langlois Frey, husband Dr. Francis A. (Frank) Giglio, and sisters Frances June and Norma Claire Frey.

Marcia is survived by brother, Louis Frey and wife, Connie, of Houston, daughter Joan Marie Giglio Kirkpatrick and husband, Michael, of Beaumont and daughter Suzanne Giglio Peiler and husband, Christopher, of Beaumont, Grandchildren Stephen Baird and wife, Nicole, of Austin, Michael Peiler of Denver, Colorado, Helen Peiler of Beaumont, Andrew Peiler of Crystal Beach, and Travis Kirkpatrick and wife, Kathleen, of Austin, Texas.



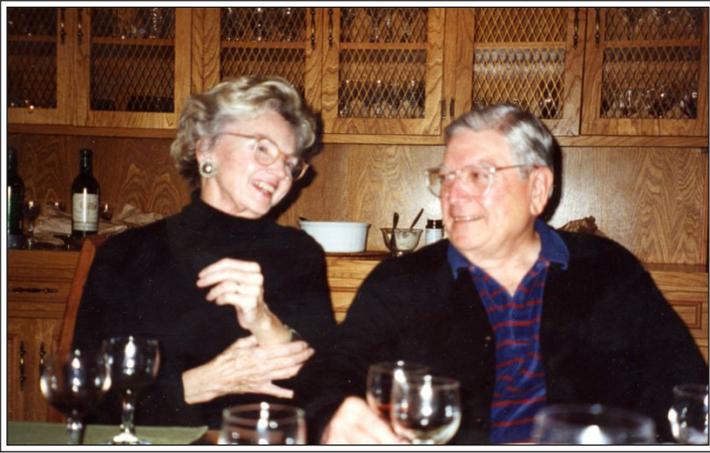


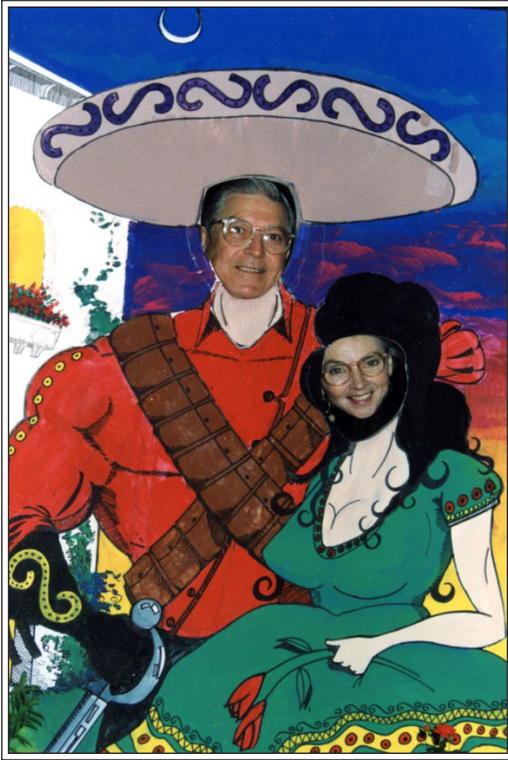














Celebrant Reverend Monsignor Jeremiah J. McGrath
Placing the Pall Helen Peiler, Andrew Peiler, Michael Peiler
Stephen Baird, Travis Kirkpatrick
Gift Bearers Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Nicole Baird
Servers Provided by St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica
Lectors Jo Beth Jenkins, Sam Giglio
Cantors Pam & Roger Bemis
Organist Dr. Scott Feldhausen
Pallbearers Stephen Baird, Travis Kirkpatrick
Michael Peiler, Helen Peiler
Honorary Pallbearer Andrew Peiler



Interment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park
Beaumont, Texas

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