

Liturgy of Funeral Mass

✠ Mary Nell Lopez

February 17, 1932 - September 2, 2022

Saturday, September 10, 2022 1:00 p.m.
St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica
Beaumont, Texas



“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

Mary Nell 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 Mary Nell died and rose with Christ, that she may now be clothed in the radiance of Christ's eternal glory.

Procession

Gathering Hymn

Eye Has Not Seen

Refrain

Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has

read-y for those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the

To verses

mind of Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the lyrics 'Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has'. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'read-y for those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the'. The third staff is labeled 'To verses' and contains the lyrics 'mind of Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for a church service.

Opening Prayer

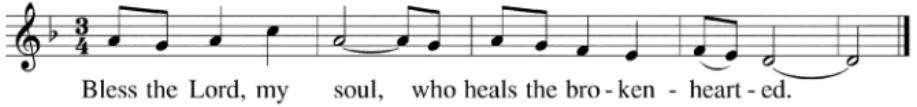
Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

Responsorial Psalm

Bless the Lord, My Soul- Psalm 147



Second Reading

1 John 3:1-2

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts *Lord, When You Came to the Seashore /*
Pescador de Hombres

Refrain

O Lord, in my eyes you were gaz - ing,

Kind - ly smil - ing, my name you were

say - ing; All I treas - ured,

I have left on the sand there; Close to

you, I will find oth - er seas.

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

Pan de Vida

Meditation Hymn

Ave Maria

Prayer after Communion

Final Commendation

Invitation to Prayer

Song of Farewell

G Bm Em D G

1. Come to his/her aid, O saints of God; Come meet him/her,
 2. May Christ, who called you, take you home, And an - gels
 3. Give him/her e - ter - nal rest, O Lord, May light un -
 4. I know that my Re - deem - er lives; The last day

Em C G D Em D Am

1. an - gels of the Lord, } Re - ceive his/her soul, O
 2. lead you to A - bra - ham. him/her.
 3. end - ing shine on him/her.
 4. I shall rise a - gain.

C D7 Em D G C G/D D G

1-4. ho - ly ones; Pre - sent him/her now to God, Most High.

Note: When guitar and keyboard play together, keyboardists should improvise using the guitar chords above the melody.

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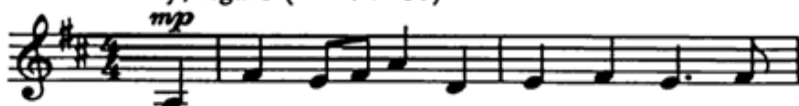
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH; Genevan Psalter, 1551; keyboard acc. attr. to Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510-1561, alt.

Prayer of Commendation

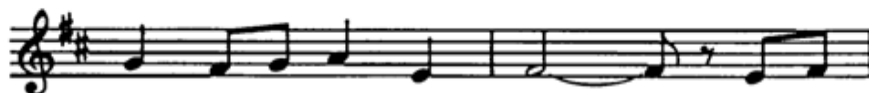
Song of Commendation

Songs of the Angels

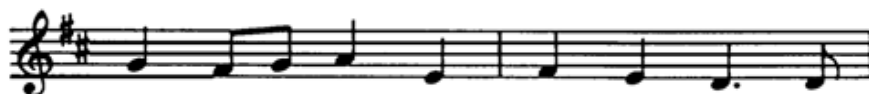
Gently, legato (♩ = 74–80)



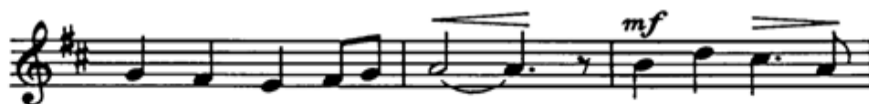
May songs of the an - gels wel - come you and



guide you a - long your way. — May the



smiles of the mar - tyrs greet your own as



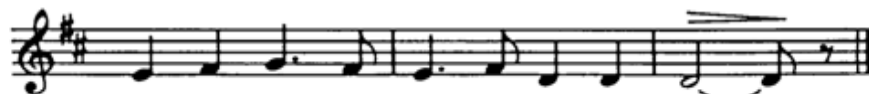
dark - ness turns in-to day. — Ev - 'ry fear will



be un - done and death will be no



more, — as songs of the an - gels



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



Mary Nell continued the Lopez legacy of passing in September at the age of 90. She passed peacefully in her home surrounded by family after a year and three-month battle with cancer.

Mary Nell was born in Bessmay, Texas and moved to Beaumont in 1940. She graduated high school from St. Anthony's in 1949. She attended Hotel Dieu Hospital Nursing Program, where she graduated in 1952 as an RN and was a member of their alumni. She had a long career in nursing starting at Baptist Hospital and then moving to Public

Health for the State of Texas and City of Beaumont, retiring from both. She was the recipient of many awards throughout her long career. Her faith was always the biggest part of her life. She was involved in several organizations such as; Legion of Mary, Altar Society, CYO Advisor/Sponsor, taught CCD, Eucharistic Minister, member of Cathedral ladies, Catholic Daughters of America Court St. Gerard 1938. Furthermore, she was a daily communicant and performed adoration at St. Anthony's and St. Anne's, she also attended St. Pius. One of her favorites was being able to do prison ministry.

She is survived by her brother-in-law, Allen S. Mooney (Hemphill); great-nieces, Andrea L. Flores (Durham, N.C.) and Bianca L. Torseth (Beaumont); great-nephew, John L. Torseth and his wife, Jenn (Aubrey); and great-great nieces, Ella and Jilly Torseth (Aubrey) and great-great nephew, David L. Gardner (Durham, N.C.) and numerous cousins throughout Texas and Mexico.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Juan and Isabel Lopez; sister and brother-in-law, Juanita and Lewis Guerro; sister, Carmen L. Mooney; niece, Dora V. Torseth and husband, Ingar A. Toreseth.

In all of her travels, her favorite was The Holy Land and Acapulco. She loved to read and go to the casino (she always won!). The family would like to thank Texas Total Care and all of her friends that have supported her.























Celebrant	Reverend Shane Baxter
Lectors	Sue Ramirez, Beatrice Lopez
Music Ministers	Abigail Dueppen, Cantor Dr. Sujung Cho, Organist
Pallbearers	David L. Gardner, Danny Breaux Alfonso Martinez, Sr., Steven Martinez Jose Guadramma, George Capatillo Tony Ramirez, Jose Antonio
Honorary Pallbearers	Toby Capatillo, John L. Torseth



Committal
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