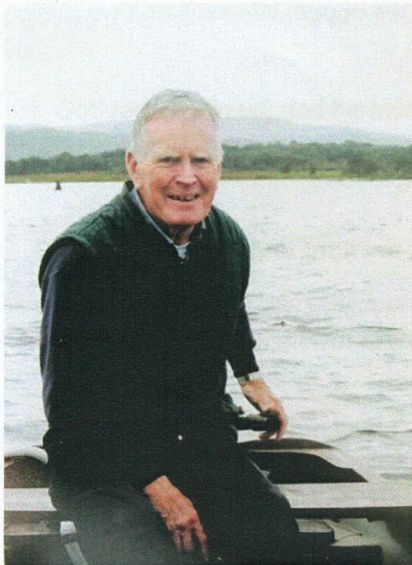


Funeral Mass
A Celebration of Life
Paddy Tierney



Church of the Immaculate Conception, Oughterard

28th January 2017

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah (25:6-9)

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death forever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek, he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said. See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation, the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: 26

Response: The Lord is my light and my help

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)

A reading from the First Letter of Saint John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we might have life through him.

In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God.

Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us.

The Word of the Lord.

Prayers of the Faithful

Heavenly father we thank you for Paddy's life. He will be remembered fondly by his family, close friends and all of those whose lives he touched. Let your gentle mercy shine on him and may he rest in peace..

Lord Hear us.

Let us pray for all those who care for the sick, especially the staff of the Stroke Unit, University Hospital Galway, who cared for Paddy during his short illness.

Lord Hear us.

As we pray today for Paddy, we remember with love and affection his parents, Matt and Katie, and all deceased family members, may they all be reunited in God's presence.

Lord Hear us.

Let us pray for all our fellow angler's, who navigate our lakes. May they all return to shore safely.

Lord Hear us.

We pray for the sick especially those with the burden of serious illness. May they know the strength of God's presence with them in their time of need.

Lord Hear us.

Fisherman's Prayer

I pray that I may live to fish.....
Until my dying day.
And when it comes to my last cast,
I then most humbly pray:

When in the Lord's great landing net
And peacefully asleep
That in his mercy I be judged
Big enough to keep.