

The minister greets those who have gathered:

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.'

John 11.25-26

Let us pray:

God our creator, giver of life and all that is good and true, we thank you for the life of your servant, Roger. Preserve among us the good of his example, and keep us in the way of truth, until we come to your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Creator God, you made us from the dust of the earth
and breathed into us the gift of life.
Bless, hallow and make holy this earth
to which we now return the ashes of our beloved.
Confirm our faith that his life continues
a gift that we return to you.

The ashes are interred, the minister says:

God our Father,

in loving care your hand has created us,
and as the potter fashions the clay
you have formed us in your image.

Through the Holy Spirit

you have breathed into us the gift of life.

In the sharing of love you have enriched our knowledge
of you and of one another.

We claim your love today,

as we commit these remains of Roger to their resting place,
earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust,

in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life.

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

Listen, I will tell you a mystery!

We will not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed,
in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

For the trumpet will sound,
and the dead will be raised imperishable,
and we will be changed.

For this perishable nature must put on the imperishable,
and this mortal body must put on immortality.

1 Corinthians 15.51-53

Prayers are offered which conclude with:

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The minister continues:

God of hope, grant that we, with all who have believed in you, may be united in the full knowledge of your love and the unclouded vision of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all.

Amen.

2 Corinthians 13.14



May He support us all the day long,
till the shadows lengthen
and the evening comes
and the busy world is hushed
and the fever of life is over
and our work is done!

Then in His mercy
may He give us a safe lodging
and a holy rest
and peace at the last.

St John Henry Newman



A service for the Interment of Ashes for

Darryl 'Roger' Sharp

14 September 1945 - 29 November 2020

The First Sunday of Advent
28 November 2021, Noon

Officiant: The Revd Martin Johnson
Rector, St Philip's O'Connor