



EDWARD MOORE KENNEDY

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“For all my years in public life, I have believed that America must sail toward the shores of liberty and justice for all. There is no end to that journey, only the next great voyage. We know the future will outlast all of us, but I believe that all of us will live on in the future we make.”

—SEN. EDWARD M. KENNEDY

A MASS OF THE RESURRECTION

Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Roxbury, Massachusetts

August 29, 2009

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT

Reverend J. Donald Monan, S.J.

CONCELEBRANTS

Reverend Mark R. Hession, Homilist

Reverend Raymond Collins

Reverend Gerry Creedon

Reverend Percival D' Silva

Reverend Donald MacMillan, S.J.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

Words by Ignaz Franz

*Holy God, we praise Thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee!
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in Heaven above adore Thee;
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.*

*Hark! the loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising,
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising;
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.*

*Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim Thee;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.*

*Thou art King of glory, Christ:
Son of God, yet born of Mary;
For us sinners sacrificed,
And to death a tributary:
First to break the bars of death,
Thou has opened Heaven to faith.*

*Therefore do we pray Thee, Lord:
Help Thy servants whom, redeeming
By Thy precious blood out-poured,
Thou hast saved from Satan's scheming.
Give to them eternal rest
In the glory of the blest.*

*Spare Thy people, Lord, we pray,
By a thousand snares surrounded:
Keep us without sin today,
Never let us be confounded.
Lo, I put my trust in Thee;
Never, Lord, abandon me.*

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

G. Curran Raclin, Jr.

The Book of Wisdom 3:1-9

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
And no torment shall touch them.
They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead;
And their passing away was thought an affliction
And their going forth from us, utter destruction.
But they are at peace.
For if before men, indeed, they be punished,
Yet is their hope full of immortality;
Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed,
Because God tried them
And found them worthy of himself.
As gold in the furnace, he proved them,
And as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.
In the time of their visitation they shall shine,
And shall dart about as sparks through stubble;
They shall judge nations and rule over peoples
And the Lord shall be their King forever.
Those who trust in him shall understand truth,
And the faithful shall abide with him in love:
Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones,
And his care is with his elect.

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 72

Reader: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever.

All: Justice shall flourish in his time and fullness of peace forever.

Reader: The mountains shall yield peace for the people, and the hills justice. He shall defend the afflicted among the people, save the children of the poor.

All: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever.

Reader: Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

All: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever.

Reader: For he shall rescue the poor man when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

All: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever.

Reader: May his name be blessed forever; as long as the sun his name shall remain. In him shall all the tribes of the earth be blessed; all the nations shall proclaim his happiness.

All: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever.

Second Reading**Caroline R. Raclin****Letter of Paul to the Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39**

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn? It is Christ Jesus who died, rather, was raised, who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel**Matthew 25:31-32A, 34-40**

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another...

Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.

Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?

The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'

Homily**Reverend Mark R. Hession**

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Kiki Kennedy, Introduction
Kiley Kennedy
Grace Allen
Max Allen
Jack Schlossberg
Robin Lawford
Kym Smith
Anthony Shriver
Rory Kennedy
Teddy Kennedy

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory	J.S. Bach Sarabande from Cello Suite No. 6 Yo-Yo Ma, cello
Gifts	Kiley Kennedy Grace Allen Max Allen Teddy Kennedy

COMMUNION

–Franck “Panis Angelicus”	Placido Domingo, tenor Yo-Yo Ma, cello
–Brahms “Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee”	Tanglewood Festival Chorus John Oliver, conductor
–Schubert “Ave Maria”	Susan Graham, mezzo-soprano James David Christie, organ

REMEMBRANCES

Ted Kennedy, Jr.
Patrick J. Kennedy

EULOGY

President Barack Obama

FINAL COMMENDATION

His Eminence Sean P. Cardinal O’Malley
Archbishop of Boston

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“America the Beautiful”

Words by Katharine Lee Bates

Melody by Samuel Ward

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife.
Who more than self their country loved
And mercy more than life!
America! America!
May God they gold refine
Till all success be nobleness
And every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

PALLBEARERS

Kara Kennedy	Christopher Lawford
Ted Kennedy, Jr.	Ed Michael Reggie
Patrick J. Kennedy	Bobby Shriver
G. Curran Raclin, Jr.	Stephen E. Smith, Jr.
Caroline R. Raclin	Kathleen Kennedy Townsend
Caroline Kennedy	

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

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		Vince Wolfington

USHERS

Kevin Callahan	Jeannie Kedas
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William R. Hudgins, clarinet

Anthony Fogg, Artistic Administrator, Boston Symphony Orchestra

