

REQUIEM MASS

Thanking God for Brother Basil Ward's life
as a Marist Brother and his service for the Church

Brother Basil (Claver) Ward FMS

(Basil Anthony Ward)



Born to this life on March 31 1926

Born to eternal life on September 18 2012

St Thomas More Church, Napier

Brother Basil's Appointments

1952	Thorndon, Wellington
1953	Timaru
1954	Greymouth
1957	Invercargill
1959	Mulivai, Apia, Samoa
1960	St Joseph's College, Apia
1962	Suva St, Fiji
1963	St Joseph's College, Apia
1965	Pago Pago, American Samoa
1970	Mulivai, Apia
1982	Marcellin Hall, Auckland
2000	Glen Innes, Auckland
2004	Hastings
2010	Napier

Celebrant: Father Peter Head SM

Organist: Mrs Kath Frechtling

Words of Welcome:

Brother Terence Costello

Entrance Hymn:

Now thank we all our God

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices.

Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given:
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Tribute to Brother Basil:

Brother Humphrey O'Connor

Requiem Mass begins

Reading: St Paul's Letter to the Ephesians,
Chapter 3, verses 14 to 21

Response - Spoken

Psalm 92: A Song of Praise to God our Father

How good it is to give thanks to you, O Lord, to sing in your honour, O most gracious God, to proclaim your constant love every morning, and your faithfulness every night, with the music of stringed instruments and with melody on the harp! Your mighty deeds, O Lord, make me glad; because of what you have done for me, I sing for joy!

How great are your actions, Lord! How deep are your thoughts! You have made me as strong as a wild ox; you have blessed me with happiness.

The righteous will flourish like palm trees; they will grow like the cedars of Lebanon.

They are like trees planted in the House of the Lord, that flourish in the Temple of our God, that still bear fruit in old age, and are always green and strong.

This shows that the Lord is just, that he is all goodness, through and through.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-40
Whenever you helped the least of my brethren...

Homily: Father Peter Head SM

Prayers of the Faithful: Family and Brothers

Offertory Procession with Bread and Wine

The Mass continues.

During Holy Communion: Quiet Music.

Prayers of Commendation Father Peter Head SM

Response:

Receive his soul, and present him to God the Most High.

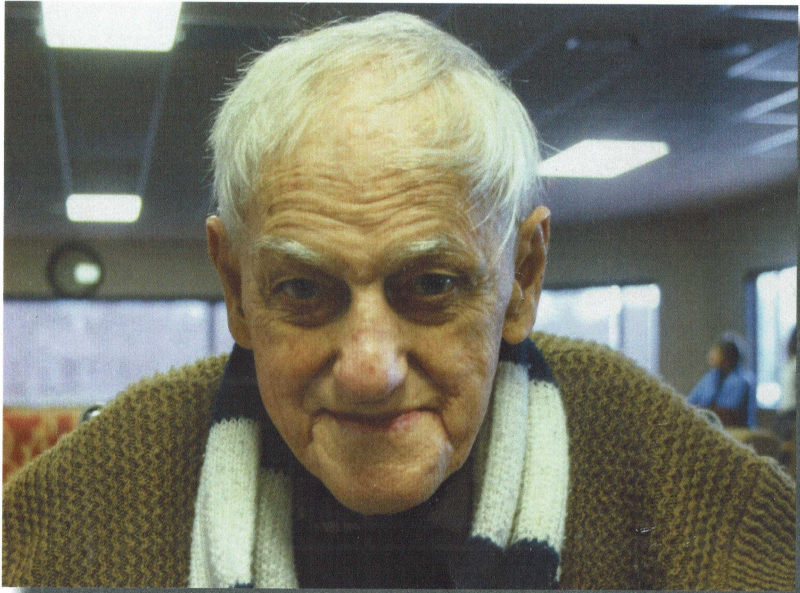
Closing Hymn:

Hail Queen of Heaven

Hail Queen of Heaven, the Ocean Star,
guide of the wanderer here below;
Thrown on life's surge, we claim your care;
save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, Star of the Sea,
pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

And while to him who reigns above
in Godhead one, in Persons Three,
the source of life, of grace, of love,
homage we pay on bended knee,
May you, bright Queen, Star of the Sea,
pray for your children, pray for me.

*After Mass you are invited to refreshments
in the parish hall before we move on to
the cemetery in Orchard Road, Hastings.
Left off the expressway into Omahu, first right into
Stoneycroft, then left into Orchard Road;
hospital on the left, then the cemetery almost opposite.*



*Grieve not for me, stranger or friend
in sheltering earth I lie
since clasping darkness drew me down.
But ah man, the sudden sun!*

From a 2nd century epitaph in Corinth