A Mass in Celebration of the life of Patricia Louise Allen March 3, 1937 – November 21, 2011

The Chapel of St Louis Hospital, New Gate, Jerusalem 9 a.m. Thursday November 24th, 2011

followed by burial at Mount Zion Cemetery, Jerusalem

Order of Service

Introit: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom [Taizé chant]

Greeting

A prayer of St Augustine at the death of his mother

Penitential rite

Gloria

Collect

OT reading: Isaiah 43: 1-7 [Elaine Magruder]

Psalm 84, How lovely is thy dwelling place

NT reading: Philippians 3: 12-14 [Jodi Page-Clark]

[eight-fold] Alleluias

Gospel: Luke 10: 38-42 [Père Benoit]

Homily in memory of Patricia [Howard Page-Clark]

Intercessions [Elaine Magruder]

Offertory song [tape recording of Patricia singing: Close the back door, Baby]

Eucharistic prayer

The Peace

Agnus Dei

Communion

Prayer after communion

Fear not, for I have redeemed you, I have called you by name. I have called you by name, you are mine.

- When you pass through the waters I will be with you, and through rivers they shall not overwhelm you.
 When you walk through the fire you will not be burned; the flames shall not consume you.
- 2. Because you are precious and I love you, you whom I formed for my glory, You whom I called by my Name, I will gather together.
- 3. You are my witnesses I have chosen you, that you may know and believe Me. You are my servants for the world to see. I am the Lord, I'm among you.
- 4. It's time now to lay aside the former things. A new day has dawned do you see it? I'm making a way in the wilderness, and rivers to flow in the desert.
- 5. The rivers that flow in the desert give drink to My chosen people, to quench their thirst, and to strengthen them that they might show forth My praise.

Commendation and blessing

Graveside service at Mount Zion Cemetery

Opening prayer to bless the tomb.

Jesus said: Everyone the Father gives me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

All say together

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our sister Patricia, and we commit her body to its resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious to her, the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and be gracious to her, and give her peace. **Amen**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord;

And let light perpetual shine upon her.

May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen**

Magnificat [sung by Graham Smith]

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Patricia's coffin and flowers are placed in the tomb, which is sealed as mourners watch

The Sisters of St Joseph invite everyone back to St Louis Hospital for refreshments

The communities of which Patricia has been a part are grateful to friends from St George's, Jerusalem, who have joined us to help celebrate Patricia's life and ministry in a way that reflects her musicality.