



“Do not let your heart be troubled;
believe in God, believe also in me.
(John 14:1)



**A free will
offering
will be
accepted for
the needs of
Alice Maxfield**



Reverend Dale Maxfield **August 4, 1952 – April 16, 2021**

After attending St. George Grade School, Fr. Maxfield attended St. Henry Seminary in Belleville. He attended Our Lady of Angels Seminary in Quincy, Illinois and became a Franciscan Brother with the Order of Friars Minor. He left the seminary in 1974 and married Jane Deken in 1976. He received a

Masters degree in Theology from St. Louis University in 1981. He served the Diocese of Belleville as the DRE and at various parishes as DRE, Pastoral Associate and as a Parish Life Coordinator. He also taught for some time at Aquinas institute in St. Louis, Missouri. After his marriage ended, Fr. Maxfield attended Kenrick Seminary in St. Louis and Sacred Heart Seminary and school of Theology in Hales Corner, Wisconsin.

He was ordained a Deacon in 2009 and served holy Rosary Parish in Fairmont City during his diaconal year. After ordination to the priesthood, he served as Associate Pastor at Ss. Peter and Paul parish in Waterloo, Administrator of St. Michael in Radom and St. Barbara in Scheller. He served as Pastor of St. Mary in Centralia and St. Lawrence in Sandoval before beginning his final pastorate at St. George in New Baden. He served on the Presbyteral Council and then on the Priests' Personnel Board.

Father Maxfield is preceded in death by his father, Calvin Maxfield. He is survived by his mother, Alice (Lodes) Maxfield; his children, Dale (Hannah) Maxfield, II of Lenexa, KS, Sarah (Steve) Maxfield-Grote of Brooklyn, NY, Joseph (Hanna) Maxfield of Los Angeles, CA, John (Amber) Maxfield of St. Louis, MO, and Mary (Melissa) Maxfield-Anderson of St. Louis, MO; and his six grandchildren, Beatrix, Neil, Theo, Naomi, Aniken, and Alistar.

As we give thanks to God that Fr. Maxfield could feel blessed to be both a father of children and a father in the priesthood, let us remember Father Maxfield often in our prayers. In accordance with our diocesan tradition, priests are asked to celebrate three Masses for Father Maxfield, asking God to be merciful to him and give him a share in the Eternal Life promised to His faithful disciples.



MEMORIAL MASS
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 25, 2021

Reverend Dale Maxfield
Priest of the Diocese of Belleville

Ordained A Deacon
December 2009

Ordained to the Holy Priesthood
May 22, 2010
by the Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton.



O LOVING GOD

(IRISH FUNERAL PRAYER)

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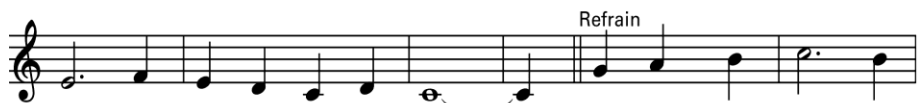
1. O lov-ing God, we send your daugh-ter home to you,
(son) —
2. O lov-ing God, have mer - cy and for - give - ness



1. home to a place of ev - er - last-ing love, to join there
2. up - on your ser - vant's now de-part-ed soul, and may your



1. with the an - gel choirs and bless-ed saints, and to be -
2. grace and love en - fold her/him ev - er - more, so she/he may



1. hold your glo-rious ho - ly face. Re-ceive her/his soul and
2. dwell in par - a - dise at last.



let e - ter-nal light shine, e - ter-nal light for - ev - er on her/his



soul, so she/he may be for - ev - er in your dwell-ing place,



and be at rest in peace un - til we meet her/him there.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

(striking your breast, say:)

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

(Then continue with:)

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

***May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.***

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

COLLECT PRAYER

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6–9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, the web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be

said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; Let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!"

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1) (4ab)

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead came also through a human being. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father.

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for he subjected everything under his feet. But when it says that everything has been subjected, it is clear that it excludes the one who subjected everything to him. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

ALLELUIA

John 11:25a

Alleluia

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die.

Alleluia

(Please be stand)

GOSPEL

John 14:1–12

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way.” Thomas said to him, “Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in

me is doing his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father.”

HOMILY

You are invited to share your personal memories of Father Dale during this time.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

We pray for Pope Francis, Bishop McGovern and all Church leaders, that God will give them the wisdom and courage they need as they lead the Church; let us pray to the LORD.

Response: Lord hear our Prayers.

In baptism Father Dale received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead him over the waters of death, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our Prayers.

For our brother Father Dale, who served the Church as a priest, that he may be given a place in the liturgy of heaven.

Response: Lord hear our Prayers.

For Father Dale, who shared the priesthood of Jesus Christ, leading God’s people in prayer and worship. Bring him into your presence where he will take his place in heaven.

Response: Lord hear our Prayers

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. We pray especially for Calvin, father of Dale, and all who have gone before us. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our Prayers.

For all of Father Dale’s caregivers, his family, his friends, his professional caregivers, and all who have cared for him over the years, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our Prayers.

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord hear our Prayers.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

AMAZING GRACE

NEW BRITAIN



1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al -
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright shin - ing



1. wretch like me! I once was lost, but
2. fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
3. hope se - cures; He will my shield and
4. read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
5. as the sun, We've no less days to



1. now am found, Was blind but now I see.
2. grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
3. por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
4. safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

GREAT AMEN ♦ AMEN

Please Stand

COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

INVITATION

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

REFLECTION: AVE MARIA

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Ave Maria, Soloist, Mrs. Tammy Miller

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive u into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

(Please Stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND REFLECTION

Nat King Cole, "SMILE"

*Smile, though your heart is aching
Smile, even though it's breaking
When there are clouds in the sky
You'll get by...*

*If you smile
Through your fear and sorrow
Smile and maybe tomorrow
You'll see the sun come shining through for you*

*Light up your face with gladness
Hide every trace of sadness
Although a tear may be ever so near*

*That's the time you must keep on trying
Smile, what's the use of crying
You'll find that life is still worthwhile
If you just smile*

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CONCLUDING RITES
GREETING ♦ SALUDO
BLESSING AND DISMISSAL



I, THE LORD

Tom Kendzia

Refrain

I, the Lord, am with you, al - ways by your side.

Come and take my hand, for I will lead you home. Fol-low

me, fol-low me. 1, 2 2 to Verses

Final

Fol-low me, fol-low me.

Verse 1

1. I am the res - ur - rec-tion, and I am the life; if

1. you be-lieve in me, you shall live for - ev - er. to Refrain

Verse 2

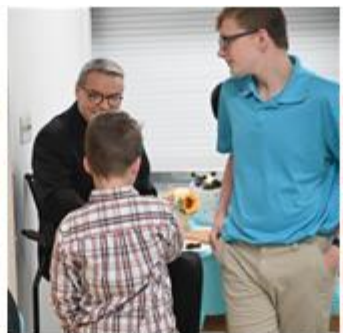
2. You shall have new life and live it to the full.

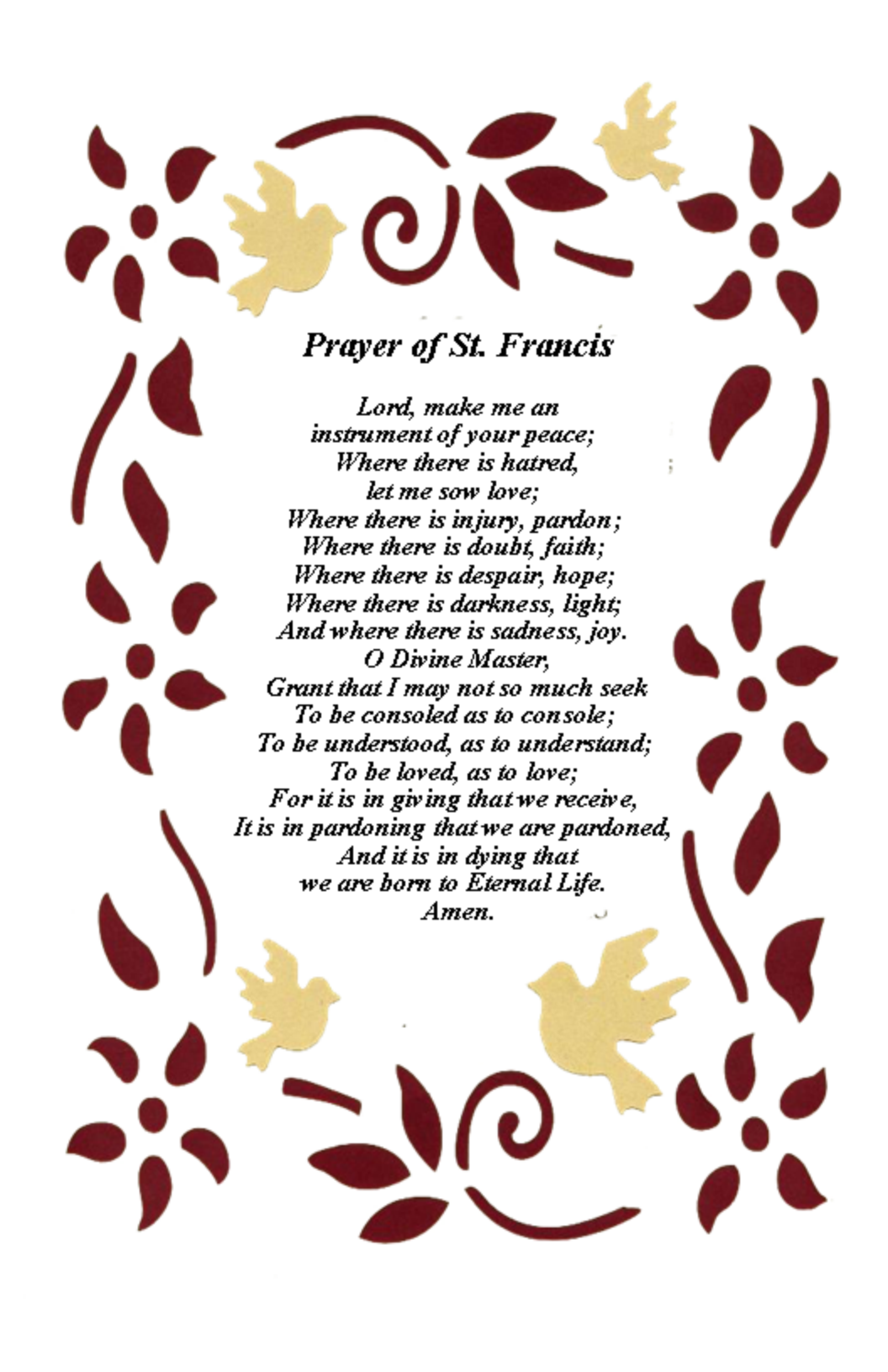
2. Turn your sor-row in - to joy, for life has just be - gun. to Refrain

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Prayer of St. Francis

*Lord, make me an
instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred,
let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that
we are born to Eternal Life.
Amen.*