

Christin Angela Woodward

Christin "Chris" Angela Woodward, age 44, of Mankato passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, November 12, 2023, at her home. Her absence has left a huge hole in our hearts.

Chrissie was born March 20, 1979 in Mankato to Craig and Susan (Nowacki) Woodward. She attended Holy Rosary grade school, Fitzgerald Middle School, and graduated from Loyola High School. After a year at MSU Mankato, Chris decided to spread her wings and moved to Colorado Springs. She was offered a job at the Broadmoor, and then at South Side Johnnie's. The winter slopes took their toll on Chrissie, but she didn't let a broken arm keep her from working. She was offered a job by a bar owner from Chicago who was impressed that she was serving more drinks with one hand than the other bartenders were with two. When Hurricane Katrina hit, Chrissie took a leave from work and left for New Orleans. She drained her bank account, rented a U-Haul, and bought supplies for displaced people. She and several other workers fed thousands through food care services. She stayed in New Orleans for nearly a year. Next stop was Lake Tahoe for the ski season, and then on to Breckenridge to help open a ski resort. After Colorado, Chris was asked to move to Montauk on Long Island, NY where she worked at Gurney's for several years. Once Covid hit, she decided that Montauk wasn't the best place to be and decided to come home to Mankato.

Chris was always available to travel. She loved Lake Kabetogama but also was able to go overseas. She was fortunate to visit France. She traveled with her brother Mark and friends in Vietnam and Thailand. In their younger days, on trips to cowboy country, Cass and Chrissie tried horseback riding, but Chris was bucked off, which ended those ventures. Chris had a kind heart. She enjoyed nature and the outdoors. We know memories of Chris will shine brightly forever. Her dog Yemaya will be happy to see her again.

Christin is survived by her parents, Craig and Susan Woodward of Mankato; sister, Cassie (special friend, Karl Schwartz) Woodward of Mankato; brother, Mark (Yoojin) Woodward of Burnsville; nephew, Emerson Woodward; niece, Addy Woodward; aunts and uncles, Genee Johnson of Ames, IA, Mary (Dave) Haack of North Mankato, Dan Nowacki of Hot Springs, SD, and Pete (Lori) Nowacki of Elko, MN.

She was preceded in death by her maternal and paternal grandparents, as well as her uncle, Dick Johnson.

Christin A. Woodward

March 20, 1979—November 12, 2023



Funeral Mass

November 21, 2023 11:00 A.M.

Holy Rosary Catholic Church, North Mankato, MN

Rev. Paul van de Crommert, Pastor



Celebrant: Rev. Paul van de Crommert

Cantor: Jaci James

Musician: Kaleb Schmidt

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FUNERAL MASS

STAND

Greeting/Sprinkling with Holy Water

Entrance Procession

BE NOT AFRAID

Bob Dufford, SJ

Verse 1

1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you shall not die of
 1. thirst. You shall wan-der far in safe-ty though you do not know the
 1. way. You shall speak your words in for-ign lands and all will un-der-
 1. stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain

Be not a-fraid. I go be-fore you al-ways. Come fol-low
 me, and I will give you rest.

Verse 2

2. If you pass through rag-ing wa-ters in the sea, you shall not
 2. drown. If you walk a-mid the burn-ing flames, you shall not be
 2. harmed. If you stand be-fore the pow'r of hell and death is at your
 2. side, know that I am with you through it all.

1, 2 to Vss 2, 3 Final 2

to Refrain

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

SEATED

First Reading..... Wisdom 4: 7-15

A reading from the Book of Wisdom:

But the righteous one, though he die early, shall be at rest. For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing of time, nor can it be measured in terms of years. Rather, understanding passes for gray hair, and an unsullied life is the attainment of old age.

The one who pleased God was loved, living among sinners, was transported Snatched away, lest wickedness pervert his mind or deceit beguile his soul; For the witchery of paltry things obscures what is right and the whirl of desire transforms the innocent mind.

Having become perfect in a short while, he reached the fullness of a long career; for his soul was pleasing to the LORD, therefore he sped him out of the midst of wickedness. But the people saw and did not understand, nor did they take that consideration into account.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm.....Psalm 27

THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD

Scott Soper



I be-lieve, I be-lieve I shall see the good-ness of the
 Lord in the land, in the land of the liv-ing.

Second Reading.....Romans 14: 4-12

A reading from the Book of Romans:

Who are you to pass judgment on someone else's servant? Before his own master, he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

[For] one person considers one day more important than another, while another person considers all days alike. Let everyone be fully persuaded in his own mind.

Whoever observes the day, observes it for the Lord. Also whoever eats, eats for the Lord, since he gives thanks to God; while whoever abstains, abstains for the Lord and gives thanks to God. None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

For if we live, we live for the Lord,* and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why then do you judge your brother? Or you, why do you look down on your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written: "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So [then] each of us shall give an account of himself [to God].

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

STAND



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

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A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. John:

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. [Jesus] said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

SEATED

Homily.....Rev. Paul van de Crommert

Prayers of the Faithful

STAND

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

SEATED



HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
 Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est.

KNEEL

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
 claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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GREAT AMEN

A - men. A - men. A - men.

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The Lord's Prayer

STAND

LAMB OF GOD

Cantor *All*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have

Cantor *All*

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sins of the world, grant us peace. **KNEEL**

Universal Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion

For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should be actively living their Catholic faith, should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin or is not practicing their Catholic faith is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession.

For our fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. Because Catholics believe that the Eucharist is truly the Body and Blood of Jesus, and believe that receiving Holy Communion means that we are in full communion with everything that the Catholic Church teaches, the reception of Holy Communion is limited to those who share our Catholic faith.

For non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

For those not receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to make a spiritual communion, that is, to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

Source: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Holy Communion

Verse 1 **On Eagle's Wings** *Michael Joncas*

1. You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a - bide in his sha-dow for

4 life, say to the Lord, "My Ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain

9 And he will raise you up on eag-les' wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,

14 make you to shi-ne like the sun, and hold you in - the - palm of his hand.

After last refrain

19 And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

Verse 2

26 2. The snare of the fowl er will never cap-ture you, and fam-i-ne will bring you no

30 fear. Un - der his wings your re - fuge, His faith-ful-ness your shield.

Verse 3

35 You need not fear the ter - ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by

39 day; though thou - sands fall a - bout you, near you it shall not come.

Verse 4

44 For to his an-gels he's giv-en a com-mand to guard you in all of your ways; up

49 on their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot a- gainst a stone.

Prayer After Holy Communion

STAND

Final Commendation

GO IN PEACE

John Schiavone

1st time: Cantor; All repeat

Go in peace, and may God's Word light your way.

Go in peace, and know that for you we pray.

Go in peace to fol - low Christ day by day.

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Closing Prayer

STAND

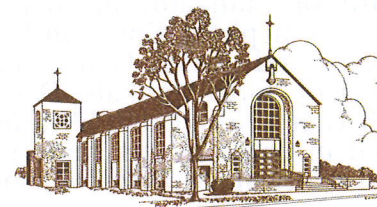
Final Blessing

RecessionalLord of Dance



The burial will take place at a later time. A luncheon will be served in the school cafeteria, immediately following the Mass. Everyone is cordially invited.

Thank you for coming to pray for the repose of Christin's soul at this Funeral Mass. May Christin and all of our dearly departed, rest in peace.



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