

A Funeral Mass for

*Emmanuel Fenech*

24 December 1947 - 19 March 2026





# *Emmanuel Fenech*

Born 24/12/1947  
Mosta, Malta

Born to Eternal Life 19/03/2026  
Melbourne, Australia



**Funeral Mass offered at**  
St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Church  
290 Childs Road, Mill Park 3082

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2026  
Rosary at 11:30am  
followed by Requiem Mass

**Priest**  
Father John Magri

**Vocalist and Pianist**  
Music For Funerals

**Burial**  
Yan Yean Cemetery,  
2265 Plenty Road, Yan Yean.

**Pall Bearers**  
Charlie Attard  
David Fenech  
Frank Magro  
Isaac Attard  
Thomas Ormond Snr.  
Thomas Ormond Jnr.

## Rosary

## Eulogy

*Rosemary Ormond*

*Joanne Magro*

*David Fenech*

## Photo Tribute

Memories – Elvis Presley

Tears In Heaven – Eric Clapton

## Entrance Hymn

Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

## Sign of the Cross and Christian Greeting

Fr John: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

## Greeting

Fr John: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with your spirit

## Presentation of Christian Symbols

Sprinkling with Holy Water *Father John Magri*

Lighting of the Paschal Candle *David Fenech*

Placing of Pall *Frank Magro, Thomas Ormond Snr.*

## Placing of Symbols

*Charlie Attard*

*Isaac Attard*

*Thomas Ormond Jnr.*

**Mosta Dome** – A tribute to Mosta, Malta; Emmanuel's birthplace and the home he always held close to his heart.

**Cue Stick** – Honouring his passion and enjoyment of billiards.

**Mustang T-shirt** – Reflecting his favourite shirt and his love of cars.

## Opening Prayer

Fr John: O God, almighty Father, our faith professes that your Son died and rose again; mercifully grant, that through this mystery your servant Emmanuel, who has fallen asleep in Christ, may rejoice to rise again through him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

## First Reading

**2 Timothy 4: 6-11**

*Nicol Jackson*

**A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.**

As for me, my life is already being poured away as an offering, and the time has come for me to depart.

I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come for me now is the crown of uprightness which the Lord, the upright judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his appearing.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm

**The Lord Is My Shepherd**  
(Boniwell) (sung)

## Gospel Acclamation

Sung

*(Please stand)*

Glory and Praise Lord Jesus Christ Glory and Praise to You  
Glory and Praise Lord Jesus Christ Glory and Praise to You.  
I am the resurrection and the life says the Lord,  
He who believes in Me will not die forever.  
Glory and Praise Lord Jesus Christ Glory and Praise to You  
Glory and Praise Lord Jesus Christ Glory and Praise to You.

## Gospel

John 14: 1-6

Fr John: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

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

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
Trust in God still, and trust in me.  
There are many rooms in my Father's house;  
if there were not, I should have told you.  
I am going now to prepare a place for you,  
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,  
I shall return to take you with me;  
so that where I am you may be too.  
You know the way to the place where I am going.'  
Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going,  
so how can we know the way?'  
Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.  
No one can come to the Father except through me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily

*Fr John*

## Prayers of the Faithful

*Charlie Attard, Isaac Attard and  
Thomas Ormond Jnr*

Fr John: Today we come together to give thanks and praise to God our Father for the life of Emmanuel. As we believe that Christ, through His death and resurrection has given us the promise of eternal life, let us pray that he and all people may share the life of the Risen Lord.

Charlie: In Baptism, Nannu received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead him over the waters of death. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Charlie: Nannu fought the good fight; he finished the race; may he now receive the crown of eternal glory Christ has won for us with his death and resurrection. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Charlie: That the hardships and suffering Nannu endured may, through the mercy of God, gain him forgiveness for his sins. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Isaac: Lord, we thank you for giving us Nannu, who in his goodness, generosity, gentleness and love, reflected You to us. May we continue to follow Nannu's example. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Isaac: Lord, we pray for Nannu's family. May they be given consolation, courage and peace at this time. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Thomas: Let us remember and pray for those members of Nannu's family who have gone before him. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Thomas: Comfort us all in our sorrow at the death of Nannu, let our faith be our consolation, and life our hope. Lord hear us.

All: Lord, hear our Prayer.

Fr John: Heavenly Father, with trust in your goodness, we present these prayers, and the unspoken ones in our hearts, to You, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

**Offertory Procession**      *Helen Fenech*  
*Saviour Vella*  
*Nicol Jackson*  
*Jordan Fenech*

**Offertory Hymn**      *Amazing Grace*

### Preparation of Gifts

Fr John: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

**Prayer Over The Gifts**      *(please stand)*

Fr John: Lord, receive the gifts we offer for the salvation of Emmanuel. May Christ be merciful in judging our brother Emmanuel for he believed in Christ as his Lord and Saviour. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

## Preface

Fr John: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr John: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Fr John: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just

Fr John: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father most holy; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, your Word through whom you made all things, whom you sent as our Saviour and Redeemer, incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. Fulfilling your will and gaining for you a holy people, he stretched out his hands as he endured his Passion, so as to break the bonds of death and manifest the resurrection.

All: And so, with the Angels and all the Saints we declare your glory, as with one voice we acclaim:  
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## Eucharistic Prayer

*(please kneel)*

Fr John: You are indeed Holy O Lord, the fount of all holiness. Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your spirit upon them like the dewfall, so they become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Fr John: At the time his was betrayed and entered willing into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:  
TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Fr John: The mystery of faith.  
Sung: **When we eat this bread, and drink this cup we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again, until you come again.**

Fr. John: Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you. Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring him to the fullness of charity, together with Leo our Pope and Peter Andrew our Bishop and all the clergy.

Fr John: Remember your servant Emmanuel whom you have called from this world to yourself. Grant that he who was united with your Son in a death like his, may also be one with him in his Resurrection.

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours forever and ever.

All: Amen.

## Our Father

Fr John: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

Fr John: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

## Sign of Peace

Fr John: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our  
sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously  
grant his peace and unity in accordance with your  
will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Fr John: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
All: And with your spirit.

Fr John: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

## Breaking of Bread

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the  
world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the  
world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the  
world, grant us peace.

## Communion

*(please kneel)*

Fr John: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes  
away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to  
the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter  
under my roof, but only say the word and my soul  
shall be healed.

## Communion Hymns

Ave Maria

I will never forget you my people

## Prayer After Communion

Fr John: Let us pray, Lord God, your Son Jesus Christ gave us the sacrament of his body and blood to guide us on our pilgrim way to your kingdom. May our brother Emmanuel, who shared in the Eucharist, come to the banquet of life Christ has prepared for us. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

## Final Commendation

Fr John: Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our brother Emmanuel. May our farewell express our affection, for may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet him, with the love of Christ, which conquers all things and destroys even death itself.

## Song of Farewell

Fr John: Saints of God, come to his aid!  
Hasten to meet him angels of the Lord.

All: **Receive his soul and present him  
to God the Most High.**

Fr John: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;  
may angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

All: **Receive his soul and present him  
to God the Most High.**

Fr John: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon him.

All: **Receive his soul and present him  
to God the Most High.**

## Prayer of Commendation

Fr John: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother Emmanuel the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, they will rise with him on the last day. Merciful Lord, turn to us and listen to our prayers, open the gates of paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with the assurances of faith until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our brother forever.

All: Amen.

Fr John: May the angels lead you into paradise, may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you into the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

All: Amen.

Fr John: In peace let us take our brother Emmanuel to his final rest.

## Recessional Song

My Way – Frank Sinatra

## Photo and Cross Carriers

*Helen Fenech*

*Joanne Magro*

*Rosemary Ormond*

## Pall Bearers

*Charlie Attard*

*David Fenech*

*Frank Magro*

*Isaac Attard*

*Thomas Ormond Snr.*

*Thomas Ormond Jnr.*

On behalf of Emmanuel's family, we sincerely thank you  
for being here today and for being part of  
Emmanuel's life and celebration.  
Your presence, support, and shared memories  
mean more to us than words can express.

Following the service, you are  
warmly invited to join the family  
for refreshments at  
Lalor United Bocci Social Club,  
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