A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF

Isabel Vasseur Bliss

(7 November 1942–27 April 2021)

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, AYLSHAM
THURSDAY 13 MAY, 2021 AT 1.30PM
SERVICE LED BY THE REVD. CANON JULIE BOYD





PROCESSIONAL MUSIC

"Erbarme dich, mein Gott (Have mercy, my God)" St Matthew Passion BWV 244 J.S.Bach (1685-1750) Henry Macey (organ)

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

The Revd. Canon Julie Boyd



PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

READING

Tim Bliss

And did you get what
you wanted from this life, even so?

I did.

And what did you want?

To call myself beloved, to feel myself
beloved on the earth.

Late Fragment by Raymond Carver (1938-1988)

Collected Poems, The Harvill Press, 1996

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Arioso from Cantata BMV 156 by JS Bach (1685-1750) Julia Crockatt (cello)

FAMILY TRIBUTES

Roman Vasseur Blaise Vasseur



MUSICAL INTERLUDE

"Dido's Lament"

Dido and Aeneas, by Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Performed by Emma Kirkby in an original recording of 1981

With the Taverner Players and Choir (Chandos)

When I am laid, Remember me, am laid in earth, remember me,

may my wrongs create but ah

No trouble, Forget my fate

no trouble in,

in thy breast Remember me,

but ah

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REFLECTIONS

ISABEL IN SAXTHORPE AND CORPUSTY

Robert Smith

ISABEL IN AYLSHAM Grizelda Tyler



PRAYERS

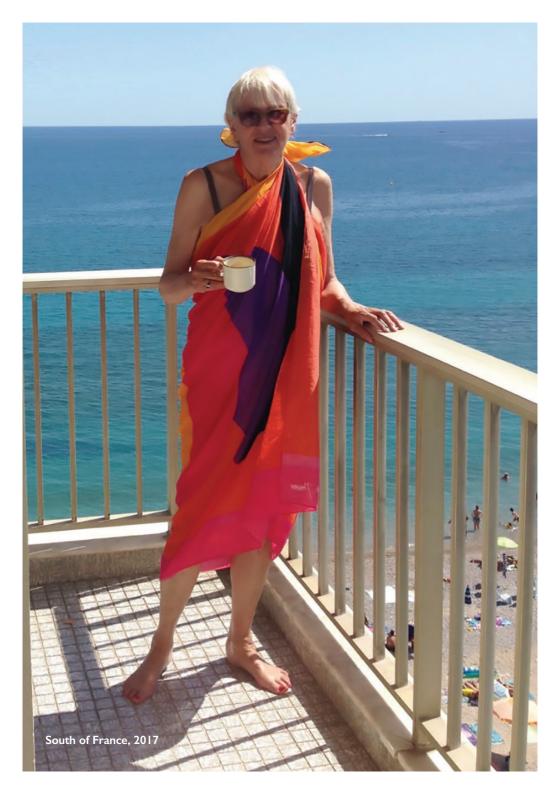
COMMENDATION AND BLESSING

The Revd. Canon Julie Boyd



RECESSIONAL

"Agnus Dei *(O Lamb of God)*" Requiem Op.48 Gabriel Fauré (1844-1924) Henry Macey (organ)





Isabel Vasseur at Glasgow Garden Festival, Richard Deacon, Nose to Nose, Beginning To End, 1988

Tim, Roman and Annabel, Blaise and Lindsay, Linnea, and Michael would like to thank everyone attending this service in person or online.

A recording of this service will be accessible via www.artoffice.co.uk

Donations in memory of Isabel may be sent to Aylsham Parochial Church Council use reference Vasseur Bliss sort code 20-03-26 account number 00130362