

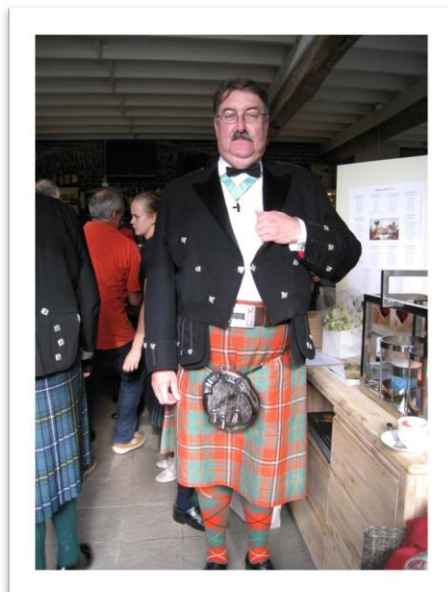
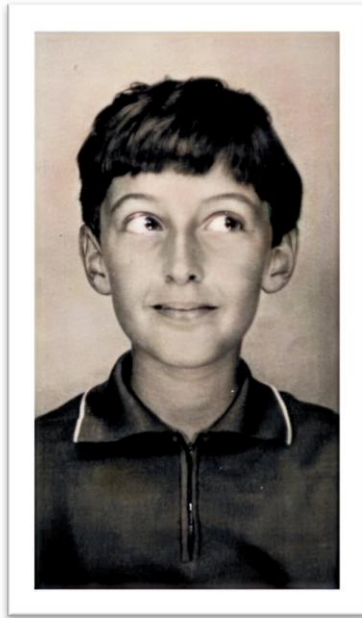
A Celebration For The Life Of

Jonathan Richard Hastings Sayers

11th February 1959 - 17th August 2025



Friday 5th September 2025 2.00 p.m.
St Margaret's Church, The Green, Rottingdean
Service conducted by
The Reverend David Stanton, Sub-Dean & Canon
Treasurer of Westminster Abbey
Major the Reverend Father Nicholas Levisseur
The Reverend Thakur Anando Mukerjee



Order of Service

As Jonathan is borne into the Church, music from Handel's
'*Dead March*' from Saul.

All Stand: The Sentences

All Sit: A Welcome and Exhortation

All Stand: *At The Name of Jesus*

At the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
King of glory now:
'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation
sprang at once to sight,
all the angel faces,
all the hosts of light,
thrones and dominations,
stars upon their way,
all the heavenly orders,
in their great array.

Humbled for a season,
to receive a name
from the lips of sinners
unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it
spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious,
when from death he passed:

Cont...

In your hearts enthrone him;
there let him subdue
all that is not holy,
all that is not true:
crown him as your Captain
in temptation's hour;
let his will enfold you
in its light and power.

Surely, this Lord Jesus
shall return again,
with his Father's glory,
with his angel train;
for all wreaths of empire
meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

Words : CM Noel.

Tune: Camberwell: JM Brierley

All Sit:

The 1st Lesson 1 Cor 13

Read by Jonathan's Godson, David Leviser

"I'll walk with God" from "The Student Prince"

by Brodzsky & Webster

Sung by Jonathan's great friend the

Revd Thakur Anando Mukerjee

All Stand:

The 2nd Lesson John 14: 1- 7

All Sit:

The Homily

All Stand:

Shine Jesus Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness, shining
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
Set us free by the truth you now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me

*Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord, and let there be light*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
From the shadows into your radiance
By the blood I may enter your brightness
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me.

Words & Tune: Graham Kendrick

All Sit: Jonathan: Paul Samrah and Graham Steer

All Kneel: *The Prayers*

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All Stand: The Commendation

All Kneel: *The Nunc Dimittis*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen :
thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared :
before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever
shall be :
world without end. Amen.

All Stand:

Abide with me

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see.
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour.
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's
power?
Who like thyself my guide and strength can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy
victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.
Shine through the gloom and point me to the
skies.
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain
shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Words: H F Lyte.

Tune Eventide: W H Monk

The Blessing

After the Blessing, Jonathan will be borne out of St Margaret's, which he knew so well as a boy, to the strains of a lament 'Flowers of the Forest' played by piper Andrew Parsons, with grateful thanks to The Baltic Exchange.

Please follow the coffin to the Lych-gate as Jonathan goes on his final journey to Downs Crematorium, where he will be committed to God's merciful care.

Please leave the church quickly, quietly and reverently.

Please continue to celebrate Jonathan's life at
The Plough Inn
Vicarage Lane
Rottingdean
BN2 7HD
Just a two minute walk from St. Margaret's Church.



Donations in Jonathan's memory can be made to
The Decayed Kennel Huntsman Fund &
The Society for the Maintenance of the Stowe Beagle Blood Line.

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