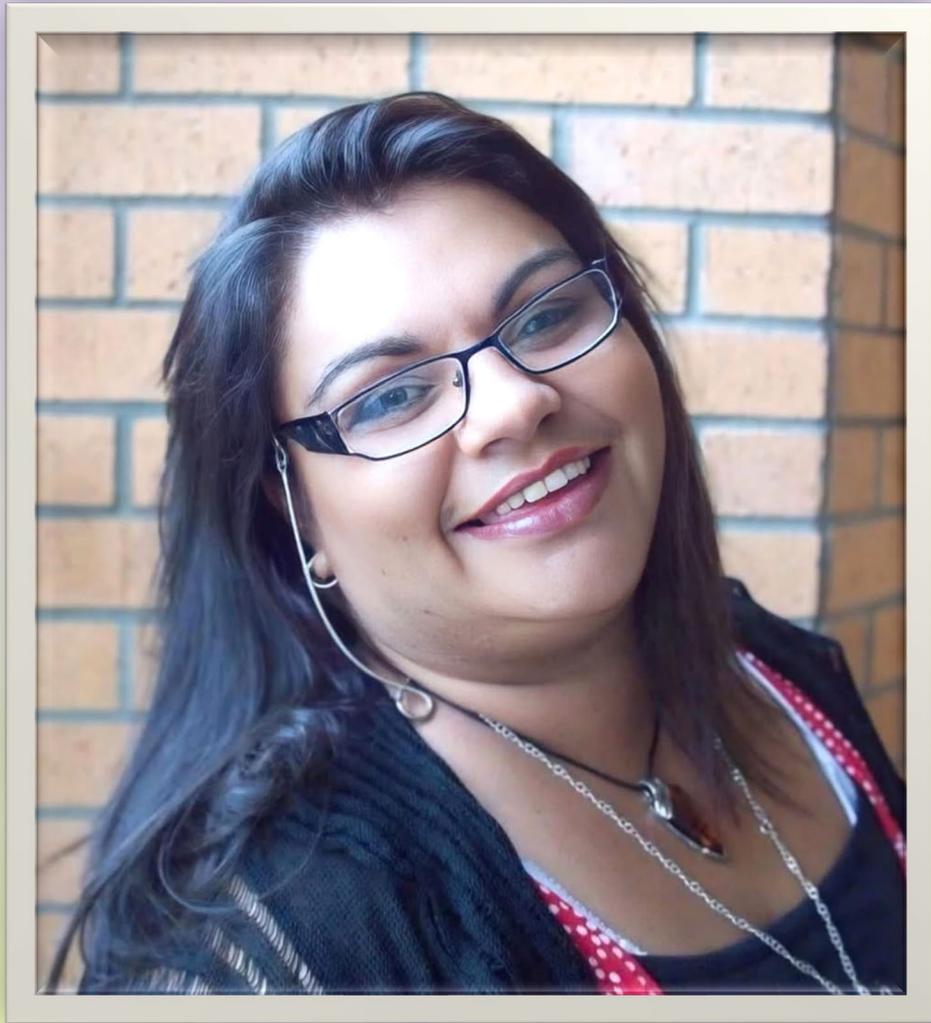


A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF



*Michelle Jean Brown*

17 OCTOBER 1976 - 16 FEBRUARY 2025



ST AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, YASS  
FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2025, AT 1.00PM  
FR PETER MY OFFICIATING



## ENTRANCE SONG:

*These Words - Natasha Bedingfield*

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**Fr Peter:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

## WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE:

*Alicia, Tyson, Jason, Vincent and Hellen*

**REFLECTION:** *Hold On – Wilson Phillips*

## OPENING PRAYER

We are here to pray for Michelle, who is now with God. We pray for ourselves in this sad time, that God gives us strength and consolation.

God our father, we believe that you raised Jesus from the dead. We also believe that Jesus promised us all eternal life.

Welcome Michelle into your heavenly kingdom and give her eternal peace.

**All: Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### **Revelations 21:3-4**

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,  
“Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and  
he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God  
himself will be with them and be their God.  
He will wipe every tear from their eyes”.

The Word of the Lord.

**All:            Thanks be to God**

### **Psalms 141 verses 1-3, 8**

I call upon you, O Lord; come quickly to me;  
    give ear to my voice when I call to you.  
Let my prayer be counted as incense before you,  
    and the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice.  
Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord;  
    keep watch over the door of my lips.  
But my eyes are turned toward you, O God, my Lord;  
    in you I seek refuge; do not leave me defenseless.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### **Alleluia, Alleluia!**

This is the will of my father, says the Lord, that all who believe  
in the Son will have eternal life and I will raise them up on  
the last day.

**Alleluia!**

## **Gospel: John 14:1-6**

**Fr Peter:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his 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 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 Peter*



## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: *Read by Fr Peter*

God, the Almighty Father raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead.

For Michelle, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she may now be admitted to the company of our Lord. Lord hear us.

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

For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness. Lord hear us.

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

For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face. Lord hear us.

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

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

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

**Fr Peter:** God, our shelter and strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people. Hear the prayer we offer for our departed brothers and sisters, especially for Michelle. Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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. Amen.

**SLIDESHOW:** *I do it for you – Bryan Adams*

## FINAL COMMENDATION

**Fr Peter:** Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave  
of our sister Michelle. May our farewell express our  
affection for her; may it ease our sadness and  
strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully  
greet her again when the love of Christ, which  
conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

*The coffin is sprinkled with baptismal water & incensed in memory of  
the fact that in life the body was the temple of the Holy Spirit.*

## SONG OF FAREWELL

**Fr Peter:** Saints of God, come to her aid! Hasten to meet  
her angels of the Lord.

**All:           Receive her soul and present her to God, the Most High.**

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

**All:           Receive her soul and present her to God, the Most High.**

**Fr Peter:** Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let  
perpetual light shine upon her.

**All:           Receive her soul and present her to God, the Most High.**

Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our sister Michelle, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will rise with him on the last day.

Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our sister forever.

**All: Amen**

## RECESSIONAL MUSIC

*The Power of Love – Celine Dion*

*The pallbearers may now come forward  
and escort Michelle from the Church*

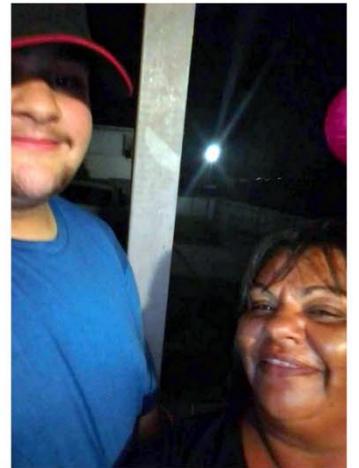


Vincent Brown, Tyson Brown, Jason Mitchell  
Jason Griffiths, Richard Reid, Corie Bell

*The service will continue at the Yass Lawn Cemetery*









# Thank You

Our family would like to thank everyone for the kind messages, thoughts and prayers conveyed to them.



FOLLOWING INTERMENT AT THE CEMETERY, PLEASE JOIN US AT THE YASS GOLF CLUB FOR LIGHT REFRESHMENTS.