

Funeral of: _____

Reader: _____

First Reading from the Old Testament

C – 4 Wisdom 4:7-15

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

The just man, though he die early, shall be at rest.
For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing of time,
not can it be measured in terms of years.
Rather, understanding is the hoary crown for men, and an unsullied life,
the attainment of old age.
He who pleased God was loved; he who lived among sinners was
transported-
snatched away, lest wickedness pervert his mind or deceit beguiled 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 this into
account.

The word of the Lord.