



Thousands pack Gloucester Cathedral for funeral of St Peter's High School headteacher Larry Montagu

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Thousands of people have crammed into Gloucester Cathedral for the funeral of St Peter's High School headteacher Larry Montagu.

Mr Montagu OBE, originally from Merseyside, died on Friday April 5 aged 67 after a long illness. He had been headteacher at the Stroud Road school for 29 years.

The Requiem Mass this afternoon was led by canon Liam Slattery, of St Peter's Church in London Road, and there were readings by friends, colleagues and his son Keiran, who also worked at the school.

"He had an unbelievable talent for finding common ground with people, whatever they did or whoever they were," said Keiran.

"It was this ability that allowed him to see the potential in everybody."

Hymns Shine Jesus Shine, The Servant King, As the Deer and Do Not Be Afraid were sang, while readings and prayers punctuated the singing throughout the mass.

Mr Slattery also read a tribute. He said: "The family would like to say they are overwhelmed by the number of people here today.

"Larry saw the potential that was in his family, his children, his pupils and his friends. He sought always to enable the potential to be fulfilled."