



Mary Grotto at the Dominican Friars plots

All Souls Cemetery

Holy Innocents Parish

Served by the Dominican Friars



Crucifix at the Holy Innocents Columbaria

Burial Options at All Souls

Ground Plot - 2 Caskets

Ground Plot - 4 Urns

Above Ground Niche - 2 Urns



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"The corporal works of mercy consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead." -Catechism of the Catholic Church

Cremation in the Catholic Tradition

The Catholic faith is rooted in the belief that God made us to enjoy eternal life with Him and that death is not the end of our existence. The Resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter is the foretaste and promise of this immortal life.

In 1963, the Catholic Church lifted its prohibition forbidding Catholics to choose cremation.

“The remains of the cremated bodies should be treated with the same respect given to the corporeal remains of a human body. This includes the manner in which they are carried, the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains of a body should be entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium, they may also be buried in a common grave in a cemetery.” - USCCB

The Catholic Church strongly prefers the body be present for the Funeral Liturgy and cremation takes place after.

The same Catholic rites are available for those that choose cremation. The Church does provide for the celebration of the Funeral Mass with the cremated remains (ashes).

Cremated remains should be buried or entombed. The scattering of the cremated remains, keeping them at home, or dividing them is not in keeping with the reverence the Church requires.

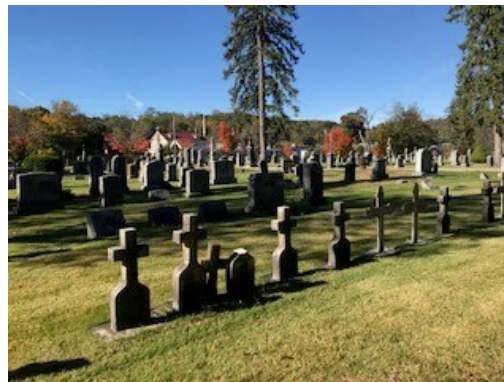
If you have a loved ones' urn at home, contact the cemetery, we will be happy to assist you in securing their final resting place of burial.

Catholic Burial Practices

In our Catholic cemetery, our deceased relatives and friends are buried among members of the same faith community who preceded them, and professed the same conviction that one day the body will be reunited with the soul in glory to be with Our Risen Lord.

Catholic cemeteries are sacred grounds consecrated by the Church to provide a dignified final resting place that affirms the faith of the departed.

Our care of the cemetery, and the cooperation of all visitors in adherence to the Rules and Regulations, are an expression of the Catholic reverence for all human life and the sacredness of each body even after death.



Catholic Funeral Rites

At the death of a Christian, whose life of faith was begun in the waters of Baptism and strengthened at the Eucharist table, the Church intercedes on behalf of the deceased because of her confident belief that death is not the end, nor does it break the bonds forged in life. The funeral rites of the Church are intended to strengthen our faith, offer hope, comfort those who mourn and bury the bodily remains of the deceased.

The Catholic funeral rite includes:

Vigil Service (Wake) The service can include Service of the Word with readings from Sacred Scripture or prayers of the Office for the Dead from *Liturgy of the Hours*.

It is most appropriate that family and friends gather together for visitation to offer time of recalling the life of the deceased. It is a fitting time for eulogies to be shared.

Funeral Liturgy (Mass) The Church gathers with family and friends to give praise and thanks to God for Christ's victory over sin and death, to commend the deceased to God's tender mercy and compassion and to seek strength in the proclamation of the Paschal Mystery. It is an act of worship not only an expression of grief.

Rite of Committal (Burial) This final act of the community of faith in caring for the body of its deceased member is celebrated beside the grave or the place of interment.

The Rite is an expression of the communion between the Church on earth and the Church in heaven.