



St. Patrick Catholic Church

Funeral Liturgy Planning
for
Parishioners

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General Information

Name of deceased _____

Name phonetically pronounced

Name to use when speaking of deceased

Date of Birth _____ Date of Death:

Who is a contact point person for funeral planning?

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Which funeral home is handling arrangements?

Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Name & address of cemetery?

Will there be a Visitation? _____ Yes _____ No

Date and Time of Wake Service: _____

Where will Wake Service be held?

If the Visitation is being held at St. Patrick,
where in the church should viewing take place?

____ Gathering Space ____ Family Room

____ Devotional Chapel Shrine

**While the dignity of the church is preferred,
special arrangements can be made with the
pastor for visitations too large for funeral
homes to handle.*



Devotional Chapel Shrine in Church

Are tables/easels needed for photos? _____ Yes _____ No

If there is to be a prayer service/rosary/eulogy at Visitation,
please describe what is desired and who is to lead/preside?

What time during Wake will this take place? _____

Do you want Knights of Columbus at Visitation?

____ Yes ____ No

Planning the Funeral Mass

Date and Time of Funeral: _____

Main Priest Celebrant : _____

Will a casket be present? _____ Yes _____ No

Will an urn be present with cremains? _____ Yes _____ No

Designating People for Mass Involvement

The family may wish to serve in these ways; if not, St. Patrick's staff and parishioners will be happy to serve.

Placing of the Pall (the white cloth which goes over casket):

Placing of Religious Objects (Crucifix, Rosary, Prayer Card, Etc.):

Eucharistic ministers – *up to three needed: (These should be individuals who currently serve in this role at St. Patrick or at their own parishes)*

Gift Bearers at Offertory – *as many family members as you wish:*

Will the Family have Altar Servers? If so, provide names:

Selecting the Readings for Funeral Mass

- ◆ *St. Patrick's will provide a complimentary Funeral Mass program that will be handed out to attendees as they enter the church. The program will include the selected readings, responsorial psalm, hymns, etc.*
- ◆ *A reader can be anyone you choose. If the family does not have specific readers in mind, the St. Patrick's Consolation Team is honored to fill those roles.*
- ◆ *The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops web site has a comprehensive listing of the many readings from both the Old and New Testaments that can be selected for the three Readings. See <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/bereavement-and-funerals/readings-for-the-funeral-liturgy.cfm> for this full list.*
- ◆ *For your convenience, we have listed three of the most often-selected Scriptures for each reading.*

1st Reading _____

Reader _____

2nd Reading _____

Reader _____

Gospel Reading _____

Read by Priest

General Intercessions: *Please list any special requests to be included in the General Intercessions/Prayers of the Faithful (Additional space available at end of this brochure in Notes area.*

Reader _____

The Three Most Often-Selected 1st Readings

Wisdom 3:1-9

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them.

They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace. For if before men, indeed they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality; Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worthy of himself. As gold in the furnace, he proved them, and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

In the time of their visitation they shall shine, and shall dart about as sparks through stubble; They shall judge nations and rule over peoples, and the LORD shall be their King forever. Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love: Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, and his care is with his elect.

Wisdom 4:7-15

The just man, though he die early, shall be at rest. For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing of time, nor 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 beguile 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.

Isiah 25:6a, 7-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, The web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces; The reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!"

The Three Most Often-Selected 2nd Readings

Romans 6:3-9

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin.

If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him.

2 Corinthians: 5:1, 6-10

Brothers and sisters: We know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands,

eternal in heaven. We are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at

home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

1 John 3:1-2

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

The Three Most Often-Selected Gospel Readings

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

John 11:17-27

When Jesus arrived in Bethany, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away. Many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet

him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

John 14:1-6

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Selecting Music for the Funeral Mass

- ◆ Requests for musicians and cantors are coordinated through St. Patrick's Music Director.
- ◆ You may request any of St. Patrick's regular cantors.
- ◆ Outside musicians are welcome.
- ◆ Stipends for musicians, cantors, and minister are typically handled by the funeral home. (If there is no funeral director, please speak with the Music Director for information regarding stipends.)

Are there any St. Patrick's cantors you would like to request?

Are there any outside musicians you would like to have?

What hymns do you wish:

Opening _____

Responsorial Psalm _____

Offertory _____

Communion _____

Meditation (optional) _____

Closing _____

Please review the list below of some hymns and songs to consider. This list is not complete. All music requests, especially for any music not listed here, are subject to approval by the Music Director. Additionally, the Music Director will be happy to select music for any slot left empty. See the church hymnal book for full text of hymns.

Songs to Consider

Amazing Grace	Be Not Afraid
Ave Maria (Latin chant)	Blest Are They
Crown Him with Many Crowns	Eye Has Not Seen
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say	Here I Am, Lord
I Know that my Redeemer Lives	How Can I Keep From Singing
I Want to Walk as a Child of Light	Jesus, Remember Me
The King of Love My Shepherd Is	On Eagle's Wings
Lord of All Hopefulness	The Servant Song
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	Though the Mountains May Fall
Now the Green Blade Rises	We Walk By Faith
O God, You Died That All Might Live	We Will Rise Again
Sing with all the Saints in Glory	

especially appropriate for Communion

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
 I Am the Bread of Life
 I Received the Living God
 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
 One Bread, One Body

Other Appropriate Hymns and Songs

How Great Thou Art
 Just a Closer Walk with Thee
 In the Garden
 Surely the Presence of the Lord
 Ave Maria (Schubert or Bach-Gounod)
 Be Still My Soul

Responsorial Psalms

Shepherd Me, O God

To You, O Lord

The Lord is My Light and My Salvation

The Lord is Kind and Merciful

With the Lord There is Mercy

Choir Selections – *these can be used as preludes or during the liturgy*

Amazing Grace, Alleluia	The Last Journey (Bell)
I Know That My Redeemer Lives (Soper)	Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Temple)
God Will Wipe Away Every Tear (Ridge)	Go, Silent Friend (Bell)
A Clare Benediction (Rutter)	Song of Simeon (Whitaker)
Saints of God (Haas)	Coming Home (Martin)

Remarks of Remembrance (Eulogy)

Although not part of the Catholic burial rite, a brief eulogy may take place in this order of preference: after the Gathering hymn; at the conclusion of a wake service; at a luncheon/reception following the Mass; or following the prayers of committal at the cemetery. It is important to plan remarks with as much reverence and reflection as all the other components of the funeral. Suggested length is 3-5 minutes.

In order that the presiding priest will be able to complement his homily with the remarks made by the family representative, the priest kindly requests to have the opportunity to read the remarks prior to the funeral.

Who will be providing the Remarks of Remembrance?

When will it be given? _____

Would you like to have a Funeral Luncheon?

The Women of St. Patrick (WSP) can provide your family and guests a funeral dinner in the fellowship hall of the Parish Center. We ask the family to pay for only the meat, scalloped potatoes, and rolls. Parish volunteers will provide a varied assortment of hot vegetables casseroles, cold vegetables, fresh fruit, fruit salads, and a variety of desserts. Coffee, tea, and lemonade are also provided. There is no charge for setting up, serving, or cleanup after the meal. This is voluntarily done by the Women of St. Patrick. **The cost per person generally runs approximately \$2.50. Both fried chicken and ham are provided. We can also provide just ham or just fried chicken at a cost of approximately \$1.50 per person.** The coordinators for the dinners will need to know, as soon as possible, preferably three days before the dinner, the approximate number of people you are expecting for the dinner so that food can be purchased parishioners contacted. The number of people expected can be given to either Father or the parish secretary (217-367-2665).

Would you like to have a luncheon at St. Patrick? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, estimate number attending _____

If there will be a burial,

will the luncheon be _____ before or _____ after the burial?

