

# FUNERAL PLANNING INFORMATION

**Parish** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone/Fax** \_\_\_\_\_

Most of the time, the death of a loved one is an emotional time. Because people are caught up in the emotion, they do not make clear decisions. This form is simply a help for them and for us to fulfill your desires at the time of your funeral. It will be kept on file in the Church office and will be kept private. Of course, the Church parish is interested only in the liturgical (rites, blessings, etc.) celebration of your funeral. **Please write legibly.** Other matters should be discussed / decided with your family members.

## About you:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle/Maiden: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your delegate:** (Someone -- family or friend -- who can speak for you at the time of your funeral.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a registered member of this parish? \_\_\_\_\_

**General Statement:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you already have a Funeral Plan / Pre-paid Arrangements with a Funeral Parlor?** \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**What are your preferences concerning:** (Example: Wake the night before at the funeral parlor.)

Burial/Cremation: \_\_\_\_\_

Wake: \_\_\_\_\_

**Eulogy:** If someone will be giving an eulogy, it must be given outside of Mass. This should be before Mass begins:

Visitation: \_\_\_\_\_

Eulogy by: \_\_\_\_\_

Funeral Mass: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to deceased: \_\_\_\_\_

## Masses, Flowers, Donations:

Masses: (Example: Prefer Masses to Flowers.)

Reason for Donations: (Example: Helped with fund raising for cancer research for years.)

Flowers: \_\_\_\_\_

Donations to: \_\_\_\_\_

# FUNERAL LITURGY

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## READINGS:

At most funeral Masses, there is 1 Old Testament reading, 1 Responsorial Psalm, and 1 New Testament reading that can be read by anyone. The Gospel must be read by the priest or deacon.

**O. T. Reading:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Read by:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Recommended: Job 19:1,23-27 / Wisdom 3:1-9 / Wisdom 4:7-15 / Isaiah 25:6-9 / Lamentations 3:17-26 / Daniel 12:1-3 / 2Maccabees 12:43-46)

**Responsorial Psalm:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Read by:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Recommended: Psalms: 23, 25, 27, 42, 43, 63, 103, 116, 122, 130, 143)

**N. T. Reading:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Read by:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Recommended: Acts 10:34-43 / Romans 5:5-11 / Romans 5:17-21 / Romans 6:3-9 / Romans 8:14-23 / Romans 8:31-39 / Romans 14:7-12 / 1 Corinthians 15:20-23 / 1 Corinthians 15:51-57 / 2 Corinthians 4:14-5:1 / 2 Corinthians 5:1,6-10 / Philippians 3:20-21 / 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 / 2 Timothy 2:8-13 / 1 John 3:1-2 / 1 John 3:14-16 / Revelation 14:13 / Revelation 20:11-21:1 / Revelation 21:1-7)

**Alleluia Verse:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Read by/Sung?** \_\_\_\_\_

(Recommended: Matthew 11:25 / Matthew 25:34 / John 3:16 / John 6:39 / John 6:40 / John 6:51a / John 11:25-26 / Philippians 3:20 / 2 Timothy 2:11b-12a / Revelation 1:5a-6b / Revelation 14:13)

**Gospel Reading:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Read by: Priest or Deacon**

(Recommended: Matthew 5:1-12 / Matthew 11:25-30 / Matthew 25:1-13 / Matthew 25:31-46 / Mark 15:33-39 / Luke 7:11-17 / Luke 12:35-40 / Luke 23:33,39-43 / Luke 23:44-46 / Luke 24:13-35 / John 5:24-29 / John 6:37-40 / John 6:51-58 / John 11:17-27 / John 11:32-45 / John 12:23-28 / John 14:1-6 / John 17:24-26 / John 19:17-18,25-30)

## Homily:

The homily is given by a priest or deacon. If anyone else wants to speak, the liturgy provides the opportunity but not in the context of the actual Mass.

## MUSIC:

\_\_\_\_\_ choir members are all volunteers and most of them have jobs. Arrangements must be made each time.

Music before Mass? \_\_\_\_\_ (This will usually be recorded / CD.)

Usually hymns are sung at the following places in the Mass. Hymns can be chosen from the Missalette, the Music Issue, or any approved Hymnal.

**Entrance Song:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Preparation of Gifts:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Communion:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meditation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recessional:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTE:** St. John of the Cross Parish offers coffee and doughnuts in the Community Center during the visitation time for our parishioners. The Community Center is available for refreshments after the funeral service for parishioners - for Ladies Guild members families, the Ladies provide the food; for K.C. members families, the K.C. Council provides the food; other families must provide their own food.

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Is there anything else that the parish, the priest, or the deacon should know about you? any special circumstances? before the funeral.

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