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Celebration of Life Funeral Planning



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Points to ponder

Who

Family
Friends
Priest or Deacon
Military Honor Guard

What

Casket/Cremation
Visitation
Vigil (with or without open sharing)

- Scripture Service
- Rosary
- Combination of Scripture and Rosary

Mass / Funeral Service

- Readings
- Music
- reflection – written (3-5 minutes) eulogy, song, poem

Luncheon – How many
Grave Service – Grave site or Chapel

Where

Funeral Home
Church
Cemetery

Why

Celebrate Life with us and now with God

How

Meet with Funeral home
Meet with Priest or Deacon

INTERCESSIONS FOR FUNERALS

The response to the Prayers is: **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

1. For _____, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that (**he/she**) may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

We pray to the Lord R./ **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

2. For our (brother/sister) who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that he/she may be raised up on the last day.

We pray to the Lord R./ **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

3. For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness.

We pray to the Lord R./ **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

4. For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face.

We pray to the Lord R./ **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

5. For the family and friends of our (brother/sister) _____, that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus.

We pray to the Lord R./ **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

6. For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God’s kingdom.

We pray to the Lord R./ **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

Funeral Readings Suggestions

First Readings

Ecclesiastics 3:1-8,14	Seasons
Proverbs 21:25	Mother / Wife
Wisdom 3:1-9	Hand of God
Sirach 3:2-7, 12-14	Father
Sirach 6:14-17	Friend
Wisdom 4:7-14	Shall be at rest
Isaiah 57:1-2	Just man

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8	Kept the faith
Romans 6:3-4, 8-9	Baptism into death
1 Thessalonians 4:13	Fallen asleep
Revelation 14:13	Die in the Lord
2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10	Courageous
2 Thessalonians 2:16-17	Encourage
2 Corinthians 4:16-18	Do not lose heart
2 Corinthians 4:14 – 5:1	Transition
2 Corinthians 12:31- 13:8	Love

Suggested Music for Funerals

	Song of Farewell
Amazing Grace	
Be Not Afraid	Come to His (Her) Aid
Behold the Lamb	Go Forth
Carry Me Home	Go Silent Friend (Tune of Danny Boy)
Come to Me	In Every Age
Eye Has Not Seen	May the Angel Lead You Into Paradise
Fly Like A Bird	
Go In Peace	Psalms
Hail Mary - Gentle Woman	Shepherd Me O God
Here I Am Lord	The Hand of God Shall Hold You
Hosea	The Lord Is Kind and Merciful
How Can I Keep From Singing	The Lord Is My Light
How Great Thou Art	The Lord Is My Shepherd
I Am the Bread of Life	To You O Lord, I Lift Up My Soul
I Can Only Imagine	
I Danced In the Morning	
I Have Loved You	
I Will Be With You	
Let There Be Peace on Earth	
Miracle of Grace	
On Eagles Wings	
Pastures of the Lord	Taste and See
Prayer of St. Francis	We Remember
Shall We Gather at the River	You Are Near
Shelter Me O God	
Sing A New Song	
Sing With All the Saints	

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Deceased _____ Age _____

Residence: _____

Next of kin _____ Relationship _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Date of Death _____ Cause of Death _____

Anointing of Sick _____ Priest _____

Funeral Home _____ Phone _____

Viewing Time _____

Vigil Service _____ Scripture/Rosary _____
(Date and time) (Minister)

Viewing in Narthex before Funeral Mass? Yes/No Time _____

Funeral Mass / Service _____
(Day Date Time)

Presider _____

Place of burial (cemetery) _____

Grave side service: Yes / No Committal at Church: Yes / No

Luncheon (Time and estimated number) _____

Special Requests:
