



St. William the Abbot
Roman Catholic Church

Dear Friends;

On behalf of the faith community of St. William the Abbot, please accept my sympathy at this time of your loss. It is an honor and privilege to walk with you now, and, in an effort to make the Funeral Liturgy a fitting tribute, we ask that you share some information about your loved one with us.

You are certainly not obligated to provide this information, though it does help us plan the most personal commemoration possible. In addition to the team at the Funeral Home, our staff at the Rectory Office is available to answer any questions about this planning process. Once you have finished, this paperwork can be given to your Funeral Director or directly to us as at St. William's by drop-off, email, or fax.

Please be assured of our prayers for you and your family, not only at this time, but in the weeks and months ahead as you navigate this new season of your family's history.

Rev. Joseph H. Fitzgerald
Pastor

Personal History

Name of the Deceased: _____

Nickname (If Any): _____ Date of Birth/Age: _____ / _____

Place of Birth: _____

Were they a parishioner of St. William's? Yes No If yes, for how many years? _____

They were single married for _____ years divorced separated

If married, where did they get married? _____

Spouse's Name: _____ Living Deceased

Mother's Name: _____ Living Deceased

Father's Name: _____ Living Deceased

Names of Brothers and Sisters: _____

Childrens' Names: _____

Number of Grandchildren: _____

Number of Great-Grandchildren: _____

Number of Nieces/Nephews: _____

Occupation/Vocation: _____

Military Service (include branch and rank): _____

First Responder Service: _____

Name of the Deceased: _____

Date of Funeral: ____ / ____ / ____

What are some of the qualities that made your loved one special? (Would you describe them as caring, a great listener, loving, hard-working, family-centered, overcame great obstacles, courageous, etc?)

Did they have any special interests or hobbies?

How did your loved one see their relationship with God? (Did they have any favorite saints, prayers, or devotions?)

What were the circumstances of your loved one's death (lingering, sudden, accident, etc.)?

Who were the primary caregivers during their illness (if applicable)?

Was your loved one a participant in any of our parish ministries/organizations (past or present)?

Other information you would like us to know:



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Funeral Liturgy Planning Sheet

Name of the Deceased: _____

Date of Funeral: ____ / ____ / ____

Sheet Prepared By: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Scripture Readings - *The Funeral Home can provide you with the book "Readings For the Funeral Mass" to assist you in choosing one Old Testament and one New Testament Reading. You may also indicate if a friend or family member will be reading the passage during Mass (or you can opt to have a member of our team read instead).*

1st Reading - Old Testament Choice (pages 3-10): Number _____

Name of person who will be reading (if any): _____

2nd Reading - New Testament Choice (pages 11-24): Number _____

Name of person who will be reading (if any): _____

Responsorial Psalm - *This will be sung by the Cantor. Choices can be found on the Funeral Liturgy Music Sheet.*

Presentation of the Gifts - *If you would like, please identify 2-4 friends or family members to present the gifts (Bread and Wine) to the Altar during the Mass. This is optional.*

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

Prayer of the Faithful - *If there any relatives/friends to be prayed for in addition to the deceased, please list them below:*

Music Requests - *If you would like to chose hymns, please see the accompanying Funeral Liturgy Music Sheet, or, if you prefer, our Music Ministry team will make the selections.*

Eulogies - *By direction of the Diocese of Rockville Centre's Office of Worship, eulogies are to be given at the wake, and are not permitted at the Funeral Mass.*

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Funeral Liturgy Music Sheet

The selections below represent appropriate hymn recommendations for a Funeral Liturgy. Please mark your preferences (one from each section) or you may leave an area blank, and our Music Ministry Team will provide a suitable song during the Mass.

Entrance Hymns

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Be Not Afraid (Dufford) | <input type="checkbox"/> For All the Saints (Williams) * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amazing Grace | <input type="checkbox"/> I Heard the Voice of Jesus (Kingsfold) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alleluia! Sing to Jesus * | <input type="checkbox"/> Jerusalem, My Happy Home (Land of Rest) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> O God, Our Help in Ages Past | <input type="checkbox"/> Christ Be Beside Me [Irish] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alleluia, The Strife is Over * | <input type="checkbox"/> In Christ Alone (Townsend) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Precious Lord, Take My Hand | <input type="checkbox"/> Here I Am, Lord (Schutte) |

Responsorial Psalms

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| <input type="checkbox"/> The Lord is My Shepherd | <input type="checkbox"/> The Lord is My Light (Alstott) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> To You, O Lord I Lift My Soul | <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter Me, O God (Hurd) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shepherd Me, O God (Haugen) | |

Presentation of the Gifts

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ave Maria (Shubert) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pie Jesu (Faure) * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I Have Loved You (Joncas) | <input type="checkbox"/> The King of Love, My Shepherd Is |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Be Not Afraid (Dufford) | <input type="checkbox"/> Lord of All Hopefulness (Slane) [Irish] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On Eagle's Wings (Joncas) | <input type="checkbox"/> Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling (Thompson) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Precious Lord, Take My Hand | <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter Me, O God (Hurd) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> This Alone (Manion) | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer of St. Francis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Christ Alone (Townsend) | <input type="checkbox"/> Come to Me (Weston Priory) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Where My Father Lives (Ridge) | <input type="checkbox"/> Eye Has Not Seen (Haugen) |

Communion Hymns

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gift of Finest Wheat (Kreutz) | <input type="checkbox"/> Be Not Afraid (Dufford) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On Eagle's Wings (Joncas) | <input type="checkbox"/> Precious Lord, Take My Hand |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Behold the Lamb (Willett) | <input type="checkbox"/> You Are Near (Schutte) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Christ Alone (Townsend) | <input type="checkbox"/> One Bread, One Body (Talbot) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carry Me Home (Modlin) | <input type="checkbox"/> The Lord is My Light (Walker) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eye Has Not Seen (Haugen) | |

Closing Hymns

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| <input type="checkbox"/> How Great Thou Art (Hine) | <input type="checkbox"/> For All the Saints (Williams) * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On Eagle's Wings (Joncas) | <input type="checkbox"/> Precious Lord, Take My Hand |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amazing Grace | <input type="checkbox"/> In Christ Alone (Townsend) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City of God | <input type="checkbox"/> I Know That My Redeemer Lives (Soper) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Here I Am, Lord (Schutte) | |

* Songs containing "Alleluia" cannot be used during the liturgical season of Lent (the period of time between Ash Wednesday and Easter)