



# Death to Life: Funeral Liturgy Preparation Sheet

Please fill in the following information & return this sheet to the Parish Priest.

Parish (circle): St. Patrick's, St. John the Baptist, Nativity of the BVM, Immaculate Conception

Name of Departed Loved One: \_\_\_\_\_

Living Spouse (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Main Contact for the Family: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact's Number & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the Funeral: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Pallbearers \_\_\_\_\_

Are you wanting Altar Servers yes / no If so, are you inviting them yes / no

Organist: \_\_\_\_\_ Cantor: \_\_\_\_\_

Old Testament Reading: (C1-C11) No. \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

Proclaimed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Responsorial: (D1-D10) No. \_\_\_\_\_ sung: yes / no

Psalms/Canticle Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

Proclaimed by: \_\_\_\_\_

New Testament Reading: (E1-E15) No. \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

Proclaimed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Gospel Reading: (G1-G19) No. \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

Proclaimed by: *The Priest or a Deacon*

There will be no General Intercessions per the 2009 options

Gifts Brought forward by \_\_\_\_\_

Burial Location: \_\_\_\_\_

### Christian Wake Service:

Are we having a Wake Service yes / no

The Rosary is prayed as part of the Christian Wake Service

Do you want family/friends to speak at the wake yes / no

*(Speeches are not delivered in the Funeral Mass)*

Where is the location of the Wake: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Using the Church is beautiful and an option)*

What time is the Wake Service: \_\_\_\_\_

The selection of Music:

Concerning Sacred Music, Saint Augustine wrote: "Music, that is the science or the sense of proper modulation, is likewise given by God's generosity to mortals having rational souls in order to lead them to higher things." Sacred Scripture calls for us to have music. From Exodus to the Psalms to Ephesians we hear that music is made for the Lord, and people sing to God. Sacred Music must be safe-guarded to ensure that it helps people encounter the Divine, while enhancing the Theology of the Liturgy. When we attend Holy Mass, we step outside the self and the world, into the Divine. **"Sacred music is for the glory of God and the sanctification and edification of the Faithful (SC 26)."**

As such the Catholic Church has some guidelines on Sacred Music:

- **All Music Selections must be of Liturgical Origin. No secular music such as country songs, pop songs, rock songs, etc.. may be used, even if it was a song about the Lord. Please do not ask for an exception to this rule (MS43).**
- Hymns that oppose Catholic Tradition are not allowed, even if they claim to be Christian.
- Classical Catholic compositions are normally appropriate in addition to what is found in the hymnal.
- Instruments are also important. In our High Plains Catholic Family we adhere to the teaching of Jesus in His Church. Thus, the organ takes precedence. The piano is allowed and is used often. You will need to talk to the Parish Priest about any other instruments.
  - Small quartets or ensembles of classical instruments may be used.
  - Outside of this, other instruments should not be used.

Processional Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Offertory Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Communion Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Meditation Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

*The Song of Farwell is sung*

Recessional Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

*Know of our prayers for you and for your loved one's soul. Eternal Rest grant unto them!*

**Some hymn suggestions can be found on the next page**

Just some possibilities for the funeral's hymns; feel free to look through the hymnal as well!

*Please note the 'Song of Farwell' is always song as a part of the Commendation Rite.*

*Also, due to theological errors and legal accusations, we cannot play selections by David Haas.*

**Processional:**

- The King of Love My Shepherd Is
- I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
- O God Our Help in Ages Past
- Healing River of the Spirit
- Comfort, Comfort O My People
- The Church's One Foundation
- Glory in the Cross
- Lift High the Cross

**Offertory:**

- At the Cross Her Station Keeping
- Christ be Our Light
- Abide with Me
- Be Still, My Soul
- What Wondrous Love is This
- Lord Whose Love in Humble Service
- The King Shall Come
- My Soul in Stillness Waits
- Like a Shepherd He Leads His Flock
- Faithful Cross O Tree of Beauty

**Communion:**

- Jesus My Lord, My God, My All
- This is Jesus
- Abide O Lord
- Worthy is the Lamb
- How Beautiful
- Pange Lingua
- O Salutaris Hostia
- At the Lamb's High Feast
- Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
- Song of the Lord's Supper
- You are Both Lamb and Shepherd
- Behold the Lamb

**Mediation:**

- Lord of All Hopefulness
- Now Let Your Servant go in Peace
- To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King
- Ave Maria
- Praise My Soul the King of Heaven
- Of the Father's Love Begotten
- Be Thou My Vision
- These Alone

**Recessional:**

- Precious Lord, Take My Hand
- I Know that My Redeemer Lives
- Amazing Grace
- How Great Thou Art
- Alleluia Sing to Jesus
- Go Forth (Christian Soul, from this World)
- Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise