

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Please select one Old Testament and one New Testament reading. As in all choices, if you prefer, the priest can make these choices for you. A family member or a friend may read the scripture or the ministering priest/lector will do the readings for you.

MUSIC REQUESTS

Choose one song from each category and return page 3 of 2. As in all choices, the Music Ministry can select the songs for you. For more information, please call Glenn Kaiser at 347-286-4076.

INTERCESSIONS

You may add names, if you desire, to the final intercession. You may choose a family member or friend to read the intercessions or the priest/lector can read them for you. (The intercessions are on return page 2 of 3.)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE

Two family members or friends may bring up the Gifts of Bread and Wine.

EULOGY (OPTIONAL)

One short eulogy may be delivered during Mass – this is strictly optional and should be no longer than 3 minutes and prepared in writing.

Poems, essays and quotes which will be incorporated in the Remembrance must be approved beforehand to make sure they are consistent with Catholic doctrine (fax them to the Rectory the day before (718) 351-0824.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The New Day Bereavement Group, a journey from grief to healing for people coping with the loss of a loved one is available at St. Patrick's Rectory at 7:30pm every other Tuesday. For more information visit us online at www.stpatrickssi.org or call 718-979-4227.

**PLEASE FAX (718-351-0824) THE FOLLOWING THREE PAGES
TO THE RECTORY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

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NAME _____ DATE OF DEATH _____

ALSO KNOW AS _____ AGE _____

FUNERAL HOME _____ DATE & TIME _____

FAMILY CONTACT _____ CONTACT PHONE _____

LITURGY OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING _____ READ BY: _____

NEW TESTAMENT READING _____ READ BY: _____

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (Return Page 2 of 3) READ BY: _____

MUSIC SELECTIONS – SEPARATE SHEET MARKED RETURN PAGE 3 OF 3

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

NAMES OF THOSE WHO WILL BRING UP THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE:

OPTIONAL – THE EULOGY IS GIVEN BY ONE PERSON FROM A PREPARED TEXT NOT TO EXCEED 3 MINUTES.

WILL THERE BE A EULOGY? YES _____ NO _____

EULOGY DELIVERED BY: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS: SPOUSE, NAMES AND AGES OF THE DECEASED CHILDREN (ATTENDED SPS, RECEIVED SACRAMENTS HERE) ANY CONNECTION TO SPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO MENTION. DECEASED HOBBIES, FAVORITE TIMES AND ACTIVITIES, SPECIAL QUALITIES HE OR SHE IS REMEMBERED FOR, ETC.

Reader comes to the stand, then the priest begins with these or similar words:

God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead.

Reader:

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

4. **For the family and friends of _____, 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.

5. **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.

6. **For our deceased friends and relatives, especially _____**

That they may have the reward of their goodness. We pray to the Lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader remains at the reading stand while the priest concludes: God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people: hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters. Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. Patrick's Church Funeral Music Suggestions (12/14)

(All music must be pre-approved by the Music Director. If you prefer, the Music Ministry will arrange appropriate hymns and songs for you.)

Name of Deceased: _____ Celebrant: _____

Date of Funeral: _____ Time: _____

GATHERING

Be Not Afraid
Amazing Grace
Here I am Lord
Give him/her eternal rest O Lord
On Eagle's Wings

PSALMS

The Lord is my Shepherd (Ps. 23)
Shepherd me O God
The Lord is kind and merciful (Ps. 103)
The Lord is my Light and my Salvation (Ps. 27)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Ave Maria
The Prayer of St. Francis--
--(Make me a channel of your peace)
Lady of Knock
You are Mine
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Come Follow me and live

COMMUNION

One Bread, One Body
Lord, You have come to the Seashore --
--(Pescador de Hombres)
Gift of Finest Wheat
Morning Has Broken --
--(This Day God Gives Me)
The Wind Beneath my Wings
You Raise me Up
I'll Walk with God

SONG OF FAREWELL

Saints of God, Come to His/Her aid
Celtic Song of Farewell--(Danny Boy melody)
Songs of the Angels

RECESSIONAL

On Eagle's Wings
I am the Bread of Life--(I will Raise You Up)
Mine Eyes have seen the Glory-(Battle Hymn)
How Great Thou Art

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS FOR FUNERALS

OT 1 - FIRST READING

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom

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

*They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead;
and their passing away was thought an affliction
and they're 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.*

The Word of the Lord.

OT4. A blameless life is a ripe old age (Wisdom 4:7-15)

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom

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.

The Word of the Lord.

OT5. The Lord God will destroy death forever (Isaiah 25: 6a, 7-9)

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah

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 Word of the Lord.

OT-EC. There is an appointed time for everything (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes

There is an appointed time for everything,

and a time for every affair under the heavens.

A time to be born, and a time to die;

a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant.

A time to kill, and a time to heal;

a time to tear down, and a time to build.

A time to weep, and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn, and a time to dance.

A time to scatter stones, and a time to gather them;

a time to embrace, and a time to be far from embraces.

A time to seek, and a time to lose;

a time to keep, and a time to cast away.

A time to rend, and a time to sew;

a time to be silent, and a time to speak.

A time to love, and a time to hate;

a time of war, and a time of peace.

The Word of the Lord.

OT-PROV. The woman who fears the Lord is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10, 25-31)

A Reading from the Book of Proverbs

*When one finds a worthy wife,
her value is far beyond pearls.
She is clothed with strength and dignity,
and she laughs at the days to come.
She opens her mouth in wisdom,
and on her tongue is kindly counsel.
She watches the conduct of her household,
and eats not her food in idleness.
Her children rise up and praise her;
her husband, too, extols her:
“Many are the women of proven worth,
but you have excelled them all.”
Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting;
the woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
Give her a reward of her labors,
and let her works praise her at the city gates.*

The Word of the Lord.

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS FOR FUNERALS

NT 1 - 2ND READING

A Reading from the Book of Revelation

I saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race.

He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away."

The one who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give a gift from the spring of life-giving water. The victor will inherit these gifts, and I shall be his God, and he will be my son."

The Word of the Lord.

NT5. What will separate us from the love of Christ? (Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39)

A Reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters:

If God is for us, who can be against us?

*He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all,
how will he not also give us everything else along with him?*

Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones?

It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn?

*It is Christ Jesus who died, rather, was raised,
who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.*

What will separate us from the love of Christ?

Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?

No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us.

*For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,
nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height,
nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

The Word of the Lord.

NT6. Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. (Romans 14:7-9)

A Reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters:

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

*For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord;
so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.*

*For this is why Christ died and came to life,
that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.*

The Word of the Lord.

NT12. Thus we shall always be with the Lord (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)

A Reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians

*We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters,
about those who have fallen asleep,
so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope.
For if we believe that Jesus died and rose,
so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep.
Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord,
that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord,
will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep.
For the Lord himself, with a word of command,
with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God,
will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.
Then we who are alive, who are left,
will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.
Thus we shall always be with the Lord.
Therefore, console one another with these words.
The Word of the Lord.*

NT-TI. I have finished the race, I have kept the faith (2 Timothy 4:6-8)

A Reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy

*I, Paul, am already being poured out like a libation,
and the time of my departure is at hand.
I have competed well;
I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.
From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me,
which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day,
and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance.
The Word of the Lord*