

# St. Monica Church

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## Funeral Mass Planning Sheet

*A Guide for Family Participation*

We have provided this "Funeral Planning Sheet - A Guide for Family Participation" in order to assist bereaved family members in the preparation of the funeral Mass. When completed, this sheet is either given to the Parish Staff Member at the funeral home following the prayer service, or can be faxed to the parish by the funeral director. **Fax: 216-662-1245**

**Name of Deceased:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phonetic Spelling of Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What form of the deceased's name should be used during the Mass?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Arrival at the Church:** As the funeral begins, the funeral pall is placed upon the casket as a reminder of the baptismal garment. Family members are asked to assist in placing the funeral pall on the casket.

**Scripture Readings:** Family members may select scripture readings from below, and also come forward to proclaim the reading during the funeral Mass. Only one readings is necessary and may be taken from either the Old Testament or the New Testament. If two readings are to be used, then please choose one of each. Scriptural readings at Mass may only be taken from the Catholic Lectionary and may not be altered in any way. Readings from any other versions of the Bible are not permitted by liturgical law. Only one reader is permitted for each reading. A single reading may not be divided up into parts among readers.

### Old Testament Readings

- \_\_\_ *Wisdom 3:1-6,9* "The souls of the just are in the hand of God and no torment shall touch them."
- \_\_\_ *Isaiah 26:6a,7-9* "The Lord will destroy death forever, let us rejoice in that he has saved us."
- \_\_\_ *Lamentations 3:17-26* "It is good to wait in silence for the Lord God to save."
- \_\_\_ *Ecclesiastes 3:1-11* "There is an appointed time for everything..."
- \_\_\_ *Other* (if you wish to choose another reading from the Catholic Lectionary, you may do so)

### New Testament Readings

- \_\_\_ *Acts 10:34-36, 42-43* "God has appointed Jesus as the judge of all people living or dead."
- \_\_\_ *Romans 6:3-4,8-9* "Let us walk in newness of life."
- \_\_\_ *I Corinthians 15:51-57* "Death is swallowed up in victory."
- \_\_\_ *Philippians 3:20-21* "Our citizenship is in heaven."
- \_\_\_ *Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7* "There will be no more death."
- \_\_\_ *Other* (if you wish choose another reading from the Catholic Lectionary, you may do so) \_\_\_\_\_

**Who will read the above passages?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Offertory Gifts:** Two Family members may come forward with the gifts of bread and wine. The gifts are on a table near the first pew. The presider will indicate the appropriate time to bring the gifts forward.

**Names of Presenters:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Words of Remembrance:** Eulogies may only be done with advanced permission of the presiding minister. By Diocesan Policy, this is to be done by only one person. The content should be no more than one type written page and must be submitted to the presiding minister the evening before the funeral.

**Notes on the Life of the Deceased:** Below please include any notes about the deceased that would be helpful to the presider in preparing the homily on a separate sheet.

***Be sure to fax both sides of this sheet!***

**Suggested Songs and Hymns** Families may choose from each category below, if they so wish. Any category left blank will be filled in by the Presider or Music Director. *This is not an exhaustive list, and other appropriate suggestions may be made.* Given the shortness of notice, we cannot guarantee requests that do not appear on this sheet, but we will make every effort to accommodate your need.

### Gathering Song

- \_\_\_ All Creatures of Our God and King (*not during Lent*)
- \_\_\_ All I Ask of You
- \_\_\_ Amazing Grace
- \_\_\_ Be Not Afraid
- \_\_\_ Eye Has Not Seen
- \_\_\_ Gather Us In
- \_\_\_ Here I Am, Lord
- \_\_\_ Hold Us in Your Mercy
- \_\_\_ Remember Your Love
- \_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

### Responsorial Psalm

- \_\_\_ Be With Me, Lord (Ps. 91)
- \_\_\_ Center of My Life (Ps. 16)
- \_\_\_ How Lovely is Your Dwelling Place (Ps. 84)
- \_\_\_ My Shepherd is the Lord (Ps. 23 trad.)
- \_\_\_ My Soul is Thirsting (Ps. 63)
- \_\_\_ On Eagle's Wings (Ps. 92)
- \_\_\_ Remember Your Love (Ps. 130)
- \_\_\_ Shepherd Me, O God (Ps. 23 modified)
- \_\_\_ The Cry of the Poor (ps. 34)
- \_\_\_ The Goodness of the Lord (Ps. 27)
- \_\_\_ To You, O Lord (Haugen) (Ps. 25)
- \_\_\_ To You, O Lord (Soper) (Ps. 25)
- \_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

### Gospel Acclamation

Setting from the "Mass of Creation"

### Presentation Song

- \_\_\_ Above All
- \_\_\_ All I Ask of You
- \_\_\_ As the Deer Longs
- \_\_\_ Breathe
- \_\_\_ Earthen Vessels
- \_\_\_ Eye Has Not Seen
- \_\_\_ I Have Loved You
- \_\_\_ Only in God
- \_\_\_ Parable
- \_\_\_ Prayer of St. Francis
- \_\_\_ Precious Lord
- \_\_\_ Softly and Tenderly
- \_\_\_ The Servant Song
- \_\_\_ There is a Longing
- \_\_\_ These Alone are Enough
- \_\_\_ Thy Word
- \_\_\_ Turn To Me

### Mass Parts

Setting from the "Mass of Creation"

### Communion Song

- \_\_\_ Be Not Afraid
- \_\_\_ Behold the Lamb
- \_\_\_ Center of My Life
- \_\_\_ Gift of Finest Wheat
- \_\_\_ I Am the Bread of Life
- \_\_\_ Now We Remain
- \_\_\_ On Eagle's Wings
- \_\_\_ Remember Your Love
- \_\_\_ There is a Longing
- \_\_\_ Ubi Caritas (Rosania)
- \_\_\_ We Have Been Told
- \_\_\_ We Remember
- \_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

### Reflection Song (*Optional*)

- \_\_\_ Angelsco Cescenje (Slovenian)
- \_\_\_ Ave Maria (Schubert)
- \_\_\_ Hail Mary, Gentle Woman
- \_\_\_ Holy is Your Name
- \_\_\_ On This Day, O Beautiful Mother
- \_\_\_ Serdeczna Matko (Polish)
- \_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

### Final Commendation

Setting from "Songs of the Angels"

### Sending Forth

- \_\_\_ Amazing Grace
- \_\_\_ City of God
- \_\_\_ Glory and Praise to Our God
- \_\_\_ Holy God, We Praise Thy Name
- \_\_\_ How Can I Keep From Singing
- \_\_\_ How Great Thou Art
- \_\_\_ Jesus, Remember Me
- \_\_\_ O God, Our Help in Ages Past
- \_\_\_ On Eagle's Wings
- \_\_\_ The Strife is O'er (*not during Lent*)
- \_\_\_ Though the Mountains May Fall
- \_\_\_ We Will Rise Again
- \_\_\_ You are Mine
- \_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_