

SACRED HEART FUNERAL PLANNING GUIDE - MUSIC

Preface

Deepest sympathies are offered to you on the loss of your loved one. This guide will assist you in planning the funeral liturgy in order to make this process easier on you and your family during your time of loss. After you have determined the time for the service with the Funeral Home and the Pastor, the family is to contact and meet with the Director of Music to discuss the music selections.

Music

- Family members may suggest musical selections that were meaningful to the deceased, as long as they are generally well known, are sacred texts, and are theologically sound with Catholic teachings.
- The Director of Music is the default musician for all funerals at Sacred Heart.
- If the family requests an outside member or a small ensemble of Sacred Heart Parish to serve as a cantor or a group of musicians, arrangements for approval must be made with the Director of Music.
- Since the Funeral Mass is a rite of the Church, the music must be of a sacred nature.
- Secular music and recorded music are **not** allowed.
- The St. Michael Hymnal is the principal source for hymn selections.
- Protestant hymns, Praise & Worship literature that are Protestant in nature, and some contemporary Catholic hymns will **not** be considered. (E.g. Amazing Grace, I'll Fly Away, How Great Thou Art, Fly Like A Bird, etc.)

Stipends

- Cantor(s) stipend is \$75.00 but at the discretion if the individual accepts it.
- When the Director of Music is not chosen as the primary musician, the stipend is at the discretion of the musician(s).

Funeral Music Selections

Processional Hymns

- Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise – #419
- Eternal Father, Strong to Save (**Option for Veterans**) – #506
- Faith of Our Fathers – #508
- God of Our Fathers (**Option for Veterans**) – #529
- Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer – #536
- Hail, Queen of Heaven The Ocean Star – #540
- I Heard A Voice of Jesus Say - #563
- Jerusalem, My Happy Home – #583
- Lord Of All Hopefulness – #617
- O God, Our Help In Ages Past – #658
- O Sanctissima (Virgin Full of Grace) – #684
- The King Of Love My Shepherd Is – #783

***Responsorial Psalm**

- Ps 23 The Lord Is My Shepherd
- Ps 25 To You, O Lord, I Lift My Soul
- Ps 27 The Lord Is My Light And My Salvation
- Ps 63 My Soul Is Thirsting
- Ps 103 The Lord Is Kind And Merciful
- Ps 116 I Will Walk In The Presence Of The Lord, In The Land Of The Living

Offertory Hymns

- *Ave Maria by Franz Schubert
- Be Still, My Soul – #446
- Hail, O Star of Ocean – #539
- Hail, Queen of Heaven The Ocean Star – #540
- *Irish Blessing (source: Breaking Bread)
- O Sanctissima (Virgin Full of Grace) – #684
- *Only In God (source: Breaking Bread)
- Prayer of Saint Francis – #721
- Requiem Aeternum (Eternal Rest Grant To Them) Gregorian Chant – #729
- Sing Of Mary – #748
- Star Above The Ocean – #763
- Sub Tuum Praesidium (Beneath Your Protection) Marian Gregorian Chant – #766

Eucharist Hymns (Choose up to 3)

- *Ave Maria by Franz Schubert
- Behold The Lamb – #449
- *Bread of Angels (source: Breaking Bread)
- Draw Near and Take the Body of Thy Lord – #501
- Hail, True Victim, Life and Light – #545
- *I Am The Bread of Life (source: Breaking Bread)
- Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All – #587
- Lord, Who at Thy First Eucharist – #619
- O Jesus We Adore Thee (O Sacrament Most Holy) – #664
- O Living Bread from Heaven – #667
- Panis Angelicus – #710
- *Panis Angelicus by Cesar Franck
- Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless – #743
- We Hail Thy Presence Glorious – #820

Final Commendation

- Saints Of God, Come To His/Her Aid (non-changeable)

Recessional

- In Paradisium
- Or a hymn selection from the processional hymn listing

Music selections marked with an asterisk (*) are the only ones chosen from outside of the St. Michael Hymnal. Otherwise any other requests will have to be approved by the Director of Music.