



CATHOLIC PARISH—A PEOPLE CALLED TO PROCLAIM THE GOOD NEWS

# *Funeral Liturgy Planning Guide*



*9451 Brandywine Road  
Northfield Ohio, 44067  
Phone 330-467-7959*

*[www.stbarnabasfamily.org](http://www.stbarnabasfamily.org)*

(Revision Date – October, 2023)

Dear Friend,

Because you are reading this, I presume that either you or someone close to you has experienced the death of someone that you know and love and care about. The experience of the death of a loved one is never easy. The tears that come are both a natural and a healthy sign of the love that has been and is present for the one who has died. When it comes to planning the funeral of a loved one, the funeral rites of the Church are meant to both acknowledge the grief that we experience and at the same time give us a message of forgiveness, of hope and of resurrection.

It is a great honor to plan the funeral for someone who has died. I hope you will find this guide a help in doing that so that the life of one unique and loved individual will be appropriately remembered and celebrated. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call St. Barnabas parish Office at 330-467-7959 to speak with one of the priests or any of the parish staff members who will try to assist you in any way that we can.

Above all, this is meant to be a prayerful time. Please know that you will be remembered in prayer as will be all those who have recently experienced the death of someone close to them. We join the whole Church in praying for all those who have died, that they may quickly come to the fullness of life that God has promised, remembering that “No eye has ever seen, nor any ear heard, nor has it so much as dawned on anyone what God has prepared for those who love Him.” (1 Corinthians 2:9)

With sympathy and prayers,

Fr. James Kulway  
Pastor  
St. Barnabas Parish



This booklet has been prepared by the parish community of St. Barnabas to assist your family in planning the Mass of Christian Burial for your loved one. We hope that by choosing your own readings, music, and ritual movements, you and your family might share more fully in the liturgy, and express your care and love for the deceased. Enclosed with this booklet is a liturgy planning form. Please complete the form, and return it to the parish office as soon as possible. If you need assistance, a parish staff member will gladly provide help. Be assured of the prayers and concern of our parish during this time of sorrow.



When your planning is complete, this booklet is for you to keep as a prayer resource. It is our hope that the Word of God will bring you comfort and healing during this difficult time.

## General Information

### Catholic Funerals

*In the face of death, the Church confidently proclaims that God has created each person for eternal life and that Jesus, the Son of God, by his death and resurrection, has broken the chains of sin and death that bound humanity. The Order of Christian Funerals is divided into three groups of rites that correspond to the three ritual movements in the funeral of Christians. These three movements form one procession from the funeral home to the church and to the cemetery and include: the Vigil service (wake), the Funeral Liturgy and the Rite of Committal. It is the usual custom that the funeral of Christians includes these three movements. Although this is customary, other options may be available.*

### Cremation

*In recent years, the Catholic Church has lifted the prohibition against the practice of cremation and has revised the rites for services with cremated remains. While the church favors cremation after the funeral liturgy, it realizes that financial constraints or other circumstances may result in the desire for cremation before the funeral service. The cremated remains of a body should be treated with the same respect given to the human body from which they come. This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains can be brought into the church for the Funeral Mass. Typically, a minister will accompany the cremated remains to the cemetery for committal after the funeral. Whenever possible, appropriate means for recording with dignity the memory of the deceased should be adopted, such as a plaque or stone which records the name of the deceased. The church discourages the practice of dividing or scattering cremated remains. It is possible to have a picture of the deceased placed in the entrance of the church or near the remains.*

### Times for Funeral Masses

*According to diocesan guidelines, funeral Masses can be held on any day of the year except a Sunday, a Holy Day or during the Sacred Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday).*

### Mass Program Booklets

*Our parish will prepare a funeral booklet for the funeral Mass. To assist in preparing the funeral booklet, please complete The Mass of Christian Burial Form on pages 7 and 8 of this Funeral Guide. If you would like a photo of your loved one on the front cover, we can use the one provided to the funeral home or you can e-mail a picture to [parishoffice@barnabasohio.org](mailto:parishoffice@barnabasohio.org), or bring the picture to the Parish Office. It is important that the information (readings, songs, etc.) is received in the parish office as soon as possible, no later than the day before the liturgy.*

### Ministers

- **Readers:** *Family members or friends are encouraged to proclaim the readings from Sacred Scripture at the funeral Mass and to read the Universal Prayers. Please try to choose individuals with clear speaking voices, as the Word proclaimed is meant to bring comfort to those who have gathered to pray. It is helpful to give the readers a copy of the reading before the liturgy so that they may prepare. If you wish the parish to provide readers to proclaim the Scriptures, please indicate this on the planning form.*
- **Music Ministers:** *Max Menkhaus, Director of Music Ministry serves as Organist/Pianist/Cantor for each funeral Mass at St. Barnabas. In hardship cases, the musicians fee can be waived or reduced. Please let the church and/or funeral director know if there is a hardship. If you would like to hire additional instruments, or another keyboardist or singer in addition to Max, please call the Parish Office at 330-467-7959 x143.*

*The parish music director provides professional services as an organist, pianist and singer. If you would like a family member, or friend of the family to play or sing in addition to Max, they must be available to meet with him forty-five minutes prior to the funeral. Please inform the office as soon as possible of this request. Following Diocesan recommendations, recordings are not permitted at Funeral Masses. Please select songs from page 9 of this booklet.*

- **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:** *Family members or friends who are commissioned Eucharistic Ministers are welcome to serve at this time. Please make the priest aware of the number of ministers available.*
- **Visiting Priests:** *Visiting priests are welcome to celebrate or concelebrate the Mass. Please inform a priest from St. Barnabas.*

### **Funeral Luncheons by Helping Hands**

*Helping Hands is a group of volunteers who minister to those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. Following a funeral, this ministry provides a luncheon for up to 70 people. The cost is minimal to the family. The meal is catered while our committee members serve and provide bakery and beverages in a relaxed atmosphere. The luncheons are held in Bedell Commons. If you are in need of this service, please notify the Parish Office when making funeral arrangements. (Currently unavailable.)*

### **Memorial Offerings**

- *Masses for the intentions of the deceased can be requested through our parish or any parish church. The usual stipend for these Masses is \$10. Saint Barnabas can schedule one Mass on a weekend or a total of two Masses per year for each household, based on availability. Mass intentions are a wonderful way to remember our loved ones' birthdays and anniversaries.*
- *Our Rosary Path is a wonderful place to walk and reflect. It is also an opportunity to remember and pray for the deceased members of our families and friends. The walkway is composed of 4x8 and 8x8 pavers. You will be able to memorialize deceased family members and friends by having their names engraved on the bricks. With their names engraved in stone, their intention will be remembered for years to come.*

*The 4x8 pavers are \$50 and the 8x8 pavers are \$100 each. On the 4x8 paver, there is room for three lines of 14 characters and on the 8x8 paver you may have six lines of 14 characters. Spaces are counted as one space.*

*If you would like to purchase a brick, please fill out the form on page 38 and return it to the rectory.*

### **Donation to St. Barnabas Church**

- *In addition to Mass Intentions or Memorial Rosary Path Pavers, a donation to St. Barnabas Parish can be made in the memory of the deceased. This donation can be used to help fund a specific purchase/activity, identified by the donor or the family of the deceased, or allow St. Barnabas to use the donation for any of the Parish's ministries.*



# St. Barnabas Mass of Christian Burial Form

**Please give this form to the Parish Office or presiding minister at least 24 hours before the Funeral Mass or email it to ParishOffice@barnabasohio.org**

We ask your family to use the Funeral Liturgy Planning Guide to assist you in preparing your loved one's funeral liturgy. Please also give copies of the scripture readings to those who will proclaim them so that they can practice. The presiding minister can also give you a copy of the readings.

Name of Deceased \_\_\_\_\_  
(as you would like it to appear on the program)

Date of Funeral \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_ Presider \_\_\_\_\_

Next of Kin \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

- Do you want the birth and death dates listed in the program? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you want a picture of your loved one in the program? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, indicate if you would like to use the picture provided to the funeral home \_\_\_\_\_ or email or bring the picture to the Parish Office. If you are not using a picture of your loved one, we can use other religious pictures for the front of the program.
- A **white cloth**, called a pall, is unfolded and laid over the casket at the beginning of Mass (omitted with an urn/cremains). Please tell the funeral director if your family would like to do this. Please list the family members placing the pall if you would like them printed in the program.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

- **Songs:** On page 9 of this guide is a selection of religious music. Please choose four, and list them here. If there is another song that you would like; please list it, and we will try our best. The musician(s) will determine a proper order, but if you want a specific song at a specific time (entrance, offertory, communion, recessional, etc), please list your preference.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- **Musicians:** Organist/pianist and cantor are required at every funeral service of Mass in the church. In hardship cases the fee can be waived or reduced. To inquire about providing your own musician or an extra instrumentalist (flute, cello, violin, oboe and guitar) call the parish office, 330-467-7959 x143.
- **Words of Remembrance** may be spoken on behalf of the family at the beginning of Mass. This would usually be done by one person and be no longer than 2 to 4 minutes in length. If someone will speak on behalf of the family and you would like their name in the program, please list the name of the person.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_



- **First Scripture Reading** (see pages 12 - 16 of the Funeral Liturgy Planning Guide - During the Easter season (from Easter Monday through Pentecost); please choose one of the readings on pages 15 and 16 to be used as a first reading instead of a passage from the Old Testament. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proclaimed by:  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Responsorial Psalm** (see pages 17 – 20 of the Funeral Liturgy Planning Guide) \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Second Scripture Reading** (see pages 21 - 25 of the Funeral Liturgy Planning Guide) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proclaimed by:  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Gospel** (see pages 26 – 34 of the Funeral Liturgy Planning Guide) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (will be proclaimed by priest or deacon)
  
- **Universal Prayers** can be proclaimed by the presiding minister, deacon or a family member. If read by a family member, list their name below and let the presiding minister know. If listed, their name will be printed in the program.  
 Proclaimed by:  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Presentation of the Gifts** (choose 2 or 3 people) and list their names below for the program:  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Eucharistic Ministers** (choose commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist) and list their names below for the program:  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Pall Bearers:** Please list the names below as you would like them printed in the program.  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Memories:** In order to help the priest make the homily more personal, it would help if you would either record your thoughts or call the priest to talk about your loved one. For example, you may want to include family members, work done, hobbies, involvements, personality, faith involvement, etc.
  
- Would you like any additional personal notes of thanks included on the back of the program? If so, please attach to this form.
  
- How many programs do you anticipate you will need for those in attendance? \_\_\_\_\_



## St. Barnabas Funeral Song List

Listed below are standard songs for funerals. If you want a song not listed, we will try our best. In that case, please consult the musician.

Hymn Title	Composer	Ent.	Off.	Comm.	Reflect.	Closing
All Creatures of Our God and King	St. Francis of Assisi	X				X
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!	William C. Dix			X	X	X
Amazing Grace	John Newton	X	X		X	X
Ave Maria	Franz Schubert		X			
Be Not Afraid	Bob Dufford	X	X	X		X
Behold the Lamb	Martin Willett			X		
Blest Are They	David Haas	X	X	X		X
Christ, Be Our Light!	Bernadette Farrell	X	X	X		X
Christ the Lord is Risen Today	Charles Wesley	X				X
City of God	Dan Schutte					X
Come to the Water	John Foley/Matt Maher	X	X			
Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled	David Haas		X			
Eye Has Not Seen	Marty Haugen	X	X	X		
Hail Mary: Gentle Woman	Carey Landry		X			
Here I Am, Lord	Dan Schutte	X	X	X	X	X
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name	Grosser Gott	X	X	X	X	X
Holy is Your Name	David Haas		X	X	X	
How Can I Keep From Singing?	Robert Lowry		X		X	
How Great Thou Art	Stuart K. Hine	X	X			X
I am the Bread of Life	Suzanne Toolan			X		
I Have Loved You	Michael Joncas		X			
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say	Horatius Bonar	X	X			X
In Every Age	Janet Sullivan Whitaker		X	X		
Jesus Christ is Risen Today	Charles Wesley	X				X
Jesus, Remember Me	Jacques Berthier		X			X
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You	Henry van Dyke	X				X
Lord of All Hopefulness	Jan Struther		X		X	
Make Me A Channel of Your Peace	Sebastian Temple		X			
O God Beyond All Praising	Michael Perry	X	X	X	X	X
O God, You Search Me	Bernadette Farrell		X			
On Eagle's Wings	Michael Joncas		X			
One Bread, One Body	John Foley			X		
Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness	Rusty Edwards	X				X
Precious Lord, Take My Hand	Thomas A. Dorsey		X			
Quietly, Peacefully	Lori True		X			
Sing a New Song	Dan Schutte	X				X
Sing with All the Saints in Glory	William J. Irons	X				X
Take and Eat	Michael Joncas			X		
We Have Been Told	David Haas		X			
We Shall Rise Again	Jeremy Young	X	X			X
We Walk By Faith	Marty Haugen	X	X			X
You Are Mine	David Haas	X	X	X	X	X
You Are Near	Dan Schutte		X			
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart	Omer Westendorf			X		

# The Mass of Christian Burial

## Introductory Rites

**Greeting** - *The priest, ministers and the assembly greet the body at the entrance (vestibule) of the Church.*

**Sprinkling with Holy Water** - *After all have gathered, the body is blessed with holy water that reminds us of the saving waters of baptism.*

**Placing of the Pall** - *A white cloth or “pall” is unfolded and laid over the casket at the beginning of Mass. This cloth symbolizes the baptismal garment of our Catholic faith. Family members are encouraged to take part in this ritual at the liturgy.*

**Entrance Procession and Song** - *While the processional song is played, the casket is then processed to the front of the church near the Paschal Candle, the sign of the light of Christ and the eternal life into which we are born and die with him.*

## Opening Prayer

**Words of Remembrance** - *There are times when a family member or friend may wish to speak in memory of the deceased. This option is always possible, but not necessary. This would usually be done by one person and be no longer than 2 to 4 minutes in length. If you wish to include words of remembrance at Mass, please note this on the planning form and check with the presiding priest.*

**First Reading** - *The first reading is always taken from the Hebrew Scriptures or the “Old Testament”. Please choose one of the readings on pages 12 - 16 and indicate your choice on the attached planning form.*

*During the Easter season (from Easter Monday through Pentecost); please choose one of the readings on pages 15 and 16 to be used as a first reading instead of a passage from the Old Testament.*

**Responsorial Psalm** - *The psalm is always sung at the funeral liturgy. Please choose a psalm from one of the selections on pages 17 - 20 and the music minister will lead the assembly in singing the response.*

**Second Reading** - *The second reading is always taken from the “New Testament”. Please choose one of the readings on pages 21 - 25 and indicate your choice on the attached planning form.*

**Gospel** - *The Gospel is always proclaimed by the priest or deacon. Please choose one of the Gospel readings on pages 26 - 34 and mark your selection on the planning form.*

**Homily** - *The homily breaks open the Word of God and helps relate it to the life of the deceased. Family members may wish to write down some notes about the deceased to share with the priest.*

**Universal Prayers** - *These prayers may be offered by a family member or friend.*

**Presentation of the Gifts and Song** - *Family members or friends are strongly encouraged to present the gifts of bread and wine at Mass. Please choose two or three individuals to bring up the gifts.*

### **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**Eucharistic Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Sign of Peace**

**Distribution of Communion and Song**

**Prayer after Communion**

### **Final Commendation**

**Invitation to Prayer**

**Song of Farewell** - *A song is sung as the casket is being incensed; a sign of our prayers, thoughts and petitions rising up to God and an acknowledgement of the sacred nature of the body.*

**Prayer of Commendation**

**Procession to the Place of Committal and Closing Song** - *The casket is processed to the back of the church with family following.*

## Liturgy of the Word

### First Readings

- (1) He acted in an excellent and noble way as he had the resurrection of the dead in view.  
(2 Maccabees 12:43-46)**

#### **A reading from the second Book of Maccabees**

Judas [the ruler of Israel] took up a collection among all his soldiers, amounting to two thousand silver drachmas, which he sent to Jerusalem to provide for an expiatory sacrifice. In doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way, inasmuch as he had the resurrection of the dead in view; for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again, it would have been useless and foolish to pray for them in death. But if he did this with a view to the splendid reward that awaits those who had gone to rest in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought. Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be freed from this sin.

The Word of the Lord.

- (2) I know that my Vindicator lives.  
(Job 19:1, 23-27a)**

#### **A reading from the Book of Job**

Job answered Bildad the Shuhite and said: Oh, would that my words were written down! Would that they were inscribed in a record: That with an iron chisel and with lead they were cut in the rock forever! But as for me, I know that my Vindicator lives, and that he will at last stand forth upon the dust; Whom I myself shall see: my own eyes, not another's, shall behold him, and from my flesh I shall see God; my inmost being is consumed with longing.

The Word of the Lord.

- (3a - Long Version) As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.  
(Wisdom 3:1-9)**

#### **A reading from the Book of Wisdom**

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their 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.

**(3b - Short Version)**  
**(Wisdom 3:1-6, 9)**

**A reading from the Book of Wisdom**

The souls of the just are in the hand of God and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace. For if in the eyes of 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. 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.

**(4) An unsullied life, the attainment of 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.

**(5) He 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.

**(6) It is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.  
(Lamentations 3:17-26)**

**A reading from the Book of Lamentations**

My soul is deprived of peace, I have forgotten what happiness is; I tell myself my future is lost, all that I hoped for from the Lord. The thought of my homeless poverty is wormwood and gall; Remembering it over and over leaves my soul downcast within me. But I will call this to mind, as my reason to have hope: the favors of the Lord are not exhausted, his mercies are not spent; they are renewed each morning, so great is his faithfulness. My portion is the Lord, says my soul; therefore will I hope in him. Good is the Lord to one who waits for him, to the soul that seeks him; it is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

**(7) Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake.  
(Daniel 12:1-3)**

**A reading from the book of the Prophet Daniel**

In those days, I, Daniel, mourned and heard this word of the Lord: at that time there shall arise Michael, the great prince, guardian of your people; it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace. But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever.

The Word of the Lord.

**(8a - Long Version) He is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.  
(Acts of the Apostles 10:34-43)**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Peter proceeded to speak, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the children of Israel as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the Devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

**(8b - Short Version)**  
**(Acts of the Apostles 10:34-36, 42-43)**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Peter proceeded to speak, saying: “In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the children of Israel as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The Word of the Lord.

**(9) Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.**  
**(Revelation 14:13)**

**A reading from the Book of Revelation**

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say, “Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Yes” said the Spirit, “let them find rest from their labors, for their works accompany them.”

The Word of the Lord.

**(10) There is an appointed time for everything.**  
**(Ecclesiastes 3: 1-15)**

**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 give birth, 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. What profit have workers from their toil? I have seen the business that God has given to mortals to be busied about. God has made everything appropriate to its time, but has put the timeless into their hearts so they cannot find out, from beginning to end, the work which God has done. I recognized that there is nothing better than to rejoice and to do well during life. Moreover, that all can eat and drink and enjoy the good of all their toil—this is a gift of God. I recognized that whatever God does will endure forever; there is no adding to it, or taking from it. Thus has God done that he may be revered. What now is has already been; what is to be, already is: God retrieves what has gone by.

The Word of the Lord.

**(11) The dead were judged according to their deeds.  
(Revelation 20:11-21:1)**

**A reading from the Book of Revelation**

I, John, saw a large white throne and the one who was sitting on it. The earth and the sky fled from his presence and there was no place for them. I saw the dead, the great and the lowly, standing before the throne, and scrolls were opened. Then another scroll was opened, the book of life. The dead were judged according to their deeds, by what was written in the scrolls. The sea gave up its dead; the Death and Hades gave up their dead. All the dead were judged according to their deeds. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the pool of fire. (This pool of fire is the second death.) Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the pool of fire. Then 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**(12) There shall be no more death.  
(Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7)**

**A reading from the Book of Revelation**

I, John, 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 deaths 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.



## Responsorial Psalms

### Psalm 4: Lord, Let Your Face

*Refrain:*

**Lord, let your face shine on us.**

*Verses:*

When I call, answer me, O my just God,  
You who relieve me when I am in distress;  
Have pity on me, and hear my prayer!

Know that the LORD does wonders for his faithful one;  
The LORD will hear me when I call upon him.

O LORD, let the light of your countenance shine upon us!  
You put gladness into my heart.

As soon as I lie down, I fall peacefully asleep,  
For you alone, O LORD, bring security to my dwelling.

### Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd

*Refrain:*

**The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

*Verses:*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
beside restful waters he leads me;  
he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil;  
for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;  
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

**Psalm 27 – The Lord is My Light**

***Refrain:***

**The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

***Verses:***

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?  
The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?

One thing I ask of the LORD; this I seek:  
to dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life.  
That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD, and contemplate his temple.

Hear, O LORD, the sound of my call; have pity on me, and answer me.  
Your presence, O LORD, I seek. Hide not your face from me.

I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD in the land of the living.  
Wait for the LORD with courage; be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.

**Psalm 62: Rest in God Alone**

***Refrain:***

**Rest in God alone, my soul.**

***Verses:***

Only in God is my soul at rest; from him comes my salvation.  
He only is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold; I shall not be disturbed at all.

Only in God be at rest, my soul, for from him comes my hope.  
He only is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold; I shall not be disturbed.

With God is my safety and my glory, he is the rock of my strength; my refuge is in God.  
Trust in him at all times, O my people! Pour out your hearts before him.

**Psalm 63: My Soul is Thirsting**

***Refrain:***

**My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

***Verses:***

O God, you are my God whom I seek:  
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth,  
parched, lifeless and without water.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory,  
For your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips shall glorify you.

Thus I will bless you while I live;  
lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.  
As tithe the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,  
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.  
My soul clings fast to you; your right hand upholds me.

**Psalm 103: The Lord is Kind and Merciful**

***Refrain:***

**The Lord is kind and merciful.**

***Verses:***

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger, and abounding in kindness.  
Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.  
For he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.

Man's days are like those of grass; like a flower of the field he blooms;  
The wind sweeps over him and he is gone, and his place knows him no more.

But the kindness of the LORD is from eternity, to eternity toward those who fear him,  
And his justice toward children's children among those who keep his covenant  
and remember to fulfill his precepts.

**Psalm 116: I Will Walk**

***Refrain:***

**I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

***Verses:***

Gracious is the LORD and just;  
Yes, our God is merciful.

The LORD keeps the little ones;  
I was brought low and he saved me.

I believed, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted";  
I said in my alarm, "No man is dependable."

Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.  
O LORD, I am your servant, you have loosed my bonds.

**Psalm 147: Praise the Lord**

***Refrain:***

**Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted**

***Verses:***

Praise the LORD, for he is good;  
sing praise to our God, for he is gracious; it is fitting to praise him.  
The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; the dispersed of Israel he gathers.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.  
He tells the number of the stars; he calls each by name.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit.  
The LORD sustains the lowly; the wicked he casts to the ground.

## Second Readings

**(13) Since we are now justified by his Blood, we will be saved through him from the wrath.  
(Romans 5:5-11)**

### **A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans**

Brothers and sisters: Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. How much more then, since we are now justified by his Blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath. Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

**(14) Where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more.  
(Romans 5:17-21)**

### **A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans**

Brothers and sisters: If, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through that one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one person Jesus Christ. In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so through the obedience of the one the many will be made righteous. The law entered in so that transgression might increase but, where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through justification for eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord

**(15a - Long Version) We too might live in newness of life.  
(Romans 6:3-9)**

### **A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans**

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him.

The Word of the Lord.

**(15b - Short Version)**  
**(Romans 6:3-4, 8-9)**

**A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans**

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him.

The Word of the Lord.

**(16) We also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.**  
**(Romans 8:14-23)**

**A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans**

Brothers and sisters: Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, Abba, Father!" The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

The Word of the Lord.

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

**A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans**

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, 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.

**(18) Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.  
(Romans 14:7-9, 10c-12)**

**A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans**

Brothers and sisters: No one 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. Why then do you judge your brother? Or you, why do you look down on your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written: "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then each of us shall give an accounting of himself to God.

The Word of the Lord.

**(19a - Long Version) So too in Christ shall all be brought to life.  
(1 Corinthians 15:20-28)**

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the first fruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet." But when it says that everything has been subjected, it is clear that it excludes the one who subjected everything to him. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him so that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

**(19b - Short Version)  
(1 Corinthians 15:20-23)**

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead came also through a man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the first fruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

**(20) Death is swallowed up in victory.  
(1 Corinthians 15:51-57)**

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters: Behold, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed, in an instant, in the blink of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For that which is corruptible must clothe itself with incorruptibility, and that which is mortal must clothe itself with immortality. And when this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about: "Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

**(21) What is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.  
(2 Corinthians 4:14-5:1)**

**A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters: We know that the One who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and place us with you in his presence. Everything indeed is for you, so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God. Therefore, we are not discouraged; rather, although our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this momentary light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal. For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

The Word of the Lord.

**(22) We have a building from God, eternal in heaven.  
(2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10)**

**A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters: We know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven. We are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

The Word of the Lord.

**(23) He will change our lowly bodies to conform to his glory.  
(Philippians 3:20-21)**

**A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians**

Brothers and sisters: Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified Body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

The Word of the Lord.

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

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians**

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers, 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.



**(25) If we have died with him we shall also live with him.  
(2 Timothy 2:8-13)**

**A letter from the second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy**

Beloved: Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David: such is my gospel, for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains, like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore, I bear with everything for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory. This saying is trustworthy: If we have died with him we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him. But if we deny him he will deny us. If we are unfaithful he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself.

The Word of the Lord.

**(26) We shall see him as he is.  
(1 John 3:1-2)**

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint John**

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

The Word of the Lord.

**(27) We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers.  
(1 John 3:14-16)**

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint John**

Beloved: We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers. Whoever does not love remains in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life remaining in him. The way we came to know love was that he laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

## Gospel



**(28) Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.  
(Matthew 5:1-12a)**

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(29) Come to me and I will give you rest.  
(Matthew 11:25-30)**

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

At that time Jesus answered “I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him. “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(30) Behold the bridegroom! Come out to him!**  
**(Matthew 25:1-13)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus told his disciples this parable: “The Kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(31) Come, you who are blessed by my Father.**  
**(Matthew 25:31-46)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus said to his disciples: “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the Devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or will or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(32a - Long Version) Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.  
(Mark 15:33-39; 16:1-6)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

At noon darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which is translated, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "Look, he is calling Elijah." One of them ran, soaked a sponge with wine, put it on a reed, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down." Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. The veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!" When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(32b - Short Version)  
(Mark 15:33-39)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

At noon darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, eloi, lema sabachthani?" which is translated, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "Look, he is calling Elijah." One of them ran, soaked a sponge with wine, put it on a reed, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down." Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. The veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(33) Young man, I tell you, arise!  
(Luke 7:11-17)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

Jesus journeyed to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd accompanied him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. A large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin; at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst," and "God has visited his people." This report about him spread through the whole of Judea and in all the surrounding region.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(34) You also must be prepared.**

**(Luke 12:35-40)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

Jesus said to his disciples: “Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(35) Today you will be with me in Paradise.**

**(Luke 23:33, 39-43)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified Jesus and the criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left. Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us.” The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, “Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied to him, “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(36a - Long Version) Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.**

**(Luke 23:44-46, 50, 52-53; 24:1-6a)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit”; and when he had said this he breathed his last. Now there was a virtuous and righteous man named Joseph who, though he was a member of the council, went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. After he had taken the Body down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb in which no one had yet been buried. At daybreak on the first day of the week the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the Body of the Lord Jesus. While they were puzzling over this, behold, two men in dazzling garments appeared to them. They were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground. They said to them, “Why do you seek the living one among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(36b - Short Version)**  
**(Luke 23-44-46, 50, 52-53)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

It was about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit"; and when he had said this he breathed his last. Now there was a virtuous and righteous man named Joseph who, though he was a member of the council, went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. After he had taken the body down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb in which no one had yet been buried.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(37a - Long Version) Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer  
these things and enter into his glory?**  
**(Luke 24:13-35)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

Now that very day the first day of the week, two of the disciples of Jesus were going to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his Body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the Eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(37b - Short Version)**  
**(Luke 24:13-16, 28-35)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

That very day, the first day of the week two of the disciples of Jesus were going to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(38) Whoever hears my word and believes has passed from death to life.**  
**(John 5:24-29)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus answered the Jews and said to them: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes in the one who sent me has eternal life and will not come to condemnation, but has passed from death to life. Amen, amen, I say to you, the hour is coming and is now here when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so also he gave to the Son the possession of life in himself. And he gave him power to exercise judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Do not be amazed at this, because the hour is coming in which all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and will come out, those who have done good deeds to the resurrection of life, but those who have done wicked deeds to the resurrection of condemnation."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(39) Everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life**  
**and I shall raise him on the last day.**  
**(John 6:37-40)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to the crowd: "Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me, because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me. And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(40) Whoever eats this bread will live forever, and I will raise them up on the last day.  
(John 6:51-59)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to the crowd: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world." The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his Flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink his Blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my Flesh is true food, and my Blood is true drink. Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(41a - Long Version) I am the resurrection and the life.  
(John 11:17-27)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

When Jesus arrived in Bethany, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away. Many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(41b - Short Version)  
(John 11:21-27)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

The Gospel of the Lord.



**(42) Lazarus, come out!**  
**(John 11:32-45)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping, he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?" So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**(43a - Long Version) If it dies, it produces much fruit.**  
**(John 12:23-28)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus told his disciples: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life will lose it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again."  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**(43b - Short Version)**  
**(John 12:23-26)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus told his disciples: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life will lose it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me."  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**(44) In my Father's house there are many dwellings.  
(John 14:1-6)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(45) I wish that where I am they also may be with me.  
(John 17:24-26)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: Father, those whom you gave me are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world also does not know you, but I know you, and they know that you sent me. I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**(46) And bowing his head he handed over his Spirit.  
(John 19:17-18, 25-39)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

So they took Jesus, and, carrying the cross himself, he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, in Hebrew, Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus in the middle. Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home. After this, aware that everything was now finished, in order that the scripture might be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I thirst." There was a vessel filled with common wine. So they put a sponge soaked in wine on a sprig of hyssop and put it up to his mouth. When Jesus had taken the wine, he said, "It is finished." And bowing his head, he handed over the Spirit. Now since it was preparation day, in order that the bodies might not remain on the cross on the sabbath, for the sabbath day of that week was a solemn one, the Jews asked Pilate that their legs be broken and they be taken down. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and then of the other one who was crucified with Jesus. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs, but one soldier thrust his lance into his side, and immediately Blood and water flowed out. An eyewitness has testified, and his testimony is true; he knows that he is speaking the truth, so that you also may come to believe. For this happened so that the Scripture passage might be fulfilled: Not a bone of it will be broken. And again another passage says: They will look upon him whom they have pierced. After this, Joseph of Arimathea, secretly a disciple of Jesus for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate if he could remove the Body of Jesus. And Pilate permitted it. So he came and took his Body. Nicodemus, the one who had first come to him at night, also came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes weighing about one hundred pounds.

The Gospel of the Lord.



# St. Barnabas Memorial Rosary Path



Our Rosary Path is a wonderful place to walk and reflect. It also provides an opportunity to remember and pray for the deceased members of our families and friends.

The walkway is composed of 4 x 8 and 8 x 8 paver bricks. You may memorialize deceased family members and friends by having their names (or other messages) engraved on the bricks. With their names engraved in stone, their intention will be remembered for years to come.

The 4 x 8 pavers are \$50.00 and the 8 x 8 pavers are \$100.00. The 4 x 8 paver has room for up to three (3) lines and up to 14 characters per line. The 8 x 8 paver has room for up to six (6) lines and up to 14 characters per line. Spaces between words are counted as one space.

If you would like to purchase a brick, please fill out this form, showing the engraving you would like on the brick. Please return the form, with payment, to the rectory.


4 x 8 - 3 lines - \$50.00

8 x 8 - 6 lines - \$100.00

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_