



**CATHOLIC
CEMETERIES**
St. John • Mt. St. Mary • Holy Cross
St. Charles / Resurrection

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ALL SOULS DAY FIELD MASS

NOVEMBER 2, 2013

CONTINUING IN OUR CATHOLIC FAITH AND TRADITIONS



As Catholics, we strive to live our lives in harmony with the Church and its teachings. We are baptized Catholic, confirmed Catholic, married in a Catholic Church and so on.

So as Catholics, and as the final expression of our faith, should we not choose our final resting place in a Catholic cemetery? In keeping with our beliefs and because it is an extension of the Church, if we are baptized, confirmed and married as Catholics, it would seem logical then that we should choose to be interred in a Catholic cemetery, where we can rest in peace among our fellow Catholics awaiting the coming of our Lord, Jesus. On the night before he died, Jesus said, *“and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.”* These words have been the inspiration for our Catholic Cemeteries’ vision statement and logo – *I Go To Prepare A Place For You.*

A Catholic cemetery provides a beautiful and reverent setting of faith, hope and comfort. It is a place consecrated by the Church where families and friends can find peace knowing that their loved ones are in a holy and sacred place.

Therefore, it is important that we let those close to us know our wish of wanting to continue in our beliefs and in the traditions of the Church which have guided us during our lives, by being laid to rest in a Catholic cemetery.

For some of us, a more sensible choice may be to pre-plan our final resting places. When a death occurs, it is a traumatic time which carries with it considerable emotional and financial strain on our families and loved ones. Pre-planning will eliminate this burden on those we love, and ensure that the Catholic traditions which we have held dear to us throughout our lives will be continued on in our final resting place.

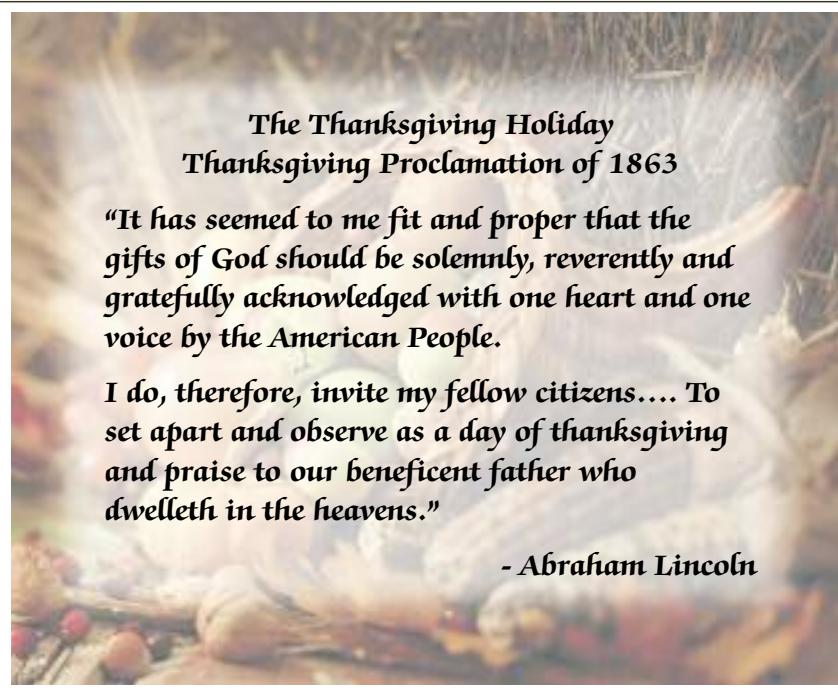
Our Catholic Cemeteries offer a wide array of affordable payment options and choices for traditional grave burial*, community mausoleum entombment, cremation niche entombment and in-ground burial options, family estate and mausoleum plots. Contact one of our Family Service Counselors to discuss the right choice for you and your family. Give yourself and those you love the comfort in knowing that you have eliminated the burden of this difficult decision, and that your wish to be laid to rest in a Catholic cemetery will be carried out as you have planned.

* At St. Charles/Resurrection Cemeteries, traditional gravesites are available on a pre-need and immediate-need basis. However, due to the limited remaining inventory of gravesites at St. John Cemetery, Mt. St. Mary Cemetery and Holy Cross Cemetery, gravesites are only available to families having an immediate need. Mausoleum crypts and cremation niches are available on a pre-need basis at all locations.



PRAYER FOR THE DECEASED

Remember, Lord, those who have died
and have gone before us
marked with the sign of faith,
especially those for whom we now pray.
May these, and all who sleep in Christ,
find in Your presence
light, happiness and peace.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



**The Thanksgiving Holiday
Thanksgiving Proclamation of 1863**

*“It has seemed to me fit and proper that the
gifts of God should be solemnly, reverently and
gratefully acknowledged with one heart and one
voice by the American People.*

*I do, therefore, invite my fellow citizens.... To
set apart and observe as a day of thanksgiving
and praise to our beneficent father who
dwelleth in the heavens.”*

- Abraham Lincoln



Our Catholic faith teaches us that our bodies
are a sacred part of God’s creation and therefore,
the human body is worthy of great reverence



Two sacred places are set aside in Canon Law...
those destined for divine worship, and
those set apart for the burial of the faithful



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