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FUNERAL MASS PLANNING GUIDE

Name of the Deceased: _____

Point of Contact and telephone number: _____

THE FUNERAL MASS

Family will be seated prior to the start of the Service _____

Family will process in with Presider _____

INTRODUCTORY RITES (The priest, with assisting ministers, goes to the door of the church and greets those present.)

SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER (The priest sprinkles the casket with holy water.)

PLACING OF THE PALL (The white cloth placed over casket, reminding us of our baptism.)

Will the family help place the pall? _____

ENTRANCE PROCESSION (The priest and assisting ministers precede the casket/urn and the family into the church.)

PROCESSIONAL SONG (see suggested list): _____

OPENING PRAYER (After a period of silence, the priest says or sings a prayer.)

LITURGY OF THE WORD (A list of readings from the Old and New Testaments, as well as the Gospels, is on a separate page. Choose one from the Old Testament; one from the Psalms; one from New Testament and one Gospel passage.)

OLD TESTAMENT READING: _____

Who will read this reading? _____

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (*This is sung by the choir*): _____

NEW TESTAMENT READING: _____

Who will read this reading? _____

GOSPEL (*This is read by the presider*): _____

HOMILY (The celebrant will give a brief homily *based on the chosen readings.*)

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (These are the prayers of the faithful. The response after each prayer is: **LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER**)

Who will read the general intercessions? _____

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Who will bring up the gifts of bread and wine? _____

OFFERTORY SONG: _____

COMMUNION SONG: _____

ONE FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND MAY SPEAK BRIEFLY IN REMEMBRANCE BEFORE THE FINAL PRAYER. Speaker: _____

FINAL COMMENDATION (Following the prayer after Communion, the priest goes to a place near the casket/urn. The priest invites people to prayer. Following a period of silence the song of farewell is sung. During this song, the casket/urn is incensed. After the song of farewell, the priest says a prayer and then the procession to the place of committal takes place.)

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

SONG DURING PROCESSION: _____

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR FUNERAL LITURGIES

The scripture readings listed here are those provided in the *Order of Christian Funerals*. The single line with each reading is intended to summarize one thought from each reading. Rather than depend on these summary lines, it would be best to read fully each suggested text. The single line with the *Responsorial Psalm* is what the community sings after each verse of the psalm.

Old Testament Readings

Job 19:23-27a *I know that my Redeemer lives.*

Wisdom 3:1-9 *He accepted them as a holocaust.*

Wisdom 4:7-15 *A blameless life is a ripe old age.*

Isaiah 25:6-9 *The Lord God will destroy death forever.*

Lamentations 3:17-26 *It is good to wait in silence for the Lord God to save.*

Daniel 12:1-3 *Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake.*

Maccabees 12:43-45 *It is good and holy to think of the dead rising again.*

Responsorial Psalms, (these are SUNG)

- Psalm 23** *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want*
- Psalm 25** *To you, O Lord, I lift my soul*
- Psalm 27** *The Lord is my light and my salvation*
- Psalm 42/43** *My soul is thirsting for the Living God: when shall I see him face to face?*
- Psalm 63** *My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God*
- Psalm 103** *The Lord is kind and merciful*
- Psalm 116** *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living*
- Psalm 122** *I rejoiced when I heard them say: let us go to the house of the Lord*
- Psalm 130** *Out of the depths, I cry to you, Lord*
- Psalm 143** *O Lord, hear my prayer*

New Testament Readings

- Acts of the Apostles 10:34-43** *God has appointed Jesus to judge everyone, alive and dead.*
- Romans 5:5-11** *Having been justified by his blood, we will be saved from God's anger.*
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** *We shall stay with the Lord forever.*
- 2 Timothy 2:8-13** *If we have died with him, we shall live with him.*
- 1 John 3:1-2** *We shall see God as he really is.*
- 1 John 3:14-16** *We have passed from death to life, because we love our brothers and sisters.*
- Revelation 14:13** *Happy are those who die in the Lord.*
- Revelation 20:11-21:1** *The dead have been judged according to their works.*
- Revelation 21:1-5** *There will be no more death.*
- Romans 5:17-21** *When sin increased, there grace abounded all the more.*
- Romans 6:3-9** *Let us walk in newness of life.*
- Romans 8:14-23** *We groan while we wait for the Redemption of our bodies.*
- Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39** *Who can ever come between us and the love of Christ?*
- Romans 14:7-12** *Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.*
- 1 Corinthians 15:20-28** *All people will be brought to life in Christ.*
- 1 Corinthians 15:51-57** *Death is swallowed up in victory.*
- 2 Corinthians 4:14-5:1** *What is seen is transitory; what is unseen is eternal.*
- 2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10** *We have an everlasting home in heaven.*
- Philippians 3:20-21** *Jesus will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours to be like his glorious body.*

Gospel Readings

- Matthew 5:1-12a** *Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.*
- Matthew 11:25-30** *Come to me...and I will give you rest.*
- Matthew 25:1-13** *Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.*
- Matthew 25:31-46** *Come, you whom my Father has blessed.*
- Mark 15:33-39, 16:1-6** *Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.*
- Luke 7:11-17** *Young man, I say to you arise*
- Luke 12:35-40** *Be prepared.*

Luke 23:33, 39-43	<i>Today you will be with me in paradise.</i>
Luke 23:44-46,50,52-53,24:1-6a	<i>Father, I put my life in your hands.</i>
Luke 24:13-35	<i>Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?</i>
John 5:24-29	<i>Whoever hears my word and believes, has passed from death to life.</i>
John 6:37-40	<i>All who believe in the Son will have eternal life and I will raise them to life again on the last day.</i>
John 6: 51-59	<i>All who eat of this bread will live forever; and I will raise them up on the last day.</i>
John 11:17-27	<i>I am the resurrection and the life.</i>
John 11:32-45	<i>Lazarus, come out.</i>
John 12:23-28	<i>If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.</i>
John 14:1-6	<i>There are many rooms in my Father's house.</i>
John 17: 24-26	<i>Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am.</i>
John 19:17-18, 25-39	<i>Jesus bowed his head and gave up his spirit.</i>

SONG IDEAS

This song list is only a suggestion. Any hymn that is in our hymnals is appropriate. It is highly recommended to use music that is in our hymnals to facilitate greater participation. Other scripturally based music will also be considered.

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| 1. I Know that My Redeemer Lives | 16. Amazing Grace |
| 2. The Parable (to everything there is a season) | 17. Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling |
| 3. You are Mine | 18. Jesus, Remember Me |
| 4. These Alone | 19. Abide With Me |
| 5. The Center of My Life | 20. Gift of Finest Wheat |
| 6. We Will Rise Again | 21. I am the Bread of Life |
| 7. You are Near | 22. Only This I Want |
| 8. I Sing the Mighty Power of God | 23. Sent Forth By God's Blessing (Ash Grove) |
| 9. Be Not Afraid | 24. For all the Saints |
| 10. Here I am Lord | 25. Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
(Beethoven's 9 th) |
| 11. On Eagles Wings | 26. Now Thank We all Our God |
| 12. What Wondrous Love | 27. Battle Hymn of the Republic |
| 13. Prayer of Saint Francis | 28. The Strife is O'er |
| 14. Come to the Water | 29. Ave Maria |
| 15. How Great Thou Art | 30. Lord of all Hopefulness |