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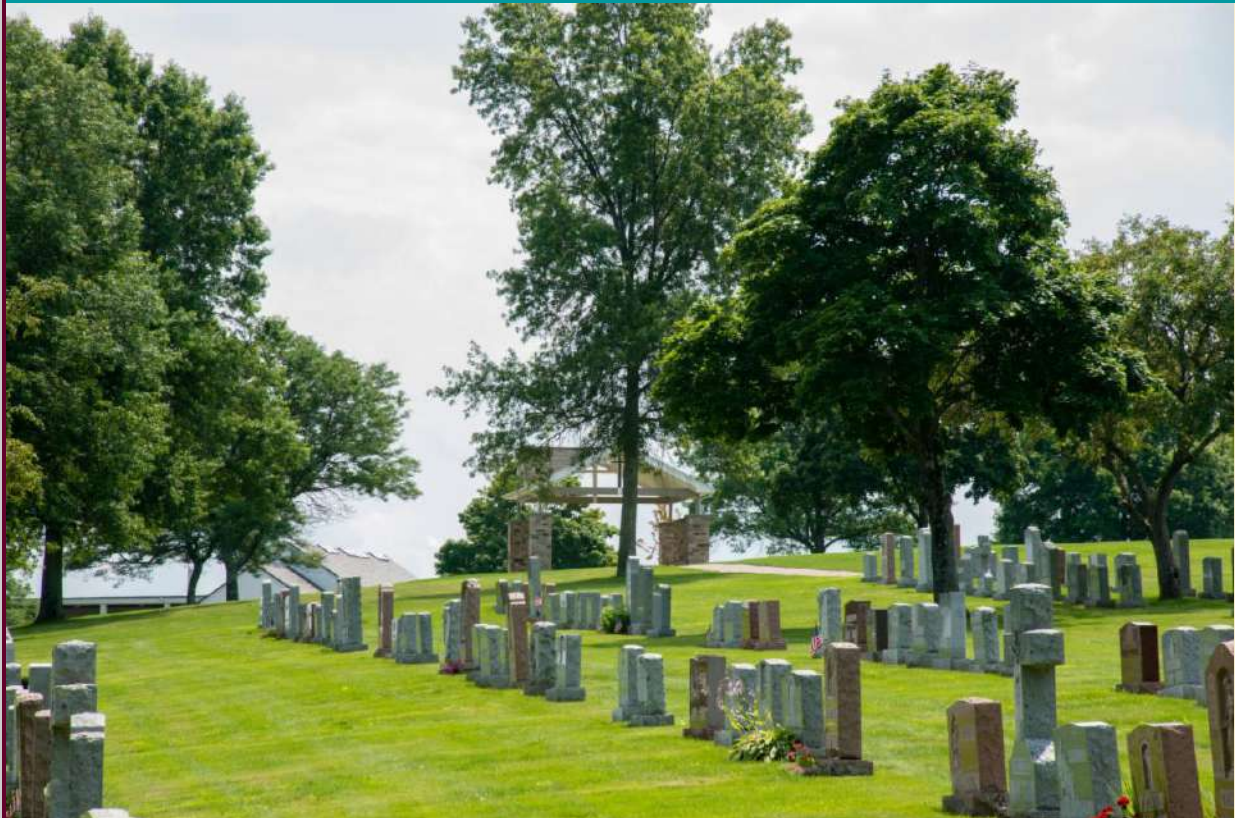
# Catholic Cemeteries Association

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*April 2020*



*Greetings from Catholic Cemeteries  
Association!*



*From the Desk of the Executive Director*

Greetings!

Information about the COVID-19 pandemic is usually the first thing anyone speaks about in our current new reality of closed Catholic churches, working from home, food to go, washing hands videos and of course social distancing. The CCA has taken this new reality very seriously and is following all State and Federal guidelines



to ensure the safety of our employees and the families entrusted to us. All of our offices remain open for essential cemetery business only, such as burials, but our Family Service Advisors are but a call away to assist your family if needed. In April we will be launching an online creative design and contract system for Flush Markers and Monuments to further protect families from unnecessary exposure. Please check [www.ccacem.org](http://www.ccacem.org) for other precautionary steps we are taking.

Even with this pandemic among us we have many important celebrations this month and next. The Church recognizes April 5th as Palm Sunday, April 10th as Good Friday, our Lord's sacrifice for our salvation leading to his glorious resurrection celebrated on Easter Sunday April 12th. Divine Mercy Sunday follows just one week after Easter on April 19th. On Sunday, May 10 we honor our Mothers on Mother's Day and May 25th we memorialize all who served our nation and gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Though the current circumstances we all face seem to give us little to be joyful about, let's use this time to grow closer to family, friends, and our faith. As always your CCA is here for you. I wish you and your families a very Happy Easter, Mother's Day and Memorial Day.

*Stay Safe*

*John Pinone*

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**Flush Marker and  
Monument Special 2020**  
**During the month of April get a  
15% discount on any marker  
or monument ordered prior to  
April 30, 2020**

**This is the first time ever for these**

**items to have a special. If you have been waiting to memorialize your loved ones, now is the best time to do so with our new online design system. Call your Family Service Advisor today for details!**

## *Listen to us on the Radio!*

*Join us every Saturday at 11:00 AM on WDRC the Talk of CT*



Tune in at 1360 AM, 103.3 FM, 1470 AM (Meriden), and 610 AM (Torrington) to hear Chris Radlicz, our Family Service Director from Catholic Cemeteries Association speak about the importance of Pre-Planning issues facing Catholic Families. Tune in every Saturday at 11:00 AM on WDRC the Talk of CT

## *Featured Cemetery...*

### ***Mt. St. Peter Cemetery-***

**Derby-**Take a virtual tour of the Mausoleum by visiting our website, at [www.ccacem.org](http://www.ccacem.org)



and clicking on **Our Cemeteries** and selecting Mt. St. Peter. Scroll down towards the bottom of the page to take the tour.

Call the Cemetery to schedule a visit:

**203 735-8026**

## Dignity of Life Seminars



This Archdiocesan approved program is successfully assisting parishioners with elder care and end-of-life planning. The goal of the session is to provide educational and resource information in the areas of burial, funeral, and estate planning. Let a panel of experts assist you and your loved ones. Call our Outreach Coordinator, Barbara Gode for more information about other Outreach programs, (203) 780-8418.

Please check our website ([www.ccacem.org](http://www.ccacem.org)) for updates due to the health and safety concerns currently in place

## Dignity of Life Seminars for 2020

**May 7th (Thursday)  
St. Dominic**

Session Location: Learning Center

1050 Flanders Road  
Southington, CT  
2pm and 6pm  
FSA: Katrina Johnson 203 923-5854

**May 13th (Wednesday)**  
**Southington Catholic School and St. Thomas Church**

Session Location: Southington Catholic  
133 Bristol St.  
Southington, CT  
Times: 2:30pm and 6pm  
FSA: Kelly O'Callaghan, 203 923-4942

**May 20th (Wednesday)**

St. Raymond of Penafort Parish  
Session location: TBD  
64 Pearl St  
Enfield, CT  
Times: 2 pm and 6 pm  
FSA: Amy Chester 203 507-7509

**June 3rd (Wednesday)**

St. Anthony Church  
4 Union City Road  
Prospect, CT  
2pm and 6pm  
FSA: Robert Aviz, 203 738-8529

**June 10th (Wednesday)**

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel  
Waterbury, CT  
Times: 2PM and 6PM  
FSA: Susan Palladino, 203 507-8649

**June 17th, (Wednesday)**

Milford Senior Center  
9 Jepson Drive  
Milford, CT  
FSA: Christina Z. 203 507 8698

**June 18th (Thursday)**

Sts Aedan and Brendan Parish  
112 Foundain St.  
New Haven, CT  
Time: 2pm and 6pm  
FSA: Joe DeMatos 203-673-6429

**If you would like to offer a Dignity of Life Seminar at your parish,  
please contact our Outreach coordinator, Barbara at 203 780-8418**

To register for a seminar either call the assigned Family Service Advisor or  
register on our website at [www.ccacem.org](http://www.ccacem.org)  
select Dignity of Life Seminars.

*To register for a Dignity of Life  
Seminar, please visit our NEW  
website.*

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website



Join us for our next Dignity of Life Seminar, meet our staff and enjoy light refreshments. A Family Service Advisor is available to answer questions and offer information about special discounts, memorials and more. Visit our website at [www.ccacem.org](http://www.ccacem.org) to find one of our 30 Cemeteries nearest you.

## *A Gentle Reminder!*



Catholic Cemeteries Association welcomes the placing of Palm Crosses throughout our cemetery grounds on Palm Sunday. All palm crosses must be removed by **April 22nd**.

Thank you for helping to keep our grounds looking absolutely beautiful!

## *Experiencing Complicated Grief?*

Grief is a normal result from the loss of a loved one, but sometimes it can become complicated. Our small-sized adult group provides the right amount of connection, understanding, emotional and spiritual support in an atmosphere that is non-judgmental and confidential.

**Adult Support Group:** The group will begin on **May 5th\* every Tuesday evening at 6-8 PM until June**. Registration is required to properly prepare for your attendance.

To register for the program, please contact the Facilitator, Barbara at 203 605-9845.

\* meeting location will be determined depending on Health & Safety directives published in the

next month. This group may become a virtual bereavement group depending on the number of participants and the health and safety guidelines published later this month. Please check our website for changes and updates under the Events section. Thank you.



## *Memorial Day Masses-*



All Masses held on Memorial Day, **Monday, May 25th** unless otherwise noted. These Masses are subject to change based on current health and safety directives. Please check our website for current status.

### **All Saints Cemetery-North Haven**

Manager: Chuck Grzywacz  
Phone: 203 239-2557  
Place: Mausoleum  
Time: 10:30 AM Mass  
Celebrant: Fr. Timothy Meehan

### **Calvary Cemetery-Waterbury**

Manager: Stephen Komar  
Phone: 203 754-9105  
Place: Queen of Peace Mausoleum  
Time: 11 AM Mass

### **St. James-Naugatuck**

249 Cross St.  
Manager: Steve Komar  
Time: 8 AM Outdoor Mass  
If inclement weather, gather at St. Vincent Church

### **Holy Cross Cemetery-Glastonbury**

Manager: Bruce McCann  
Phone: 860 646-3722  
Place: Mausoleum

Time: TBD

**St. Mary-New Britain**

1141 Stanley Street (new)

Manager: Paul Piscitelli

Phone: 860 225-1938

Place: Mausoleum

Time: 10:00 AM Mass

**Mt. St. Benedict-Bloomfield**

Manager: Robert Maher

Phone: 860 242-0738

Place: Mausoleum

Time: 10:00 AM Mass

**Mt. Olivet-Watertown**

Manager: Robert Gambordella

Phone: 860 274-4641

Place: Mausoleum

Time: 8:00 AM Mass

**Mt. St. Peter-Derby**

Manager: Scott Verespie

Phone: 203 735-8026

Place: Mausoleum

Time: 9:00AM

Celebrant: Fr. Jeff Gubiotti

**St. Francis-Torrington**

863 So. Main St.

Manager: Lisa Richards

Phone: 860 482-4670

Place: Immaculate Heart of Mary  
section outdoors-Rain or Shine

Time: 12:00 PM (noon)

Celebrant: Fr. Robert Tucker

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*God bless America!*

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***Words to ponder...again.***

## **God Has Exalted Him!** ■

by [\*Pope John Paul II\*](#)

### **DESCRIPTION**

At the General Audience on April 7, 2004, the Holy Father commented on the reading from the Letter to the Philippians (2:8-9) that reminds us of the passion and death of Jesus. The Pope then described the corresponding sequence of the liturgies celebrated in the Easter Triduum that lead the faithful step by step to the glory of Christ's



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1. "*Christ Jesus... humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted him...*" (Phil 2: 8-9).

We have just heard these words of the hymn contained in the Letter to the Philippians. They essentially and effectively present to us the mystery of the passion and death of Jesus; at the same time, they allow us to glimpse the glory of the Resurrection. Thus, they constitute a meditation that introduces us into the celebrations of the Easter Triduum that begins tomorrow.

### Holy Thursday

2. Dear brothers and sisters, we are preparing ourselves to relive the great mystery of our salvation. Tomorrow morning, *Holy Thursday*, the Bishop in every diocesan community will celebrate with his priests the *Chrism Mass* during which the oils are blessed: the oil of the catechumens, the oil for the anointing of the sick and the holy Chrism. In the evening we will commemorate the *Last Supper* with the Institution of the Eucharist and of the Priesthood. The "*washing of the feet*" reminds us that with this gesture Jesus in the Upper Room anticipated his supreme Sacrifice on Calvary and bequeathed his love to us as a new law, *mandatum novum*. According to a pious tradition, after the rites of the Mass of the *Lord's Supper*, the faithful stay in adoration before the Eucharist late into the night. It is a unique prayer vigil which goes back to the agony of Christ in Gethsemane.

### Good Friday and Holy Saturday

3. On *Good Friday*, the Church commemorates the passion and death of Our Lord. The Christian assembly is invited to meditate upon the evil and sin that oppress humanity and upon the salvation brought about by the redemptive Sacrifice of Christ. The Word of God and certain evocative liturgical rites, such as the Adoration of the Cross, help us to contemplate the various stages of the Passion. In addition, Christian Tradition has brought to life on this day various expressions of popular devotion. Outstanding among these are the penitential processions of Good Friday and the pious stations on the Way of the Cross, which help us to interiorize the mystery of the Cross.

Deep silence is a feature of *Holy Saturday*. In fact, no special liturgies are proposed for this day of expectation and prayer. Everything in the Church is still while the faithful, in imitation of Mary, prepare for the great event of the Resurrection.

### Easter Vigil

4. The solemn *Easter Vigil*, "mother of all vigils", begins at nightfall on *Holy Saturday*. After blessing the new fire, the celebrant lights the paschal candle which symbolizes Christ who brings light to every person, and the great proclamation of the *Exsultet* rings out joyfully. The ecclesial community, listening to the Word of God, meditates upon the important promise of definitive liberation from the slavery of sin and death. This is followed by the rites of Baptism and Confirmation for the catechumens who have undergone a long process of preparation.

The proclamation of the Resurrection scatters the darkness of the night and the whole of created reality awakens from the slumber of death to recognize Christ's lordship, as the Pauline hymn that has inspired our reflections brings to the fore: "*At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue*

confess that Jesus Christ is Lord" (Phil 2: 10-11).

### **Mary, be with us in our conversion**

5. Dear brothers and sisters, these days are particularly suitable for intensifying the conversion of our hearts to the One who out of love died for our sake. Let us allow Mary, the faithful Virgin, to accompany us; let us reflect with her in the Upper Room and stay beside Jesus on Calvary, to meet him risen at last on Easter Day. With these sentiments and hopes, I express my most cordial wishes for a happy and holy Easter to you who are present here, to your communities and to all your loved ones.

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#### *To special groups*

I am pleased to greet the English-speaking pilgrims present at this Audience, especially those from England, the Faroe Islands, Canada and the United States of America. Upon you and your loved ones, I invoke the Lord's blessings of health and joy and wish you a happy and holy Easter.

I address a special greeting to the *young people*, the *sick* and the *newly-weds*.

I hope that you, dear *young people*, will not be afraid to follow Christ, even when he asks you to embrace the Cross. May meditating on the passion of Jesus, a mystery of suffering transfigured by love, be a comfort to you, dear *sick people*. And may the death and Resurrection of the Lord renew in you, dear *newly-weds*, the joy and commitment of the marriage bond.

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