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*December 2020
Seasons Greetings and a
Very Merry Christmas from
Catholic Cemeteries Association!*



From the Desk of the Executive Director

■ Greetings!

As December arrives it is filled with important dates to remember. Dec 6 is the Feast of St Nicholas. A family tradition of laying out fruits, nuts and chocolate gold



coins for him the night before by children honors his role as patron Saint of Children. In particular the gold coins he left for a needy family as a dowery for their daughters thereby saving them from slavery.

December 7th is the National Day of Remembrance for Pearl Harbor. A "day which will live in infamy" as President Franklin Roosevelt said in his speech to Congress the day after the attack on Pearl Harbor. We remember the brave Americans whose lives were taken in an unprovoked attack on the United States.

Lastly, but most importantly, December 25th is the birth of our Lord.

As an Association we celebrate this important holiday with all of our families, both present and passed, as a sign of great hope for the future resurrection. By conquering sin and death he gave us eternal life. What a wonderful thought to take with us as we visit those who rest peacefully in the God's grace.

From our CCA family to yours we wish you a very Merry Christmas and Peaceful and Prosperous New Year!

John Pinone

***Check it out!
Our biggest Holiday offer of the year
awaits you...***

**ENJOY
0%
Financing on space
purchases**

Offer applies to

Grave and Mausoleum space only.

Don't delay...this offer expires on

December 31st, 2020



A blessed Thanksgiving and a the Merriest of Christmas' to all of you!



Looking for Unique gift ideas?



**How about a Memorial Candle?
Memorial Candles are available for lease in our**

Mausoleums. Your electronic candle will glow for 1 or more years in loving remembrance of that special someone.

Learn more by calling one of our Family Service Advisors today. They are standing by to assist you.

How about a gift of beauty?



Our Vase Program is another unique way to memorialize your beloved in EVERY season.

Flowers are changed in the Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter. We have vase sizes for Crypt and Niche spaces that can be placed both inside and outside our Mausoleum.



Pictured-crypt display

Ask about our Perpetual Program!

Call us today for more information.

Did you notice??? *Our Memorial Christmas Trees are on Display!!*

Memorial Christmas Trees will be display in our cemetery Mausoleums ** beginning Friday, November 27th, **until Jan. 6th.** Please place an ornament in memory of your loved one on our tree. This is a great way to memorialize your loved one during the Holiday.



All ornaments can be picked up afterwards at each cemetery main office.

Thank you for participating!

Note: St. Francis Cemetery in Torrington does NOT participate due to limited spacing. A list of all **participating cemeteries is included under the Season of GIVING section below.

The Season of GIVING...

We are counting on your help!



A donation box is on display for collection of **non-perishable food items*** until January 6th: The following Cemetery Mausoleums are participating:

All Saints Cemetery-North Haven
Calvary Cemetery-Waterbury
Sacred Heart Cemetery-Meriden
St. Peter Cemetery-Torrington

St. Mary's Cemetery-E. Hartford
Holy Cross Cemetery-Glastonbury
St. Lawrence Cemetery-West Haven
St. Mary's Cemetery-New Britain
Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery-Bloomfield
Mt. Olivet Cemetery-Watertown
Mt St. Peter Cemetery-Derby

What an excellent way to help those in need this winter!
A small donation of items from your weekly food shopping can make a difference to others.

Please be sure to **check expiration dates** before dropping off your non-perishable donations. The Food Pantry **will NOT accept expired items.**

Thank you in advance for your kindness and endless support. God bless you and yours in this Season of Giving.

*Whole grain pastas, pasta sauce, broths-chicken, beef, and vegetable, rice, peanut butter and other nut butters, Jelly, crackers, Nutella, Fluff, rolled oats, Milk substitutes, canned fruit, dry beans, canned Tuna in water, low sodium soups, Quinoa, canned nuts, canned stews, unsweetened applesauce, Olive and Canola Oils, Dried Fruits, honey and so on.

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done."-**Proverbs 19:17**

A Gentle Reminder...



Winter Decorations

This is the time of year when beautiful wreaths, pillows, logs and planters cover the graves and scenic hills throughout our cemeteries. All decorative arrangements will be left in place until **March 1st**. If you would like to keep your beautiful decorations, please be sure to pick them up before our scheduled removal date.

Thank you for helping to keep our cemeteries looking beautiful!

Read more about our **Winter Rules and guidelines** by clicking on the link below.

[Text Link](#)

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 as well as a host of other timely subjects important to Catholics. Tune in every Saturday at 11:00 AM on WDRC the Talk of CT

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.

****Announcement****

Due to the COVID 19 directives, all Parish Seminars have been rescheduled. Please register on our website.

For more information about our Seminars, please check out our NEW website www.ccacem.org and/or call our Outreach Coordinator, Barbara Gode to ask questions 203 780-8418.

To register for a seminar...

Visit our
website

Ave Maria...SAVE SOULS!

In your name, we pray...

A Prayer for Peace

Blessed Mother,
today I pray for peace and reconciliation. I pray for an end to prejudice, hatred, fear, and ignorance. I pray that all nations be reconciled and that all people believe in peace, not war. Help me to overcome my own fears and prejudices which keep me from reaching out to others in need of the gifts your Son has given to me.



I also ask that through your intercession God bless my family with peace and harmony. May He protect us from violence and guide us to do His will. May we learn to appreciate each other for both our strengths and our weaknesses so we might grow as a family.

May your Son's love strengthen me each day so I might be an instrument of peace in the world. Amen. Ave Maria!!!

-Anonymous

SAVE THE DATE!

Bereavement Support 2021



Many thanks to those of you that joined us for the **Pre-Holiday Remembrance Service** in November. This was a perfect way to memorialize our loved ones and to prepare for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

SAVE THE DATE!

For our next **Bereavement Support Group** scheduled to begin on Tuesday evenings **beginning April 6th, 2021** at 6:00 pm until 8:00 PM. This is a 10 week commitment which will continue until June.

All interested **MUST** register. Here's how: visit our website and go to the **EVENTS** calendar or call the Outreach Coordinator, Barbara Gode for more information at 203 780-8418 office. You may also email her: bgode@ccacem.org

All programs are sponsored by Catholic Cemeteries Association. It is an honor to serve you and your family!

Take and receive all that is offered to you!

Enjoy a silent and peaceful night



*A Merry
"little"
Christmas to
you and
yours...*

*Have a question?
Please reach out
to us...*

Contact us