

## **Catholic Cemeteries Association**

of the Archdiocese of Hartford, Inc

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Mission of the Catholic Cemeteries Association of the Archdiocese of Hartford



The Mission of the CCA is to provide for the burial needs of the families of the Archdiocese of Hartford that honors the deep religious significance of the Corporal Work of Mercy of burying the dead and with a firm commitment to the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church. We treat all families with the deep compassion and understanding that they have entrusted their loved ones to us for eternity.

## November 2023



#### From the Desk of the Executive Director...



#### Greetings!

November brings us two significant Church feast days, All Saints and All Souls Day November 1st and 2nd respectively. These are very important feasts. All Saints Day because they keep the presence of the Saints, both known and unknown,

in our minds as a constant reminder of what we strive for. All Souls Day as a reminder that we should be praying for the souls of our loved ones because they cannot pray for themselves. What a great day to come visit our cemeteries and spend some time in quiet contemplation and prayer for the dearly departed souls who have left us.

We are honored this year to have Most Reverend Leonard Blair the Archbishop of Hartford celebrating All Souls day Mass with us at All Saints Cemetery in North Haven at 10:00 AM. I hope you will be able to join us for this Solemn Mass for the Faithful Departed.

November 11th is Veteran's Day. Another important day to remember those who have served our country to protect and defend the constitutional rights we all enjoy and are ever so thankful for. Thank a veteran for their service to our great nation and the sacrifices they and their families have made. The beautiful Fall foliage in the New England area reminds us daily of the majesty of God's creation and all that we should be thankful for.

November 23rd is Thanksgiving Day, a day we reserve for thanking not only God for his gifts in our lives, but also the gift of each other, whether family,

friends, or work associates. It is also another opportunity to visit our parks and spend time in thanksgiving for our loved ones who have made such a significant impact on our lives.

Check out what's new at St. John's, Holy Cross, St. Mary's and Calvary Cemeteries. We are always striving to improve the offerings in our parks for your family.

For your convenience, CCA is now offering Evergreen Wreaths for graves. Scroll down the newsletter to learn more.

From all of us at CCA we wish you a safe and Blessed Thanksgiving.

Peace,

John Pinone

## All Souls Mass Thursday, November 2nd, 2023

Honoring our dearly departed loved ones



Please join Archbishop Blair for Mass at

**All Saints Cemetery** 

700 Middletown Ave., North Haven, CT

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Mausoleum

Corporate Office telephone: (203) 239-2557

End-of-year special...





On Saturday October 14th All Saints Arboretum held its first guided tree tour at All Saints Cemetery, North Haven. You may be wondering what is All Saints Arboretum? All Saints Arboretum has been awarded a Level 1 Accreditation by The ArbNet Arboretum Accreditation Program and The Morton Arboretum for its collection of 30 trees. The tour focused on 9 trees from the arboretums collection. While on the walking tour, information such as growth characteristics, native habitat and interesting features were presented. The arboretum has been beneficial in conserving mature trees while providing areas for new plantings of diverse tree species. Future plans for the arboretum include a public tree planting.

Be on the lookout for further information.







## Evergreen Wreaths are now available...

Remember a loved one and honor a Veteran...

Placing a wreath on a grave



symbolizes the endless love of family, eternal life and remembrance.

Your beautiful wreath will ship to the address of your choice.

Final orders taken on December 6th.

click to place your order

## **NEW** sections to consider...



A New Columbarium (above) at St. John's Cemetery



## Semi-Private Estates (above) at Holy Cross Cemetery



## St. Pope John Paul Statue (above) at

## St. Mary's Cemetery



## Calvary Cemetery (above) introduces a NEW Monument Section

#### Catch 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, at CCA and President of Catholic Family Services 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

Listen on Talk of CT

## Why not give the Gift of "Memorial Giving" this Season? We have options for you...



#### Give the gift of beauty...

Our **Vase Program** is a way to honor your loved one in every season.

We have vase sizes for crypt and niche spaces.

Ask about our Perpetual Program.

We have great gift options for you to choose.



#### Give the Gift of Light...

Looking for a way to memorialize a loved one? We have the perfect gift suggestion...a **memorial** candle.

Your electronic candle will glow in loving remembrance of your loved one for 1, 3 or more years.

Memorial Benches are a great way to create a legacy for your family...



## Private Mausoleums are available



## *Inquire today! Our design team is ready to assist you.*



## Memorial Tree Program will be on display the day after Thanksgiving!

All are welcome to place an ornament on the tree in memory of

a loved one.



Ask us about the **Catholic Funeral Plan**® Preserving the Catholic Burial Traditions of our families



A faith-based, pre-need plan for you and your loved ones

The Catholic Funeral Plan allows Catholics to make their funeral and cemetery arrangements in advance. The Plan guarantees that, upon your death, the arrangements you've selected will be executed as stated in your Plan, outline and in accordance with the Traditions of the Catholic Faith.

By enrolling in the Catholic Funeral Plan® (CFP), you will be developing a program outline for your funeral service that best suits you. You can choose a funeral home, and select specific arrangements at a cost that meets your budget. At the time of need, your funeral home will make and execute the arrangements.

The CFP will oversee the process, ensuring

that your wishes are carried out as you directed and within the guidelines of the Catholic Faith Tradition.

Dramatic changes are taking place today in the way we buy goods and services. Locally-owned banks, grocery stores and drugstores are giving way to regional or national chains. The funeral industry is no exception. Large, publicly held corporations and regional consolidators are beginning to dominate the industry, driving up prices and changing how funerals are delivered. One of the negative results for Catholic families has been a decrease in the observance of our Church's traditional liturgical rites for the dead, in particular the Mass of Christian

Burial at the parish. The Catholic Funeral Plan has been developed to safeguard the Church's sacred burial traditions against the forces of change and to guarantee Catholic families the right to be buried in accordance with these traditions at an affordable cost.

# What will the CFP offer me and my family?

- An affordable way to preserve the Traditions of the Catholic Faith
- Assurance that your wishes will be executed according to the plan
- Inflation protection with any excess accumulated paid to your beneficiary

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## Our Care Team of...

#### Family Service Advisors (FSAs)...

serve families with care and compassion, educating and guiding them through the process of making informed decisions for Cemetery Advanced Planning, At-Need Cemetery Planning, and Memorialization products and services.

Our team of experts are available to assist you with all your cemetery needs like: burials, cremation gardens, mausoleum crypts, niches and much more.

#### Katrina Johnson-



Katrina is a proud member of the Family Service Advisor team with the Catholic Cemeteries Association of the Archdiocese of Hartford.

Katrina comes to us after a 20-year career in Occupational Therapy working in the skilled nursing facilities throughout central Connecticut. She feels that her history of working with people in various stages of life and death can bring a sense of peace

and contentment to the families she works with now. Katrina takes great pride in knowing she continues to make a difference in the lives of those she is serving within the CCA.

Due to Katrina's experience with aging she is quite excited to help educate families with our newest offering: The Catholic Funeral Plan (CFP). The CFP spares your loved ones from having to make decisions in such a difficult time (because you already made them). It is an affordable way to preserve the traditions of the Catholic faith as well as removing the financial burden from your Loved ones.

When Katrina isn't at work, you can find her enjoying the sunshine at the beach or crafting at home.

Contact Katrina for an appointment... email: kjohnson@cacem.org

Call her today: (203) 923-5854

## NEW Beginning November 1st...



Visit our website for updates

Searching for a loved one buried at:

All Saints-North Haven? Mt. St. Peter-Derby? Mt. Olivet-Watertown? Holy Cross-Glastonbury?

Instructions here...

 Scan the QR code to go to website
2) Enter their last name
3) Pick your cemetery
4) Search
5) Click on Loved One's Name
6) Get walking directions, Map or see grounds



### To answer your question...

# Can Catholics Be Cremated? The Vatican Rules in 2023

Many people are unsure about the views of the Catholic Church concerning the topic of cremation. So you're probably wondering, can Catholics be cremated?

source: https://cremationinstitute.com/cancatholics-be-cremated/



read more ....

From all of us at the CCA... We wish you and your family a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving!



## Stay connected...

