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# Catholic Cemeteries Association

of the Archdiocese of Hartford, Inc

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### *The Catholic Cemeteries Association Mission Statement...*

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.

***March 2024 Newsletter!***



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



### ■ Greetings!

During Lent we spent time in prayer, fasting and alms giving as a sacrifice to help us grow stronger in our relationship with Christ. As the days of Lent come to a close, we prepare for the Easter Triduum and Easter Sunday.

Please start marking your calendar for the Memorial Day Mass that will be offered at some of our Cemeteries. Kindly keep checking for mass times and locations in our next monthly newsletter. All are welcome to join us in celebrating the lives of those who died in service to the United States. This time of year helps remind us not only of the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross, our service members, but also the importance of memorializing all that have gone before us. What better way than to pay a visit to your loved ones in the cemetery and spend some time honoring their lives.

On behalf of the CCA I wish you and your family a Blessed and Happy Easter Season.

Peace,

*John Pinone*

***Decorative Flowers are available for***

# *Crypts and Niches*



*They change with each season.*

*Call us today or inquire within.*

*Our Care Team is available to assist you.*

***Did you know we BLOG?***

***Content is posted weekly***

***Visit our website to learn something New***



## ***What to do with Funeral Flowers-***

After any funeral, there are still a lot of questions about what comes next. In addition to dealing with grief, loved ones have to take care of the deceased's estate and their final wishes. They also have to decide what to do with the flowers from the service. Here are a few options...

[Read more here...](#)

***Thinking about Planning a Reception Post-Funeral or Memorial Service?***

***The Funeral Reception  
Do's and Don'ts***



It is customary (but not required) to hold a reception following a funeral or memorial service. This gathering offers...

[read more here...](#)

Source: <https://www.funeralwise.com/celebration-of-life/reception/>

## ***Tour our property...***

### ***These are sacred grounds***



**St. John's Cemetery**



**Semi-Private Estates  
at Holy Cross**



**New Monument  
sections are  
available at  
Calvary Cemetery**

*Visit West Haven and Waterbury to see our NEW Columbaria*



**St. Lawrence Cemetery**



**Calvary Cemetery**

## ***Catch us on the Radio!***

■ **Join us every  
Saturday at 11:00 AM on**



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](#)

## ***Gentle Reminders!***

### ***Removal of Winter Decorations-***

All decorations are removed and disposed of beginning **MARCH 1st**. Decorations will not be retained by the cemetery. If you wish to retain any of these decorations, you must remove them prior to this date.

Evergreens become dried out and lose color after two months of exposure to wind, sun, and snow. Removal at this time allows clean up of the cemetery prior to the Easter Season. If weather conditions do not permit removal on MARCH 1st, they will be removed as soon as practical after this date. It can take weeks





to remove all winter decorations.

Thank you for helping to keep our Cemetery looking beautiful!



### ***Palm Crosses and Easter Flowers...***

When Easter occurs PRIOR TO APRIL 15th, artificial flowers may be used. Please note that Palm Sunday and Easter decorations will be removed 10 days after Easter. We urge families to remove them prior to this time, as they can be used for several seasons.

**Artificial flowers are NOT allowed after APRIL 15.**

PALM has been blessed and, therefore, should not be used as a cemetery decoration. Thank you.

**[Review our Rules...](#)**

***Did you know that our Care Team is trained to guide you through the planning process?  
We are here for you!***



[Learn more...](#)

## *Our Caring Team of Family Service Advisors*

### **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.

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

## *Introducing Erin Anderson to the Care Team...*



**I'm a Chaplain, Notary Public, Wedding & Funeral Officiant, Celebrant, and Certified Grief & Aftercare Specialist.**

**I attended Saint Petersburg college for mortuary science, but specialize in preneed and final expense services. I have fulfilled every aspect of funeral needs from transports to selling cemetery property. My absolute passion is aftercare and I'm constantly educating myself in new and helpful ways to help the families I work with cope with grief and loss. I love public speaking and have trained sales people to mirror my success. I am currently working on a program for aftercare that I think will be phenomenal.**

**I have a background in real estate and owning my own real estate agency, as well as several other businesses, but funeral is my passion and purpose outside of my family.**

Most importantly, I am a Mother of amazing daughters, a woman of faith, a student, a patriot, and a survivor. My life experience has driven me to start my businesses and dream big. This is a big part of the reason I believe in celebrating each life story, and give my heart to families facing loss. Being a part of such an important event is humbling and a blessing I am honored to share each and every time.

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Service locations:

Calvary (Waterbury),  
Mt. Olivet (Watertown),  
St. James (Naugatuck),  
St. Francis (Torrington)



*Coming Soon to New Britain...*

## **A New Section at St. Mary Cemetery**

St. Mary Cemetery in New Britain, CT announces the development of a new section featuring single grave, two grave, and 4 grave monument lots backing up to hedgerows. These highly sought after spaces will be available for purchase in April, 2024. Stop in the cemetery office at 1141 Stanley Street New Britain, CT 06051 today to see the location.



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Monday, May 27th**  
**Memorial Day Masses around the**  
**Catholic Cemeteries Association...**



**Memorial Day Masses  
Scheduled for the  
following Cemeteries:**

**All Saints Cemetery  
Mausoleum  
North Haven  
Mt. St. Benedict  
Mausoleum Bloomfield  
Mt. St. Peter  
Mausoleum Derby**

**Mt. Olivet Mausoleum  
Watertown**

**St. James Cemetery  
Naugatuck**

*This Memorial Day, we remember those heroes who  
courageously gave their lives.*

***Looking for your loved one buried at one  
of these Cemeteries?***

***All Saints-North Haven***

***Mt. St. Peter-Derby***

***Mt. Olivet-Watertown***

***Holy Cross-Glastonbury***

*Instructions here...*

- 1) 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, or see the grounds



***Are you or someone you know  
suffering from Complicated Grief?***

*Learn more...*

## ***Complicated Grief***

*Losing a loved one is one of the most distressing and, unfortunately, common experiences people face. Most people experiencing normal grief and*

*bereavement have a period of sorrow, numbness, and even guilt and anger.*

*Gradually these feelings ease, and it's possible to accept loss and move forward. For some people, feelings of loss are debilitating and...*

**[Read more here...](#)**

Source: <https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/complicated-grief/symptoms-causes/syc-20360374>

***From all of us at the***

*Catholic Cemeteries Association...  
Happy Easter!*



*Stay  
Connected...*

Contact us