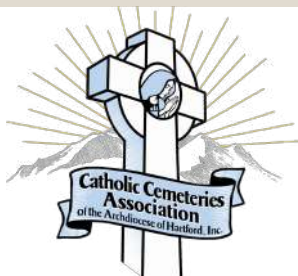


March 2025 Newsletter



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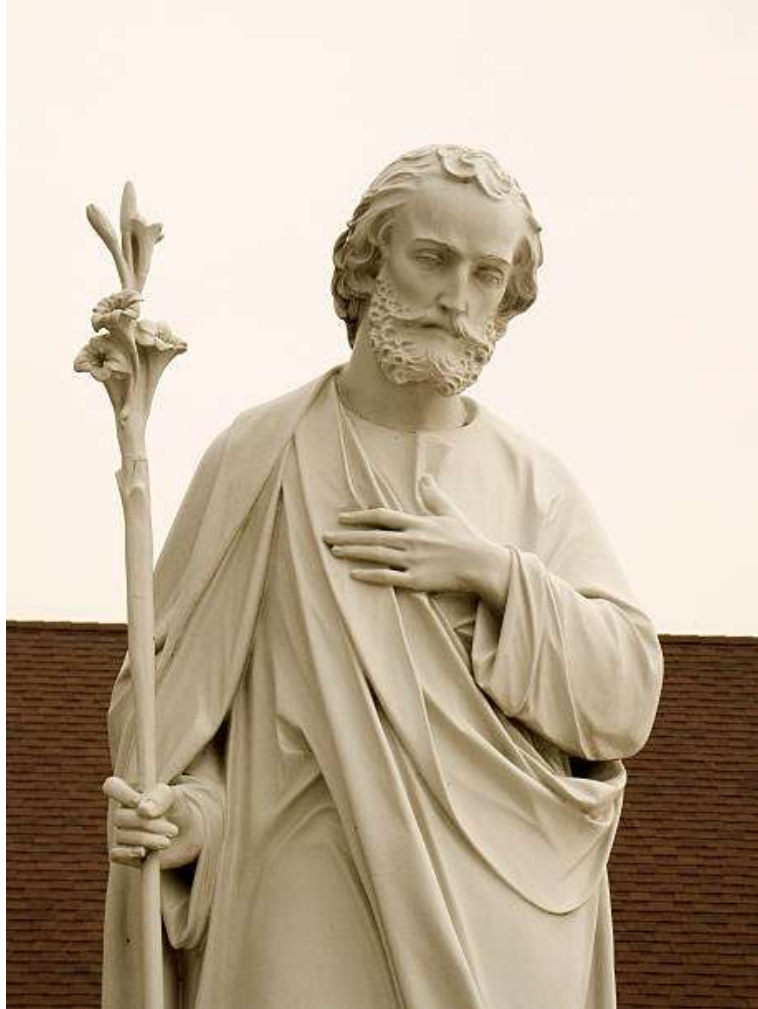
The Catholic Cemeteries Association Mission Statement...

The Mission of the Catholic Cemeteries Association (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.



We Pray to...



***St. Joseph the patron of Fathers,
Workers, Immigrants and the
Archdiocese of Hartford***



From the Desk of the Executive Director...

Hello Chris,

This Lent we hope you will increase your prayer, fasting and alms giving. These three actions are the hallmark of what Lent is all about, helping us grow in our faith and closer to God.

March 17th is St. Patrick's Day. This 5th Century Bishop is the patron Saint of Ireland, Archdiocese of New York and Newark, NJ as well as many others.

March 19th marks the anniversary of St. Joseph as protector of the Americas. I encourage you to take time to ask for his intercession in all areas of your life where needed. St. Joseph, pray for us!

The month of March also is a time for the CCA to give back to families. During March,

we will offer a promotion for those visiting our cemeteries to help people with their advanced planning efforts. I urge you to speak to a Family Service Advisor about the Catholic Funeral Plan. You may also visit our website catholicsfa.com to learn more about the Catholic Funeral Plan.

The Lenten Walk is scheduled to begin on **Tuesday, March 25th at 5:00pm**. We will be walking and reflecting on the Stations of the Cross. Be sure to mark your calendar for the walk times scheduled until the end of Lent. Check our website by clicking on the Events page for updates and more information. This is a perfect way to offer both your prayers and sacrifice up for your family and the world.


Enjoy a blessed Lenten Season.

Peace,

John Pinone



Monthly Promo




**The Catholic Cemeteries Association
of the Archdiocese of Hartford, Inc.**

Advanced Planning of your Cemetery needs is a loving gift that relieves your family of a difficult decision in the midst of their grief. Whether a Traditional Grave, Mausoleum, or Cremation, let our caring team of Family Service Advisors help you choose your cemetery needs.

For the month of March, 2025 bring this ad to the office and:

<u>Purchase</u>	<u>Save</u>
<i>Tandem Crypt</i>	<i>\$750.00</i>
<i>Single Crypt</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Two Graves</i>	<i>\$250.00</i>

Visit us at www.ccacem.org for the location nearest you or call us at 203-239-2557 to speak to a Family Service Advisor to get more information.

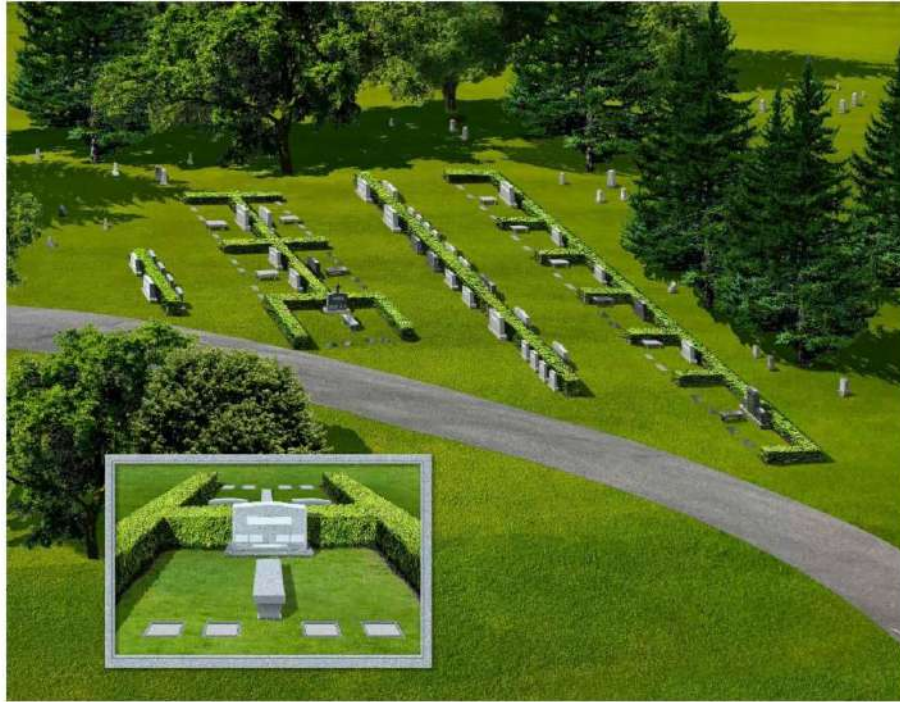


For your convenience we now sell Granite Flush Markers and Monuments at all our locations!

Offer applies to Pre-need Sales only. Cannot be combined with other offers



***Mt. St. Benedict is now offering...
something new in Bloomfield***



Announcing a new section at Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery in Bloomfield CT, one of 30 cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Hartford. This beautiful new section offers 2 and 4 grave Semi-Private Estates, Monument graves and Flush Marker graves. Newly established in historic Section D of the Cemetery it is a must see for families contemplating Advanced Planning of their cemetery needs. Call and speak with a Family Service Advisor at (860) 242-0738 or contact us directly.

Contact us



*Winter Decoration Removal is scheduled for **March 1st.***



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 the Cemetery looking beautiful.

[Other Rules to review...](#)



Words to Ponder

8 Things to Consider When Hiring a Funeral Director or Mortuary

Funeral directors are caregivers and administrators. They make the



arrangements for the transportation of the deceased, complete all necessary paperwork, and implement the choices that your family has made regarding the funeral and final disposition of your loved one. A mortuary is responsible for caring for and preparing the body for burial or cremation. Choosing a funeral director and/or mortuary is a big decision that is often made during some of the most stressful days of your life. However, because all funeral directors and mortuaries are not the same, it's important that you find the one that best fits your needs. When looking into your options, here are some important things to consider:

[read more here...](#)

Source: <https://olivetreemortuary.com/eight-things-to-consider/>

Picking a Funeral Home of your choice is part of Advanced Planning package.

Planning ahead provides peace of mind

We are here to help you!

The Catholic Funeral Plan (CFP) is so much more than a way to finance your funeral...the benefits are abundant. Check out the website (button below) to learn more or call us anytime (475) 227-0211.

[more on CFP...](#)



Come and visit our New Sections...

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



St. Lawrence Cemetery



Calvary Cemetery

call us



Join us...

***On Saturdays at 11:00 AM on
WDRC the Talk of CT and our
Director of Family Services...***

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](#)



***Introducing the Catholic Funeral Plan to
individuals and families of the
Archdiocese of Hartford***

***Need an Advocate to oversee your funeral
plan?***

We are here for you.





**We have all the answers.
(475) 227-0211**

The Catholic Funeral Plan...



***What to wear to a wake, viewing or
Funeral Service***



Funerals have historically been fairly formal events. However, like many things in Western culture, it's not always about having the right attire, but rather...

source: <https://www.batemanallenfuneralhome.com/guidelines/what-to-wear-to-a-wake/>

[Read more here...](#)



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.

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

Meet Tony Caraluzzi!

—Deacon Tony has been with the CCA since 2016. This was just one year after his ordination to the permanent diaconate. At the time he had just left a job in retail,



and was looking to find a full-time position in ministry.

Deacon Tony sees God's Hand in his transition to this important ministry, as well as the need for compassion, and adherence to the needs of each Family he meets.

"I try to meet every Family where they are, and am honored to serve them:

Whether it's pre-need or at-need assistance with their cemetery needs and/or assistance with memorialization's. It has been a blessing to serve so many Families through my work at the CCA. It has, and always will be, my mission to treat each Family as I would my own".

Deacon Tony serves at:

Mt. Olivet Cemetery – Watertown, CT
Calvary Cemetery – Waterbury, CT
St. James Cemetery – Naugatuck, CT
St. Francis Cemetery – Torrington, CT
St. Peter Cemetery – Torrington, CT

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Looking for Someone who's buried in 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



***Planning for tomorrow...means
making "All" of your Pre-Planning***

Funeral arrangements in advance.



Tips for Choosing the Right Prayer Card

At funerals or memorial services, guests often receive keepsakes in remembrance of the dearly departed. You may have received a prayer card at the service of a deceased friend or family member. We'll discuss more about them and cover some tips for choosing the right prayer cards.

What Is a Prayer Card?

Prayer cards are a type of memento passed out at a funeral, memorial service, or celebration of life. They can have a variety of designs and include different details about the deceased or the service. Their small size allows them to be easily portable, so you can remember the dearly departed wherever you go.

People originally used prayer cards in Roman Catholic funerals. However, members of...

[Read more here...](#)



Ash Wednesday is March 5th...it's the beginning of the Lenten Season



The Lenten Walk is back!



North Haven-Join us for the Lenten Walk that begins on **Tuesday, March 25th at 5:00pm**. The Walk will continue for 4 weeks and end the week of Holy Week. Please mark your calendar for other scheduled walks: **Tuesday, April 1st, 8th, and 15th at 5:00pm**. Please dress

accordingly as this event takes place outdoors. We will be walking up and down hills and standing to pray at each Station. Please meet by the All Saints Cemetery Mausoleum. Call Barbara with any questions, (203) 780-8418 or email her at bgode@ccacem.org. Please visit our website for any scheduling updates.

[Events Calendar Here...](#)



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