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Catholic Cemeteries

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Catholic Cemeteries Bereavement Programs

In an effort to extend support and comfort to our families, we offer a number of Bereavement outreach programs which utilize a diocesan-wide consortium of parishes, trained facilitators and volunteers.

The New Day Ministry

The New Day Ministry is a faith-based, small group support program facilitated by trained volunteers who accompany fellow parishioners on their journey from grief to healing. This ministry is novel in two ways:

- It represents the first diocesan-wide bereavement initiative in decades and is based on the collaboration of dedicated volunteers beyond parish boundaries.
- In addition to accompanying those in grief, we strive to create a ministry that provides an opportunity for spiritual growth for our volunteer ministers.

The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents

The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents is solely focused on the searing pain a parent feels at the loss of their child. Their world is horrifically changed forever regardless of the circumstances or the child's age. Well-meaning relatives and friends often don't know what to say and parents suppress their emotions in an attempt to seen "normal" which compounds the feeling of being totally alone.

The Emmaus Ministry offers one-day retreats which focus on spiritual support for parents who have lost a child of any age, for any reason no matter how long ago. Although the retreats are offered by Emmaus Parent Companions working with Catholic Clergy, we welcome parents of all faiths, or no faith, to join us.

The Healing Journey

We offer daily email reflections on loss, grief and memories to help you on your "Healing Journey."

Little Angles Shrine

The Little Angels Shrine at Resurrection Cemetery in Newtown, Connecticut provides a sacred space to bury in consecrated ground the remains of a miscarriage, a stillborn baby or an infant who died shortly after birth.

It offers a reverent place of prayer and healing and also provides the opportunity to memorialize babies who were lost, when there are no remains to be buried.

For further information on our programs, please go to:

thegrief.org

or contact the Bereavement Office

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INFORMATION *and* REGULATIONS
of the
Fairfield County Catholic Cemeteries
of the
Diocese of Bridgeport, LLC

For the mutual protection and benefit of all Holders of any Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche, the Fairfield County Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Bridgeport, LLC hereby adopts the following Information and Regulations.

All Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche Holders shall be subject to the terms of their respective Retail Installment Agreements, and these Information and Regulations, and such amendments or alterations thereof or additions thereto as shall be adopted by Fairfield County Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Bridgeport, LLC from time to time; and the reference to these Information and Regulations in the document conveying the Right of Interment or Entombment shall have the same force and effect as if set forth in such document.

Our cemeteries are a place of healing, mutual respect, prayer, and reflection. We have zero tolerance for disrespectful or aggressive behavior towards Our staff, families or visitors. Only by your cooperation and Our strict enforcement can We obtain Our common goal. The Regulations exist to protect the conscientious Lot owner. What is attractive to one, may be offensive to another. Please do not ask for exceptions.

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

of the

DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT, LLC

Active

Assumption Greens Farms Cemetery, *Westport*

Gate of Heaven Cemetery, *Trumbull*

Little Angel's Shrine, *Newtown*

Queen of Peace Cemetery, *Stamford*

Resurrection Cemetery, *Newtown*

Saint John Cemetery, *Darien*

Saint John Cemetery, *Norwalk*

Saint Mary / Putnam Cemetery, *Greenwich*

Saint Michael Cemetery, *Stratford*

Saint Monica Cremation Garden, *Bridgeport*

Saint Peter Cemetery, *Danbury*

Saint Rose of Lima II Cemetery, *Newtown*

Saint Thomas Aquinas Cemetery, *Fairfield*

Saint Thomas More Cremation Garden, *Darien*

Historical – Inactive

Assumption Kings Highway Cemetery, *Westport*

Saint Mary Cemetery, *Norwalk*

Old Saint Peter Cemetery, *Danbury*

Saint Augustine Cemetery, *Bridgeport*

Saint James Cemetery, *Bridgeport*

1. DEFINITIONS

Additional Right of Interment — when a family requests the Interment or Entombment of cremated remains in a Grave or Crypt that was not contemplated at the time of the original purchase

Applicable Laws — shall mean all laws, regulations, ordinances, rules and regulations enacted by the State of Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Public Health, County of Fairfield and/or the municipality in which the applicable Cemetery is located

Burial — refer to Interment

Care — refers to the Care and maintenance of the Cemetery grounds. It shall not include the Care and maintenance of any Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche Holder's private plantings, unless a trust agreement or Special Care agreement has been established specifically for these purposes

Catholic Cemeteries Administrative Headquarters — the principal office in the cemetery which is used for the purpose of conducting and administering the Cemeteries owned and operated by the Diocese

Cemetery — real property owned by the Diocese that shall be utilized for earth Interments, Mausoleum, or Niche Entombments of human remains

Cemetery Authorities — shall include all persons authorized by the Diocese to manage the Diocese's Cemeteries, including, but not limited to, the appointed Manager at each of the Diocese's Cemeteries

Cemetery Office — as used herein means the offices at each Cemetery established for the purposes of administering the daily operations of each Cemetery

Certificate of Interment or Entombment Rights *(Certificate of Interment Rights)* — shall mean the documents, including a Retail Installment Agreement, by which the Cemetery conveys to the Interment Rights Holder the exclusive Right of Interment in a particular Grave, Lawn Crypt, Crypt or Niche

Columbarium — a freestanding structure enclosing the Entombment space for the cremated remains of a deceased human person in Niches

Cremation — the disposal of a deceased person's body by converting it to ashes.

Crypt — a chamber within a Mausoleum that holds the Interment remains

Diocese or **Diocese of Bridgeport** — shall mean the Bridgeport Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation

Disentombment — shall mean the removal of a deceased human person or the cremated remains of a deceased human person from a crypt or niche as the case may be

Disinterment — shall mean the act of removing a deceased human person or the cremated remains of a deceased human person from a grave

Entombment — shall mean Interment in a Mausoleum Crypt or underground vault; the term "Entombment" will also describe the placing of cremated human remains in a Crypt, underground vault, or a Niche

Flush marker — shall mean a flat, rectangular Grave marker set flush with the lawn or surface of the ground

Grave — shall mean a space of ground in the Cemetery used or intended to be used for the Interment of only human remains

Interment — shall mean the lawful disposition of the remains, including cremated remains, of a deceased human person through placement in the ground; the word Interment is inclusive of all Entombments

Interment Right — shall mean the particular right to inter the remains of a deceased human person in a specific Interment space within the Cemetery, subject to the limitations set forth herein; an Interment Right is not to be construed as a deed to the land, community Mausoleum or Columbarium in which the Interment will occur

Interment Rights Controller — shall mean individuals granted permission to direct the use of a Grave, Crypt or Niche by right of inheritance or transfer

Interment Rights Holder *(Holder)* — shall be the person who has purchased and holds the particular right to inter the remains of a deceased human person in a specific Interment space within the Cemetery, as named in a Retail Installment Agreement subject to the limitations set for herein

Interment Services — refers to the opening and closing of a particular Interment space.

Lot — an area within the Cemetery consisting of more than one (1) Interment space established by the Cemetery

Lot, Grave, Crypt, or Niche Holder — refers to Interment Rights Holder

Mausoleum *(a chamber/structure)* — used, or to be used, for Entombment of human remains, including cremated remains available to multiple Purchasers

Memorial — shall mean **a)** a monument, tombstone, Grave marker, table, bench, or headstone identifying a Grave or Graves; *or* **b)** a nameplate or inscription identifying a Crypt or Niche. All Memorials must be approved by Cemetery Management prior to ordering/installation

Niche — shall mean a space of sufficient size in a Mausoleum or Columbarium designated to be used to entomb cremated human remains

Our, Us or We — refers to the Cemetery Authorities as defined in this section

Outer Interment Container — shall mean a rigid outer container used to surround a casket or a cremated remains container, uphold and support the upper layer of soil from impact loads, and shall include the products commonly known as vaults and Grave liners

Perpetual Care — shall mean funds paid by the Purchasers of Interment or Entombment rights pursuant to a Retail Installment Agreement that shall be utilized to pay for the maintenance provided by us under Section 19

Private Estate Lot — shall mean a Lot sold by the square foot rather than by the individual Grave Lots, at a rate determined by the Cemetery from time to time which is intended for the installation of a Private Mausoleum or for multiple Interments

Private Mausoleum — a stand alone Mausoleum sold exclusively by Us directly to a Purchaser or to Purchasers for installation in Our Cemeteries only on Private Estate Lots

Purchaser — the person(s) who is financially responsible for any contracted product or service offered for sale by Us

Retail Installment Agreement *(Agreement)* — the written agreement between the Cemetery and a Purchaser pursuant to which the Cemetery agrees to sell, and the Purchaser agrees to buy Interment Rights and related services in the Cemetery

Right of Interment — shall mean only the privilege of Interment or Entombment in the Cemetery; it does not convey an ownership of land or other interest in the Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche to which it refers

Special Care — in respect of a Private Mausoleum the fee charged by Us for the future maintenance of the Private Mausoleum over and above any guarantee or warranty provided by the Private Mausoleum manufacturer

2. ADMISSION TO THE CEMETERY

We reserve the right to refuse to admit, or refuse physical admission to the Cemetery, and shall permit or refuse the use of any of the Cemetery's facilities at any time to any person or persons whom the Cemetery Authorities may deem objectionable to preserve the best interests of the Cemetery. It is the duty of the Cemetery Authorities to see that the rules and regulations are complied with, that order is maintained and that the best interests of the Cemetery are protected and promoted.

3. CEMETERY HOURS

The Cemetery Offices are open as follows:

- As posted in Cemetery Offices – open office hours are generally 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday-Friday
- Holidays – closed for Cemetery recognized holidays which shall be posted on Our website
- Visiting hours are 8:00 am to dusk or 5:00 pm (whichever comes first), seven days a week, weather permitting.

4. INTERMENT OR ENTOMBMENT PROCEDURES

1. All Interments, Entombments and Disinterments in the Cemetery shall be performed or supervised only by authorized Cemetery personnel and at Our sole discretion.

2. The Cemetery may require that all persons attending an Interment or Disinterment remain at a safe distance (as determined by the Cemetery) from the Interment space during an Interment or Disinterment.

3. Committal Services — Funeral visitations will not be permitted at committal services conducted either at the Cemetery, chapel or graveside unless specific permission for same has been granted by the Cemetery.

4. All Interments and Disinterments are subject to these Information and Regulations and shall also be subject to all Applicable Laws.

5. All arrangements for Interments, purchase of Interment rights, or Disinterments made by a Grave Lot, Grave, Crypt, or Niche Holder through a funeral director or other agent shall be binding on said Lot, Grave, Crypt, or Niche Holder.

6. The hour and manner in which Interments or Disinterments will be permitted shall be designated at Our sole discretion. All Interments, and Disinterments shall be subject to the payment of such charges, as shall be determined by Us from time to time, in advance.

7. Postponing/Rescheduling Services — The Cemetery may postpone or reschedule a graveside or other Interment service if, in the opinion of the Cemetery's management, too many services are concurrently scheduled, or because of inclement weather conditions, or because of other conditions beyond the control of the Cemetery (including, but not limited to, work stoppage, work slowdown or strike by labor union).

8. All full-size caskets must be enclosed in a concrete, steel, or other permanent container for earth Interments. Use of wooden outer containers is prohibited. All containers and all outer enclosures shall be subject to Our approval.

9. All Community Mausoleum Entombments of a full body shall require an Ensure-A-Seal or similar casket enclosure product approved by Us. No wooden caskets are permitted in the Community Mausoleum.

10. All deceased individuals to be Entombed in a Community Mausoleum should be embalmed unless otherwise directed by a coroner or local health or medical official.

11. All cremated human remains must be enclosed in an approved urn vault for earth Interment. All cremated human remains to be Entombed in Our community Mausoleums or an area designated for cremated human remains must be placed in an urn. Approval for all containers shall rest with Us.

    - The maximum number of Cremation vaults may vary based on Cemetery and location. We must approve in advance in writing that sufficient space is available at the time of the Interment request.

12. Scattering or commingling of cremated remains on a Lot or Grave or anywhere on Cemetery property is strictly prohibited. Arrangements to purchase urns for cremated remains may be made at the Cemetery Office.

13. The cemeteries will only accept cremated remains by US mail or other national mail or courier service if the remains are packaged in a secure container, all fees and expenses have been prepaid and the remains are accompanied by the proper documentation required for Interment in the Cemeteries of the Diocese.

    - Any damaged packages containing cremated remains will not be accepted by the Cemeteries under any circumstances. Interment Rights Holders shall be required to complete all required documentation and provide the necessary authorization to permit the Interment of the cremated remains in the designated location.

    - Failure to comply with the above policies may result in the return of the cremated remains to the family or funeral home which initiated the shipment to Us.

14. A Burial Permit, issued by the registrar of the town in which the death occurred, is required for each Interment pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes. Such permit must be presented to the Cemetery Authorities before Interment or Entombment is completed as the Sexton of the Cemetery is required to endorse the permit and report to the Registrar of Vital Statistics.

15. A Certificate of Cremation issued by a recognized crematory is required for the Interment of any cremated remains.

16. We shall not be liable for obtaining the Burial Permit or certification of Cremation, or responsible for any errors or omissions concerning the data contained therein, including the indication of the identity of the person to be interred or entombed.

17. We shall not be responsible for any order given by telephone, or any mistake occurring from a lack of proper instructions as to the size of the vault, casket, or urn, or as to the particular Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche location where Interment or Entombment is to be made. An equitable charge will be made whenever additional labor costs may result from such mistake.

18. We shall in no way be liable for any delay in the Interment or Entombment of a body where a protest to the Interment or Entombment has been made, or where these Information and Regulations and/or Applicable Laws have not been complied with, or where these Information and Regulations and/or Applicable Laws shall forbid such Interment or Entombment. Further, We reserve the right under such circumstances to place the body in a receiving vault until full rights have been determined. Any protest must be in writing and filed with Us.

19. We reserve the right to refuse a request for an Interment or Entombment opening for any purpose when there are written instructions to the contrary on file with Us, except on proper written authorization from any Interment Rights Holder of record, or, if deceased, his/her heirs. We may require a notarized Interment or Entombment authorization from the Lot, Grave, Crypt, or Niche Holder.

20. All Interments and Entombments must be authorized by the Interment Rights Controller or other authorized/validated individual and shall be evidenced by their signature on the Authorization for Interment document provided to them by Us.

21. A casket may not be opened at any time within the Cemetery without Our express written permission. If written permission is granted to open a casket, a licensed funeral director must be present. We reserve the right to refuse permission to anyone to open the casket or to touch the deceased without the consent of the legal representative of the deceased or without a court order.

22. Interments and Entombments are not conducted on Sundays or on certain holidays unless authorized in advance in writing by Us. Interments and Entombments on Saturdays will require additional charges.

23. Weather — The Cemetery reserves the right to hold the committal service on a secure site on Cemetery property when weather or soil conditions do not permit safety at the Interment site. If the Cemetery exercises this right, if possible and upon request, the Funeral Director and only the Funeral Director may go to the Interment site after the committal service to view the lowering of one's remains.

24. Double Depth Interments — shall mean the Interment of a full casket at an extra depth. Double Depth Interments shall only be permitted if the original Retail Installment Agreement specifies the Lot as double depth and if the Grave can be opened in a safe manner. In the event Cemetery Field Staff conclude that the Grave cannot be opened safely — any additional monies paid for the Double Depth will be refunded to the Family.

5. DISINTERMENT / DISENTOMBMENT PROCEDURES

1. All Disinterments and Disentombments are subject to the published Information and Regulations of the Cemetery as set out in this document. All Disinterments and Disentombments will be conducted by management.

2. The Cemetery requires written notarized affidavits, in a form approved by Us with respect to form and content, signed by the Interment Rights Holder and/or the deceased's next-of-kin or their respective authorized representative. Cemetery may also require additional documentation including a court order. All Disinterments and Disentombments will be conducted in accordance with state and local law.

3. A Disinterment permit provided by a Funeral Director is required.

4. Disinterments and Disentombments are not permitted from July 1 through August 31.

5. We shall have complete responsibility for the timing and scheduling of Disinterments or Disentombments. No Disinterments or Disentombments will be scheduled on Saturdays, Sundays, or on certain holidays as determined by Us from time to time.

6. No Interment, Entombment, Disinterment or Disentombment shall take place until payment of all charges owing to the Cemetery has been paid.

7. We shall exercise due Care in performing a Disinterment, but shall assume no liability for the damage to the body, casket or outer Burial container or urn incurred in performing the Disinterment in accordance with written instructions of the Interment Rights Holder or his or her duly authorized representative(s).

6. CORRECTION OF ERRORS

Reservation of Rights: Fairfield County Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Bridgeport, LLC (Catholic Cemeteries) expressly reserves the right, at any time it finds itself unable to fulfill the requirements of this Agreement, because of invasion, insurrections, war, riot, pandemic, order of any court, military or civil authority, or any other similar unforeseen circumstance, or because of a mistake, misrepresentation or fraud in the procuring of this Agreement, to return to Purchaser all monies paid hereunder and to declare this Agreement thereupon null and void. In the event of a mistake by either Party to this Agreement, Catholic Cemeteries reserves the right to correct such mistake rather than declare the Agreement null and void, provided the correction is the preferred course of action and can be reasonably accomplished by Catholic Cemeteries.

7. CEMETERY LOT, GRAVE, CRYPT OR NICHE HOLDER'S RIGHTS

1. The Right of Interment or Entombment granted pursuant to a Retail Installment Agreement does not grant to the Holder of such Agreement any interest in or to real property.

2. We reserve the right to specify the terms of purchase of all Interment or Entombment Rights in Lots, Graves, Crypts or Niches, and to fix the number of Interments or Entombments allocated to a Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche, all of which shall be set forth in the respective Retail Installment Agreement.

    a. The total number of Interments in any adult single Grave shall not exceed three, two of which must be cremated remains.

    b. The total number of cremated remains permitted in any Niche shall not exceed the designated capacity of the Niche as determined by Us.

3. If the Purchaser(s) fails to carry out the terms of the Retail Installment Agreement, We may declare said Retail Installment Agreement cancelled and all rights of the Purchaser(s) to the Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche shall be forfeited, as specifically set forth in the Retail Installment Agreement in the section entitled "Purchaser Default — Penalties." Notice of such forfeiture mailed to the last address of such Purchaser appearing on the Cemetery records shall be deemed sufficient.

4. The use of a Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche is reserved for the exclusive use of the Interment Rights Holder or their designee as set out in the Retail Installment Agreement. The Interment Rights Holder shall not have any right to sell, transfer, exchange, or in any manner dispose of said Lot, Grave Crypt of Niche or any part thereof, or any right of interest therein without Our written consent.

5. If the Certificate of Interment Rights has been lost or misplaced, an affidavit sworn before a Notary Public must be presented in which the person(s) claiming rights of Interment or Entombment privileges in said Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche must identify themselves and establish their rights to said Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche. Upon the presentation of the affidavit, We shall have the right to rely on the notarized statements contained therein, and the person(s) making the affidavit shall be responsible for any errors or omissions of the affidavit.

6. In the case where the Certificate of Interment Rights or the Retail Installment Agreement is lost, We will issue a letter as a substitute to the person(s) who has established legal right to it after satisfactory proof of said loss has been presented to Us, together with a notarized affidavit, reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to Us, by a person(s) having personal knowledge of the facts which may be conclusively relied upon by Us to permit the use of unoccupied portions of any space referred to in such affidavit.

8. AQUISITION, TRANSFER AND SUCCESSION OF INTERMENT OR ENTOMBMENT RIGHTS

1. Interment or Entombment Rights in the Cemetery can be acquired only with Our prior written approval, and such rights are subject to these Information and Regulations as promulgated by the Cemeteries and as amended from time to time. Holders of Interment or Entombment Rights may not sell, assign, or otherwise transfer, pledge, or hypothecate their rights of Interment or Entombment to any other person, without first offering such rights back to the Cemetery. If a Holder wishes to transfer their Right of Interment or Entombment to another individual, the Holder must first provide written notice to Us of such intention, which notice shall include the name of the proposed transferee and proposed transfer price.

   We in Our sole discretion may either (i) repurchase such rights from the Holder, (ii) refuse to approve such transfer, or (iii) approve such transfer, in which case We will prepare a document transferring to the proposed transferee the Right of Interment or Entombment. The transfer document shall contain an acknowledgement by the transferee that such transferee is subject to, and bound by, these Information and Regulations, and the transfer document must be signed by the transferee, notarized and the transfer fee, established by Us, paid before the transfer shall be entered in Our records. No transfer of Interment or Entombment shall be valid or effective until entered in Our records.

2. A Holder of Interment or Entombment rights, with Our prior approval, may exchange such Interment or Entombment Rights for rights with respect to any other Interment or Entombment space of at least equal value when available. When such an exchange of rights is approved, the Certificate of Interment Rights, with respect to the rights to be surrendered, must be delivered to Us by the Interment Rights Holder. The Holder must execute any additional documents We may reasonably require, and the Holder(s) must pay any applicable transfer fee established by the Cemetery Office prior to the issuance of a Retail Installment Agreement or Certificate of Interment Rights, with respect to the rights acquired or to be acquired.

3. If two or more persons are named in any Retail Installment Agreement or Certificate of Interment Rights as co-tenants or joint tenants, each such person has a vested Right of Interment or Entombment in the Interment or Entombment space(s) as designated in the Retail Installment Agreement or Certificate of Interment Rights.

4 The legal spouse of a Holder of Interment or Entombment rights, with respect to any Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche containing more than one Interment or Entombment space, has a vested Right of Interment or Entombment in such Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche as long as the legal marriage relationship exists, provided at least one Interment or Entombment space, other than any space allocated to the surviving Holder, is unoccupied at the time of death of such spouse.

5. A vested Right of Interment or Entombment may be waived by the person in whom such right is vested, and is terminated upon the Interment or Entombment elsewhere of the person in whom such right is vested upon written proof, reasonably satisfactory in substance and form, to Us of the Interment or Entombment of such person in a place other than the Cemetery where the vested Right of Interment or Entombment existed. No vested Right of Interment or Entombment gives any person a vested right to a place other than the specific Cemetery contracted for in the Retail Installment Agreement. No vested Right of Interment or Entombment gives any person the right to be interred or entombed in any Interment or Entombment space in which the remains of any deceased person have already been interred or entombed nor does it give any person the right to have more than one deceased in a casket in a single Interment or Entombment space, except as otherwise specifically provided in these Information and Regulations.

6. An affidavit prepared by Us and to be signed and notarized by a person having personal knowledge of the facts, setting forth the fact of the death of the Interment Rights Holder or a joint Holder, the place of Interment or Entombment of such Holder, and the names(s) of the surviving joint Holder(s) or person(s) entitled to the Interment or Entombment Rights referred to in subsection 5 above, may be conclusively relied upon by the Cemetery to permit the use of unoccupied portions of any Interment or Entombment space referred to in such affidavit.

7. The Retail Installment Agreement and the Certificate of Interment Rights, with respect to any Interment or Entombment rights, and these Information and Regulations set forth all of the rights and duties of the Cemetery, the Interment Rights Holder, and any other person claiming any interest in such Interment or Entombment rights.

8. Records shall be kept by the Cemetery Office showing the name of the Purchaser or Holder of Interment Rights with respect to each Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche and the locations of such Interment or Entombment space. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, any notice or other communication to any Holder shall be deemed to be properly given, if sent by ordinary mail addressed to the Holder at the last address shown on the records of the Cemetery Office.

9. LOT, GRAVE, CRYPT OR NICHE HOLDER'S CHANGE OF ADDRESS

It shall be the duty of the Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche Holder to notify Us of any change in their post office address. Notice sent to a Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche holder or Purchaser at the last address in Our records shall be considered sufficient and proper legal notification.

10. FAMILY INTERMENT RIGHTS – CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN INALIENABLE

1. When an Interment or Entombment of a Holder of Interment Rights or relative is made and the Holder or any joint Holder dies without making a disposition of the remaining Interment or Entombment space, either by specific bequest or written declaration filed and recorded in the Cemetery Office, the Interment or Entombment space thereby and thereupon becomes inalienable and shall be held and reserved as the family Interment or Entombment space of the original Interment Rights Holder.

2. In a family Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche, the space may be used for the Holder of Interment Rights for Interment or Entombment, or for the Holder's spouse, if any, who has a vested Right of Interment or Entombment. The children and the parents of the deceased Interment Rights Holder acquire vested rights of Interment or Entombment in any remaining Interment or Entombment space, and may be interred or entombed in order of death without the consent of any other person claiming any interest in such Interment or Entombment space. If no child or parent survives, the vested rights of Interment or Entombment go in order of death, first, to the spouse of any child of the Interment Rights Holder and, second, in order of death to the next heirs at law of the Holder.

3. Any person who has a vested Right of Interment or Entombment in a family Interment or Entombment space may waive in writing such right in favor of any other relative or spouse of a relative of either the deceased Interment Rights Holder or such Holder's spouse, and upon such waiver and the similar written waiver of all other persons having prior vested rights in the Interment or Entombment space, the person in whose favor the rights were waived thereby has a vested right to Interment or Entombment in that space. Any person who is given the Right of Interment or Entombment in any Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche also has the right to have a permanent Memorial or inscription. The Memorial must be within the guidelines set forth by Us.

4. The Cemetery may take and hold rights transferred to it by the Interment Rights Holder with respect to any Interment or Entombment space so that such is restricted to the persons designated in the instrument of devise or transfer.

11. SERVICE CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

1. All fees and outstanding contract balances must be paid in full before any Interment, Entombment, or Disinterment occurs. For greater clarity, if multiple Graves are purchased on a single Retail Installment Agreement, they are considered an indivisible unit and the balance in full must be paid prior to any Interment, Entombment or Disinterment.

2. We shall have the right to fix a charge and time of payment for each Interment, Entombment, Disinterment, removal, rights transfer, or repurchase of rights, and for the performance of any other service rendered by Us; and all work in connection with such services shall be subject to determination and supervision by Us.

3. Requests to waive or reduce any fees for special consideration with respect thereof must be submitted and approved by designated Senior Manager.

12. RIGHT OF DEVELOPMENT AND/OR ALTERATION IN CEMETERY

1. The following rights and privileges are hereby expressly reserved to Us to be exercised at any time or from time to time for the erection of buildings, or for any purpose or use connected with, incident to, or convenient for, the Care of, preservation of, or preparation for the disposal or Interment or Entombment of human remains, or other Cemetery purposes: to survey, enlarge, diminish, alter in shape or size, or otherwise to change all or any part of the Cemetery.

2. The following rights and privileges are hereby expressly reserved to Us to be exercised at any time or from time to time: easements and rights of way, over and through all of the said Cemetery premises for the purpose of installing, operating, maintaining, repairing and replacing pipes, lines, conduits, or drains for sprinklers, drainage, electric or communication lines or for any other Cemetery purpose deemed necessary.

13. USE OF CEMETERY AND CONDUCT IN CEMETERY

1. **Visitors** — Visitors are permitted within the Cemetery during the visitation hours set forth in Article III above and shall use only the avenues, roads, and walks designated, unless it is necessary to walk on the grass to gain access to a specific Lot. We expressly disclaim liability for any injuries sustained by anyone violating this rule.

2. **Motor Vehicles** — All vehicles must be kept under control at all times and observe a ten mile-per-hour speed limit. Driving or parking on the grass is strictly prohibited. Motorists shall not impede the progress of an Interment, nor shall they interfere with a funeral procession. It is prohibited to leave any motor vehicle on any road or driveway within the Cemetery that may prevent any other vehicle from passing, and if so parked or left, We reserve the right to remove said vehicle.

3. **Pets** — Pets must be on a leash and under the control of the owner, or the responsible individual, to be on Cemetery grounds; The owner of the pet(s) is responsible for any damage caused by the pet(s) and must clean up after their pets.

4. **Photographs** — Personal photographs for memorization purposes shall only be permitted in sections or locations designated by Us. We reserve the right to determine the size, materials and design of such personal photographs permitted.

5. **Photographing and Video Recording** — Photographing and filming or video recording in the Cemetery is prohibited without Our prior written permission.

The Cemetery is private property. Therefore:

a. Loitering, or any boisterous demonstrations and gatherings within the Cemetery are prohibited.
b. No Littering – Visitors to the Cemetery shall use refuse containers provided by the Cemetery to dispose of any unwanted items.
c. Removing any flowers, breaking, injuring, or cutting any plants, shrubs or trees, other than your own, is prohibited.
d. Selling or solicitation of any commodity whatsoever within the Cemetery is restricted to Us.
e. No signs, notices, or advertising is permitted within the Cemetery or on any Memorial except those placed by Us. Any unauthorized signs, notices or advertising will be removed by Us without further notice.
f. We reserve the right to forbid any assemblage which We deem improper.
g. Hunting, fishing, or trapping of any kind or any other unauthorized use on Cemetery property is prohibited.
h. Recreational and sporting activities are prohibited in the Cemetery.
i. Alcohol and illegal drugs are prohibited in the Cemetery.
j. Firearms are not permitted in the Cemetery except for those carried by law enforcement authorities or Cemetery security personnel. A military guard of honor is permitted when in the charge of a military officer and during a military service, and upon prior approval of the Cemetery.

14. GARDENING

1. **Lot Enclosures** — No coping, curbing, fencing, hedging, shrubbery, borders, statuary, or other enclosures of any kind shall be allowed around Lots. We reserve the right to remove, without prior notice, items so erected, planted, or placed.

2. **Turf** — Turf shall not be disturbed for any purpose except under Our written authorization or supervision.

    - For safety reasons, the placing of crushed stone, wood chips/nuggets, bricks and landscape shells are not permitted in the Cemetery.

3. **Trees and Shrubbery** — Placing of trees, shrubs and plants is forbidden without Our written authorization and permission. We reserve the right to remove or prune any tree or shrubbery previously planted in the Cemetery which, in Our sole opinion may mar the beauty of the Cemetery or which may encroach upon or interfere with other Lots or Graves, or which have been placed without written permission.

    - Certain flowers and shrubs are not appropriate, such as plants with thorns and ground cover or shrubs that normally mature beyond the parameters of the Interment Rights Holders' Lot and monument.

4. **Plants, Flowers, Wreaths** — Persons wishing to plant or garden in the Cemetery must first obtain Our written permission. Any planting without Our written permission may be removed. Plants, flowers, wreaths, or artificial decorations may be permitted on a particular Lot subject to these regulations.

    - All approved plantings will be done at the Interment Rights Holders' risk. Holders are advised to consider weather conditions and wildlife foraging in making plant selections.

    - Potted plants dug into the soil beyond the approved planting area create safety and maintenance hazards and will be removed by Us.

4a. **Planting in front of Monuments**

    - Plantings of flowers permitted in front of monuments are not to exceed the width of monument and are not to extend more than ten inches in depth and not exceed the height of the monument.

    - Potted plants, flower boxes, and vases are permitted in front of a monument — not to exceed ten inches in depth.

    - All installed retractable vases must be restored to their below ground position after the growing season.

    - Christmas wreaths may either be placed in the 10-inch area in front of the monument or secured to the monument.

    - Artificial flowers or evergreen boughs in boxes or pots may be placed in the 10-inch area in front of the monument.

4b. **Plantings Around Flush Markers**

- In-ground plantings around Flush Markers are prohibited.
- Plantings are prohibited next to or in front of Flush Markers and will be removed without notice. This includes, but is not limited to, trees, bushes, and shrubs in containers.
- All installed retractable vases must be restored to their below ground position after the growing season.
- Artificial flowers and/or evergreen boughs in boxes or pots may be placed on top of Flush Markers.

5. **Ornaments and Flower Vases** — We reserve the right to regulate the method of decoration of Lots so that uniform beauty may be maintained. The use of boxes, shells, decorative stones, toys, balloons, metal designs, ornaments, artificial decorations, vases, glass crockery jars and containers, bottles, Styrofoam, statuary, cans, vigil lights and solar lights, wood or metal cases, barriers, crosses, iron furniture, arbors, concrete urns, pedestals, or images shall not be permitted on any Lot and such articles shall be removed by Us.

- Approved vases, medallions, and porcelain pictures may be purchased at the Cemetery Office.
- Unauthorized adornments may not be affixed to Crypt and Niche fronts or monuments.
- Decorations that become unsightly or withered will be removed and discarded without notice. If you wish to save your decorations, please remove them in a timely manner.
- Grave blankets or sprays are permitted for the Interment only and will be removed at Our discretion.
- Palms and Easter flowers are permitted one week prior to Palm Sunday and may remain for one week after Easter Sunday. After this time, all palms and flowers will be removed.
- Christmas decorations will be removed by Us beginning February 1, weather permitting.
- Any discolored, damaged, torn, faded American flags shall be removed by the Cemetery without notice and respectfully disposed of.

6. **Not Liable for Floral Pieces or Vases** — We shall not be liable for vases, floral pieces, baskets, or flowers in which or to which such floral pieces are attached, beyond the acceptance of such floral pieces for funeral services held in the Cemeteries.

7. Violations of any of the above considerations will necessitate immediate removal of the inappropriate items by Us.

15. GRADING, LANDSCAPING, AND IMPROVEMENTS

1. All grading and improvements of any kind and all Care and maintenance of Graves and Lots shall be done by the Cemetery personnel, unless permission is granted by Us to other persons.

2. Our landscape plans with respect to the location and varieties of trees and shrubs planted or to be planted shall be adhered to. Only trees and shrubs approved in writing by Us may be planted. Cemetery personnel will perform all plantings. Any trees, shrubs, or plantings, which in Our opinion violate any such landscape plans, obstruct any adjacent Graves, Lots, walkway, or road, or are injurious to the general appearance of the Cemetery, shall be removed without notice.

16. CEMETERY EMPLOYEES

1. Cemetery employees are not permitted to do any work for Interment Rights Holders, except upon Our instruction.

2. We shall have the right to maintain a security guard, if in Our discretion we deem it necessary, but are under no legal obligation to do so.

17. OUTSIDE WORKERS

1. Work Performed within Cemetery – No persons, other than the duly authorized employees of the Cemetery, shall be allowed to perform any work within the Cemetery without written authorization issued by the Cemetery management, and any such work so authorized shall be subject to all provisions contained herein pertaining to such activity. All authorized contracted workers must have proof of insurance filed with the cemetery before work occurs. Such work shall be performed at the applicable Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche Holder's expense.

2. All outside contractors, workers, and vendors must go to the Cemetery Office to be issued a daily work permit prior to performing any work or services on Cemetery property. All outside contractors, workers, and vendors shall provide the Cemeteries with a Certificate of Insurance at least annually, with Cemeteries and the Diocese as named insureds for the following insurance categories If applicable:

    - Commercial General Liability, two million dollars
    - Automobile Liability, two million dollars
    - Workers Compensation, as required by law

It is also recommended that contractors secure builders risk coverage that is sufficient to cover the project.

18. LOSS OR DAMAGE; REPAIRS

We disclaim all responsibility for loss or damage from causes beyond Our reasonable control and especially from damage by an act of God, the elements and the weather, earthquakes, war, common enemy, air raids, invasions, insurrections, riots, order of any military or civil authorities, thieves, vandals, strikers, malicious mischief makers, explosions, unavoidable accidents, or any cause similar or dissimilar beyond Our control whether the damage be direct or collateral.

In the event it becomes necessary to reconstruct or repave any section or Lot or any portion thereof, including Graves, Crypts, Niches, Private Estate Lots, or Private Mausoleums in the Cemetery, which have been damaged by such causes, We shall give a ten-day written notice of the necessity for such repair to the Interment Rights Holder of record. The notice shall be given by depositing the same in the U.S. Mail with postage thereon duly prepaid, addressed to the Interment Rights Holder of record at his or her address stated in Our records. In the event the Interment Rights Holder fails to repair the damage within a reasonable time, We may direct that the repairs be made and charge the expense against the Lot and to the Interment Rights Holder of record.

All Memorials including Private Mausoleums, monuments, foundations, markers, vases are the property of the individual Purchaser. Any damage to these types of property is the Purchaser's responsibility. Some insurance companies will allow you to include such Memorials for coverage under a homeowner's policy.

19. PERPETUAL CARE AND MAINTENANCE FUND

1. The Cemetery Ministry shall establish and manage a Perpetual Care and Maintenance fund. Monies deposited into the fund from the sale of Lots, Graves, Crypts and Niches shall be invested and the income derived therefrom shall be used solely for the purpose of ongoing and future Care and Maintenance.

2. The Care and Maintenance fund covers Graves, Lots (including Private Estate Lots), and Community Mausoleums necessitated by natural growth and routine maintenance. This includes cutting and care of lawns, trees, and shrubs planted by the cemetery field staff. It also includes cleaning and maintenance of roadways and walks. It shall not include the care and maintenance of the Interment Rights Holder's private plantings.

3. The term "Maintenance" shall in no case mean the maintenance, repair, or replacement of any Memorial placed or erected upon any Grave or Lot, nor the planting of flowers or ornamental plants; nor the doing of any special or unusual work in the Cemeteries, including work caused by impoverishment of the soil or disruption of water supply or facilities; nor does it mean the reconstruction of any Memorial marker, granite, bronze, or concrete work on any section of a Grave or Lot or any portion or portions thereof in the Cemeteries, injured or damaged by any cause, direct or indirect, beyond Our reasonable control.

4. The term "Care" shall in no case mean the maintenance repair or replacement of any Memorial placed or erected upon any Grave or Lot; nor the doing of any special or unusual work in the Cemeteries, including work caused by impoverishment of the soil or disruption of water supply or facilities; nor does it mean the reconstruction of any Memorial marker, granite, bronze, or concrete work on any section of Grave or Lot or any portion or portions thereof in the Cemeteries injured or damaged by any cause direct or indirect beyond Our reasonable control.

5. The responsibility for the Care and Maintenance of any Private Mausoleum shall belong to the Interment Rights Holder and/or any Warranty provided by the Manufacturer. We shall be responsible for any items not covered by the warranty if specified and agreed to by Us in writing. We shall provide any routine maintenance to the Private Mausoleum Lot in accordance with Our usual practices. Any damage caused by acts of God are not Our responsibility.

20. MEMORIALS AND RULES FOR MEMORIAL WORK

1. We reserve the right to prescribe and approve the type of material to be used, as well as the propriety of the design, and the proportions of the dimensions of the Memorial to be erected. We reserve the right to establish rules restricting or specifying markers, monuments or other structures of a certain description, design, size, or material.

2. We reserve the right to establish the days and hours when a Memorial may be delivered to the Cemetery. All Memorial work outside of normal hours shall be arranged with Us. Memorial work is to be suspended if a service is taking place in the immediate vicinity until such service(s) are completed.

3. The location and position in which a Memorial is to be placed or erected on a Lot shall be entirely subject to Our approval and under Our supervision. Cemetery sections and Lots are specifically designed for either monument (above ground) or marker (ground level) Memorials.

4. Upright and slant monuments or Flush Markers may be installed on a Lot or Grave when the purchase price, as set forth in the Retail Installment Agreement, for the Interment Rights in such Lot or Grave has been paid in full.

5. Memorial dealers must abide by the rules and regulations of the Cemetery now in force or hereafter adopted in the erection or installation of all Memorial work.

6. Memorializing by design, symbol, inscription, epitaph, etcetera is permitted on the portion/face of an upright or slant monument where one's Grave is located if written approval has been granted by Us.

7. No Memorial will be installed in the Cemetery unless it is in compliance with Our Memorial regulations, has been inspected and accepted by the Cemeteries, all documentation has been received, and all related fees have been paid prior to installation. We are not responsible for any loss or damage to any shipped monument howsoever caused.

8. Interment Right Holders shall be permitted to install one ceramic portrait for each person interred. In order to retain consistency of appearance, We retain the right to be the exclusive supplier of ceramic portraits.

9. Memorials shall be permitted once an application for stonework has been submitted on forms supplied by the Cemetery, with a sketch showing design in detail, ornamentations, all dimensions of stonework, type of finish of exposed surfaces, and any inscription exactly as they will appear on the finished product, and such application has been approved in writing by Us. Memorial dealers are responsible for obtaining the written approval from Us.

10. All stonework must be performed in accordance with the location, specifications and sketch as outlined in the Application and is subject to Our approval prior to placement.

11. If, in Our opinion, the completed Memorial does not comply with said rules and regulations referred to in subsection (5) above or the approved Application, it will, at Our written request, be removed immediately by the dealer to correct any errors or deficiencies without cost to the Cemetery.

12. In the event that through oversight, error, or other reasons, violations of the Memorial work policy have occurred, a precedent is not set, and such violations shall not be repeated.

13. No Memorial, once erected, may be removed from the Cemetery by the Memorial dealer without written permission of the Interment Rights Holder(s), or, if deceased, the legal heir(s), agent(s) and written approval from Us or an order from a court having competent jurisdiction.

14. When a Memorial is in a state of disrepair and becomes a liability to the safety of Interment Rights Holders, visitors, or staff, We reserve the right to initiate appropriate action.

15. Memorial dealers may not solicit Memorial sales or Memorial work within the Cemetery nor are advertisements in any form allowed on stonework in the Cemetery.

16. We reserve the right to construct all foundations and to perform certain related work. We also reserve the right to remove any monument set on Our foundation if the foundation charge has not been paid in full to the Cemetery.

17. No Memorial shall be placed on the Lot until the proper foundation has been approved by Us and installed on the Lot.

18. We reserve the right to issue, under separate cover, detailed regulations, and instructions and policies pertaining to the type, size, quality, material and design of Memorials, and inscriptions installed in the Cemetery. Those detailed regulations, instructions and policies and all amendments are hereby incorporated by reference into this Information and Regulations document.

19. All Memorials placed in the Cemetery shall be at the risk of the Interment Rights Holder or the legal heirs or agents. The Cemetery will be held harmless for acts including but not limited to vandalism and acts of God.

20. No freestanding statuary of any kind is permitted.

21. We recommend Memorials be made of bronze or granite. Marble Memorials are only permitted within in Our Cemetery with Our approval.

22. Disclosure: With respect to the sale of memorials by the cemetery, We will operate under the same regulations as applicable to Memorial dealers.

21. PRIVATE MAUSOLEUMS

1. Lots for Private Mausoleums must be at least twenty feet wide by twenty feet from the front to back. Any exception concerning the size of the Lot for a Private Mausoleum is subject to Our written approval.

2. Mausoleums must be of granite along with the most suitable, durable materials and construction. Full plans and specifications with duplicate plans for foundations, must be filed with and approved by Us.

3. Proposed plans for Private Mausoleums will not be approved until provisions have been made for a satisfactory Special Care fund to provide for the future repointing of the joints in the structure. The amount of the Special Care fund will vary in accordance with the size and design of the Mausoleum, and the material used. The Special Care fund must be fully funded before any work can be started in the Cemetery.

4. We will erect all foundations and will provide, for approval, an estimate of the cost of this work upon the submission of plans. A reasonable amount of time will be given to the Cemetery for the completion of this work. Foundation work may be delayed due to weather conditions or situations which are beyond Our control.

5. Work on a Memorial or Private Mausoleum will not be permitted on Saturdays, Sundays, or Holidays.

6. Contractors and Interment Rights Holders will be held responsible for imperfect work done by them or for them and will be required to bring the work up to standards required by Us.

7. In all newly constructed Private Mausoleums, cremated remains must be placed in an approved container and placed in a Niche. In Private Mausoleums built prior to 1995, cremated remains may be placed on shelves and in open Niches. The placing of cremated remains on the floor of any Private Mausoleum is prohibited.

8. Stained glass windows and doors in a Private Mausoleum must be protected by an outer panel of Plexiglas or other shatterproof material, installed at the time of construction.

9. The Cemetery shall retain the exclusive right to supply and install every Private Mausoleum structure in all cemeteries.

10. Interment Rights Holders shall be permitted to install one ceramic portrait for each person entombed in a Crypt or Niche. We retain the right to be the exclusive supplier of ceramic portraits, inscriptions, emblems, vases and any other Memorial item permitted under these regulations.

11. As soon as the door is installed in a Private Mausoleum, a key and one copy must be given to Us at the Cemetery Office.

12. The Cemetery shall be entitled to keep a key to every Private Mausoleum installed in the Cemetery.

13. No monument, Private Mausoleum, or Memorial work of any kind may be removed from the Cemetery without advance written approval by Us and the Interment Rights Holder. Once the monument, Private Mausoleum, or Memorial is removed, the Cemetery may require that the foundation be removed at the Interment Rights Holder(s) expense, before the Cemetery will consider repurchasing said property.

14. No fencing, coping, rock, stone or concrete walls or walkways will be permitted in or around Private Mausoleums unless a plan for such fencing, coping, walls or walkways has been submitted to Us and approved by Us in writing in advance of the commencement of construction.

15. Families using private contractors for the installation or construction of stone fencing, coping or walls shall follow the guidelines entitled “Rock or Stone Wall Construction Requirements – Instructions to Contractors” available from the Cemetery Office.

16. If any fencing or coping, walls or walkways, embellishment or structure, becomes broken or deteriorated to the point that it is, in Our opinion, an eyesore or a danger to persons and property, or that, in Our opinion, constitutes an obstruction which adds unduly to the expense of maintaining the Cemetery, the obstruction may be removed by Us after 15 days notice to the Interment Rights Holder at the address on record with Us.

17. All Private Mausoleums shall be charged Special Care (see Definition) as a percentage of the purchase price. Such percentage shall be determined by Us from time to time.

22. COMMUNITY MAUSOLEUMS

1. When a Crypt or Niche is selected in one of Our Community Mausoleums or Columbariums, the Purchaser will be given a copy of the Retail Installment Agreement designating the location and size(s) of same.

2. The Interment Rights Holder, a family representative or a designated individual must inform the funeral director as to the size of the Crypt or Niche before a casket or urn is ordered. When there is no funeral director involved; the responsibility shall be that of Interment Rights Holder or family representative.

3. Regarding Entombment of caskets in Crypts:
   - In community Mausoleum Crypts, one casket or three single Cremation urns are permitted in each Entombment space.
   - In tandem or couch Crypts, the first casket Entombment must be made at the rear of the Crypt.
   - In Westminster Crypts, which contain two spaces, the first casket of Entombment must be placed on the lower level.
   - In Westminster Crypts, which contain four spaces, the first casket of Entombment must be at the rear of the lower level.

4. Lettering of Crypt or Niche shutter fronts shall be raised bronze lettering or shall be sandblasted lettering to conform with the existing inscription that appears in each Cemetery. We reserve the right to approve and perform all inscription work in Our community Mausoleums.

5. Inscriptions on regular Crypts and Niches will be limited to given name, initial and surname, the year of birth, and the year of death. On couch Crypts, a full middle name will be allowed if there is sufficient room on the shutter front. Exceptions to this rule will be based on individual Cemetery inscription procedures already in place.

6. Interment Rights Holders shall be permitted to install one ceramic portrait for each person entombed in a Crypt or Niche. In order to retain consistency of appearance, We retain the right to be the exclusive supplier of ceramic portraits. Crypts and Niches may be used for the Entombment of human remains only.

7. All Community Mausoleum Crypt Entombments shall require an Ensure-A-Seal or similar casket enclosure product approved by Us. No wooden caskets are permitted in the Community Mausoleum.

8. In glass-fronted Niches, urns may not be made of wood. Ornaments, decorations, and keepsakes are allowed, subject to Our approval. All items must be only of sentimental value. We are not responsible for any ornaments, decorations, or keepsakes placed inside of a Niche.
   - Ornaments, decorations, and keepsakes may be changed twice during year one and once in years two and three. Any subsequent requests shall be subject to a charge determined by Us to be paid in advance.

9. Gardening Considerations:
   - Live potted plants and fresh flowers will be permitted in the Mausoleums where appropriate and where they do not pose a hazardous situation to Mausoleum visitors.
   - Glass and porcelain containers are not permitted in community Mausoleums as they pose a safety hazard.
   - We reserve the right to limit the number of floral pieces permitted during a committal service and the duration they are permitted to remain after the service.

- Wilted flowers will be removed by Cemetery personnel without notice.
- No unauthorized adornments including but not limited to cards, balloons, or flowers will be permitted on a Crypt or Niche front. Unauthorized adornments will be removed without notice. Authorized adornments are available through the Cemetery Office.
- Artificial flowers will be removed periodically by Cemetery personnel without notice.

23. LITTLE ANGELS SHRINE PROCEDURES

The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Bridgeport developed and operates the Little Angels Shrine at our Resurrection Cemetery, located at 208 South Main Street (Rt. 25) in Newtown, Connecticut. This sacred ground has been set aside to bury the remains of miscarried and stillborn babies, as well as infants who have died at, or shortly after, birth.

To bury (inter, commit) any remains, the State of Connecticut requires:

1. A Fetal Death Certificate "FDC" signed by a licensed medical doctor, ***and***
2. A Burial Permit obtained by a licensed funeral director
   - If a mother suffers a miscarriage (up to 20 weeks) at home, has retained the remains and wishes to bury them, her OB-GYN must provide to a licensed funeral director a FDC with a notation "for burial purposes only".
   - If the miscarriage occurs in a hospital and the mother requests the remains, the hospital will provide the FDC.
   - In the case of a stillborn, or death at or shortly after birth, the hospital will have the remains and will provide a FDC.
   - If your baby's remains are located in our diocese (within the boundaries of Fairfield County) the Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Bridgeport will arrange for a funeral director to take the remains from your home or hospital at no cost and secure them until the next monthly burial date at the Shrine. Should you choose to do so, you may retain a funeral director of your choice at your expense. You will need to register online for our next Shrine service.
   - If you reside outside our diocese, you will need to register online for our next Shrine service, obtain a FDC from your OB-GYN and retain the services of a licensed funeral director at your expense to transport your baby's remains to our Shrine on the day of the burial.
   - And if you reside outside Connecticut: In addition to the above, your out-of-state licensed funeral director must have a valid reciprocal agreement with Connecticut.

If you have the cremated remains of your baby and you would like to bury them at the Shrine, you will need to register online for our next Shrine service:

- A licensed funeral director is not required to transport the remains or to be present during the burial.
- Family can bring the cremated remains to the cemetery but must bring a copy of the Certificate of Cremation provided to the funeral director by the crematory.

What the Catholic Cemeteries will provide at the time of burial:

- The Catholic Cemeteries will provide an urn for the remains, a hard plastic vault to bury them, perform the opening and closing of the burial plot and create and affix a plaque to one of the memorial walls at the Shrine at no cost to the family.

Donations to support our Shrine Ministry are gratefully accepted and can be made on the Cemetery website at ctcemeteries.org

Please note that we are unable to accommodate any interments that have not been pre-arranged by the Monday before the designated ceremony.

24. IN GENERAL

1. The statement of any employee of the Cemeteries shall not be binding upon Us except as such statement coincides with documents conveying the Right of Interment and these Information and Regulations.

2. These Information and Regulations shall apply to any Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche, Private family-owned or community Mausoleum now in existence or which may hereafter be erected in the Cemetery.

3. We reserve the right, without notice, to make temporary exceptions, suspensions, or modifications to any of the rules and regulations contained in these Information and Regulations, when in Our judgment the same appear advisable. Such temporary exception, suspension or modification shall in no way be considered as affecting the general application of such rule.

4. In all matters not specifically covered by these Information and Regulations, We reserve the right to do anything, which in Our judgment is deemed reasonable under the circumstances. Such decisions shall be binding upon the Lot, Grave, Crypt or Niche Holder and all parties concerned.

5. We reserve the right at any time and from time to time to change, amend, alter, rescind, or add to these Information and Regulations or any part thereof, or to adopt any new regulations with respect to said Cemetery or anything pertaining thereto.

6. New or changed regulations will be posted, either in the Cemetery Office or on the Cemetery grounds, for a period of thirty (30) days prior to their adoption. Such notice shall be considered complete and sufficient announcement of any and all changes.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

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Cemetery Offices

GREENWICH
St. Mary – Putnam Cemetery
35 Parsonage Road
Greenwich, CT 06830
203.742.1510

STAMFORD
Queen of Peace Cemetery
124 Rock Rimmon Road
Stamford, CT 06903
c/o St. John Cemetery – Darien
203.742.1511

DARIEN
St. John Cemetery
25 Camp Avenue
Darien, CT 06820
203.742.1511

NORWALK
St. John Cemetery
223 Richards Avenue
Norwalk, CT 06850
203.742.1518

WESTPORT
Assumption Cemetery
73 Greens Farms Road
Westport, CT 06880
c/o St. John Cemetery – Norwalk
203.742.1518

FAIRFIELD
St. Thomas Aquinas Cemetery
2099 Mill Plain Road
Fairfield, CT 06824
c/o St. Michael Cemetery – Stratford
203.814.9893

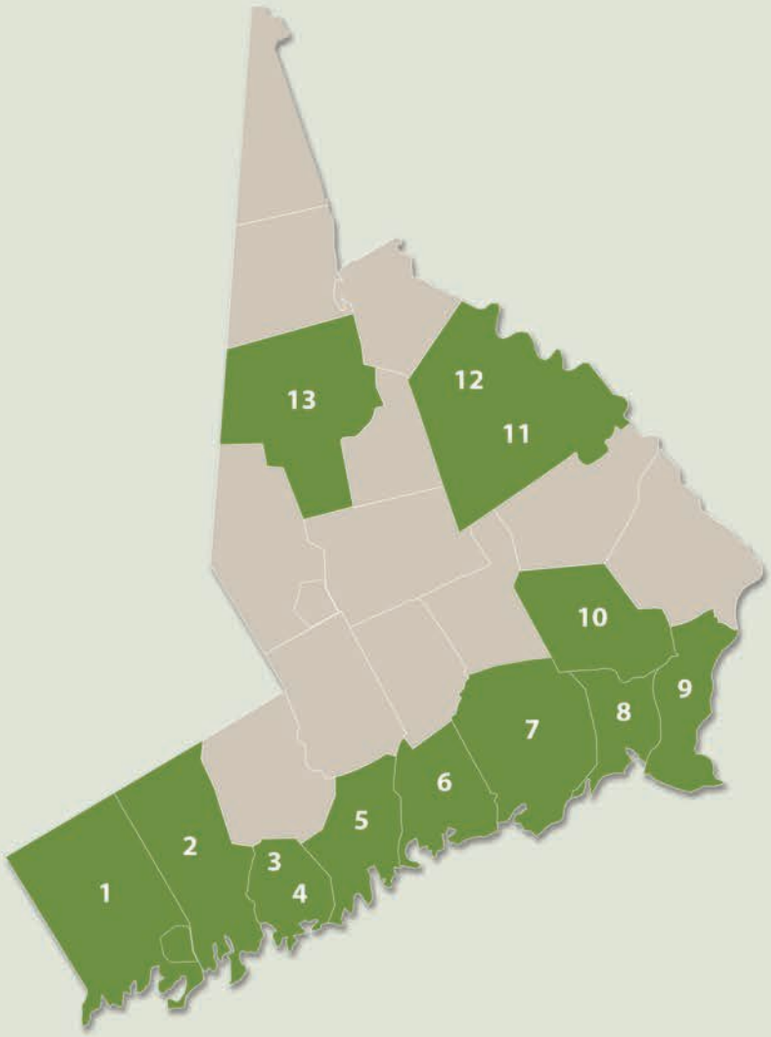
STRATFORD
St. Michael Cemetery
2205 Stratford Avenue
Stratford, CT 06615
203.742.1459

TRUMBULL
Gate of Heaven Cemetery
1056 Daniels Farm Road
Trumbull, CT 06611
203.742.1520

NEWTOWN
Resurrection Cemetery
Little Angels Shrine
St. Rose of Lima II
208 S. Main Street
Newtown, CT 06470
c/o Gate of Heaven Cemetery – Trumbull
203.742.1520

DANBURY
St. Peter Cemetery
71 Lake Avenue Extension
Danbury, CT 06810
203.742.1504

Active Diocese Cemeteries



(1) **St. Mary – Putnam Cemetery** | Greenwich, CT | 203.742.1510
(2) **Queen of Peace Cemetery** | Stamford, CT | 203.742.1511
(3) **St. Thomas More Cremation Garden** | Darien, CT | 203.742.1511
(4) **St. John Cemetery** | Darien, CT | 203.742.1511
(5) **St. John Cemetery** | Norwalk, CT | 203.742.1518
(6) **Assumption Cemetery** | Westport, CT | 203.742.1518
(7) **St. Thomas Aquinas Cemetery** | Fairfield, CT | 203.742.1459
(8) **St. Monica Cremation Garden** | Bridgeport, CT | 203.742.1459
(9) **St. Michael Cemetery** | Stratford, CT | 203.742.1459
(10) **Gate of Heaven Cemetery** | Trumbull, CT | 203.742.1520
(11) **Resurrection Cemetery** | Newtown, CT | 203.742.1520
(12) **Little Angels Shrine, St. Rose II** | Newtown, CT | 203.742.1520
(13) **St. Peter Cemetery** | Danbury, CT | 203.742.1504