



ST. PETER'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dear Families,

As you are preparing your loved one's funeral, we stand with you and with your family in prayers.

We as a parish community want to continue to pray for your loved ones not only during the funeral preparations but throughout the year.

For this reason, we ask you to join us in a mass service that will be held on **Friday, November 8th, 2024**, at 7:00pm. This special mass is celebrated in memory of **ALL** the deceased who died in this past year in which funerals were held at St. Peter's Church. I have included your loved one's picture in a slide that will be shown throughout the mass as we honor and dedicate our prayers to **ALL**.

Hope you can join us, and may God continue to bless you and your families during this difficult time.

May He send you *His Love* and *Peace* always.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Charles M. Grech, ofm
Pastor

FUNERAL SERVICE INFORMATION – ST. PETER’S CHURCH

Please complete the following and ensure that funeral home staff provides completed sheet to the Celebrant before the service begins.

Day: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Deceased’s Name : _____

READERS

First Reading: _____

Responsorial Psalm - (Sung)

Second Reading: _____

General Intercessions: _____

Eulogy: _____

(Only With Priest’s prior approval)

Special Requests - _____

Laity Speaking at Funeral Masses

The Archdiocese of Toronto

(New policy concerning Eulogies)

The Focus of every funeral Mass is to be the celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Christian words of remembrance are not necessary and not recommended. It is imperative that this be communicated to the family of the deceased. However, if the family members insist, they are permitted by the pastor under the following conditions:

1. The Words of remembrance may take place either:
 - At the vigil liturgy, or Funeral Home.
 - At the beginning of the Funeral Liturgy, after the reception of the body and prior to the opening prayer of the Mass.
 - At the Committal liturgy at the graveside.
2. Only one person may speak.
3. A time limit is recommended (3-5minutes)
4. It is expected that the talk should be written out like a script; should it prove too emotional for the designated speaker, someone else could perform this role. The talk is to be shown beforehand to the priest or a member of the pastoral staff. This is important to ensure the comments are appropriate and not contrary to Catholic teaching.

Suggestions for the words of remembrance should be made for content to avoid certain subjects e.g. inside jokes, lengthy stories, negative comments and inappropriate language.



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First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom

(3:1-9)

The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of Himself; like gold in the furnace He tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering He accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble.

They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in Him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with Him in love, because grace and mercy are upon His holy ones, and He watches over His elect.

The Word of the Lord.

Prima Lettura

Dal Libro della Sapienza

(3:1-9)

Le anime dei giusti, invece, sono nelle mani di Dio, nessun tormento le toccherà'. Agli occhi degli stolti parve che morissero; la loro fine fu ritenuta una sciagura, la loro partenza da noi una rovina, ma essi sono nella pace.

Anche se agli occhi degli uomini subiscono castighi, la loro speranza è piena di immortalità'. Per una breve pena riceveranno grandi benefici, perché Dio li ha provati e li ha trovati degni di sé': li ha saggiati come oro nel crogiuolo e li ha graditi come un olocausto. Nel giorno del loro giudizio risplenderanno; come scintilla nella stoppia, correranno qua e là'.

Governeranno le nazioni, avranno potere sui popoli e il Signore regnerà' per sempre su di loro. Quanti confidano in Lui comprenderanno la verità'; coloro che gli sono fedele vivranno presso di Lui nell'amore, perché grazia e Misericordia sono riservate ai suoi eletti.

Parola di Dio: Rendiamo grazie a Dio

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

(6:3-9)

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore, we have been buried with Him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we will certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

The Word of the Lord.

Seconda Lettura

Dalla lettera di San Paolo ai Romani

(6:3-9)

O ignorate voi che quanti siamo stati battezzati in Cristo Gesu', siamo stati battezzati nella sua morte?

Noi siamo dunque stati con Lui seppelliti mediante il battesimo nella sua morte, affinche', come Cristo e' risuscitato dai morti mediante la gloria del Padre, cosi' anche noi camminassimo in novita' di vita.

Perche', se siamo divenuti una stessa cosa con Lui per una morte somigliante alla sua, lo saremo anche per una risurrezione simile alla sua, sapendo questo: che il nostro vecchio uomo e' stato crocifisso con Lui, affinche' il corpo del peccato fosse annullato, onde noi non serviamo piu' al peccato; poiche' colui che e' morto, e' affrancato dal peccato.

Ora, se siamo morti con Cristo, noi crediamo che altresì vivremo con Lui, sapendo che Cristo, essendo risuscitato dai morti, non muore piu'; la morte non lo signoreggia piu'.

Parola di Dio: Rendiamo grazie a Dio

Prayers of the Faithful

Reader: We pray for **N.N.**, may God receive **him/her** kindly, with generosity and forgiveness, and the rewards of **his/her** faith. May He continue to inspire us, to intercede for us, and be there at the end to welcome us, in our turn, into eternal life.

We pray to the Lord.

Reader: We pray for all who mourn. May their tears be wiped away, and may their mourning be turned into joy.

We pray to the Lord.

Reader: We give thanks for the love which **N.N.**, showed during **his/her** life. May **he/she** know the perfection and fulfilment of that love in heaven.

We pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, you are life and the enemy of death. Rescue us and the faithful departed from eternal darkness.

We pray to the Lord.

Reader: Bring all the dead into the light that no darkness can overpower. May we all meet in joy with you.

We pray to the Lord.

Reader: **N.N.**, lived Christ's commandment of love; may **he/she** now hear those words, "Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

We pray to the Lord.

Preghiere dei fedeli

1. Perché confermi il popolo Cristiano nella fede e nell'unità della Chiesa, preghiamo. **R. Ascoltaci, Signore.**

2. Per questo **defunto/a N.N.** che nel Battesimo ha ricevuto il germe della vita eterna, perché l'accoglia nella comunione dei Santi, preghiamo. **R. Ascoltaci, Signore.**

3. Per questo **defunto/a N.N.** che si è **nutrito/a** del Corpo di Cristo, pane di vita, perché lo risusciti nell'ultimo giorno per la gloria eterna, preghiamo. **R. Ascoltaci, Signore.**

4. Per le anime dei nostri parenti e di tutti coloro che ci hanno fatto del bene, perché conceda il premio alle loro fatiche, preghiamo. **R. Ascoltaci, Signore.**

5. Per i fedeli che si sono addormentati nella speranza della risurrezione, perché li accolga nella luce del suo volto, preghiamo. **R. Ascoltaci, Signore.**

6. Per tutti noi qui raccolti nella fede di Cristo, perché ci riunisca nel suo regno glorioso, preghiamo. **R. Ascoltaci, Signore.**