



Reception

The Spiritual Life Center is usually available for a reception after a funeral. Please check with the Facilities Director to be sure no one else has booked it for a function at that time.

It is the responsibility of the family to make arrangements for food served at this reception.

There are a number of caterers in the area. The Parish Council requests that we do not recommend one caterer over another.

It is the responsibility of the family to pay the expenses for the reception.



Cremation

The Church prefers the presence of the body at the Funeral Liturgy.

The Church recommends that cremation be done after the Mass.

If this is not possible, the body may be present at the funeral Mass in cremated form.

Ashes should be buried or entombed and never scattered or retained. St. Peter Church has a columbarium for the entombment of ashes. You can contact the parish for details.



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Funeral Directives

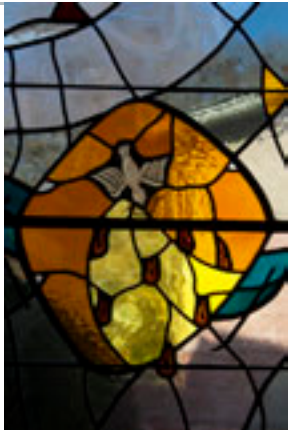


Pastor:

Fr. Justin Kerber, C.P.

Parochial Vicar:

Fr. Edward Wolanski, C.P.



St. Peter's Catholic Church Funeral Directives

The Funeral Mass

The Funeral Mass is celebrated at the parish where the deceased is a parishioner. For the parishioners of St. Peter's, the Mass is celebrated at St. Peter's Church. ~ Dependent on the Church schedule, the Funeral Mass usually begins between 10am and 11:30am. ~ The parish priests of St. Peter's are the celebrants of funeral Masses. Any other priest must have the permission of the Pastor. If a priest is chosen who is not currently assigned to the Diocese of Raleigh, a letter or email must first be sent from his Bishop or Provincial Superior to the Vicar General of the Diocese of Raleigh. The letter is to state that he is a priest in good standing. This applies to celebrating or concelebrating in all churches of the Raleigh Diocese. The same applies to Deacons. ~ St. Peter's will assist in preparing the funeral liturgy. We will strive to honor all requests which are in keeping with Church directives. ~ The Music Director will assist with the music selections and their placement in the liturgy. The Director's

stipend is \$100 whether or not he performs. In either case, he will see to your musician's needs, setting up and overseeing the sound system, familiarizing them with the organ, etc. ~ The Director and parish song leaders are available to serve in the capacity of soloist for an additional \$75. ~ The Director has access to a variety of instrumentalists and ensembles, e.g., trumpet, flute, violin, etc. ~ Music for the liturgy should be appropriate and of a sacred nature and in accord with the guidelines given in "Music and Catholic Worship." ~ If the family wishes, before the Liturgy begins or after communion, a family member or a friend may give a brief reflection about the deceased. This should be of a spiritual nature. Stories and lengthy reflections are best said at the wake or reception. ~ Diocesan directives indicate that flowers are not to be placed in the Church during the season of Lent.

The Normal Funeral Rites Celebrated at the Death of a Catholic :

1. Vigil Service at the Wake
2. Funeral Mass at the Parish Church
3. Commendation and Blessing at the Place of Internment

Vigil

Please arrange a time so one of the priests can conduct the wake service and/or Rosary.



Rite of Committal and Final Blessing

The priest will accompany the remains to their final resting place whenever the burial or entombment is at a reasonable distance.