

## Memorial Service Information

On behalf of the Priests, Lay staff and parishioners of Resurrection Parish, we are sorry for your loss. Whether it has been two weeks or two years since your loved ones passing, a memorial service is a beautiful way to honor and remember them.

Below you will find information to help you in preparing for this Mass. **Please note that all funerals and memorial services must follow the format of a Catholic Liturgy. "Freeform" liturgies that follow a protestant format are not allowed.** If you need further information please contact the Rectory weekdays 9-4 PM at 914-967-0142 and we will be happy to assist you.

**Readings:** There are two readings from the Bible. One old testament and one new testament. You may choose them or you can ask the priest to choose them for you. You may also have one or two family members do these readings at the Mass as well. This is not mandatory, the priest will be happy to do the readings if you choose not to. If you do wish to choose your readings, you can preview and choose them by going to [www.resmusic.org](http://www.resmusic.org) and click on the Funeral Planning Tab.

**Prayer of the Faithful:** The prayer of the faithful may also be read by a friend or family member. Again, this is not mandatory and the priest can do it if you wish.

**Presentation of Gifts:** You may choose two or three people to bring up the gifts at the Offertory of the Mass.

**Music:** Music will be part of the memorial service. You may choose the music or you can have our music director choose fitting music for you. Please remember that in choosing the music **it must be liturgical**. Secular music, love songs, Broadway show tunes, and pop music are not appropriate for a memorial Mass. A list of appropriate music can also be found by visiting the above-mentioned website. Pre-recorded music is not allowed.

**Flowers:** Flowers are welcome for the memorial Mass. Please have flowers delivered one hour before the Mass to the Church sanctuary.

**Church Offering:** The offering for a memorial Mass is \$675.00. This includes the offering to the church, the organist, a singer. Please make out offering to *Church of the Resurrection*.