

St. Lawrence Newman Center Funeral Guide

We are so sorry for your loss and our hope is that the service will provide comfort and peace. Planning the service can bring added stress so we have developed these guidelines to help the process run more smoothly.

Basics

- Funerals may be held on weekdays at 10:00 am.
- A visitation may begin as early as 8:30 the morning of the service.
- Please provide the parish coordinator with the following information for the deceased: Full name, age, date of birth, date of death, survived by, date of burial, attending priest, and cemetery.
- Planning the Funeral Mass:
 - Work with Funeral Home to choose scripture readings and Mass Music.
 - If you choose to have a **eulogy**, this will be done before the procession at the beginning of the funeral Mass. **It is recommended to limit this to about 5 minutes.**
 - Select one or two readers for scripture readings and petitions (**Must Be Catholic**)
 - Select two – three people to bring the gifts forward
 - **Communion will be administered by the priest** (or if an older priest by the Sacristan)
 - The Funeral Home will prepare the program for you. All details must be provided to Parish coordinator 2 days before the service so it can be reviewed and approved by the priest and the music director.
 - In light of Covid-19 our social hall can only hold up to 40 people for proper social distancing. If you desire to have a luncheon after the service, we limit it to boxed lunches and individual drinks (canned soda & water)

Costs

- The following costs are simply to cover the hard costs the parish incurs for the service and lunch.
 - Cantor: \$125
 - Pianist: \$175
- If you are working with a funeral home, they will generally take care of these costs.
- If you are not working with a funeral home, a check for \$300 may be made out to St. Lawrence and we will pay those listed above.
- Many families choose to make an additional donation to the parish.

Funeral Lunch

- The following catering options have worked well for other families. Please have the caterer provide all paper goods and serving staff if necessary.

Cub Foods 612-788-6003
1540 New Brighton Blvd

Cuzzy's 612-339-6211
507 Washington Ave. N.

Lunds & Byerlys 612-379-5040
1201 Hennepin Ave.

Marino's 612-781-0970
1946 Johnson St. NE

Parking

- The parish parking lot is accessible from 6th street and will hold about 60 cars
- You or your guests may also park in the lot on the corner of 6th street and 12th Ave. This is a pay lot, however, for funerals there is no charge.
- Once these areas are full, guests may be able to find street parking or may choose to pay to park in the parking garage located at the "Venue" building on the corner of 5th street and 13th Ave.