Church's Stance on Cremation

Cremation burials are becoming more popular in our cemetery. The Catholic Church frowned upon cremation until 1963 when the Vatican allowed it as long as there was recognition of the sacredness of the body and did not conflict with teachings about the Resurrection. This change was incorporated into Canon Law in 1983 and in 2016 the Vatican issued instructions regarding burial of the deceased and the conservation of ashes and cremated bodies. According to these instructions, the deceased ashes are to be treated with respect and laid to rest in a consecrated place, never to be scattered, divided or kept in a private residence.



Fr. Augustine Chumo and Deacon George Kozak (*hidden in red*) *bless the Columbarium on All Souls Day 2023.*



Respectfully serving families of Tompkins County for over 125 years.



Contact Us:

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Cemetery Hours: Open Daily, from Dawn to Dusk

> Cemetery Office Hours: 8:00 am – 3:00 pm Monday thru Friday

Please contact the Cemetery Manager for appointments outside of office hours.





Calvary Cemetery Columbarium & Cremation Garden

636 Five Mile Drive Ithaca, NY 14850

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Calvary Columbarium and Cremation Garden



Immaculate Conception Church and Calvary Cemetery are proud to be the first to provide this new 96-niche columbarium and cremation garden for internment of cremated ashes. This columbarium is the first one in Ithaca and Tompkins County and provides families with an option to inground burials. We serve all who are seeking a reverent resting place for their loved ones in a peaceful setting. Located near our Queen of Peace Mausoleum, the columbarium and newly completed Cremation Garden includes space for inground burials of cremated ashes along the walkway.

Columbarium & Cremation Garden Columbarium Niche Prices:

Tiers 5&6	\$2,800
Tiers 3&4	\$2,600
Tiers 1&2	\$2,400

Tiers 5&6 (top) Tiers 3&4 (middle) Tiers 1&2 (bottom)

Additional Costs: Bronze Plaque: \$400 *Opening Fee: \$200 This purchase price is a one-time transaction that reserves your personally-selected niche in the columbarium. A bronze family name plaque on the exterior of the niche is a separate cost and may be purchased at a later time.

*A separate opening fee will be charged for the opening and sealing of the niche at the time of <u>each</u> interment. Each niche holds 2 urns of cremains.
A limited number of double niches are available which hold 4 urns should a family wish a larger space.

Cremation Garden Prices:

Prices subject to change with	hout notice.
Memorial Bench*: *Memorialization engraving is a separa	\$4,500.00 ate cost
Garden Family Columbarium F	Plot \$3,000.00
Garden Plot (2 nd row):	\$1,500.00
Garden Plot (along walkway):	\$1,000.00

*Limited availability of (4)

Why Choose Cremation vs. Traditional Burial?



Many families choose cremation over a traditional in-ground burial for number of reasons.

Cremation gives families the option to take a little longer to decide what to do with cremated remains, especially in these days when families are more spread out geographically. Cost is often another factor that contributes to a families' decision to choose cremation rather than traditional inground burial, which involves purchase of a plot, casket, a vault, and likely a headstone.

The overall cost of interment in our Columbarium or burial in our Cremation Garden, is considerably less.

Your funeral home director and our Cemetery Manager are here to assist you with making an informed decision which is right for your personal situation.

