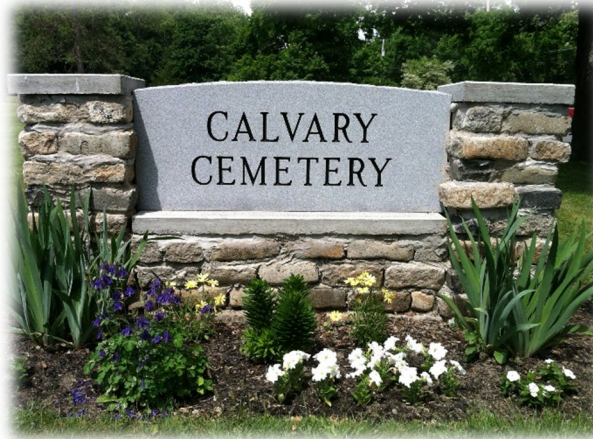


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Fr. Augustine Chumo and Deacon George Kozak (hidden in red) bless the Columbarium on All Souls Day in 2023.

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.

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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 office hours.

July 2025



**Calvary Cemetery
Columbarium
and
Cremation Garden**

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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 interment of cremated ashes.

This columbarium is the first one in Ithaca and Tompkins County and provides families with an option to in-ground 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 Cremation Garden includes space for in-ground burials of cremated ashes along the walkway.

Families may elect to purchase a two-niche (*not shown*) or 4-niche personal Columbarium (*shown*) along the walkway after purchasing their garden plots. Please see the Cemetery Manager for details.

Columbarium Niche Prices:

Tiers 5&6	\$3,200
Tiers 3&4	\$3,000
Tiers 1&2	\$2,800

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

Additional Costs:

Bronze Plaque: \$600

*Opening Fee: \$400

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 each 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:

Garden Plot (along walkway):	\$1,000.00
Garden Plot (2 nd row):	\$1,500.00
Garden Family Columbarium Plot	\$3,000.00
Memorial Bench*:	\$5,000.00

*Memorialization engraving is a separate cost

Prices subject to change without notice.

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*Limited availability of (4)



Pictured: Interior of a single niche (holds two urns of cremains. Each niche is airtight and secured to prevent water and pests from entering with a secure black shutter (not shown) before the bronze plaque is affixed to the outside.

Why Choose Cremation vs. Traditional Burial?

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