

## **Northern Lakes Catholic Communities Funeral Planning (FH)**

We extend our heartfelt condolences to you and your family during this time of loss. The following is a list of contacts to assist you in planning the funeral of your loved one.

### **Burial**

To make burial arrangements for the cemetery, please contact:

#### **For burial in St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Cemetery:**

Bill Laudando, sexton- St. Peter the Fisherman- 630-201-9487

#### **For burial in St. Kunegunda of Poland Catholic Cemetery:**

Michele Cornelius, sexton- St. Kunegunda of Poland- 715-499-0787

#### **For burial in the Town of Three Lakes:**

Sue Harris, town clerk-Town of Three Lakes Cemetery- 715-546-3316

#### **For burial in the town of Land O' Lakes:**

Sam Otterpohl, sexton- Town of Land O Lakes- 715-547-6714

#### **For burial in the town of Phelps:**

Ronald H. Buell, Jr., sexton- Town of Phelps- 715-545-2270

### **Funeral luncheon**

Please contact the following person at the parish the funeral will be held at to plan your funeral luncheon:

St. Albert the Great- Sue McPartlin- 715-479-7588

-Cathy Grady- 715-545-2879

St. Kunegunda of Poland- Nancy Thorn- 715-272-1254

St. Mary- Lynn Haarala- 715-545-2827

St. Peter the Fisherman- Jan Lyons- 715-479-6707

St. Theresa of Three Lakes- Mary Greene- 715-891-6110

**Cost for the funeral luncheon varies by parish. Please speak with the funeral lunch representative from the parish the service will be held to get the best accurate quote.**

## **Costs**

The funeral home assisting with the arrangements will handle the necessary payments and send them to the church office. However, it's always a good idea to confirm this with them directly.

Gaffney-Buscha: 715-479-4777

Hildebrand-Russ Funeral Home: 715-365-4343

Carlson Funeral Home: 715-369-1414

## **Contacts**

Please contact Fr. Ron Serrao at 715-904-0501 or Brigitte Arrowood at 715-479-8704 if you have any questions.

Fr. Ron's email: [frron@northernlakescatholics.org](mailto:frron@northernlakescatholics.org), pastor Northern Lakes Catholic Communities

Brigitte's email : [brigitte@northernlakescatholics.org](mailto:brigitte@northernlakescatholics.org), secretary Northern Lakes Catholic Communities

## **Grief Counseling**

**The NLCC offers grief counseling. If you are struggling with the loss of a loved one and think grief counseling could help, please contact Mike.**

Mike Passarelli [mikepaisan2@outlook.com](mailto:mikepaisan2@outlook.com) -331.725.8932

### **Support offered for Grief Ministry:**

- **One on one meetings in location of your choice**
- **Media resources such as books, videos, and podcasts**
- **Grief support group meetings**
- **Personal needs and advice support**

**You are not alone! Please don't hesitate to reach out!**

## **Prayers- these prayers are here to help guide you through your time of loss**

### **Prayer for the Repose of the Soul**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

### **Prayer for the Dead**

God our Father,  
Your power brings us to birth,  
Your providence guides our lives,  
and by Your command we return to dust.  
Lord, those who die still live in Your presence,  
their lives change but do not end.  
I pray in hope for my family, relatives, and friends,  
and for all the dead known to You alone.  
In company with Christ,  
who died and now lives,  
may they rejoice in Your kingdom,  
where all our tears are wiped away.  
Unite us together again in one family,  
to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

### **Prayer in Time of Bereavement**

Lord,  
At the moment of loss,  
it is hard to see any light.  
Our hearts are broken,  
and grief surrounds us.  
But we place our trust in You,  
for You are the Resurrection and the Life.  
Comfort us,  
strengthen our faith,  
and help us to carry this sorrow with hope.  
May we find peace in Your love,  
and know that nothing can separate us  
from Your mercy. Amen.

## **Funeral Meeting Questions**

**Below are some questions we will ask in our planning meeting to ensure the wishes of the deceased and family get met:**

Will this be a full Mass or a funeral service?

What parish would you like this to take place in?

What date are you looking at for the services?

Are you having a visitation?

What time would you like the visitation to start?

What time would you like the service or Mass to start?

Will someone do a eulogy?

Would the family like to use the musicians and cantors and the church for the service?

For a full Mass, we will need 2 readings selected. Do you have a preference? If not, we can help you select the readings.

***Reading #1: Old Testament***

***Reading #1 New Testament***

***Responsorial Psalm***

***Gospel Reading***

**Hymns:**

***Gathering Hymn, Preparation of the Gifts, Communion Hymn, and Recessional Hymn***

***In all, 4 hymns, 1 responsorial psalm, and 2 readings need to be selected for a full Mass***

Would anyone from the family like to proclaim the readings?

Would anyone like to bring up the gifts?

Is there an obituary posted for the deceased?

Would you like a picture of the deceased used in the funeral program? Is the one from the obituary ok?

Will there be a full body or an urn present?

Do you plan to have a luncheon at the church?

Do you plan to have a burial on the day of the funeral?

If so, would you like the burial directly after the service or after the luncheon?

If time permits, would you like it announced in our parish bulletin and in the announcements?

About how many people do you expect?

**We understand that this is a deeply emotional time, and we are here to support you in any way we can. As you honor the life of your loved one, please know that our prayers and heartfelt sympathy are with you. May you find strength in your faith, comfort in your memories, and peace in the love that surrounds you.**