

Visiting Etiquette

- Be respectful of funeral processions when visiting
- Be respectful of graveside services when visiting
- Only service animals are allowed on cemetery grounds
- Please keep voices at a respectable volume
- Loud music and external speakers are not permitted
- Please do not park on the grass

Thank you for respecting and following our rules during your visit.

St. Patrick Cemetery
10499 Rich Valley Blvd
Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

For more information about St. Patrick Cemetery please contact the parish office at 651-455-6624.

Visit the parish website www.churchofstpatrick.com for:

- Current grave site and columbarium pricing information
- Church of St. Patrick funeral guidelines
- A full list of cemetery rules and regulations

It is not possible for cemetery employees to attend all areas of the cemetery during all hours. There are occasions where flowers and decorations have been stolen. The cemetery cannot assume any liability for items placed at burial sites. We recommend that families take this into consideration when making selections for decorations.



St. Patrick Cemetery Decoration Policy & Visiting Etiquette



The St. Patrick Cemetery memorial site decoration policies and visiting etiquette guidelines are designed to consider everyone's safety and visiting experience.

We appreciate your help in keeping our cemetery beautiful. Thank you for respecting and following our rules during your visit.

Items Never Allowed

- **Flower plantings:** Trees, Shrubs, Bushes etc... This includes any planting in ground around monuments or on the grave site.
- **No objects are permitted above ground:** including but not limited to the following: shepherd hooks and other metal structures for hanging plants, flags, balloons, wind chimes or windsocks, bird houses, pin wheels, solar lights, vigil lights, vigil holders with candles, food, bottles, cans or memorabilia placed on the ground around monuments.
- **Christmas trees or other seasonal decorations:** this includes trees with ornaments or other seasonal decorations that are unsecured and can become dislodged.
- **No curbing, fencing, hedging, borders, or enclosures of any kind shall be allowed around any plot;** no walks of brick, cinders, tile, terra cotta, sand, cement, gravel or wood shall be allowed on any plot. St. Patrick's Cemetery reserves the right to remove if so erected, planted or placed.

The Cemetery staff reserves the right to remove all decorations, floral designs, planters, flowers, shrubs or trees from the Cemetery as soon as they become unsightly, dangerous, diseased or do not fall within the Rules and Regulations.

Exceptions

- **Wreaths are permitted:** Natural or artificial wreaths can be displayed from November 1st through melting of the snow. Ongoing removal will take place of damaged or dead wreaths.
- **American flags are permitted:** seven days before and after Memorial Day, Veterans Day and Flag Day.

Grave decorations

- **Fresh floral bouquets only:** Unbreakable containers are permitted between May 1st and November 1st.
- **No breakable or glass jars are permitted.**
- **Flower stands:** One single-leg pot stand is permitted for flowers. All flowers must be secured in the container.
- **Fresh flowers** placed at the time of interment will be removed at time of the next mowing or if they become unsightly.

Columbarium decorations

- **Fresh flowers** placed at the time of interment will be removed at time of the next mowing or if they become unsightly.
- **No glass vases or containers allowed.**
- **After interment:** Fresh or artificial flowers, decorations of any kind or memorial wreaths are not allowed in the Columbarium area. They will be removed by Parish Cemetery grounds personnel.