

May the spirit of the Lord fill your Easter and the rest of your days.

## Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Community Digest

### A word from our CEO, Jerry Del Core

Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you, and your family safe and healthy at home. Thank you to everyone who is an essential worker, like us, helping in this time of need.

We are open for mortuary and cemetery services. Should you lose a loved one, call and we will help you. Your continued trust in us is appreciated and we promise to provide the best care for your family.

Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services of the Diocese of Sacramento (CFCS) operates in accordance with the Decree issued by the Most Reverend Bishop Jaime Soto:

1. Only Immediate Graveside Burials will take place until further notice. A Priest or Deacon and Funeral Director/Arranger will perform the committal. No family or guests are permitted to attend. Families will be notified immediately after committal has been completed.
2. Mortuary services will continue without interruption, including decedent pick up, body preparation and cremations.
3. All Vigils, Funeral Masses and Weekly Saturday 10 am Masses are suspended until further notice.
4. Our indoor Mausoleums are closed until further notice.
5. Our offices are open by appointment only.

CFCS recommends that families follow our Christian Funeral and Burial Rites. These Rites include Vigil, Funeral Mass and Committal. Burials should be delayed until after the Coronavirus restrictions are lifted. We will keep your loved one in our care at no extra cost to you.

Some families may choose not to wait and will want to bury their loved one immediately. We can accommodate your request. A Memorial Mass may be provided after the pandemic restrictions are lifted.

In an effort to protect our clergy and staff at graveside services, family members are not permitted to attend. Family may visit after the committal has been completed. The Cemetery Grounds remain open from 7am to 6pm.

In accordance with national, state and local guidelines, we are limiting the number of people inside our facilities to maintain the proper "Social Distancing" for everyone's health and safety.

We ask that you please contact our funeral centers and cemeteries in advance to schedule a service. We will work with you and your parish to coordinate clergy, committal dates and times.

Virtual Meetings are preferred for making arrangements. You may reach us, at 916-452-4831. We will walk you through the process. If a virtual meeting is not possible, families must call and schedule an appointment. Meeting times are limited with many staff members working remotely. Walk-in's are not permitted at this time.

If you have any questions or need to contact us, please call 916-452-4831 or email at: [info@cfcssacramento.org](mailto:info@cfcssacramento.org).

Please stay up to date with our COVID-19 messages by visiting us at [www.cfcssacramento.org](http://www.cfcssacramento.org).



## COVID-19 Grief & Other Resources

### Resources for Catholics at Home During COVID-19



Many Dioceses, parishes, and Catholics are feeling the effects of remaining at home due to the coronavirus. Please visit our website for a list of Masses, prayers, and daily reflections to help us all during this trying time. *Please note, this list will be updated as more resources become available. Please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)*

### Valuable Resources for Sacramento and Surrounding Counties.

The Community Bereavement Resource Directory includes:

- Various types of bereavement groups
- Support contacts for major chronic illnesses
- Hospice providers
- 24-hour crisis lines

They also provide a phone referral service. Callers are given information about appropriate resources in their community and may receive additional information by mail. Please visit <http://griefhelpsacramento.com/>



### If You Are Not Able to Have a Funeral for a Loved One

If you're unable to have a funeral for your loved one, or if it will be delayed, there are, some things you can do to practice self-care and stay connected with family and friends while you begin the grief journey. Please visit this website to learn more [www.rememberingalife.com/covid-19](http://www.rememberingalife.com/covid-19)

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# NAMI COVID-19 Resource and Information Guide

NAMI released the NAMI COVID-19 Resource and Information Guide to answer frequently asked questions regarding the intersection between Coronavirus, or COVID-19, and people affected by mental illness, their caregivers and loved ones. The guide features FAQs on a variety of topics from managing anxiety and social isolation to accessing health care and medications. Please click here for [Nami COVID-19 Resource and Information Guide](#).



## Prayer Card and Prayer Group Information



### Weekly Virtual Prayer Group

lead by James Cavanagh,  
Director of Worship,  
Diocese of Sacramento  
starting **Saturday, April 18th at 10 AM**

**Please join us every Saturday, at 10 AM, starting on Saturday, April 18, 2020 from your computer, tablet or smartphone.**  
<https://www.gotomeet.me/cfcsSacramento/saturday-10-am-prayer-group-with-james-cavanagh>


**If you prefer, you may also dial in using your phone.**  
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**Access Code:** 461-259-109



Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Coronavirus COVID-19 and all serious illness. For all that have died from it, have mercy; for those that are ill now, bring healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them; for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success; for those afraid, grant peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease into moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness. We abandon ourselves to your infinite mercy.

Amen.



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### Mission Statement


Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services is a full service provider of End-Of-Life care for the Catholic Community in the Diocese of Sacramento. We accompany families as they affectionately honor their loved ones in harmony with the Catholic Rites of Christian Burial. We cooperate with Parishes from Vigil to Mass and the Committal, bringing to all the consolation and mercy of Jesus.



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