

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 well. I want to update you on our efforts to better serve you during this pandemic.

We remain open and continue to serve our families. If you lost a loved one or if you are concerned about a loved one and need guidance, please call us – day or night at 916-452.4831. We have staff available to help.

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

- Full Mortuary care including decedent pick up, body preparation and cremations. We work directly with hospitals, hospice, adult living and senior care centers. We can also come to your home if it is easier for you and your family.
- Vigils, Visitations and Funeral Masses have resumed in accordance with state, county and CDC guidelines in effect.
- Outside Funeral Masses may be conducted at your local Parish (subject to Parish availability) or at one of our cemeteries. Our Funeral Directors are available to guide you thru these decisions.
- Vigil, Visitation, Funeral Mass and Committal occupancy vary in accordance with state, county and CDC guidelines. Occupancy totals include clergy, staff and support personnel.



It is difficult to limit the number of invitees to a vigil or funeral service. In an effort to help, we now stream services on our YouTube channel. We provide families a link prior to the service and keep the recording after the service. Our funeral staff can provide more details regarding "Livestream" option at St. Mary Funeral Center.

Graveside services (committals) continue. A limited number of immediate family members, practicing physical distancing, are permitted next to the grave. Additional family members and guests may attend, but they must stand nearby and practice physical distancing. A Priest or Deacon, a Funeral Director and grounds crew team would be in attendance at a committal. Current committal guidelines are:

- A 25' perimeter will be established around the grave site.
- Up to eight (8) family members inside the perimeter.
- Up to one hundred (100) individuals may be allowed to attend.

Private family viewings may be held at the following locations:

- St. Mary Funeral Center Parlor, St. Mary Cemetery & Funeral Center, Sacramento
- George L. Klumpp's Chapel of Flowers, Sacramento

Indoor Mausoleums remain closed until further notice. Also, Saturday 10 am Mass at our cemeteries remain suspended until further notice. We hope to resume them shortly.

Family appointments are recommended when visiting either our funeral home and cemetery offices. In accordance with state and county guidelines, the number of people allowed in our facilities are limited. Masks and proper Social Distancing are required for everyone's health and safety. Virtual Meetings are available. If a virtual meeting is not possible, families may call and schedule an in person appointment. In person visits are limited to two (2) attendees. If you have questions or need more information, please contact us at 916-452-4831 or email: info@cfcssacramento.org.

Remember information is subject to change without notice. Please stay up to date with our COVID-19 messages by visiting us at cfcssacramento.org. Thank you for your time. Stay Healthy. Stay Safe. God Bless!

Sincerely

Jerry Del Core

Steps we are taking to keep you safe

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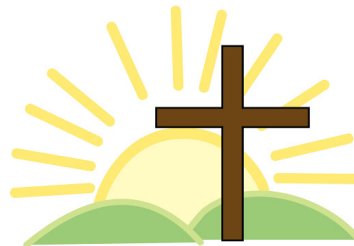
Virtual Meetings are available and Live streaming of Funeral Mass at St. Mary Cemetery & Funeral Center



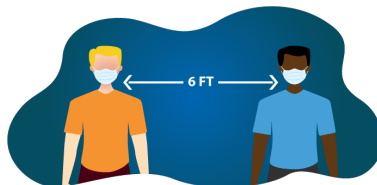
Employees, families and guests to wear Mask



Outdoor Funeral Mass



6 feet of distancing



Hand Sanitizer throughout buildings



Upcoming Events

Fill the Bin with School & Classroom Supplies

Friday, July 24--Saturday, August 1.



[click here to learn more](#)



How to help your aging parents plan past retirement in a COVID world.
Webinar Series,
Thursday's in August at 6 pm.
August 6, 13, 20, 27
[click here to register](#)

*The loss of a loved one is always difficult.
CFCS is here to help you through this difficult time
and ensure that your wishes are fulfilled.*



"Although this is an unforeseen circumstance, we are trying our very best. We are taking extra precautions to keep everyone safe; spacing tables apart, meeting in open spaces, limiting the number of people in meetings, for viewings and graveside services. We clean often and consistently. We want everyone to be safe and healthy."

- Gina Romo, Funeral Director

"Safety has always been our number one priority. We serve our families with outstanding service, and do all we can to help families honor their loved ones during this difficult time."

- Andria Phillips, Transportation Department



"I can't say that it hasn't been challenging. We continue safe practices in everything we do to keep ourselves and our families safe. We have implemented additional protocols suggested by the CDC and the NFDA."

- Kimberly Mai, Apprentice Embalmer

"We are blessed to be able to serve families even though only 8 family members can attend the graveside service. We let the families know when we will be done so that they can come by after and visit their loved ones."

- Gil Wilmer, Foreman



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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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