

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING BURIALS AT ASSOCIATED CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

With light at the end of the tunnel thanks to the Coronavirus vaccine, the staff of Associated Catholic Cemeteries is here to serve you but with limitations. The cemetery offices are open to the public **by appointment only**. No more than 2 people per appointment may enter the office. **Masks and social distancing are required.**

Burial services are subject to the following limitations:

1. **Face masks and social distancing are required at all burial services.** Children 2 years of age or younger and those persons with a medical condition that does not permit them to wear a mask are exempted.
2. Services will be held at or near the location of the burial/placement. Indoor services are only permitted when the location of the final placement is in that indoor space and subject to the cemetery superintendent's approval.
3. To ensure safe social distancing, no more than 50 people, excluding the minister and funeral home staff, are permitted at outdoor services. The number of people permitted at an approved indoor service is dictated by the size of the indoor space with a limit of 30 people at Holyrood and 15 people at Calvary. All attendance numbers are subject to further reduction if, in the opinion of management, safe social distancing requires it.
4. Pall Bearers are permitted to carry the casket from the coach to a casket carriage placed near the graveside. Only ACC and funeral home staff are permitted to place the casket directly on to the lowering device.
5. Cantors and small choirs are allowed. They must be a minimum of twelve feet from all others gathered. **Masks are required for cantors and choir members.** They are included in the total count of people permitted at a service. Congregational singing is not permitted.
6. At the conclusion of the prayers, all attendees must step away a minimum of 50 feet or return to their vehicles. Only then will cemetery staff come forward to perform the actual placement/lowering and burial.

These precautions are necessary to protect cemetery staff and visitors. We appreciate your understanding. If you have additional questions, please call or [email](#) cemetery office.



*Thank you!*

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