



# CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

## ARCHDIOCESE OF LOUISVILLE

Calvary  
1921

St. Louis  
1867

St. Michael  
1851

St. John  
1849



# A Guiding Light

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### Our Mission

The services of Catholic Cemeteries are a ministry of the Archdiocese of Louisville. We offer the rite of burial to the Catholic Community and all of God's people. We commit ourselves to the Gospel and Catholic tradition. We affirm the sacredness of human life and profess the resurrection of the body and everlasting life.

# Upcoming Events

**Oct 1st**

## **New Visiting Hours**

Each of our 4  
Archdiocesan Catholic  
cemeteries

Beginning on October 1st, the visiting hours will be changing to reflect the season. Our fall/winter hour changes do not affect the main office hours, only the visiting hours. The gates will be open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. This change will remain in effect until March 31st.

**Oct 26th**

## **Infant Prayer Service**

Calvary Cemetery  
Holy Innocents Section  
(Section 20)  
1:30-2:30 PM

Each month, Catholic Cemeteries holds a brief prayer service to remember those infants who were stillborn or who lived any length of time. The names of all of the infants buried during the month in any of the archdiocesan Catholic cemeteries will be honored during the service. Any who have lost an infant are invited to attend and pray with us for their baby and all others.

If you would like a name to be included on the prayer list, please give us a call at (502) 451-7710.

**Nov 2nd**

## **All Souls' Day Mass**

Calvary Cemetery  
Section 7  
11:00 AM

Join Archbishop Shelton Fabre for the annual All Souls' Day Mass for all of the deceased members of the Archdiocese. This is an outdoor event; a tent and chairs will be available. See the following page for more details.

# All Souls' Day Mass



*All Souls' Day, 2021*

Join Archbishop Shelton J. Fabre for the annual All Souls' Day Mass at Calvary Cemetery at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, November 2nd.

All Souls' Day is a day for commemorating the faithful departed or those baptized Christians believed to be in purgatory. The day follows All Saints' Day in order to shift the focus from the souls in heaven to those in purgatory.

Saint Odilo, Abbot in Cluny, France established the holiday in the eleventh century A.D.

According to SimplyCatholic.com, "On All Souls' Day the universal Church prays for all those in purgatory, people who were much like us, whose offense may have been less than ours. By pleading for them, we are inspired to lead purer lives. On that day, and during the entire month of November, we remember our departed brethren as we go to the cemetery where they are buried, attain indulgences for them, give alms, do some good work, ask for Masses to be said in remembrance, all on behalf of those close to us and to others we may have neglected during the year."

The All Souls' Day mass with the Archbishop at Calvary Cemetery will be outdoors, so we recommend all attendees dress accordingly to the weather. A tent and chairs will be provided. There will be grounds crew members present at the front gate to help direct traffic and parking.

Please stay tuned to our social media and web page for additional details regarding our All Souls' Day mass.



# Addressing Frequently Asked Questions

OUR  
MINISTRY



## **Q. How can I use the chapels at Calvary Cemetery?**

A. There are two indoor chapels located in Calvary Cemetery. Families can choose to have the committal prayer service at the graveside or in one of the chapels. Chapels may be scheduled for the committal prayers only. Committal prayers last approximately 15 to 20 minutes. There are 10 chairs and standing room. Our facilities are not to be used as a gathering place for visitation. There is not a family lounge or other meeting space available.

## **Q. Are there restrictions on monuments or markers?**

A. Yes. Each grave or lot (2 or more graves) has a specific type and size range for the memorial. These decisions are made to help us control future maintenance costs, access for visitors and the overall visual design of each area.

## **Q. Can Catholics be cremated?**

A. Yes! Cremation has been permitted since Vatican II.

## **Q. What happens to an unused grave on my grandparents' lot?**

A. Any unused spaces that have not been assigned in the owner's lifetime are available to their surviving spouse and then to any direct descendants in the order of need.

## **Q. When will the date of death be added to my family member's headstone?**

A. It is the family's responsibility to request this work be done through the cemetery office or other company of their choice. Proper authorization must be made, and any applicable fees must be paid prior to adding a date of death or any other inscriptions.

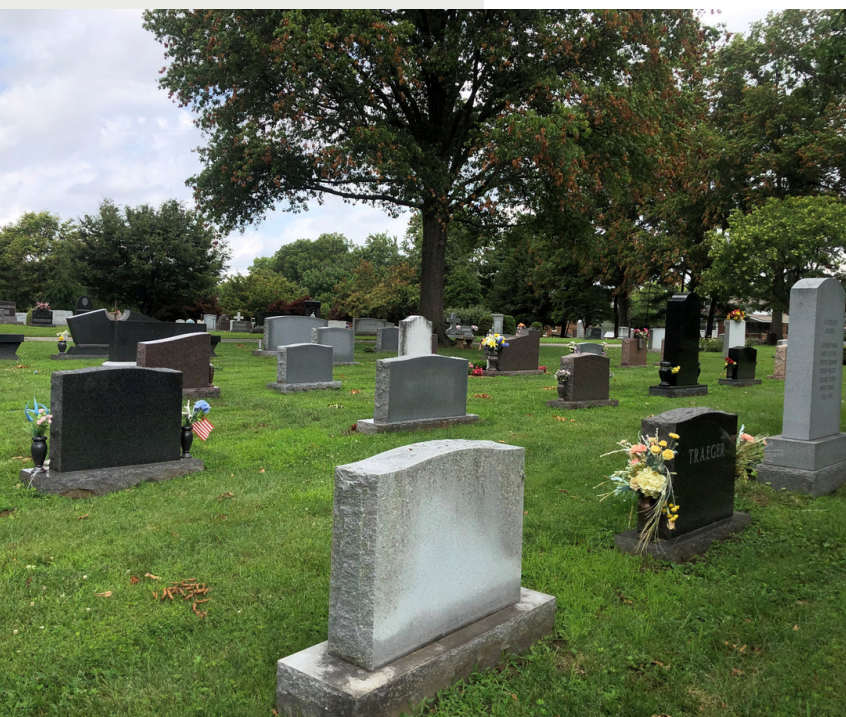
## **Q. When will the foundation be poured for the memorial that I ordered?**

A. Every effort is made to install foundations within a ninety-day time frame. However, inclement weather and/or certain seasons must be taken into consideration which may cause delays.



**OUR  
ARCHDIOCESAN  
CATHOLIC  
CEMETERIES**

# Seasonal Decoration Guidelines



From November 15th to February 28th is the only time of the year we allow artificial decorations at ground level. Because the starting date is coming up shortly, we thought it would be a good idea to refresh everyone on our general decoration guidelines.

Firstly, we have "seasons" with different decorating rules — these seasons are based on grass growth. In the fall and winter, when grass does not need as much maintenance, our grounds crew don't need to constantly be mowing. This time period is when we allow for artificial decorations at ground level, which are banned the rest of the year as they are a safety issue. A ceramic figurine, glass item, etc. caught in an industrial mower could shatter into pieces and injure our grounds crew.

Artificial decorations include flower baskets, wreaths, votive candles (solar powered only), flags, shepherd hooks, etc.

What is allowed year-round, you may be asking? Fresh flowers! They may be placed in temporary metal or plastic containers or in permanent in-ground vases (where permitted). Flowers will be removed when wilted. The temporary metal or plastic vases are then collected and placed for re-use at the entrance of each cemetery. Please note that glass vases or bottles are not permitted and nothing can be buried in the ground. Artificial decorations in vases or saddles on above-ground markers and monuments are also permitted year round. Never use wires or stakes to attach decorations, however.

On lots with a monument privilege, shrubbery or ivy may be planted by cemetery personnel with the approval of management and placed under a special care plan. This plan requires an annual fee which includes trimming, fertilizing, mulching and insect control. Contact the office at 502-451-7710 for more information regarding our special care plans.

# Deacon Scott Haner

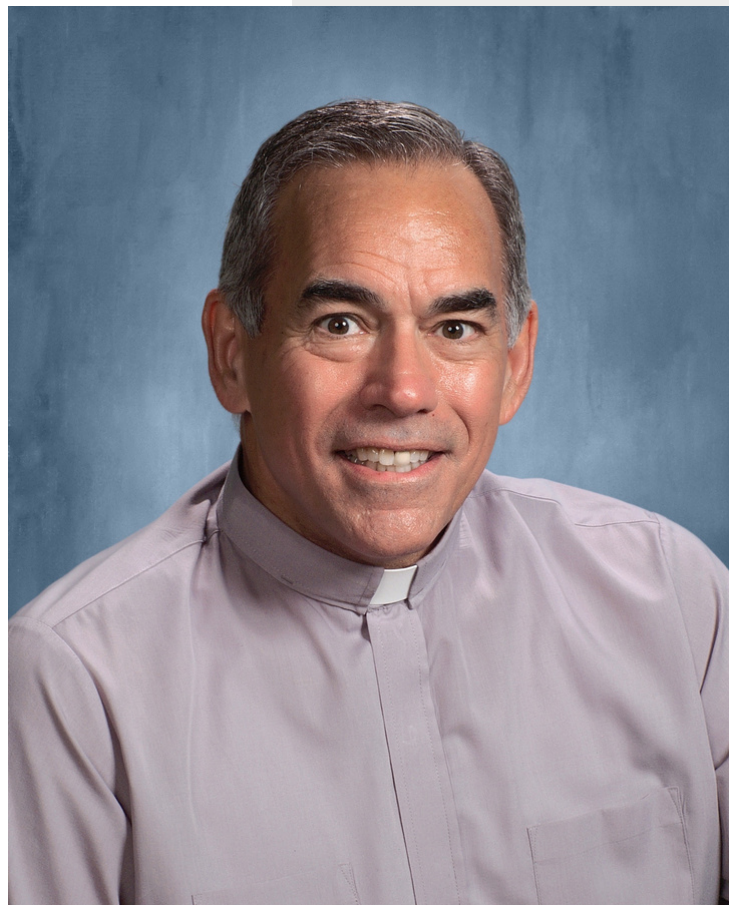
## OUR STAFF

Deacon Scott Haner has recently been assigned as the Deacon/Chaplain for the Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Louisville. He was ordained a Deacon in August 2008 and is assigned to St. Patrick Parish in the East End.

In addition to his work in the parish, he serves on the Board of Directors for Catholic Charities of Louisville, works at the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry downtown, and is engaged with a variety of mission work in Appalachia, Central America, and East Africa. His diaconal ministry seeks to live the scripture passage read on the day he was ordained – 1Peter 4: 8-11. He appreciates the opportunity to honor the holy innocents each month, praying for the repose of their souls, and offering encouraging words to those that come to pray for them.

Deacon Scott has been married to his wife JoAnn for 41 years; they have two married daughters, and one 11 month old grandson who is getting all sorts of attention since he arrived on the scene. Deacon Scott grew up in the Highlands, graduated from St. Raphael Catholic School and St. Xavier High School, and moved on to Purdue University where he received both BS and MBA degrees. He worked in marketing/franchising for over 30 years, finishing with 23 years at KFC/Yum! Brands, and retired from corporate work in 2012.

He and JoAnn love to travel and recently walked the Camino de Santiago in Spain, carrying prayer intentions throughout the pilgrim journey.



**Deacon Haner oversees the monthly Infant Prayer Services, which take place on the last Wednesday of every month at 1:30 PM. The location is in the Holy Innocents section of Calvary Cemetery, 1600 Newburg Rd.**



# Don't Forget About the Tree Itself



Located by the front gate of Calvary Cemetery is a lone tree, with a sign designating it the "Tree of Remembrance." The scientific name is *Thuja plicata*, also known as Spring Grove arborvitae.

This species is known for being a fast-growing evergreen, with green foliage year-round. The Spring Grove arborvitae is native to North America and can tolerate extreme heat and cold — This makes it perfect to thrive in Louisville's environment.

The tree was planted here with the express purpose of being used to hang ornaments in remembrance around Christmas. Every year in December we have a lighting and blessing ceremony which the community is invited to attend.

This year's Lighting of the Tree of Remembrance will take place on Friday, December 2nd at 6:30 PM.

Complementary ornaments will be provided or you can bring your own to hang on the tree to remember your departed loved ones. Hot drinks and pastries will be available. Ornaments may remain on the tree until January 6th, the Feast of the Epiphany.

Please follow our Facebook page (or stay tuned for the December issue of this newsletter) for more info about this year's Lighting of the Tree of Remembrance.



Learn more about burial options  
at any of our cemeteries

Call (502) 451-7710

or visit

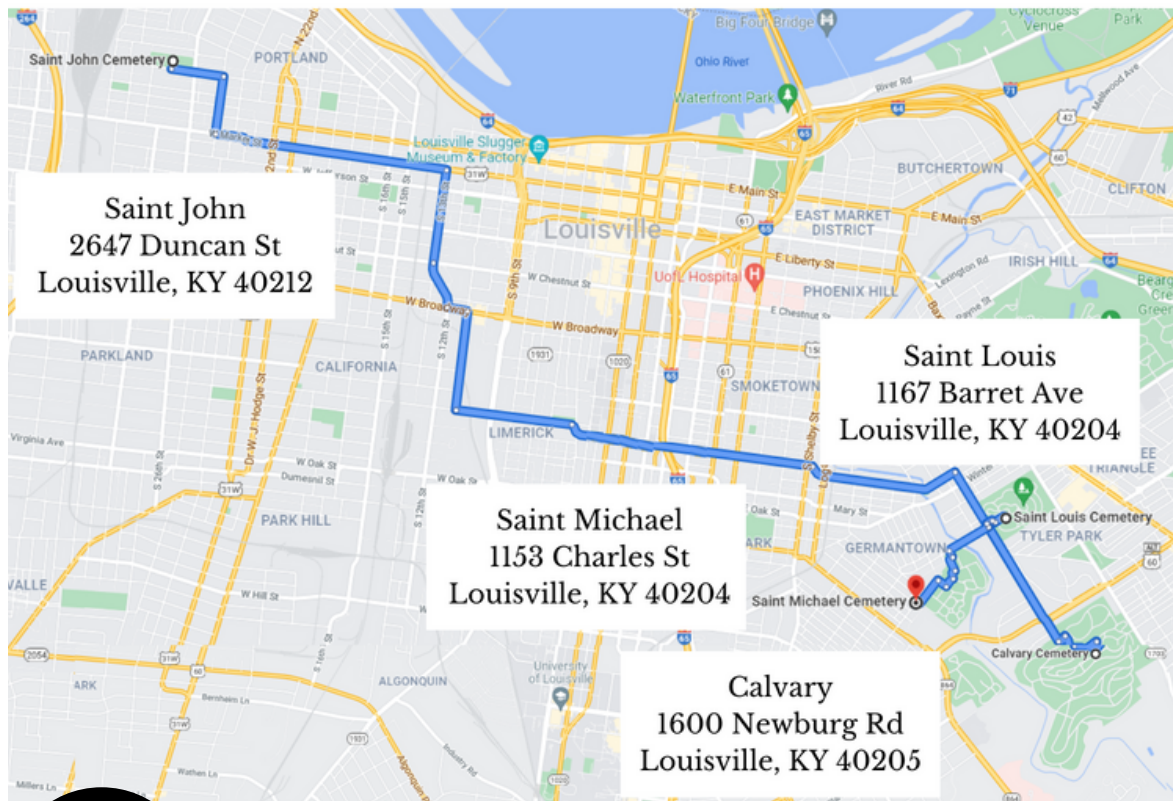
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*God of the living and  
the dead accept our  
prayers for those who  
have died in Christ and  
are buried with him in  
the hope of rising again.  
In your mercy grant  
them eternal rest.*

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# Visit Our Grounds



Open April-September: 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM  
October-March: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

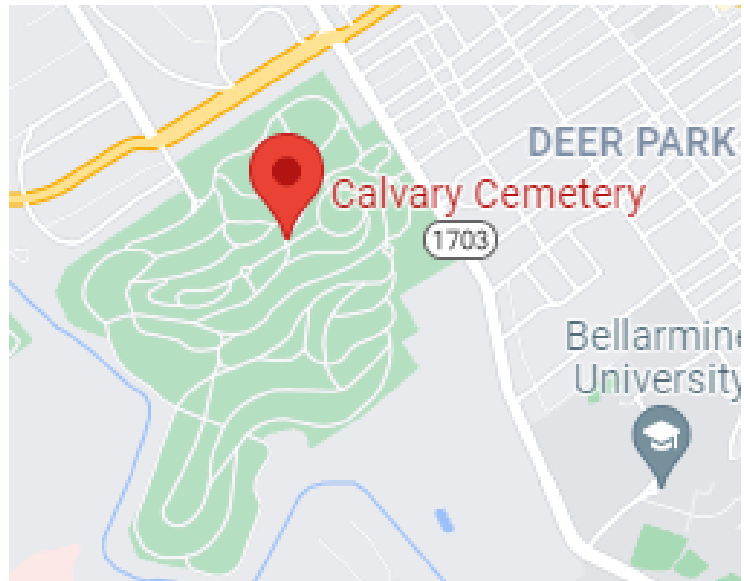


# Visit Our Office

Located inside  
Calvary Cemetery

1600 Newburg Rd  
Louisville, KY 40205

There is a blue line  
on the road from  
the gates leading to  
the office



Questions? Call us  
(502) 451-7710

Open Monday-Friday:  
8:00 AM to 4:30 PM  
Saturday:  
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

