



CREMATION IS A PRACTICE THAT HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR OVER 50 YEARS

For those choosing cremation, the Catholic funeral tradition provides sacred and beautiful rituals that bring comfort to loved ones. There are *two options* when choosing to have a church service that is a beautiful expression of faith and reverence:

TRADITIONAL OPTION

VIGIL

MASS

CREMATION

COMMITTAL

ANOTHER OPTION

CREMATION

VIGIL

MASS

COMMITTAL

Our experienced and dedicated staff can help you in selecting services to suit your family's needs.

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WHAT IS THE CHURCH'S POSITION ON CREMATION?

While there is a preference for traditional burial, as Christ was buried in the tomb, the Church has permitted cremation for over 50 years. Cremation should respect the human body and belief in the Resurrection.

WHEN SHOULD CREMATION OCCUR?

The preference is for cremation to occur following the funeral liturgy so that the body can be present for the vigil and funeral services. However, it is possible to have a funeral service with the cremated remains present.

WHAT IS THE PROPER HANDLING OF CREMATED REMAINS?

The Church teaches that cremated remains should be kept together (not scattered or divided) to respect the body as a temple of the Holy Spirit and preferably interred in the consecrated grounds of a Catholic cemetery.

WHAT CFCS OF NORTHERN COLORADO CAN OFFER

Our cemeteries are sacred places for the living to memorialize their loved ones, with a variety of burial choices including personalized glass front niches and beautiful cremation burial sites. Financial concerns should never stop one from choosing a place of permanent remembrance. As such, we also provide to people of all faiths the dignified placement of cremated remains at no cost to the family with our **All Souls Remembrance Program**.

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