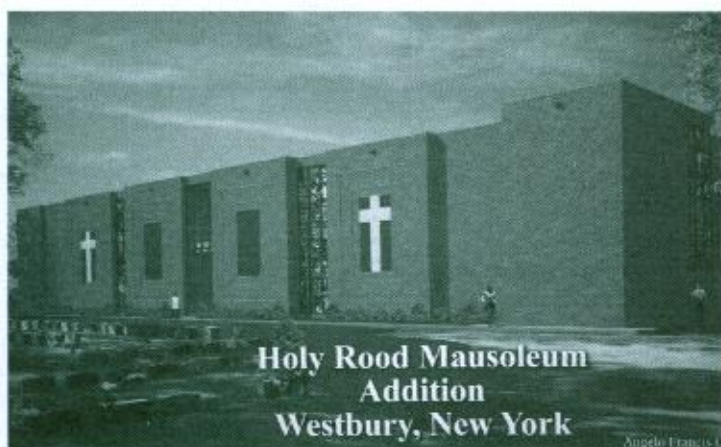




Sacred Places

Holy Rood Chapel Mausoleum Addition



**Holy Rood Mausoleum
Addition
Westbury, New York**

To frequent visitors to the grounds of Holy Rood Cemetery, very noticeable is the construction in the southeast corner of the cemetery adjoining the Holy Rood Chapel Mausoleum. This is the final phase of this three phase project and will for all intents and purposes complete the development of interment space at this cemetery. The addition has been architecturally designed and attractively styled to complete the existing structure.

The project consists of the construction of approximately 3,000 interior crypt spaces, featuring single and companion crypts. Also available will be four private family rooms. The corridors will be heated for a more comfortable environment for visitation, and the crypts will be faced in marble or granite. Additional niche spaces will also be available for the inurnment of cremated remains. Although constructed entirely of the most durable building materials of concrete, brick and steel, the use of stained glass features and special lighting will soften and enhance the visitation areas.

Special pre-completion sales will begin in March. If you are interested in being placed on a notification list, please complete the coupon below. As a reminder, space in Holy Rood Cemetery is available to Nassau County residents.

During the construction phase, there will be times of disruption to the normal course of cemetery operations, as machinery, materials and manpower are utilized in a very tight building space. We thank you for your patience during this process as we look forward to completion in early fall 2010.

Please add me to the Holy Rood Chapel Mausoleum Mailing List

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

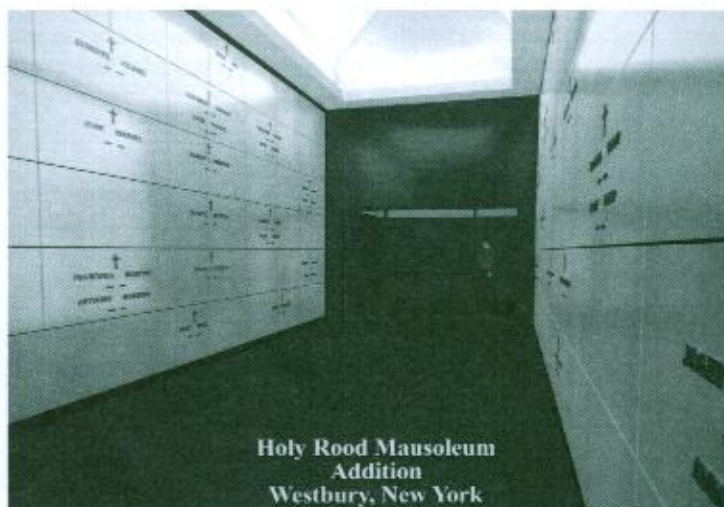
Telephone No.: _____

Email Address: _____

Want Information on Crypt Space _____

Want Information on Cremation Niche Space _____

Please mail to:
Holy Rood Chapel Mausoleum III
Catholic Cemeteries
P.O. Box 182
Westbury NY 11590-0182



**Holy Rood Mausoleum
Addition
Westbury, New York**

Artist depiction of Interior

From the Director's Desk

Springtime...a season of hope, rejuvenation and resurrection...so much needed after the cold, snowy winter. The imagery is easy for us in the northeast, because we live through the harsh winters and welcome the warmth of spring. For the residents of Florida, Arizona and similar warmer climates, the coming of spring portends the sometimes unbearable heat of summer. And for those in the Southern Hemisphere, this same time of year means that they are moving towards their winter.

What is constant in the seasons is that there is movement and change...not always for the better, not always easy to bear. As much as we know that change is coming, we still feel unprepared and at a loss when it occurs. How much more are the feelings of helplessness when we lose someone we love unexpectedly, even though we might have been aware of an underlying health issue? The grief can be compounded when the loss was sudden.

St. Jane de Chantal is the patron saint of sudden and unexpected loss. She was born in 1812 in France. Her mother died when she was an infant and she was raised by her father. She married at 20 and had seven children, three of whom died suddenly after birth. Beset by financial problems, she took hold of the family finances and brought them under control, the process of which drew her and her husband close together in their married life.

When she was 28, her husband was killed in a hunting accident, and she suffered deep depression. She struggled to forgive the man who accidentally killed her husband, and finally did so through prayer and contemplation. To cope with her grief, she dedicated her life to prayer, the care of children and kindness to the poor. Many sought her gentle and loving spiritual wisdom.

St. Jane turned her grief into action. Many others have done the same. Many of the volunteers active in parish bereavement ministry are there on account of their own journey and are using their experience to assist others. They will share their stories and help you with your own journey at the Diocesan Bereavement Conference in March, information about which can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

There is one other constant besides change on which we can rely. A priest was celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination. A local reporter asked him what he felt was his greatest accomplishment in his priesthood. He responded that the answer was easy, that he had found Jesus. The reporter was astonished: the priest had been baptized as an infant, had attended Catholic schools and the seminary...hadn't he known Jesus at the time of his ordination? The priest answered that to know Jesus in his very being, he had to find Him in the journey.

The love, the hope, the grace of a tender God is with you on your journey in the person of His Son. May you find Him present to you in the kindness of friends or strangers, in moments of serenity or confusion, in times of tranquility or turmoil. He is with you on this journey, beside you at all times, caring for you always, carrying you when necessary.

May you find peace.

Neal S. Barkin

Spring Decoration Program

The spring decoration program will again be offered for Mother's Day and Father's Day. Live floral decorations will be available for placement on gravesites and in the chapels of the community mausoleums. A beautiful, live potted plant will be placed directly in the planting area in front or rear of the monument. For those families who have mausoleum crypts, the flowers will be placed on stands in the respective chapels. The names of those remembered will be placed in a Book of Remembrance at the altar.

The cost for each plant ordered will be **\$25.00**. They will be placed the week before Mother's and Father's Day, and will remain there through the week of the holiday itself. Families are invited to take their plants home prior to their removal by our staff.

If you placed an order last year, you will receive notification through the mail. Otherwise, you may fill out the coupon below and mail it with your check as soon as possible.

2010

Mother's Day: # of Plants _____ Father's Day: # of Plants _____

Total: _____ Plants @ \$25 each = \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone No.: _____

Email Address: _____

Cemetery _____

Section _____ Range _____ Plot _____

Or Chapel Mausoleum:

Corridor _____ Tier _____ Crypt # _____

Name of deceased Mother: _____

Name of deceased Father: _____

Please make checks payable to: Catholic Cemeteries
Mail your order to: P.O. Box 182, Westbury NY 11590-0182

**"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."**

Matthew 11: 28-30

Traits of Triumphant Survivors

By Elaine E. Stillwell, M.A., M.S.

Bereavement Coordinator, Catholic Cemeteries,
Diocese of Rockville Centre

Author of: The Death of a Child: Reflections for Grieving Parents

Most of us don't want to be victims of grief forever. When my two oldest children, 21 year old Denis and 19 year old Peggy, were killed in a 1986 car accident, I had no idea how long the grief process would be part of my life. I gradually learned that it's not a short term process, nor is it a long term process, but rather a life-time process. It's how we handle it, make the most of it, incorporate it into our lives that helps us put our best foot forward to be a triumphant survivor. Here are just a few traits that will get you started in the right direction:

Be Flexible. Without a doubt, we need to find our own way to grieve, a way that is comfortable for us, not one that other people demand of us. Trying to accept the reality of our loss, to experience the pain of grief, to adjust to life without our loved one and to move on with life is a big order. It involves making many choices which is exhausting. We learn to be flexible, continually trying to find what works for us and what knocks us over. We never give up; we are open to new things that will help transform our grief and help us grow. We start by carving out a few minutes of our daily schedule to face our grief, saying to ourselves, "This is my special time with my loved one." These precious moments become comforting, healing and energizing as we discover what helps our heart the most and what we must avoid to heal.

Be Positive. It's what you tell your head. Each morning when I get up, if I say, "I'll never see my children again," my stomach does flip-flops and I feel devastated. But instead, if I say, "I'm one day closer to seeing Peggy and Denis," my heart sings. Stay in the present. Repeat things that you know bring a glow to your day. It could be reading, golfing, walking the dog, visiting a good friend, playing with a grandchild, listening to soothing music. Follow your heart. That's the rule of thumb. Do what you can handle, not what overwhelms you. Some of us might be letting the laundry pile up, ignoring the cooking, avoiding relatives, or not answering the telephone, but we might be creating the most gorgeous garden or knitting hundreds of scarves or becoming a master carpenter. We grab onto anything that is a lifeline for us, something that relieves our pain and gets us through another day, maybe even with a smile.

Be Connected. Love never dies. We want to keep the communication lines open with our loved one. Whether we are talking to them, praying to them, writing about them, lighting a candle for them, our relationship continues. At Mass, we feel their presence, especially at the Communion of Saints. They are not gone, they have simply gone ahead. To feel even closer to them, some of us lovingly wear a linking object, something that belonged to them, like a sweater, a hat, a piece of jewelry. Others march directly to the tattoo parlor to choose a meaningful symbol, a heart, a butterfly, a shamrock, to feel connected in a special way. Each of us finds something that helps our heart remember all those treasured memories.

Be Determined. We want our loved one to be proud of us, watching over us as we walk each stepping stone of the grief journey. It's hard work. Hang on while riding the roller coaster of grief. You can yell and scream all you want as your grief hits all those curves and dips and bumps, but don't give up. Know that a bad day just means you can "start over" tomorrow. Have realistic goals that you can meet. Be fair to yourself. The bad news is that we all have bad days that blindsides us, but the good news is those days enable us to feel the beauty of a good day, the love of a dear friend, the magnificence of a gorgeous sunset, and the elegance of a bouquet of flowers.

Be Daring. Try new avenues of help, opening yourself to new experiences like joining a support group, attending a bereavement conference, seeking private counseling or checking out the grief books (155.937) in your own public library. Let yourself be inspired by the heartfelt messages of these facilitators, speakers and authors, as they share their wisdom, giving you both a challenge and motivation while filling your soul up with hope and good thoughts.

Get busy and discover what traits make you a Triumphant Survivor!

Bereavement Conference - Saturday March 20, 2010

"Open My Heart, O Lord," sponsored by Catholic Cemeteries, Diocese of Rockville Centre, for the bereaved of all faiths and those caring for them, at Kellenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale, from 8:30 to 5:30 pm. Sr. Ave Clark, O.P., M.A., M.S., Coordinator of the Heart to Heart Ministry and popular author, retreat presenter, spiritual director, and bereavement counselor will be the Keynote speaker. In addition, sixty-one workshops will be offered (registrants have a choice of three) by prominent leaders in the bereavement field. Breakfast, lunch and conference folder are included in the registration fee (\$50 by Feb. 22, \$60 after Feb. 22 and \$70 walk-in registration). A well-stocked Conference Bookstore will be available and the day will close with a Eucharistic Celebration.

The conference brochure and registration form may be downloaded from the cemetery website: www.holyroodcemetery.org by clicking on the word Bereavement and on Bereavement Conference Information or you may call (516) 334-7990, x 120 or x 122 for a copy of the brochure.

Stations of the Cross



We invite you to join us on **Good Friday, April 2nd, at 12:00 noon in the Holy Rood Chapel** for the opening prayers. Weather permitting, we will follow the mile-and-a-half route throughout Holy Rood Cemetery as we commemorate Our Lord's redemptive death. If the weather is inclement, the ceremony will be held in the chapel. The service will conclude with final prayers and Veneration of the Cross in the Chapel.

The Catholic Cemetery is established to carry out the sacred religious function of the burial of the dead and the care for their resting places, recognizing the deep spiritual significance of this Corporal Work of Mercy.

Cemetery grounds open everyday (weather permitting) 8 AM to 5 PM ~ Mausoleum Buildings open from 8 AM to 4:30 PM
Office open 9 AM to 4:30 PM (Monday thru Friday) ~ 9 AM to 12:00 noon on Saturdays
For further information please visit the website of the Office of Catholic Cemeteries www.holyroodcemetery.org

Saturday Masses in the Chapel at 9:30 AM:

Holy Rood Cemetery

111 Old Country Road
P.O. Box 182
Westbury, NY 11590-0182
Tel: (516) 334-7990

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

3442 Route 112
Coram, NY 11727
Tel: (631) 732-3460

2010	Mar.	6	May	15	Aug.	7	Oct.	16
	Mar.	20	Jun.	5	Aug.	21	Nov.	6
	Apr.	10	Jun.	19	Sept.	11	Nov.	20
	Apr.	17	Jul.	10	Sept.	18	Dec.	4
	May	1	Jul.	24	Oct.	2	Dec.	18

Queen of All Saints Cemetery

115 Wheeler Road
Central Islip, NY 11722
Tel: (631) 234-8297

2010	Mar.	6	Jun.	5	Sep.	11
	Apr.	10	Jul.	10	Oct.	2
	May	1	Aug.	7	Nov.	6
				Dec.	4	

Cemetery gates are open everyday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
Offices closed at noon Saturday, on Sundays
and the following holidays:

President's Day	February 15th
Holy Thursday	April 1st (12:30 PM)
Good Friday	April 2nd (12:30 PM)
Memorial Day	May 31st
Independence Day	July 5th (observed)
Labor Day	September 6th
Columbus Day	October 11th
Veterans Day	November 11th
Thanksgiving Day	November 25th
Christmas Eve	December 24th (12:30 PM)
Christmas Day	December 25th
New Year's Eve	December 31st (12:30 PM)

Have you Moved?

It's important to keep your current address on file in case you have to be contacted for any reason, or to keep receiving your copy of Sacred Places.

Planting Regulations

As warm weather approaches, we would like to remind you about the planting regulations. In monument sections, annual flowers such as geraniums, begonias, impatiens and marigolds may be planted in a bed that can extend 18" in front of the monument. Bouquets of fresh flowers are permitted in monument sections in vases that are ground level, and in shrine sections in the vase that is part of the bronze memorial. No glass vases, statues or other breakable items are permitted as they could cause injuries to employees as they are maintaining the grounds. **As a reminder - items placed in violation of the planting and decorating rules and items deemed unsightly or out of season are often removed and disposed of in accordance with stated policies.** Potted plants are permitted for holidays. All holiday decorations will be picked up on the following Monday dates:

Easter (4/4)	Mother's Day (5/9)	Father's Day (6/20)
Monday - April 12th	Monday - May 17th	Monday - June 28th

Dates To Remember

Stations of the Cross - Friday, April 2, 2010

Holy Rood Cemetery, Westbury
MEET IN THE CHAPEL AT 12:00 NOON

Memorial Day Field Masses

Monday, May 31, 2010
Holy Rood Cemetery, Westbury - 11:00 AM
Most Reverend William Murphy
Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Coram - 11:00 AM
Most Reverend Peter Libasci
Queen of All Saints Cemetery, Central Islip - 12:00 Noon
Most Reverend John Dunne

Change of Address

Name _____

OLD Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

NEW Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Plot Location: Cemetery _____

Section _____ Range _____ Lot _____

OR

Mausoleum _____ Corridor _____ Tier & Crypt (Niche) _____

Deceased's Name: _____

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Best Practices Guidelines for Development of Hospital Policies Regarding the Disposition of Fetal Remains

Current New York state law and regulations require birth and death certificates for live births of any gestational age. Only a death certificate is required for stillborns of any gestational age, AND release of the remains to a licensed mortician and burial are required for stillborns of 20 weeks or more. The law is silent with regard to remains of stillborns under 20 weeks' gestation, with the presumption that hospitals should dispose of such remains as they would medical waste, i.e., by incineration or other approved medical waste disposal method.

In light of the apparent discrepancy between the Church's respect for human life and the minimal state law requirements for disposition of fetal remains of under 20 weeks' gestation, the HealthCare Council's Leaders directed the formation of a Working Group to identify best practices for hospitals to use in the development of their policies regarding the disposition of such fetal remains. The Working Group gleaned best practices from several of our hospitals' current policies, and subsequent dissemination of the best practices guidelines to our hospitals in March were useful to several of them as they either developed or refined their policies.

From the core elements for hospitals come the following:

1. The hospital (in conjunction with the diocesan or parish cemetery and funeral directors as appropriate) should routinely schedule burial/cremation services;
2. The hospital (in conjunction with one or more local parishes as appropriate and with the diocesan or parish cemetery) should arrange for placement of a memorial marker whenever and wherever possible;
3. The hospital should develop linkages with other hospitals in the diocese and with the diocesan cemeteries office, local pastors, parish staff or support groups, and local funeral directors and memorial companies.

Ron Guglielmo, Director HealthCare
NYS Catholic Conference
465 State Street, Albany NY 12203-1004
Phone: 518-434-6195 • Fax: 518-434-9796
www.nyscatholic.org

Cemeteries Should Be Forever!

Monument Rules and Regulations are a necessity for the long-term care and preservation of our Catholic history, society, and culture. ***The monuments placed today will speak of this generation and provide a picture to our future world. We will be judged and teach a generation who we may never meet.***

What will we say? What will they learn from us?

The rules and the monument procedures provide a process for good record keeping, identification of monuments, the overall appearance and efficiency in maintenance of cemetery operations. Without these rules and procedures the long term care and appearance of the Cemetery would greatly suffer. Some basic information on the Monument Rules and Regulations are discussed and appear in the signed rules and regulations at the time of cemetery arrangements for each Certificate of Right of Burial (cemetery certificate) or lot/crypt/niche contract. A complete detailed set of the Monument Rules and Regulations have been distributed to each of our area monument companies. Additional copies are available upon request to the cemetery office. Each of these acts serves to alert all concerned of these Monument Rules and Regulations.

Unfortunately regulations are not always to everyone's taste, but most cemeteries have similar regulations which are the result of many years experience in trying to assist families in their grief, in creating a lasting memorial to remember a Catholic member of our faith, a life once lived and a testimony to our faith and belief in the resurrection. A well-regulated memorial program can achieve a beautiful, safe and good order cemetery that is efficient and allows the cemetery staff to perform their work efficiently today and tomorrow.

Helpful Information:

holyroodcemetery.org/memorials.htm
holyroodcemetery.org/monument.pdf



RACHEL MOURNING
Memorial Dedicated to
God's Innocent Babies

*A voice is heard in Ramah,
lamenting and weeping bitterly:
it is Rachel weeping for her children
because they are no more.
(Jeremiah 31:15)*

Former From the Director's Desk

"The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose. Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul." These familiar words are from the 23rd Psalm, probably the best known of all the Psalms. It offers words of comfort and hope, and perhaps was recited at the funeral Mass of your loved one. Even for us urbanites or suburbanites, the image of God as our Shepherd is one of reassurance and solace. The psalm ends with the consoling message of "And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come."

Yet immediately preceding in the 22nd Psalm, there are words that are equally well-known, for it contains some of the final words of our Lord as he hung from the cross: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Many other passages from this Psalm are directly quoted during the Passion narrative: "They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots." How did the Psalmist, both of which Psalms are attributed to David, move from such despair to the consoling words in the very next Psalm?

That is the challenge each of us who has suffered the loss of a family member or friend faces: How do we go from despair to hope? How do we move from grief to healing? The answers are not easy, and they are not the same for everyone. Certainly there is help available through bereavement groups or reading material. Certainly there is prayer, even though our faith may have been shaken. Certainly there are friends and other family members to assist us as we struggle. But the road is not easy, and the journey can be long.

The most often recited prayer in Christendom is the prayer taught to us by Jesus himself: "Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done..." I have heard it said, and it appears to me to hold true, that the longest journey we will ever face is the journey of the heart as we move from "My will be done" to "Thy will be done." None of us ever wish for the pain of the loss of someone we loved. None of us was ever prepared for the change that was in store for our souls and our psyche from this loss. As we move forward in this journey, our hope is to trust in the words of the 22nd Psalm: "Nor did he turn his face away from him, but when he cried out to him, he heard him." Our hope in the promise of the Resurrection can sustain us.

Soon I will begin a journey of another kind. After forty years of service to the Office of Catholic Cemeteries, I will retire. My wife Maria and I will leave Long Island and the security of the only place we have ever called home to move to the Southwest. There we hope to be revitalized in the spiritual beauty of the desert and the mountains. I am so grateful to the staff of this Office and assure you of their continued dedication to the mission of Catholic Cemeteries.

May God bless you on your journey. May you find peace.

Sincerely,

Neal S. Berlin

From the Acting Director's Desk

How we are linked to those who have died is not clear, but we know it is intimately connected with the process of remembering. We remember the dead so that we may support them with our prayer. But even more, we remember the dead to keep their memory alive and close to us.

We hold our loved ones in memory knowing nothing dies that is remembered. And they are held in the heart and memory of God and there they live. How they live, we do not know. But that they live is as certain as the earth in November, despite all apparent signs of death, bares the seeds of spring.

Our mission at Catholic Cemeteries must reflect the mission of the Church: to communicate the love of Christ for all humanity and to exhibit the hope and power that flows from the resurrection.

We are called not simply to do Church, but to be Church: a community bound by a vision of the future, centered around the Eucharist, and committed to assist those in need of healing and presence.

To the extent that Catholic cemeteries are viewed by the people of the Church as a ministry of the Church – and therefore, different from a for-profit business – to that extent will Catholic cemeteries be part of the daily life of the Church.

The principle remains that Catholic cemeteries are an integral part of the Church's traditions and rites. In the Code of Canon Law, Catholic cemeteries-like churches, chapels, shrines and altars-are considered "sacred places."

They are given a special blessing to set them apart and to highlight their sacred character. Likewise, the Order of Christian Funerals refers to three principal moments: the vigil (wake), the Funeral Mass (parish church), and the committal (cemetery). This corresponds to the Catholic tradition which includes sacred times (vigil), sacred rites (funeral), and sacred places (cemeteries).

Our Cemetery offices are an environment where families initiate a relationship with the Catholic Church that can touch the very core of religious faith in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Often families come into the cemetery office in deep sorrow. The Catholic cemetery through both its religious environment and its gentle and caring staff is called upon to be a place of comfort, of healing, of support, in many ways the image of Jesus Christ as seen in both comforting the Widow of Nain and the raising of her son.

Catholic cemeteries, on the other hand, serve as a symbol or extension of the parish community. They give witness that the community of faith is unbroken by death. Moreover, we are one with Christ in life, death, and resurrection.

Grief is not intended to be a linear journey, nor one with rules. It is an ever-changing process sparked by different life events, milestones, memories or seasons, and governed by one's individual coping and belief systems and relationship with the deceased. Grief is not something one "gets over," but something one learns to live with and integrates into one's sense of self.

Though one lives with sadness, one needn't live sadly. Finding the weave of joy and sorrow becomes a full and gradual process.



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Please visit the website of the Office of Catholic Cemeteries www.Holyroodcemetery.org

Holiday Decoration Program

Catholic Cemeteries will again offer a holiday decoration program. For those families who have gravesites, the Christmas program affords the opportunity to purchase an evergreen blanket or pillow, while the Easter Program offers a palm cross for placement on individual graves.

We will continue to decorate the chapels in our mausoleums with poinsettias at Christmas and lilies at Easter. All families, especially those who have entombments in our Crypts, are invited to purchase a plant in memory of a loved one. The name of the deceased will be listed in a memorial book placed in each of the chapels.

If you placed an order last year, or ordered flowers for the Chapels in the past, you will receive notification through the mail. Otherwise, you may fill out the coupon below and mail it with your check as soon as possible.

Christmas (2010)

Blankets (Graves) @ \$55 = \$ _____
Pillows (Graves) @ \$40 = \$ _____
Poinsettias (Chapels) @ \$25 = \$ _____

Easter (2011)

Palm Crosses (Graves) @ \$25 = \$ _____
Easter Lilies (Chapels) @ \$25 = \$ _____

Total Enclosed = \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone No.: _____

Cemetery _____

Name of Deceased _____

Section _____ Range _____ Plot _____

Or Chapel / Mausoleum:

Corridor _____ Tier _____ Crypt # _____

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Christmas Ornaments

The Christmas Holiday season is not a happy one for everyone. If you are in the midst of grief, you may feel overwhelmed not only by your loss, but also by the expectations of others. There is an inherent need to remember those you have loved in a special way and, hopefully, we can provide you with such an opportunity.

At Holy Rood, Holy Sepulchre, and Queen of All Saints Cemeteries, during the Saturday Mass on December 4th, family members will be invited to place an ornament on our Christmas trees in memory of their loved ones. You are invited to bring an ornament with you to be placed there during the offertory procession. Please remember that our chapels are public places, so we recommend an ornament that can be easily replaced, if necessary. The ornaments will remain on the trees throughout the Christmas season and can be picked up any day from January 1st through January 10th.

Candle Lighting Service

It has been said that a cemetery is for the living. Although it's true that a Catholic Cemetery is the final resting place of the mortal bodies that were temples of the Holy Spirit until the Lord comes in glory, it is also a place where we, the living, come to remember those we love who have gone before us. It is a place where we come soon after the funeral filled with sadness and loneliness.

In time, however, we come to the awareness that the cemetery is a place of comfort; we live in the hope that those we love are safe and secure in the Lord. We are also comforted in the simple act of remembering our loved ones, as the visit to the cemetery renews a bond we know can never be broken.

On **Sunday, November 7th**, we will have an opportunity to remember, in a special way, those we love that are interred in Catholic Cemeteries. **Beginning at 3:00 PM at Holy Rood Cemetery**, the Diocesan Choir will preside over a ceremony of prayer, song and remembrance. All will participate in a candle lighting ceremony at which time those who were interred since **November 1st 2009** will be remembered by name as requested.

We invite all to attend, pray, sing, and remember.

If you plan to attend, please contact the cemetery office at (516) 334-7990 no later than **Wednesday, November 3rd**, with the name of the deceased who was interred after November 1st, 2009, whom you wish to have remembered.

On Bereavement

Let Us Know: If your parish or agency is offering a support group or program, please send your information to:

Kathleen Logan

Associate Director for Family Ministry
Bereavement Coordinator
Office of Faith Formation
PO Box 9023
Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023
Voice Mail: 516-678-5800 ext. 236
e-mail: klogan@drvc.org

Need Information on:

What's happening now?

Groups in Nassau or Suffolk Counties?

Bereavement conference or training?

Visit our website: holyroodcemetery.org/bereavement.htm

Dedication Planned for the Mausoleum at The Cemetery of the Holy Rood

On All Souls Day during the Mass celebration (Tuesday, November 2, 2010) at 9:30 AM, Cemetery of the Holy Rood at the Holy Rood Chapel, Most Reverend William Murphy will dedicate the new addition to the mausoleum building constructed over the past year.

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2010	Oct. 2	2011	Jan. 8	Mar. 19
	Oct. 16		Jan. 22	Apr. 2
	Nov. 6		Feb. 5	Apr. 16
	Nov. 20		Feb. 19	May 7
	Dec. 4		Mar. 5	May 21
	Dec. 18			

Queen of All Saints

115 Wheeler Road
Central Islip, NY 11722
Tel: (631) 234-8297

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	Dec. 4		Mar. 5	

Cemetery gates are open everyday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
Offices closed at noon Saturday, on Sundays
and the following holidays:

Columbus Day	October 11th	2010
Veterans' Day	November 11th	
Thanksgiving Day	November 25th	
Christmas Eve	December 24th	(12:30 PM)
Christmas Day	December 25th	
New Year's Eve	December 31st	(12:30 PM)
New Year's Day	January 1st	2011
Martin Luther King Day	January 17th	
President's Day	February 21st	
Holy Thursday	April 21st	(12:30 PM)
Good Friday	April 22nd	(12:30 PM)
Memorial Day	May 30th	

Forms, Maps, Answers to Questions at
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Planting Regulations

As cool weather approaches, we would like to remind you about the planting regulations. Artificial flowers are permitted during the winter months beginning November 1st. Holiday decorations in the form of a blanket or wreath may be placed on the gravesites. Christmas decorations will be removed beginning January 15, 2011 (weather permitting).

Dates To Remember

Cemetery Sunday, November 7th
Holy Rood Cemetery, Westbury
Candle Lighting Service at 3:00 PM

All Souls Day Mass celebration on Tuesday, November 2, 2010
9:30 AM Cemetery of the Holy Rood at the Holy Rood Chapel
Most Reverend William Murphy
9:30 AM Holy Sepulchre Cemetery at Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel
Most Reverend Peter Libasci
11:00 AM Queen of All Saints Cemetery - Field Mass
Most Reverend John Dunne

Christmas Ornament Placement
December 4th at All Cemeteries - 9:30 AM Mass

Diocesan Bereavement Conference
Saturday, March 19, 2011

Change of Address

Name _____

OLD Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

NEW Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Plot Location: Cemetery _____

Section _____ Range _____ Lot _____

OR

Mausoleum _____ Corridor _____ Tier & Crypt (Niche) _____

Deceased's Name: _____

Have you Moved?

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