

Music Selections for a Funeral Liturgy – St. Mary Catholic Church, Waverly

The music for the celebration of the funeral rites should be chosen with great care. The General Introduction to the *Order of Christian Funerals* continues: *The texts of the songs chosen...should express the paschal mystery of the Lord's suffering, death, and triumph over death and should be related to the readings from Scripture.* (*Order of Christian Funerals*, 30).

An accompanist (organ or piano), a cantor and whenever possible a choir should assist the assembly's full participation in singing the songs, responses, and acclamations of these rites. Below are songs to be used. Also are suggested areas during the liturgy to use these songs as well as scripture referrals.

Abbreviations: **Gth (Gathering); Com (Communion); Rec (Recessional)**

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| The Supper of the Lord (Com) | I Have Loved You (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| You Are Near (Gth & Com) | Let There Be Peace on Earth (Rec) |
| City of God (Gth & Rec) | I Am the Bread of Life (Com & Rec) Scripture #14 |
| We Walk By Faith (Gth, Com & Rec) | Lord of the Dance (Com & Rec) |
| You Are Mine (Gth, Com & Rec) | Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (Gth & Rec) |
| Blest Are They (Com & Rec) Scripture #15 | Sing A New Song (Gth & Rec) |
| Lead, Me Lord (Com & Rec) Scripture #15 | All Creatures of Our God and King (Gth & Rec) |
| Hosea (Gth & Com) | Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow (Gth & Rec) |
| Turn To Me (Gth & Com) | Alleluia! Sing To Jesus (Gth & Rec) |
| Eye Has Not Seen (Com) | To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King (Gth & Rec) |
| The Lord Is My Hope (Com) | They'll Know We Are Christians (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| Though the Mountains May Fall (Gth & Rec) | We Have Been Told (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| Only A Shadow (Com & Rec) | The Servant Song (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| Like A Shepherd (Com & Rec) | The Summons (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| Prayer of St. Francis (Com & Rec) | Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (Gth & Rec) |
| Peace Is Flowing Like a River (Com & Rec) | Glory & Praise To Our God (Gth & Rec) |
| Gift of Finest Wheat (Com) | Gather Us In (Gth) |
| Be Not Afraid (Gth, Com & Rec) | For You Are My God (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| An Eagle's Wings (Com & Rec) | Companions on the Journey (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| Here I Am, Lord (Gth, Com & Rec) | Canticle of the Sun (Gth, Com & Rec) |
| We Remember (Com) | |
| Morning Has Broken (Gth, Com & Rec) | |
| Isaiah 49 (Com) Scripture #4 | |