## **Cost of Services**

#### **Property Transaction**

Each grave with perpetual care - \$1000.00

Grave with pre-poured foundation & perpetual care-\$1450.00

Grave in Children's Section - \$230.00

Foundations - \$105 per sq. foot

Minimum of \$450.00

Setting markers - \$175.00

Funeral Cost: \$375

#### **Burial Fees**

Grave opening - \$1050.00

Winter Charge for grave opening—Dec 1 through April 15 add \$125.00

Grave opening for ashes - \$550.00

Overtime for burials (Saturday) - \$350.00

### Administrative Charges

Duplicated Deed - \$50.00

Returned Checks from bank - \$35.00

### **Removals and Transfers (requires court order)**

Two grave opening fee - \$1850.00

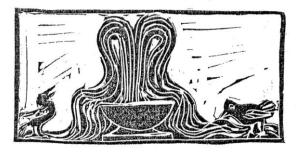
Removal Charge - \$950.00

First grave closing/repair fee - \$250.00

#### NOTES:

- Interment of cremated remains will be permitted only in appropriate rigid receptacles such as wood, metal, plastic or concrete.
- Height limit for monuments is 3 feet.
  Width limit for one grave is 30 inches.
  Width limit for two graves is 65 inches.
- All monuments erected or placed at the grave must be made of true granite, with the exception of military markers provided by the government.
- Inscriptions on headstones should not be offensive to Christian beliefs.
- Visitors are asked not to drive on the grass.
- Be aware that it usually takes more than 6 months s after a burial, for the ground at a plot to stabilize. Even with regular care and attention, the process is very weatherdependent.
- Military headstones or plaques are obtained from the government by surviving family members.
- We prefer that military plaques be mounted on the back of the headstones.
- Surviving family members are responsible for adding death dates to existing headstones.
- The water is turned on by Mother's Day and turned off about mid-October.

# St. Joachim -St. John the Evangelist Parish Cemetery



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Effective Oct. 1, 2016

The Parish of St. Joachim - St. John the Evangelist operates the cemetery. It is a small parish cemetery with limited resources. The cemetery consists of two parts. The current cemetery is located at 325 Washington Avenue, Beacon. This cemetery was established in 1929. It covers over 20 acres and is known as the new cemetery.

The old cemetery is officially located at 60 Falconer St, but it is recognized as being at the corner of Grove Street and DePuyster Avenue, with its first burial dating back to 1866. There are no plots available for sale at the old cemetery.

The parish cemetery plays an important role in the spiritual life of our community of faith. The Catholic cemetery provides a place of refuge. It is a place of rest and hope: a source of contemplativeness and an atmosphere of solace allowing us to be secure in the knowledge that the faithful departed will find eternal joy. Christian burial is a religious act, a corporal work of mercy.

A Tomb of the Unborn was dedicated in 1996. A pavilion was built in 2011 to be used for committal services. The pavilion and the attending Memorial Wall were dedicated on Memorial Day, 2012.

Catholic cemeteries are special places, blessed by the Church to receive the mortal remains of the faithful departed and to be a place of comfort for the living. As such they require governance that preserves their Catholic nature. Conduct in the cemetery should reflect the dignity and respectfulness that a Catholic cemetery deserves and requires.

A list of veterans who are buried in our cemetery is maintained on our parish website to honor their memories. This list is updated about twice a year. To access this list go to the Parish Cemetery portion of the website. Then click on "Old Cemetery" or "New Cemetery". In each case, a photograph file will open showing the military headstone, footstone, or inscription of the veterans buried there. Click on a photo to enlarge it. Or click the word "Directory" above each photo file. A file, in spreadsheet format, of the veterans buried in the old or new cemetery, will open. The spreadsheet files contain the pertinent military information for each veteran buried here.

# **Rules and Regulations**

To maintain the Catholic nature and pristine condition of the cemetery for every-one's reverent and respectful use, the following must be enforced:

- All persons shall be allowed access to the cemetery during daylight hours, observing the rules which are in effect and propriety due a Catholic cemetery. For safety reasons the cemetery is closed from dusk to dawn and whenever travel on the roads may be deemed hazardous, for example when the roads are covered in snow, ice or slush.
- The full purchase price of a grave must be paid before a gave is opened, a burial allowed a deed issued, a monument set or any other activity is started on a grave. Interest-free time payments (for no longer than 12 months) can be arranged for grave purchases.
- Concrete vaults or concrete grave liners are required for interments in all graves.
- One grave shall contain one interment or one interment plus one cremated remains or two cremated remains.
- Pets are not permitted on the cemetery grounds.
- Only one vigil light is allowed per family plot.
- Glass & metal containers, "lawn ornaments," shepherd's hooks, metal tripods, balloons, artificial flowers and hanging plants are not permitted.
- The cemetery board must approve planting of shrubs and/or trees. Maintenance of trees and/or shrubs is the responsibility of the person who planted them. You may plant grass on your loved ones' graves, but not zoysia grass.
- Christmas/Winter holiday decorations will be removed starting January 12 every

- year. Other decorations should be/will be removed as the seasons change, for example Easter decorations should be/will be removed by Pentecost. If you want to recover your decorations, please do so within a reasonable time.
- Display of flags is permitted only from Memorial Day through Independence Day and on Veteran's Day. Flags may be put up the Saturday before the Memorial Day and removed no later that the Saturday after Independence Day. Flags may be displayed at other times, provided they are in Veteran's Markers or other flag holders attached to the headstone. Both holder and flag must be kept in good condition. Flags that touch the ground will be removed.
- All persons are prohibited from writing upon, scratching, defacing or injuring any monument, fence or other structure in or belonging to a Catholic cemetery.
- The cemetery is not responsible for damage to headstones. The cemetery is not responsible for damage to plants, trees or shrubs during the performance of routine maintenance work.
- Plantings are only allowed on the front of the monument. They may be the width of the monument on the grave and may not protrude from the monument more than 10 inches
- All work done on the grounds shall be subject to the control and direction of the pastor or cemetery board.
- Flower holders should be placed securely on the monument. These can be purchased at craft stores. The cemetery is not responsible for flower pots.
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the cemetery.
- Skiing, sledding, and skateboarding are not permitted.
- Dumping on cemetery property is not permitted.