



OUR LADY
STAR OF THE SEA

Funeral Music

Introduction

“Sacred music has an integral role in the funeral rites, since it can console and uplift mourners while, at the same time, uniting the assembly in faith and love. Funeral music should express the Paschal Mystery and the Christian’s share in it. Since music can evoke strong feelings, it should be chosen with care. It should console the participants and ‘help to create in them a spirit of hope in Christ’s victory over death and in the Christian’s share in that victory.’ Secular music, even though it may reflect on the background, character, interests, or personal preferences of the deceased or mourners, is not appropriate for the Sacred Liturgy.” (246)

“Music should never be used to memorialize the deceased, but rather to give praise to the Lord, whose Paschal Sacrifice has freed us from the bonds of death.” (248)

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. *Sing to the Lord*, 2007

Musicians and Fees

The music minister is the primary musician for the liturgy, providing vocal, piano, and organ music. A volunteer funeral choir may assist with singing.

The fee for the music minister is \$150.

Cantors may be hired for another fee which varies by individual.

Visiting vocalists and musicians must be approved by the music minister and must contact the music minister at least two days prior to the liturgy to discuss selections and schedule a time to rehearse.

Please contact the music minister if you have any questions, comments, or concerns:

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Music Selections

Please select one song for each part of the liturgy.

Procession

- [All Creatures of Our God and King](#)*†
- [Alleluia! Sing to Jesus](#)*
- Amazing Grace†
- [Christ the Lord is Risen Today](#)*†
- [I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say](#)
- [I Know That My Redeemer Lives](#)
(DUKE STREET)†
- [Jerusalem, My Happy Home](#)
- [Jesus Christ is Risen Today](#)*†
- [Lord of All Hopefulness](#)
- [O God, Our Help in Ages Past](#)
- On Eagle's Wings†
- [The Strife is O'er](#)*†

Preparation of Gifts

- [Be Not Afraid](#)
- [Eye Has Not Seen](#)
- [Here I Am, Lord](#)
- [How Firm a Foundation](#)
- [I Have Loved You](#)
- [Make Me a Channel of Your Peace](#)
- [Shelter Me, O God](#)
- [What Wondrous Love](#)

Communion

- [At That First Eucharist](#)
- Ave Maria
- [Eat this Bread](#)
- [How Beautiful](#)
- [I am the Bread of Life](#)
- [I Received the Living God](#)
- [One Bread, One Body](#)
- [Take and Eat](#)
- [The King of Love My Shepherd Is](#)
- [Worthy is the Lamb](#)
- [You Satisfy the Hungry Heart](#)

Recessional

- [For All the Saints](#)*
- [How Great Thou Art](#)
- [How Can I Keep From Singing](#)
- [I Danced in the Morning](#)
- [I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light](#)
- [Lead Me, Lord](#)
- [Precious Lord, Take My Hand](#)
- [Sing With All the Saints in Glory](#)
- [We Shall Rise Again](#)
- [We Walk By Faith](#)
- [Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones](#)*

*Contains the word "Alleluia" and may not be sung during Lent.

†May be used as a recessional song.

Please list your selections here:

Procession: _____

Preparation of Gifts: _____

Communion: _____

Recessional: _____