

St. Vincent de Paul Church
6001 N. University
Peoria, IL 61614

Dear St. Vincent de Paul Family,

Enclosed you will find some sample programs for you to look at as well as a book with the readings for the funeral Mass. Please pick **one Old Testament, one New Testament**, and a **Gospel** reading from the selections in the book. The choir will sing the Responsorial Psalm, 'Shepherd Me O God'.

The readings and the Prayers of the Faithful (Petitions) may be read by a family member or the clergy may read them. I have included a sheet with some petitions that you can use or you may add or write your own. Please keep the small blue book to give to those who will be reading at the Mass. Feel free to make copies or I can supply them.

Family members may place the Pall on the casket and may also bring up the gifts of water and wine at the Offertory time.

The Diocese of Peoria has a policy regarding 'Words of Remembrance'.

***Only one person may speak.**

***The text must be submitted in writing and approved by the pastor or celebrant.**

***The remembrance is limited to 2-3 minutes (no more than one typewritten page).**

If a remembrance does not meet these criteria, the pastor, celebrant, or liturgical coordinator, will help the family make arrangements. Family members may give more extensive reflections during the visitation, at the graveside, or the luncheon.

I would be more than happy to supply a program for the Mass if you would like one.

For the program I will need the following information, and I have included a form for you to fill out.

1. The readings that you have picked from the book
2. Pallbearers
3. Readers
4. Gift Bearers
5. Date of birth
6. Date of death
7. Place of the luncheon
8. The songs for the Mass--There is a song list and worksheet for the music included in the packet.

For the front of the program, I need to know which picture you prefer. I can include a prayer for the back of the program or if you have a special poem or prayer, I can include that. Some samples are also included.

Please either call or e-mail Elisabeth Grace at egrace@svdpvikings.com.

Peace and Love in Christ,
Elisabeth Grace
St. Vincent de Paul
309.691.3602 x253



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH CATHOLIC FUNERAL FAMILY PLANNING WORKSHEET

Name of Funeral Home : _____

Full Name of the Deceased: -----
First Middle Last Goes by

Please print how you would like the deceased's name to appear on the program: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: _____

Family Contact:

Name: _____ Relationship to the Deceased: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____

Type of Liturgy: ☐ Funeral Mass ☐ Funeral (no Mass)

Day/Date of Funeral: _____ Time: _____

Celebrant: _____ Concelebrant: (if applicable) _____

Deacon: (if applicable) _____

The Visitation

☐ Liturgy of the Word ☐ Rosary ☐ Visitation Only

Place (church, chapel or funeral home): _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Who would you prefer to preside at the visitation? _____ ☐ Priest ☐ Deacon ☐ Other

Will there also be a visitation directly before the funeral? ☐ Yes ☐ No Time: _____

The Funeral

Check the appropriate statement below and provide any information requested beneath the statement.

At the funeral, the body will be:

01. Present, and buried after the funeral
02. Present in the form of cremated remains
03. Present, and cremation will take place after the funeral
04. Not present (Memorial Mass)

Burial location: (if applicable) _____

☐ Immediately following the funeral Mass

☐ At a separate time. Date: _____

Scripture Selections: (*optional family participation)

Old Testament Reading: _____ *Lector: _____

New Testament Reading: _____ *Lector: _____

Gospel: _____

Music Selections: (see additional sheet for music suggestions)

Processional Song: _____

Offertory Song: _____

Communion Song: _____

Meditation Song: _____

Recessional Song: _____

☐ Funeral Choir

☐ Soloist/Other: _____

****Our Music Director is Elisabeth Grace and she can be reached at egrace@svdpvikings or (309) 691-3602 X253 for any questions regarding music.**

Other: (*optional family participation)

*Placing of the Pall: _____

*Prayers of the Faithful: _____

*Presentation of the Gifts _____

*Words of Remembrance: _____

*Pallbearers: (if applicable)

Funeral Luncheon:

Please check all that apply.

☐ We would like to use the SVdP parish hall for the funeral luncheon.

Funeral Luncheon Coordinator: Angie Aeschliman - 309-208-2916 or 309-243-9211

*Please note that the funeral luncheon team is not available to serve on a Saturday. Luncheons held in the parish hall on Saturdays must be catered.

☐ We will be hosting a luncheon at a separate location:

Location Name: _____ Address: _____

☐ The luncheon is open to the public, please include luncheon information on the program.

☐ The luncheon is private to the family only.

Time of the Luncheon:

☐ After the funeral _____ Approx. Time

☐ After interment _____ Approx. Time

Funeral Program:

Program Picture Choice:

DI have attached a picture for your use.

DI will ask the funeral home to send the obituary picture to Elisabeth Grace egrace@svdpvikings.com.

Back of program prayer choice: _____

Contact Information:

Please feel free to call or email with any questions.

Father John Steffen: 309-691-3602 ext. 261 or frsteffen@svdpvikings.com

Father Glenn Harris: 309-691-3602 ext. 271 or frharris@svdpvikings.com

Elisabeth Grace: 309-691-3602 ext. 253 or egrace@svdpvikings.com

Funeral Song Suggestions

Alleluia Sing To Jesus
Amazing Grace #612
Be Not Afraid # 608
Blest Are They #659
Come To Us #743
Dwelling Place # 594
Eye Has Not Seen# 638
Hail Mary: Gentle Woman# 782
Here I Am Lord # 686
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name# 524
Hosea# 386
How Great Thou Art # 494
I Am the Bread of Life #828I
Have Loved You # 504
Joyful, Joyful # 528
Let There Be Peace on Earth# 731
Life Giving Bread, Saving Cup # 822
Like A Shepherd #325
Make Me a Channel (Prayer of St. Francis)# 726
On Eagles Wings #611
One Bread, One Body# 830
Prayer of St. Francis #726
Song of the Body of Christ# 847We
Are Many Parts# 733
We Have Been Told# 699
We Remember# 593
You Are Mine #649
You Are Near # 604

In Remembrance of Me
Ave Maria
Irish Blessing
Surely the Presence
In This Very Room
We Will Rise Again
Only In God

Intercessions for Funeral Mass

Celebrant:

Brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his.

In Baptism, (*name*) received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead her over the waters of death.

We pray to the Lord.

Our brother/sister (*name*) was nourished at the table of the Savior. Welcome him/her into the halls of the heavenly banquet.

We pray to the Lord.

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son.

We pray to the Lord.

Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord. Give refreshment, rest, and peace to all whose faith is known to you alone.

We pray to the Lord.

The family and friends of (*name*) seek comfort and consolation. Heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come from grief.

We pray to the Lord.

Celebrant:

Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, here the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and the voices of your people, whose lives were purchased by the blood of the Lamb. Forgive the sins of all who sleep in Christ and grant them a place in the kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.