



Remembrance Program

CFCS's unique new program allows for the placement of cremated remains in our Holy Angels Crypt at no charge.

MAIN BENEFITS

- ✓ Free interment of cremated remains
- ✓ Committal service
- ✓ Permanent recordation
- ✓ Open to all faiths

Free Interment Of Cremated Remains.

1 Catholic Cremation

The Church has accepted cremation for over forty years. It is encouraged that the remains be kept intact (not scattered).

2 Have Your Cremated Remains Interred For Free

CFCS offers at no cost to anyone, of any faith, the dignified committal of cremated remains at any of our cemeteries or the Cathedral Mausoleum.

3 Living Our Mission

CFCS makes end of life services more affordable so that everyone in the community can have a dignified and sacred resting place.

Remembrance Program

CFCS offers at no charge, to anyone, of any faith, who has cremated remains at home or is considering scattering, the dignified committal of the remains at any of our cemeteries or the Cathedral of Christ the Light Mausoleum. The committal will occur at the Holy Angels Crypt and then will be permanently interred within the consecrated grounds of the Catholic Cemetery.

Highlights of the Program:

- Free placement in the Remembrance Crypt available at our six Diocesan Cemeteries and the Cathedral of Christ the Light Mausoleum
- A committal service from the Order of Christian Funerals
- A permanent recordation of interment as well as an optional cenotaph for memorialization
- Remains always stay within consecrated grounds
- Open to all funeral homes
- Open to all faiths

FAQs:

Why does CFCS offer this program?

With the growth of cremation and in light of the Church's teaching regarding the proper disposition of cremated remains, it is our mission as a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland to offer a dignified and sacred resting place for all.

Are the remains retrievable?

Yes, remains can be disinterred from the remembrance crypt at no cost.

Can I have a memorial for a loved one?

Complimentary placement does not include memorialization; however, a cenotaph is available for inscription at all of the remembrance crypts for a small tax deductible fee.

Is there a tax deductible component to the cenotaph inscription?

Yes, the entire fee (\$250 at Cemeteries or \$1,000 at the Cathedral) is a donation that may be deductible.

What is the Church's teaching?

The Church teaches that the cremated remains of the body be buried or entombed and receive the "Rite of Committal." Scattering the remains, keeping them at home or dividing them among various family members is not the reverent disposition that the Church requires, "The bodies of the dead must be treated with respect and charity, in faith and hope of the Resurrection. The burial of the dead is a corporal work of mercy, it honors the children of God, who are temples of the Holy Spirit."

How long are the remains placed within the Holy Angels Crypt?

At the time of committal the remains are placed within the Holy Angels Crypt. In the future, based upon capacity, the remains may be relocated; however, they will always be interred within the consecrated grounds of Catholic Cemeteries.

OUR ADVICE

Having a permanent place of remembrance is an important part of the grieving and healing process.

Tom Richardson
Regional Director

CREMATION OPTIONS

HOLY ANGELS

CRYPT: FREE
COLUMBARIUM: \$1,000

IN GROUND BURIAL

STARTING AT: \$1,800

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STARTING AT: \$1,800

FAMILY HERITAGE

INQUIRE AT CEMETERY

THE CFCS ADVANTAGE

As a resource you can trust today and tomorrow we're enabling families to make educated decisions about end of life services.

- ✓ Flexible and Affordable
- ✓ Welcoming Staff
- ✓ Convenient Locations
- ✓ People You Can Trust
- ✓ Open Source of Information
- ✓ Complete Funeral, Cremation & Cemetery Services