

To the Families We Serve

To preserve the beauty and dignity of Catholic Cemeteries, we have instituted the following rules and regulations for grave plantings and decorations. For the safety of all we serve, your cooperation is appreciated.



Assumption Cemetery 15510 Winfield Rd. Wheaton, IL. 60189 815-838-8100

Assumption Cemetery, Wheaton
SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Naperville
St. John the Baptist Cemetery, Winfield
St. Mary Cemetery, Elmhurst
St. Mary Cemetery, Lombard
St. Stephen Cemetery, Carol Stream

Holy Family Cemetery 2505 Hobson Rd. Downers Grove, IL. 60516 630-554-7590

Holy Family Cemetery, Downers Grove

Risen Lord Cemetery 1501 Simons Rd. Oswego, IL. 60543 630-554-7590

Risen Lord Cemetery, Oswego

Resurrection Cemetery 200 W. Romeo Rd. Romeoville, IL. 60446 815-473-5000

Resurrection Cemetery, Romeoville
Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Joliet
Calvary Cemetery, Lockport
Holy Cross Cemetery, Crest Hill
St. Mary Nativity Cemetery, Crest Hill
Ss. Cyril & Methodius Cemetery, Joliet
St. John the Baptist Cemetery, Joliet
St. Patrick Cemetery, Joliet,
Lockport So./St. Dennis Cemetery, Lockport

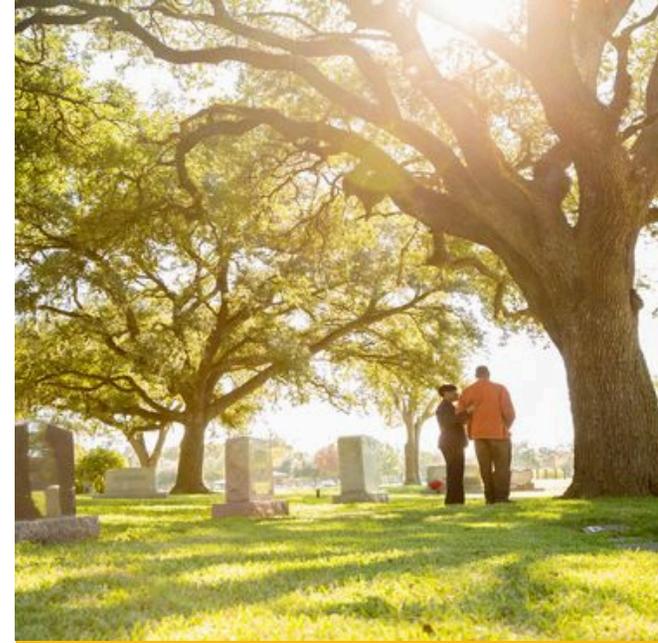
All Saints Cemetery 1839 W. State Rt. 102 Bourbonnais, IL. 60189 815-473-5007

All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais
Maternity BVM Cemetery, Bourbonnais
Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Kankakee
St. Rose Cemetery, Kankakee



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REGULATIONS FOR PLANTINGS & DECORATIONS

At a Glance

- Regulations depend upon memorial type
- Items not in compliance, will be removed
- Spring Clean up: March 15th - March 31st
- Fall Cleanup: October 15th - October 31st
- Decorations must be safe and not interfere with maintenance
- The Cemetery is not responsible for decorations placed at graves

Important Information

Cemetery Cleanup
Allows for seasonal maintenance

Spring Cleanup

March 15th - March 31st

Please remove decorations before
March 15th if you wish to keep them

Fall Cleanup

October 15th - October 31st

Please remove decorations before
October 15th if you wish to keep them

Decorations remaining during cleanup
periods will be removed and disposed of.

**New Permitted seasonal
decorations may be placed
beginning:**

- April 1st
- November 1st

Permanent vases will be inverted during fall
cleanup to prevent winter damage.

Funeral Flowers

**Funeral Flowers will remain at the grave for 48
hours following the burial. Families wishing to keep
ribbons or arrangements should retrieve them
promptly after services.**

**Temporary Crosses or namplates are permitted
for up to 60 days after the funeral and may not
exceed 24" in height.**

Upright or Slant Monument

 **Permitted**



Annual or artificial flowers in planting bed

- Max Height: 24"
- Width not to exceed monument
- Mulch only (no stone or gravel)
- Flowers in self-draining or permanent cemetery vase
- Solar/battery vigil candles (no glass, no live flame)
- Religious statue (no glass, ceramic or porcelain)
- One shepherd hook placed in front of monument
- Paver stones placed 24" in front and flush with ground

Planter beds must be maintained at all times or will be removed. Planter beds are to be pulled by families by October 15th; otherwise they will be pulled by cemetery staff.

 **Not Permitted**

- Perennials, rose bushes, bushes or tree planting
- Loose pavers resting on the ground
- Plastic, wood or metal edging fencing borders
- Rocks, stones, gravel, shells, ceramic or glass items
- Sharp metal objects, bird feeders, wind chimes
- Blankets, photo coverings or grave outlining with objects

Safety & Conduct

 **Not Permitted:** Alcohol, picnics, grilling, tents, loud music (including bands), sporting activities, inflatable bounce houses, dumping, discharge of firearms, placing anything offensive or driving onto grass.

Children must always remain with a parent or guardian. Dogs must remain in vehicles and may not be walked on cemetery grounds or in buildings.

Any violation of these conditions, including theft, vandalism, or property, WILL result in prosecution to the fullest extent of the law, up to and **including a Class 2 Felony.**

Call 911 to report any criminal or suspicious activity.

Flush Lawn Level Marker

 **Permitted**



Fresh or artificial flowers in:

- Permanent cemetery vase, or
- Planter box placed at the memorial
- Planter box size: max 24" L x 6" H x 8" W
- Total decoration height: max 24"

Items that can be placed in the planter box:

- Annual or artificial flowers
- Solar/battery vigil candle (no glass)
- Small American Flag
- Small Religious Statue (non-glass, non ceramic)

Planter boxes must be removed by October 15th, if you wish to keep them.

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- Perennials, rose bushes, bushes or tree planting
- Loose pavers resting on the ground
- Plastic, wood or metal edging, fencing borders
- Rocks, stones, gravel, shells, ceramic items or glass items
- Sharp metal objects, bird feeders, wind chimes
- Blankets, photo coverings, or grave outlining with objects

Important Notice

The Cemetery reserves the right to remove and dispose of any plantings or decorations at any time that interfere with maintenance, pose a safety hazard, become damaged or weathered, that are described in this document.

The Cemetery shall not be responsible, nor liable for any items that are stolen or damaged.

