



## **MUSIC WITHIN THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS**

*Music is integral to the funeral rites. It allows the community to express convictions and feelings that words alone may fail to convey. It has the power to console and uplift....and to strengthen the unity of the assembly in faith and love. The texts of the songs chosen for a particular celebration should express the paschal mystery of the Lord's suffering, death, and triumph over death and should be related to the readings from Scripture. (OCF 30)*

Music can be used within the three Rituals of Christian Funerals: the Vigil, which may take place at the Funeral Home, the Funeral/Memorial Mass, which takes place at the church, and the Place of Committal or the final act of the community which takes place at the cemetery/interment.

The use of personal, recorded or secular music can be ONLY used at the Funeral home or Wake, Closing of the Coffin or Place of Committal.

For Funeral/Memorial Masses, St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish provides at each of the church sites an organist and a cantor. The following suggestions may assist you in planning the Funeral/Memorial Mass:

(For songs unlisted below, please contact the SKT Music Director directly for further discussion)

### **Processional & Recessional Hymns:**

Alleluia, Alleluia or Joyful, Joyful  
Amazing Grace  
Be Not Afraid  
Eye Has Not Seen  
Here I Am Lord  
Holy God We Praise Thy Name  
How Can I Keep From Singing  
How Great Thou Art  
I know that My Redeemer Lives  
Lord of All Hopefulness

I Heard the Voice of Jesus  
Jesus Christ is Risen Today  
Let There Be Peace on Earth  
Lord You Have Come/Pescador de Hombres  
Sing With All the Saints in Glory (Ode to Joy)  
Soon and Very Soon  
The King of Love My Shepherd Is  
We Shall Rise Again (J. Young)  
We Walk By Faith

### **Responsorial Psalms:**

*(Please note: Musical arrangement of psalm may be chosen by music director for the assigned musicians, unless otherwise specified)*

Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd (Cry Out with Joy book)  
Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd (Respond and Acclaim book)  
Psalm 23: Shepherd Me O God (Haugen)  
Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd (S. Hart)  
Psalm 16: Center of My Life (Inwood)  
Psalm 18: I Love You, Lord/Te Amo, Señor (Smith)  
Psalm 25: To You, O Lord (Soper)  
Psalm 27: The Lord is My Light and My Salvation (DeBruyn)  
Psalm 42/43: As the Deer Longs (Hurd)  
Psalm 51: Create In Me (Angrisano)  
Psalm 51: Create In Me (Hurd)  
Psalm 62: Rest in God Alone (Cry Out with Joy book)  
Psalm 130: With The Lord There is Mercy (Haugen)  
Psalm 146/147: Bless The Lord, My Soul (Haugen)

### **Presentation of Gifts:**

Prayer of St Francis	Eyes has not Seen
Precious Lord	Nada Te Turbe (Taizé)
Beyond the Moon and Star (Schutte)	The Servant Song (Gillard)
Give Me Jesus	To Live with Him Forever (or Comm)
Christ Before Us (Suo Gân)	Turn to Me

### **Communion Hymns:**

Amén El Cuerpo de Cristo	On Eagle's Wings
Bread of Life	One Bread, One Body
Bread of Angels	Pan de Vida
Eat This Bread	Take and Eat (Quinn)
Gift of Finest Wheat	Taste and See (Moore)
Here I Am Lord	Ubi Caritas (Rosania)
I Am the Bread of Life	The Supper of the Lord
In the Breaking of the Bread	We Remember

### **Song of Farewell/Incensing:**

Go In Peace (Hart)	May the Angels Lead You Into Paradise (Hughes)
Go Silent Friend (Irish Tune-arr Bell)	May the Road Rise to Meet You (True)
Irish Blessing (Blessing Prayer; Fabing)	O Loving God (Irish Tune)
In Paradisum (Chant: Latin or English)	Quietly Peacefully (Lori True)
Jesus Remember Me (Taizé)	Song of Farewell (Old Hundredth)

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