

### **OLPH: Funeral music selections:**

Music in the Catholic Funeral Rite allows the community to express convictions and feeling that words alone may fail to convey. It has the power to console and uplift the mourners and to strengthen the unity of the assembly in faith and love.

The texts of the hymns chosen should express the paschal mystery of the Lord's suffering, death, and triumph over death. The texts should help to create in the people present a spirit of hope in sharing in the victory won in the Resurrection of the Lord. The sacred music itself should be appropriate to the solemnity of the occasion. Other sacred music is admissible, such as the Ave Maria, especially when the deceased or survivors have a particular devotion to the Blessed Mother. Seasonal hymns are also appropriate, such as Advent hymns during Advent, Lenten hymns, Easter hymns, and so forth.

Secular songs, even those that were the favorite of the deceased, are not permitted during the Funeral Rite, nor are national or ethnic songs. They have a proper place at the reception, or at a family celebration following the burial.

\*please choose one from each category in bold:

#### **Entrance Hymns:**

GP 633 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (tune, Kingsfold)

CBW 471 Blest Are the Pure in Heart (tune, Franconia)

CBW 543 All Creatures of our God and King (tune, Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

-Psalm (sung): The Lord's My Shepherd. Gospel Acclamation, sung.

#### **Offertory Hymns:**

GP 632 The King of Love My Shepherd Is (tune, St. Columba, trad. Irish)

GP 471 Come Back to Me (Hosea, Gregory Norbet)

CBW 488 The Lord's My Shepherd (tune, Crimond)

Or solo:

A Clare Benediction - John Rutter

Pie Jesu - Gabriel Faure (from the Requiem Mass)

#### **Communion solos:**

Ave Maria - Schubert

Ave Verum - W.A. Mozart

Panis Angelicus - C. Franck

-Incensing:

CBW 10 C Songs of the Angels (Bob Dufford)

#### **Recessional Hymns:**

CBW 406 Sing With All the Saints in Glory (Hymn to Joy, Beethoven)

CBW 661 Day is Done (tune, Ar Hyd Y Nos, trad. Welsh)

CBW 666 Now Fades all Earthly Splendour (tune, Aurelia, Samuel Wesley)