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St Joseph's Cemetery, Stonyhurst

Notice of Charges set for 2022 as agreed by

the Parish Finance Committee of St Peter's Stonyhurst

1. There are two types of cemetery plot within St. Joseph's Cemetery ("the Cemetery") and these are as follows:
 - i. A plot with the capacity for two adult burials only* and the subsequent interment of caskets of ashes only ("a Grave Plot"); and
 - ii. A plot for the interment of caskets of ashes only ("an Ashes Plot").
2. The charge for a Grave Plot is £950 ("Grave Plot Fee") and the charge for an Ashes Plot is £240 ("Ashes Plot Fee"). These charges are exclusive of the cost of preparation and closure of the first burial or the first interment of ashes by the Parish's authorised grave digger.
3. The subsequent re-opening charge for a Grave Plot is £240 and the charge for the second and subsequent interments of ashes in an Ashes Plot is £50. These charges are exclusive of the cost of preparation and closure by the Parish's authorised grave digger. Any such re-opening or interment **must** be undertaken solely by the Parish's authorised grave digger.
4. The cost of Headstone placement/erection/subsequent alterations for Grave Plots must be agreed between the commissioned stonemason and the family/personal representative(s) of the deceased and are not regulated by the Parish Finance Committee.
5. Costs relating to memorial placements for Ashes Plots must be agreed between the commissioned stonemason and the family/personal representative(s) of the deceased and are not regulated by the Parish Finance Committee.

6. The standard fee for Church services/Crematorium service is £140 if the Parish Priest is involved in the service(s).
7. Organist Fees must be negotiated directly with the organist.
8. The fees set out above will be reviewed annually by the Parish Finance Committee.
9. Payment of a Grave Plot Fee or an Ashes Plot Fee gives the party on whose behalf the Grave Plot or the Ashes Plot was purchased the exclusive right for himself or herself, and his or her spouse and his or her children, remoter issue, other family member or other person authorised by them to be buried or have their ashes interred in that specific Grave Plot or Ashes Plot (as appropriate) for a period of 99 years from the date of payment SUBJECT TO the maximum number of burials/interments permitted in each Grave Plot or Ashes Plot (as appropriate). Payment of the requisite Grave Plot Fee or the requisite Ashes Plot Fee (as appropriate) does not confer ownership of such plot on the paying party.
10. The advance purchase of grave plots is not permitted save where such plots have been purchased before the date of these Rules.

*The typical depth of a grave is approximately 6 feet and allows for two adult coffins only. A third adult burial in a Grave Plot may only be permitted in exceptional circumstances and with the prior agreement of the Parish Priest on the advice of the Parish's authorised grave digger.

Payment Guidance notes:

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| Paragraphs 2, 3, & 6 | The family/personal representative(s) of the deceased must pay the Funeral Director direct |
| Paragraph 7 | The family/ personal representative(s) of the deceased must pay the organist fees directly to organist |

This Notice is dated the 8th day of February 2022 by Resolution of the Parish Finance Committee.

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Rules of eligibility for burial in St. Joseph's Cemetery as made by the Parish Finance Committee of St. Peter's, Stonyhurst

St. Joseph's Cemetery ("the Cemetery") is privately owned by the Parish of St. Peter's, Stonyhurst.

Due to the limited space available, the Rules regarding eligibility for burial/interment of ashes in the Cemetery are, from the date of these Rules, as follows:

- i. Those persons who have purchased a Grave Plot or an Ashes Plot prior to the date of these Rules;
- ii. A non-parishioner spouse, child, remoter issue other family member or other authorised person where they/their ashes are to be interred in an existing Grave Plot or an existing Ashes Plot;
- iii. Parishioners;
- iv. Regular Worshippers.

Definitions:

"Parishioner": means a Catholic person resident within the Parish boundaries.

"Regular Worshipper": means a person who, in the opinion of the Parish Priest, has regularly attended Parish Mass at St Peter's Church and/or St Joseph's Chapel. "Regular Worshipper" also includes all persons who would have previously qualified as a "Regular Worshipper" but who, due to illness or infirmity, are housebound or unable to attend Mass at the time of their death.

Notes:

It is the decision of the Parish Finance Committee that all persons (including present and former pupils and staff of the College) who are not Parishioners and/or are not Regular Worshippers (save where they are to be interred in an existing family Grave Plot) are not eligible for burial in the Cemetery. Interment of ashes only will be permitted at the discretion of the Parish Priest.

Any variations to these eligibility criteria may be made at any time at the discretion of the Parish Priest

These Rules are dated the 13th day of April 2016 by Resolution of the Parish Finance Committee

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Notice of preparation and post burial maintenance as made by the Parish Finance Committee of St. Peter's, Stonyhurst

- a. Grave digging duties: The Parish Finance Committee does not allow mechanical diggers and only the Parish's own grave digger (Matthew Smith 07593328163) may carry out such duties.
- b. The current contact to locate and identify a grave plot is Niall Macfarlane (07786432360)
- c. The part of St. Joseph's Cemetery currently used for burials and interment of ashes is a *lawned* area. Therefore in order for the Parish's volunteer cemetery workers to carry out their work efficiently and with appropriate regard to health and safety, and in order to preserve aesthetics, the Parish Finance Committee ask families/ personal representatives and visitors to please observe the following Rules:
 - i. No railings outlining a Grave Plot or an Ashes Plot are permitted;
 - ii. No permanent shrubs/bushes/plant pots are to be planted or placed in front of the headstone or memorial placement or on the Grave Plot area or the Ashes Plot area;
 - iii. Floral tributes, memorials and commemorative wreaths are to be disposed of appropriately in a timely fashion;
 - iv. All flower holders must be part of the mount of the headstone or memorial placement and not additional to, or separate from, the headstone;
 - v. It is requested that no water bottles or other containers are left at the grave headstone or memorial placement or the area surrounding it. There is a water butt at the north side of the Cemetery Chapel which may be used by visitors;
 - vi. Maintenance of the surface level of a Grave Plot or an Ashes Plot is the responsibility of the family/ personal representatives of the deceased.

Your assistance and co-operation in these matters is greatly appreciated

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