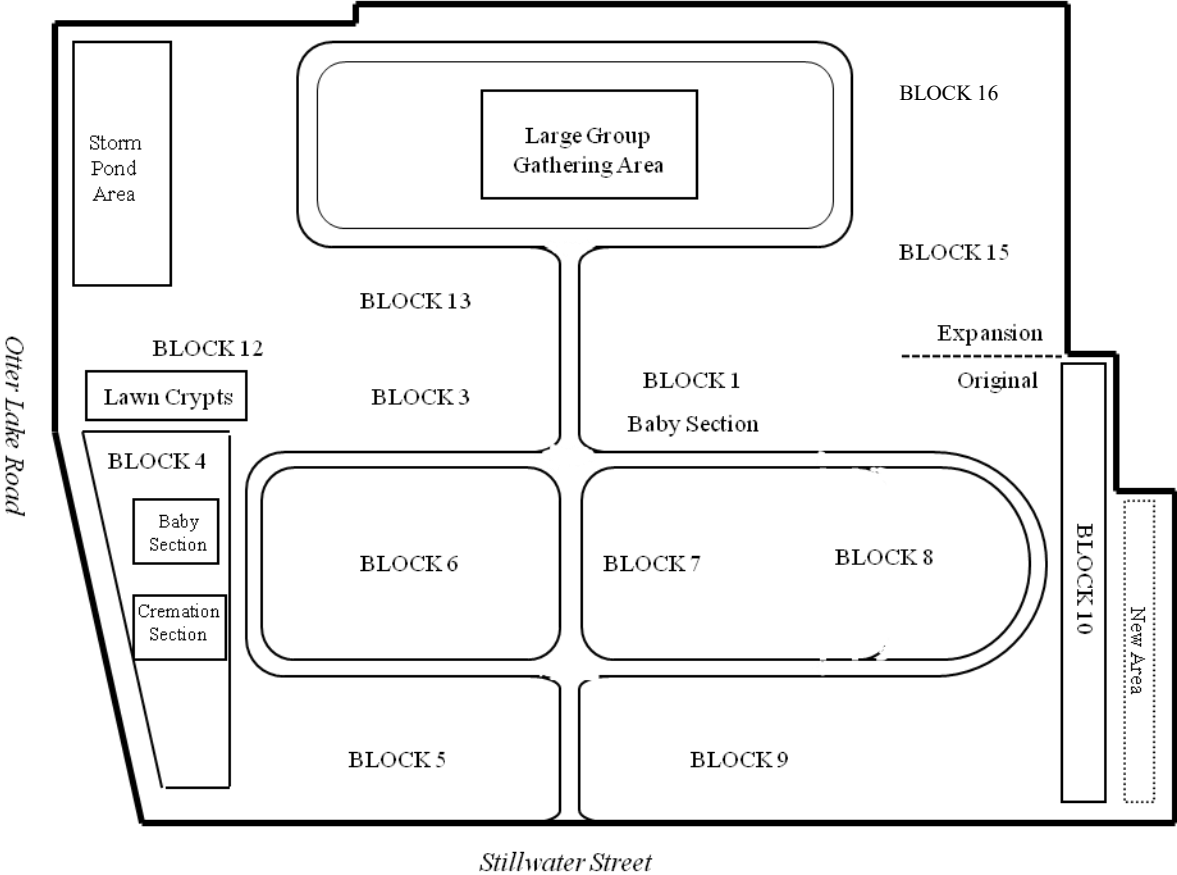


# ST. MARY OF THE LAKE CEMETERY

*Map of Cemetery*



*Stillwater Street (One block east of Otter Lake Road)  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota*

REVISED 9/1/19

## VISITING YOUR CEMETERY

*The custom of visiting the cemetery and praying for the dead can be traced to the women who returned to the tomb of Jesus that Easter morning to mourn and complete the preparation of his body for burial. Then and there they discovered that he had been raised from the dead.*

*Today, our visits to the cemetery are prompted by our love and faith. We come to remember, to mourn, to give thanks for the life our beloved shared with us, to pray for peaceful rest in death, and to strengthen our belief that one day we will be united with our beloved in Eternal Life.*

*At St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church, we appreciate the confidence of the families who entrust their beloved to our care, and we desire that your visits to the cemetery be frequent, prayerful and strengthening to your faith. In order to maintain your Catholic cemetery in a respectful and orderly manner, we have instituted the following guidelines.*

### Cemetery Decorations

- Cemetery decorations should be dignified and reflective of our faith and the promise of the resurrection.
- Cemetery property is sacred ground, not unlike an outdoor church. In many cases, decorations that are not appropriate in church are not appropriate in the cemetery.
- Although families have their special places and individual grieving needs, the cemetery is considered community space and respect for your neighbors is expected. Safety and maintenance are the other main considerations as to whether decorations are allowed.
- The only permanent memorial items allowed on any gravesite will be a flat, surface level marker and/or a monument (see memorials on page 3).
- Flowers placed at the time of interment will be left a minimum of three days. It is suggested that potted plants from funerals not be left in the cemetery since they will later be discarded. St. Mary of the Lake cannot accept responsibility for ensuring that flowers and other decorations remain in place.

- The primary permitted decorative item is a single-legged plant stand, placed in line with the monument.
- From April 1 to November 1, live plants are encouraged in the plant stand. Artificial flowers in a plant stand must look fresh and authentic.
- Artificial flowers, patriotic flags, and other decorations are allowed during the days immediately before and after Memorial Day. Memorial Day decorations will be removed within two weeks.
- Wreaths and artificial flowers are permitted from November 1 to March 15.



*St. Mary's Cemetery is owned and operated by*

CHURCH OF ST. MARY OF THE LAKE  
4690 BALD EAGLE AVENUE  
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINNESOTA 55110

Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Cemetery.  
Cemetery Management: (651)407-0532

*St. Mary of the Lake Cemetery is located on Stillwater Street,  
One block east of Otter Lake Road,  
White Bear Township*

**GENERAL PRICE LIST  
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**

**GRAVE PRICES**

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Standard Single Grave  | \$1,425 |
| Cremation Grave (for two burials)  | \$875   |
| Baby Lot   | \$250   |
| Lawn Crypts- <i>vaults are included in price; provides for 2 burials, one on top of the other.</i> | \$2,470 |

**INTERMENT FEES** *(Opening and closing of grave)*

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Standard Burial                                    | \$1,450 |
| Cremation  | \$750   |
| Baby   | \$350   |
| Lawn Crypts  | \$1,450 |
| After Hours Burials<br><i>Limited availability</i> | + \$500 |

**FLAT MARKER INSTALLATION FEES**

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| 12"x 24" or smaller                      | \$200            |
| 12"x 36" or<br>15"x 30" companion marker | \$295            |
| Larger than 12"x 36" or 15"x 30"         | \$410            |
| Resetting Marker                         | \$50 to<br>\$100 |

**FOUNDATIONS FOR  
UPRIGHT MONUMENTS**

\$170 per square foot of base or  
\$390 minimum

*Resetting monument by estimate*

**OTHER ITEMS**

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Recording Fees | \$35  |
| Inspection Fee | \$125 |

*Markers, monuments, final dates,  
cremation vaults and other services  
are available from cemetery  
management.*

**FLAT MARKERS WITH CONCRETE**

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| 12" x 24" or smaller                     | \$450 |
| 12"x 36" or 15"x 30"<br>companion marker | \$565 |
| Bronze Marker                            | \$600 |
| Bronze on Granite (no<br>concrete)       | \$650 |
| Bronze no border                         | \$295 |



- Decorating the grave with fresh cut flowers is welcomed and encouraged.
- Permanent flower vases for fresh flowers that recess for lawn maintenance are permitted and available from cemetery management.
- During the growing season cemetery personnel will remove unsightly decorations, such as wilted flowers, from graves. Any decorations in the way of lawn maintenance equipment during the mowing season of April through October will be removed in order to carry out the normal lawn care and maintenance procedures.

- Spring clean-up begins about March 15, weather permitting, and all winter decorations are removed at this time.
- Fall clean-up begins about October 15 and all non-permitted or unsightly decorations are removed at this time.

- For safety reasons, glass and ceramic items are not allowed at any burial site at any time.
- The following items are not permitted: shepherd's hooks, other structures for hanging plants (including heart-shaped), fencing, non-religious statues, patriotic flags (except for the Memorial Day exception, see above; also, small flags are permitted in the single-legged plant stand), garden flags, flames, landscape rocks, wind chimes, birdhouses, bird baths, balloons, and personal items. If these items are found on a gravesite, they will be removed and placed in the east end of the new section for owner pick-up.
- Religious statues are allowed on lots with monuments if they are placed out of the way of the mowing tractors, such as on the monument foundation. It is recommended that statues be removed during the winter months.
- Solar lights must be placed in plant stands out of the way of the mower.

- Landscaping is planned for the cemetery as a whole rather than by individual lot owners. Written permission of cemetery management must be obtained for all permanent plantings or in-ground annual plantings. Permanent plantings and in-ground annual plantings are not permitted in the new section of the cemetery.
- Decorations deemed unsafe or inappropriate can be removed at the discretion of cemetery management.
- Decorations that have become weathered and unsightly can be removed at the discretion of cemetery management.
- It is not possible for cemetery workers to attend to all areas of the cemetery during normal cemetery hours. As a consequence, there are occasions when flowers and decorations have been stolen. The cemetery cannot assume any liability for decorations placed on burial sites.
- Questions as to the cemetery decoration rules can be addressed to the Cemetery Committee of St. Mary's by contacting the Parish Administrator at 651-429-7771.

## Memorials

- Cemetery management shall complete all footstone installations and concrete work.
- Permission to do any work in the Cemetery shall be obtained from the cemetery management.
- No objects or structures of any kind shall be placed in the Cemetery except memorials approved by cemetery management.
- No memorials may be placed on any lot which has not been fully paid for.
- No foundation will be installed unless pre-paid.
- Lot owners may erect proper memorial work on their respective lots subject to the approval of cemetery management. All monuments shall be set on concrete foundations of the size and depth prescribed by cemetery management.
- Only memorials constructed of natural stone shall be placed in the Cemetery.
- Monuments shall be set on the space designated by cemetery management. Any space in the original Blocks 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 are considered special circumstances and must receive written approval from cemetery management before any new monuments will be allowed. Size limitations in those blocks will be determined on an individual basis by cemetery management.
- Monuments in Blocks 4, 10, 12 and the new north 5 acres will be allowed with certain size restrictions. (See next paragraph.) Some lots in these Blocks will be designated as flat marker only lots because of varying circumstances. Such lots will always be designated as such on the sales slip filled out at the time of purchase. Block 11 is for flat markers only.

- Size restrictions for monuments/markers are as follows:

|                        | Monument Marker<br><u>length x depth x height</u> | Marker<br><u>width x depth</u> |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Single grave:          | 24" x 14" x 20"                                   | 32" x 20"                      |
| Two adjacent graves:   | 36" x 16" x 48"                                   | 36" x 22"                      |
| Three adjacent graves: | 42" x 16" x 54"                                   | 42" x 22"                      |
| Four or more graves:   | 60" x 20" x 60"                                   | 42" x 22"                      |

*A single grave can only have a concrete border on a 24" wide or smaller stone. The minimum height of a monument is 16 inches. (This is a safety matter arising from typical winter time snow depth.)*

- Monuments are aligned according to a cemetery master plan. Location and number of lots purchased affect the size and type of monument permitted.

- Contact cemetery management for specific restrictions pertaining to your lots. Cemetery management will be happy to assist you with your order.
- Epitaphs and symbols on memorials should be dignified and in the spirit of our Catholic faith. Cemetery management requires pre-approval of engraving on memorials.
- No memorials may be delivered or installed between November 1 and April 15 without permission from the cemetery management.
- Each traditional gravesite will be permitted to contain up to two grave markers. Cremation graves may have only one marker. All markers must be one piece and set level with the ground.
- All markers set level with the ground must be not less than four (4) inches nor more than six (6) inches in thickness, with a level or sawed bottom. All lettering or carving on markers must be sunk or incised. The use of raised letters in sunken panels or incised letters with a raised border will be at the lot owner's risk and the cemetery management expressly disclaims any responsibility for damage they may sustain.
- Markers shall be placed at the foot of the grave; monuments shall be placed at the head of the grave; and all inscriptions shall read from the foot of the grave. Exceptions may be granted only by written permission of cemetery management.

## Operations/Policies

- The cemetery grounds are generally open seven days a week during daylight hours for the convenience of individuals and families wishing to visit.
- All funeral services should arrive by 3:00 PM Monday through Friday. Funeral services from 3:00-4:00 PM weekdays and on Saturdays until 2:00 PM may be available upon special request, but an after hours fee will apply.
- All cemetery fees (this includes the cost of the grave and the opening and closing of the grave) shall be paid at or before the time of the funeral/burial.
- Cemetery management reserves the right to stop all work of any nature, including burials, whenever in its opinion such work is hazardous, unauthorized, or not in accordance with these Rules and Regulations.

*Phone number of cemetery management is (651) 407-0532.  
Information in regards to MN Cemetery Descendancy Law can be found at :  
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=525.14>*