

Music Guidelines

Music is an integral part of Catholic worship. The music during the liturgy is part of the prayer of the people and therefore, normally accompanies a liturgical action or heightens prayer. The entire gathered assembly should be able to participate fully in the rites of the Mass, including singing.

At Notre Dame, our music director is fully qualified to select music for the Funeral Liturgy. **As a rule, all music for funerals is chosen from our parish hymnal, which includes songs and hymns heard on Sundays here at Notre Dame.**

All music used during the celebration of the funeral liturgy must be from the hymnal and used in liturgical celebrations. If you have a particular request for a hymn of this nature we will be glad to try and accommodate you. **Please indicate this to your Funeral Planner. Keep in mind that any choices must be appropriate for a Funeral Liturgy.** “Pop” music, show tunes or pre-recorded music are not used at any liturgy including a Funeral Liturgy.

The music ministers for a Funeral Liturgy at Notre Dame will include a pianist/organist and a cantor. Any other requests will need to be approved by our music director, and should be discussed with the Funeral Planner.

