

Funeral Visitation at St. Greg's

The visitation is a time for family and friends to gather and pay respect for the one who has passed away to new life in Christ, as well as to share memories and offer support.

Some general guidelines for a visitation include:

Assure that pall bearers arrive at the time designated by the funeral home to assist with the casket.

Immediate family should park on 63rd street and enter the church through the door with the overhang (closest to Oklahoma). Please leave room for the hearse if it is not yet present.

While St. Greg's does not have the comfort that a funeral home provides (soft seating, etc.), we will do everything we can to assist you. We have small water bottles and Kleenex, as well as a crying room for young children.

Please note that St. Greg's has carpeted floors and we appreciate that any drinks other than water be contained to the back gathering space that faces Oklahoma Avenue.

Please inform guests needing wheelchair access to on 63rd St. and enter the brown handicap entrance.

Words of remembrance (optional) may be shared at the start of Mass. These words should be 3-5 minutes and well prepared, with only one speaker please.

Family should sit in the first pews of the two center aisles of Church, we will assist you.

Mass of Christian Burial at St. Greg's

You may choose family members/close friends to take active roles within the Mass for your loved one, including:

3 readers: first reading, second reading, Intercessions

*** (The readings will be in a binder on the ambo. Enter the sanctuary on the ambo side with the hand railing.)*

2-4 people for the placing of the Pall

1-3 people for the presentation of the gifts (bread, wine)

2 trained Eucharistic Ministers

A staff member will "practice" with each person who shares a role in the Mass to make sure they are comfortable and well-prepared.

An order of worship will be printed for the funeral and a picture of your loved one may be used on the cover, if you choose.

Further Useful Information

We regret that we do not have AV equipment for slide shows etc.

St. Greg's does not have the appropriate staffing to provide refreshment during the visitation, nor to host funeral receptions. We can suggest local restaurants upon request.

