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A Guide to Funerals and Memorial Services 2024



We offer you our condolences at this time of bereavement and remembering a loved one.

This leaflet should help you decide what might be best for you as you think about planning a service at St. Marylebone Parish Church.

Can you arrange a funeral or memorial service here? Yes, you can.

We are very happy to meet with you to discuss your specific requirements.

Date & Time

Personally, or through your Funeral Director, please make an appointment to meet the Rector or one of the other clergy on the team. Discuss what date and time you would like the service to take place. The longer notice we have the easier it is to meet your requirements.

How much will it cost?

This will depend on your requirements and whether a Choir of 10 or 5 voices will be required. Flowers or other request might also add to the cost of the service. Funeral/Memorial Service invoices will, usually, be sent to the Funeral Director, unless we are informed otherwise.

Payment should be made Electronically (BACS) by using the following details:

Account Name:

The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Marylebone with Holy Trinity St

Marylebone

Sort Code: 20-03-79 Account No.: 50808210 Reference: Surname

Music

Music at a Funeral or Memorial Service can be very important. We have a very fine musical tradition here at St Marylebone with a fine choir of professional classical musicians.

We will be happy to talk with you about your choice of music and recommend organ and choir pieces suitable to the occasion. For the recommended list of Organ Music and Choral items, please see the list appended to this document. Please do not feel limited by this list of suggestions, however.

Please note that recorded music cannot be played at Funerals or Memorial services at St Marylebone.

A 'Standard' Funeral Service at St Marylebone (which includes the organ, an organist, ten professional singers, Director of Music, Fees, and up to 100 printed Orders of Service is approximately £3,500.00. We can provide additional solo instrumentalist (cello, violin, etc.), flowers, etc., if required at an additional cost.

A 'Standard' Memorial Service at St Marylebone (which includes the organ, an organist, ten professional singers, Director of Music, Fees, and up to 100 printed Orders of Service is approximately £3,900.00 We can provide additional solo instrumentalist (cello, violin, etc.), if required at an additional cost.

Catering

You can hold a reception following a Funeral or Memorial Service here at St Marylebone. Up to 100 guests (standing) can be accommodated in the Crypt Hall. A larger number can be accommodated by staying in the main worship space of the parish church. St Marylebone works with Hubbub caterers (although you may provide your own catering). Catering and Room Hire is an extra charge.

Readings

Every Funeral or Memorial service will include at least one reading from Holy Scripture. You may find this website helpful. It lists suitable Bible passages:

www.churchofengland.org/life-events/funerals

The Funeral Service

You have a choice from two different funeral services. One uses contemporary language (you, yours), the other uses more traditional language (thee, thou). The Rector will discuss the options with you. Both services may be found at this website:

www.churchofengland.org/life-events/funerals

Order of Service

On the day of the Funeral or Memorial Service the congregation will need to follow the service in a printed Order of Service booklet. This booklet will include within it the words of the hymns, the names and words of the musical items, the reading(s) etc. We will undertake the printing of up to 100 good quality copies within the quoted price. Extra copies or copies with extra pages (such as photographs, etc.) will be charged at cost. The Orders of Service are printed professionally.

Flowers

We are very happy for you to have flowers in St Marylebone, and these can be ordered by the parish church at an extra cost. However, you do not have to purchase extra flowers.

Recording/Livestreaming

We are very happy for this to take place within certain parameters, however, you should note that there will be an additional cost for this.

Funerals and Memorial Services: the choices you need to make It is helpful if you understand the structure that your service will take and what decisions you will need to make concerning music & readings.

The structure of a typical service is outlined below and at the end of this document. The choices you will need to make include:

Some Sample Service Outlines

A Funeral

Music before the Service

The Burial Sentences (Croft/Purcell sung by the Choir) as the coffin enters if not already in the parish church

Bidding Prayer

Hymn 1

Bible Reading

Psalm or Anthem or Solo

Eulogy or Homily

Anthem or Solo

Hymn 2

Prayers

Our Father

Anthem or Solo

Reading (Non-Scriptural prose or prose, if desired)

Hymn 3

The Commendation (and Committal if not at graveside or crematorium)

Anthem or Solo

Organ Voluntary

A Requiem Mass

Organ Music

Burial Sentences/Introit

Kyrie Eleison

The Collect

Reading

Psalm/Gradual Hymn/Anthem

Gospel

Homily/Eulogy

Prayers

The Peace

Hymn

Eucharistic Prayer (Sanctus, etc.)

Our Father

During Holy Communion Anthem (Agnus Dei)

Hymn

Post Communion Prayer

Eulogy/ Secular Reading

Anthem or Hymn

The Commendation

[Nunc dimitis or In Paradisum]

Organ Music

A Memorial or Thanksgiving Service

Music before the Service

Sentences

Bidding Prayer

Hymn 1

Biblical Reading

Psalm or Anthem or Solo

Eulogy 1 and/or Homily

Anthem or Solo

Hymn 2

Eulogy 1 and/or Homily

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Anthem or Solo

Reading (Non-Scriptural if desired)

Hymn 3

Anthem or Solo (possibly In paradisum or Nunc Dimittis)

Organ Voluntary

Interment of Cremated Remains

St. Marylebone has a Columbarium in the Crypt where cremated remains can be safely and appropriately deposited. If you would like to make use of this facility, please discuss the options with the clergy. A one-off fee of £500.00 is charged for this.

Retiring Collection

Many families like to take a collection in aid of the parish church or a charity supported by the person who has died. The parish church is happy to source Gift Aid envelopes and process the collection on your behalf.

Conclusion

All of this can sound a little overwhelming at first, but with time and thoughtful planning you will end up with a Funeral or Memorial Service which will be able to give comfort to family member, friends and colleagues of the deceased.

Music for Funerals and Memorial Services: *Some ideas to help you. The lists are not exhaustive and are simply provided to help you think about the options.*

Organ Music as people gather for the service

Bach, J S	Air (from Suite no.3)
Bach, J S	Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (from Cantata
	No. 208)
Bach, J S	Bach Leibster Jesu BWV 731
Bach, J S	Alle Menschen Mussen Sterben BWV 643
Bach, J S	Prelude and Fugue in E minor BWV 533
Bach, J S	Fantasia and Fugue in C minor BWV 537
Bach, J S	Toccata in D Minor ('Dorian') BWV 538
Bach, J S	Prelude and Fugue in G major BWV 541
Bach, J S	Fantasia in G minor BWV 542
Bach, J S	Prelude in B minor BWV 544
Bach, J S	Fugue in E-Flat BWV552b

Bach, J S Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele, BWV 654 Boëllmann Prière a Notre-Dame (from *Suite Gothique*)

Bohm Bohm Vater Unser im himmelreich
Brahms O Welt, ich muss dich lassen, op. 122
Bridge Adagio in E major (Three pieces)
Buxtehude Ach Herr, mich armen Sunder
Buxtehude Mensch, willt du leben seliglich
Buxtehude Vater unser im Himmelreich
Elgar Nimrod from Enigma Variations

Handel Water Music Suite

Howells Master Tallis's Testament (Six Pieces)

Mendelssohn Adagio from Sonata No. 1

Mendelssohn Sonata No. 3 (II - Andante tranquillo) op. 65

Pachelbel Canon in D major

Parry Chorale Prelude on Melcombe

Thalben Ball, Elegy

Vaughan-Williams Rhosymedre

Organ Music as people leave after the service

Bach, J S Prelude and fugue in C minor BWV 546
Elgar, Pomp and Circumstance March no. 1
Elgar Pomp and Circumstance March no. 4
Karg-Elert Nun danket alle Gott (Marche triomphale)

op. 65

Mendelssohn Sonata No. 3 (I - Con moto maestoso) op. 65

Mulet Tu es petra

Vierne Symphonie No.1 (Finale) Wagner (arr.) Overture to *Tannhäser*

Walton Crown Imperial

Passacaglia on the Death of Falstaff

Widor Toccata (from *Symphonie No.5*)
Widor Finale (from *Symphonie No.6*)

Hymns

Singing hymns binds a congregation together and helps to express some of our deepest emotions which are often hard to put into our own words.

We recommend that you have 3 hymns. The clergy will be happy to discuss this choice with you, but here are some you might like to consider:

- *The Lord's my shepherd*
- *Abide with me, fast falls the eventide*
- The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended
- All my hope on God is founded
- *All people that on earth do dwell*
- And did those feet in ancient time ('Jerusalem')
- Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
- Dear Lord and Father of Mankind
- Guide me, O thou great Redeemer
- Immortal, invisible, God only wise
- King of glory, King of peace
- Love Divine, all loves excelling
- Now thank we all our God
- O worship the King, all glorious above
- Praise to the Lord, the almighty, the King of Creation
- Praise, my soul, the King of heaven
- *The King of Love my shepherd is*
- Jerusalem

You are not limited to these hymns; they are only a suggestion.

If you are not sure of the tunes which accompany these words, then visit this website: www.cyberhymnal.org. The tune will be played for you.

Choral Music

Here is a list of some of the choral anthems sung most commonly at funerals and memorial services at St Marylebone

Bach, J S Jesu, joy of Man's desiring Bainton And I saw a new heaven Bairstow Lamentations

Brahms How lovely are thy dwellings fair (from the

Requiem)

Brahms Gestliches Lied, Op 30 Byrd Vivitas Sancti Tui

Briggs, K Media Vita

Croft Funeral Sentences

Duruflé Movements from the Requiem Mass:

Introit/Kyrie or In Paradisum

Elgar The Angel's Farewell *from* Dream of Gerontius Fauré Movements from the Requiem Mass: Sanctus,

Pie Jesu, In Paradisum, Cantique de Jean Racine

Gibbons O Lord, increase my faith

Goodall Do not stand at my grave and weep

Greene Lord, let me know mine end

Grahl O nata lux

Grahl Amazing Grace

Handel I know that my redeemer liveth

Handel They shall receive a glorious kingdom, HWV 264
Harris Bring us O Lord God, at our last awakening
Harris I said to the man who stood at the gate
Howells Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks

Lawton The Cloud's Veil Mealor If ye love me

Mozart Kyrie eleison/Agnus Dei (from Coronation Mass)

Palestrina Sicut cervus (Psalm 42)

Parry My soul, there is a country far beyond the stars

Purcell Hear my prayer, O Lord

Purcell When I am laid in Earth from Dido and Aeneas

(Solo)

Purcell Thou knowest Lord the secrets

Rachmaninoff Bogoroditse Dyevo

Rheinberger Abenlied Roberts God is love Sisask Heliseb väljadel (Ave Maria) Sumsion They that go down to the sea

Bono, U2, arr. Chilcott M L K.

Vaughan Williams Valiant for Truth

Vivaldi Nisi Dominus (Psalm 126), R.608

Walford Davies God be in my head Wesley Wash me thoroughly

Wesley Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace

Settings of the Nunc Dimittis (Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace): Dyson in F, Holst, Stanford in B flat, Stanford in G



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For more information about counselling and opportunities for spiritual direction Please visit www.marylebone-hcc.org.uk

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