



St. Tobias Catholic Church

April 30, 2017

Dear Parishioner,

I once again appeal for your sacrificial gift for the maintenance of our cemetery. This Appeal has become essential in fulfilling the promise of quality, perpetual care with monthly expenses averaging \$2,500. Your gifts help with both regular maintenance and on-going improvements, such as the recent landscaping at the upper gate.

In the April 2 bulletin, I alerted you to the Cemetery Committee's review of the existing rules regarding grave decorations and the growing exceptions to these rules by a number of lot owners. The result of such personal interpretations and our effort to be flexible are even questionable in light of our Catholic Faith in the belief in the Resurrection. Thus, I took such concerns to the Cemetery Committee at two special meetings (January and March). A copy of the revised rules is included in this mailing. Please take the time to read this material and to pass it on to family members who may not be parishioners or live out-of-town. New signs will soon be posted at both entrances to the cemetery,

I, along with the Cemetery Committee, sincerely ask for your co-operation as each of us assumes the responsibilities of assuring that this sacred space is maintained in a dignified manner. Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or the Cemetery Committee whose names are listed below.

Thank you for your co-operation as well as your sacrificial gift. I look forward to celebrating Mass with you at 9:00 A.M. on Memorial Day (weather permitting); otherwise, it will be in church.

Sincerely in Christ,



Msgr. Charles A. Kaza &

Cemetery Committee Members: Mark Adams, Louis Buffone, Tino Genevro, JoAnne Genevro, Henry Huffman, John Martino, Don Salandra, Fay Trentini, and Steve Varischetti,

EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2017
REVISIONS TO
ST. TOBIAS CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS
REGARDING DECORATIONS

1. April 15th through November 15th, floral arrangements (real or artificial) and potted plants are permitted on the ground in front of the monument on Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, and Father's Day. Such decoration will be removed two weeks after the holiday. Beginning November 15th through April 15th, all decorations on the ground should be removed by the family within two weeks.

2. If vigil or solar lights are used, they must be placed **immediately next to** the base of the monument to avoid any problems with regular maintenance. **Only one** said light (vigil or solar) per grave will be permitted.

3. If a shepherd's hook or similar decorations are used, they must be placed immediately next to the base. **Only one** said decoration per grave will be permitted.

4. Urns, shrubs, planting and digging are **not permitted**.

* A copy of the complete Rules and Regulations for the Cemetery is available by request through the church office. Please call 268-3655. Thank you.