

Some Folks Were Wondering.....

Can Catholics Be Cremated?

We've received some inquiries about this question over the past weeks. We hope that these points might be helpful to you. Feel free to pass them on!

- ◇ Yes, this is now permitted. However, the preferable way to show dignity to the deceased still remains the traditional one, burial in the earth.

- ◇ Usually, cremation takes place after the Funeral Mass. This Mass is the “last time” that a person comes to church.

- ◇ Cremated remains are to be shown reverence and dignity. For that reason, Catholics are not to scatter the cremated remains. They are to be placed in the ground or in a niche (columbarium).

- ◇ It is hard to let go of a loved one, but the cremated remains are not to be kept in the home.

- ◇ If you need help or advice, let us know at the Parish Center.