

Loosing a loved one can be an overwhelming time. We at Saint Paul want to offer you comfort and hope. The music for a celebration of the funeral rites should be chosen with great care. There are several opportunities to incorporate music into a funeral Mass. Music should be sacred and reflect ideas of resurrection and hope. In choosing music for the service, you may have specific songs which may or may not be appropriate for a Catholic Mass. Below is a suggested song list.

There are many songs not listed that may be appropriate. Our music director, Brian Brown, will help you choose music that reflects your loved one's life and console grieving.

We encourage singing on the entrance, Communion and recessional hymns, as well as responses. Solo pieces are more appropriate during offertory and Communion.

Opening Hymns

Alleluia Sing To Jesus, Amazing Grace, Be Not Afraid, Blest are They, For All the Saints, I Heard the Voice of Jesus, I am the Bread of Life, Holy Holy Holy, God We Praise Thy Name

Responsorial Psalms

Psalm 23: Shepherd Me O God (M. Haugen)

Psalm 27: The Lord is My Light (D. Haas)

Psalm 103: The Lord is Kind and Merciful (J. Cotter)

Offertory and Communion Hymns

Ave Maria

Amazing Grace

Be Still My Soul

Be With Me Lord

Be Not Afraid

Hail Mary Gentle Woman

Here I Am Lord

Hosea

I Am the Bread of Life

Jesus Remember Me

Eat This Bread

On Eagles Wings

Taste and See

You Are Mine

Additional Hymn Selections

Come to Me

Dwelling Place

Like a Shepherd

Now My Heart

O Loving God (tune of O Danny Boy)

Open My Eyes

Prayer of St Francis

You Are Mine
You Are Near

Closing Hymns

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
How Great Thou Art
Lead Me Lord
Let There Be Peace on Earth
Sing With All the Saints
Song of Farewell
Soon and Very Soon

Solo Pieces

Ave Maria (Schubert or Bach – Gounod)
Panis Angelicus (C. Franck)