

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery-Hallettsville, Texas
St. Ludmila Cemetery- Wied
St. Augustine-Worthing
St. Anthony- Witting

Information and Regulations

The cemeteries listed above (St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery – Hallettsville, St. Ludmilla Cemetery – Wied, St Augustine – Worthing and St. Anthony – Witting) are hereinafter jointly referred to as “St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery” or “the Cemeteries.”

All individual graves are priced as follows: \$500 each for registered parishioners, (parishioners must be registered within the last two years); \$1,000 each for non-parishioners. Please contact St. Mary's Rectory for availability and pricing. Prices are subject to change without notice.

Gravesites will be sold with a maximum of two gravesites. No family lots will be sold.

Reserving of gravesites is not allowed. All graves must be paid in full within a year after purchase.

No grave marker may be set in place until full payment for the grave space has been made.

Transferring of plot ownership is not allowed. If the owner desires to sell the plot, it must be sold back to St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery for the original purchase price. The title to the land remains always with the church and is not transferred with the burial rights.

Each gravesite shall be one casket interment; however, if requested at the time of purchase of gravesite, two casket interments will be allowed. One additional interment of cremains or infant remains may be added to the gravesite. St. Mary's Rectory must be contacted before the placement of cremains in any gravesite in the cemetery.

Use of grave liners or vaults is not required by the cemetery.

Plot owners must contact the Rectory Office (361-798-2128 or 361-798-5888) at least 48 hours BEFORE contracting ANY work to be done in cemetery. This is to make sure that the proposed work plan meets cemetery specifications and regulations. This includes monument companies or anyone else doing work in the cemeteries.

Curbing, cement slab with gravel, gravesite slab, ledgers, and headstones are permitted; however, the maintenance and upkeep is the responsibility of the family. St. Mary's Cemetery is not responsible for the upkeep of the gravesite within the curbing area. Any curbing, cement slab with gravel, gravesite slab, ledgers, and headstones that are damaged, chipped or sunk in the ground are the responsibility of the family who purchased them. Any damage due to ground shifting, weather or any other conditions is also the responsibility of the family. St. Mary's Cemetery and St. Mary's Parish are not liable for any damages to curbing, cement slab with gravel, gravesite slab, ledgers, and headstones whether by accident or malicious mischief.

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Planting of live flowers or trees directly on a burial site is not allowed and may not be done at any time.

Artificial flowers appropriate to the season are permitted at any time.

Special holiday arrangements – Easter, Christmas, All Souls Day – and wreaths are permitted from 30 days before to 30 days after the holiday. All such decorations must be secured against strong winds.

Please be aware of the need to keep ornamentation simple. Overloading can be unsightly and difficult to maintain.

Solar powered crosses and perpetual candles are allowed (one per headstone) if they are attached to the stone or base and not placed in the grass.

Floral arrangements will be removed when they become discolored, wilted, seasonally inappropriate or unsightly in any manner.

The beauty and serenity of the cemetery can only be sustained through proper maintenance. Adherence to the floral regulations better enables the attainment of that goal.

Neither St. Mary’s Parish nor the Cemeteries are responsible for any accidents on Church or cemetery properties and the undersigned Purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless St. Mary’s Parish and the Cemeteries from any liability for any such accidents.

Neither St. Mary’s Parish nor any of the Cemeteries have any responsibility for the actions or negligence of any funeral home, mortuary, or burial contractor. The undersigned Purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless St. Mary’s Parish and the Cemeteries from any liability for any actions or negligence of any funeral home, mortuary or burial contractor.

All regulations are subject to change at the discretion of the Pastor of St. Mary’s Parish and/or the Cemetery Committee.

St. Mary’s Parish:

Pastor

Date: _____

Purchaser

Date

Paid by Check/Cash _____

Plot Number _____

Date _____