

Church of St. John the Baptist

Vermillion, MN 55085

General Cemetery Rules and Regulations

For the mutual protection and benefit of grave owners, the following **Rules and Regulations** have been adopted by St. John the Baptist Church Cemetery located at 113 Main Street West, Vermillion, Minnesota. All grave owners and visitors within the Cemetery and all graves sold shall be subject to said **Rules and Regulations**, and subject to further to such other **Rules and Regulations**, amendments or alterations as shall be adopted from time to time. **The revised price of cemetery gravesites was effective beginning on September 1, 2011, Columbarium pricing added September 1, 2013.**

The cemetery is open from dawn to dusk daily and adult visitors are welcome. Minors must be accompanied by adults at all times.

1. Price of cemetery gravesites with Perpetual Care
 - a. Parishioner: \$600.00 per grave (\$300 for gravesite and \$300 for perpetual care). Winter months - snow removal fee at time of burial: \$100.00 will apply.
 - b. Non-parishioner: \$1,600.00 per grave (\$800 for gravesite and \$800 for perpetual care). Winter months - snow removal fee at time of burial \$100.00 will apply.
 - c. Service Fee of \$100.00 for in ground burials for marking for monuments and for marking grave(s) at time of burial.
 - d. Cremation:
 - i. Columbarium Pricing Either Side- **Name plaque is extra** and must be purchased through St. John the Baptist Church. Winter months - snow removal fee at time of inurnment: \$75.00 will apply

TIER	Parishioner Cost	Non-Parishioner Cost
Top Row	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00
Second Row	\$950.00	\$1,450.00
Third Row	\$900.00	\$1,400.00
Bottom Row	\$850.00	\$1,350.00

- ii. Two burials per full grave site (4x10)
 1. Two cremations OR
 2. One Cremation and One full casket burial
 - iii. We do **require a vault** for in ground cremations
 1. Can be purchased from funeral home
 - iv. Service Fee of \$100.00 for in ground burials for marking for monuments and marking grave(s) at time of burial.
2. A maximum of four gravesites may be sold as a lot to an individual.
3. Purchase of a gravesite must include perpetual care.
4. Block 4 was expanded. Lots in this space are available to have upright stones in designated rows and flat stones in designated rows.
5. Only ground level markers are allowed in the new part (Block 5).
 - a. No upright monuments are permitted.
 - b. Markers must be level with the surface in order that they may be mowed over easily.
6. We require a **religious symbol on monument** may be engraved other engravings must be approved by the cemetery committee before placement in cemetery.
7. Tombstone dimensions - The width of the stone cannot exceed 30 inches for single grave lot and 48 inches for double grave lot and the depth of all stones cannot exceed 18 inches. The height of the stone cannot exceed 40 inches from top of stone to bottom of base.

8. The church may be used as a place of visitation (wake) on the evening before the funeral and/or an hour or two before the Mass of Christian Burial.
9. A active parishioner of St. John Parish will be provided, **free of charge**, the customary church services
 - a. Vigil Services, Mass of Christian Burial, Committal Service
 - b. Use of the church as a place of visitation (wake)
 - c. Use of the parish hall for funeral luncheon
 - d. The services of the parish priest

The family or estate will be expected to pay for special services:

- e. Organist & Special music at the Funeral Mass and vigil service.
- f. Food for the funeral luncheon
- g. Church Usage Fee

Explanation of Terms:

Parishioner:

A supporting registered member (envelope holder) of the parish for at least 12 months.

Widows, widowers, retirees who have supported the parish most of their lives, but have moved to a retirement/nursing home.

An individual loses the rights and privileges of a parishioner when he/she registers as a member of another parish.

General Rules on Cemetery Care:

No trees or bushes may be planted in cemetery except with the permission of cemetery committee.

As needed, sunken areas will be filled and any tilting grave markers will be leveled. Flat stones that have sunken will be raised to ground level.

If stone is broken and becomes a safety issue, the stone will be taken and laid in the ground like a flat stone.

FLOWERS OR POTTED PLANTS

Flowers or potted plants are permitted, provided they are placed in plant stands.

Flowers that have wilted will be removed as soon as they become unsightly.

No water containers shall be left in the cemetery.

A water spigot is on both the north and south side fences of the cemetery to use to fill water containers for watering of flowers.

MEMORIAL DAY GRAVE DECORATIONS

Memorial Day Grave Decorations should be removed within 7-10 days to facilitate mowing.

Glass decorations, figurines, vigil lights or solar-powered lights, etc. should also be removed within 7-10 days after Memorial Day for safety reasons.

Any items not picked up after designated time will be removed, labeled and placed in a designated area and families notified verbally or by mail.

The cemetery reserves the right to remove any decorations, plants or planters, etc.

For questions about the purchase of cemetery lots, opening of graves, placement of monuments, etc., please contact Greg Ries or the parish office.

For concerns or questions about mowing, upkeep and maintenance of cemetery and parish grounds, please call Jake Gergen or Norbert Girgen.

Information about this cemetery may be found at:

Church of St. John the Baptist Telephone: (651) 437-9030
 Parish Business Office
 23315 Northfield Blvd.
 Hampton, MN 55031

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