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Father's Corner

Funeral Liturgy Coordinator

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the teachings of Jesus Christ and gives us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ in disguise. One of those seven works of mercy that we, as christians, are called to do is Burying the Dead.

Funerals give us the opportunity to grieve and show others support during a difficult time. Through our prayers and actions during this time, we show our respect for life, which is always a gift from God and comfort to those we mourn.

When a member of our parish community dies, our team immediately contacts the family to offer condolences and prayers in the name of Corpus Christi Church. A date and time for the funeral is decided upon with input from the pastor and musician.

After this information is confirmed with the funeral home, a meeting is arranged with the family to plan the liturgy and consider requests they have for scripture readings, music, or people to participate in the funeral celebration.

Planning a celebration of someone's life is a team effort and involves several other ministries to get this accomplished. In addition to the clergy, we also ask for help from ushers, the funeral meal coordinator, altar servers, a cantor, lectors, and ministers of the eucharist.

Working with and assisting families during this important time in their life is deeply satisfying. If you are a compassionate person, willing to be present to your fellow neighbor during this most personal and difficult time in their life, please consider joining our team of two. Call us or stop us after mass if you have more questions. We'll be happy to talk more about the process.

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