A Guide to

Funerals and Memorial Services

2020
We offer you our condolences at this time of bereavement and remembering a loved one.

This leaflet should help you decide what might be best for you as you think about planning a service at St. Marylebone Parish Church.

**Can you arrange a funeral or memorial service here?**
Yes, you can.

We are very happy to meet with you to discuss your specific requirements.

**Date & Time**
Personally, or through your Funeral Director, please make an appointment to meet the Rector or one of the other clergy on the team. Discuss what date and time you would like the service to take place. The longer notice we have the easier it is to meet your requirements.

**How much will it cost?**
Funeral/Memorial Service invoices will, usually, be sent to the Funeral Director, unless we are informed otherwise.

Payment can be Electronically (BACS) by using the following details:

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**Music**
Music at a Funeral or Memorial Service can be very important. We have a very fine musical tradition here at St Marylebone with a fine choir of professional classical musicians.

We will be happy to talk with you about your choice of music, and recommend organ and choir pieces suitable to the occasion. For the
recommended list of Organ Music and Choral items, please see the list appended to this document. Please do not feel limited by this list of suggestions however.

*Please note that recorded music cannot be played at Funerals or Memorial services at St Marylebone.*

A ‘**Standard**’ **Funeral Service** at St Marylebone (which includes the organ, an organist, ten professional singers, Director of Music, Fees, and up to 100 printed Orders of Service is approximately £2,984.00. We can provide additional solo instrumentalist (cello, violin, etc.), if required at an additional cost

A ‘**Standard**’ **Memorial Service** at St Marylebone (which includes the organ, an organist, ten professional singers, Director of Music, Fees, and up to 100 printed Orders of Service is approximately £3,225.00. We can provide additional solo instrumentalist (cello, violin, etc.), if required at an additional cost

**Catering**

You can hold a reception following a Funeral or Memorial Service here at St Marylebone. Up to 125 guests can be accommodated in the Crypt Hall. A larger number can be accommodated by staying in the main worship space of the parish church. St Marylebone works with Hubbub caterers (although you may provide your own catering). Catering and Room Hire is an extra charge.

**Readings**

Every Funeral or Memorial service will include at least one reading from Holy Scripture. You may find this website helpful. It lists suitable Bible passages:

www.churchofengland.org/life-events/funerals

**The Funeral Service**

You have a choice from two different funeral services. One uses contemporary language (you, yours), the other uses more traditional
language (thee, thou). The Rector will discuss the options with you. Both services may be found at this website:

www.churchofengland.org/life-events/funerals

**Order of Service**

On the day of the Funeral or Memorial Service the congregation will need to follow the service in a printed Order of Service booklet. This booklet will include within it the words of the hymns, the names and words of the musical items, the reading(s) etc. We will undertake the printing of up to 100 good quality copies within the quoted price. Extra copies or copies with extra pages (such as photographs, etc.) will be charged at cost. The Orders of Service are printed professionally.

**Flowers**

We are very happy for you to have flowers in St Marylebone, and these can be ordered by the parish church at an extra cost. However, you do not have to purchase extra flowers.

**Recording**

We are very happy for this to take place within certain parameters, however, you should note that there will be an additional cost for this.

**Funerals and Memorial Services: the choices you need to make**

It is helpful if you understand the structure that your wedding will take and what decisions you will need to make concerning music & readings. The structure of a typical service is outlined below and at the end of this document. The choices you will need to make include:

**Some Sample Service Outlines**

**A Funeral**

Music before the Service
The Burial Sentences (Croft/Purcell sung by the Choir) *as the coffin enters if not already in the parish church*
Bidding Prayer
Hymn 1
Bible Reading
Psalm or Anthem or Solo
Eulogy and/or Homily
Anthem or Solo
Hymn 2
Prayers
Our Father
Anthem or Solo
Reading (Non Scriptural prose or prose if desired)
Hymn 3
The Commendation (and Committal)
Anthem or Solo (possibly In paradisum or Nunc Dimittis)
Organ Voluntary

**A Requiem Mass**

Organ Music
Burial Sentences/Introit
Kyrie Eleison
The Collect
Reading
Psalm/Gradual Hymn/Anthem
Gospel
Homily/Eulogy
Prayers
The Peace
Hymn
Eucharistic Prayer (Sanctus, etc.)
Our Father
During Holy Communion Anthem (Agnus Dei)
Hymn
Post Communion Prayer
Eulogy/ Secular Reading
Anthem or Hymn
The Commendation
Nunc dimitis or In Paradisum
Organ Music

A Memorial or Thanksgiving Service

Music before the Service
Sentences
Bidding Prayer
Hymn 1
Biblical Reading
Psalm or Anthem or Solo
Eulogy and/or Homily
Anthem or Solo
Hymn 2
Prayers
Our Father
Anthem or Solo
Reading (Non Scriptural if desired)
Hymn 3
Anthem or Solo (possibly In paradisum or Nunc Dimittis)
Organ Voluntary

Interment of Cremated Remains
St. Marylebone has a Columbarium in the Crypt where cremated remains can be safely and appropriately deposited. If you would like to make use of this facility, please discuss the options with the clergy. A one-off fee of £500.00 is charged for this.

Retiring Collection
Many families like to take a collection in aid of the parish church or a charity supported by the person who has died. The parish church is happy to source Gift Aid envelopes and process the collection on your behalf.
Conclusion
All of this can sound a little overwhelming at first, but with time and thoughtful planning you will end up with a Funeral or Memorial Service which will be able to give comfort to family members, friends and colleagues of the deceased.

Music for Funerals and Memorial Services: Some ideas to help you. The lists are not exhaustive and are simply provided to help you think about the options.

Organ Music as people gather for the service

Bach, J S Air (from Suite no.3)
Bach, J S Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (from Cantata No. 208)
Bach, J S Bach Leibster Jesu BWV 731
Bach, J S Alle Menschen Mussen Sterben BWV 643
Bach, J S Prelude and Fugue in E minor BWV 533
Bach, J S Fantasia and Fugue in C minor BWV 537
Bach, J S Toccata in D Minor ('Dorian') BWV 538
Bach, J S Prelude and Fugue in G major BWV 541
Bach, J S Fantasia in G minor BWV 542
Bach, J S Prelude in B minor BWV 544
Bach, J S Fugue in E-Flat BWV552b
Boëllmann Prière a Notre-Dame (from Suite Gothique)
Bohm Bohm Vater Unser im himmellreich
Brahms O Welt, ich muss dich lassen, op. 122
Bridge Adagio in E major (Three pieces)
Buxtehude Ach Herr, mich armen Sunder
Buxtehude Mensch, willt du leben seeliglich
Buxtehude Vater unser im Himmelreich
Elgar Nimrod from Enigma Variations
Handel Water Music Suite
Howells Master Tallis's Testament (Six Pieces)
Mendelssohn Adagio from Sonata No. 1
Mendelssohn        Sonata No. 3 (II - Andante tranquillo) op. 65
Pachelbel         Canon in D major
Parry             Chorale Prelude on Melcombe
Thalben Ball,     Elegy
Vaughan-Williams  Rhosymedre

**Organ Music** as people leave after the service

Bach, J S          Prelude and fugue in C minor BWV 546
Elgar,             Pomp and Circumstance March no. 1
Elgar              Pomp and Circumstance March no. 4
Karg-Elert         Nun danket alle Gott (Marche triomphale) op. 65
Mendelssohn       Sonata No. 3 (I - Con moto maestoso) op. 65
Mulet              Tu es petra
Vierne             Symphonie No.1 (Finale)
Wagner (arr.)      Overture to *Tannhäuser*
Walton             Crown Imperial
                    Passacaglia on the Death of Falstaff
Widor             Toccata (from *Symphonie No.5*)
Widor             Finale (from *Symphonie No.6*)

**Hymns**

Singing hymns binds a congregation together and helps to express some of our deepest emotions which are often hard to put into our own words.

We recommend that you have 3 hymns. The clergy will be happy to discuss this choice with you, but here are some you might like to consider:

- *The Lord’s my shepherd*
- *Abide with me, fast falls the eventide*
- *The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended*
- *All my hope on God is founded*
- *All people that on earth do dwell*
- *And did those feet in ancient time* (‘Jerusalem’)
- *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart*
- *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*
Guide me, O thou great Redeemer
Immortal, invisible, God only wise
King of glory, King of peace
Love Divine, all loves excelling
Now thank we all our God
O worship the King, all glorious above
Praise to the Lord, the almighty, the King of Creation
Praise, my soul, the King of heaven
The King of Love my shepherd is
Jerusalem

You are not limited to these hymns; they are only a suggestion.
If you are not sure of the tunes which accompany these words, then visit this website: www.cyberhymnal.org. The tune will be played for you.

Choral Music
Here is a list of some of the choral anthems sung most commonly at funerals and memorial services at St Marylebone

Bach, J S Jesu, joy of Man’s desiring
Bainton And I saw a new heaven
Bairstow Lamentations
Brahms How lovely are thy dwellings fair (from the Requiem)
Croft Funeral Sentences
Duruflé Movements from the Requiem Mass: Introit/Kyrie or In Paradisum
Elgar The Angel’s Farewell from Dream of Gerontius

Fauré Movements from the Requiem Mass: Sanctus, Pie Jesu, In Paradisum
Gibbons O Lord, increase my faith
Goodall Do not stand at my grave and weep
Greene Lord, let me know mine end
Handel I know that my redeemer liveth
Harris Bring us O Lord God, at our last awakening
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<td>Mozart</td>
<td>Kyrie eleison/Agnus Dei (from Coronation Mass)</td>
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<td>Palestrina</td>
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<td>Parry</td>
<td>My soul, there is a country far beyond the stars</td>
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<td>Purcell</td>
<td>Hear my prayer, O Lord</td>
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<td>When I am laid in Earth <em>from</em> Dido and Aeneas (Solo)</td>
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<td>Thou knowest Lord the secrets</td>
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<td>Rheinberger</td>
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<td>Sumson</td>
<td>They that go down to the sea</td>
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<td>Vaughan Williams</td>
<td>Valiant for Truth</td>
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<td>God be in my head</td>
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<td>Wesley</td>
<td>Wash me thoroughly</td>
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<td>Wesley</td>
<td>Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace</td>
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Settings of the Nunc Dimittis (Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace): Dyson in F, Holst, Stanford in B flat, Stanford in G
Rector: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Evans
parishoffice@stmarylebone.org  020 7935 7315

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Offering Support along the Way of Life

www.marylebone-hcc.org.uk  healing@stmarylebone.org
020 7935 5066

For more information about counselling and opportunities for spiritual direction
Please visit www.st.marylebone.org and follow the Healing & Counselling Centre link.

The Choir of St Marylebone Parish Church

Director of Music: Gavin Roberts, MA, MMus, MPerf, FRCO
Assistant Director of Music: Jamie Rogers, MA, BMus, FRCM
Organ Scholar: Callum Anderson, BA, ARCO

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