

Can Catholics be cremated?

Yes, in 1963 the Vatican's Holy Office lifted the ban forbidding Catholics to choose cremation. This permission was incorporated into the revised Canon Law of 1983 as well as in the Order of Christian Funerals.

Cremation

The Church, by its recognition of cremation, has opened great possibilities for parish communities to again provide perpetual care of their members within their community environs. The Church has extended its liturgies and rites to embrace the family and community needs of the members who choose cremation.

Insisting on the full respect and dignity afforded the human body, in death as in life; the Church approves the perpetual care of the cremated remains in columbaria. However, it continues to discourage the scattering, division or storage of cremated remains. The Church encourages placement of the cremation remains in a final resting place - either in a columbarium or traditional cemetery plot.

Must I be Catholic in order to acquire a niche?

No, the acquisition of columbarium niches is open to members of any faith. Non-parishioners are always welcome.

Glossary of Terms:

Columbarium: Facility designed to hold niches into which urns are placed.

Cremains: Mechanically cleaned residual bone fragments from cremation process, and technically, not "ashes".

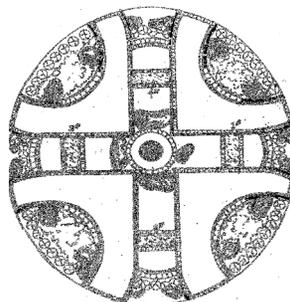
Cremation: Process of reducing human body to bone fragments through extreme heat.

Crematory: Facility housing the cremation chamber and cremation services.

Inurnment: Act of placing an urn into the niche and may involve a religious service.

Niche: Single receptacle in a columbarium designed to accept the urns for permanent placement.

Urn: A worthy vessel to hold the cremains or "ashes" of a loved one.



NEED MORE INFORMATION?

PLEASE CONTACT THE
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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CEMETERY

Twin Lakes, WI

COLUMBARIUM



What is a Columbarium?

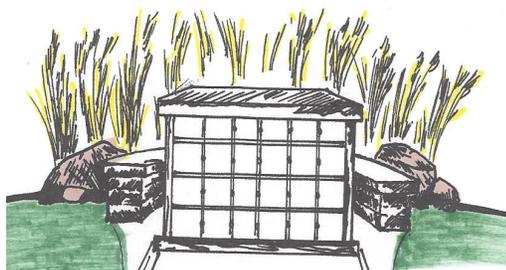
It is an above ground vault typically made of stone, brick, granite or other materials that consist of niches (small compartments) which hold urns containing the cremains or "ashes" of our loved ones who have died.

Our columbarium offers niches which are 12" x 12" and can accommodate companion (2) inurnment, if desired.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CEMETERY ~ COLUMBARIUM

COST COMPARISON

Grave vs. Niche



The columbarium will be located at St. John the Evangelist Cemetery in the second roundabout which is located on the east side of the cemetery.

Initially one columbarium (containing 48 niches) will be placed although future plans can accommodate up to three additional columbaria, as the need arises.

Niche Opening: 12" H x 12" D x 12" W

- Up to two (2) cremains may be placed in one (1) niche providing both urns fit properly into the niche.
- All engraving will be uniform in style.
- U.S. Military Veterans may have a special plate honoring their service.



Sample of Engraving on the Front of a Niche

Traditional In-Ground Burial Grave

Headstone: (varies by personal choice)	\$ 1300 +
Vault:	\$ 800 +
Casket: (varies by personal choice)	\$ 2500 +
Plot: (Parishioner)	\$ 350 - \$ 700
(Non-Parishioner)	\$ 700 - \$1400
Opening / Closing:	\$ 625

Cremation - Columbarium Niche

Engraving:	\$ 165 - 300 +
Vault:	None
Casket:	Rental options <i>may</i> be available - please contact your funeral home
Urn: (varies by personal choice)	\$ 100 +
Niche: (Parishioner)	\$ 1000
(Non-Parishioner)	\$ 1200
Final Inurnment at Cemetery with permanent seal of Niche door	\$ 100

All prices are approximate and may change without notice. Costs may vary depending upon personal choice and options. **Please contact your local funeral home for more accurate pricing based on your specific needs.**

Are you interested in the columbarium but already have a cemetery plot at St. John the Evangelist Cemetery?

Arrangements can be made for you to return your cemetery plot(s) to the parish cemetery. You will then be credited the amount of the original plot acquisition cost which will be applied towards the acquisition of a niche (minus a small transfer fee).

**If interested in acquiring a niche in the columbarium, please fill out the form below and return it to St. John the Evangelist Parish Office:
701 N. Lake Avenue
Twin Lakes, WI 53181**

Yes, I am interested in acquiring a niche either now or in the future.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____