



Cemeteries Preamble

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

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Decreed in force for
ALL CEMETERIES
within
THE DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX

April 1, 2021

PREAMBLE

The Catholic Cemetery is a sacred place.

As the last resting place of the members of the family of God, the Church solemnly blesses her Cemeteries and dedicates them to the service of God and His people. This concern for the burial place of her children is an outgrowth of the deep respect and reverence she holds for the human body which is the dwelling place of the soul during man's life on earth and shares in his life in eternity.

When Christ rose from the dead, He gave to man a promise and a guarantee of his own resurrection one day. In her Masses for the deceased and in the prayers of the funeral services, the Church voices her belief in "the resurrections of the body and life everlasting." In the same spirit, she sets aside and makes sacred the final resting places in which the bodies of her children await the day of their resurrection.

The RULES AND REGULATIONS which follow have been adopted by the Cemeteries of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux for the mutual protection of the plot-owners and the Church itself whose responsibility it is to manage and maintain these Cemeteries. They are intended to safeguard the sacredness of the Cemetery, to promote its beauty and attractiveness, and to honor the beloved dead.

The RULES AND REGULATIONS seek also to protect the rights and interest of plot or crypt owners and other patrons of the Cemeteries. They are the result of many years of practical experience in the management and maintenance of Catholic Cemeteries. They are based on the convocation that only if Management and plot owners both recognize a common interest and a mutual responsibility will our Catholic Cemeteries become and remain forever the beautiful and sacred places demanded by our faith.

CEMETERIES OF THE DIOCESE OF
HOUMA-THIBODAux

July 1, 1987

RULES AND REGULATIONS
Governing the
CEMETERIES OF THE DIOCESE OF
HOUMA-THIBODAux

Adopted by resolution of the NEW ORLEANS ARCHDIOCESAN CEMETERIES, a Louisiana Corporation, on August 23, 1966. Amended and revised by the Corporation Board April 3, 1979, and revised by the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux for their use July 1, 1987, January 24, 2007, and July 1, 2021.

All Present plot owners and all persons entering the Cemetery, all plots, crypts, memorials, etc., which have been sold or will be sold shall be subject to these RULES AND REGULATIONS and such amendments or alterations as may be adopted by the CEMETERIES OF THE DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAux. The reference to these RULES AND REGULATIONS in the document conveying the right of ownership and of interment shall have the same force and effect as is set forth therein.