



Gate of Heaven CEMETERY

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All Souls Day MASS

@ Our Lady Queen of Peace Mausoleum

**10:30am • Thursday
November 2nd, 2023**

Main Celebrant & Homilist

His Eminence

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York



Dear friends in the Lord:

The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are central to our faith as Catholics. As children, we learned that His sacrifice on the cross at Calvary re-opened the gates of heaven to us for all eternity. His glorious resurrection on Easter Sunday is proof that Jesus conquered sin and death. Alleluia!

If we did not believe in this promise of everlasting life in God's company, we would have good reason to despair. The deep sadness and emptiness we feel when a loved one dies would be unbearable.

Thanks be to the Lord, we believe!

We affirm our belief in the resurrection and Jesus' promise to raise us up on the Last Day by treating our mortal bodies with dignity. As Catholics, we have a long tradition of interring our beloved deceased in the consecrated ground or blessed crypts of Catholic cemeteries. More recently, our Church has urged us to bring the cremated remains of our dearly departed to Catholic cemeteries for respectful burial or placement in niches or columbaria.

The cemeteries of our archdiocese are unrivaled for their beauty and peacefulness. Hundreds of acres of carefully tended, hallowed ground are devoted to the memories of those who came before us and the consolation of those who mourn them. Truly, they are a silent witness to our faith.

You will, hopefully, read this and consider how your choice of a Catholic cemetery is an expression of our shared belief in the resurrection.

With prayerful best wishes,

Faithfully in Christ,

+ T. M. Card. Dolan

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