St. Patrick Catholic Church, Mount Dora, FL

WAKE/VIGIL SERVICE IN THE CHURCH 5/30/2024

Refer to Order of Christian Funerals, pages 27-34. The format is followed very closely. It may be presided by a Priest, a Deacon, or both, or a Lay Minister.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Greeting (Opening welcome by a family member who is introduced by the Music Director.)

Opening Hymn (Music Director) Invitation To Prayer (Presider) Opening Prayer (Presider)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading: 2 Cor. 5:1, 6-10 (Deacon/Lector)
Responsorial Psalm 27 (Music Director/cantor)

Gospel: Luke 12: 35-40 (Deacon/Priest)

Homily (Priest/Deacon)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Litany (Presider)
Lord's Prayer (Led by Presider)
Concluding Prayer (Presider)
(Optional) Blessing of the body with Holy Water (Priest only)

EULOGIES (Optional)

Invitation to speak (Priest/Deacon invites an identified family member for their eulogy, who then invites others to speak/follow.)

CONCLUDING RITE

Blessing (Priest/Deacon)
Closing Hymn (Music Director)

NOTES FOR THE MoC

Set-up as for a Funeral Mass: The small table for an urn (if needed), the Banner, and Paschal Candle.

The casket/urn is placed at the foot of the Altar prior to the start.

Holy Water may be used if a Priest is presiding; no incense.

Procession & Recession by Presider &/or Deacon alone. The casket/urn remains at the foot of the altar during the recession.

There will be music if the Music Director is available. If not available, it is conducted with no music.

Music is selected by the Music Director. Readings are from the OCF.

A slide show can be projected prior to the Wake start or during the eulogies. If yes, an operator must be scheduled.

The family has no participant role other than a welcoming statement, a possible eulogy, or as a Lector. Check with the Presider to ask if a Lector is needed.

While a Sacristan is not required (no Consecration or Communion distribution) it is recommended that one be scheduled to assist with vesting, microphones (hand held for eulogies), OCF, and Holy Water.

There is no need for an Altar Server, but remember to light the Altar and Paschal candles.

RECENT WAKES IN THE CHURCH (For document reference.)

For Bernie Welch by Fr. Jimson 3/24/2022.

For Nancy Liptak by Deacon Chuck on 12/17/2023.

For Tim Green by Fr. Shiju & Deacon Chuck 5/28/2024.