

Saint John the Baptist Cemetery

Cemetery Committee Report to Parish Leadership Council

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Gene Delaune, Chair

Mark Dittman, Parish Business Administrator

1. The Cemetery Committee

Members: Gene Delaune, Chair, Ron Flor, Mark Hammer, Judy Harris, Bob Sitarz, Arnie Bona.

2. Activity for 2018/19

Summary of Financial Activity

St. John the Baptist Cemetery Income			
Account	Description	17/18 Actual	18/19 Actual
4050.01C	Cemetery Donations	4,030	4,128
4120.01C	Dividend/Interest Revenue		2,799
4355.00C	Grave Sales	17,025	42,100
4355.01C	Columbarium Niche Sales	14,900	11,700
	Income total	35,955	60,727
Cemetery Expense			
Account	Description	17/18 Actual	18/19 Actual
6100.00C	Professional Fees - Legal		0
6110.01C	Caretaker Contract	17,700	18,300
6180.00C	Supplies	116	157
6185.01C	Repurchased Graves	0	0
6240.00C	Bank Charge Exp	20	1,342
6260.00C	Property/Liability Ins. Exp		0
6250.00C	Maintenance & Repair	4,323	5,389
	Expense total	22,159	25,188
	Cemetery net	13,796	35,539

June 30, 2019 Balances

Cemetery checking \$ 52,877
 Reserves \$186,126
 Endowment \$183,734

Burials

Full body 24
 Cremation in-ground 19
 Columbarium niche 6
 Total 49

Sales

Full body graves 28
 Cremation in-ground 5
 Columbarium niche 5
 Additional right of burial 5
 Total 43

3. Projects Completed or in Process

- Infant monument - complete
- Landscaping near monument
- Gate on east side - complete
- Policy review – in process
- New sign – completion mid-2020
- Drive lane repair – mid-2020

4. Communal Interment of Cremated Remains

- July 2020

5. Cemetery Counts as of 11/30/2019

- Full body burial spaces

Total	3,409
Unsold	137
- Cremation in-ground spaces

Total	360
Unsold	150
- Columbarium niche spaces

Total	174
Unsold	148
- Infant burial spaces

Total	264
Unsold	65

ST. JOHN the BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH CEMETERY



On May 24, 1902, the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis assigned Rev. Anthony Szczukowski as St. John's first Pastor. The parish was legally established shortly thereafter, on July 16th.

In October 1908, the parish purchased land for a cemetery consisting of 3,636 grave sites. The cost was \$450.

The first burial at the cemetery was in September of 1909. The cemetery was re-dedicated in 1959, and today, as in the past, the Cemetery Ministry is an important part of the St. John's parish community.

On June 14, 1999 a St. John's Cemetery Committee was formed and many enhancements and improvements have since occurred.

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Cemetery Cremation Plaza



St. John the Baptist Cemetery has three columbaria cabinets with niches available for the interment of cremated remains, which were completed and blessed in 2017.

With an increase in cremations among the general public and among Catholics, creating a beautiful cremation burial option is one way that St. John the Baptist Parish is seeking to live out its core values of affirming a reliance on prayer and living in a generous spirit.

For information on pricing and availability of cremation niches, please pick up a cemetery brochure in the St. Paul Plaza kiosk or contact Jeff Bauer, Cemetery Caretaker, at 651-329-2187.

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Cemetery

Infant Section Monument Blessing

August 11, 2019

