

# RULES & REGULATIONS FOR OUR LADY CONSOLATA PARISH CEMETERIES

## HOLY FAMILY CEMETERIES, ST. AGATHA CEMETERY, ST. MICHAEL CEMETERY

1. "Owner(s)", as used within these rules and regulations, designates the person or persons who have paid for full rights of burial to one or more graves in any of the above cemeteries.
2. **Perpetual Care:** consists of cutting the grass, filling in graves and seeding grave.
3. If any lot or grave needs special care such as raising or straightening of markers, removal of curbing, or other labor not included in Rule **two (2) of these rules and regulations, lot owner(s) must contact the Cemetery Authority at Our Lady Consolata Parish office, 989-665-1027 about work to be done.** Such special care not accomplished by lot owner(s) will be done by the Cemetery Authority and cost billed to the owner(s).
4. **Burial** must be in concrete, steel or other similarly "permanent-type" vaults.
5. **Monuments, markers and benches** are subject to approval of the Cemetery Authority.
6. **Foundations for all Headstones** must be flush with the ground. It is the family's responsibility to contact the Cemetery Administrator to have their foundations prepared and laid according to the rules and regulations and approved by the Cemetery Authority.
7. **Headstones:**
  - † Only one (1) headstone above ground per lot.
  - † All headstones in all Our Lady Consolata Cemeteries will be above ground as of December 3, 2016.
  - † **Raising Headstones:** If you would like to have a headstone raised or straightened please contact the Cemetery Administrator at 989-665-1027.
8. **Damage:** Our Lady Consolata is not responsible for damage to headstones unless they have proof of whom and when the damage was done. Please be advised that headstones/markers that are flush with the ground are vulnerable to being damaged.
9. **No mausoleums** will be permitted in any of Our Lady Consolata cemeteries.
10. **Placement in the cemetery,** by lot owners or their agents, of crushed stone, wood chips or muck or curbing or fencing of any nature is **PROHIBITED AND WILL BE REMOVED BY CEMETERY AUTHORITY IF PUT ON CEMETERY LOT.**
11. **NO** shrubbery or new bushes shall be planted in any cemetery. **THIS IS PROHIBITED AND WILL BE REMOVED BY CEMETERY AUTHORITY IF PUT ON CEMETERY LOT.**
12. **NO** flowers or plants can be planted around the headstone or on the burial lot. **THIS IS PROHIBITED AND WILL BE REMOVED BY CEMETERY AUTHORITY IF PUT ON CEMETERY LOT.**
13. **Holiday wreaths, flowers, potted plants** are permitted. **All summer and winter decorations must be removed by October 1<sup>st</sup> for summer and April 1<sup>st</sup> for winter at all cemeteries, if not Cemetery Authority will remove them.**

14. **No sale or transfer** of any burial rights of any cemetery lot will be allowed without written approval from the Cemetery Authority.
15. **Burial of cremated** remains is strongly encouraged. Normal burial space is used for cremated remains. Multiple, three (3) interments within the same family are permitted in an already buried grave (as long as the vault is low enough with enough dirt on it to allow a cremation burial). Multiple, six (6) interments within the same family are permitted in an unused grave.
16. **All multiple burials** must have permission from living siblings in writing. Paperwork may be obtained from the parish office Cemetery Administrator.
17. **All property** in Holy Family Cemeteries, St. Agatha Cemetery and St. Michaels Cemetery will continue to be subject to any future Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Cemetery Authority regardless of date of purchase of burial rights.
18. **NEGLECTED LOTS:** Any lots that have been neglected or not properly maintained will be cleaned up by Cemetery Authority.
19. **If the rules and regulations of all above mentioned cemeteries are violated, the Cemetery Authority will correct the violation.**

Revised December 3, 2016

**HOLY FAMILY CEMETERIES, ST. AGATHA CEMETERY  
AND ST. MICHAEL CEMETERY  
CEMETERY RATES EFFECTIVE ON JUNE 1, 2015  
Phone 989-665-1027**

**ALL CEMETERY SITES (No discounts on multiple graves)**

PARISHIONERS : \$ 250.00                      NON-PARISHIONERS:                      \$ 700.00

**OPENING AND CLOSING OF GRAVES**

**GRAVES:**     \$ 600.00     summer burials April 16 to November 14  
                  \$ 700.00     winter burials November 15 to April 15

**Winter Burials:** Families who wish to have a winter burial may incur additional expenses: cost of snow removal, cost of having grave thawed out to be dug and probed, damage to other grave markers due to the removal of snow.

**ALL CREMATION BURIALS:**     \$200.00

LOT OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE (989) 665-1027 ABOUT OTHER WORK THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE DONE ON THEIR LOTS.

**NO SALE OR TRANSFER OF ANY BURIAL RIGHTS WITHOUT APPROVAL IN WRITING BY THE PRIEST OR CEMETERY AUTHORITY.**

**CEMETERY FOUNDATION REQUIREMENTS**

**FOUNDATIONS FOR ALL** monuments and markers must be flush with the ground, re-enforced concrete for pier-type, must be six (6) inches deep and at least three (3) inches longer than the base of the marker. Foundation must be approved for installation by the Cemetery Authority.

**COST OF FOUNDATIONS: ALL HEADSTONES**     length + 6 inches X \$3.00 = COST