Complete List of Funeral Readings

Old Testament

- 1. Job 19:1, 23-27 I know that my Redeemer lives.
- 2. Wisdom 3:1-9 The souls of the just are in the hand of God.
- 3. Wisdom 4:7-15 The just man, though he die early, shall be at rest.
- 4. Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9 The Lord God will destroy death for ever.
- 5. Lamentations 3:17-26 It is good to wait in silence for the saving help of the Lord.
- Daniel 12:1-3 Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake.
- 7. 2 Maccabees 12:43-46 It is good and holy to pray for the resurrection of the dead.

New Testament Epistles

- 1. Acts 10:34-43 Jesus is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.
- 2. Romans 5:5-11 We are justified by Christ's blood, and reconciled to God through him.
- 3. Romans 5:17-21 Where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more.
- 4. Romans 6:3-9 We were baptized into Christ's death that we might rise to new life.
- 5. Romans 8:14-23 We groan while we wait for the redemption of our bodies.
- 6. Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39 Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ.
- 7. Romans 14:7-9, 10b-12 Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.
- 8. 1 Corinthians 15:20-23, 24b-28 All people will be brought to life in Christ.
- 9. 1 Corinthians 15:51-57 Death is swallowed up in victory.
- 10. 2 Corinthians 4:14-5:1 What is seen is transitory; what is unseen is eternal.
- 11. 2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10 We have an everlasting home in heaven.
- 12. Philippians 3:20-21 Jesus will transform our bodies to be like his glorified body.
- 13. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 The dead in Christ will rise; we shall always be with the Lord.
- 14. 2 Timothy 2:8-13 If we have died with him, we shall also live with him.
- 15. 1 John 3:1-2 We shall see God as he really is.
- 16. 1 John 3:14-16 We have passed from death to life because we love our brothers.
- 17. Revelation 14:13 Happy are those who die in the Lord.
- 18. Revelation 20:11-21:1 The dead were judged according to their deeds.
- 19. Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7 There will be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain.

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Gospels

- 1. Matthew 5:1-12a The Beatitudes.
- 2. Matthew 11:25-30 Come to me... and I will give you rest.
- 3. Matthew 25:1-13 The bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.
- 4. Matthew 25:31-46 Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom.
- 5. Mark 15:33-39; 16:1-6 Jesus' death on the cross, and the empty tomb.
- 6. Luke 7:11-17 Raising of the widow's son in Nain.
- 7. Luke 12:35-40 Be prepared for the master's return.
- 8. Luke 23:33, 39-43 Today you will be with me in paradise.
- 9. Luke 23:44-46, 50, 52-53; 24:1-6a Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.
- 10. Luke 24:13-35 Emmaus story.
- 11. John 5:24-29 Whoever hears my word and believes, has passed from death to life.
- 12. John 6:37-40 I will not reject anyone who comes to me, for that is the Father's will.
- 13. John 6:51-58 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life.
- 14. John 11:17-27 I am the resurrection and the life.
- 15. John 11:32-45 Raising of Lazarus.
- 16. John 12:23-28 The grain of wheat that falls to the ground and dies in order to give life.
- 17. John 14:1-6 I am going to prepare a place for you in my Father's house.
- 18. John 17:24-26 I wish that where I am, my disciples may be with me.
- 19. John 19:17-18, 25-30 Jesus bows his head and gives up his spirit.

Responsorial Psalms

- 1. Psalm 23 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
- 2. Psalm 25 To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.
- 3. Psalm 27 The Lord is my light and my salvation.
- 4. Psalm 42 & 43 My soul is thirsting for the living God. When shall I see him face to face?
- 5. Psalm 63 My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
- 6. Psalm 103 The Lord is kind and merciful.
- 7. Psalm 116 I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.
- 8. Psalm 122 I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
- 9. Psalm 130 Out of the depths, I cry to you, Lord.
- 10. Psalm 143 O Lord, hear my prayer.