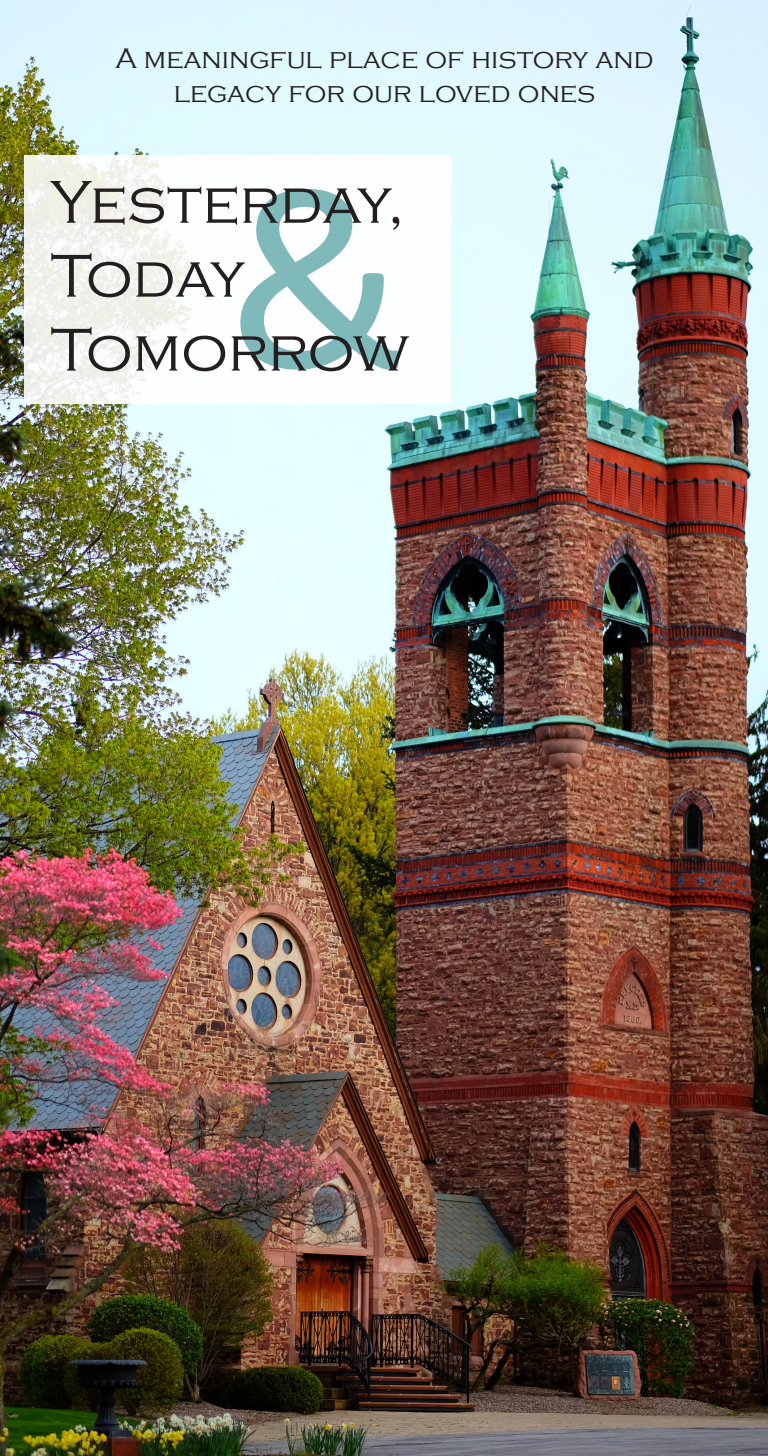


A MEANINGFUL PLACE OF HISTORY AND  
LEGACY FOR OUR LOVED ONES

YESTERDAY,  
TODAY &  
TOMORROW



HOLY  
SEPULCHRE  
CEMETERY

ASCENSION  
GARDEN

Celebrate Life Everlasting

## INTRODUCTION

Holy Sepulchre & Ascension Garden Catholic Cemeteries serve as blessed gathering places where the faithful can celebrate Christ's promise of life everlasting. With two locations to serve you, and over 450 acres of sacred land, we have the largest selection of burial offerings in our community. We invite you to experience the Holy Sepulchre difference and to continue your faith in planning your legacy.

## OUR MISSION

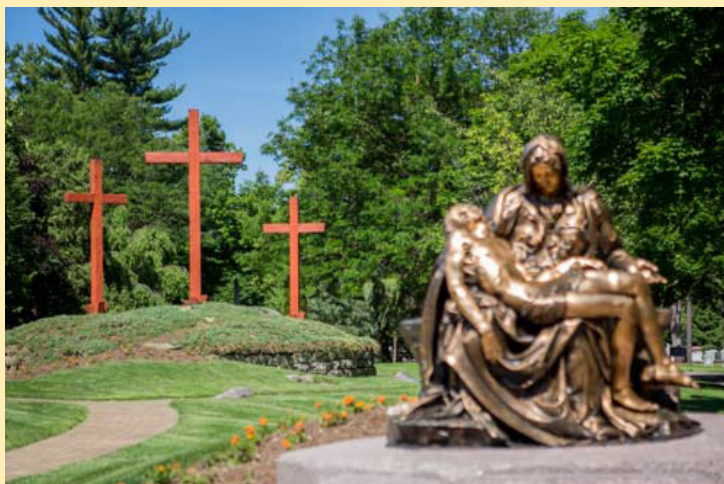
Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will assist the Church in fulfilling its ministry to bury the deceased of the faith community in consecrated ground. Its Cemeteries will serve as a sacred and peaceful site of beauty where family and friends can gather in prayer and remembrance. As places of Christian burial, Holy Sepulchre Cemeteries reflects respect for the human person, belief in the resurrection of the body, and the hope of Eternal Life. We are dedicated to the Christian burial of all members of the Catholic Faith Community, and to comfort all those who mourn them.



## OUR HISTORY

In 1871, Rochester's first Bishop, Bernard J. McQuaid, envisioned a peaceful, prayerful, and reflective garden-like cemetery in an environment that provided natural beauty and the assurance of a Christian celebration of life everlasting. McQuaid, considered a man of conviction and innovation, had a vision—to provide a cemetery for generations of Catholics for years to come—thus the opening and consecration of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery on Lake Avenue.

One hundred and fifty years later, Bishop McQuaid's attention to careful planning and high standards continues, with two Holy Sepulchre locations: the first on Lake Avenue, and our newest cemetery, appropriately named Ascension Garden, near Mendon Ponds Park. The settings at Holy Sepulchre & Ascension Garden Cemeteries provide a serene, prayerful environment to gather with family and friends. We invite you to remember your loved ones who have gone before us and to celebrate life everlasting.



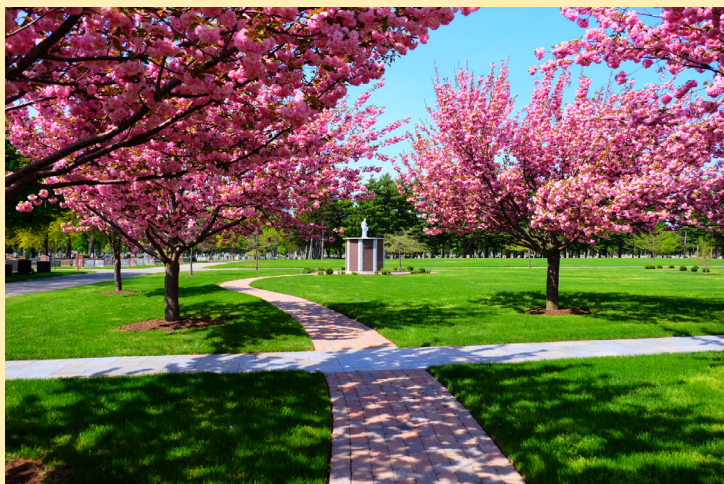


# WHY A CATHOLIC CEMETERY?

A Catholic cemetery is a living and graceful witness to the Christian belief in Eternal Life and the resurrection of the body. Our cemeteries play an important role in the ministry of consolation, standing as sacred places where religious ceremonies are celebrated, where the community may pray for their deceased loved ones and embrace their faith.

## TRADITION

Our cemeteries represent a meaningful history of loved ones, a record of their lives and a sanctuary for prayer. Holy Sepulchre & Ascension Garden Cemeteries exist not merely for the memorialization of the deceased, but also because every life is worth loving and remembering in the tradition of the larger Catholic community. The faithfully departed come from all walks of life and share the values of faith, family and heritage. Generations of families have come to eternal rest at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery and younger generations are continuing to embrace their heritage through our two locations.



## DEFINITIONS

**Mausoleum** – A building that serves as a burial place for caskets and cremated remains.

**Columbaria** – A free standing, outdoor structure that holds niches.

**Crypt** – The location in which a casket is placed within a mausoleum.

**Niche** – The location in which cremated remains are placed within a mausoleum or columbaria.

**In-ground Full Casket Burial** – The body of the deceased is interred within a casket. The casket is placed into a protective vault, then placed in the ground and covered with soil.

**In-ground Cremation Burial** – The cremated remains within an urn or container are placed into a protective vault, then placed in the ground and covered with soil.

**Green or Natural Burial** – The interment of remains is made in a biodegradable casket or shroud. Only natural/organic products are used to maintain the natural eco-system.



# HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery's natural beauty and historic architecture has grown over the years, garnering both praise and acclaim. At the time of its design 150 years ago, the most notable gardeners, horticulturalists and landscape designers collaborated to make Holy Sepulchre Cemetery the standard of excellence. Through proper stewardship over the years, the aesthetic beauty, pristine maintenance and architectural significance of our 300 plus acres continues. Holy Sepulchre Cemetery's mission is to serve the changing needs of the community today and tomorrow.

***Christ Our Light Mausoleum***, our two-story mausoleum, offers spaces for both full body entombment and cremation inurnments. This environment is climate-controlled to allow for comfortable year-round visitation.

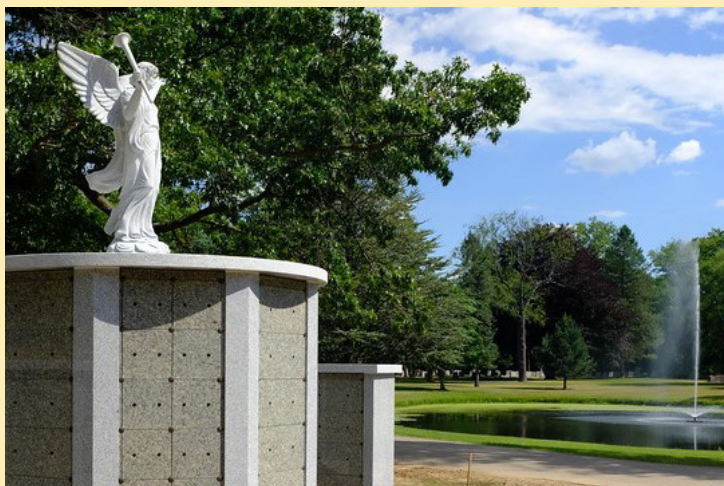
***First Responders Section*** offers a dedicated space to pay tribute to those who served our community. The section offers a pathway leading visitors to a beautiful feature memorial of white quartz.



***Trinity Green Burial*** is located on the historic eastside of the cemetery and perfect for those seeking an eco-friendly burial. This section offers green burial options in a natural setting overlooking the serene Trinity Lake.

***Holy Rosary Cremation Garden*** offers a peaceful setting for prayer and remembrance surrounded by beautiful flowering trees. The section features five columbaria with statues of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and the center Holy Cross, as well as in-ground cremation spaces. You may even pray the Walking Rosary through the dedicated pathways.

Located on the eastside of the cemetery, ***Angels of God Cremation Garden*** offers an assortment of options, including in-ground and columbaria, each laying near the three Archangels: Gabriel, Michael and Raphael. While you're visiting, you may overlook the peaceful Trinity Lake and the enjoy the beautiful wooded areas near the cremation garden. The section fits seamlessly into the natural setting closeby to the Genesee River.





# ASCENSION GARDEN CEMETERY

Ascension Garden, located on Pinnacle Road in Henrietta, was born out of the history and excellence of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery and the original vision of Bishop McQuaid. Consecrated in the Catholic tradition, Ascension Garden is located near Mendon Ponds Park and fits into the beauty of the rolling hills, wooded areas and tranquility that naturally exists there. Like Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Ascension Garden provides family and friends a peaceful and prayerful environment to remember loved ones and to acknowledge Christ's promise of new life after death. Ascension Garden offers a place to continue family traditions or begin new ones.

***Ascension Garden Mausoleum*** includes spaces for both full body entombments and cremation inurnments, offers designated areas honoring saints, and is climate-controlled to allow for comfortable year-round visitation of your loved ones. When visiting, you will notice that this mausoleum is always brimming with natural light. The cedar chapel welcomes you to meditate in prayer.





***St. Francis Green Burial & Butterfly Garden*** offers a peaceful and natural wooded location for those interested in an eco-friendly burial. Hand-built stone walls, walking paths, and beautifully handcrafted benches create a space for quiet reflection. Natural field stones create lasting memorials for your loved ones.

Our special ***garden sections*** offer beautiful landscaping complete with flowering trees and ornamental plantings. Winding walking paths compliment a number of our sections. Families may choose sections that offer flat, slant or upright monuments to meet their personal preferences for memorialization.

## BEGIN A NEW FAMILY TRADITION AT ASCENSION GARDEN



# HAVE YOU PRE-PLANNED YOUR LEGACY?

We encourage everyone to pre-plan their final resting place. This ensures that your end of life wishes are met, your faith is continued in your legacy and offers your family members peace of mind. With care and support in mind, our compassionate Family Service Counselors will assist in finding the best solution for you and your family. We offer a place of integrity and empathy to guide you through this important process.

## BENEFITS OF PRE-PLANNING

- Continues your faith through your legacy
- Provides your family peace of mind
- Ensures your wishes are met
- Eliminates doubt for your family
- Eases financial hardship for loved ones
- Knowledgeable Family Service Counselors make the process easy
- Offering interest free payment plans
- Credit cards accepted



## A VARIETY OF OPTIONS

- In-ground burial
- Above ground options
- Marble, wood crypts
- Exterior columbaria & niches
- Marble, glass, wood niches
- Flowering garden sections
- Green, natural burial
- Veterans & First Responders sections
- Two convenient locations to serve you

## AFTER-CARE SUPPORT

- Monthly Masses of Remembrance
- Live-streamed events available on our website and Facebook account
- Digital Memorial Pages
- Quarterly Newsletters & Email Database
- Locate a Loved One Search Engine
- Fast assistance via social media accounts

Our compassionate Family Service Counselors are here to make the process as simple as possible. Begin your pre-plan journey today.



## OUR INVITATION

For over 150 years, Holy Sepulchre & Ascension Garden Cemeteries has provided the Rochester community a place to reflect. We invite you to sit, pray and meditate in our peaceful mausoleum chapels or to take a walk in the beautiful garden sections. Take in the natural beauty and serene environments. Draw from our rich history, the tradition of Christian burial and the tranquil surroundings that we offer.

We proudly provide a place to remember all of the blessings that God has given us and the opportunity to remember those who have gone before us. To begin your pre-planning journey, call to schedule an appointment with a knowledgeable Family Service Counselor. We are here to make the process easy.

For the most up-to-date information, to view videos of our events or to learn about our current promotions, please visit our calendar of events on our website, or follow us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram.

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