

# St. Thérèse of Lisieux Roman Catholic Church

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*The Catholic Cemetery* is a sacred place - consecrated ground. It holds the physical body – once the temple of the Holy Spirit – until the Lord comes again in glory. Just as the human body deserves to be treated with dignity and respect in life, so should it be treated in death.

*The Catholic Cemetery* offers burial in a place where dignity and respect and the sacredness of life are witnessed to. It is a place where the faithful continue their witness to the entire world of the Good News of Jesus Christ

and the hope we share in resurrection.

*The Catholic Cemetery* offers a place for ritual prayer, such as the Rite of Committal for the dead and the celebration of the Eucharist. It is also a place for private prayer and reflection.



## St. Ignatius Catholic Cemetery

### **Berwick Road**

It is located in a serene area in downtown Sanford, Maine. This unique setting amid the beauty of the woods provides a place of prayer and meditation, reminding families of a life with Christ beyond death.

## Notre Dame Catholic Cemetery

### **Pine Street**

It is located in the village of Springvale. Its location is a setting for quiet prayer and reflection. The faithful visit their deceased relatives and friends in a tranquil setting which is surrounded by God's beauty. Because of our belief in the resurrection of the body, in some shape or form, at the end of time.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q. Does the Catholic religion allow cremation?**

**A. Yes.** It is important to remember that the cremated remains should be treated with the same respect we give to the body of the deceased. The remains are to be placed in a worthy vessel and interred in a grave.

**Q: Can a non-Catholic be interred in a Catholic cemetery?**

**A: Yes,** non-Catholic members of Catholic families are allowed to be buried in the Catholic cemeteries. There are several other circumstances under which a non-Catholic can be buried in one of our Cemeteries.

The Diocese of Portland Maine has developed an End of Life Care packet to assist Catholics and their families. The packet includes information about an Advance Health Care Directive, also known as a Living Will, and about establishing a power of attorney for health care. All the material contained has been reviewed and approved for consistency with Catholic teachings and state laws. Copies can be downloaded from the web address:

[http://www.portlanddiocese.net/info.php?info\\_id=317](http://www.portlanddiocese.net/info.php?info_id=317)

Catholic cemetery managers have long realized an increased interest in genealogy as well as an increase in family or friends trying to locate a long lost loved one. In an effort to make your search easier and more convenient, the Maine Catholic Cemetery Committee, with the support of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, has developed a user friendly database to assist in your search:

[http://www.portlanddiocese.net/genealogy\\_main.php](http://www.portlanddiocese.net/genealogy_main.php).

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