

St. Charles Cemetery

Rules & Regulations

Updated: 2025

1. The following will be allowed to purchase lots in St. Charles Cemetery:
 - a. past and present members of St. Charles Parish
 - b. their immediate relative
 - c. registered members of other Catholic Parishes.
2. After purchasing a lot in St. Charles Cemetery, the cemetery is not responsible to repurchase it at any future time.
3. If you wish to sell your lot to anyone else, you must get approval of the St. Charles Cemetery Committee.
4. A major Spring and Fall clean-up to remove winter blankets and flowers, etc. will be done two weeks before Easter (the Saturday before Palm Sunday) and the last Saturday of October. Grave blankets/winter flowers, etc. are not to be placed on graves until after November 15th. If you wish to keep anything you have put on the gravesite, please remove it before the time of clean-up.
5. No planting by lot owners or digging of any kind on the lot or bordering the foundation with small stones is permitted.
6. Fresh cut flowers, vigil lights, and fresh potted flowers (which must be in above ground containers) are allowed at any time. No more than two items per grave.
7. To reduce cemetery upkeep, all gravesite items should be placed directly on the headstone or in designated holders on the foundation. Ground mounted tripods are prohibited during the mowing season.
8. Cemetery Committee approval is required prior to planting or removing trees and shrubs of any kind.
9. Foundations are to be installed by St. Charles Cemetery personnel only. Anyone wishing a foundation to be installed is to contact the Parish Office either personally or through their monument company.
10. Families must check with the Parish Office before ordering a marker. In the Good Shepherd Section, only markers up to 8 inches maximum height are permitted. These are to be a maximum of 16x40" unless it is a double marker. The footing under the marker will extend four inches out on all sides to protect the marker.
11. All markers are to be at the head (Northwest end) of the grave. The casket will be at the bottom eight feet.
12. One burial marker is permitted per grave, unless the second marker is a ground level government marker, or a ground level marker indicating a cremation urn.
13. Cemetery markers which are stolen or vandalized are not covered by St. Charles Cemetery Insurance. Cemetery markers are considered personal property and should be covered by your personal Homeowners Insurance Policy.
14. Any crumbling or damaged foundations will be repaired by St. Charles Cemetery at their discretion or upon request at no extra cost.
15. In addition to the regular burial, one cremation urn will be allowed to be buried on the lot if space allows.
16. All adult, child, and infant burials require a vault. Cremations will also require a vault if not placed above a full burial vault.
17. Any policy changes will be addressed and enacted by the St. Charles Cemetery Committee.