

**St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church**  
**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**The Day Of**  
*(the Mass of Christian Burial)*

Part	Role Fulfilled By
1. Welcome and Invitation to Song	Cantor (Song Leader)
a. ( <b>Note</b> - if more there will be 2 persons offering a <i>Reflection/Eulogy</i> , the first should be offered at this point, and the second after communion.)	
2. Gathering Song	Cantor (Song Leader)
3. Blessing of Body	Celebrant
Placing of the Funeral Pall	Family
Opening Prayer	Celebrant
4. Scripture Reading	_____
5. Psalm Response (Sung)	Cantor (Song Leader)
6. Scripture Reading	_____
7. Gospel Acclamation	Cantor (Song Leader)
8. Proclamation of the Gospel	Priest or Deacon
9. Homily	Celebrant
10. Intercessory Prayers	_____
11. Presentation of the Gifts	_____
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12. Post-Communion Reflection/Eulogy \_\_\_\_\_

- a. (**Note-** if only 1 person will be offering a *Reflection/Eulogy*, then it should be offered at this point.)

13. Closing Prayer Celebrant

14. Final Commendation and Farewell Celebrant

15. Blessing Celebrant

16. Closing Song Cantor (Song Leader)

**(Please Note-** the blanks to the right above signify the roles that family members are asked to select. Once these persons have been selected, please enter their name in the corresponding blank.)

**Other Notes-**

1. **Regarding Presentation of the Gifts (Offertory)-** at least 2 are needed, however, more than 2 can be invited to walk with the gift-bearers.
2. **Regarding Ministers of Communion-** if offering the Precious Blood (Cup), then the family is asked to provide 3 ministers other than the celebrant. These ministers should be currently serving (or have served) as a minister of communion in their parish.
3. **Regarding the Reflection/Eulogy-** if the family would like to ask that more than 1 person speak, it is requested that there be no more than 2 to do so. If 2 will speak, 1 will speak prior to the start of Mass and the second after communion. If only 1 will speak, they will be asked to do so immediately following communion.
4. **Regarding Music-** please follow the instructions contained in the Funeral Planning Guide offered by the parish. If the family requests someone in particular to lead the music for either the Vigil Service or the Funeral itself, please contact **Mrs. Peggy Villavaso** in our parish office at 225-766-2431.