

St. Michael the Archangel Parish Columbarium Niche-Mounted Vase Policy:

To provide parishioners and loved ones a way to leave memorials for those who have been inurned in the St. Michael Columbarium, brass "bud vases" are available for purchase. The price for the vases will be contingent upon the purchase price plus any administrative charges and is subject to increase as determined appropriate by the St. Michael Columbarium Committee.

To ensure the dignity of the columbarium area is maintained, the following guidelines have been put in place. In all cases, final decisions regarding anything related to the Columbarium property will be made by St. Michael the Archangel Parish Columbarium Committee under the direction of the St. Michael the Archangel Parish Pastor.

Only the owner (or designee) of a designated niche can approve the purchase and mounting of a vase.

Vase Guidelines:

- All vases will be mounted in a set location of the appropriate niche cover plate. No vase will be
 permitted to be mounted in cases where engraving will be covered by the vase mount. If in the event
 after purchase, it is discovered the vase obscures any engraving, the purchaser will be notified, and an
 appropriate refund will be made.
- All vases will be attached by St. Michael the Archangel staff or columbarium representative.
- Nothing placed in a vase can impede, cover, or block any writing on an adjacent niche.
- Once purchased and mounted, the vase and its holder are owned by the purchaser. Should any vase be damaged, stolen, et., the purchaser will be responsible for replacing the vase, if desired.
- Anything placed in a vase will be the responsibility of purchaser or designee.
- St. Michael Columbarium committee reserves the right to remove live plant material that are wilted or have died. Further, items placed that are deemed inappropriate or unacceptable will be removed and discarded by the St. Michael Columbarium Ministry.

Examples of Inappropriate or unacceptable items:

- Any live or artificial flowers or plants that obstruct an adjacent niche.
- Any glass, wax candles, or stuffed animals/objects.
- Any liquids or food items.
- Any smoking paraphernalia such as cigars, cigarettes, pipes, etc.
- Any paper, cardboard, or similar material that will be destroyed when wet.

Name(s) on Niche:	Niche Number:
By signing below, I acknowledge that I understand and will comply with the guidelines listed above.	
Owner/Designee:	Date:
St. Michael the Archangel Columbarium Representative:	Date:

Columbarium Memorial Vase Guidelines 1/29/2025