

Procedure for Internment of Ashes in St Matthew & St Oswald's Memorial Garden

1. Arrangements

We advise that requests for internment should be made through a funeral director. However, if a family simply want to change the stone, we can deal with them directly.

Plots cannot be reserved, but most plots are double depth and can receive a second urn in the future.

The internment will take place at a time agreed with the Vicar. Anyone else taking the service must be approved by the Vicar.

The Funeral director will deliver the ashes to the Church Office no later than the Thursday before the Internment or on some occasions, the family will bring the ashes themselves on the day of the internment. A copy of the certificate of cremation is required.

Before the internment service starts, a verger will lift the selected stone and have a bucket of sand available for packing the Urn after the internment.

2. Dimensions of Urn

The pipe under the stone has an internal diameter of 9" (225mm). The double plots have a depth of 18" (460mm).

A suitable urn for the ashes in a double plot must conform to the following maximum dimensions: 8½" (215mm) diameter and 8" (205mm) tall.

If it is an internment in a single plot, the maximum diameter is the same at 8½" (215mm), but it may be up to 10" (255mm) tall. Your funeral director can usually help with finding a suitable urn.

We keep a small stock of Rosewood box caskets for cremated remains which we can sell at £50 each. They have 200 cubic inch capacity which makes them suitable for people who were up to about 15 stones in weight.

3. Plaques

The existing concrete hexagonal stone is free. Any suitable replacement stone with an inscription is provided at the cost of the family concerned and should be arranged by their funeral director.

A replacement stone and inscription, or an addition to an existing stone, must be approved by the Vicar before it is made.

Any replacement stone takes the form of a hexagon measuring 12" (308mm) across flats and 2" (50mm) thick.

4. Costs as of 1 January 2022

Burial of remains	£172.00
Preparation of plot	£ 36.00
Allowing agreed plaque	<u>£ 79.00</u>
	£287.00

If a partner/mother/father/relative is already interred in a plot, the cost for the second interment of ashes in the same plot will not incur the cost for allowing the plaque. The Vicar will however still need any wording or style changes on any new stone and any changes or additions will incur a further £31. Therefore, the cost in this case would be £239.00.

If a plaque is simply to be replaced by a new one with no changes, the wording and style of the new plaque will still have to be agreed by the Vicar at a cost of £79.00.

5. Upkeep

Any pots for flowers must not encroach on any other Family's plots.

Any flowers placed on the plot stone must be cleared away when they are dead and any imitation flowers will be cleared away when they are damaged by the weather.

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