

Resting Place



A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Family to start new tradition at Holy Cross

The Tavernese family of Brantford has close ties to the local Catholic cemeteries. The historic St. Joseph Cemetery in Brantford is the resting place of Antonio (Tony) Tavernese, who died unexpectedly in his 30s, his parents Giovanni (John) and Giovannina, and several aunts and uncles.

Now Tony's surviving siblings – Sam, Lucy and Luigi – are planning to move their brother and parents to the mausoleum at the newer Holy Cross Cemetery on Governor's Road after it undergoes an expansion, scheduled to start this year. They envision an enclosed area within the mausoleum with approximately 15 crypts for family members.

"We want to support the Catholic cemeteries and demonstrate our commitment to the community by starting a new tradition at Holy Cross," says Sam Tavernese.

"There will be room for future generations of our family to be together."



L-R: Luigi Tavernese, Sam Tavernese, Cemeteries director John O'Brien, Lucy Bulmer and Holy Cross cemeriterian Bill Templeton look over drawings of the mausoleum expansion.

Brantford and Guelph mausolea to expand

Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum, Holy Cross Cemetery (Brantford)

Drawings for the expansion, including the Tavernese family area, are being finalized with architect John Grguric. From there, the Site Plan Application will be made with Brant County. It's expected that ground-breaking will take place by late summer.

Our Lady Immaculate Mausoleum, Marymount Cemetery (Guelph)

Documents are being finalized for the Site Plan Application with architect Martin Frenette. The application will go to the Township of Guelph-Eramosa. It's expected that ground-breaking will take place by late summer.



New web site!

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In the news

The striking new mausoleum at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery was featured in American Cemetery magazine's winter 2013 issue.

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– Monsignor Sheridan, VG

June 1 • Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington

– Bishop Crosby

June 8 • Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery, Stoney Creek

– Bishop Tonnos

June 8 • St. Joseph Cemetery, Brantford

– Bishop Crosby

June 15 • Resurrection Cemetery, Ancaster

– Bishop Crosby

June 22 • Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Burlington

– Bishop Tonnos

June 22 • Marymount Cemetery, Guelph

– Bishop Ustrzycki



Our Lady of Hope Mausoleum, Ancaster

What families wanted in 2012

Bill Templeton, Holy Cross Cemetery and Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum, and St. Joseph Cemetery, Brantford

"I found that people were more likely to want a whole package of services when they came in to pre-arrange. They are paying in advance for the lot, opening and closing of the grave and the outer container, rather than just the lot."

Alice Puma, Resurrection Cemetery and Our Lady of Hope Mausoleum, Ancaster

"The new mausoleum was the focus here. It opened June 1, and in just seven months it accounted for 23 per cent of the year's activity."

John Foster, Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington

"Families are really embracing the glass-front cremation niches instead of the traditional marble- or granite-front niches. You can see the urn, which can be engraved with the person's name, and families are able to personalize it with photos or small keepsake items."

Angela Schon, Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery and Mausoleum, Stoney Creek

"I saw strong interest in cremation niches inside the mausoleum, especially among younger people. If the parents are already here, in a crypt, their children often pre-purchase cremation niches for themselves nearby."

John Perrotta, Holy Redeemer Cemetery, Georgetown

"This is a brand new cemetery and of the approximately 25 pre-arranged lots sold so far, almost everyone has purchased all the services associated with burial. Many also purchased the headstone in advance."



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