St Michael's Columbarium

A columbarium is a place for the respectful burial of cinerary urns (urns holding a deceased's cremated remains). The word comes from the Latin name for the compartmentalized housing of doves (*columba*), which Christians believe is the symbol of the Holy Spirit.

St. Michael's columbarium was designed by Stephen F. Byrns of Byrns, Kendall & Schieferdecker. Built in 1989, the architects carefully integrated the columbarium into the overall restoration of the church's interiors begun in 1990. Symbolically located adjacent to the baptismal font, it serves as an appropriate and meaningful memorial to parishioners, friends and neighbors. It was designed to enhance the beauty and integrity of the sanctuary. This sacred place in the church contains 504 niche (urn) spaces for burials.

Why Purchase a Columbarium Niche?

- It allows you to establish final plans for yourself.
- It allows you to establish final plans for your family.
- Columbarium niches conserve land and are a green alternative.

Why Choose Cremation Burial Over Traditional Burial?

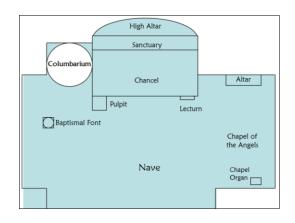
- Cremation is more affordable.
- Urns can be transported over state lines and through the US Mail.

Why Purchase a Columbarium Niche Rather Than Scattering the Ashes?

- It creates a permanent memorial.
- It offers loved ones a place to visit and be comforted.

Why Purchase a Columbarium Niche Now?

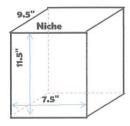
- It ensures that a niche is available for you.
- It ensures that your wishes can be fulfilled.
- It avoids a burden on your loved ones.
- It ensures that you rest in an environment that you choose.
- It allows you to select the niche location that you prefer.
- It allows you to purchase additional niches for family members.



St. Michael's Columbarium Pricing

		Non-
	Parishioners	Parishioners
Niche	\$1,800	\$2,000
Opening	\$400	\$500
Total	\$2,200	2,500

Urns and inscription available at an additional cost at time of inurnment.



For more information or to purchase a niche, please contact Galina Koubassova, *Director of Finance*, at (212) 222-2700 or galina@saintmichaelschurch.org.

Why Purchase a Columbarium Niche at St. Michael's?

- It is a final resting place that has meaning to you.
- It is a location that will comfort your loved ones.
- It is an environment that will be well maintained.
- It represents your membership in this church community.
- It is a reminder of your legacy in the church.



The Columbarium is located at the front of the church chancel near the pulpit and baptismal font (outlined in white above).

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

The mission of St. Michael's Church is to witness through its worship, ministries and community activities to the spirit, teachings and love of Christ; to offer strength and love to each other; and to reach out to draw others into our diverse parish family.

Weekly Worship Schedule

Sunday: Holy Eucharist, 7:45 am, 10:00 am, 6:00 pm

Weekdays: Morning Prayer

Wednesdays: Morning Prayer and and Feast Days: Eucharist, 7:45 am

Saturday: Morning Prayer, 9:00 am (and at this time on all weekday Federal holidays)

Church doors open half an hour prior to each service.

The Church is also open for prayer and reflection from 11:00 am-2:00 pm Monday through Friday.

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"Yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia."

> —from "The Burial Office" The Book of Common Prayer



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