



*Grant, O Lord,*

*to all who are  
bereaved the spirit of  
courage, that they  
may have the strength  
to meet the day to  
come with  
steadfastness and  
patience; not  
sorrowing without  
hope, but in  
remembrance of your  
great goodness, and in  
the expectation of  
eternal life with those  
they love.*

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Diocese of Erie

## *Bereavement Ministry*

*Catholic Charities*  
*Parish Social Ministry/  
Respect Life*

*Offering  
Hope and  
Compassion*



"... BLESSED ARE  
THOSE WHO ..."

## *Bereavement Ministry*

*As Christians, we are called to reach out to others.*

*The faith community of a parish has the opportunity to care for those who are grieving by offering prayer, support, and assistance.*

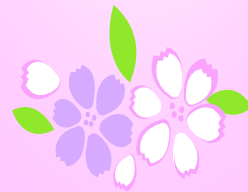
*Bereavement Ministry may vary from parish to parish, but the goal is always the same:*

*Care for those who are grieving by offering hope and compassion.*

## *Parish Bereavement Services*

*Parish bereavement services may involve some or all of the following:*

- ♥ Liturgy Planning*
- ♥ Funeral Home Visits*
- ♥ Funeral Dinners*
- ♥ House Sitting*
- ♥ Transportation*
- ♥ Memorial Boards*
- ♥ Memorial Mass*
- ♥ Sympathy Cards*
- ♥ Phone Calls and Visits*
- ♥ Support Groups*



*The Office of Parish Social Ministry/Respect Life will provide:*

*Consultation*

*Training*

*Education*

*Presentations*

*Resources*

*Support*

*for parishes wishing to establish, or add to, their bereavement services.*

*Learn more about how you can reach out to those in their special time of need.*

*Services are provided by Catholic Charities at no cost to the parish.*