



St. Emilie Catholic Church Canning Vale Parish

What is a Columbarium?

A Columbarium is a permanent construction composed of a collection of niches to contain the cremated ashes of a human person. It is a sacred place on Parish property where we show respect to the deceased.

The Columbarium affords members of the Parish community and their families the opportunity to select a final resting place within the environs of the Parish which has been central to their lives.

Eligibility

The Columbarium will be primarily reserved for Catholics, parishioners of St. Emilie and their immediate family. Family members may be non-Catholics. The Parish Priest has the authority to determine who can be interred in a niche.

Allocation

There are 3 Columbarium walls named after various saints. You may choose which wall and niche you prefer for interment from the diagram at the Parish Office.

Interment of Ashes

The ashes will be interred in the container as received from the Metropolitan Crematorium. Each container will hold only the ashes of one person and no other object may be placed in the niche with the container.

The plaque and engraving will be arranged by the Parish. The wording approved by the Parish Priest can be either one of the following 2:

<u>Version A</u>	<u>Version B</u>
In loving memory of	In loving memory of
-- Name --	-- Name --
-- Dates --	-- Dates --
Husband/Wife of xx	Rest in Peace
Father/Mother of xx	

Fees

The fees are \$1,000 for a niche.

Plus \$500 for the plaque and for maintenance, etc.

All fees are inclusive of GST and are subject to change without notice.

Niches can be purchased/reserved in advance. When reserving a niche – only the \$1,000 fee is payable. The costs of the plaque and maintenance will be paid at the rate current at the time of interment.

Payment by direct transfer to the Parish Account

BSB 086-006 Account 336 165 554. Please reference with '*Niche / your name*'.

The niche fee is non-refundable but may be transferred to another person as approved by the Parish Priest. The niche fee will be a once only payment.

Please remember to make a donation to the Priest for the religious interment ceremony.

Uniformity of Appearance

To ensure uniformity of appearance no embellishments or projections e.g. flowers, vases, photographs, medals etc. are to be affixed to or hung from the niche plaques.

Access to the Columbarium

Parishioners and their families and visitors are welcome to visit at the Columbarium anytime during the day whilst access to the Church grounds is available. Please be respectful of anyone who may be reflecting or praying there.

Damage, Loss or Theft

The Parish is not responsible for any damage to or deterioration, loss or theft of ashes or the plaque.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
And may perpetual light shine upon them.*

*May the souls of the faithful departed
through the mercy of God
rest in peace. Amen*