

NEW: MY FUNERAL MASS INSTRUCTIONS and Pastoral Care of the Sick Document



The Pastoral Care Project and Redemptorist Publications partnership have revised '**My Funeral Mass Instructions**' document, giving special attention to Pastoral Care of the Sick and the Dying section in line with the healthcare ReSPECT Form.

Generous discounts are offered to parishes and healthcare providers for bulk orders, please click the link to order: <https://www.rpbooks.co.uk/my-funeral-mass-instructions>

It is also available for individuals to buy copies for themselves and their families.

Follow the link for notice board flyers or upload to website or social media.

[My Funeral Mass Instructions Document Flyer](#) [Funeral Resources rpbooks](#)

How do we ensure everyone has access to the My Funeral Mass and Care of the Sick/Dying Document, and at the same time are able to fill it in?

Including a permanent notice in the newsletter and website would help. Please feel free to copy and paste any of the text you wish. Could consideration be given to providing a visiting service specific to this need? It is more than attending to a form filling task, important as that is, especially where an individual may have physical or sensory difficulties, it is also a time for sharing the faith together. This may bring about a sense of reassurance, comfort and hope.

The visit can be concluded by saying together the prayer in the 'Document' by Saint John Henry Newman, 'May the Lord Support Us All the Day Long' or one of the prayers from the new Dementia *family* Prayer card prayers: 'Anointed by the Holy Spirit' by Archbishop Bernard Longley or 'Dementia Family Prayer' by Bishop David McGough.

Additional resources to assist include videos by the late Monsignor Paul Watson <https://www.pastoralcareproject.org.uk/videos.html>

The Pastoral Care Project's charitable work benefits from the sale of My Funeral Mass Instructions Document and the Dementia *family* Prayer card.

Brief History: The Pastoral Care Project experienced this firsthand from visiting care homes residents who wanted to talk about their funeral, this included people suffering with dementia. They shared their anxiety with us, not knowing what was going to happen to them when they died - there was no one with whom they could discuss this.

We felt we had to respond, and in 1999 designed an end of life care and funeral wishes form for care homes. It has come a long way since then: producing a parish and then diocesan version. In 2012 it was approved by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales and launched by Bishop David McGough [Press Release](#) for wider distribution. This can be achieved though the partnership with Redemptorist Publications.