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### **Allouez Catholic Cemetery to host All Souls Remembrance Program, no-cost cremated remains interment**

GREEN BAY, Wis. (Dec. 4, 2017) – The Diocese of Green Bay's Office of Divine Worship and Allouez Catholic Cemetery & Chapel Mausoleum are excited to announce an All Souls Remembrance Program, a free-of-charge opportunity for anyone who has cremated remains at home or is considering scattering, to inter them in a communal All Souls Remembrance Crypt with a special celebration of the Rite of Committal at the Chapel Mausoleum on Saturday, December 9, 2017, at 11 a.m. with the Most Rev. David L. Ricken, Bishop of Green Bay.

The Catholic Church has accepted cremation for over fifty years and expresses that, as with a body of the deceased, "the ashes of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place, that is, in a cemetery or, in certain cases, in a church or an area, which has been set aside for this purpose" (Instruction *Ad resurgendum cum Christo*, 5).

This program, with the celebration of an annual Rite of Committal prepared for by the Diocese, will provide the opportunity for anyone, of any faith, the dignified committal and interment of their loved one's cremated remains in fulfilling this corporal work of mercy.

Those wishing to take part in this program may contact the Allouez Catholic Cemetery at (920) 432-7585 to RSVP for this opportunity. An Interment Authorization Form will need to be completed by Thursday, December 7, and may be accessed by visiting [www.gbdioc.org/departments/divine-worship.html](http://www.gbdioc.org/departments/divine-worship.html). Please note the Allouez Catholic Cemetery & Chapel Mausoleum office will be closed on Friday, December 8, in observance of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

Allouez Catholic Cemetery opened in 1822 as Shantytown Cemetery and is among the oldest cemeteries in Green Bay and the state of Wisconsin. The 65-acre cemetery includes a 60,000-square-foot mausoleum and Wall of Honor for military veterans and their spouses. Among the 32,000 interments/entombments are former Green Bay Packers Curly Lambeau, Tony Canadeo, and Dale Livingston, a Postmaster General, and Congressional Medal of Honor recipient. Allouez Cemetery is open to persons of all beliefs. To learn more, please visit [www.gbdioc.org/allouez-catholic-cemetery.html](http://www.gbdioc.org/allouez-catholic-cemetery.html).

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