

The Corporal Works of Mercy

Bury the Dead

Food for Thought

“For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him [on] the last day.”

– *The Gospel of John 6:40*

Daily Life

- Join Resurrection Parish’s Funeral Reception Ministry. Call the Parish office to learn more – 707-544-7272
- Offer prayers for those members of our parish community who have recently died, and for their families who mourn them.
- Send cards and/or flowers to a grieving family; offer food or other assistance in their grief.
- Visit gravesites of loved ones to pray.

For Further Consideration

YouTube video of Kerry Weber discussing this Corporal Work of Mercy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aaAg5D2yiQQ>

Article from The Arkansas Catholic: [Seventh corporal work of mercy: Bury the dead](https://www.arkansas-catholic.org/news/article/4699/Seventh-corporal-work-of-mercy-Bury-the-dead) by Daniel S. Mulhall , found at <https://www.arkansas-catholic.org/news/article/4699/Seventh-corporal-work-of-mercy-Bury-the-dead>

Article from Catholic Link: [Why do Catholics Bury their Dead?](https://catholic-link.org/why-do-catholics-bury-their-dead/) By Sebastian Campos, found at <https://catholic-link.org/why-do-catholics-bury-their-dead/>

Questions to Contemplate

Read [Mercy in the City](#) by Kerry Weber

In what ways are we “dead” to the teachings of Jesus?

It is not easy to think about or talk about death. How can we remember those in our lives who have died, and find ways to make talking about death easier?

- (Chapter 23): Kerry feels very self-conscious about so publicly displaying her faith when she carries the cross for one of the stations. How do you feel when called to show that you are a Christian?
- (Chapter 24): Do you remember your first encounter with death? How do you feel about that experience?
- (Chapter 25): At one point, Kerry compares the Catholic Church to a “huge, crazy, dysfunctional family.” Do you think this is a fair comparison? Why or why not?
- (Chapter 25): During the Easter Vigil, Kerry remembers Vigils from her past. Do you have any special memories of Easter Vigils from previous years?