



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF LONG ISLAND

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NEXT CEMETERY CLEANUP BEGINS APRIL 13TH

The cemetery's rules and regulations play an important part in the beautification and preservation of the sacred resting place of the faithful departed. They are intended not as restraining, but rather as defining an orderly plan of operation, care, and permanent maintenance. These rules are posted on our website and are available at our cemetery offices for reference.

Cemetery staff will begin our next cleanup on **Monday, April 13th**. Please see below for details. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in following the cemetery rules and regulations.



APRIL 2026 CEMETERY CLEANUP DETAILS

- In addition to removing all Easter decorations, **any items not permitted per the cemetery's rules and regulations are subject to removal.**
- **Artificial flowers will be removed from gravesites and mausoleum flower tables at this time.** As a reminder, artificial flowers are only permitted from November 1st until one week after Easter.
 - ◇ *Note: Artificial flowers **will not be removed at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery**. Artificial flowers are permitted year-round at Holy Sepulchre **only** due to the cemetery's deer population.*
- As a reminder, the **only items permitted** on graves all year round are **flowers, flags and flush in-ground bouquet holders** as specified in the cemetery regulations. **No other items are permitted and may be removed and discarded at any time;** this includes but is **not limited to** statues, plaques, rocks, pictures/photographs, solar lights, edging/borders, and bric-a-brac.
- **Due to the volume of items being removed during cemetery cleanups, it is not possible to make arrangements to have families claim items once they have been removed.** Families are requested to remove any placed items that they wish to save **by Sunday, April 12, 2026**. We kindly ask that families refrain from placing prohibited items back on graves after the cleanup is completed.

Please keep in mind that separate from the cleanup schedule, **violations may be removed at any time without notice**, especially if the items are a safety hazard or they interfere with cemetery work.

Please visit CCLongIsland.org or **scan the QR Code** to review our **decoration cleanup schedule** and other helpful resources, including a **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)** document on the cemetery's rules and regulations.



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