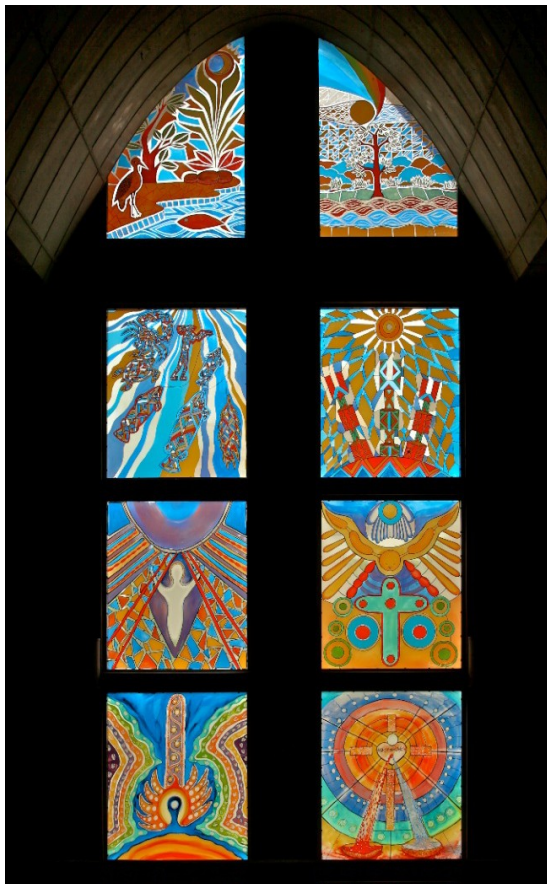




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Columbarium Walls

A Columbarium is a place for the respectful storage of cinerary urns (i.e. urns holding a deceased person's cremated remains). The term comes from the Latin 'Columba' (dove) and originally referred to compartmentalized housing for doves. Doves are often seen as a symbol of the Holy Spirit.

The Diocese of Darwin has erected a Columbarium adjacent to the Cathedral in response to parishioners' requests that such a place of respectful and peaceful immurement of remains be available for parishioners and loved ones.

It is the desire of the Diocese that this facility be made available in perpetuity in the grounds of the Cathedral so that the memories of deceased parishioners will be preserved and remain part of our whole Catholic community - the faithful on earth, the faithful departed and the saints in heaven.

The Columbarium is situated at the eastern end of the Cathedral which is located on Smith Street, Darwin. There are two walls each containing 45 niches individually numbered.

Parishioners may wish to organize the reservation of a niche prior to the time of a funeral. We can assist in this regard by advising availability of niches even many years in advance.

The cremated remains will be immured in one of the Memorial Walls. A stainless steel plaque (225mm x 185mm) will record the details of the deceased.

The plaques placed on the Columbarium walls shall in every case be supplied and affixed in position by the Catholic Diocese of Darwin. The cost of the plaque and installation is in addition to the fees outlined and is payable at the time of installation. Plaques once fixed into position are unable to be removed. The plaques take approximately four weeks for completion and placement.

A detailed policy and agreement outlining terms and conditions is available upon request from the Diocesan Office.

Arrangements for the use of the facility are to be made by contacting the Diocesan Office (08 8942 6000).



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These fees include the care, maintenance and administration of the Columbarium Walls.

The cost of the plaque and installation is not included in these fees but will be payable at the current market price at the time of installation.

1. Immurement of cremated remains
\$1200 + Plaque.
2. Reservation in the case of spouse/partner or family member
\$1200

The reservation fee will be accepted as the full cost of the Immurement.

The cost of the plaque will be at current market price.

The fees are subject to review from time to time.