

## Eulogy Guidelines:

**Eulogies are STRONGLY DISCOURAGED at the Funeral Mass. Instead, it is STRONGLY RECOMMENDED that Eulogies take place during the wake service the night before the Mass, or at a reception following the Burial.**

*IF* a Eulogy is to be given at the Funeral Mass:

- 1) The person presenting it **must get approval from a priest at St. Rose of Lima; call the Rectory to speak with a priest.**
- 2) The subject matter should be the **Faith Life of the Deceased\***.
- 3) **There can be only one reflection\*\* at the Funeral Mass.**
- 4) It should last no longer than **two to three minutes.**
- 5) It should be written.

Please adhere to these limits as there may be another funeral or church event scheduled immediately following your service.

*Thank you for your cooperation.*

\* If this reflection is given within the context of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass the subject matter should be “*The Faith Life of the Deceased.*” The Faith Life of the Deceased is a reflection on how the Deceased was close to God and his/her ability to bring others closer to God. How this person was generous or compassionate or prayerful is to be the focus of the Church Eulogy.

\*\* **Other types of remembrances, such as amusing stories from the person’s life, are best given at the Prayer Service during the Wake or at the gathering following the Funeral Mass and Burial.**