



### **Funeral Arrangements**

Arranging a funeral is a busy and confusing task, especially when dealing with the grief of losing a loved one. I should like to clarify the situation regarding clerical fees in order to save uncertainty or embarrassment.

The local tradition in Vaud and Geneva is for the family to offer a donation to a minister for her or his church, in recognition of services rendered. The figure offered varies from family to family and this is kept a private matter. The donation will be added into the church funds as La Côte Church is entirely self-funding and relies on the generous gifts, regular giving and donations from its members and friends.

If you are unfamiliar with this practise and therefore uncertain what might be a reasonable fee, here are guidelines on costs and payments that have been drawn up by local funeral directors and clergy of Holy Trinity and La Côte Church.

#### **Guidelines for funeral donations:**

Donation for the ceremony CHF 500 minimum

Office expenses CHF50

Organist Fee CHF 250 (if you require a soloist 100CHF and choir TBC)

N.B. Printing of the service sheet may be billed directly to the family by the funeral parlor.

#### **For a Funeral elsewhere in the La Côte area:**

Donation for the ceremony CHF 500 minimum

Minister's travel and other expenses as incurred

Office expenses CHF 50

N.B. Printing of the service sheet may be billed directly to the family by the funeral parlor.

#### **Timing of payments and donations**

The fees for the organist, choir & musicians (if using) are payable before the service date (payment details to be sent to you directly by the organist and/or musicians).

The donation for La Côte Anglican Church is payable within 30 days of the service date (payment details below)

In addition to the fees mentioned La Cote Church encourages a donation for the upkeep of our Ministry and administration expenses.

I hope that this clarifies our normal practice and allows you to make arrangements with the minimum of embarrassment and maximum of clarity.

Payment details are as follows:

Bank: UBS Nyon 1260

IBAN: CH42 0022 8228 5504 9740 H

Beneficiary: La Côte Anglican Church Development Association, 1267 Coinsins

BIC: UBSWCHZH80A

Or here is a QR code:



With assurance of our prayers for you at this difficult time, and if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to be in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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