

Parish of BALLISODARE
Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh
GRAVEYARD POLICY

1. Before any burial takes place permission must be sought from the rector and the churchwardens.
2. There is no pre-booking of grave plots.
3. The place of burial in the graveyard is entirely at the discretion of the rector and the churchwardens.
4. Those from other parishes who have never been parishioners and who are not regular subscribers to HOLY TRINITY CHURCH funds are requested to pay full fees in consideration of permission for burial in a grave plot.
5. Former subscribing parishioners who have left the parish for more than ten years and who are no longer subscribing to HOLY TRINITY CHURCH funds are charged 50% of the current rate for new grave plots.
6. There is a reopening fee for a grave plot that was never paid for by those from other parishes.
7. The scale of fees in relation to grave plots is available on request from the Rector and churchwardens.
8. Permission must be obtained from the rector and churchwardens before a headstone is erected or any alterations are made to an existing grave or headstone. Any wording or images on these must be approved the Rector and churchwardens. Monuments must be in keeping with existing memorials present in the graveyard.
9. There should be no planting of any growth other than grass on a grave i.e. no flowers, no shrubs. No ornaments or artificial wreaths of any kind may be erected or left on the grave.
10. It is a requirement that all waste (old flowers, wreaths, plant pots etc.) is removed from the graveyard by those tending the grave.