



CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

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Many of you are asking about a funeral for Father Dunkerley. I join you in feeling unsettled about still having no plan as of today, two weeks after his death. I'm familiar enough, however, with an array of factors, including some confidential information, that I can give you the following assurances. 1 - A number of concerned and capable clergy and laypersons are collaborating to move things forward. 2 - Nothing nefarious is involved. Factors contributing to the delay are mainly legal and include normal complications arising from having family in another country-in this case, Father D's four surviving siblings in England. 3 - Father's partner Sal Martinez is receiving good pastoral support, but I imagine he'd be heartened to receive cards that can be mailed to Father D's address in our parish directory. 4 - We'll use our parish newsletter mailing list to let you know when funeral plans are definite.

