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By means of the funeral rites it has been the practice of the Church not simply to commend the dead to God but also to raise high the hope of its children and to give witness to its own faith in the future resurrection of the baptized with Christ.

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