Eulogy Policy, Archdiocese of Newark

According to the *Order of Christian Funerals*, "A brief homily based on the readings is always given after the gospel reading at the funeral liturgy and may also be given after the readings at the vigil service; <u>but there is never to be a eulogy</u>." (OCF, 27)

In the Archdiocese of Newark, no eulogies are to take place within the context of any of the funeral liturgies including the vigil service, funeral Mass or the rite of committal.

Eulogies may be delivered during the time of visitation outside of the vigil service itself or at the cemetery following the rite of committal.

In a case of extraordinary pastoral need, a eulogy may be delivered in the church ten minutes prior to the funeral liturgy.