SACRAMENTAL ASSISTANCE 2023-2024

Mass/Reconciliation Help-Out Fees

The following schedule applies to non-parochial priests and priest celebrants who help in the parishes and institutions of the Diocese.

Weekend & Holy Days:	One Mass	\$ 70	+ mileage (at current IRS rate)
	Two Masses	\$100	+ mileage
	Three Masses	\$135	+ mileage
	Four Masses	\$175	+ mileage
	Confessions	\$ 20	+ mileage
	Penance Service with Confessions (1 hr.)	\$ 35	+ mileage
Weekday:	One Mass	\$ 30	+ mileage

- Under this schedule, **the Mass stipend remains with the parish where the Mass was celebrated**. The payment schedule above reflects that change.
- If the same priest presides at both the Saturday and Sunday Masses, calculate the fee for the total number of Masses for the weekend, (e.g., 1 Saturday, 2 Sunday, the fee would be \$135 not \$70 for Saturday and \$100 for Sunday).
- If the priest comes for Confessions before Mass, the \$20 fee is added.
- If the priest does not stay overnight for the weekend Masses, mileage should be paid for both Saturday and Sunday.
- If a senior priest is offering the Mass, the check should be made payable to the senior priest.
- Senior priests receiving help-out fees will need to complete W-9s for the parish that is paying the fees. Senior priests may receive a 1099 from the parish paying the fees if they receive more than \$600 in a calendar year.
- Mileage from January 1, 2023, is paid at \$.655 per mile. Mileage is not included on the 1099 for help-out fees and is not included in the calculation for the \$600 amount earned for help-out fees in the year.
- If a priest who receives a salary is offering the Mass, the check for help-out fee and mileage is to be made payable to the institution (parish, religious order or diocese) that employs the priest. The priest recoups the mileage reimbursement from the institution that employs him. (cf. Car Allowance, Method A or B, p. 3) Parishes receiving help-out fees will need to complete W-9s for the parish that is paying the fees.

Other Sacraments - Help-Out Fees (given to deacon, senior priest, or priest's employer) Baptism within Mass – no additional fee beyond Mass help-out fee (see above) Baptism outside of Mass at a special time - \$30 plus mileage Funeral (if requested by pastor or pastoral leader) - \$50 plus mileage Wedding (if requested by pastor or pastoral leader) - \$50 plus mileage Normally, if a family requests a priest or deacon other than one assigned to the parish for a wedding or funeral, the family, rather than the parish, would compensate the priest or deacon.

Offerings on the Occasion of the Celebration of a Sacrament (given to the parish)

These maximum amounts are set by Wisconsin Catholic Conference. No one should be denied a sacrament because the person fails to make an offering.

Mass Intention	\$10	Baptism \$10
Funeral	\$50	Wedding\$75

Extra Mass Stipend for Senior Priests

Parishes with extra stipends for Masses are encouraged to send them for senior priests. Send to: Mass Stipends, c/o Fr. Kyle Sladek, PO Box 273, Redgranite, WI 54970-0273, for those senior priests who need extra income benefit from this sacramental ministry. Checks may be made payable to the Leo Benevolent Association.