



THE CHANCELLERY  
*of the*  
ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Brother Priests and Parish Bookkeepers

From: Father LaMorte

Date: December 9, 2022

Subject: Monthly Compensation Plan for Priests [Calendar Year 2023]

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Almost every year since 2010, His Eminence has amended the base stipend for his priests with a cost-of-living increase of one, two or three percent. This has always been understood not to be a raise, but rather an attempt to reach parity with the priests of neighboring dioceses. We have been grateful to him for this initiative.

Cardinal Dolan has allowed me to deliver the good news that he has approved a three percent cost of living adjustment for the coming calendar year, effective January 1, 2023.

The chart below reflects the new monthly benefits for 2023 with 3% added, rounded up or down, according to each category of ordination. Kindly share this communication with your parish bookkeeper or accountant.

<i>CATEGORY</i>	<i>YEARS ORDAINED</i>	<i>BASE</i>	<i>13<sup>TH</sup> MONTH</i>	<i>TRANSPORTATION</i>
A	1 to 5	\$2,764	\$230	\$180 (Car)/\$130 (No Car)
B	6 to 15	\$2,796	\$233	\$180 (Car)/\$130 (No Car)
C	16 to 24	\$2,828	\$236	\$180 (Car)/\$130 (No Car)
D	25 or more	\$2,860	\$238	\$180 (Car)/\$130 (No Car)
E	Pastor/Administrator	\$3,090	\$258	\$180 (Car)/\$130 (No Car)

**PERQUISITES** in the compensation package such as disbursements for continuing education (\$600 per annum payable directly to the institution), retreat (\$600 per annum payable directly to the institution), domicilium (\$600 per month payable to the parish or institution), transportation allowance, and Mass stipends for announced (\$15) and unannounced (\$5) remain unchanged.

**AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE MONTHLY ALLOWANCE** Priests who use a car for pastoral duties will receive 70% of the premium for the modified basic mandated New York State insurance. Estimated reimbursements for 2023 are listed here and remain unchanged.

<i>COUNTY</i>	<i>MONTHLY ALLOWANCE</i>
Bronx	\$237.00
Dutchess	\$124.00
Manhattan	\$166.00
Orange	\$122.00
Putnam	\$143.00
Rockland	\$128.00
Staten Island	\$237.00
Sullivan	\$140.00
Ulster	\$118.00
Westchester Lower	\$124.00
Westchester Upper	\$123.00

**ASSISTING PRIESTS** These days, pastors are relying more and more on the support of supply priests to help them with the celebration of the sacraments. For your awareness, in addition to the \$15 Mass intention offering made by the donor, the Mass fee refers to the amount given by a parish for the sustenance of non-assigned priests who assist on Sundays, weekdays, or emergencies by celebrating Mass, hearing confessions, or other services rendered. Factors, including transportation are to be considered in setting this rate. The standard range for Mass throughout the archdioceses appears to be between \$75-\$100 plus compensation for traveling distance. Also, if the pastor does not satisfy the *pro polulo* obligation himself, *in iustitia*, he is to tender the stipend of \$15 to the visiting priest or parochial vicar offering the Mass.