

SCALE OF FEES FOR OCCASIONAL DUTY 2020

In virtue of the powers conferred on him by Section 1 of the Benefices (Sequestrations) Measure 1933, His Grace has fixed the following scale for general use in the Diocese which must not be departed from except with the express authority of the Archdeacon:

For a single Service, Morning, Afternoon or Evening, excluding occasional offices, £54 plus travelling expenses and hospitality.

Full Sunday Duty, £108 plus travelling expenses and hospitality.

The above fees are set at 50% and 100% of the DBF fee for a funeral service in church.

These fees and expenses should always be offered, and it is recommended that retired clergy should always accept them. Those who do not need, or do not wish, to benefit financially from their retirement ministry might adjust their level of giving to balance this income.

It is to be noted that these fees are payable to retired clergy only and are not to be received by those in receipt of a stipend, or by NSMs.

For weddings or funerals, retired clergy may make a claim on the appropriate form to the Director of Finance. Forms are available at <https://www.canterburydiocese.org/parishsupport/guidance-forms-fees/>

The current table of parochial fees can be found at:
https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-11/2020_parochial_fees_table_a4.pdf

SEQUESTRATION

When a vacancy in a benefice occurs, Sequestrators are appointed by the Archbishop, who are usually the Churchwardens, the Area Dean and the Diocesan Secretary.

At the commencement of a vacancy of a benefice, the Diocesan Secretary will send to the Churchwardens a Memorandum for the "Guidance of Sequestrators" for their guidance in the general supervision and care of vacant parsonage houses.

The Area Dean will contact the Churchwardens at the earliest opportunity in regard to the pattern of services during the vacancy.

CAR MILEAGE RATES

Each year the Church Commissioners obtain from the Inland Revenue the maximum car mileage rates that would not be questioned if used by Parochial Church Councils and others in reimbursing clergy in respect of their official mileage. The current figures for all cars are as follows:

Up to 10,000 miles 45p

Over 10,000 miles 25p

If you have any queries, please contact the Accounts Department at Diocesan House.