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2026 Minimum Stipend Scale

The stipends listed in this Scale are a minimum only.

Only Parishes that are:

- (1) paying all Diocesan Allotments and Assessments in full, and are
- (2) not in receipt of a Diocesan Grant,

are permitted to pay above these minimums (by Resolution of Synod).*

2026 Clergy Minimum Stipend Scale is as follows:

Years of Service	Minimum
Base Year	41,136
Year 1	41,136
Year 2	42,028
Year 3	42,878
Year 4	43,759
Year 5	44,633
Year 6	45,544
Year 7	46,226
Year 8	47,027
Year 9	47,778
Year 10	48,377
Year 11	49,106
Year 12	49,723
Year 13	50,331
Year 14	51,122
Year 15	51,606
Year 16	52,377

The "Base Year" is the calendar year that a priest enters the ministry for the first time. "Year 1" begins on the following January 1st.

When two members of the clergy are married to each other, the salary compensation package for each shall consist of stipend plus housing (either a rectory or a housing allowance). (*See Housing Policy 2.2.11.*)

[&]quot;Years of Service" will mean years of service in Parish ministry or some affiliated Church sponsored service such as Chaplaincies or National Staff. Credit for years of affiliated ministry may be granted upon approval by the Bishop.

^{*}Parishes may pay their clergy above the listed minimums (if they meet the above two conditions) but may not reduce the stipend if it is above the minimum listed for the appropriate years of service.