

Retreats

Policy No. 420

Policy Statement: All priests are obliged to make an annual spiritual retreat (c. 276, §4).

The annual Priests' Retreat is obligatory for all diocesan priests and those priests ministering in the Archdiocese. It is open to priests of religious communities.

Intent of Policy: To provide the opportunity for a spiritual retreat for all diocesan priests and those priests ministering in the Archdiocese.

Definition: A retreat means time away from a parish or priestly ministry in the Archdiocese exclusively for spiritual reflection, rest and renewal.

Procedure:

- a) Complete the registration form provided by the Chancery Office.
- b) Each priest is to pay \$500.00 himself towards the cost of the retreat. Accommodation and travel costs are paid by the parish.
- c) Retired diocesan priests will have their registration, accommodation and transportation costs paid by the Archdiocese.

Exception: A priest may substitute another retreat for the annual Priests' Retreat with the permission of the Archbishop.