

**RETIRED PRIESTS**  
**OF THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON**  
**PENSION AND BENEFIT PACKAGE**  
**2025 - 2026**

**Clergy Pension:** Clergy pension benefits are administered as a defined benefit plan whereby funds are set aside today for future benefits. Priests are eligible for a full pension upon reaching retirement age of 75. If a member of the diocesan clergy is declared to be disabled, he will receive 100% of the monthly pension benefit, regardless of age. Pension for priests who retire early is pro-rated.

**Monthly Pension -     \$1,611.60**

**Mass Stipends:** Mass stipends are taxable income. If stipends received during the year are \$1,000.00 or more, said stipends must be reported on IRS Form 1099.

**Clergy Medical Insurance:** Provides health care benefits for retired clergy. Priests are offered Freedom Blue Plan administered by Highmark. This plan is supplemental to Social Security Medicare.