



# POLICY HANDBOOK

**POLICY NUMBER: 34**

**TITLE: DEACON REIMBURSEMENT**

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1. It is the policy of The Diocese that Non-stipendiary Deacons may be reimbursed by their local congregations, at the congregation's discretion, for expenses incurred in their service to or for the church.

Expenses that could be deemed as reimbursable might be: mileage, registration and other required fees for Diocesan Convention, Niobrara Convocation or other clergy gatherings; as well as other diocesan events or programs that would be especially appropriate for Deacons to attend. Another consideration could be for such continuing education opportunities that the congregation feels might increase the effectiveness of the Deacon's ministry.

2. For non-stipendiary Deacons serving as "supply clergy" outside of the Deacon's home congregation, The Diocese specifically recommends the same payment as would be provided for a supply priest.