

Substitute Fees  
Diocese of Pittsburgh  
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What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$100.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$200.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$0.00**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50.00**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$75**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **nothin'**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **nothin'**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **100.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **50.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **cantors are not paid at my parish**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **cantors are not paid at my parish**

**although cantors are not paid at the parish, if a special occasion requires 50.00 would be paid**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **100.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **unpaid**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **unpaid**

1. **\$50**
2. **N/A**
3. **N/A**

4. **N/A**
5. **N/A**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$50**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$0**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$0**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$75.00 per Mass**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$100.00 per funeral**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **Depends on how many rehearsals are necessary (\$50.00 per rehearsal and \$75 - \$100 per Mass)**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **N/A**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **N/A**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute -- **\$75**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute -- **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion -- **\$250 (for lengthy Liturgies like the Easter Vigil, "Midnight" Mass)**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute -- **we use volunteer cantors on Sundays**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$75**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$100.00-\$125.00 (depending on liturgy)**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$0**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$25.00**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute: **\$75-\$100 per mass**

- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75-\$125. including a short choir rehearsal before the mass**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$75-150 + this includes a rehearsal**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$50.00 +including a rehearsal**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50.00 -\$125 including a rehearsal**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute-**\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute-**\$50**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion-**\$100**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute-**\$0-volunteer**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute-**\$0-volunteer**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75-\$100**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$75-\$100 - in-house instrumentalists are free**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **(We have enough cantors in the parish)**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute: **Nothing; if I'm not there, the pastor plays or Mass is sung a cappella.**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute: **Nothing; fee is paid by the family through the funeral director; whoever plays gets the fee.**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion: **Nothing; fee is negotiated by the instrumentalist with the particular participants (e.g., bride and groom).**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute: **Nothing; Sunday cantors are not paid.**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute: **Nothing; fee is paid by family through the funeral director; whoever sings gets the fee.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$75**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$75 about to go to \$100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **Fee required by instrumentalist; last trumpeter was \$175**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **Unpaid**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **Unpaid**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **I have a staff saxophonist/drummer. His fee is in his salary.**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **We don't have a paid cantor. Choir members or I will cantor.**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **Again, when I play, I cantor. My funeral fee covers the cantoring as well.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **25.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **25.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **na**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **na**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **na**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **N/A**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **N/A**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **N/A**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **\$50**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute – **no \$\$**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute – **no \$\$**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$25 per Mass**

- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **The funeral home usually has something already budgeted, but average it's \$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **none**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **none; the cantor is usually the organist**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **The organist is usually the cantor**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute--**\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute--**\$50.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion--**\$100.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute—**all volunteers**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute—**all volunteers**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$50.00 per Mass**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$50.00 or \$75.00 depending upon funeral home**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$175.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute – **cantors not paid**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute -- **\$25.00**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$125**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$50**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **\$165**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **\$45**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **\$50**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75 per Mass**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$100 (this doesn't happen because there are 2 of us but our regular fee is \$100)**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$175**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **n/a**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **(this doesn't happen because we have lots of funeral cantors but our regular fee is \$75)**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$125.00 (includes one rehearsal)**  
**Christmas & Easter \$50 for rehearsal and \$100 for the service**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **(not paid)**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **(N/A)**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$100**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **N/A**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **N/A**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **N/A**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute: **\$100**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute: **\$100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\*(hasn't happened)**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute: **\$75**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute: **\$75**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$70 but it comes from the funeral home**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **NA**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **\$15**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **70 from funeral home**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$150. per**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$125.**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **\$150.**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute: Soloist: **\$150.**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - Soloist: **\$100.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute -- **\$50 to \$60. Easter Sunday or Christmas Morning Mass: \$125.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute -- **\$100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion -- **\$50.00 to \$75.00 each**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute -- **\$40.00**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute -- **\$25.00 and \$75.00**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute.....**\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute.....**\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion.....**\$100.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute.....**we do not pay cantors**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute.....**organist sings too. we do not pay for funeral cantor**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$100.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$150.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **We don't pay cantors**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$50/liturg**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75--set fee for anyone playing funeral**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **always set by the instrumentalist**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **our cantors are volunteers for Sunday liturgy; when there is a schedule problem, they swap with someone who can pick up the liturgy.**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50--set fee for anyone playing funeral**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute: **\$100**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute: **\$100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion: **\$75**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute: **Our Cantors are all volunteer...if a sub is needed, I use another of our parish's Cantors.**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute: **\$50**

1. Sunday Mass organist Sub **\$75**
2. Funeral organist Sub. **\$75**
3. **Do not know. But, I am thinking that it is \$0**
4. Sunday cantor Sub. **\$ 0**
5. Funeral cantor Sub. **\$25**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75 per Mass.**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75.**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$50 for high school students, varying rate for adults (depends on involvement; flute or harp tends to have little to do, so \$75, trumpet tends to play throughout, so \$150).**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **N/A**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **75**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **65**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **100**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **0**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **50**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$60.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$100.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **I have only had friends play and I have paid them myself or Sr. Kari would volunteer with her trumpet.**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **Our cantors volunteer**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **I am the funeral cantor and there is no additional fee. Funeral subs must be willing to sing.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute .... **\$50**



- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute ... **paid directly from the funeral director to organist \$100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion ... **\$75**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute ... **no fee**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute ... **no fee, the organist usually shares their stipend**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **N/A**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **None**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **None**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute.....**don't know- ask pastor\*\***
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute.....**as far as I know, same as I get - \$100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion.....**ask choir director or pastor**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute.....**do not pay our cantors**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute.....**have Resurrection Choir, no paid cantors \*\*recently had a sub for about three months while I was out for medical reasons and he told he got \$40 a service . However, it is my understanding that several years back the once in a while sub got \$80.**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **N/A**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$0**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **volunteer or \$75 (depends on funeral home involved)**

- 1. **\$50 (haven't had many subs in my 24 years)**
- 2. **\$75**
- 3. **\$100**
- 4. **zip**
- 5. **\$50(not many cantors-usually sing and play for one fee)**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$75.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **N/A**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **N/A**

1. **\$50**
2. **\$75**
3. **0 I do it**
4. **0 I do it**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$100**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$150**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$150**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$50**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50-75**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute-**competent/professional organist \$100.00 - acceptable to poor \$50.00 basically we know the good from the bad and also all they do is play whatever music I have planned. One less step for them.**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute-**\$100-this is a set fee with the Funeral Homes so I may get a good one or a poor organist**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **\$125.00 (Service Only with a 30 minute talk through)**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **N/A**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **\$50.00**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$100.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$0**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$0**

Stipend for Sunday Mass = **\$75.00**

Funeral Mass = **\$75.00**

Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion = **\$75.00 and up**

Sunday Cantor (**used internally from choir, no fee**)

Funeral Cantor Substitute = **No policy in place**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **Never has a substitute-there would be no music**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$50 ~ Family pays**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **Have a guitar & flute player in choir - never get paid**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **No cantor-no substitute-never any pay**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **No Funeral Cantor ~ Organist sings - \$50 family pays**

Sunday Mass sub - **\$75.00**

Funeral Organist sub - **\$100.00**

Instrumentalist for special occasion - **\$100.00**

Don't pay Sunday cantors

Don't pay funeral cantors

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **\$75-\$100**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **NA**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **NA**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **60 to 75**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **100**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **50**
- 5) Funeral Cantor **Substitute75**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$85**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$100 (playing and singing)**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **\$75 -- \$150 (varies depending on what it is)**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **n/a (don't use cantor subs)**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **\$50**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **\$125**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$100**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$100-\$250**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **\$35**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **75.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **125.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **N/A**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **0.00**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$50.00**

1. **\$75**
2. **\$100**
3. **\$125-200**
4. **none**
5. **none**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute- **\$50.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute-**\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion- **\$75.00- \$150.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **NA- Volunteers**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **\$25.00**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **(\$75 per Mass stipend)**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **(\$100)**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **(\$75)**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **(have none)**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **(\$50)**

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute ... **\$75**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute ... **\$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion ... **none/varies**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute ... **\$0**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute ... **Do not use.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist **Substitute \$50**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75 from funeral home**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **\$ 50**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **Church has cantors**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **Organist do their own cantoring**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **High School Students receive \$50.00/Adult Professionals receive \$100.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute - **\$100.00 or \$125.00 depending on what they receive at their Parish**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion - **\$150.00**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute - **DNA**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute - **\$75.00**

1. Sunday Mass organist sub: **\$75 for each Mass**
2. Funeral Organist Sub: **\$100**
3. Instrumentalist fee for special occasion **\$100 plus**
4. Sunday cantor sub: **\$75.00**
5. funeral cnator sub: **\$75**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute - **\$50.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute -- **\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion – **a choir member plays the flute (not professional) for various occasions and I always get the okay from our pastor to give her \$50.00 - \$75.00 a year**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute – **we don't have cantor substitutes and our cantors are volunteers.**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute – **We have a Resurrection Choir --- and do not have cantors -----The family gives me \$75.00 and \$25.00 for the choir --- which goes into a kitty – and the total is distributed to each member w/ a gift card ---- according to their attendance throughout the year.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute: **\$50 (student) to \$75 depending on experience & level of responsibility (choir/no choir)**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute: **\$50 to \$75**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion: **\$75 (no rehearsal); \$125 (separate rehearsal); more if extra rehearsals**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute: **no stipend**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute: **\$50**

Sub Sunday Organist - **\$75.00**  
Sub Funeral Organist - **\$75.00-\$100.00**  
Instrumentalist Fee - **\$25.00 to \$100.00**  
Cantor on Sunday **not paid**  
Cantor at Funerals - **\$25.00-\$75.00**

**All of these fees are subject to adjustment according to the individuals experience, ability etc.**

What does your parish pay for:

- 1) Sunday Mass Organist Substitute **partner parishes 75 for 1st Mass 50 for second so for 4 Masses it's \$250.00**
- 2) Funeral Organist Substitute **\$75.00**
- 3) Instrumentalist Fee for special occasion **set by instrumentalist usually 75 or 100**
- 4) Sunday Cantor Substitute **we use no paid cantors on Sunday Masses**
- 5) Funeral Cantor Substitute **all cantors receive \$75.00 for a Mass \$50.00 to sing service in funeral home**