

27.–Bishop’s Fund for Professional Assistance of Clerics

1. A fund, which was established in 1985 with a capital of \$200,000.00, shall be administered by the Bishop.
2. All income of the fund may be used to make grants or loans to clerics of the Diocese to assist them in their professional development using the following criteria:
 - (a) to enrich and give further needed training to existing ministries (for example, clinical pastoral training, cross-cultural education, medical evaluation or further theological education). It is not intended as a subsidy for general continuing education;
 - (b) to redirect clerics into other forms of employment (for example, assessment of skills and payment of fees for courses to enable them to find suitable employment outside the professional ministry);
 - (c) to provide necessary assistance to clerics in transition;
 - (d) to provide other professional assistance to clerics and their families.