



Archbishop's Annual Appeal Burial Assistance Fund



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of Hartford

The Burial Assistance Fund is funded by the Archbishop's Annual Appeal and is distributed by the Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry. This line of assistance, via our Parishes, is in keeping with the Corporal Work of Mercy "Bury the Dead" and is to assist our Parishioners with financial hardship when faced with burial costs.

Funeral Costs Statistics

National median cost of a funeral for 2014 was \$8,508.

(Excludes cemetery and monument)

Over the past decade, the median cost of an adult funeral in the United States has increased 28.6%

(Source: National Funeral Directors Association, 2015)



Pastors, please complete the Parish Referral Form on the reverse side

Checks are distributed to the parish, NOT individuals or funeral homes.

If you have questions please call 860-242-5573 extension 2688

Parish Referral Form

To be completed by Pastor or Priest and faxed to 860-243-0649 or emailed to Agnes.dann@aohct.org

Parish Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Pastor or Priest Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name of deceased: _____

Amount Requested: _____

(The maximum funds available is \$1,000 per funeral)

Is the parish contributing to funeral expenses? If so, how? For example fee waived for organist.

Briefly explain why the funds are needed. _____

This portion to be completed by the Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry

Amount Provided: _____

Date Processed: _____

Approval Signature: _____