Expectations for Canonically Resident and Licensed Clergy

“Now you are called to work as a pastor, priest and teacher, together with your bishop and fellow presbyters, and to take your share in the councils of the Church.” BCP 531

“You are to make Christ and his redemptive love known, by your word and example, to those among whom you live, and work, and worship.” BCP 543

All clergy under the age of 72 and any clergy over the age of 72 who are working at least one quarter time in a parish are expected to attend diocesan clergy gatherings, specifically:

- Clergy Conferences
- Diocesan Convention
- Clericus meetings
- Holy Tuesday Renewal of Vows

If you are unable to attend one of these events due to travel, illness, family obligations or other reasons, please contact the bishop to be excused.

Retired Clergy

The bishop desires to preserve the ability of retired clergy to function at the altar and pulpit as long as possible.

Retirement from active ministry does not mean retirement from the vows and responsibilities of ordination. But, it can mean a lessening of some of the responsibilities. Clergy over the age of 72 who are not working more than one-quarter time at a parish, school or other institution, are welcome to attend any and all diocesan clergy gatherings, but are not required to do so.