STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1962 No. 2466

ECCLESIASTICAL LAW

The Parochial Fees Order 1962

Made (Approved by the Church Assembly)	*8th November* 1962
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Coming into Operation	*1st February* 1963

We, the Church Commissioners for England, in exercise of the powers conferred on us by section 2 (1) of the Ecclesiastical Fees Measure 1962(a) and all other such powers therein enabling us in that behalf, do hereby order as follows:—

1. The Table of Parochial Fees set forth in the Schedule to this Order is hereby established and contains particulars of the parochial fees which subject to the provisions of section 2 (4) of the said Measure are to be demanded taken and received by the persons therein named in relation to the respective matters therein specified.

2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

"chancellor" means the judge of the consistory or commissary court of the bishop or archbishop of the diocese.

"incumbent" means the incumbent of any benefice as defined by the Interpretation Measure 1925(b).

"churchyard" includes the curtilage of a church and a burial ground of a church whether or not immediately adjoining such church.

"monument" includes headstones, crosses, kerbs, borders, vases, chains, railings, flatstones, tombstones or monuments or tombs of any other kind.

3. This Order may be cited as The Parochial Fees Order 1962, and shall come into operation on the 1st February 1963.

THE COMMON SEAL of the Church Commissioners was hereunto affixed this 10th day of October 1962. } L.S.

Mortimer Warren,
Secretary.

Approved by the Church Assembly the 8th November 1962.

J. A. Guillum Scott,
Secretary.

(a) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. No. 1. (b) 15 & 16 Geo. 5. No. 1.

SCHEDULE

TABLE OF PAROCHIAL FEES

PART I

	Fee payable to Incumbent £ s. d.	*Fee payable to Clerk* £ s. d.	*Fee payable to Sexton* £ s. d.	*Fee payable to Parochial Church Council* £ s. d.
BAPTISMS				
Certificate of baptism ...	5 0	—	—	—
Short certificate of baptism given under sec. 2 Baptismal Registers Measure. 1961(a)	2 6	—	—	—
Searching register of baptisms (for the first year)	3 0	—	—	—
Searching register of baptisms (for every year after the first)	1 6	—	—	—
MARRIAGES				
Publication of banns of marriage	7 6	3 0	—	—
Certificate of banns	5 0	2 0	—	—
Marriage after banns ...	1 0 0	10 0	—	10 0
Marriage after licence ...	1 0 0	10 0	—	10 0
Marriage after superintendent registrar's certificate ...	1 0 0	10 0	—	10 0
Use of organ	1 0 0	10 0	—	10 0
BURIALS				
Tolling of bell at time of death	—	—	10 0	—
Funeral service in church ...	(*a*) 1 0 0	(*a*) 10 0	(*a*) 10 0	10 0
Burial in grave or vault ...	(*a*) 1 0 0	(*a*) 10 0	(*a*) 10 0	1 0 0
Service in church in connection with cremation	(*b*) 1 0 0	(*b*) 10 0	(*b*) 10 0	10 0
Burial of cremated remains in churchyard	(*b*) 1 0 0	(*b*) 10 0	(*b*) 10 0	1 0 0
Use of organ	1 0 0	10 0	—	10 0
Burial of still-born infant ...	—	—	10 0	—
Certificate of burial	5 0	—	—	—
Searching register of burials (for the first year)	3 0	—	—	—
Searching register of burials (for every year after the first)	1 6	—	—	—

Note: Only one set of fees payable to incumbent, clerk and sexton, marked respectively (*a*) or (*b*), is chargeable where, in the case of (*a*), the service in church is followed by burial in grave or vault in the churchyard of that church or, in the case of (*b*), the service in church in connection with cremation is followed by cremation and the burial of the cremated remains in the churchyard of that church.

MONUMENTS, ETC., IN CHURCHYARD				
Monument	(*c*) 3 0 0	—	10 0	(*d*) 2 0 0
Additional inscription on any monument	1 0 0	—	—	—
Small cross of wood	(*c*) 5 0	—	2 0	—
MISCELLANEOUS				
Inspection of instrument of apportionment or agreement for exchange of land for tithes deposited under Tithe Act 1836(b)	2 6	—	—	—
Furnishing copies of above (for every 72 words)	2 0	—	—	—

(a) 9 & 10 Eliz. 2. No. 2. (b) 6 & 7 Will. 4. c. 71.

PART II

1. *Cremated Remains*

Where a faculty, whether general or in respect of a particular case, is granted in connection with the burial or deposit of cremated remains in or under a church or in a churchyard no longer open for burials, the fees payable to the incumbent, clerk, sexton and parochial church council shall be those laid down in this table in the case of a general faculty and as determined by the chancellor in the case of a particular faculty.

2. *Monuments*

The incumbent's fees marked (*c*) include fees for the original inscription. Where a faculty is granted for a monument in a churchyard, the fee for the parochial church council marked (*d*) shall not be payable but shall be such sum as shall be determined by the chancellor.

Where a faculty is granted in connection with the erection of a monument or tablet in a church or any additional inscription thereon, such fees shall be payable as shall be determined by the chancellor who shall specify the persons entitled to receive them.

3. *Payment of Fees where no Clerk or Sexton*

Where there is no clerk or no sexton, the clerk's or sexton's fee shall be payable to the church servant performing the duty. Where no church servant is so employed, the clerk's or sexton's fee as the case may be shall be payable to the incumbent.

4. *Reservation of Grave Space: Vaults*

Payment of any of the fees prescribed by this table does not confer any right to construct a new vault or an exclusive right to a grave or vault. Where a faculty is granted conferring rights for a period specified in the faculty, such fees shall be payable as shall be determined by the chancellor who shall specify the persons entitled to receive them.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order establishes a table of fees payable to incumbents of benefices, parish clerks, sextons and parochial church councils for certain matters in connection with baptisms, marriages and burials, for the erection of monuments in churchyards and for other miscellaneous matters.