

Parish Affiliation

How do you know if you are a member in good standing at your home parish and are entitled to receive parish subsidy? A subsidy is \$1000 per child for a 10-month policy paid by the parish to the school.

A number of people sign up as parishioners at a parish in hopes of receiving parish subsidy and are never seen again. Those families, who are members of a parish and demonstrate the commitment of practicing their faith, should meet the following criteria for receiving parish subsidy:

- Registered in that parish for at least six months
- Attending Sunday Mass each week and using church envelopes.
- Being involved in the parish by participating in ministry and parish activities. This could be lecturing, ushering, altar serving, and teaching religious education, anything that shows involvement with the parish.

All parishes want to know that the parents and children are going to church. That is what it is all about. If you are sending your envelopes to school with your child and not attending Mass, you are not serious about practicing your faith. If you do not go to Mass at your home parish on a regular basis, please don't ask them for parish subsidy. Any Catholic family serious about their children receiving a good educational foundation within a Catholic school will already be living out these three criteria.