

### THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA

### **Revised Definition of 'Cure':**

In the Diocese of Florida, 'cure' refers to the leadership and pastoral responsibility undertaken by clergy within the diocese. This includes heads of congregations and institutions, full and part-time associate priests who participate in a minimum of 12 Eucharists per year and are licensed by the ecclesiastical authority, deacons assigned to diocesan institutions by the ecclesiastical authority and who reside within the diocese, and military chaplains canonically resident in this diocese.

## **Breakdown of 'Cure:**

# **Heads of Congregations and Institutions:**

- Includes clergy who are the primary leaders of their respective congregations or church-affiliated institutions.
- Their leadership role encompasses both pastoral care and administrative oversight.

## **Associate Priests:**

- Both full-time and part-time priests licensed by the ecclesiastical authority.
- Required participation, through a vested function, in at least 12 Eucharists annually to maintain their status under 'cure'. It is the clergy members responsibility to certify their fulfillment of this requirement. This can be done through the licensing report or service registers.

## **Deacons:**

- Deacons specifically assigned to diocesan institutions by the ecclesiastical authority.
- Must be canonically resident within the diocese to fulfill their pastoral duties under 'cure'.

# **Military Chaplains:**

- Chaplains serving in the military but canonically resident within the Diocese of Florida.
- Their pastoral responsibility extends to military personnel, providing spiritual support within the framework of the diocesan mission.