

Our Parish at a glance

The numbers

Individuals on parish roll	337
Number using pledge envelopes	99
Number using automatic payments	5

Why planned giving?

Planned giving supports everything we do as a parish including

- Maintenance of parish property & buildings
- Support of the clergy
- Contribution to Diocesan appeals
- Liturgical and sacramental expenses

Planned giving allows a parish to budget for its present and future needs with some certainty.

Who should give?

All parishioners have a responsibility to support their parish. The parish depends entirely on the generosity of its parishioners. It is important that new parishioners are included in this important aspect of parish life.

Your benefits

Get 33% of your donation back as a tax credit. Rebates on all donations can be claimed back from the IRD. \$1,000 donated means a rebate of \$330. An annual receipt is issued by the pledge administrator confirming you have made an identifiable gift such as through the planned giving programme.

Parish priorities for this year are:

- To provide adequate funding through the planned giving renewal to meet ongoing parish expenditure.
- To repaint exterior of the church.
- To repaint both the inside and outside of the parish hall.

For 2014 and 2015:

- To complete repairs to presbytery tile roof.
- To repaint the inside of the presbytery.
- To create savings to build reserves for future expenditure / maintenance on buildings.

"...now I bring the first fruits of the soil that you,

Lord, have given me..."

Deuteronomy 26:10



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A Planned Giving Programme

Planned Giving is an opportunity for each of us to commit to our parish and determine the level of financial support.



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Dear Parishioners,

It has been several years since we last asked everyone to reconsider the amount you pledge to the church.

Over the last few years we have sometimes struggled to keep up with the rising costs to the parish. The fact that we have managed to make small surpluses is a testament to your generosity and I thank you all for this.

The economic difficulties that we have all been experiencing has had an effect on our parish assets but without a subsequent growth in donations our parish resources are likely to be overstretched.

Can I encourage everyone to consider signing up to a regular commitment to give so the needs of our parish can be met.

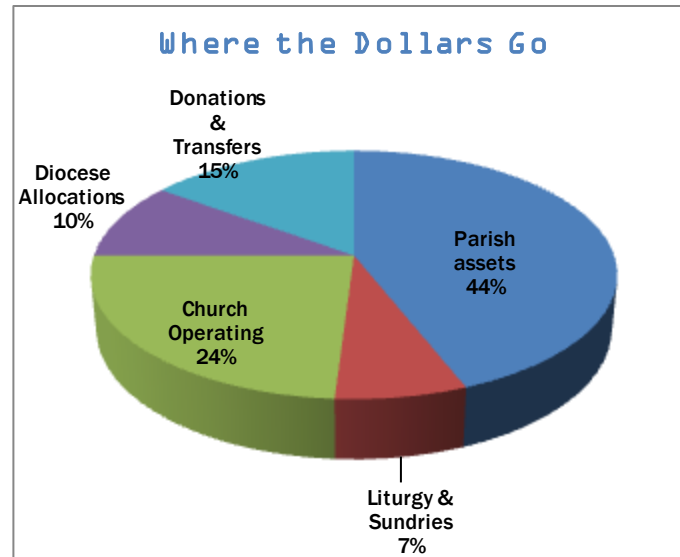
This will help the Finance Committee, as stewards of our parish resources, to know what to expect in the collections and plan the parish budget and spending accordingly.

Everybody's circumstances are different so we ask you to consider a modest increase in your giving. Some of you are new to the parish, or maybe new to the workforce. Please join in and support the needs of the church by a commitment to give regularly. What you choose to give is between you and God and entirely confidential. The Finance Committee would encourage you to consider bank automatic payments. It is easier for you, it is easier for the parish and for the pledge administrators.

To be part of this please complete the Gifting Pledge Form and place the completed form in the sealed box in the back of the church.

I sincerely thank all those who have given so generously in the past and hope I can entrust the future of our parish community to your goodwill, enthusiasm and support. God bless you all.

Andy Tibbitts, Chairperson - Finance Committee



CATEGORY BREAKDOWNS

Diocesan allocations

- Funds to the Bishop of Auckland

Church Operating

- Parish requisites
- Supplies
- Office Administration

Liturgy & Sundries

- Religious Education
- NZ Catholic
- Columban Calendars
- Evangelisation

Parish Assets

- Utility Services
- Telephone
- Rates
- Ground Maintenance
- Insurance
- Building Maintenance
- Vehicles

Donations

- Fundraising

Parish Income and Expenditure

Income		
Planned Giving	2011	2012
Pledge	37,827	45,391
Loose	13,894	14,219
Donations	4,385	3,772
Other Income		
GST	4,821	4,639
Dance Group	6,630	8,550
Hall	4,327	3,572
Miscellaneous	2,241	3,943
Estate	10,000	0
Food Festival	3,401	2,149
Christmas Collection	628	520
Sundries	4,030	8,577
Total Receipts	\$ 92,184	\$ 95,332
Expenditure	2011	2012
Diocesan Allocations	10,376	12,386
Parish Maintenance & Assets	42,146	45,786
Church Operating	23,469	24,621
Liturgy	6,016	9,219
Donations	5,431	2,706
Sundries	1,044	3,967
Total Expenditure	88,482	98,685
Total Receipts	92,184	95,332
Net Surplus (2011)	\$ 3,353	
Net Deficit (2012)		-\$ 3,702

As you can see from the above summary we have just broken even over the last two years with 2011 in surplus and 2012 in deficit. We anticipate that 2013 and beyond will be a period of considerable expenditure for the parish.