Diocese Finance Report for the Quarter Ended 31.8.2021



General Finance Update for the Quarter

- ➤ Diocese statutory accounts to 30.11.20 draft accounts have been received from RA Clements. These have been reviewed and a list of minor corrections reported to Clements. Final comments are awaited from Trustees prior to final accounts being issued. An extension to the OSCR deadline has been applied for due to the delay in finalising the accounts.
- ➤ Parish year end accounts to 30.11.2021 Initial work has begun in preparation for the forthcoming year end. Parishes have been contacted to confirm vehicle details as vehicle movements have not been monitored accurately over the past two years, causing issues for the statutory accounts production. Jake is planning to give a presentation at the upcoming Clergy Assembly to explain and discuss the year end Parish return process and subsequent audit requirements incumbent on all parishes. Financial control requirements, for evidence for material bank payment authorisation requests will also be discussed.
- ➤ Audit RA Clements have now completed their audit and copy of the audit report has been circulated to the Trustees for their consideration. No material issues were identified.
- ▶ Draft Budget for year ended 30.11.2022 an initial budget has been drawn up and circulated to the Trustees for consideration and amendment. As part of the process, Diocesan costs and income streams will be examined on an individual basis and adjusted according to anticipated future activity. Currently the levy is still being used as the balancing figure, whilst meetings continue to be held by the working group setup to examine alternative means of raising the diocesan income shortfall.

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- ▶ Gift Aid claims have been submitted to HMRC for all parishes who have supplied data the total claim total to-date being £93,560.91 (see Section 3 schedule for detail). These funds have been fully dispersed back to parishes. No calculation has yet been made for any Diocesan gift aid amounts that may have been included in these parish claims any amounts therein are likely to be insignificant. The COVID impact can be seen in the reduction of the claim values as compared to 2020. The impact ranges from reductions of 2% to 60%, with total reduction to date of 31%, which mirrors the COVID impact on offertory collections. Not all parishes experienced reductions as some have increased their claim amounts.
- ➤ Parish Finance meetings a meeting was held with Portree parish during the quarter with a further meeting with Morar parish confirmed for September. It is intended that future meetings will continue throughout the year with other parishes.

Diocese Accounts for the Quarter ended 31.8.2021

Key points:

Income

- ➤ **Total Income** for the quarter £72,946. Income is currently 4% greater than budgeted at the half year. £194,424 actual vs £187,721 budgeted, mainly the result of donations, JRS claims and the Catholic Insurance Services membership award of £21,632, received in June.
- Covid job retention scheme (JRS)
 The final claim in respect of the furloughed staff member was processed in June. No staff are currently furloughed.
- ➤ **Levy income** is as budgeted less 25% relief offered to parishes. In the quarter relief was offered for the months of June and July, funded by the membership award.

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➤ Special Collections – continue to be of a much lower level than budgeted. The BCOS collections are currently £1,436, are 24% of the budgeted figure of £6,000, with only one remaining collection (Catholic Education) scheduled for November. Given the BCOS prorata charges to date of £5,715, this represents a current shortfall of approximately £4,000 payable by the Diocese.

Additionally, the Diocesan collections are currently £5,092, 42% of the year-to-date budget figure. There are two remaining collections for the Ecclesiastical Student fund and the Diocesan Pastoral fund scheduled for September.

Expenses

- ➤ **Total Expenses** for the quarter are currently 7% under budget at the half year. £164,059 actual vs £175,670 budget.
- ➤ **BCOS** expenses are currently under 37% under budget as relief was offered with no pro-rata being charged in Q2. Pro-rata charges of £3,710 were applied and paid in August.
- ➤ Student college fees payment of the final instalment of 13,750 euros, for the academic year 2020/21 was made on 6th of July, with additional visa and travel expenses of circa £3,500 being incurred.
- ➤ Sick and retired priests pension and accommodation costs continue to be as budgeted. However, the additional, non budgeted expense of the purchase of Fr Colin's car by the Diocese has now been agreed. The transfer value of £8,000 will be paid to the parish of Benbecula in 8 quarterly instalments. The initial £1,000 being paid in early July.
- ➤ Small Mission Fund donations were awarded to the parishes of Campbeltown (June £1000), and Taynuilt, in July and August to alleviate ongoing cashflow issues.
- ➤ **Diocesan administration expenses** £52,343 for the quarter no significant deviation from budget.

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	Income &	Expend	liture for	the Quarter	Ended 31.8.20	21		
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	Actual Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21			Actual		Var	Budget	Budget
Income	Jun-21 <u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	Aug-21 <u>£</u>	Q3 <u>£</u>	Total <u>£</u>	Var <u>%</u>	YTD <u>£</u>	Total <u>£</u>
Levy income JRS Grant	12,874 485	12,874	17,167	42,915 485	124,869 3,155	81% 372%	154,503 849	206,004 1,132
CNET (BCOS) collections	130		228	358	1,436	24%	6,000	8,000
Diocesan Collections	195	842	1,332	2,369	5,092	42%	12,119	16,158
Dividends from Investments	-	2,738	-	2,738	8,058	98%	8,250	11,000
Diocesan Gift Aid	_	-	_	-	-	30,0	2,250	3,000
Donations & Legacies	483	835	262	1,580	28,190		3,750	5,000
Other Income	22,002	400		22,500	23,625		-	-
Total Income	36,170	17,690		72,946		104%	187,721	250,294
Expenditure								
Student - Costs	200	3,431	199	3,830	25,042	116%	21,519	28,692
Auditor's fees	-	-	-	-	-		-	11,000
Finance charges and fees	210	210	210	631	1,808	80%	2,250	3,000
Sick and Retired priests	8,515	9,265	8,515	26,295	75,152	98%	76,838	102,450
Legal fees	-	-	-	-	-		750	1,000
Small Missions Fund	1,000	1,000	1,000	3,000	4,000		-	
CNET (BCOS) expenditure	-	-	3,710	3,710	5,715	63%	9,000	12,000
Diocesan Administration								
Staff Costs	3,536	3,533	3,352	10,420	34,061			
Retired Housekeepers	165	100	100	365	1,615			
Heat, Light & Rates	(101)	99	73	70	5,707			
Travel & Vehicle Expenses	2,402	81	1,625	4,108	5,054			
Postage & Stationery	11	225	-	237	686			
Telephone	404	187	130	720	1,066			
IT & Professional fees	60	60	443	563	1,788			
Repairs and Renewals	-			-	130			
Housekeeping & Misc Expenses	133	210	58	401	2,345			
Total Diocesan Administration	6,611	4,494	5,779	16,884	52,343	80%	65,313	87,084
Total Expenditure	16,536	18,401	19,413	54,350	164,059	93%	175,670	245,226
Surplus / (Deficit)	19,634	(711)	(327)	18,596	30,365		12,051	5,068