



**GREENACRES
WALKERVILLE
CATHOLIC PARISH**

**PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT
AS AT
30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

OUR PARISH VISION

To build a community,
following the footprints of Jesus,
so that we become a united,
inclusive and welcoming parish
centred on God and developing
as a people of faith



FROM THE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

What a situation we have all found ourselves in during 2020!

Our ease of worship and access to the Parish services that we rely on have all been interrupted. However we have soldiered on to overcome difficulties as they have arisen while we observe the Covid-19 protocols and to continue to share our faith and the life of our Parish. The sense of community that we see around us at Mass and after Mass make for a better life for us all.

The pandemic months threatened our financial income but with the loyal support of our parishioners we have maintained a healthy balance sheet and are able to continue maintaining our properties and to contemplate some important future projects.

Happily we have proudly upgraded St Monica's Church and improved it into a modern, prayerful and reflective space while maintaining its traditional feel. We were able to make a large contribution to the expense that St Monica's School incurred for improving the car park and the result has received plaudits from Mass goers for its ease of use and most importantly lighting at Saturday evening Masses. The school is to be congratulated for the design and effort involved in this project.

We need to consider maintaining the sustainability of St Martin's Church. The ageing asbestos roof, ceiling, rendering interior walls, replacing the carpet and sealing the car park are all major projects we must consider.

Of course not all costs of running the Parish are as visible as our Churches. As the pandemic distancing eases, the Parish will need to continue to outreach and service our current parishioners, our youth and Catholics who are not close to the church. Supporting Father Kym and the Pastoral Council to pursue the challenges is the role of the Financial Council.

You will note that our two main sources of income are interest and our planned giving program.

Your giving has enabled us to keep our head above water and it has been so pleasing to see an increase in direct debit giving which has offset the smaller numbers at Masses. It is obvious that being a giver through planned giving is the most effective way to be stewards of what we have inherited from those Catholics like our parents and grandparents who built our Parish. Please continue your loyal support and, if you are new to the Parish and can give in some small way, please consider a regular contribution through the planned giving program. We are all responsible for supporting our Parish and its ministry.

Attached to this report is a financial statement for the 9 months to September 2020 indicating how well we have weathered the storm, made possible by the faithful support of our community. Thank you. We do have a healthy surplus year to date but there are a couple of major expenses such as co-responsibility payments to the Diocese and insurance that fall due towards the end of the year.

I must pay tribute to recently retired Reg Nye and Prabath Perera who have toiled faithfully on the council and to current members, Pat Patience, Eshani Obadage and Father Kym.

If you have any questions relating to this report, please contact Rebecca, our Parish Secretary, on 8261 6200 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 9.00am and 3.00pm.

Keep well, obey all the Covid-19 rules and God bless you and your families.

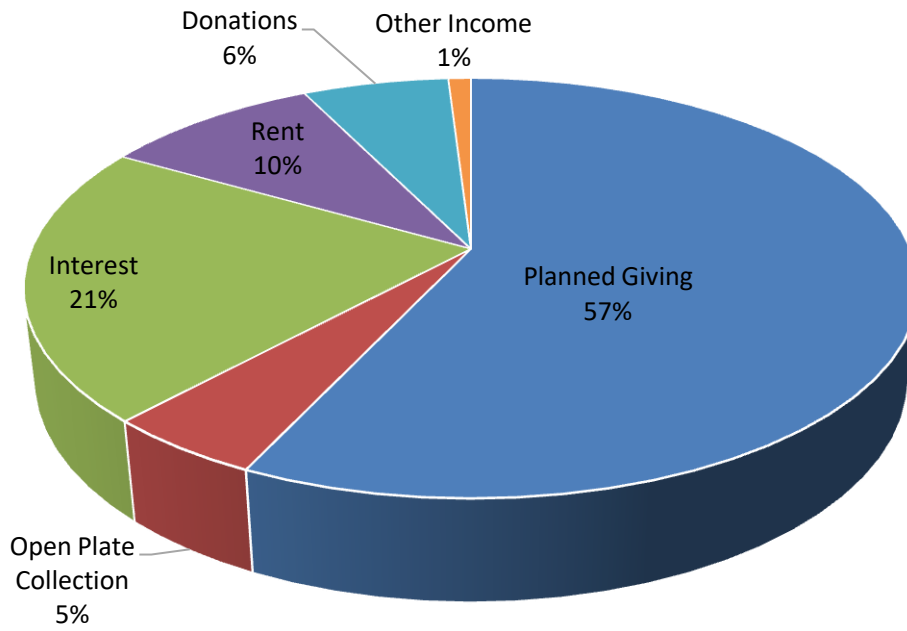
Gerry McCarthy
Chair, Parish Finance Council

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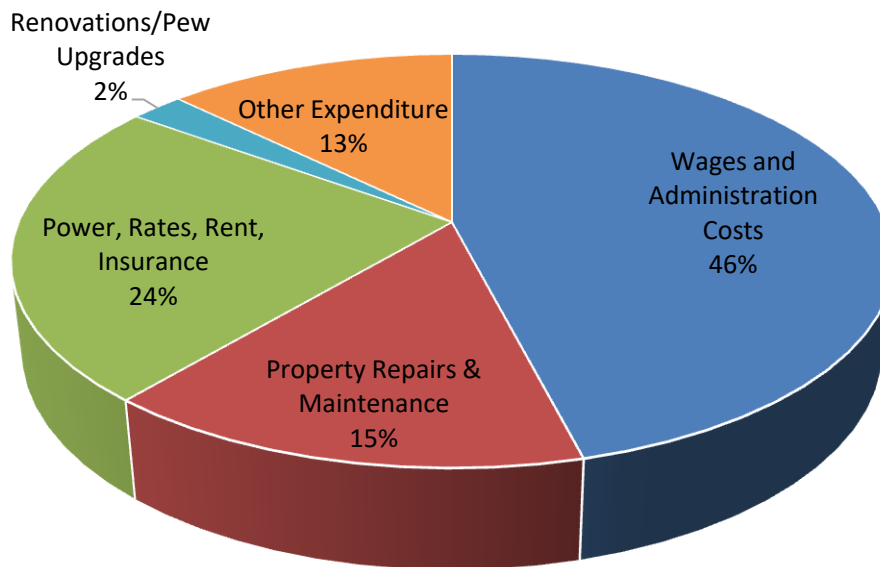
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	ACTUAL 9 MONTHS TO SEPTEMBER 2020	BUDGET 9 MONTHS TO SEPTEMBER 2020	ACTUAL 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2019
<u>RECEIPTS</u>			
Planned Giving	62,302	57,852	87,038
Open Plate Collection	5,346	7,815	14,530
Interest	23,404	30,769	40,119
Rent	10,300	8,538	22,245
Donations	6,904	4,155	11,053
Other Income	1,073	1,410	10,891
TOTAL RECEIPTS	109,329	110,539	185,876
<u>PAYMENTS</u>			
Wages and Administration Costs	23,786	39,918	63,601
Property Repairs & Maintenance	7,829	8,416	15,978
Power, Rates, Rent, Insurance	12,335	26,705	39,333
Archdiocese Co-Responsibility	-	22,800	29,052
Renovations/Pew Upgrades	1,200	3,462	6,676
Other Expenditure	6,556	18,882	35,876
TOTAL PAYMENTS	51,705	120,182	190,516
TOTAL CASH SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	57,624	(9,642)	(4,640)

RECEIPTS - 9 MONTHS TO SEPTEMBER 2020



PAYMENTS - 9 MONTHS TO SEPTEMBER 2020



OUR PARISH PRAYER

Lord, we pray for all those
who made this Church possible,
our benefactors, our workers
and those who,
through their actions and prayers,
have kept a living faith in our Parish.

May we always strive to walk
in the footprints of Jesus
and may God continue to bless
our future generations
as they work in His Vineyard.

