

Parochial House, Ferns.

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3rd March 2022

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Dear Parishioner,

On this sheet you have a report of the Parish Church Finances. The contributions given by parishioners towards their Parish are signs, both of faith and generosity. I am most grateful to all who contribute to the support of the Parish and to us priests personally, through the basket collections at Mass and the four collections we have throughout the year.

Our greatest source of **regular parish income** is the Sunday Envelopes, this year's figure was €35,513.96 which was an increase on last year of €224.91, which was great considering Covid 19 lockdowns. Most of the money raised in the Sunday Envelope Collection remains in the Parish and goes towards the running costs, e.g. Insurance, Oil, Electricity, Altar Requisites, Repairs, Renovations, etc. and a percentage goes towards the running of the Diocesan Office, Education of Priests and Seminarians, Cura, Family Life Services, etc. Our contribution to the Diocesan Central Fund was €6,900.00, which was 19.43% of the total Sunday Envelope collection. An Audited Balance Sheet of the Diocesan Central Fund is displayed annually in the Church Porch and on the diocesan website (www.ferns.i.e.).

The **Church Building Account** is still active, it is mainly used for the two rented houses and donations for the Pastoral Centre.

The **Parish Council Account** is used for repairs of structures, etc. Due to Covid 19 our annual fundraising was non existent. I am very grateful for every support, large and small, towards our parish. Funds from this account were used for the Pastoral Centre.

The **Credit Union account** has a healthy credit €41,283.86.

We are delighted to relate the new Parish Pastoral Centre has been completed and is in constant use.

The generous grant from the Albert Gubay Fund of €50,000.00 for the Pastoral Centre and a local donation of over €25,650.00 covered half the cost, for which we are most grateful. We were delighted that Bishop Ger Nash blessed and opened it on his visit to the parish in January.

The source of income for the me as parish priest and our assistant is the Sunday Mass Collection, Christmas and Easter Dues, Pious List, Transport Collection, Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and Mass Offerings. I thank all who worship in our Parish Church and all who support both of us priests, through the various collections.

I am most grateful to all who give of their talents, support and energy towards the parish in so many areas of ministry, it is deeply appreciated.

I thank you for your generosity and support in the past and look forward to your continued support in the future. If you would like to contribute to the support of the parish and are not receiving weekly envelopes, please contact the parish office 053 9366514. Maybe you might consider supporting through a regular Standing Order through the Bank. If anyone gives over €250.00 during the year the parish is entitled to a tax rebate from the revenue commissioner of 30%, which last year amounted to €5,419.82.

If we can be of help to you in any way, please do not hesitate to ask, and we will do our utmost to help you in any way we can.

With every good wish and gratitude.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick B. Cushen P.P.

*St. Aidan's Parish Church
Ferns*

Annual Financial Report

2021

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Ferns Church Building Account

1st January 2021—31st Dec. 2021

Income

Credit Balance 1/1/2021	€30,4333.27
Rent Carnew Road House	€ 8,700.00
Rent Presbytery	€ 6,000.00
Albert Gubay Trust Grant	€ 50,030.00
Donation for Pastoral Cent.	€ 5,650.00

€100,713.27

Expenditure

Local Property Tax CRH	€ 346.00
Insurance CRH.	€ 317.40
Curates Houses Repairs	€ 1,312.90
Bank fees	€ 45.10
Pastoral Centre Bdg.	€71,890.00
Lawn Mower	€ 3,000.00
Credit Bal. 31/12/21	<u>€23,801.87</u>

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Ferns Parish Account No.2 (Parish Council)

Income

Credit Balance 1/1/2021	€ 40,573.57
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Expenditure

Mowers Repairs	€ 392.00
Christmas Lights	€ 200.00
Pastoral Centre	€26,582.00
Golden Jubilee	€ 477.00
Bank Fees	€ 10.75
Cr. Bal. 31/12/21	€ 12,911.82

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Ferns Parish Credit Union Account

Credit Balance 1/1/21	€ 41,283.86
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Summary of Parish Finances 2021

Building Account Credit Balance	<u>€23,801.87</u>
Parish Account No. 2 Credit Balance	<u>€12,911.82</u>
Parish Account No. 1 Credit Balance	<u>€11,259.71</u>
Credit Union Enniscorthy	<u>€41,283.86</u>

Total Credit 31st Dec. 2021 €89,257.26

Income

St. Aidan's Church Ferns Account No.1 1st Jan.—31st Dec. 2021

Expenditure

Sunday Envelopes & Standing Orders	€ 35,513.96
Shrines	€ 5,572.61
Shop	€ 2,985.05
Book Stand Sales	€ 392.95
Trocaire LENT	€ 3,885.70
Trocaire November	€ 2,290.00
Missions Collection Propagation of the Faith	€ 2,551.30
Vocations	€ 319.00
Pastoral Centre Donation	€ 2,000.00
Donations	€ 496.00
Sick & Retired Collection	€ 280.50
Tax Rebate from donations over €250.00	€ 5,419.82
Ballyduff & Clologue Office contribution	€ 1,190.09
Allianz Insurance refund	€ 335.06
Clologue Benemerenti	€ 180.00
Ballyduff & Clologue Golden Jubilee gift	€ 2,100.00
Boxing Club Rent	€ 20.00
Refuse Bin donation	€ 100.00
Bank Interest	€ 4.65

(Income €65,636.69)

Credit Balance 1st Jan. 2021 € 34,957.84
€100,594.53

Diocesan Central Fund	€ 6,900.00
Diocesan Payments (Schools/Rel. Advisor, etc.)	€ 777.40
Education Secretariat	€ 202.50
Altar Requisites & Shrine Candles	€ 2,442.31
Printing Sunday Envelopes	€ 405.00
Insurance	€ 4,235.32
Insurance Mower	€ 187.57
Heating - Church Oil	€ 3,448.29
Electricity - Church	€ 2,319.97
Lighting repairs Church	€ 1,503.87
Charities Act Parish	€ 485.00
Office Phone	€ 932.17
Repairs Organ	€ 250.00
Wages	€ 7,850.00
Covid 19 supplies	€ 612.15
Rev. Commissioner	€ 573.83
Stationery	€ 392.91
Risograph Printer Ink & Masters	€ 486.64
Community Employment Scheme Hedge-trimmer	€ 288.59
Books for Church Stand	€ 1,138.00
Mass Leaflets	€ 452.35
Shop Stock	€ 2,276.99
First Communion & Confirmation	€ 90.00
Teachers Lunch	€ 214.70
Bank Fees	€ 182.44
Plumbing Repairs	€ 930.00
Green star Refuse Bins	€ 329.40
Trocaire collections	€ 6,135.00
Sick & Retired Priests, Peter's Pence & C.M.T.	€ 460.00
Pastoral Centre building & Electrical	€ 29,072.90
Pastoral Centre Blinds	€ 570.00
Propagation of the Faith	€ 2,610.00
SVP (Christmas donation)	€ 150.00
Clergy Retirement Fund	€ 2,550.00
VHI	€ 1,302.50
Parochial House Heating Grant	€ 750.00
Phone land line and internet P.P.)	€ 600.00
Alarm Monitoring	€ 164.99
Local Property Tax (Parochial House)	€ 445.00
Gifts	€ 900.00
Cleaning materials	€ 67.28
Benemerenti Medals & Certs.	€ 360.00
Civil Engineering Underground Cable & Water	€ 3,250.00
Miscellaneous	€ 39.75

(Total Expenditure €89,334.82)

Credit Balance 31st Dec.2021 € 11,259.71
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