

First Draft Budget for the Year 2021

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Hi everyone,

In follow up to Joan's agenda for our meeting tomorrow evening, I enclose my First Draft Budget for 2021.

This is our preliminary look at this, so that the Finance Team can review it further, and present a Second Draft to our February Meeting, for finalization prior to submitting it to our AGM at the end of February for formal approval.

The format for this follows broadly the 2020 Financial Statement I sent out earlier today, in terms of rows. The key column (2021 Budget) is in the box, preceded by the 2019 Actual, 2020 Budget and 2020 Actual data for comparison. The percentages in the last column show the change from 2020 Actual data by line items.

The first impression is that 2021 Core Budget looks a lot like the 2020 Actual, down to the line "Cash Flow before Intentional Income". This is despite an overall assumption that we shall only be open for worship and other events after the summer.

Intentional Income is needed to avoid us going bankrupt during 2021, and is in two parts. We can Plan Investment Withdrawals and also run Fundraising Campaigns, before we undertake significant projects, to prevent us running out of money in 2021.

Some detailed comments on individual line items:

1. Rental increases already in place for POV and Parking;
2. Fundraising events should be able to re-start in the fall;
3. Diocesan Assessment is confirmed;
4. The expansion in TRY Family Ministry is already being funded by the Diocese;
5. Building includes a 20% increase (suggested by the Diocese) in Insurance;
6. Admin excludes new telephone system (could be a small Capital Project over \$5,000);
7. Investment Income assumed to be half way between 2020 Budget and Actual;
8. Planned investment withdrawals are to "balance" the budget.

As always, questions or comments (before or at the meeting) are welcomed.

I look forward to our discussion.

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