

6, Beechpark Lawn, Castleknock.
November 2010.

Dear Parishioner,

On my own behalf and on behalf of Fr. O'Connor, I express our deep appreciation and thanks to all who support the Parish so faithfully. Your constant generosity has allowed Castleknock to have one of the most beautiful and prayerful Churches in the Dublin Diocese.

The current figures do show an 11% drop in Parish Receipts. This can be attributed to the current climates in which we live, and also to a much more rigorous application of the requirements for tax rebate claims. This parochial 11% drop is considerably better than the Diocesan-wide drop of 13% on all collections.

Despite this, the Parish has just completed an extensive development to make the Secretarial Services more accessible, and also to upgrade the toilet facilities to current standards, including the provision of a wheel-chair accessible toilet. Some borrowing may be necessary to complete this work, but it is confidently hoped that this can be cleared within a very reasonable time.

Despite the current demands, the faith and generosity of the parishioners of this Parish, also funded two thirds of the cost (€20,000) of major refurbishment of the church in our sister parish of Meccha Borodo in Ethiopia.

It is an honour and a joy to minister among such a faith filled community.

A sincere word of thanks is extended to the members of the Finance Committee for their time and expertise, and also to the Refurbishment Committee, and to collectors and counters and bankers, without whose services the Parish would not function.

Bua agus Beannacht

Maurice O Shea P.P.
Denis O'Connor CSsR. C.C.

- Your family offerings have helped fund the alterations to the church.
- The Tax Rebate of €15,912 in last year's receipts resulted from your completing tax declaration forms as requested.
- The proceeds of the Share Collection are remitted in full to Archbishop's House. Share was set up in the 1970's to pool financial resources to enable young parishes and communities get started. Today the needs of the diocese are more diverse and now we need to pool and share human resources through services provided to parishes through our Diocesan Offices and Agencies. Share has been increasingly funding pastoral supports for mission and evangelisation in our parish communities. Castleknock sent €59,580 for the year to June 2010.
- The "First" Collection pays the salaries of the priests in the parish which are taxable. It also provides for the upkeep of sick or retired priests in the diocese. It is controlled and audited by Archbishop's House in accordance with the Charities Act 2009 and does not fall within the terms of responsibility of the Parochial Finance Committee.

*Further information
on ways of joining the Family Offering Scheme are
available from Marie Moloney, Parish Office,
Telephone 821 4652.*

**Parish
of
Our Lady,
Mother of the Church
Castleknock**

Financial Statement

for the

Year to 30th June 2010

Parish Finance Committee
Jim Barrett,
Joe McAleenan,
Ann O'Neill,
Anthony Walsh (*Chairman*),
Fr. Denis O'Connor, CSsR. C.C.,
Fr. Maurice O'Shea P.P.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year to 30th June 2010

Receipts		Year Ended 30.6.2009	Year Ended 30.6.2010	Payments		Year Ended 30.6.2009	Year Ended 30.6.2010
		€	€			€	€
Family Offering/Planned Giving		152,201	143,824	Insurance		4,921	4,093
Tax Rebate from Revenue Commissioners		31,786	15,912				
Church Shrines		22,730	20,200	Repairs and Maintenance		4,558	12,683
Donations/Bequests		1,250	5,565	Heating & Lighting		12,665	9,297
Bank Interest		745	1,705	Laundry & Cleaning		489	0
Miscellaneous		664	0	Altar Supplies		4,271	4,098
Third World Partnership		32,931	28,194	Missalettes/Pastorals/Mass Books		3,325	3,237
				Telephone/Postage/Stationery		7,417	6,289
				Third World Partnership		8,882	46,571
		242,307	215,400	Church Choir		11,400	16,059
				Bank Interest and Charges		1,651	1,558
				Audit Fees		1,573	1,640
				Miscellaneous		6,221	6,456
				Mission-Retreat-Novena-Silver Jubilee Expenses		900	0
				Service Charge to Parish Centre incl Church Cleaning		17,160	17,160
CAPITAL RECEIPTS		0	0	Subtotal		85,433	129,141
				CAPITAL PAYMENTS			
				Church		0	13,699
				Presbyteries		0	0
				School Building and Renovations		6,313	0
				Excess of Receipts over Payments		150,561	72,560
						242,307	215,400
Overall Position							
		30.6.2009	30.6.2010	Maurice O'Shea PP Anthony Walsh Chairman, Finance Committee <i>29/09/2010</i>			
		€	€				
Overall Parish Postion includes Third World Partnership		CR 146,693 CR 26,263	CR 219,253 CR 7,886				