WAYS TO GIVE

ELECTRONIC GIVING

- Direct debit

- Credit Card

ENVELOPES

To be distributed by the end of June.

Current Givers: Please advise the parish office if your bank or credit card details have changed.

"Commitment Cards available in the Foyer for new supporters"

APP GIVING

Direct link to contribute to your parish from a pc / laptop / tablet.

https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/home/adelaide

or scan the **QR code** from your mobile

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BRIGHTON CATHOLIC PARISH

St Joseph's Church

FINANCIAL REPORT 2025 &

PLANNED GIVING RENEWAL 2026

2025 Financial Statement and Budget 2026

2025 finished with an operating deficit of $91,787 and an overall deficit of $94,207. The operating deficit was $58,117 larger that then 2024 deficit.

Parish operating income fell in 2025 by $10,683, mainly due to a 10% drop in planned giving contributions. Planned Giving contributions by credit card were down by 27%. The small "overs and unders" for rental income and interest balanced out.

Total aggregate expenditure was some $40,000 greater than budget. The parish centenary celebrations accounted for just over half of the increase with salaries, oncosts, diocesan Co-responsibility levy and electricity accounting for the remainder. The net columbarium contribution was $6,580 greater than budget.

The major activity for 2025 was the planning and execution of the church roof and rising damp remediation work. The rising damp remediation work was completed in the second quarter of 2025, but the church roof repairs were delayed by wet weather and contractor availability until early 2026. Additional works to protect the repainted church roof will be completed later this year. Other work completed included drain and gutter cleaning to prevent future drainage overflow incidents, installing a secure equipment rack to protect the sound system electronics, purchasing a mandated defibrillator for the Activity Centre and some security improvements.

The 2026 budget has an operating deficit of $117,477 and a total deficit of $197,977. This includes an allowance of $96,000 for the completion of the church roof repairs carried over from 2025. There is an additional $39,000 for identified "must do" maintenance and repair work.

The parish budget faces the challenge that expenses are all increasing in line with or greater than inflation, whereas most of the parish income does not increase with inflation. Planned Giving contributions have been decreasing year on year. In addition, there are also periodic unexpected costs arising from the age of the parish buildings. Interest income varies with interest rates and also decreases as the investment account is drawn down to fund the parish deficit.

The planned giving renewal is very important this year. The YTD planned giving to the end of March 2026 is down 10% on last year's planned giving and is of concern.

Michael McCarthy
Finance Council Chair

FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30TH DECEMBER 2025	ACTUAL For 2025	BUDGET For 2026
Our Operating Income:		
Planned Giving - Pledged Giving	100,210	100,209
Loose Collection - Unpledged giving	29,303	29,300
Rent -	150,416	150,140
Donations Gifts Shrines & Candles	11,852	12,279
Parish Investments -& other incomes	89,370	77,838
Total Operating Income	**381,151.00**	**369,766.00**
Our Operating Expenses:		
Staff Wages - Administration	154,296	151,848
General Repairs & Maintenance	91,121	133,551
Property Amenities	29,163	18,455
Council Rates	17,210	17,940
Equipment & Furniture	12,160	10,248
Insurance	33,508	34,176
Parish Office Expenses	15,912	18,685
Religious Worship	12,116	13,000
Diocesan Co - Responsibility & Priest Car Fund	64,714	67,000
Other operating expenditure	42,738	22,340
Total Operating Expenditure	**472,938**	**487,243**
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	**(91,787)**	**(117,477)**
Major Capitarl Expenditure >20$K	29,000	96,000
Net Columbarium Income	26,580	15,500
Total non Operating Expenses	**(2,420)**	**(80,500)**
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	**(94,207)**	**(197,977)**

Planned Giving

Thank you to everyone who has generously supported the Parish over the years. Unfortunately, planned giving contributions have been declining each year, and **the Parish needs new members to step up and contribute now more than ever**. Commitment cards are available in the foyer for those interested in becoming new supporters. Please fill out a card and place it in the box to be contacted by the Parish office.

Parish Life

130 Families and individuals regularly participating in our Planned Giving Programme.

100 + Active Volunteers

Active Pastoral Support

33 Infant Baptisms in 2025

26 Children's First Communions and confirmations

14 Weddings at SHC

2025

20 Funerals in total

Approximately 70

Weekly Communions to

the Sick and Elderly

Each year:

156 Sunday Masses

208 Weekday Masses