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# The Forty-Second Annual Convention of the Episcopal Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota October 20, 2012 Bismarck, North Dakota

The Forty-Second Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota was called to order with opening prayers led by the Rt. Rev. Michael Smith, Bishop of North Dakota, at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 20, 2012, at the Kelly Inn in Bismarck.

The Bishop called on Donna Pettit (St. Paul's, Grand Forks), Dispatch of Business, to review the agenda for the morning's convention business.

Bishop announced the following convention committee appointments:

Dispatch of Business Ms. Donna Pettit

Courtesy Resolutions Deacon Charlotte Robbins

Credentials Deacon Beth Lipp
Nominations The Rev. Jamie Parsley
Tellers The Rev. Mary Johnson

Pettit called on Deacon Beth Lipp (St. George's, Bismarck), the chair of credentials committee to give her report. Lipp reported that 31 of 38 possible clergy delegates and 68 of 107 lay delegates have registered, and there is a quorum.

Pettit called on the Rev. Jamie Parsley (St. Stephen's, Fargo), chair of the nominations committee, for his report. Parsley announced the nomination of Sandra Holbrook (St. Stephen's, Fargo) for Secretary of Convention; there were no other nominations. Motion was made, seconded and passed to close nominations and instruct the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Holbrook.

Parsley reported that nomination of LuAnn Baker (Gethsemane, Fargo) for Treasurer of the Diocese. A motion was made, seconded and passed to close nominations and instruct the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Baker.

Parsley then announced three nominations for one 3-year term and one 2-year term for clergy positions on the Standing Committee. Nominated were Deacon Terry Overbo (Gethsemane, Fargo), the Rev. Duane Fox (St. Paul's, White Shield) and Deacon Beth Lipp (St. George's, Bismarck). There were no further nominations so nominations were closed. The Bishop reminded delegates that in order to be elected, a nominee must receive at least 50% +1 of the votes cast. If two of the nominees receive at least 50% +1 of the votes on the first ballot, the one with the greater number of votes would be elected to the 3-year term. Delegates instructed to cast their ballots.

Parsley announced nominations for a 3-year term for a layperson on the Standing Committee. Nominated were Carmine Goodhouse (St. Luke's, Ft. Yates) and Donna Pettit (St. Paul's, Grand Forks). There were no further nominations so nominations were closed, and delegates were instructed to cast their ballots.

Parsley announced nominations for two 3–year terms on the Episcopal Foundation for Ministry in Higher Education: Deacon Elsie Magnus (St. Peter's, Walhalla) and Leah Henderson (St. Paul's, Grand Forks). The Bishop announced that there were two additional 2-year terms on the foundation due to resignations. The Rev. Canon John Floberg (Episcopal congregations on Standing Rock) nominated Yvonne Fox (St. Paul's, White Shield) and Carol Dewall (St. George's, Bismarck). The Bishop reminded delegates about the requirement to present written information for all individuals nominated from the floor. Following an explanation of the reason that this requirement had not been met in this case (printer problems), a motion was made, seconded, and passed to suspend the rule in this instance. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to close nominations. The Bishop asked Parsley to read the information presented by the two individuals who had been nominated from the floor since hard copies of their information were not available. The Bishop announced that the two with the highest number of votes would be elected for the 3-year terms. Delegates were instructed to cast their ballots.

Following the Bishop's request for approval of the minutes of the 2011 Annual Convention, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of the 2011 convention as printed.

Pettit called on Holbrook for the Millennium Development Goals and Episcopal Relief & Development report. Holbrook and Pettit used a Power Point presentation to share the past year's success in supporting the Nets for Life effort through Episcopal Relief & Development. This past year 12 congregations plus a variety of individuals contributed \$6441 or enough to purchase 536 treated mosquito nets for a total of 1100 nets over the two years. They announced that the coming year's Millennium Development Goals and Episcopal Relief & Development effort would focus on hunger, both at the global and at the domestic/local levels. They outlined ways for congregations to participate and indicated that additional resources and information would appear in upcoming issues of The Sheaf. Deacon Charlotte Robbins (Gethsemane, Fargo) called attention to the Gifts for Life catalogs in the convention packets and to the Episcopal Relief & Development table display.

The Bishop announced election results: Fox (3-year term) and Overbo (2-year term) were elected to the clergy positions on Standing Committee; Goodhouse was elected to the lay position. Magnus and Henderson were elected for the 3-year terms and Fox and Dewall were elected to the 2-year terms on the Episcopal Foundation for Ministry in Higher Education.

The Bishop called on the Treasurer Baker to present the budget for 2013. Baker reviewed the diocese's income and noted the increase in diocesan giving to the national church as well as the increase in the General Convention grant to support Native American ministry in this diocese. She called attention to three major building projects in the diocese and asked individuals representing those congregations to share about them. She called first on Floberg to talk about the burning of St. James' church in Cannon-ball in July; he discussed the fundraising and shared building plans for the reconstruction of St. James'.

The Bishop announced that these presentations would continue in the afternoon and adjourned the convention business meeting in order for the convention to reconvene at St. George's for the convention Eucharist and the Bishop's annual address.

Following lunch and the regional meetings, the Bishop reconvened the business session. After brief announcements, the Bishop asked the people of All Saints', Valley City, to come forward. The people of All Saints' presented the Rev. Charles Henley and his wife Odella with a star quilt in recognition of their faithful service to the diocese and especially Henley's 55 years of ordained service, most recently at All Saints', Valley City. The Rev. Bart Davis (Grace Church, Jamestown) noted that Henley is the only currently living priest in the diocese who is mentioned in God Giveth the Increase, the book that records the history of the diocese, and Davis shared a bit about Henley's life with information provided by the people of All Saints'.

Pettit then called on Lipp for credentials report; Lipp reported that there were no changes from the morning's numbers: 31 of 38 possible clergy delegates and 68 of 107 lay delegates registered.

Pettit called on Baker to complete her budget report. Baker called on the Rev. Canon Kevin Goodrich to describe the reconstruction/renovation work done on Church of the Advent in Devils Lake as the second project of the three begun during the morning session. Goodrich provided a handout that described the extensive work done there, and Baker projected a few pictures of the work.

Baker then called on Tammy Davis (St. Sylvan's, Dunseith) to report about work at St. Sylvan's, Dunseith, the third building project underway in the diocese. Davis provided an overview of the work that is taking place at St. Sylvan's.

Following these presentations, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to approval of the 2013 budget as presented. The Bishop thanked the Finance Committee, the Diocesan Council, and Treasurer for their work in preparing the budget.

The Bishop announced the regional elections to Diocesan Council: West Region – the Rev. Canon Zanne Ness (St. George's, Bismarck) and Mary Ann Henry (St. Sylvan's, Dunseith); East Region: Pat Fearing (All Saints', Valley City) and Brock Baker (Gethsemane, Fargo).

The Bishop asked for the convention to ratify his appointments (approved by the Standing Committee) to the Disciplinary Board of the Diocese. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to ratify the appointments.

Bishop asked convention to ratify the election of three persons to the North Dakota Episcopal Foundation. The individuals elected by the Foundation Board were Holbrook, the Rev. Mary Johnson (All Saints', Minot), and Leo Wilking (St. Stephen's, Fargo). A motion was made, seconded, and passed to ratify the Foundation's elections.

Pettit invited representatives of any congregation that had brought brief presentations to come forward to make them. William Weightman (St. Stephen's, Fargo) called attention to and explained the Episcopal Computing Project handout in the convention packet. Weightman then made a Power Point presentation about the past year's ministries and activities at St. Stephen's over the past year.

The Rev. Mary Johnson explained the birdhouses that were used to decorate the lunch tables. She brought them as containers for contributions for post-flood reconstruction efforts in Minot. Each congregation was asked to take one home and use it as a supplement to what Episcopal Relief & Development is already contributing to the recovery effort.

The Bishop asked the Rev. Mike Johnson (St. John's, Moorhead) to come forward to share information about the East African Scholarship Fund. Johnson read from letters received from students who have benefitted from this scholarship fund.

The Bishop asked the Rev. Mike Johnson and the people from St. John's in Moorhead to come forward. He announced that Johnson has accepted a call to serve a congregation in Deadwood, South Dakota. The Bishop presented Johnson with a blanket in recognition for his long service in this diocese. Several of the parishioners from St. John's spoke of their regard for his ministry among them.

Pettit called on Fearing for a report on the United Thank Offering. Fearing pointed out the United Thank Offering report included in the convention packets. She provided information about the UTO contributions from our diocese in 2011 and 2012. She also pointed out that a congregation in this diocese has received a UTO grant in each of the last ten years. This year's grant was to All Saints', Minot, to refurbish of their kitchen (\$8000) which is used as a community soup kitchen and also has been used to serve flood recovery volunteers. The Bishop offered a prayer in memory of Deacon Alice Yeager who gave leadership to the All Saints' soup kitchen prior to her recent death.

The Bishop announced that next year's convention will be held October 18-19, 2013, at the Radisson Inn in Bismarck.

Pettit called on Robbins, chair of the courtesy resolutions committee. Robbins, along with Overbo and Johnson (St. John's, Moorhead), offered the following:

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota extends its appreciation and thanks to The Reverend Rita Powell from the Diocese of South Dakota, who serves the Diocese of South Dakota as the Coordinator for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, along with Quinetta Brownotter, Mikayla Duffee, and Michael Two Bulls, for leading an inspirational and informative workshop on youth ministry and the Taizé movement.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota extends its gratitude and thanks to Leisha Woltjer for all her work in the planning, and implementation of all things necessary, including registration for this convention; and also to Rebecca Lein for assisting Leisha at the diocesan office and at convention.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota communicates its thanks to the Diocesan Council and St. George's Planning Committee for planning and guidance for this convention, with special thanks to Terry Ness.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota extends to the staff of the Kelly Inn our appreciation for their service and hospitality during this Convention which has helped to make this Convention very enjoyable.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota expresses its thanksgiving for all those who provided the spiritual leadership in our worship together, particularly all the members and staff at St. George's, who have given of their time and talents to inspire us.

WHEREAS, Bishop Michael, the Rev. John Floberg, the Rev. Mike Johnson, and LuAnn Baker provided information at the Regional Meetings prior to convention, and

WHEREAS, a goodly number of clergy and delegates attended and participated in discussion at the meetings,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota commend them for their efforts and attendance so that this convention could run efficiently.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota express its appreciation and thanksgiving to Phil Stafne for his service to the Diocese on the Episcopal Foundation, and as the Dispatch of Business person for many conventions, and send him blessings and prayers for his recovery.

WHEREAS, the Rev. Jamie Parsley faithfully served the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota as Communications Officer, and Editor of The Sheaf,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota extend its thanks and appreciation for his years of service.

WHEREAS, the Rev. Mike Johnson has faithfully served Good Shepherd, Lakota; St. John's Moorhead, and Gethsemane Cathedral, and the Diocese in various capacities,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota extends its heartfelt appreciation and thanksgiving for his many years of service and wish him well as he assumes new duties in the Diocese of South Dakota.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota expresses its condolences to the people of All Saints Church, Minot, upon the death of Deacon Alice Yeager, and pray that they may follow their intent to continue Deacon Alice's example in serving the hungry, the sick, the lonely, and the discouraged in Christ's name.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota express to the family of Deacon Alice Yeager, our condolences and thanksgiving for the example and faithful service of Alice.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota expresses appreciation to all individuals, and organizations that provided information and/or products for the education and nourishment of our minds and bodies with display tables at this convention.

WHEREAS, Bishop Michael, and General Convention Deputies: David Bailly, John Baird, Marianne Ell, John Floberg, Brandon Maui, Liz Overbo, Donna Pettit, and Terry Star represented the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota at General Convention,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota extend their thanks and appreciation for their attendance and hard work.

WHEREAS, outgoing members the Rev. Marianne Ell, Rosa Wilson, Pat Fearing, Mary Ann Henry, and the Rev. Mike Johnson have faithfully served on Diocesan Council,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Forty-Second Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota expresses its thanks and appreciation for their years of service.

RESOLVED, that the Forty-Second Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota send its greetings to former Bishops and their wives--the Rt. Rev. Harold and Nancy Hopkins, and the Rt. Rev. Andrew and Sally Fairfield-- to express gratitude and thanksgiving for their spiritual guidance and leadership.

The courtesy resolutions were adopted by applause.

Baker announced that over \$300 was raised in the silent auction to go to reconstruction of St. Sylvan's church.

The Bishop asked for a motion to adjourn the convention. A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the 2012 Annual Convention at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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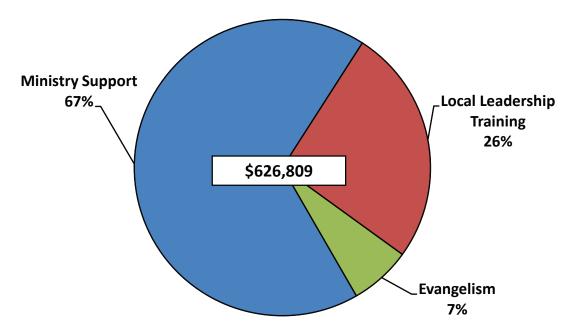
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# **EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

2013 Budget Proposal and 2012 Treasurer's Report Presented to Diocesan Convention Bismarck, October 19-20, 2012

## **Proposed 2013 Expenditures**



To illustrate how our 2013 Budget supports the work of the Diocese it is divided into 3 areas. Each area includes budgeted line items and an estimate of administrative time and resources devoted to that area. The 3 areas are:

- I. Ministry Support
- II. Local Leadership Training
- III. Evangelism

## I. Ministry Support - \$422,557

#### A. Support of Ministry in North Dakota and the World: \$61,336

This year's contribution to the national Episcopal Church increased by 1.2% over last year, giving 12.8% of our net operating income in 2011. We accumulate reserve funds over three years for General Convention expenses and over ten years for the bishop and spouse to attend Lambeth Conference. The General Convention Deputies budget item is put into a reserve and will be available to send four lay and four clergy deputies plus bishop to General Convention in 2015. The Diocese participates in Province Synod activities.

21	National Church Program	\$42,000
22	General Convention Deputies	\$7,386
23	Province VI Assessment	\$2,200
24	Province VI Synod Deputies	\$500
25	Lambeth Conference	\$1,000
	Subtotal	\$53,086

We participate, along with other churches of many denominations, in the North Dakota Conference of Churches. Our support of mission is demonstrated by our partnership with Lutheran Social Services to resettle refugees, as well as our support of the Medical/Dental Mission to Guatemala. The East African Mission raises money to provide scholarships for Sudanese and Rwandan high school and college students.

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All of these support the Millennium Development Goals.

26	ND Conference of Churches	\$500
45	East African Mission/MDG	\$2,500
46	Guatemala Mission/MDG	\$2,500
48	Other Outreach (MDG Advocacy)	\$250
49	Refugee Resettlement	\$2,500
	Subtotal	\$8.250

#### B. Congregational Ministry Support: \$205,496

We support the budgets of five of the six Native American Congregations by paying their insurance premiums.

176	Cannon Ball	\$3,287
177	Dunseith	\$1,954
178	Ft. Totten	\$2,941
179	Ft. Yates	\$4,945
180	White Shield	\$3,368
181	Camp Gabriel	\$9,158
	Subtotal	\$25,651

The Native American congregations are served by part-time clergy positions. The Rev. Canon John Floberg lives in Bismarck and with ¾ of his time serves St. Luke's-Ft. Yates, St. James'-Cannon Ball, Church of the Cross-Selfridge and St. Sylvan's-Dunseith. The Rev. Lindsey Dwarf assists on Standing Rock and lives in the rectory in Ft. Yates. The Rev. Sloane Floberg assists on Standing Rock. Her compensation and benefits are paid with donated funds. The Rev. W. Duane Fox, Sr. serves St. Paul's-White Shield at ¼ time. The Diocese has an ecumenical partnership for St. Sylvan's, Dunseith. The Diocese also helps to partially support the ministry at St. John's Church in Moorhead.

85-90	Canon Missioner NDCIM Stipend & Benefits	\$64,639
91-92	Canon Missioner NDCIM Travel & Continuing Ed.	\$14,875
130-132	Ft. Yates Assisting Priest Stipend & Benefits	\$6,116
136-138	White Shield Priest Stipend & Benefits	\$15,081
139	White Shield Priest Travel	\$2,000
114-118	Dunseith Priest	\$9,046
44	Sudanese Ministry	\$8,000
	Subtotal	\$119,759

Our communication tools include the *The Sheaf*, our website <a href="www.ndepiscopal.org/">www.ndepiscopal.org/</a> and regular e-mails. The Stewardship and Safe Church committees as well as the Episcopal Relief and Development team all provide information and assistance to congregations.

31	Communication	\$5,000
34	Stewardship	\$3,250
47	ERD Network	\$500
39	Safe Church Committee	\$300
	Subtotal	\$9.050

This is our sixth year having a one-day Diocesan Convention, starting Friday evening and ending late Saturday afternoon. Members of the diocese are elected or appointed to the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, Finance Committee, Canons Committee, North Dakota Council of Indian Ministries, and other administrative committees. They meet periodically throughout the year with travel, lodging and meal expenses paid.

193	Convention	\$9,000
194	Diocesan Council/Standing Committee	\$10,700
195	Mission Strategy Committee	\$0
196	Other Administrative Meetings	\$1,000
186-189	NDCIM General Expense	\$9,700
	Subtotal	\$30,400

The diocese pays the premiums for a \$5,000 group term life insurance policy for employees who have retired.

212 Retiree Life Insurance \$636

Repair of Indian buildings are budgeted, and any excess is kept in reserve funds for more major improvements.

172 Indian Property Repairs \$20,000

#### C. Administrative Expenses for Ministry Support: \$155,725

The Bishop makes regular visits to each congregation each year. He also spends much of his time in direct contact with the members of the diocese and is the chief pastor, offering spiritual support and instruction. The diocesan office staff assists the Bishop in his work and also spends time assisting individuals and congregations. A rough estimate of the time and resources spent in support of ministry is 60%.

72	60% of Episcopate	\$92,809
167	60% of Office Staff	\$43,314
199-211, 213-217	60% of Office Expenses	\$19,602

## II. Local Leadership Training - \$162,298

#### A. Local Leadership Training Budget Items: \$84,436

Canon Missioners serve as part of the Bishop's staff to assist in the ministry of diocesan oversight. They may serve as priest-in-charge for congregations without a resident clergy person and act as mentor and trainer for ministry teams. The Rev. Canon Zanne Ness serves 1/4 time. The Rev. Canon Kevin Goodrich, OP is 1/4 time Canon Missioner and Priest in Charge at Grace Church, Jamestown. The Rev. Canon John Floberg serves three congregations on the Standing Rock Reservation (3/4 time) and Canon Missioner (1/4 time). Travel and \$60 per month toward cell phone expense are paid for Canon Missioners. Also, the diocese owns a house in Bismarck, which is used by clergy, and pays the property/liability insurance.

76-80	Canon Missioner Central Stipend & Benefits	\$21,546
81-82	Canon Missioner Central Travel & Continuing Ed.	\$5,885
96-100	Canon Missioner East Stipend & Benefits	\$19,864
101-102	Canon Missioner East Travel & Continuing Ed.	\$8,360
106-108	Canon Missioner West Stipend & Benefits	\$13,462
109-110	Canon Missioner West Travel & Continuing Ed.	\$3,750
173	CM House Insurance/Repairs	\$2,869
	Subtotal	\$75,736

North Dakota School for Ministry is an important part of continuing education for the Diocesan clergy. Diocesan retreats for clergy and laity are held during the year as an opportunity for training and discerning

calls to ministry, either lay or ordained. Seminars and conferences are held at Assupmtion Abbey in Richardton and around the diocese.

36	Continuing Ed., Clergy/School for Ministry	\$7,200
37	CM Doctoral Studies	\$0

The Commission on Ministry works with Standing Committee and assists the Bishop in providing for the development and affirmation of individuals seeking ordination.

32 Commission on Ministry \$1,500

#### B. Administrative Expenses for Leadership Training: \$77,862

The Bishop spends part of his time in education and guidance of individuals and congregations in the diocese. He works to encourage and help train leadership teams. The support of the office and staff free him to do this work. An estimate of the time and resources spent in local leadership training is 30%.

72	30% of Episcopate	\$46,404
167	30% of Office Staff	\$21,657
199-211, 213-217	30% of Office Expenses	\$9,801

III. Evangelism - \$41,954

#### A. Evangelism Budget Items: \$16,000

The Evangelism Committee attempts to stimulate and support congregational efforts to spread the Word of God. Programs are held in the Diocese and church plantings are explored.

33 Evangelism \$500

The Diocesan youth and campus ministry committees are strengthening existing youth ministries in congregations and develop an Episcopal presence on college campuses on and off reservations, conduct Diocesan youth events and retreats, train youth ministry leaders, and enable young people to experience a deeper awareness of Christ's presence in their lives. Grace Church has a campus ministry at Jamestown College. Several youth camps are held each summer at St. Gabriel's Camp on the Standing Rock Reservation. The Revs. John and Sloane Floberg, along with their assisting clergy, coordinate the camps. The Episcopal Foundation for Ministry in Higher Education provides scholarships for Episcopal college students, funds projects, and is being asked to support our Diocesan campus ministry.

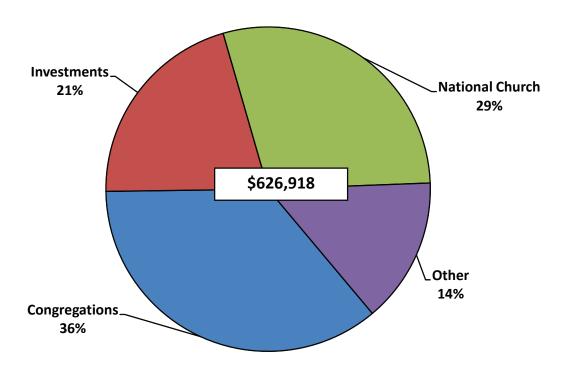
41	Campus Ministry Camp Gabriel	\$0 \$4,000
42	Tribal Campus Chaplain	\$10,000
	Subtotal	\$15,500

#### B. Administrative Expenses for Evangelism: \$25,954

A rough estimate for time and expenses spent on Evangelism is 10%.

72	10% of Episcopate	\$15,468
167	10% of Office Staff	\$7,219
199-211, 213-217	10% of Office Expenses	\$3,267

## **Proposed 2013 Income**



#### **Our Fair Share Quota**

In the early 1990's congregations were asked to pay 24% of their net disposable income to the diocese. The OFS was decreased to 22% in 1996, 21% in 2007, and 20.5% in 2008. For 2013 congregations are being asked for 20% (same as the previous 4 years) of their operating revenue to support the Diocese.

2 Our Fair Share (20%) \$225,019

#### **Trust and Endowment Fund**

We currently have around \$2.4 million invested through Morgan Stanley Smith Barney. Income and capital gains from those funds are available to support the budget. We have used as much as 9% of the value of our investments to balance the budget in prior years. The percentage draw on investments is gradually being decreased in an effort to maintain the value of our funds and to offset inflation. For 2013 we have budgeted 5% of the average of the three prior years' year-end value.

3 Investment Fund Transfers (5%) \$130,047

#### **National Church**

General Convention allocates a Diocesan Grant to support Native American ministry.

5 General Convention Grant \$181,000

#### Other Designated and Undesignated Income

Bishop Michael will be employed as Dean of the Cathedral at 62% time. We receive registration for Diocesan Convention and Youth Retreats, donations are accepted for *The Sheaf*, and we receive royalties for our mineral lease.

6-15 Other Income \$90,852

#### LINE-BY LINE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2013 PROPOSED BUDGET

#### **INCOME**

**Line 2:** Congregations are being asked for 20% of their operating revenue as Our Fair Share to support the work of the Diocese in 2013. This percentage remains the same as the previous 4 years and is a decrease from 20.5% in 2008 and 21% in 2007.

*Line 3:* Annually, we draw a percentage of the average of the previous 3 years market value of our Smith Barney investments. For 2013 we plan to draw 5%, which is a decrease from 2012 when we drew 5.25%. We are able to decrease our draw on investments due to Bishop Michael serving as 62% time Dean for Gethsemane Cathedral and the increase in the General Convention grant.

In prior years we have drawn as high as 8.5%. Diocesan Council's policy is to spend no more than 8.5% and to work towards a 5% draw from investments, which is a recommended industry average.

*Line 5*: The Diocese will receive \$181,000 per year for the triennium (2013-2015) to support Native American ministry. This was passed at General Convention in Indianapolis in 2012.

Line 7: The Diocese will receive \$81,642 from Gethsemane for Bishop Michael's time serving as Dean.

**Line 12:** Income is from Diocesan Convention registrations. The proposed budget number is based on actual past conventions and goes to offset expenses of Convention (line 193).

Line 13: Income from our mineral leases.

#### **EXPENDITURES**

**Line 21:** The Episcopal Church funding formula asks dioceses to pay 19% (reduced from 21% in 2010) of net operating income earned two years prior to the budget year, with the first \$120,000 and the General Convention Grant exempt. The Episcopal Church finance office requests that diocese that are not able to fulfill the 19% assessment increase their giving by 1% each year.

#### **Historical Data:**

Year	Asked amount	Actual amount	Percentage
2012	\$60,399 (19%)	\$36,875	11.6%
2011	\$79,624 (20%)	\$42,201	10.6%
2010	\$120,876 (20%)	\$55,258	9.6%

The proposed budget number of \$42,000 represents 12.8%, an increase of over 1%.

Line 22: Money set aside for period of three years for General Convention expenses.

**Line 23:** An assessment that is paid to Province VI quarterly.

*Line 24*: Four delegates were sent in 2012. The cost was \$2,036. Provincial Synod will now take place every 3 years, the same as General Convention. To make sure there is enough to send 4 delegates every 3 years, there should be \$4,000 in the reserve fund by 2015. After the 2012 Synod, there is \$3,000 in the reserve.

**Line 25:** Budgeted amount goes into a reserve fund to pay the expenses of the bishop and spouse's attendance at Lambeth Conference, which meets every ten years.

Line 26: The Diocese supports the work of the North Dakota Conference of Churches with an annual pledge.

*Lines 31-49:* The Program line items largely reflect what was requested by the committee chairs. Some small adjustments were made in requests to balance the budget. New for 2013, is a Tribal Campus Chaplain (line 42) position. This position will be based at United Tribes in Bismarck with outreach to the other four Tribal Colleges in the state. \$10,000 from the General Convention grant will be used to help fund this position.

Lines 52-169: Stipends and salaries are based on a step increase of .25% plus a Cost of Living Adjustment of 2%. Family medical/dental/vision insurance and a \$25,000 term life insurance policy are provided for the bishop, clergy employed by the diocese, and diocesan office staff. Starting January 1, 2013 we must enroll in the Denominational Health Plan through Church Pension Group/Medical Trust. At the time Diocesan Council met in August, we had not received the 2013 premium information. The actual premiums are 5% less for single and 16% less for family than was budgeted. The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is a confidential counseling service we offer to employees.

The bishop's salary and benefits are supported 38% by the diocese and 62% by Gethsemane for his time serving as Dean of the Cathedral.

*Lines 64-70:* These line items are for program expenses used by the bishop. It includes hospitality, travel expense and a monthly budget amount for the discretionary fund.

*Lines 172, 176-181*: Repairs and insurance for Native American churches. Funded by the General Convention Grant for Native American ministries.

Line 173: Budgeted amount used for insurance and repairs for Canon Missioner's rectory in Bismarck.

*Line 184-190:* NDCIM General Expenses include meeting expenses (Convocation), administrative costs, convention expenses and office expenses.

*Line 193:* The proposed budget amount is based on the actual cost of the 2011 convention. Expenses are offset by Event Income (Line 12).

Lines 194-196: The proposed budget amount is based on the actual cost of meetings and other expenses.

*Lines 199-217:* Includes office supplies, postage, printing, internet, copy machine, etc. Proposed budget amounts are based on actual 2011 with the exception of Equipment/Maintenance.

*Lines 209-211* – Church Insurance Agency projects and 1.75% increase of our insurance premiums.

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1	INCOME			١.							
2	Congregations - Our Fair Share (20%)	\$	218,527	\$	225,020	\$	222,526	\$	123,537	\$	225,019
2a	OFS Prior Year	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	
3	Investment Fund Transfers (5%)	\$	151,317	\$	120,000	\$	132,591	\$	100,000	\$	130,047
4	Other Interest	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
5	General Convention Grant	\$	145,000	\$	145,000	\$	145,000	\$	108,750	\$	181,000
6	Undesignated Gifts	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 01 642
7	Bishop Additional Employment	\$	59,330	\$	59,328	\$	79,342	\$	59,506	\$	81,642
8	From Designated Funds	\$	11,845	\$	11,845	\$	6,500	\$	4,875	\$	-
9	Rental Income	\$	1,300	\$	1,300	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
10	Sheaf Donations	\$	300	\$	95	\$	300	\$	175	\$	50
11	Youth Program Income	\$	1,280	\$	-	\$	1,280	\$	-	\$	-
12	Convention Income	\$	3,350	\$	2,880	\$	3,500	\$	-	\$	2,880
13	Royalty Income	\$	5,600	\$	8,434	\$	5,800	\$	4,894	\$	6,280
14	NDEF Grants	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
15	All Saints' Minot Pledge	\$	6,000	\$	6,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	
16	TOTAL INCOME	\$	603,849	\$	579,903	\$	596,838	\$	401,737	\$	626,918
17											
18	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>										
19	T										
20	Extra-Diocesan	١.		١.		١.		١.		١.	
21	National Church Program	\$	42,201	\$	42,201	\$	36,875	\$	27,656	\$	42,000
22	General Convention Deputies	\$	8,350	\$	8,350	\$	10,150	\$	7,612	\$	7,386
23	Province VI Assessment	\$	2,200	\$	2,200	\$	2,200	\$	1,650	\$	2,200
24	Province VI Synod Deputies	\$	1,600	\$	1,600	\$	-	\$	-	\$	500
25	Lambeth Conference	\$	1,000	\$	1,000	\$	1,000	\$	750	\$	1,000
26	ND Conference of Churches	\$	500	\$	500	\$	500	\$	375	\$	500
27	Presiding Bishop's Visit/Niobrara Convocation					\$	5,000	\$	4,780	\$	-
28	Total Extra-Diocesan	\$	55,851	\$	55,851	\$	55,725	\$	42,824	\$	53,586
29	_										
30	Program	١.		١.		١.		١.			
31	Communication	\$	3,655	\$	1,667	\$	3,720	\$	2,539	\$	5,000
32	Commission on Ministry	\$	2,500	\$	725	\$	2,500	\$	404	\$	1,500
33	Evangelism	\$	500	\$	399	\$	500	\$	27	\$	500
34	Stewardship	\$	2,350	\$	3,039		3,250	\$	-	\$	3,250
35	Youth Program	\$	4,500	\$	4,500	\$	4,500	\$	-	\$	1,500
36	Continuing Ed., Clergy/School for Ministry	\$	10,000	\$	8,736	\$	7,200	\$	2,898	\$	7,200
37	CM (Staff) Doctoral Studies	\$	4,845	\$	4,845	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
38	Anti-Racism Committee	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
39	Safe Church Committee	\$	1,900	\$	139	\$	625	\$	-	\$	300
40	Campus Ministry	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
41	Camp Gabriel	\$	3,683	\$	3,683	\$	3,683	\$	2,762	\$	4,000
42	Tribal Campus Chaplain	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	10,000
43	Outreach	١.		١.				١.			
44	Sudanese Ministry	\$	7,000	\$	7,000	\$	7,000	\$	5,250	\$	8,000
44a	Alex's Severance	\$	4,300	\$	4,300	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
45	East African Mission/MDG	\$	2,500	\$	2,500	\$	2,500	\$	1,800	\$	2,500
46	Guatemala Mission/MDG	\$	2,500	\$	2,500	\$	2,500	\$	1,875	\$	2,500
47	ERD Network	\$	500	\$	500	\$	500	\$	375	\$	500
48	MDG Advocacy	\$	510	\$	-	\$	910	\$	-	\$	250
49	Refugee Resettlement	\$	5,000	\$	5,000	\$	5,000	\$	3,750	\$	2,500
50	Total Program	\$	56,243	\$	49,534	\$	44,388	\$	21,681	\$	49,500
51											

**Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota Proposed Budget 2013** В  $\mathbf{C}$ D Е Proposed Budget 2013 Approved Acutal Approved YTD Actual Step plus 2% Budget 2011 Description 2011 Budget 2012 9-30-12 **COLA** 52 Salary & Benefits 53 Episcopate (Michael Smith) \$ 78,614 80,954 60,716 89,467 54 Stipend 78,614 \$ 6,540 4,905 55 Housing/Utilities 6,120 6,120 \$ 56 Pension 15,252 \$ 15,252 15,749 \$ 11,789 16,104 57 Medical/Life Insurance \$ 17,952 \$ 17,952 \$ 19,728 \$ 15,990 21,109 \$ 58 Continuing Ed. 5,000 \$ 5,133 5,000 59 **Episcopate** 117,938 117,938 127,971 \$ 98,533 131,680 60 Gethsemane Contribution - 62% 79,342 \$ 61,090 \$ 81,642 61 Diocesan Contribution - 38% 48,629 \$ 37,442 50,038 62 63 **Episcopate Program Expense** 64 **Business Hospitality** 2,000 65 \$ \$ 2,698 \$ 2,000 \$ 1,260 \$ 2,000 \$ Automobile Purchase \$ 66 Travel Expense \$ 20,000 \$ 18,399 \$ 20,000 \$ 20,000 11,286 \$ 67 Travel for Assisting \$ \$ \$ 68 Transfer to Discretionary Fund \$ 1,000 1,000 750 1,000 69 1,000 70 **Episcopate Program Expense** \$ 23,000 \$ 22,097 23,000 \$ 13,296 \$ 23,000 71 72 **Total Episcopate** 140,938 \$ 140,035 150,971 111,828 154,680 73 74 Clergy 75 Canon Missioner Central (John Floberg) \$ \$ \$ 12,995 76 Stipend 10,592 \$ 7,907 9,767 \$ 7,325 77 Housing/Utilities \$ 1,715 \$ 2,941 \$ \$ 2,941 2,206 \$ \$ 78 Pension 2,937 \$ 2,937 \$ 3,033 \$ 2,269 \$ 3,102 79 HEA \$ 320 \$ 274 \$ 330 \$ 338 80 Medical/Life Insurance \$ 4,348 \$ 4,348 \$ 4,756 \$ 3,873 \$ 5,113 81 Travel \$ 5,260 \$ 7,493 \$ 5,260 \$ 3,016 \$ 5,260 82 Continuing Ed 625 758 625 25,901 83 Canon Missioner Central - 26% \$ 25,172 26,713 19,447 27,431 84 85 Canon Missioner NDCIM (John Floberg) \$ 31,776 29,556 29,300 21,975 38,984 86 Stipend 8,824 Housing/Utilities \$ 8,824 \$ 87 5,145 6,618 \$ \$ 88 Pension 8,812 8,812 9,099 6,808 \$ 9,305 89 **HEA** \$ 960 \$ 1.005 991 1.014 \$ 90 Medical/Life Insurance \$ 13,044 \$ 13,044 14,268 \$ 11,618 \$ 15,338 91 Travel \$ 13,000 \$ 12.297 13,000 \$ 7.642 13,000 92 Continuing Ed 1,875 1,875 1,875 93 Canon Missioner NDCIM - 74% 72,737 73,538 77,358 56,536 79,514 94 95 Canon Missioner East (Kevin Goodrich) 1/4 FTE 96 Stipend 10,747 \$ 10,547 \$ 10.907 \$ 8.180 \$ 11.664 Housing/Utilities \$ \$ \$ \$ 97 300 500 500 375 \$ \$ 98 Pension 2,637 \$ 2,637 \$ 2.723 \$ 2,020 \$ 2.784 99 \$ \$ \$ 297 \$ 303 **HEA** 287 287 100 Medical/Life Insurance \$ \$ \$ 4,756 \$ 3,837 \$ 5,113 4,348 4,348 \$ \$ Travel 7,860 5,095 \$ 7,860 \$ 4,904 \$ 7,860 101 102 Continuing Ed 500 442 500 28,224 103 **Canon Missioner East** \$ 26,179 23,414 27,542 19,757 104

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	Description	Bu	dget 2011		2011	Bu	dget 2012		9-30-12		COLA
105	Canon Missioner West (Zanne Ness) 1/4 FTE										
106	Stipend	\$	14,000	\$	1,502	\$	13,165	\$	1,924	\$	13,462
107	Housing/Utilities	\$	-	\$	10,600	\$	-	\$	7,950	\$	-
108 109	Life Insurance Travel	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	1,888	\$ \$	1,250	\$ \$	- 1,947	\$ \$	1,250
110	Continuing Ed	Ф	-	Ф	1,000	\$	2,500	\$	500	\$	2,500
111	Canon Missioner West	\$	14,000	\$	13,990	\$	16,915	\$	12,321	\$	17,212
112			Í				,		ŕ		ŕ
113	Dunseith Priest (John Hesford) 1/11 FTE										
114	Stipend	\$	7,669	\$	7,669	\$	7,899	\$	5,924	\$	8,077
115	Housing/Utilities	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
116	Pension	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
117 118	Medical/Life Insurance Travel	\$ \$	920	\$ \$	920	\$ \$	948	\$ \$	- 711	\$ \$	- 969
119	Dunseith Priest	\$	8,589	\$	8,589	\$	8,847	\$	6,635	\$	9,046
120	Dunseith Triest	Φ	0,307	Φ	0,507	φ	0,047	Φ	0,055	Ψ	2,040
121	Ft. Totten Priest										
122	Stipend	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-
123	Housing/Utilities	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	
124	Pension	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
125	Medical/Life Insurance	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
126	Travel	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
127	Ft. Totten Priest	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
128 129	<b>Ft. Yates Assisting Priest</b> (Lindsey Dwarf) 1/9 l	PTE.									
130	Housing/Utilities	\$	4,603	\$	4,603	\$	4,741	\$	3,556	\$	4,836
131	HEA	\$	120	\$	120	\$	123	\$	3,330	\$	126
132	Pension	\$	1,099	\$	1,099	\$	1,132	\$	826	\$	1,154
133	Ft. Yates Assisting Priest	\$	5,821	\$	5,821	\$	5,996	\$	4,382	\$	6,116
134	8		,		,		,				,
135	White Shield Priest (Duane Fox) 1/4 FTE										
136	Stipend	\$	14,133	\$	4,733	\$	5,193	\$	3,895	\$	14,922
137	Housing/Utilities	\$	-	\$	9,400	\$	9,400	\$	7,050	\$	-
138	Medical/Life Insurance	\$	159	\$	159	\$	159	\$	119	\$	159
139 140	Travel White Shield Priest	\$ <b>\$</b>	2,000 <b>16,292</b>	\$ <b>\$</b>	14,292	\$ <b>\$</b>	2,000 <b>16,752</b>	\$ <b>\$</b>	11,064	\$ \$	2,000 <b>17,081</b>
141	White Shield Priest	<b>D</b>	10,292	D)	14,292	Þ	10,/52	)	11,004	Þ	1/,001
142	Total Clergy	\$	168,790	\$	165,545	\$	180,122	\$	130,142	\$	184,624
143	Total Cicigy	Ψ.	100,770	Ψ	100,040	Ψ	100,122	Ψ	150,142	Ψ	104,024
144	Diocesan Office Staff										
145	Administrator (Leisha Woltjer)										
146	Salary	\$	34,457	\$	34,457	\$	36,579	\$	27,434	\$	37,404
147	Pension	\$	3,101	\$	3,101	\$	3,292	\$	2,469	\$	3,366
148	Medical/Life Insurance	\$	6,832	\$	6,832	\$	7,496	\$	6,064	\$	8,006
149	Administrator	\$	44,390	\$	44,390	\$	47,367	\$	35,967	\$	48,776
150											
151	Communications Coordinator	¢.	10 /11	ø	15 170	¢.	10.000	•	7 400	¢.	10.000
152 153	Stipend Pension	\$ \$	18,411 4,394	\$ \$	15,172 3,296	\$ \$	10,800 2,578	\$ \$	7,408 995	\$	10,000
154	HEA	\$	4,394	\$	3,296	\$	2,378	\$	124		
155	Medical/Life Insurance	\$	3,416	\$	3,416	\$	3,748	\$	1,576		
156	Communications Officer	\$	26,700	\$	22,251	\$	17,407	\$	10,103	\$	10,000
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158	Diocesan Office Staff Expense										
159	Continuing Ed., Admin	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,000	\$	-	\$	1,000
160	Travel Expense	\$	500	\$	-	\$	500	\$	-	\$	500
161	Social Security Tax	\$	2,600	\$	2,136	\$	2,600	\$	1,868	\$	2,600
162	Medicare Tax	\$	600	\$	500	\$	600	\$	437	\$	600
163	Receptionist (Rebecca Lein)	\$	3,300	\$	2,767	\$	7,304	\$	5,920	\$	7,814
164	EAP					\$	900	\$	-	\$	900
165	<b>Diocesan Office Staff Expense</b>	\$	7,000	\$	5,402	\$	12,904	\$	8,225	\$	13,414
166	-										
167	<b>Total Diocesan Office Staff</b>	\$	78,090	\$	72,043	\$	77,678	\$	54,296	\$	72,190
168			207.010			_	100 ==1	_	****	_	
169	Total Salary & Benefits	\$	387,818	\$	377,624	\$	408,771	\$	296,266	\$	411,494
170											
171	Other Congregational Support	ø	4.500	Φ.	4.500	¢.	4.500	d.	010	¢.	20,000
172 173	Indian Property Repairs CM House Insurance/Repairs	\$	4,500 3,000	<b>\$</b>	4,500 2,282	<b>\$</b> \$	4,500 2,820	\$	810 2,200	<b>\$</b> \$	20,000 2,869
173	Move/Interview Mission Clergy	\$	3,000	\$	2,202	\$	2,620	\$	2,200	\$	2,009
175	Indian Property Insurance	J.	-	Ф	-	Φ	-	Ф	-	Ф	-
176	Cannon Ball	\$	2,330	\$	2,304	\$	3,230	\$	2,384	\$	3,287
177	Dunseith	\$	1,920	\$	1,922	\$	1,920	\$	2,169	\$	1,954
178	Ft. Totten	\$	2,460	\$	2,861	\$	2,890	\$	3,588	\$	2,941
179	Ft. Yates	\$	5,195	\$	4,901	\$	4,860	\$	4,827	\$	4,945
180	White Shield	\$	3,290	\$	3,293	\$	3,310	\$	3,535	\$	3,368
181	Camp Gabriel	\$	6,317	\$	6,317	\$	6,317	\$	2,475	\$	9,158
182	Total Other Congregational Support	\$	29,012	\$	28,381	\$	29,847	\$	21,986	\$	48,521
183									·		·
184	Administrative Expenses										
185	NDCIM General Expense										
186	Admin/Meeting Expense	\$	2,300	\$	-	\$	2,300	\$	-	\$	5,000
187	Meeting Expense	\$	1,200	\$	638	\$	1,200	\$	598	\$	-
188	Misc. Expense (Convention)	\$	2,200	\$	2,438	\$	2,200	\$	-	\$	2,500
189	Office Expense	\$	1,200	\$	914	\$	1,200	\$	323	\$	2,200
190	NDCIM General Expense	\$	6,900	\$	3,990	\$	6,900	\$	921	\$	9,700
191											
192	Administrative Meetings		5 000	Ф	0.026	d.	7.200	Ф		d.	0.000
193	Convention	\$	5,800	\$ \$	8,936	\$	7,300	\$	9.506	\$	9,000
194 195	Diocesan Council/Standing Committee Mission Strategy Committee	\$ \$	8,200	\$	10,630	\$ \$	10,000	\$ \$	8,596	\$ \$	10,700
195	Other Administrative Meetings	\$	1,500	\$	1,484	\$	1,000	\$	102	\$	1,000
197	Administrative Meetings	\$	15,500	\$	21,050	\$	18,300	\$	8,698	\$	20,700
198	rammistrative ricetings		13,300	Ψ	21,030	Ψ	10,500	Ψ	0,070	Ψ	20,700
199	Office Supplies	\$	2,200	\$	2,634	\$	2,200	\$	1,986	\$	2,200
200	Postage	\$	2,800	\$	1,791	\$	2,800	\$	897	\$	1,800
201	Printing	\$	100	\$	66	\$	100	\$	47	\$	100
202	Equipment/Maintenance	\$	2,000	\$	2,000	\$	2,000	\$	1,500	\$	3,000
203	Misc. Expense	\$	1,500	\$	4,821	\$	1,500	\$	1,271	\$	1,600
204	Telephone	\$	2,200	\$	1,797	\$	2,500	\$	1,693	\$	2,500
205	Copier	\$	1,500	\$	1,863	\$	1,700	\$	877	\$	1,800
206	Internet	\$	200	\$	300	\$	300	\$	225	\$	300
207	Office Rent	\$	14,000	\$	14,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
208	Audit	\$	8,600	\$	8,885	\$	8,000	\$	8,200	\$	8,200
209	Office Insurance	\$	3,055	\$	2,359	\$	2,730	\$	2,679	\$	2,778
210	Office Umbrella	\$	10,400	\$	7,952	\$	4,700	\$	4,506	\$	4,782
211	Director's & Officer's Liability Insurance	\$	2,545	\$	2,145	\$	2,900	\$	2,838	\$	2,951

	<b>Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota</b>						
	Proposed Budget 2013	 A	В	С	D		Е
	Description	pproved dget 2011	Acutal 2011	Approved idget 2012	ΓD Actual 9-30-12	Βι	Proposed udget 2013 ep plus 2% COLA
212	Retiree Life Insurance	\$ 525	\$ 636	\$ 636	\$ 477	\$	636
213	Workers' Compensation	\$ 600	\$ 557	\$ 575	\$ 376	\$	400
214	Bishop Search	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
215	Real Estate Tax	\$ 300	\$ 256	\$ 260	\$ 258	\$	260
216	Auto Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
217	Rental Property Expense	\$ -	\$ 485	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
218	Total Administrative Expenses	\$ 74,925	\$ 77,587	\$ 58,101	\$ 37,448	\$	63,707
219							
224	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 603,849	\$ 588,977	\$ 596,832	\$ 420,204	\$	626,809
225							
226	NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (0)	\$ (9,074)	\$ 6	\$ (18,467)	\$	109

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#### **2011 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Income:

- Our Fair Share: The Diocese received \$225,019.70 in Our Fair Share payments, which is \$6,492.70 over the budgeted amount.
- Investment Fund Transfers: The budgeted amount of Investment Fund Transfers for 2011 was \$151,316.92. The actual amount taken was \$120,000. Cash flow remained steady through-out the year, so it was not necessary to take the cash from investments. Not taking the full budgeted amount for Investment Fund Transfers results in a net loss of \$9,074 for our 2011 budget. According to our auditor, a net loss in the budget does not affect the audit, the necessary reporting the auditor completes on our behalf, or our audited financial statements. Diocesan Council felt that since the net loss does not affect the audit and the cash is not needed at this time, the money should be left in the investments to grow.
- **General Convention Grant:** General convention grant came in as budgeted.
- **Bishop's Additional Employment:** Gethsemane Cathedral, Fargo reimbursed the Diocese for 2/3 of the Bishop's time from March-December totaling \$59,330.14.
- Other Income: We received \$2,800 more than budgeted in Royalty Income (mineral leases). The generous contribution from All Saints', Minot of \$6,000 was received and much appreciated. We received \$1,300 in rental income from the Devils Lake rectory. A few of our smaller income line items came in quite a bit under budget:
  - Sheaf Donations solicitation of donations was not as active.
  - Youth Program Income No retreats were held in 2011.
  - Convention Income not as many attendees.

#### Expenses:

- **Extra-Diocesan:** Amounts were as budgeted. These were either set amounts or went into reserve funds, where they are expended.
- **Program:** This section was under budget by \$6,710. Several committees and programs did not spend what was budgeted.
- Salary & Benefits: This section was \$10,194 under budget mainly due to the reduction in the Communications Officer's time, Diocesan Office Staff continuing education not being used and several travel expenses not fully utilized.
- **Congregational support:** This section was slightly under budget due to fewer repairs to the Bismarck Canon Missioners' Rectory than previous years.
- Administrative Expenses: This section was over budget by \$2,662. This is due to higher Convention and Diocesan Council meeting costs.

*Investments:* Our investments were down from the end of 2010; however, overall recovering after the losses we experienced with the national economic downturn in 2008. The market value of our investment account as of December 31, 2011 is \$2,556,403.77. As a comparison, the market value at year end over the past years has been:

2010 - \$2,664,152	2009 - \$2,582,247	2008 - \$2,330,217	2007 - \$3,388,348
2006 - \$3,354,237	2005 - \$3,151,121	2004 - \$3,392,893	2003 - \$3,349,553
2002 - \$3,002,577	2001 - \$3,412,484	2000 - \$3,973,639	1999 - \$3,669,387
1998 - \$3,079,607	1997 - \$2,584,426	1996 - \$2,223,199	1995 - \$1,902,180

#### 2012 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS TO DATE (September 30, 2012)

**Income & Expenses:** As of September 31, 2012, the Diocese has received \$123,537 in Our Fair Share, which is 55% of budget. This amount is down from last year at this time about 6%. We have transferred 75% of our 2012 budgeted amount from investments. The other income and expense items are tracking at the levels they should for this time of year. The bottom line of -\$18,467 is signicatnly lower than where we were at last year at this time (-\$83,733). This can be attributed to timely Our Fair Share payments, General Convention grant payments and investment transfers.

**Liabilities & Net Assets:** Operating fund shows the various unrestricted designated and temporarily restricted fund balances (for specific descriptions of fund balances, see pages 18-22). Some of these have no activity through the year and others have a number of transactions in the funds. In the Trust & Endowment fund we owe \$100,432 (as of September 30, 2012) on the Canon Missioner's house in Bismarck.

The market value of our investment account as of September 30, 2012 is \$2,543,499.

The Diocesan Council awarded a congregational loan to Church of the Advent, Devils Lake for \$38,000. The loan is for Foundation repairs.

In July, St. James', Cannon Ball was destroyed by a devistating fire. Once word spread, donations immediately started coming in to help the rebuilding process. As of September 30, just over \$16,000 has been received in the Diocesan office.

\$3,285,347.83

#### **ASSETS**

TOTAL ASSETS

#### **OPERATING FUND**

CASH	
Checking	\$87,446.31
Savings	\$1,009.88
Discretionary Checking	\$0.00
CPC checking	\$288.73
TOTAL CASH	\$88,744.92
ACCOUNTS DECENVARIE	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE Accounts Receivable	(\$680.22)
OFS Receivable	\$0.00
Grant Receivable	\$0.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	\$0.00
Rebilled Insurance	(\$123.29)
Rebilled Services	\$89.45
Rebilled Books & Supplies	\$130.82
Rebilled Travel	(\$1.56)
Bishop Smith's Line of Credit	\$1,724.06
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$1,139.26
OTHER ACCETS	
OTHER ASSETS Prepaid Insurance	\$376.08
Prepaid Expenses	\$0.00
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$376.08
TOTAL OPERATING FUND ASSETS	\$90,260.26
TRUST & ENDOWMENT FUND	
CASH	
Checking	\$0.00
Investment, Smith Barney	\$2,543,498.60
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,543,498.60
ACCOLINITS DECENVADILE	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Accrued Accounts Receivable	\$8,522.70
Grants Receivable	\$0.00
Loan Receivable	\$4,053.28
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$12,575.98
OTHER ASSETS  Proposid Evaposes	¢1 6F2 41
Prepaid Expenses TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$1,652.41 \$1,652.41
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$1,032.41
TOTAL TRUST & ENDOWMENT FUND ASSETS	\$2,557,726.99
PROPERTY FUND	
Mission Church Property	\$1,179,993.81
Accumulated Depreciation	(\$542,633.23)
TOTAL PROPERTY FUND ASSETS	
TOTAL PROPERTY FOND ASSETS	\$637,360.58

#### LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

#### **OPERATING FUND**

LIABILITIES OPERATING FOND	
Accounts Payable	(\$0.20)
Withheld Payroll Tax, FICA	\$0.00
Withheld Payroll Tax, Medicare	\$0.00
Withheld Payroll Tax, Federal	\$0.00
Withheld Payroll Tax, MN	\$0.00
Withheld Payroll Tax, ND	\$234.00
Withheld Annuity	\$0.00
Payroll Noncash Clearing Account	\$0.00
Employee Contributions	\$0.00
Deferred Income	\$0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$233.80
NET ASSETS	
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
Unrestricted Fund Balance	(\$154,085.70)
Bishop Search Reserve	\$20,884.59
Camp Gabriel	(\$10,579.71)
Clergy Equity Allowance Reserve	\$6,610.24
Diocesan Car Reserve	\$6,089.32
Equipment Reserve	(\$1,831.39)
ERD Network Reserve	\$399.66
EYE Fund	\$631.57
Evangelism Fund	\$12,360.14
General Convention Reserve	(\$1,429.32)
Lambeth Conference Reserve	\$3,996.67
Misc. Fund Reserve	\$10,214.55
Move/Interview Reserve	\$7,000.00
Native American Property Repair	\$19,749.95
Province VI Deputies Reserve	\$3,010.36
School for Ministry	\$3,280.95
Youth Ministry	\$1,792.53
Alliance for African Assistance	\$21,353.26
Royalty Held for Future Use	\$25,498.19
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	(\$25,054.14)
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TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED FUNDS  Robert E Robert Trust-Devils Lake	\$7,696.85
Native American TEAMS Curricula	\$8,977.68
Ft. Totten Renovation	(\$1,827.32)
Native American Leadership Training	\$19,619.60
Native Urban Outreach	\$701.02
Standing Rock Vehicle Repair/Replace/Insurance	(\$192.93)
Winter Talk & Niobrara	\$237.12
NA Youth Ministry/Congregational Development	\$2,094.94
Other Native American Funds	\$0.01
New Clergy Orientation	\$0.00
UTO Grants	(\$8,261.06)
ERD Grants	\$18,116.64
ECCIM Grants	\$20,948.80
Roanridge Trust Grant	\$11,498.40
CPC Grants	\$97.31
Millennium Development Fund	\$0.00
Sudanese Ministry	\$10,598.71

piscopal Diocese of ND	Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2012
Central American Mission	\$2,573.80
Selfridge Improvements	\$2,961.21
White Shield Building Fund	\$464.60
Special Offerings	\$0.00
Eastern Region CM Fund	\$69.29
Church Periodical Club	\$458.73
Flood Relief Fund	\$7,018.61
CM Doctoral Studies	\$0.00
East African Scholarship Fund	\$3,149.03
Episcopal Relief & Development	\$1,279.87
Good Friday	\$80.00
Seminary 1% Bexley Hall	\$181.00
UTO	\$0.00
Other Special Offerings	\$156.80
Bishop's Discretionary Fund	\$1,488.51
NCIW Standing Rock Youth	\$4,893.38
Gethsemane Bookkeeping Reserve	\$0.00
Anti-Racism Reserve	\$0.00
TOTAL TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED FUNDS	\$115,080.60
TOTAL OPERATING FUND NET ASSETS	\$90,026.46
TOTAL OPERATING FUND LIABILTIES & NET ASSETS	\$90,260.26
TRUST & ENDOWMENT FUN	ID
LIABILITIES  Assessment Broughts	Ć2 040 74
Accounts Payable	\$2,810.74
Bank Loan Payable: Bismarck Rectory	\$100,431.60
Bank Loan Payable: Devils Lake Rectory TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$103,242.34
NET ASSETS	
Trust & Endowment Fund Balance	\$228,801.49
Episcopate Endowment Fund	\$756,768.95
Revolving Loan Fund	\$552,965.83
Halgren Bequest	\$37,298.03
Holiday House	\$21,297.55
Indian Buildings Fund	\$24,099.00
Lommen Bequest	\$49,758.27
Travis Bequest	\$8,497.83
Partners in Ministry	\$533,262.87
Real Estate Fund	\$241,734.83
TOTAL TRUST & ENDOWMENT FUND NET ASSETS	\$2,454,484.65
TOTAL TRUST & ENDOWMENT LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$2,557,726.99
PROPERTY FUND	
NET ASSETS	
Property Fund	\$207,178.12
	\$207,178.12 \$430,182.46
Property Fund	

#### **EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

#### RESTRICTED/DESIGNATED FUNDS (NET ASSETS) - September 30, 2012

<u>Fund</u> <u>Description</u>

**Bishop Search Reserve** Money to be used when needed to conduct search for new bishop. Funded by budget.

Balance: \$20,884.59

Camp Gabriel Fund for the development and maintenance of Camp Gabriel on the Standing Rock

Reservation.

Balance: (\$10,579.71)

**Clergy Equity Allowance** 

Reserve

Money to be divided among clergy living in rectories, so that they will have funds for housing

when they retire.

Balance: \$6,610.24

**Diocesan Car Reserve** Reserve for purchase of a diocesan-owned vehicle to be used by the bishop.

Balance: \$6,089.32

**Equipment Reserve** For the purchase and replacement of office equipment. Funded by annual budget.

Balance: (\$1,831.39)

**ERD Network Reserve** Accumulated to provide for expenses of ERD chair/s to attend national meeting. Funded by

annual.

Balance: \$399.66

EYE Fund Formerly TEC Fund. Money originally reserved for Teens Encounter Christ program. As result

of November 10, 1995, action of Finance Committee, funds now reserved for general youth

work.

Balance: \$631.57

**Evangelism Fund** Money held for Evangelism and Church Planting grants awarded by Diocesan Council.

Balance: \$12,360.14

General Convention Reserve Accumulated over three years between General Conventions to provide for expenses of

Convention deputies. Funded by annual budget.

Balance: (\$1,429.32)

Lambeth Conference Reserve Reserve to enable the diocesan bishop and spouse to attend the Lambeth Conference every

ten years. Funded by annual budget.

Balance: \$3,996.37

Misc. Fund Reserve Pass-through account to hold monies that are temporarily held in reserve.

(1) \$1,066.55 memorial for Mary Borkhuis to be transferred to Trust & Endowment Fund.

(2) \$8,400 donation to be transferred to Trust & Endowment Fund (Episcopate).

(3) \$748 donation to Standing Rock for heating assistance.

(4) \$12,500 to be forwarded to Advent, Devils Lake for repairs to the building's foundation proceeds from the sale of their rectory of \$25,000). First half of \$12,500 was sent in June

2012, second half of \$12,500 to be sent when the project is complete.

Balance: \$10,214.55

Move/Interview Reserve Used to fund moves of clergy employed by the diocese and to assist churches, when

necessary, to fund clergy interview and moving expenses.

*Balance:* \$7,000.00

**Native American Property** 

Repair

Established by action of Diocesan Council, May 14, 1994, to reserve monies budgeted for Indian property repairs, but not expended at year-end. \$6,261.28 of the balance is from an insurance claim for hail damage at St. James', Cannon Ball in 2010. Donations received for rebuilding St. James' after the fire are being held here.

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Balance: \$19,749.95

Province VI Deputies Reserve Fund to pay Province deputies meeting expenses. Funded by annual budget.

Balance: \$3,010.36

School for Ministry Fund designated for deacon and other ministry training. \$2,000 being transferred to 2012

budget to offset Clergy Continuing Ed./School for Ministry expenses.

Balance: \$3,280.95

Youth Ministry Fund originally started by the Diocese to accumulate sufficient money to hire a Youth

Coordinator. \$4,500 was moved from the 2011 budget to be used in 2012 budget.

Balance: \$1,792.53

Alliance for African Assistance Grants received from Otto Bremer Foundation and Episcopal Church Center for St. John's,

Moorhead Reading and Math Clinics. Diocese is the fiscal sponsor.

Balance: \$21,353.26

Royalty Held for Future Use Bonus payments from mineral leases. (1) Williams County, Twp 158N R 96 leased in March

2011. Total lease amount was \$12,840. Diocesan Council voted to use \$4,000 in 2011, \$4,000 in 2012 and \$4,470 in 2013. (2) Williams County, Twp 156N R 96W Sec. 24-25 leased in May 2012. Total lease amount was \$20,028.16. Diocesan Council recommends saving

these funds to be used for ministry in the oil fields.

Balance: \$25,498.19

**Robert E Roberts Trust - Devils** 

Lake

Annual distributions from a trust are held for Advent, Devils Lake. To be used only for

building maintenance and repairs.

*Balance:* \$7,696.85

**Native American TEAMS** 

Curricula

CPC and ECIM grants used for Native American theological education and the expenses of the

Native American participants in the deacon and other ministry training programs. \$2,500

grant from ECCIM in 2010.

Balance: \$8,977.68

Ft. Totten Renovation Balance of contributions from Alan & Pat Broadhead, Jubilee funds and UTO grant for major

repair projects and construction of the new addition St. Thomas, Fort Totten.

Balance: (\$1,827.32)

Native American Leadership Training

Funds originally from Dakota Leadership Program to train Native Americans for ministry. Action May 6, 1995 NDCIM meeting specified to reserve these funds for training Canon 7 priests, Canon 6 deacons, Canon 9 deacons and priests who would/may be trained along with a locally identified team of layreaders, Catechists, lay pastoral caregivers and lay Eucharistic ministers. Donation of \$18,357.19 received in 2009 from the estate of David and Mary

Cochran for Native American Leadership Training.

Balance: \$19,619.60

Native Urban Outreach Pass-through account for grant or donated monies restricted for urban Indian ministry. St.

George's Church is using some of this money in 2008 for an Urban Indian Ministry program.

*Balance:* \$701.02

Standing Rock Vehicle Repair/Replace/Insurance Money donated for Standing Rock vehicle repair/replacement. Money from

Repair/Replace/Insurance Cannon Ball Safe House & Indian Church Aftercare (Ft. Yates)

Balance: (\$192.93)

WinterTalk & Niobrara Pass-through account for grant or donated monies restricted for WinterTalk and Niobrara

Convocation for 2012. *Balance:* \$237.12

**NA Youth** 

Ministry/Congregational

Development

Remaining balance of Indian Church Aftercare fund: Ft. Totten - \$113.19; White Shield - \$433.38; Dunseith - \$433.38; Selfridge - \$433.38. \$1,681.61 is from donations from Christ

Church Cathedral and Elsie's Edibles for Native Youth Ministry.

Balance: \$2,094.94

Other Native American Funds Balance of New Opportunities Grant received from DFMS in 2009 for Funds Province VI

Native American gathering.

Balance: \$0.01

**New Clergy Orientation** Funds for NDCIM New Clergy Orientation.

Balance: \$0.00

UTO Grants Grants awarded by United Thank Offering. Remaining balance is UTO grant for St. Sylvan's,

Dunseith new church building. Funds are being solicited to clear the deficit.

Balance: (\$8,261.06)

ERD Grants Grant money received from ERD for a Spirit Lake Sioux Tribe Case Manager to assist with

flooding caused by Devils Lake.

Balance: \$18,116.64

**ECCIM Grants** This reserve fund holds the balance of five ECCIM grants:

(1) Ft. Totten Visibility Project (\$1,695)

(2) Dunseith Youth (\$1,395.69)(3) Ft. Totten Youth (\$1,458.11)

(4) Dunseith Firm Foundation (\$9,600)(5) Standing Rock Daily Office (\$6,800)

Balance: \$20,948.80

Roanridge Trust Grant Grant received in 2011 for Summer Seminarian program under the supervision of Canon

Kevin Goodrich, OP. *Balance:* \$11,498.40

**CPC Grants** Grants received from the Church Periodical Club, balance is from 1996.

> Balance: \$97.31

Millennium Development Fund Contributions for Millennium Development projects.

Balance: \$0.00

**Sudanese Ministry** Income and expenses to support the position of The Rev. Mike Johnson in his ministry flow

into and out of this account.

Balance: \$10,598.71

**Central American Mission Trip** Funds used for Central American Mission trip.

> Balance: \$2,573.80

**Selfridge Improvements** To be used for Selfridge building improvements.

> Balance: \$2,961.21

White Shield Building Fund Renamed from Sioux Valley Mission trip. Balance to be used for White Shield building.

> Balance: \$464.60

**Special Offerings** Pass-through accounts for transmittal of special offerings.

> Balance: \$0.00

**Eastern Region CM Fund** Fund started by Eastern Canon Missioner to hold registration fees charged for ministry

Balance:

**Church Periodical Club** Monies reserved for and held in a separate checking account at Wells Fargo Bank.

> Balance: \$458.73

Flood Relief Fund Balance of ERD flood relief grants in 2009, 2011 and 2012. Other donations from various

individuals/organizations for flood relief are included in this fund.

Balance: \$7,018.61

**CM Doctoral Studies** Account that holds income and expenses for Canon Missioner doctoral programs.

> Balance: \$0.00

East African Scholarship Fund Funds donated to assist East African secondary and college students with education expenses.

> Balance: \$3,149.03

Episcopal Relief & Development Pass through account for donations to ERD.

Balance: \$1,279.87

**Good Friday** Pass through account for money collected on Good Friday by congregations to be sent to the

> Church in Jerusalem. Balance: \$80.00

Pass through account for donations from All Saints, Valley City to be sent to Bexley Hall. Seminary 1% Bexley Hall

> Balance: \$181.00

**UTO** Pass through account for donations to UTO.

Balance: \$0.00

**Other Special Offerings** Account used for miscellaneous contributions.

Balance: \$156.80

**Bishop's Discretionary Fund** Monies to be used at the discretion of the Bishop.

Balance \$1,488.51

NCIW Standing Rock Youth Donated money used to pay Volunteer for Mission/Youth Minister working on the Standing

Balance \$4,893.38

**Gethsemane Bookkeeping** 

Reserve

Money received from Gethsemane for bookkeeping services provided by the diocese. Once

received it is paid to the Administrator

Balance: \$0.00

Anti-Racism Reserve Funds used for Anti-Racism training.

Balance: \$0.00

Our Fair Share Report

Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota Per 2012 Treasurer's Report

Congregation	Reported	to present	to present	of OR Paid	prior year	prior year
Bismarck, St. George's	August	94,359.98	19,922.00	21%	178,904.48	36,276.85
Cannon Ball, St. James'	July	2,000.00	400.00	20%	1,315.00	263.00
Cartwright, St. Michael's	September	17,699.43	3,539.89	20%	26,070.00	5,213.67
Devils Lake, Advent	September	6,782.88	1,356.68	20%	8,741.81	1,740.80
Dickinson, St. John's	September	27,348.96	5,469.79	20%	35,620.12	7,124.03
Dunseith, St. Sylvan's		1	1	#DIV/0!	1	1
Fargo, Gethsemane	September	187,829.80	37,565.96	20%	332,512.74	66,502.55
Fargo, St. Stephen's	September	53,158.55	10,631.71	20%	67,577.96	13,515.60
Fort Totten, St. Thomas	March	1,201.79	240.36	20%	1,581.54	316.31
Fort Yates, St. Luke's	September	3,625.99	725.07	20%	1,943.00	1
Grand Forks, St. Paul's	September	140,016.53	28,003.29	20%	212,810.18	42,562.05
Jamestown, Grace	September	75,437.99	15,087.59	20%	98,014.47	19,608.89
Lakota, Good Shepherd	April	6,008.17	1,201.63	20%	270.00	100.00
Minot, All Saints'	September	28,637.33	5,727.47	20%	53,898.24	10,779.63
Moorhead, St. John's	September	11,560.07	2,312.01	20%	15,385.54	3,077.71
Oakes, St. Mary & Mark	September	5,796.59	1,162.05	20%	9,282.87	1,856.58
Selfridge, Cross	September	1,000.00	200.00	20%	912.00	182.40
Valley City, All Saints'	September	17,643.88	3,532.00	20%	21,786.59	4,360.00
Walhalla, St. Peter's	July	8,129.50	1,625.90	20%	1,423.00	284.60
White Shield, St. Paul's	December '11	-	-	#DIV/0!	1,235.52	246.30
Williston, St. Peter's	Мау	29,893.11	5,978.62	20%	43,966.26	10,974.23
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Some information in the OFS report is not reflected in the financial statements earlier in this booklet. This is because the financial statements are as of September 30, 2012.

10/15/2012

OR = Operating Revenue

# EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTH DAKOTA 2011 ANNUAL PAROCHIAL REPORT FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2011

\$ 1,240,414	1,286   \$ 947,547   \$ 1,263,579   \$ 1,240,414	\$ 947,547	1,286	689	842	1,766	2,423	2,602	TOTALS
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77.435	70.271	65.202	90	23	ı	63	91	90	Williston
ı	-	-	ı	1	-	1	98	86	White Shield (2008)
5,318	5,948	4,800	10	6	16	9	9	11	Walhalla
19,778	22,423	21,759	17	10	35	12	20	20	Valley City
179	850	850	ı	4	50	17	17	17	Selfridge (2008)
8,805	9,328	7,743	25	11	25	25	25	25	Oakes
18,068	18,789	15,389	54	78	44	259	259	265	Moorhead
102,880	113,237	56,164	73	42	50	84	85	86	Minot
4,299	1,670	720	ı	5	ı	1	8	8	Lakota (2007)
120,904	123,486	75,301	84	73	100	103	130	128	Jamestown
223,388	200,289	100,289	207	71	58	172	205	221	Grand Forks
660	2,800	2,300	ı	29	52	108	294	294	Fort Yates (2008)
2,256	2,276	2,273	40	15	49	31	97	97	Fort Totten
85,950	82,223	67,983	50	44	54	92	107	78	Fargo, St. Stephen's
350,077	352,258	305,990	338	115	106	297	349	530	Fargo, Cathedral
235	235	235	ı	10	20	38	38	38	Dunseith (2007)
7,402	36,079	24,970	24	14	18	30	30	31	Dickinson
14,068	14,359	8,672	15	10	12	23	24	24	Devils Lake
24,787	26,197	23,735	39	14	1	42	54	58	Cartwright
1,838	1,838	338	1	8	52	61	120	120	Cannon Ball (2008)
\$ 172,087	\$ 179,023	\$ 162,834	220	107	100	300	375	375	Bismarck
Expenses	Revenues	Pledge	Attendance	Attendance	Eucharists	Standing	12/31/2011	12/31/2010	Congregations
Total	Total	Plate &	Easter	Sunday	Sunday	in Good	Member	Member	
				Average		Communicants	Baptized	Baptized	
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# Bishop's Sermon To the Forty-second Annual Convention Of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota October 20, 2012

#### Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

"The Spirit of the Lord" is upon Jesus and "the Spirit of the Lord" is upon us. And it's a good thing, because we have much work to do and we have been especially busy this past year. Let me share with you a brief, admittedly incomplete, recap of some of the past year's activities. Since last October:

- We welcomed Mother Mary Johnson to the Diocese and to Minot where she has been serving as Episcopal Relief & Development Coordinator for volunteers who have come from around the country to assist in the post-flood rebuilding; in addition she has been serving as the theological education facilitator for two All Saints members in the ordination process.
- We filled many milk jugs with offerings for 1,100 mosquito nets through our Millennium Development Goals Committee and ERD, representing many lives saved from the disease of malaria.
- We worked with six new postulants and three seminarians through the Commission on Ministry.
- We began construction of a new church building for St. Sylvan's in Dunseith, made possible largely through a grant provided by the United Thank Offering.
- We received Anti-racism training.
- We participated in Lay Schools for Ministry at Bismarck, Dickinson and Grand Forks.
- We authorized the Evangelism & Church Planting Committee to pursue the planting of three congregations over the next three years; two of them as "Fresh Expressions" of church.
- We welcomed the Presiding Bishop to the Diocese.
- We hosted the first Niobrara Convocation ever to be held in North Dakota.
- We watched fire destroy the St. James' Church building in Cannon Ball and we are in the process of witnessing that congregation rebuild with a new sense of purpose and vision.
- We sent our faithful Medical Mission team to serve our brothers and sisters in Guatemala once again.
- We participated in yet another General Convention and came (dare I say miraculously?) came home with an increase in our grant for Native American ministry.
- We supported, through educational scholarships in Rwanda and South Sudan, fourteen high school students, two men in college and a Sudanese woman in medical school.

Yes, we have been busy. In a paraphrase of today's Gospel: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon [us] because [God] has anointed [us] to bring good news to the poor. [God] has sent [us] to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor" (Luke 4:18-19).

It was a joy yesterday to welcome Rita Powell and three young adults she brought with her from South Dakota. I have always considered youth ministry to be one of the most important works of the church. Many of you, like me, are where we are because we were introduced to Christ and the Church as teenagers or young adults.

A study by the Barna Group estimates that nearly 2/3 of Christian adults made a commitment to Christ before their 18th birthday (<a href="http://www.barna.org/barna-update/article/5-barna-update/">http://www.barna.org/barna-update/article/5-barna-update/</a> 196-evangelism-is-most-effective-among-kids).

And a recent Pew Forum study is telling us that 1/3 of young adults in their twenties have no religious affiliation whatsoever (<a href="http://www.pewforum.org/Unaffiliated/nones-on-the-rise.aspx#growth">http://www.pewforum.org/Unaffiliated/nones-on-the-rise.aspx#growth</a>). Clearly, this is a mission field for evangelism.

The author of today's Epistle reminds us: "[E]ach of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry..." (Ephesians 4:7,11-12).

We do not all have the same gifts, but each of us has been given at least one gift "to equip the saints for the work of ministry." Some of us have been give a number of gifts. What are yours?

When the Presiding Bishop was with us this past June, she shared with us about the "Five Marks of Mission" developed by the Anglican Consultative Council and adopted by the General Convention in 2009. They are:

- To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
- To teach, baptize and nurture new believers
- To respond to human need by loving service
- To seek to transform unjust structures of society
- To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

(http://www.episcopalchurch.org/notice/five-marks-mission-checklist-mission)

That's a great list, in my opinion. There's something there for everyone. What's your interest? What's your passion? I'd like to challenge you to choose one of these "Marks of Mission" for this coming year, one that you might personally commit to, and even invite one or two of your friends or neighbors to help you with. Just type "Five Marks of Mission" into an internet search engine. You'll find many, many ideas.

No one of us can do everything, but each one of us can do something. If we all do even a little, in a spirit of gratitude and joy, God just might surprise us and turn what sometimes look like "dry bones" of Ezekiel 37 into a people alive with, empowered by the Spirit.

May these scriptures be fulfilled in our hearing. Amen.

# OFFICIAL ACTS November 1, 2011 - October 20, 2012 In Reference to Title III, Canon 12, Sec. 3:

Congregations	Sunday/Eucharistic Visits	Other Visits/ Special Events	Confirmations	Received
West Region				
St. George's, Bismarck	1	3	10	
St. James', Cannon Ball	1			
St. Michael's, Cartwright				
St. John's, Dickinson				
St. Sylvan's, Dunseith				
St. Luke's, Fort Yates	1			
All Saints', Minot	2	1		
Church of the Cross, Selfrige				
St. Paul's, White Shield				
St. Peter's, Williston				
Camp Gabriel				
East Region				
Advent, Devils Lake				
Gethsemane, Fargo	29	4	3	1
St. Stephen's, Fargo				
St. Thomas, Fort Totten				
St. Paul's, Grand Forks	1		2	5
Grace, Jamestown	1			1
Good Shepherd, Lakota				
St. John's, Moorhead	1			
Sts. Mary & Mark, Oakes	1			
All Saints', Valley City		1		
St. Peter's, Walhalla		1		

**Postulants:** Peter Halbach, David Solheim, Erin Richards, Paul Zaharia, Dralu Karlo, Hellen Lodu, William Dorsch, Christian Senyoni, Wes Fox, Jr.

Candidate: Jordan Hylden

Clergy on Leave of Absence: Gadi Edward, Mary Gokey, Alex Lodu-Kenyi, Billy McEwen

Clergy Deaths: John Peterson, Cody Unterseher, Alice Yeager