

TOTAL EXPENDITURE
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR

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435,962.00	1,238,753.00
-57,512.00	-248,681.00

24th June 2025

Dear Parishioners,

Once again, I would like to take this opportunity, while presenting the Parish Financial Statement to the end of the calendar year 2024 to acknowledge my personal thank and support you have extended to me in the past year. This financial report highlights your continued commitment to support the daily running costs of the Parish estate through the weekly collection. It also reflects your on-going commitment to Trócaire and the special Diocesan collections.

We continue to endeavour to exercise financial prudence with regards to parish finances. Reduced Mass attendance has inevitably taken its toll on parish income. However, we are very grateful to the increasing numbers of parishioners who are now using the provision of standing orders to support the parish. (Details available on the parish website - errigalparish@gmail.com or alternatively contact the parish office).

St. Joseph's Church – In the calendar year 2024 we concluded the renovation of St. Joseph's Church, a capital expenditure in excess of £1.4 million pounds exclusive of VAT which we have reclaimed in full as the Church is a listed building.

We are grateful for the private donations received, the Heritage Lottery Grant and the contributions from the white envelope and standing orders, (details provided in the income column).

It is important to note that we still have two outstanding loans from neighbouring parishes amounting to £200,000.00 and an internal parish loan to be repaid in the period ahead. Also, in January 2026 we have a retention fee on the project to be paid to the contractor of approx. £35,000.00 which is 2.5% cost of the project.

I respectfully request, if possible, that consideration might be given by those who use envelopes, and who do not presently use the 'white envelope' - that they might even consider a monthly donation, to remit the costs that will infinitely accumulate as we go forward pertaining to the maintenance of the parish estate and the renovation of St. Joseph's Church.

I also ask for your consideration to avail of the Gift aid scheme available to those who; pay income tax and use parish envelopes and standing orders. The Gift Aid scheme is under-used in this parish. It does not affect your personal tax; those details are private to yourself. However, the parish can benefit from the contribution you make to the parish by an additional 25% either via an envelope or Standing Order if you are a taxpayer. The only requirement is to fill in a Gift Aid card. (Gift Aid cards are available in each sacristy.) Your continued generosity is very much appreciated in providing for the upkeep and development of the parish and the support of others who need our help particularly in developing countries.

PS - This weekend I present in addition to the Parish Financial Statement for the calendar year 2024 a financial statement from the beginning of September 2023 to the end of May 2025 associated with the income and costs of St. Joseph's Church renovation.

Fr. Crowley