

VATICAN REPORTS A \$78 MILLION DEFICIT

The Vatican reported the Roman Curia had a \$78 million deficit in 2020. On the same day, the Administration of the Patrimony of the Holy See (APSA), which administers Vatican properties and investments, made a summary of its annual budget public for the first time

The Vatican said the coronavirus pandemic had a serious negative impact on the Vatican's financial situation. Bishop Nunzio Galantino, president of APSA, said making the budget synthesis public was "a step forward in the direction of transparency and sharing."

In 2019, Italian journalist and author Gianluigi Nuzzi claimed in his book *Giudizio Universale* ('Universal Judgment') that decades of mismanagement of the Vatican's investment portfolio and real estate holdings by APSA would leave the Vatican no choice but to default by 2023.

APSA directly administers 4,051 properties in Italy and entrusts to outside companies the administration of some 1,200 properties in London, Paris, Geneva and Lausanne, Switzerland, the Vatican report said.

During the 2020 fiscal year, APSA reported a profit of almost €22 million, compared to €73.21 million in 2019. Aside from the economic challenges posed by the pandemic, Bishop Galantino told *Vatican News* the drop in its income was due primarily to the changing behaviour of the securities market."

Lough Derg Pilgrimages

Guided Pilgrimages on the Lough Derg Pilgrim Path will be offered on Sunday 12th, Wednesday 15th, Saturday 18th & Sunday 26th September and Sunday 3rd October, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option. Advance booking is essential. For further information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. www.loughderg.org

52nd International Eucharistic Congress 2020

This week, we join in Communion with Catholics from around the world who celebrate the International Eucharistic Congress in Budapest. With them, we make our prayer for the Church and for the world by praying the official prayer of IEC2020: "We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ, because, in the Eucharist, source of love, you gather your people and nourish them with the Bread of Life and the Chalice of Salvation; the memorial of your passion, death and resurrection. The strength that you give us through your sacrifice and your presence enables us to be for others bread which nourishes and wine which gives joy, and humble servants of reconciliation between churches and nations, proclaiming in action and in word that you alone are the Lord, the source of every life. Amen". For more information see www.iec2020.hu/en

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Sunday 5th September 2021

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Ephphatha!
Be Opened!*

Join us for every mass from Grange Church online through our
Facebook Page

Adoration every Thursday, 7-9pm, Grange Church

Cliffoney Masses

Sunday 5th September	10:30am	Ann Roper Peter McGonigle Seán McGarrity
	1:30pm	Baptism
Friday 10th September	10:00am	Feast of St Peter Claver & For the People of the Parish
Sunday 12th September	10:30am	Celine Connolly, Castlegal (2nd Anniversary) Anna Quinn (11th Anniversary) Pakie & Mary Kelly
Collection: €394		

Grange Masses

Saturday 4th September	8:00pm	Claire McMorrow and Parents Bart & Beatrice
Sunday 5th September	12 noon	Paddy & Kathleen McGarrigle (22nd & 5th Anniversaries) Paddy Moffatt (Month's Mind) Leo Kilfeather, Kiltykere
Monday 6th September	8:00pm	Brendan Rooney (70th Birthday Remembrance)
Tuesday 7th September	9:30am	100th Anniversary of the Founding of the Legion of Mary
Saturday 11th September	8:00pm	Tom McDonald, Munninane (6th Anniversary) Molly O'Loughlin, Grange Cathrine McMahon, Silverhill (14th Anniversary)
Sunday 12th September	12 noon	24th Sunday
Collection: €920 Sick and Retired Priest: €10		

First Holy Communions

Cliffoney & Castlegal: 18th September at St. Molaise Church. Time TBC.

Grange: 25th September at Church of Mary Immaculate. Time TBC.

Confirmation Day

2nd October with Bishop Kevin. Time and Venue TBC.

Best Wishes

On behalf of our community, we wish the best to Archdeacon Isaac Hanna who transfers this week from Drumcliffe. Wherever the Lord brings you, may you and your family enjoy his blessings.

Cliffoney Post Office

We expect the 17th September will be the last day of business at our local Post Office in Cliffoney. It is with great regret that we see this come to pass. On behalf of our community, I extend our thanks to Susan Finan for all the years of service you have given us and we wish you well in retirement.

Easing of Restrictions

Under the latest government guidelines for the reopening of churches we move up to 50% capacity. Masks remain in place, as does hand sanitising on the way in and way out.

Thanks to Grange Ceili & Two Hand Dance Classes

The North West Hospice expresses its heartfelt thanks to Grange Ceili & Two Hand Dance Classes for their recent kind donation of €660 to North West Hospice.

North West Hospice provides Specialist Palliative Care Services to all who need them in Sligo, Leitrim, South Donegal and West Cavan. In order to fund and develop their current services and continue to provide them free-of-charge, they have to fundraise €1 million annually. This is a huge challenge to achieve each year and now in 2021, they expect the effects of COVID-19 to continue to have a very negative impact on their fundraising. They need the support of the community now more than ever to help raise much-needed funds.



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



Pope's Intention for September

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.