

Giving

When Mother Teresa visited Los Angeles some years ago, a physician named Gerald Jampolski heard her speak. Attracted by the spiritual power that emanated from her, he asked her, 'Would it be alright if I accompanied you on your upcoming tour to Mexico? Whenever I am around you, I feel the presence of God. Mother Teresa replied, 'Dr Jampolski, I do not object to you joining me, but you said you wanted to experience inner peace. So find out how much it costs to fly to Mexico and give that money to feed and clothe someone in need, and you will find the inner peace you seek.'

Dr Jampolski followed her advice and discovered that she was right. That portion of our money that brings us the deepest joy and lasts the longest is that which we give away.

'The generous prosper and are satisfied; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed.'
Proverbs 11:25

'God loves the person who gives cheerfully. And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.'
2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Jammies in June

50 pairs of pyjamas have been given to the Middlemore Foundation. Thank you for your support – it is greatly appreciated. And thank you, Rhys, for coordinating our appeal.



Barry Raeburn

Barry Raeburn, Mission Without Borders, was unable to join us on Sunday 14 June due to the flu. He will now be preaching on Sunday 26 July.

Time for a Smile – Giving

At a church meeting, a very wealthy man rose to tell those present about his faith. 'I'm a millionaire,' he said, 'and I attribute it all to the rich blessings of God in my life. I remember that turning point in my faith. I had just earned my first dollar and I went to a church meeting that night. The speaker was a missionary who talked about his work. I knew that all I had was one dollar and I had to either give it all to God's work or give nothing at all. So at that moment, I decided to give my whole dollar to God. I believe that God blessed that decision, and that is why I am a rich man today.

When he finished and moved back to his seat, there was an awed silence. A little old lady sitting in the same pew leaned over and said to him, 'I dare you to do it again.'

Treasurer's Report

The financial position for Church Operations 5 month period ending 31/5/26:

Income (dedicated giving, collections and donations)	\$36,180	
Expenses (Diocesan levies, insurance and sanctuary costs)	\$38,031	
Deficit		\$1851

Possible remedies

1. Increased dedicated giving (vestry to lead by example).
2. Fundraising events.
3. IRD tax donation rebates (back to the church).

If you would like to support our church, the bank details are:

Mission DST of St Pauls in the Pk F/Bush
06 0991 0056055 00

If you would like a donor number, please email our treasurer, Lloyd Powys
lloydpowys@hotmail.com

Excerpt from sermon

I finish with something I hope will bring a smile to your face. A one dollar note met up with a 50 dollar note and said, 'Hi. Where've you been? Haven't seen you around here much lately.' The 50 dollar note replied, 'Oh, I have been hanging out at the casinos, went on a cruise and did the rounds of the ship, back to New Zealand and then went to a couple of restaurants, to the shopping mall, that kind of stuff. What about you?' The one dollar note said, 'You know, same old stuff – church, church, church.'

To Ponder

'No one has ever become poor from giving.' Anne Frank

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