

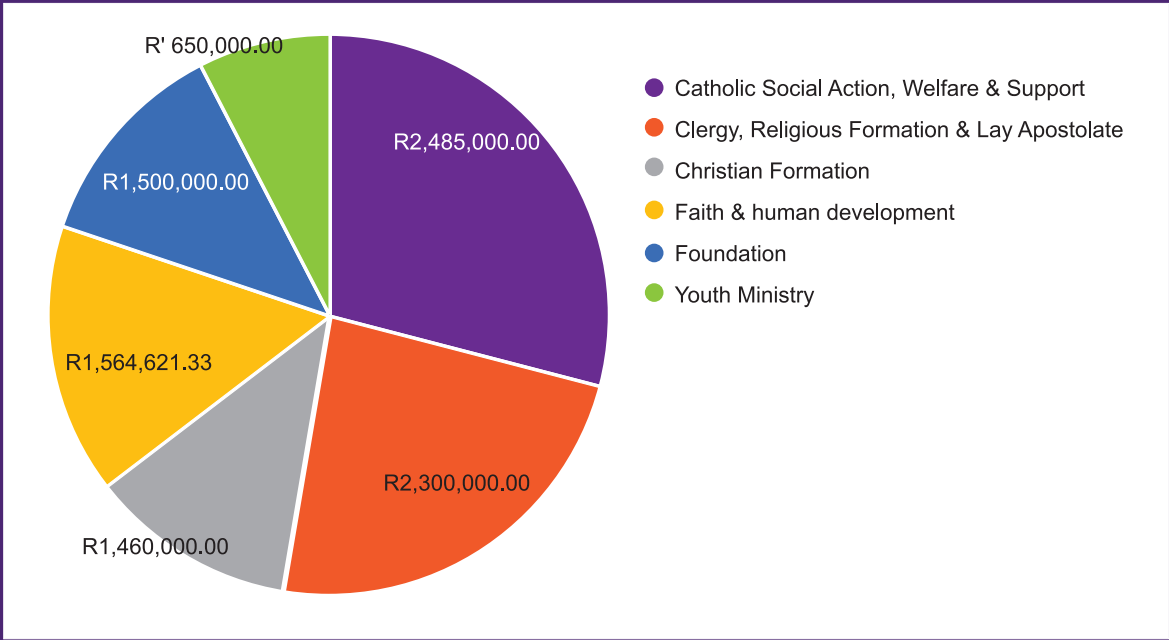
| <i>DONATION INCOME</i> | <i>2015</i> | <i>2014</i> | % proportion to last yr |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Aliwal | R 85 485.43 | R 58 866.70 | 145% |
| Bethlehem | R 100 000.00 | R 94 628.20 | 106% |
| Bloemfontein | R 52 710.00 | R 96 506.15 | 55% |
| Cape Town | R 1 633 572.04 | R 1 544 652.97 | 106% |
| De Aar | R 29 384.95 | R 29 309.20 | 100% |
| Dundee | R 147 493.15 | R 151 000.00 | 98% |
| Durban | R 1 438 500.00 | R 1 541 900.00 | 93% |
| Eshowe | R 152 798.00 | R 179 701.32 | 85% |
| Ingwavuma | R 54 295.10 | R 56 252.00 | 97% |
| Johannesburg | R 2 009 324.30 | R 1 797 639.62 | 112% |
| Keimoes/Upington | R 469 691.20 | R 204 000.00 | 230% |
| Kimberly | R 410 000.00 | R 336 180.00 | 122% |
| Klerksdorp | R 186 000.00 | R 258 147.15 | 72% |
| Kokstad | R 162 400.00 | R 144 000.00 | 113% |
| Kroonstad | R 102 000.00 | R 100 000.00 | 102% |
| Mariannhill | R 355 000.00 | R 340 000.00 | 104% |
| Manzini | R 35 835.40 | R 32 022.74 | 112% |
| Mthatha | R 203 663.30 | R 202 049.40 | 101% |
| Oudtshoorn | R 169 784.17 | R 134 286.20 | 126% |
| Polokwane | R 140 464.35 | R 104 771.55 | 134% |
| Port Elizabeth | R 495 167.78 | R 512 810.32 | 97% |
| Pretoria | R 700 248.05 | R 648 200.00 | 108% |
| Queenstown | R 121 479.05 | R 95 000.00 | 128% |
| Rustenburg | R 241 213.55 | R 183 284.75 | 132% |
| Tzaneen | R 125 836.40 | R 95 012.40 | 132% |
| UMzimkulu | R 93 353.40 | R 101 123.35 | 92% |
| Witbank | R 352 430.66 | R 323 534.66 | 109% |
| Other(not allocatable) | R 5 647.10 | R 6 110.00 | 92% |
| St John Vianney | R 9 434.35 | R 10 010.00 | 94% |
| Holy Cross Sisters | | R 1 000.00 | 0% |
| SMS Donation | R 7 200.65 | R 8 249.15 | 87% |
| Franciscan Sisters | | R 3 000.00 | 0% |
| The Monastery | R 2 430.00 | | 100% |
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| TOTALS | R 10 092 842.38 | R 9 393 247.83 | 107% |



Southern African Catholic Bishops’ Conference

2015 Bishops Lenten Appeal Allocations

“Make your hearts firm” (Jas 5:8) Thank you! Thank you!



Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each community and every believer. Above all it is a “time of grace” (2 Cor6:2). God does not ask of us anything that he himself has not first given us. “We love because he first has loved us” (1 Jn 4:19). He is not aloof from us. Each one of us has a place in his heart. He knows us by name, he cares for us and he seeks us out whenever we turn away from him. He is interested in each of us; his love does not allow him to be indifferent to what happens to us. Usually, when we are healthy and comfortable, we forget about others (something God the Father never does): we are unconcerned with their problems, their sufferings and the injustices they endure... Our heart grows cold. As long as I am relatively healthy and comfortable, I don’t think about those less well off. Today, this selfish attitude of indifference has taken on global proportions, to the extent that we can speak of a globalization of indifference. It is a problem which we, as Christians, need to confront.

This is a quote from the last letter the Pope sent to us for Lent of this year. But you have done well and we don’t know how many times we should say thank you! Because you have been so open handed and you have raised 10 Million Rand this year. So from the Bishops Lenten Appeal Office and on behalf of the Bishops Conference we would like to say THANK YOU.

As you know this money is used primarily for the works of the Church, the Poor and the Needy and many of you have experienced the merciful kindness of the different charitable projects administered by the Church in your Diocese. "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Pt 4:10)

Thank you for giving from the depths of our hearts. Every cent that was contributed through the envelope system, the mite boxes, as well as the sms method is now being distributed to over 60 different organisations who have a great need in the Church. As you know times are really hard so we have more and more organisations seeking aid. So thank you for the 7% increase in the money we collected this year, your generosity here speaks for itself. This is truly a sign of the Love of Christ Jesus at work through you all.

Through the Bishop’s Lenten Appeal, you sustain these programs and works of mercy. Your generosity and commitment to a self-reliant local Church continues to reach greater heights every day. On Behalf of the Bishops, we remain grateful and extend our blessings to each and every one of you

‘A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny.⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'In truth I tell you, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; ⁴⁴for they have all put in money they could spare, but she in her poverty has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.’ The Gospel of Mk 12: 42- 44

In Christ

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