

St George's Anglican Church, Knysna
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DEDICATED GIVING – JUNE 2020 UPDATE

Building for Change!!

The year of 2020 started so well for St. George's and the country as a whole, but then along came the dreaded Covid19 pandemic and it has wreaked havoc across the World and in South Africa. The President in order to try and flatten the curve, passed the Disaster Management Act to introduce a country wide lockdown on 27 March 2020. The impact on our parishioners of the Lockdown has been particularly difficult as many members of the St. George's congregation fall into what is termed as "the most vulnerable" category.

The lockdown has also impacted local businesses and resulted in many people becoming unemployed and destitute as we have seen around the streets of Knysna. Hopefully and with God's blessings we will soon begin to see the light at the end of the tunnel, and we will get through this stronger and more united. One of the blessings of the Covid19 lockdown was that because of travel and movement restrictions Bishop Brian advised that Colin and Louise would not be able to take up their new posting until the restrictions are lifted. We are so blessed to have had Colin here during the last few weeks to continue to lead and provide ministry for St. George's and the community.

The lockdown regulations and the threat of the pandemic will be with us for a number of weeks to come and so we will need to get used to living our lives differently. It is particularly tough on those people who live alone, and we need to be mindful of all our parishioners during these difficult days.

The work of St. George's needs to continue and although we are still receiving a steady flow of pledges through Dedicated Giving there has sadly been a significant drop in the amount of monthly pledges. Colin and the Parish Council are fully aware of the economic impact that the Covid19 Lockdown has had on many of the parishioners, but it is also a time when St. George's is at most need of the extra income in order to be able to build for change and to provide for the spiritual needs of our parishioners and Knysna community at large.

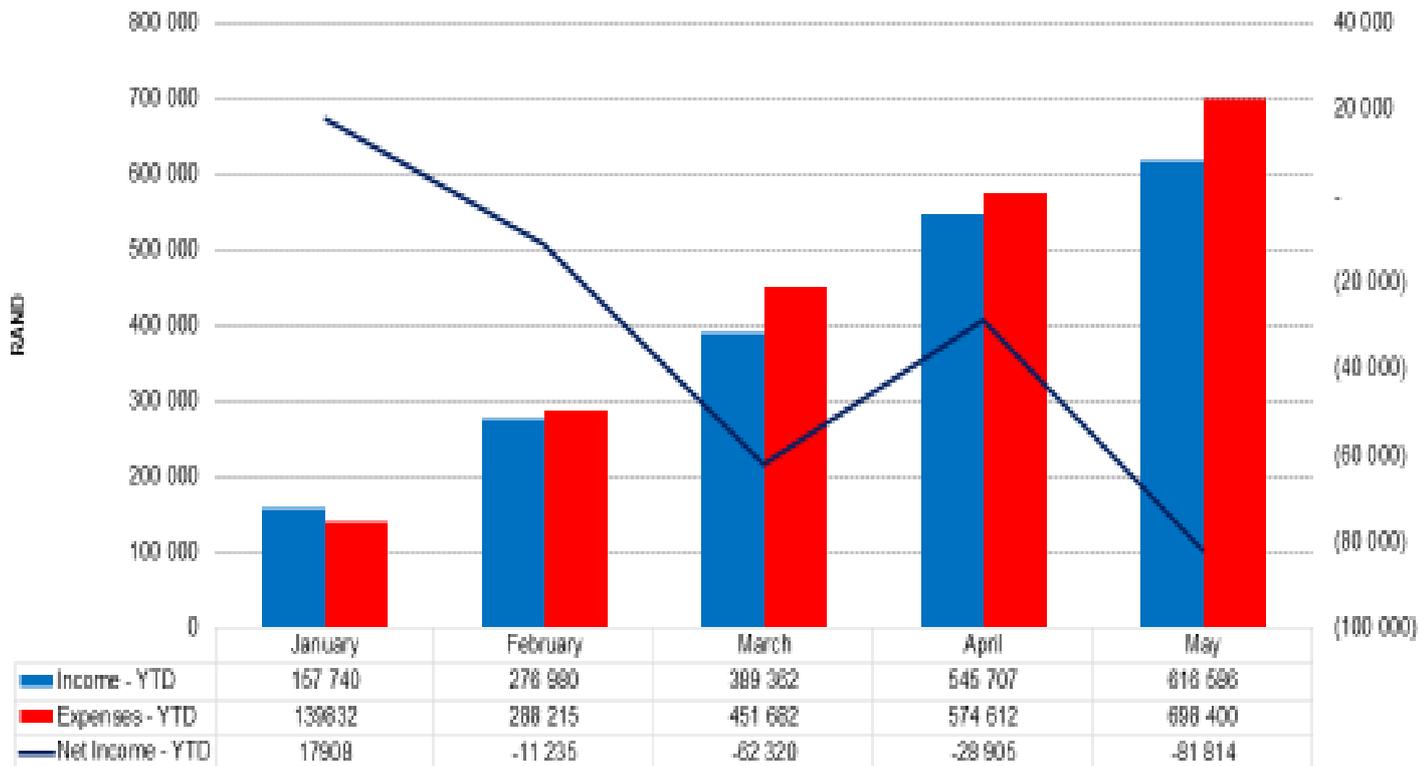
We appeal to each one of you on behalf of St. George's to continue with your pledges or if you are able to afford it to increase your monthly or annual pledge. One of Winston Churchill's famous lines was "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed to so few". In a bit of poetical license, I would like to say that "Never in the history of St. George's was so much needed from so few".

We look forward to your continued support of St. George's in order for the church to grow from strength to strength.

Noel Mackenzie
Stewardship
Parish Council of St. George's Anglican Church

23 June 2020

St Georges Anglican Church Income & Expenditure



The **Blue** (Income) and **Red** (Expenses) bars reflect the cumulative income and expenses month by month for the year to date. This reflects how the negative gap between income and expenses is increasing. This is due to the significant decline in Dedicated Giving contribution, collections and property income. The line reflects increasing loss – R81 814 at end of May 2020



BANKING DETAILS

Name of Account : St George's Church
 Name of Bank : First National Bank
 Account No. : 620 0179 8315
 Branch No. : 210 214 Knysna
 Reference : your name DG

All donations are greatly appreciated.