

Appendix D – Results of MFTF Survey of Other Dioceses

Diocese	Alabama	Arkansas	East Carolina	East Tennessee	Indianapolis	Kansas
No. of parishes	90	56	74	46	49	51
Annual diocesan income	2,323,762	1,389,077	1,899,355	1,524,546	2,865,260	1,897,988
Income from parishes	2,273,141	1,110,301	1,372,205	1,333,644	1,180,640	1,289,762
	98%	80%	72%	87%	41%	68%
Income from endowments	50,621	212,588	457,885	143,745	1,684,620	350,401
Parish contribution formula	10% Inc < \$150,000 15% Inc > \$150,000	10% Floor 18% Goal	10% Floor 25% Goal 2% Inc/Yr	11% <150,000 16% 150-400,000 18.25% >400,000	13.5% (10% including insurance costs)	16% <50,000 18% 50-100,000 22% >100,000 (Ded. for debt pmt.)
% voluntary	100%	100%	100%	100%	None	None
% of parishes rec. aid	6%	0% - Grants available (24 Missions?)	10%	21%	34% (Med & life ins for all)	2%
Is funding method working	Yes Big effort to parish giving	No Growing gap between sacrificial givers and others	No Thinking of	Yes 81% make goal	Yes	Yes
Years in place	<1	15	Forever	2	7	10+
Reasons for (non)acceptance	Nurture	Those at or near 18% unhappy with those under	Fair because it's voluntary	Perceived as fair	Working on full disclosure of income	
Changes in last five years	% guidelines	No	No	Yes	No	
Response to arrears	Consultation	Must petition Executive Council	Loss of convention vote (100%) vol.??)	No	Meet with Standing Committee	
Rewards for exceeding	None	Praise	No	No	No	
Comments		Share results?	No		Please send copy of results	

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Diocese	Lexington	Missouri	Northern Indiana	Ohio	South Carolina	Southern Ohio
No. of parishes	38	51	36	108	74	83
Annual diocesan income	951,536	1,135,285	698,812	2,771,849	2,190,483	6,466,354
Income from parishes	879,564	938,145	573,321	2,264,924	1,751,378	2,034,102
	92%	83%	82%	82%	80%	31%
Income from endowments	37,564	180,000	35,000	506,925	284,105	4,156,109
Parish contribution formula	30%	8% <25,000 10% 25-75,000 15% >75,000	16% 3 yr ave of pledge plus plate	10% <100,000 12% 100-200,000 14% 200-350,000 16% >350,000 (Based on NOI)	10%	10% Min 20% Max (Based on formula involving outreach std deduction)
% voluntary	100%	None	None	None	100%	None
% of parishes rec. aid	29%	30%	3%	20%	20%	19%
Is funding method working	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, but too many give under 10%	Review in 2003
Years in place	28	7	Forever	3	30	11
Reasons for (non)acceptance	Goal is too high; unrealistic	Near 100% meeting goal				Perceived as fair
Changes in last five years	No	No	No	Yes	Goal was 20-25%	No
Response to arrears	Encourage parish to meet pledge	Lose vote Can seek assess- ment review	Lose vote	Lose representa- tion at convention	None	Lose lay repre- sentation at convention
Rewards for exceeding	No	No	No		No	No
Comments	At least 3 reviews have been made. Each time, method left unchanged			Reserve fund to help parishes with special problems		

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Diocese	Tennessee	Upper S. Carolina	Western Michigan	Western Missouri	Western N. Carolina	West Virginia
No. of parishes	50	65	61	52	64	75
Annual diocesan income	1,330,026	2,413,686	754,700	1,675,541	1,309,471	1,668,492
Income from parishes	979,338	2,381,977	635,000	1,380,899	975,158	1,102,367
	74%	99%	84%	82%	74%	66%
Income from endowments	387,232	31,542	65,000	221,999	297,552	492,680
Parish contribution formula	10.0%	18.5%	20% Goal	14% <50,000	10% Floor	18%
	(Based on 3 yr ave income)	(Based on lower of last yr or 3 yr ave NDBI)		19% >50,000	16% Goal (based on NCBI)	(Based on 3 yr ave oper expenses)
% voluntary	100%	None	100%	None	100%	None
% of parishes rec. aid	20%	20%	0%	38%	8%	33%
Is funding method working	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
			Giving fluctuates between 8.5 and 11%			
Years in place	5+	20	16	7	11	10
Reasons for (non)acceptance	No Complaints	Widely accepted	They believe it is fair.			
Changes in last five years	No	% down from 24.5	No		No	
Response to arrears	Ask them why	Pressure from diocese and bishop	Pressure		Pastorally	
Rewards for exceeding	No	No	Public recognition by exec. council and bishop		No	
Comments						