

OPENING REMARKS

Agenda

- Budget Process
- 2021 budget highlights
- Assessment process
- Questions?

BUDGET PROCESS

Process

- Finance Department (appointed by bishop subcommittee of Council)
- Diocesan Council (elected by convention)
 - · Committee Chairs meet with Council
- Diocesan Convention

Our canons say the responsibility of convention is "Receiving and enacting the annual budget."

2021 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Diocesan Assessment remains 19% - same process as 2020

- No salary increases
- Using reserve funds not endowment/investment funds
- Lambeth conference (from reserve funds)
- General Convention (from reserve funds)
- Reserve Funds: Title IV, Equipment, Maintenance, 11th Bishop

CANON 15. FUNDING OF DIOCESAN BUDGET.

Section 1. ROLE OF DIOCESAN COUNCIL.

The Diocesan Council shall determine a uniform method of assessment and shall annually estimate a sum necessary and proper for the following purposes:

For the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the mission of the church;

For the purposes of the General Convention;

For the support of the Episcopate;

For the support of the diocesan and national church program;

For such other purposes as convention shall approve and direct.

The Diocesan Council shall propose the method of assessment and the estimated sum to the Diocesan Convention.

Like most organizations, a large part of the assessment covers expenses for diocesan staff, including Bishop Marty Stebbins.

Our Bishop provides spiritual leadership, guidance and vision within the diocese. And she is one of many who represent The Diocese to the broader Church, as well as to other entities within Montana. But she cannot do this ministry alone. We do have volunteers and elected volunteers in the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, the Commission on Ministry who do a lot of ministry.

But the bishop and these committees need people who can take care of scheduling, communication, canonical reporting and the financial matters (Barb Hagen and Jill Sallin). Our staff members make sure this flows smoothly.

Our part-time Canon to the Ordinary assists our Bishop in ministry (Canon Chris Roberts).

And our two camp Marshall staff people make sure that Camp runs smoothly and is a welcoming place to be (David Campbell and Mark Clemow).

General Church Payment – helps with the needs throughout the country and the world for education and support of various church programs and resources – is now an assessment not an asking

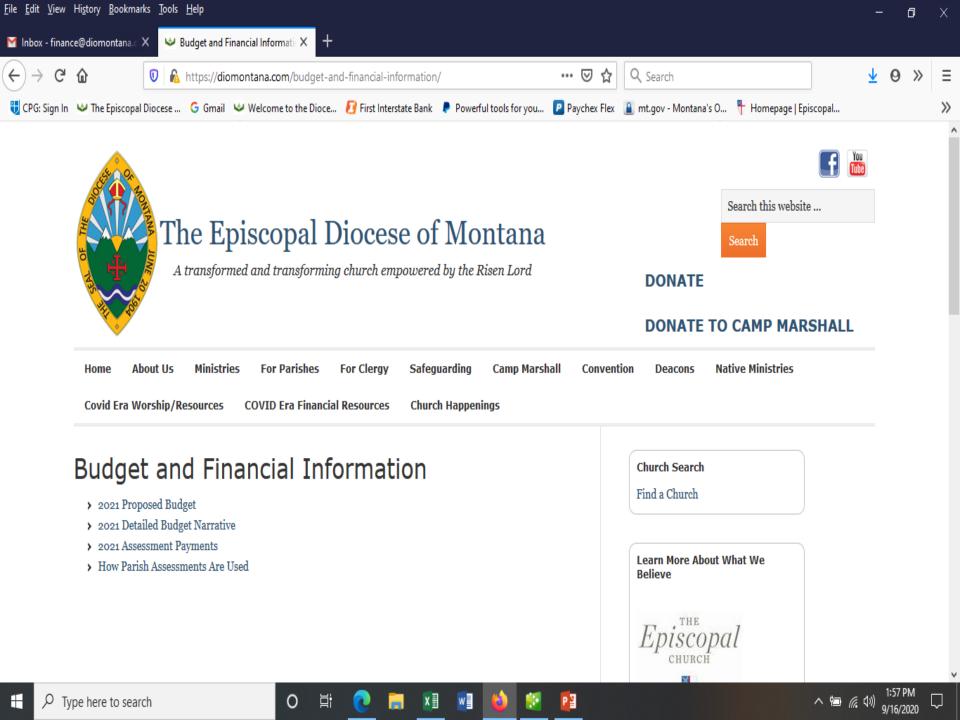
Diocesan programs - deacons, ecumenical, camp, campus ministry

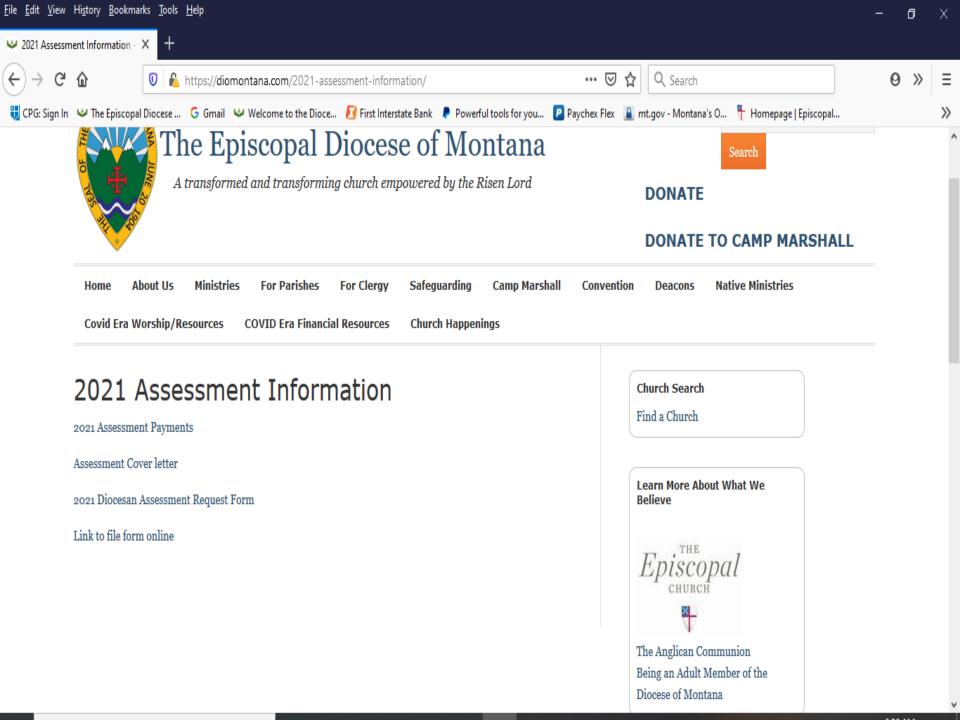
Assures mission and ministry take place beyond the local level.

ASSESSMENT CALCULATION

19% of the average 2017–2019 operating income as reported on the parochial reports.

It is a fixed amount each month. Details for each church's payment are on the website.





QUESTIONS?

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