

INDIRECT METHODS OF RAISING MONEY FOR CHURCH PURPOSES

It has been the stated policy of successive Bishops of Huron, supported by resolutions of Synod or Diocesan Council, to discourage the use of raffles, or any other forms of gambling, as a means of fund-raising within parishes.

Direct giving to the church in fulfilment of our Christian stewardship is the ideal method and the one which should consistently be held before our church people.

In the case of small parish raffles or door prizes where tickets are sold for modest amounts or given upon admission, such action may be allowed subject to the approval of the Parish Council and the rector. The raising of monies through lotteries, bingos or large raffles with solicitation of the general public remains unacceptable.

This policy follows the General Synod guidelines enclosed.

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