



INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

The Consolidated Trust Fund of The Synod of the Diocese of Niagara was established to bring together the trust funds held by the diocese and its parishes for the purpose of providing cost-effective professional investment management for the combined funds.

Russell Investments serves as the Investment Manager for the diocesan investment portfolio. They bring together the world's leading managers and strategies—in a diversified, adaptive and efficient portfolio—aimed at achieving the fund's objectives.

The overall investment objectives of the fund are to:

- preserve capital, as adjusted for inflation
- maintain sufficient liquidity for anticipated disbursements
- generate at least a 4.5% rate of return; sufficient to cover the anticipated disbursements required by stakeholders

Russell Investments is a signatory to the United Nations' Principles for Responsible Investing and has a responsible investing policy focused on the integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into investment decisions with the objective of providing better risk-adjusted returns, particularly over the long term. Our Global Equity allocation is invested in an ESG Fund tailored to the values of Canadian charities.

The Investment Advisory Committee (IAC) monitors the investment performance of the funds held by the diocese (synod, parishes, affiliated entities, and foundation), their allocations, and the performance of the investment portfolio manager(s). The total of the diocesan administration and investment management fees is 0.99%.

Annual Return on Investment	
Year	Return
2010	9.4%
2011	-2.8%
2012	7.9%
2013	16.0%
2014	9.0%
2015	5.0%
2016	7.5%
2017	8.0%
2018	-2.1%
2019	13.3%
2020	8.0%
2021	14.3%
2022	-10.1%
2023	11.9%

The current asset mix of our portfolio is indicated in the chart below, with minimum and maximum ranges established to allow investment managers to respond to market conditions. For more information about our investment portfolio, please contact the diocesan treasurer or executive officer.

Asset Mix & Ranges	Minimum (%)	Target (%)	Maximum (%)
Canadian Equities	7.0	12.0	17.0
Global Equities	<u>40.0</u>	<u>45.0</u>	<u>50.0</u>
Total Equities	47.0	57.0	67.0
Global Listed Infrastructure	4.0	9.0	14.0
Global Listed Real Estate	<u>4.0</u>	<u>9.0</u>	<u>14.0</u>
Total Listed Real Assets	8.0	18.0	28.0
Canadian Universe Bonds	12.0	17.0	22.0
Global Fixed Income	0.0	4.0	8.0
Absolute Return Fixed Income	<u>0.0</u>	<u>4.0</u>	<u>8.0</u>
Total Fixed Income	15.0	25.0	35.0