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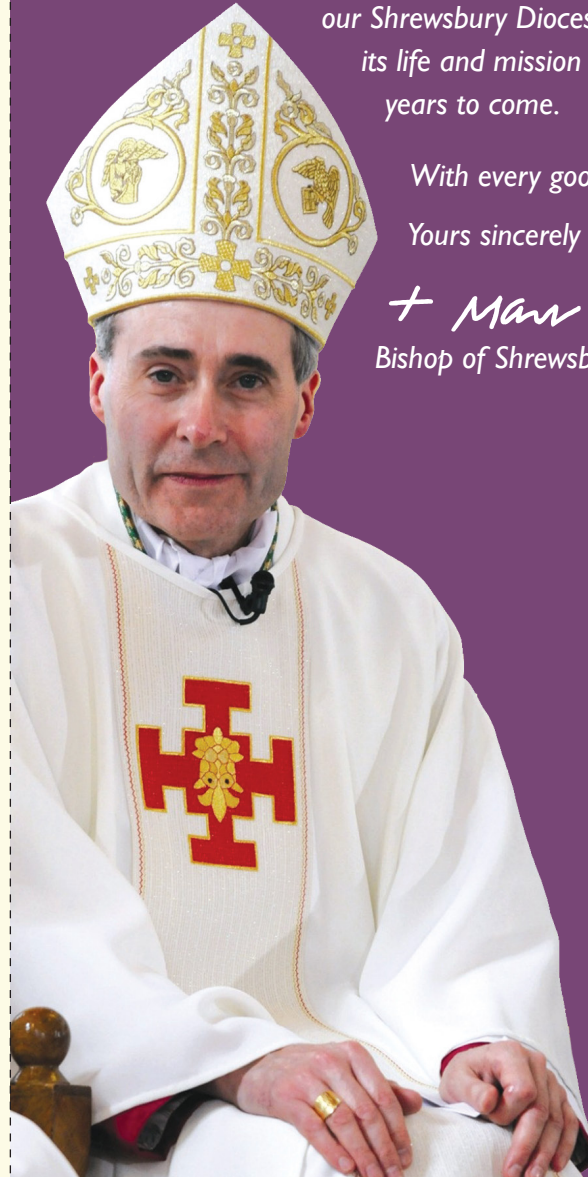
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*Thank you for reading about the Clergy Education and Training Fund and for your interest in helping future generations of priests. I know there are many calls on your generosity during this public health crisis, and so I ask you to help however you are able the men who are coming forward to serve the mission of the Diocese. This is in every sense an investment in the future of our Shrewsbury Diocese and its life and mission in the years to come.*

*With every good wish,  
Yours sincerely in Christ*

*+ Man*  
Bishop of Shrewsbury



*Rev Fr Owen Gallagher, Assistant Priest at  
Sacred Heart & St Peter, Wythenshawe.  
Ordained on 13 July 2019*



# TRAINING for the PRIESTHOOD

**Please give to the  
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## CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND

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**CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND**

## What is the Clergy Education & Training Fund?

Those seeking to undertake the work of the Church in the Diocese have many training needs. Candidates accepted for priestly formation spend around 6 years at a Seminary. Whilst the time in Seminary helps the student to determine God's will for him, it is also designed to provide experiences so that the student can play a full role in parish community life following Ordination. Training is also undertaken by those men wishing to become Permanent Deacons in Parishes in the Diocese.

As in most occupations, learning and education is a life-long process, and Priests and Deacons have ongoing training needs in their ministries. However, training for Seminarians, Deacons and Clergy involves considerable expense, and the Clergy Education & Training Fund seeks to help meet these costs.

## Why does the Clergy Education & Training Fund need your help?

At a time of shortages of Priests, it is a blessing that we have men studying for the Priesthood and Diaconate. This is good news for the people of the Diocese, but the training is expensive – for example, it costs around £30,000 a year (about £80 a day) to train a Seminarian, and £4,000 a year to train a Deacon. The Clergy Education & Training Fund helps meet these costs, the ongoing training needs of Clergy, and in certain instances the cost of training Laity (such as Eucharistic Ministers).

## How can you help?

Your support of the Clergy Education & Training Fund is essential if we are to continue to support the cost of training Seminarians and Deacons, and to meet the ongoing training of Clergy required to meet the various needs of Parishes and the Diocese. **We need everyone to give generously in order that we can meet these costs.**

## There are 3 ways you can give to the Clergy Education & Training Fund:

### 1. Donate Online

You can donate Online to the Fund. And if you donate Online you will also be able to Gift Aid what you choose to give to the Clergy Education & Training Fund. Please be aware that a minimum donation of £5 is requested. Just go to [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/clergy-education-and-training-fund](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/clergy-education-and-training-fund).

### 2. Donate by Standing Order or Cheque

If you would like to request that a Standing Order is posted to you, please print off and complete the form in this leaflet and return it to the address on the form. Alternatively, please send an Email to the Email address on the form. If you would like to make a donation by Cheque, please make this payable to 'Clergy Education & Training Fund' and send it to the address shown for the Planned Giving & Gift Aid Service at the end of this leaflet.

### 3. Donate to the Annual Special Collection

Churches throughout the Diocese participate in a Special Collection held annually each November. This usually takes place as a Retiring Collection at which cash donations can be made. If you would like the Fund to be able to claim Gift Aid on your donation, please donate Online, or donate by Standing Order or Cheque and print off and complete the Gift Aid Declaration in this leaflet.

## Boost the value of your donation with Gift Aid!

If you donate Online, you will also have the opportunity to Gift Aid this whilst making your donation to the Fund. If you make your donation by Standing Order or Cheque and want to Gift Aid your donation, please print off and complete the Gift Aid Declaration in this leaflet and send it to the address shown for the Planned Giving & Gift Aid Service.

**Gift Aid provides a great boost to the value of your donation, increasing it's value by 25%!**

**A donation of £10 would be worth £12.50**

**A donation of £50 would be worth £62.50**

**A donation of £100 would be worth £125**

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## Legacies

If you would like to help meet the costs of training provided both for the men preparing for the Priesthood and the ongoing education of our Clergy by leaving something in your Will, please contact the **Planned Giving & Gift Aid Service**.



## STANDING ORDER FORM

If you would like to make a regular donation to the Clergy Education & Training Fund by Standing Order, please print this form and complete the information requested. On completion, please return it to the address shown below. A Standing Order form will then be sent to you by post.

Alternatively, you can request a Standing Order form by sending an Email to the Email address shown below.

Thank you for your interest in supporting the Clergy Education & Training Fund in this way – it is greatly appreciated.

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