

## Legacies

Most of the running costs of your Parish and of the Diocese and of the national Bishops' Conference costs are covered by the regular collections which are taken at the weekend Masses.

However, there are from time to time substantial one-off costs. For example, the boiler in the Church may suddenly and unexpectedly need replacing. A building might need substantial roof repair. Facilities for the disabled may need to be provided, and there is the ever present need to bring our buildings up to date with health and safety legislation.

Until such time as these funds are needed by the Parish they are deposited centrally and are invested.

If you would be kind enough to consider a legacy to the Church in your will. It is tax advantaged as a charity. The recommended form of legacy is as follows:

"I GIVE free of tax the sum of (insert the amount you wish to give here or the percentage of your residuary estate) to NOTTINGHAM ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESAN TRUSTEES (Charity number 1134449) of Willson House, 25 Derby Road, Nottingham NG1 5AW generally without imposing any binding trust or legal obligation but with the wish that it be used for (insert here Parish name or "the General Purposes of the Charity" or one of the Special Funds or associated charities below) AND I DECLARE that the receipt of the Financial Secretary or other proper officer for the time being of the said charity shall be a sufficient discharge to my Trustees.

## Special Funds

Remember that it is not just your Parish which you can benefit. The form can also be used to benefit the Special Funds or associated charities of the Diocese. These include:

The Clergy Formation Fund

The Sick and Retired Priests Fund

The Poor and Needy Parishes Fund

The Diocesan Youth Service

(Where an associated charity is involved the amount is passed on to that charity).



ST. BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH, NOTTINGHAM.

The tradition of the Church since New Testament times is that collections are taken for the needs of the poor. This is usually done by special collections.

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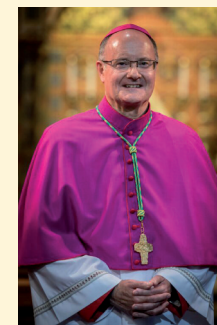
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## GIFT AID & LEGACIES



*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ*

I am writing to ask if you will be kind enough to consider your financial contribution to our Church. This leaflet sets out some of the reasons why. It provides a Gift Aid form so that, if you are a taxpayer, we can claim back from the government an amount representing the amount of tax you have already paid on your contribution. It also provides a standing order form if a regular payment is your preferred method of giving at monthly, quarterly or annual intervals. Lastly, it sets out the correct wording to be used if you would like to leave a legacy in your will so that a lump sum can be received for the purposes of the Church after you have died.

I would like to thank you very much indeed for your support to the Church financially. On your behalf I would also like to take this opportunity to thank your Parish Priest. On him so much of the burden of running the parish falls. Your generous gifts considerably help him in his task of running the parish.

With every blessing

*+ Patrick*

Bishop of Nottingham

# Gift Aid and Standing Orders

Your gift to the Church, when given with the benefit of a Gift Aid Declaration, greatly increases the value of the donation. This is because, as a charity, we are able to claim back from the government an amount representing the basic rate tax which you have paid on the amount of your donation.

If you do pay income tax or capital gains tax will you consider completing the Gift Aid Declaration on the opposite side of this page? If you are a higher rate taxpayer you can also claim the higher rate tax back on your annual tax return.

If you want to make a regular payment of the same amount will you also consider completing the Standing Order Form which is also on the opposite side next to the Gift Aid Declaration? Of course you can always complete both!

## What are your kind gifts used for?

The amount you give to our Church is your contribution to the substantial costs of running it. Traditionally Catholics have fulfilled their obligation to contribute to the support of our pastors. Even if the Church had no other costs, this would ensure that the Church could carry on providing the sacraments to the faithful.

Within each parish, though, there is other necessary expenditure such as for the maintenance of the Church and Presbytery, and sometimes other buildings such as a Church Hall. Other costs are incurred centrally, such as contributions to Education, to the Diocesan Youth Service, the University Chaplaincies, for Adult Formation and for the Ongoing Formation of our Priests.



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(This information will be held on computer. The leaflet will be passed on to your bank when the standing order form is completed. The leaflet or a copy will be filed only for the purpose of processing donations and gift aid. It will be retained for so long as it remains relevant and then destroyed. It can be cancelled at any time. You have a right to complain to the Information Commission about its use.)

## GIFT AID DECLARATION (Please leave Gift Aid Declaration blank if you are unable to make it)

Title: ..... First name or initial(s): ..... Surname: .....

Full home address: .....

Post code: ..... Telephone: .....

I want to Gift Aid any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees (the Charity, Charity number 1134449) to benefit the Parish or particular purpose as advised below.

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/ or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Please notify the charity if you:  
 •Want to cancel this declaration  
 •Change your name or home address  
 •No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/ or capital gains.

Signature: ..... Date: .....

This donation is for: ..... (name of Parish or other Diocesan Fund).

When completed please return this form to your Gift Aid organiser, Parish Priest or direct to: Nottingham Diocese, Willson House, 25 Derby Road, Nottingham, NG1 5AW

## STANDING ORDER MANDATE

Your own name and address including postcode

Your Bank name and address including postcode

Account Name

Account Number *usually 8 digits*

Sort Code *6 digits*

*Please complete if this applies*  
 Please cancel my existing standing order for £. .... to the same beneficiary payable weekly/monthly/quarterly/annually/.....

*Parish to insert details of its own bank account above.*

the sum of: £  
*Please also state amount in words*

Commencing on:  
*Please insert start date*  
 and thereafter: monthly/quarterly/annually  
*Please delete as appropriate*  
 until notified by me in writing, and debit my account accordingly.

Bank please quote reference:  
*Parish or Finance Office to insert*

Signature: ..... Date: .....

This donation is for: ..... (name of Parish or other Diocesan Fund).

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