

How can I help?

We would be grateful if you would consider making a contribution to our appeal.

Four year pledges are an effective way to give your support because they enable us to give *more* by way of relatively modest monthly contributions.

Four year pledges – total worth to the Appeal

Monthly payment	Non tax-payers	With gift aid
300	14,400	18,000
250	12,000	15,000
200	9,600	12,000
150	7,200	9,000
120	5,760	7,200
100	4,800	6,000
80	3,840	4,800
60	2,880	3,600
50	2,400	3,000
30	1,440	1,800
20	960	1,200
10	480	600
7	336	420
5	240	300

Donations by companies

Companies can reclaim corporation tax relief on all donations to charities, including covenanted donations. For a company paying corporation tax at 23 per cent the actual cost of a gift of £10,000 would be £7,700 or £160 per month. If you would like to make a four year pledge via a company, your parish representative has the relevant form.

Address and contribution details

Contributions should be made out to: Nottingham Diocese Retired Priests Appeal and returned via the Freepost envelope provided or posted to:

The Appeal Office, The Presbytery, Holy Trinity Church, Boundary Rd, Newark NG24 4AU
Telephone: 0115 888 2644 Email: srpfappeal@nrcdt.org.uk

The Retired Priests Appeal has been carefully planned to help meet the needs of retired priests in the Diocese of Nottingham. In the event that the campaign exceeds its target all surplus funds will be applied to the fund for use in future years.



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Retired Priests Appeal

Message from the Bishop

Dear friends in Christ,

The Retired Priests Appeal has now been running for 2 years and has been embraced by parishioners throughout the Diocese. They have helped to raise over £2.5 million pounds and continue to raise funds at parish level. However, some parishes, through no fault of their own, are struggling to raise their suggested contributions. Many of our parishes are in low income, socially deprived areas and foodbanks are a regular feature. At this stage of the appeal, we need to continue our efforts to support our sick and retired priests. I am immensely grateful to the lay people of the diocese for helping me fulfil the Diocese's obligation.

With my prayers and blessing,

Rt Rev Patrick McKinney, Bishop of Nottingham

Message from the Appeal Chairman

We all want the best for our families and, as part of the family of the Church, our priests should be accorded the respect and support they need at the times when they need it most.

This is also a chance for us to say thank you; to remember those many critical moments in our lives when a priest has been there to assist us. Supporting the priesthood is indeed an obligation, but also a privilege.

I therefore hope you will join me in giving thoughtful and prayerful consideration to the needs of our sick and retired clergy, and that you will lend your support to the Retired Priests Appeal as generously as possible in accordance with your means.

John Curran

Priests – part of the family

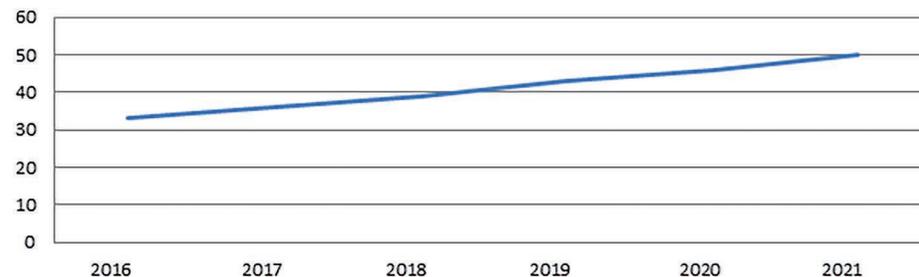
Catholic since birth? Joined later in life? Do you have fond memories of a priest who has now retired? One who shared the joy of your wedding day or helped your family through a difficult time? The Retired Priests Appeal is an opportunity for us to show our support, and to remember that our retired priests are still part of our family of the Church.

Life in a presbytery is very busy and usually quite demanding. Being constantly available to respond to the diverse needs of his parishioners over many years can be extremely fulfilling, but can also take its toll.

“On September 8th 2015 I retired from full time parish ministry after 54 years and will need some financial assistance from the Fund. I am aware that the people of the Diocese have provided for my material needs and supported me spiritually since I first approached Bishop Ellis at the age of 11 saying I would like to be a priest. Without your help and support I would not be a priest today. I am immensely grateful to you and grateful for your willingness to support me and my brother priests in our old age.” **Monsignor Brian Dazeley**

Retired priests' modest needs are met in three ways. Some priests receive pensions from former employers and all receive a state pension. The Sick & Retired Priests Fund provide means tested grants. The demands made are set to increase in the short and medium term and the contributions currently being paid from all sources will soon become insufficient to provide for those who are sick or retired.

Expected Number of Retired Priests



Future provision for priests entering ministry now will be made through a new mechanism. We need however to look to the needs of those who are nearing or already in retirement – the priests who have played such an important part in our lives.

Circumstances change and like most charities, we have to make radical plans. Our existing Sick and Retired Priests fund stands at £2.5 million. If we do nothing, cumulative shortfalls will result in this appeal running out in a few years' time. To provide for those currently in retirement and to set up proper provision for those currently in active ministry, a further £2.5 million will be required.

If we do not act, we will be creating an unmanageable burden for the next generation.