

Financing • Funding • Future

TREASURERS REPORT



The Pastoral Care project has had another successful year financially, and we are very grateful for the financial support received. We are indebted to the support from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Birmingham, Father Hudson's Society and the parishes of Nuneaton for their generous support to this project, and to those people who have made donations during the year.

The accounts for the year are available from the office. However it is pleasing to note that the income to the project continues to show a steady increase, with total income this year showing at £52801.83, a record year. Analysis of the sources of this income shows a significantly heavy reliance

on grant income, which represents 83% of the total income for the year.

However, we cannot forget the importance of the income provided by donations, gifts and sponsored events by individuals and volunteers to the project. Every penny counts and the Project is extremely grateful to those people who have supported us financially in this way.

The steady growth and increasing requests for the projects services required the appointment of an admin/fund raiser during the year. The funding for this 12-month fixed-term position was partially provided by Waterside Trust and is funded until October 2008.

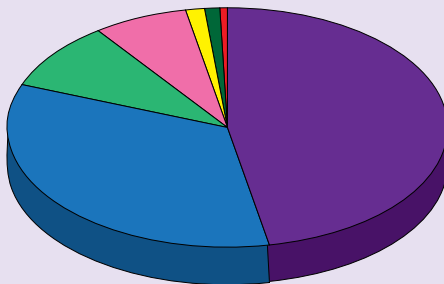
God has called each and everyone one of us in this project to make a difference to the lives of those we care for, their carers and the frail elderly in the communities in which we work and I have no doubt that his loving support for our work will continue.

Kevin Goodyear, Treasurer

Source of Income (£52,801.83)

1st April 2007 - 31st March 2008

Designated Grants	£25,550.00	■
Continuing Grants	£18,500.00	■
Donations & Gift Aid	£4,314.68	■
Gift In Kind	£3,000.00	■
Pastoral Fees	£798.80	■
Bank Interest	£359.35	■
Sale of Resources	£279.00	■



Below are some examples of our services.

Care Homes - Training

Charitable Trust Care and Religious Orders Care Homes in North Warwickshire. Birmingham and Staffordshire.

Conferences

Birmingham - St John of God NEC
Edinburgh- *Old Age -Wasteland or Harvest Field.*
Worcester Deanery *Conference Pastoral Care.*
Setting up Parish Visiting Projects

Schools

Birmingham-St Edmund Campion *Mission Week.*

Warwickshire 2009

Hosting Seminar for Professionals in Pastoral Care - email your interest to info@pastoralcareproject.org.uk

Resources for Parishes/Agencies

- Understanding Spiritual/Dementia
- Volunteer Training and Support/Spirituality
- Preparing a Quiet Day for Carers
- Mass and Healing in Care Settings
- Information Leaflets

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DONATIONS

The Project needs at least £60,000 per year to maintain this level of service.

All donations gratefully received to benefit the community.

I enclose £10 £50 £250 £1000 other

Title Forename Surname

Address

..... Postcode

Gift Aid Declaration I want the Pastoral Care Project to treat donations I have made and all donations I make from the date of this declaration, until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations*. I understand I can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the Pastoral Care Project. *You must pay an amount of UK income tax and/or capital tax gains at least equal to the tax that the Pastoral Care Project reclaims on your donations in the tax year (at the current rate).

Signed

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The Pastoral Care Project is committed to Christian pastoral care of the sick, to raise awareness of the spiritual needs of the frail elderly and their carers, including those with a form of dementia.



Make a donation

Support the Pastoral Care Project by making a single or monthly donation.

We accept all major credit cards and will automatically add 20% in Gift Aid if you're a UK taxpayer

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Fun Raising Ideas –

Special Occasion

Workplace charity day

School fun days

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• REMEMBER PASTORAL CARE IN YOUR WILL! •

*“Raising awareness of the spiritual needs of the frail elderly -
Enabling carers to support them in their journey to the fullness of life”*



Living with Dementia

A warm welcome from the Pastoral Care Project, I hope you are as enthused as I am of how our Charity is making a difference to the lives of frail elderly people.

It is so fulfilling to see that the twenty years of pioneering work of spiritual care is being more widely recognised in the care of people with dementia.

As I reflect on the work the Pastoral Care Project has accomplished this year I am filled with gratitude to everyone; my fellow trustees, volunteers, staff and supporters who are committed to our mission; raising awareness to the spiritual needs of the frail elderly – enabling carers to support them in their journey to the fullness of life.

I am inspired by the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, Ch2, v 10-16. *The Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God. After all, the depths of a man can only be known by his own spirit, not by any other man... Now instead of the spirit of the world, we have received the spirit that comes from God, to teach us to understand the gifts that he has given us.*

These words come alive again when one is meeting with the vulnerable; they are a gift to be valued and certainly worthy of our love. In this year of dedication to St Paul, who himself, seemed to wrestle with doing what he didn't want to do and doing the reverse perhaps his model of giving way to God can help us comprehend more clearly what is needed to make life comfortable, secure and meaningful for the frail in our society. It is also an invitation to get involved.

Our many commitments in the year ahead are demanding but we are committed and look forward to the future and invite you to partner us through volunteering and/or contributing financially - a very necessary resource in order to continue this very important service of pastoral and spiritual care for the frail elderly.

God bless you all,

Fr Michael Gamble

Chair of Trustees

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Parish Training Christ the King, Coventry

The Project was invited to structure, plan and deliver training for those wishing to become pastoral visitors to the housebound in the parish.

“The Parish of Christ the King in Coventry wanted to start a programme of visiting and befriending in the local community. This was aimed not just at the Catholic community and was not associated with the already established work of the Eucharistic ministers, SVP and Legion of Mary... the project has gone very well with 50 volunteers linked up to those individuals and families who welcome a visit... We are very grateful to the Pastoral Care Project for the help received and the advice which was essential at the early stages of the project.”

Canon Tom Farrell



Spirituality and the frail elderly

“I have always felt passionate about the spirituality of the frail elderly especially anyone with dementia. So it gives us great encouragement as we are invited by parishes to share our experience and expertise with them in developing their parish initiatives.”



Frances Molloy

Project Manager.

Pastoral Care in the Community

The work carried out by the Pastoral Care Project is sensitive to the needs and beliefs of the individual, their family and/or Carers. Dealing with issues relating to frail older people in their coming to terms with illness, often terminal, coupled with the resulting loss of independency and choice, means that most of the work is confidential.

Families and Carers

In this year support was available for the following :

• 41 families locally and extending throughout the Diocese have received pastoral support, always in collaboration with the local clergy.

Volunteering

The project currently has twenty nine volunteers who are a great blessing. It can seem a daunting experience when someone just wants to help and they have to go through the recruitment process. This is how one recently interviewed volunteer viewed it.

"Training volunteers like me is comprehensive. Learning about the Project, about dementia,

and what's involved in visiting the vulnerable, and their Carers.. Ever since my interview I have been evaluating my skills and the experiences and understandings that I can bring to the Project. I want to feel confident that I'm going to make a positive difference to someone's life, in the right way. I believe it is true that in giving we receive, and the rewards I'm sure will be rich indeed".

Care Settings/Parishes

Since the Project began in 1995 many individuals living in care settings enjoy the benefit of the church coming to them. The services meet the denominational expectations of every resident, varying from ecumenical to mass and anointing of the sick.

- Richmond Coventry, Exhall
- Merevale Grange, Hartshill
- Cow Lees Care Home, Astley
- Stan William Court, Nuneaton
- Cheveral Place, Nuneaton
- Holmfield Nursing Home, Nuneaton
- St Joseph's Home, Coleshill

The Project benefits from the patronage of the local area churches. In addition the Catholic parishes celebrate mass in care homes assisted by the teams of volunteers.

- Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Bulkington
- St Anne's, Camphill and St Joseph's, Arley
- Our Lady of the Angels, Nuneaton
- St Francis of Assisi, Bedworth
- Manor Court Baptist Church and Coton Church invited Frances Molloy to address their services on the theme of 'Healing in the Market Place' based on John 5.

Theological Reflection

A weaned child on its mothers breast.

Psalm 131.

The experience from fear to peace.

...Ministering to a lady with severe dementia, we then proceeded to pray the Our Father with her, the lady neither joined in or responded in any way until we reached the words of the prayer... 'forgive us', she then spoke out, 'forgive' and then again 'forgive', and so the priest asked her if she would like forgiveness and proceeded with absolution.. afterwards she responded with the words 'God is so good'. Her eyes were so filled with joy - an expression of transformation. She then happily received Holy Communion.

Do you have a story that you would like to share?

Contact Frances Molloy on
01675 434035



National Carers Week June 2007

Ropewalk Shopping Centre, Nuneaton

Raising awareness and Thanksgiving for Carers

Many people participated in this event including the Mayor of Nuneaton and Bedworth, Cllr Bill Sheppard and Mayoress Mrs Jill Sheppard, directors and managers of care organisations and pride of place to the carers. Special thanks to the following: Ropewalk Manager John Kelleher and his staff; Promotivation –Audio/Visual; John Hart - Photography; Manor Court Puppet Jesters; Salvation Army in Dugdale Street; project volunteers; church choirs and clergy.



Resources • Training • Awareness

Critical Illness Plan for Care Homes

The Care Plan for Critical Illness has come about through hands on experience with families and care staff.

"We welcome this type of approach and its ethos in this often difficult subject. We would find this form very helpful in ensuring that the needs of the elderly in this subject are properly and completely fulfilled. Regrettably the majority of care plan documentation in general use, covers this subject in one or two lines, which often needs collating with other parts of the care plan, which can lead to some aspects of the resident's wishes being missed or misunderstood."

Care Home Manager.

"At peace now that that is all in place"

A resident.

'Spiritual Care in Confusion' DVD

It is pleasing to see that this DVD is increasingly being used by like minded organisations and training providers.

"We found your work to be impressive and inspirational – a perfect example of the Church at work outside the Church building. It is wonderful to hear from someone who has been actively involved in this field for so many years."

Gen.Sec. to Conference of Religious in Scotland.



VOICE Café® and SINGING Café® is for all everyone involved in a listening/speaking capacity. This course could be included in an individuals ongoing learning. (CPD or CMD)



CRITICAL ILLNESS AND CARE OF THE DYING

My Funeral Mass Document

Whilst it is uncomfortable to speak about dying it is a subject never far from the lips of any one of us, and no more so with those who are acutely ill or growing old.

This document also sets out information on the sacrament of the sick which is essential for anyone being assessed for care either at home or moving into a care setting.

"As a priest I have come to know of faithful parishioners, often of many years standing - if not lifelong, who have not received the Catholic Funeral Rites and Requiem Mass that they would have expected or assumed... This seems to be becoming more frequent, and for this reason 'My Funeral Mass Requirements' ensures that parishioners receive what is their right as a member of the Church. Having the opportunity to complete this document, and the guidance it gives, has given so many parishioners peace of mind."

Fr Philip Harrop.



The Project is thankful for the encouragement received from His Grace Archbishop Vincent Nichols.

Raising Awareness & Networking

The Project is delighted to have been involved on a national level with parishes, organisations and care providers to increase the awareness of the need for pastoral care for the frail elderly and their carers.

Caritas SCAN Conference

St. Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham.

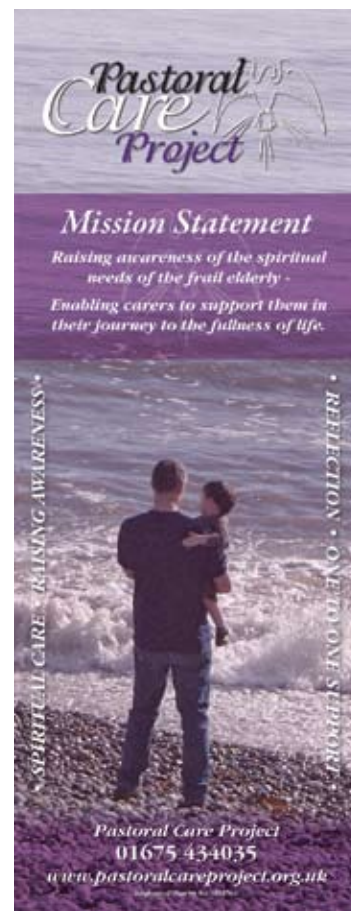
Looking forward to old age?

The Project was invited to give a lead on this subject of the pastoral care of older people and the strategy needed to go forward.

"Frances Molloy and her pastoral care team spoke eloquently of the Project...helping people to find positives in their lives dominated by dementia was a key role the pastoral care worker with older people had to offer."

Mark Wiggin Co-chair CSAN OPSF

- **Civic reception - North Warwickshire**
Mayor Cllr Wendy Smitten, Polesworth
The Project was chosen as one of the Mayors charities during her mayoral year.
- **Visit to North Warwickshire Mayor's Parlour**
The Mayor of North Warwickshire Cllr Adrian Edgington and his wife Elaine invited volunteers to the Mayors Parlour.
- **St Josephs Convent, Haunton, Staffs**
- **Mission in the World at Work - Workshop November 2007**
- **Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council**
The Project presented Care Plans of the Dying & Critical Illness to all scheme managers.



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