

Funding of Our Catholic Schools

Our Catholic schools are Voluntary Aided or Academies and most income is derived from public funds. However, in return for the right to promote the Catholic Faith in our schools, 10% of the cost of building works and major repairs in our Voluntary Aided schools and the costs of managing repairs and improvements to all our school buildings must be met by the Diocese.

Why was the Schools Building Fund set up?

The 10% cost of building schools and other major building repairs and improvements used to be met from the regular giving made at Mass by parishioners of the Parish (or Parishes) connected to the school. This was often giving by those who could least afford it.

Today, building works are still needed as we strive to continually improve our schools to provide the best teaching and learning environment for your children. However, Mass attendance has fallen in recent times, and the burden of the 10% cost could no longer be met by Parishes. In response to this the Schools Building Fund was set up by the Diocese in 2000, in order to meet the 10% cost of building works and the development of building programmes in our schools.

How can you help?

All parents with Children attending a school in the Diocese are asked to make a voluntary contribution to the Schools Building Fund. See inside this leaflet for more details.

The suggested voluntary contribution is £15 per child (as little as 29p per child per week!) However, you are free to give more or less than this figure – your child will not be treated any differently.

Help Your Child's School

Please give generously for your children's future

My dear Parents,

It is important that our school buildings provide the best possible environment for the children and young people of the Diocese. I am very grateful to those parents and guardians who support the Schools Building Fund, at a time when there are many calls on your generosity as we emerge from the lockdown and public health crisis.

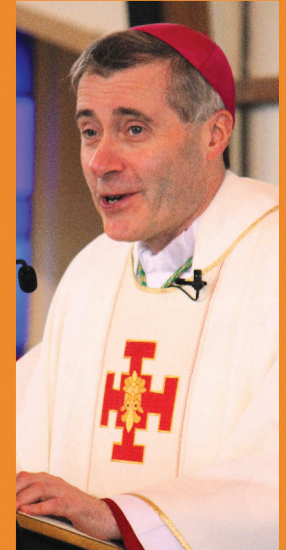
There is a continual need to repair and improve school buildings to meet the requirements of the many varied educational activities that take place within them so that the very best Catholic education can be provided.

With your help, I am confident that this can be achieved.

How you can make a voluntary contribution to the Schools Building Fund is described in this document..

*With every good wish,
Yours sincerely in Christ*

*+ Man
Bishop of Shrewsbury*



Donate Online
See inside for details



SCHOOLS BUILDING FUND

Finance Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Road South, Prenton CH43 4UX
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Registered Charity No. 234025



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SCHOOLS BUILDING FUND

How you can make your voluntary contribution

The appeal for contributions is made each year. The suggested voluntary contribution is £15 per child, but you are free to give more or less than this.

Direct to School

Complete the **Direct Donations to School Form** (Form A) and send this with your voluntary cash/cheque contribution in an envelope direct to your child's school. You can also Gift Aid your voluntary contribution using the Gift Aid Declaration (Form B) on the opposite page.

Online

Go to: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/schools-building-fund where you can donate via:

- i) **PayPal** – your voluntary contribution can be made via PayPal;
- ii) **ParentPay, ParentMail, Tucasi, Cheshire East ePayments, Schoolgateway, SchoolMoney, Agora, etc.** – if your child's school allows you to make payments via one of these systems, you may also be able to use it to make your voluntary contribution.

Go to www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/schools-building-fund to make your voluntary contribution by i) or ii) and you can also Gift Aid your voluntary contribution by completing the Online form.

- iii) **Direct Debit** – a form can be downloaded and completed if you wish to make your voluntary contribution by means of an annual Direct Debit. The Direct Debit form also allows you to Gift Aid your voluntary contribution.

FORM A

DIRECT DONATIONS TO SCHOOL

NAME OF CHILD(REN):

Please find enclosed my voluntary contribution of £ _____ paid by cheque / cash for the purposes of the Diocese of Shrewsbury Schools Building Fund.

Cheques should be made out to the name of your school and this form returned to that school

Remember do not send Direct Donations (Form A) to the Curial Offices – **return it to your Child's School**

Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms (please delete)

First Name(s) _____

Surname _____

School attended by your child(ren) _____

Local Authority _____

FOR OFFICE USE

(to be completed by School)

DATE RECEIVED: _____

BANK ACCOUNT PAYING IN SLIP NO: _____

I confirm that the above sum was received on the date indicated

Shrewsbury Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees
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FORM B

GIFT AID DECLARATION

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Please complete this form – even if you have done so in previous years

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SCHOOLS BUILDING FUND

Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms (please delete)

First Name(s) _____

Surname _____

Home Address _____

_____ Post Code _____

School attended by your child(ren) _____

Local Authority _____

I request that all donations I have made to the above charity since 6 April 2016 and all qualifying gifts of money that I make hereafter shall be treated as Gift Aid donations. 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.

I intend to make my voluntary contribution by:

cash cheque

direct to school for: £ _____

Signature of Donor _____

Date of signature ____ / ____ / 20 ____

Please send this form to:

Ann Holmes, Finance Office, Diocese of Shrewsbury,
Curial Offices, 2 Park Road South, Prenton CH43 4UX

Protecting Your Privacy

A record of your personal information and donations will be held by the Diocese of Shrewsbury and stored securely on the Diocese's database. We comply with data protection and marketing legislation and the Fundraising Regulator's Code of Practice. We do not transfer your data to 3rd parties to use for their own marketing or fundraising purposes. The Diocese will use your details to administer your gifts. This may include sharing your information with external organisations working on our behalf such as IT support companies, or when required by law (e.g. to claim Gift Aid). Many thanks for your continued support. You can read our full Privacy Notice at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice. The statement also contains details on how to opt-out of further communications from the Diocese if you change your mind at a later date and how to update your preferences. We would also occasionally like to send you news by post on the work of the Diocese and give you the opportunity to support future appeals. **If you do not wish to receive these communications, please tick this box**

Boost the value of your voluntary contribution by 25% with Gift Aid!



If you are a UK Tax Payer, you can take advantage of Gift Aid for your voluntary contribution.

If contributing directly to your school by cash/cheque, complete the Gift Aid Declaration (Form B). Gift Aid on your voluntary contribution will then be reclaimed for the Schools Building Fund.

See the opposite page for how you can Gift Aid if you are making your voluntary contribution Online.

