

**ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE DIOCESAN RETIRED PRIESTS
WELFARE COMMITTEE**

The Retired Priests Welfare Committee works on behalf of the Bishop and the people of the Diocese to care for the 27 Diocesan priests who have retired from active ministry, many of whom continue to provide sickness and holiday cover which enables many of us to attend Sunday Mass. We present below our accounts for year ending 31st December 2007. Figure 1 shows the overall income and expenditure account. The donations figure is made up primarily of the proceeds of the annual collection taken every September (details in Figure 2). The interest received is from the invested proceeds of the 1997 £1m Appeal. The breakdown of expenditure is as follows:

Figure 1.

Retired Priests' Welfare Fund Income and Expenditure Account
Year Ending 31st December 2007

	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Donations received		23,815
Legacies received		-
Interest received		45,862
		69,677
 <u>Expenditure</u>		
Administration expenses	4,631	
Consultancy – tax advisory	2,849	
Priests' tax liability	1,328	
Retirement pension paid to priests	14,124	
Rent and accommodation	46,846	
Retirement lunch	492	
Funeral expenses	511	
Health care	2,032	
Other	558	
	73,371	
		(3,694)
Balance of reserves brought forward		619,556
Balance of reserves carried forward		615,862

Of the £23,815 raised in donations, £19,017 came from the Retired Priests' collection taken in September 2007. Figure 2 details the various contributions to this collection from the parishes in the Diocese.

We received £45,862 interest from the monies we have invested from the 1997 £1m Appeal.

Administration expenses totalling £4,631 were incurred in the support of the retired priests. A further £68,740 was spent as follows and as shown in Figure 3:

- £2,849 for priests' tax advice and consultancy including the calculation of tax liabilities and the preparation of tax returns and tax credit forms.
- £1,328 for priests' tax liabilities.
- £14,124 top up pensions to meet our commitment to provide £4,500 pa (at 1997 prices) to all of our retired priests who are members of the pension fund.
- £46,846 towards rent to help those retired priests in need.
- £492 for the retired priests' annual reunion lunch.
- £511 for the funeral costs of retired priests.
- £2,032 for retired priests requiring health care.
- £558 for other costs directly attributable to retired priests.

Obviously we would like to do a lot more for our retired priests but we are limited by the available finances. Our main sources of income are the interest earned on the investment, the annual second collection for retired priests, donations and legacies.

If you have any queries, please contact Dr Jim Whiston, Secretary to the Retired Priests' Welfare Committee, at the Curial Office.

Figure 2.

<u>Parish</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>Parish</u>	<u>£</u>
Bedale	91.29	Nunthorpe	683.73
Beverley	700.86	Osmotherley	449.71
Bridlington	315.62	Pickering	260.00
Brotton	28.60	Pocklington	343.05
Driffield	405.20	Richmond	110.00
Filey	148.69	Redcar – Sacred Heart	305.90
Guisborough	534.52	Redcar – St Augustine	312.30
Hedon	135.14	Redcar – St Alban	197.81
Hessle	905.72	Saltburn	136.85
Hornsea	259.80	Staites	109.56
Hull – St Charles	331.74	Stokesley	732.00
Hull – St Mary	100.00	Teesville	381.77
Hull – St Sacred Heart	146.93	Thirsk	240.00
Hull – St Anthony	125.00	Thornaby – Christ The King	160.70
Hull – West Hull Parishes	276.95	Thornaby – St Patrick	142.00
Hull – St Bede	810.72	Ugthorpe	63.35
Ingleby Barwick	203.45	Whitby – St Hilda	320.18
Leyburn	278.00	Yarm	381.85
Loftus	347.00	York – St Wilfrid	450.00
Market Weighton	178.65	York – St George	420.20
Marske	372.97	York – St Aelred	590.65
Middlesbrough – Cathedral	393.96	York – St Joseph	277.80
Middlesbrough – St Alphonsus	405.00	York – St Margaret	504.68
Middlesbrough – St Patrick	557.82	Clitherow	
Middlesbrough – St Joseph	183.17	York – Our Lady	930.00
Middlesbrough – St Clare	267.09	York – English Martyrs	753.77
Middlesbrough – Holy Name	395.00	Kirkbymoorside / Helmsley	144.15
Northallerton	289.50	Easingwold	427.02
		Total	19,017.42

Figure 3.

Retired Priests' Welfare Fund Expenditure
Year Ending 31st December 2007

