

**Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 30 June 2023
for
Sacred Heart Fathers Trust**

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Sacred Heart Fathers Trust

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for the Year Ended 30 June 2023**

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The principal objective of the charity is the advancement of religion.

This includes:

- The pastoral care of individuals and groups.
- To provide places of spiritual retreat, courses in personal development and religious education
- Assistance with the on-going education of children and young adults
- The relief of poverty and sickness at home and abroad. To assist in the relief of poverty and its consequences in areas of the mission of the Congregation and in areas of natural disasters.
- Welcoming students from poorer countries to study at accredited educational facilities in the UK and Ireland.
- Welcoming students to study at recognised English language schools to enable the international development of the Congregation.
- Providing places of retreat open to all.
- Life - long care for the members. To promote the spiritual, moral, and intellectual wellbeing of the Members of the Congregation.
- To provide services and nursing care for the sick and elderly Members of the Congregation in accordance with the core values and ethos of the Congregation.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The main object for which the charity is established is to advance religion through the educational, social and charitable works carried on by the Congregation of The Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in England and Wales, Scotland, Ireland and throughout the World in accordance with the ethos, mission and philosophy of Father Leo John Dehon and to provide for the Members of the Congregation during their lives.

The Sacred Heart Fathers continue to offer support for students, adults, retreats, quiet times, spiritual direction and accompaniment for individuals and groups in various locations throughout Great Britain and Ireland. By its very nature the Congregation is an apostolic institute; and so we readily place ourselves at the service of the Church in its various pastoral works. The charity provides facilities where individuals and groups can gather for periods of prayer, silence and recollection. It also provides for the religious needs of people by providing religious services and offering spiritual guidance.

The administrative Centre for the group is at St John's, Stockport, where, as well as offices for the Province Administration, provision is made for older members, assisted by the services of the St John of God Hospitaller Service. The Sacred Heart Fathers witnesses to the Christian faith in both the local and wider community through the provision of worship and prayer space. While St John's is the administrative centre and a residence for the elderly, the facilities of the house are also used to enable people to participate in liturgies and gatherings for prayer. Courses on faith development are offered and groups are able to attend for day retreats or days of recollection. At St John's, the Sacred Heart Fathers also provide for the human development of people by providing courses on psychology and spirituality. A counselling service is also provided there. Visiting members of the Congregation from abroad are also welcomed at St. John's. Members come for meetings of the Sacred Heart Fathers and have the possibility to spend some time of sabbatical there.

St John's is also the setting for the Promotions Office - the function of which is to promote the spirituality of the Sacred Heart and to keep in contact with benefactors. Various mailings are sent out during the year to our benefactors during the year. A letter is written at least twice a year informing benefactors of recent news and events and inviting them to make a contribution to the work of the Sacred Heart Fathers. It is notable that the age of benefactors is increasing and consequently there are less people on the mailing list. The trustees will look at ways to expand our list of benefactors. The Sacred Heart Fathers greatly value their benefactors and their generous contributions.

In September 2022 the Sacred Heart Fathers handed the administration of the parish of St Joseph's, Stockport, back to the Diocese of Shrewsbury. The Diocesan Bishop wanted to develop a new ministry for his Diocese there. Currently, the Order administers the parish of St John Vianney on behalf of the Archdiocese of Dublin. In the pastoral care of those entrusted to us we aim to give concrete expression to our spirituality and develop the life of the Church. In the parish the Sacred Heart Fathers minister to people of all age groups - providing religious services, pastoral accompaniment and enabling people to participate in liturgies. Where possible, the Sacred Heart Fathers assist in other parishes in England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland.

The Sacred Heart Fathers are committed to provide support and assistance in the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults. The Trust implements best practice in safeguarding, ensuring that children and vulnerable adults are safe and well looked after while in the care of any ministry of the Congregation. The Charity is committed to best practice in safeguarding. It is affiliated to the national Religious Life Safeguarding Service in England and Wales, the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland and The Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency. It also has the services of a safeguarding co-ordinator and has a designated liaison person. All members coming from abroad to engage in any public ministry must provide a testimony of suitability, agree to police vetting and comply with all safeguarding policies and procedures. The Sacred Heart Fathers are committed to properly resource and finance any safeguarding initiative.

The Congregation continues to develop our ministry at Smithstone House, Kilwinning, Ayrshire, Scotland. The community organise religious services and adult spiritual formation courses. Adult faith formation courses and days of retreat are given at various times. It is possible for people to spend time here undisturbed, in silence and tranquillity. Facilities here have been developed and improved to provide better space for visitors on retreat or attending religious services. A separate, totally self-contained, building was built there in 2022 where individuals can stay for an extended period without being disturbed - to experience silence, prayer and refreshment. This place for silence and reflection is open to all people who seek personal renewal and silence. The building of this facility was the largest spend on buildings during the period - but it is a facility that will benefit many people. We will continue to use our facilities for prayer and retreat - both for individuals and groups.

At Smithstone House the community also seeks to promote the protection of the natural environment through education and encouraging public awareness on the importance of the protection of the environment. Members are committed to the philosophy and practice outlined by Pope Francis in his Encyclical, *Laudato Si* (our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life).

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The community at Inchicore Road, Dublin, Ireland, is the main formation community and welcomes new candidates to the Congregation. It is also a residence for elderly retired members. As the centre of formation it also welcomes students from the Congregation who come from abroad to study. It also welcomes members for sabbatical, English language and renewal. The community welcomes individuals and groups for personal development and spiritual growth.

To adapt to the changing needs of the Church and the wider community, members are encouraged to develop wider skills - particularly in counselling and psychotherapy. This ministry is available to all people and is an expression of our desire to meet the needs of people in a changing world. A counselling and spiritual accompaniment service is also provided at Inchicore Road. To provide for the care of the elderly two staff are employed. Consequently, the community at Inchicore Road has a higher wage bill than any other community. Since members attend various academic and training courses it also has higher spending in this area.

When the community is unable to provide a level of appropriate care, individual sick and elderly members can become resident in a nursing home. Depending on the needs of the individual, this can be on a temporary or permanent basis. This situation is constantly under review. It is our intention that all members should be able to stay in the community for as long as possible.

The Trust supports members of the Sacred Heart Fathers who work in some of the poorest parts of Europe, e.g. Moldova / Transdnier and across the world in the Philippines and Cameroon. The fund for Moldova was set up after the visit of the Provincial to the area some years ago - and is a response to the extreme poverty of people there. The fund is used to help the Congregation develop its spiritual and social mission in Moldova - providing material aid and also helping to support the pastoral work of the Congregation in Moldova. The funds will be used to alleviate poverty, give support to local communities, providing adult and youth formation, and provide part contribution towards the building of pastoral centre and churches, local medical centres and so on. The project is part of contribution of the Congregation to the overall mission of the Church in Moldova. The Trust also made a contribution to the work of the Congregation in Cameroon. This is a sign international collaboration within the Order and helps to further the mission of the Sacred Heart Fathers.

In line with Catholic social teaching, and with the thinking of Pope Francis, the charity will respond in the relief of poverty and its consequences both at home and in areas of the mission of the Congregation and in areas of natural disasters. Where appropriate the Charity will liaise with other bodies involved in charitable works having a main object similar to those of the Sacred Heart Fathers Trust. This is an expression of the philosophy and ethos of the Sacred Heart Fathers.

Each community uses volunteers in various capacities. Since Covid 19 there has been a decrease in those volunteering. The roles now include assisting in administration, caring for the sick, elderly and disabled (including some volunteer retired nurses), housekeeping and cleaning. Whilst the volunteers' work is greatly appreciated it is not appropriate to place an economic value on it and it is therefore not included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Like all Religious Orders in Europe the Congregation has seen a decline in membership in recent years - mainly due to the death of elderly members. However, priests and brothers from other parts of the Order have come to live and minister here on a permanent or extended basis (always in compliance with visa regulations when required). The international leadership of the Sacred Heart Fathers in Rome is keen to promote the exchange of appropriately qualified personnel. Exchange of personnel is always under review and all must comply with police vetting and safeguarding policy.

Part of the work of the Charity is to promote vocations and ongoing formation. This is to educate and train both current and new Members of the Congregation. In recruiting new members, the Charity hope to carry on its work. In providing ongoing formation (or continual professional development) to current members the Charity aims to maintain a professional standard of service.

The Order will continue to look for new ways of fund raising during the year and seek to attract new donors. It will also continue to develop our promotions resources and material. It will continue to develop links with other regions of the Congregation to foster the exchange of personnel. It will also continue to support the education of future priests and brothers for the Order. The Trust will continue to use its resources for public benefit. The Province will continue to build on the work already being and seek new and creative ways to promote and develop the work of the Trust.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Investment policy and objectives

The Investment Portfolio is suitably diversified to reduce volatility. The charity's long term time horizon and the key investment risk is inflation. The Trustees wish to target a total return objective of inflation plus 4% over the long term and selected the Charity Multi-Asset Fund in order to achieve this. The trustees would also like a regular, sustainable income from their investments and have chosen to invest in the distribution units which target a 4% distribution per annum. The charity is able to tolerate volatility of capital value in line with the pursuit of the long term investment objective, the preservation of the real capital value. There are no anticipated capital cash flow needs and the Charity has the capacity to absorb short term losses without prejudicing the long term sustainability.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The total charity funds have decreased from £11.4m to £11.0m during the year. Included within the total funds are restricted funds of £0.20m (2022 - £0.20m). Free reserves are defined as unrestricted reserves represented by the total of current assets less creditors. The free reserves at 30 June 2023 were £2.59m (2022 - £2.75m).

Tangible assets for use are excluded on the grounds that they are used operationally and their disposal may adversely impact on the charity's ability to deliver its aims.

The Pension Augmentation fund represented by £6.2m investments is also excluded on the grounds that the charity is obliged to seek a return on capital to contribute towards the ongoing personal upkeep and costs of elderly and retired priests.

The charity's reserves policy recognises the requirement to maintain a level of free reserves that provides the following to support its various charitable activities:

Working Capital

Funding of capital projects that maintain, improve and develop the charity's portfolio of buildings and activities.

Available funds that might be required in the event of emergencies and unforeseen events.

Between 5 and 7 years running expenses at a level of approximately £400,000 are a guide for these purposes. On this basis actual free reserves need to be between £2m and £2.8m

As well as managing free reserves the charity monitors cash flows carefully to ensure that sufficient funds are available to meet ongoing operating and capital requirements. At the end of the year unrestricted cash at bank was £3.3m (2022 - £2.8m)

The trustees review and monitor reserves on an annual basis and where they identify reserves rise or fall significantly above or below their target, they consider if corrective action is necessary.

The Provincial Bursar reports regularly to the Trustees and receives financial reports bi-annually from all the communities which are then reviewed.

Cash Reserves and Investments

From the balance sheet on page eleven of this report it can be seen that there was a decrease in the value of the trust from £11,437,252 to £11,026,394.

Cash held in bank accounts and in hand has marginally increased from £3,007,360 to £3,468,680.

The land at Redbourne in Hertfordshire remains let out as farm land. We renegotiated the rent a few years ago but we continue to look into ways that this resource can improve its return for the trust.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Structure

The Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart (SCJ) was founded in France, in 1878. In Great Britain and Ireland the Congregation is known as the Sacred Heart Fathers. In other parts of the world its members are known as the Dehonians in reference to the Founder, Fr. Leo John Dehon. The Sacred Heart Fathers is a Religious Congregation of men within the Roman Catholic Church. It is an international Religious Congregation of over 2300 priests and brothers living and working in 42 countries in five continents. The Congregation is divided into Provinces, Regions and Districts. The Great Britain - Ireland Province comprises England, Scotland and Ireland. The Congregation first came to England in 1936, to Scotland in 1970 and to Ireland in 1978. Within Great Britain and Ireland (the GBI Province) it operates as a charitable trust with a single governing body, namely the Provincial Council, which manages the group according to the trust deed of the Charity and the Canon law of the Church. The Provincial Council are the trustees of the charity together with the bursar.

There are regular meetings of the Provincial Council throughout the year. Financial matters are discussed by a finance committee and by the trustees at designated meetings. The Sacred Heart Fathers operate in accordance with their Constitutions and also the Provincial Directory of September 2014.

Risk Management

The trustees accept their responsibility to carry out and to respond to a regular review of the risks to which the Charity is exposed. By means of audits and expert guidance they seek to ensure that appropriate financial controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against error and fraud. Management recommendations arising from the annual audit are fully discussed at a finance meeting of the trustees and whenever changes are required to be made these are implemented as fully and quickly as possible.

Public Benefit

The trustees acknowledge the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and have taken this into account when reviewing and planning their activities. In their planning for 2022 - 2023 they considered in particular, how best to use the resources of the Charity in respect of the duty of care owed to the older members. They agreed the improvement of some facilities at Inchicore Road to provide better care of the sick members. The community at Inchicore Road welcomed more members for study and ongoing formation - enabling continuing professional development essential to our ministry to people. They also approved the development of facilities at Smithstone House to develop our ministry and offer people modern comfortable spaces for retreat, recollection, prayer and renewal. They agreed the improvement of some facilities at St John's, Stockport, to create an appropriate space for counselling and group meetings.

On-Going Training / Professional Development

New trustees are given induction and training as appropriate and have been provided with relevant material. (CC3, & CC35, from the Charity Commission for England and Wales)

The bursar attends courses and conferences designed to keep him up-to-date with best practice in Britain and Ireland.

He has professional assistance from a firm of chartered accountants with understanding of the Charity sector. The bursar is a member of the Association of Province Bursars (APB) and participates in professional development programmes nationally and internationally.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

215011

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

Trustees

Reverend H Hanley SCJ
Reverend J Kelly SCJ
Reverend J Matthews SCJ (resigned 1.3.23)
Reverend R Mann SCJ
Reverend P Murphy SCJ (resigned 1.3.23)
Reverend M Szalwa SCJ (appointed 1.3.23)
Reverend M S Temgo SCJ (appointed 1.3.23)

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with law applicable to charities operating in England and Wales, and in Scotland, namely the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25/11/2024 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Reverend J Kelly SCJ - Trustee

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees of Sacred Heart Fathers Trust

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Sacred Heart Fathers Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 30 June 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees of Sacred Heart Fathers Trust

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and under Section 44(1)c of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and report in accordance with those Acts and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

The objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud or error; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud or error; and to respond appropriately to those risks. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with the ISAs (UK).

In identifying and assessing risk of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the charity and the sector in which it operates. We determined that the following laws and regulations were most significant: the Charities Act 2011, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, UK corporate tax laws, UK employment laws and UK health and safety regulations.
- We obtained an understanding of how the Charity is complying with those legal and regulatory frameworks by making enquiries of management, reviewing the board meeting minutes, and reviewing the legal costs incurred in the year and enquiring with management to the circumstances around these legal costs.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Charity's financial statements to materiality misstatement, including how fraud might occur. Audit procedures performed by the audit engagement team included:
 - identifying the controls that management has in place to prevent and detect fraud;
 - challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates;
 - auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business;
 - assessing the extent of compliance with the relevant laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditors_responsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

**Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees of
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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and in accordance with Regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts(Scotland) Regulations 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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25 November 2024

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 30 June 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	30.6.23 Total funds £	30.6.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	22,794	-	22,794	112,528
Charitable activities	5				
General		90,967	-	90,967	98,907
Other trading activities	3	4,830	-	4,830	16,112
Investment income	4	282,473	-	282,473	276,092
Total		401,064	-	401,064	503,639
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	6	19,470	-	19,470	20,555
Charitable activities	7				
General		592,950	-	592,950	587,938
Total		612,420	-	612,420	608,493
Net gains/(losses) on investments		(199,502)	-	(199,502)	(454,789)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(410,858)	-	(410,858)	(559,643)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		11,230,915	206,337	11,437,252	11,996,895
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		10,820,057	206,337	11,026,394	11,437,252

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
30 June 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	30.6.23 Total funds £	30.6.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	11	1,930,363	-	1,930,363	1,981,471
Investments					
Investments	12	6,253,115	-	6,253,115	6,452,618
Investment property	13	50,000	-	50,000	50,000
		<u>8,233,478</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,233,478</u>	<u>8,484,089</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	14	130,975	-	130,975	71
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>3,262,344</u>	<u>206,336</u>	<u>3,468,680</u>	<u>3,007,360</u>
		<u>3,393,319</u>	<u>206,336</u>	<u>3,599,655</u>	<u>3,007,431</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(806,740)	1	(806,739)	(54,268)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>2,586,579</u>	<u>206,337</u>	<u>2,792,916</u>	<u>2,953,163</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>10,820,057</u>	<u>206,337</u>	<u>11,026,394</u>	<u>11,437,252</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>10,820,057</u>	<u>206,337</u>	<u>11,026,394</u>	<u>11,437,252</u>
FUNDS	17				
Unrestricted funds				10,820,057	11,230,915
Restricted funds				206,337	206,337
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>11,026,394</u>	<u>11,437,252</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25/11/2024..... and were signed on its behalf by:

Per John Kelly scj

J Kelly SCJ - Trustee

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**Cash Flow Statement
for the Year Ended 30 June 2023**

	Notes	30.6.23 £	30.6.22 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>188,672</u>	<u>(307,332)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		<u>188,672</u>	<u>(307,332)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(8,250)	-
Interest received		2,025	2,547
Dividends received		<u>278,873</u>	<u>271,970</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities		<u>272,648</u>	<u>274,517</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		<u>461,320</u>	<u>(32,815)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>3,007,360</u>	<u>3,040,175</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>3,468,680</u></u>	<u><u>3,007,360</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET EXPENDITURE TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	30.6.23 £	30.6.22 £
Net expenditure for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(410,858)	(559,643)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	59,357	60,779
Losses on investments	199,502	454,789
Interest received	(2,025)	(2,547)
Dividends received	(278,873)	(271,970)
Increase in debtors	(130,903)	-
Increase in creditors	752,472	11,260
Net cash provided by/(used in) operations	188,672	(307,332)

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.7.22 £	Cash flow £	At 30.6.23 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	3,007,360	461,320	3,468,680
	3,007,360	461,320	3,468,680
Total	3,007,360	461,320	3,468,680

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Support costs

Costs which, while necessary to deliver an activity, do not themselves produce the activity. They include the central office functions of the charity and are often apportioned to activities. The amount shown here is the total amount of support costs (for charitable, fundraising and governance activities) included in resources expended. They are apportioned at the following percentages.

Governance costs	- 100%
Premises costs	- 10%
Communication costs	- 50%
Travel	- 25%
Personnel	- 10%
Financial	- 25%

Governance costs

Expenditure on the governance costs of the charity includes expenditure that relates specifically to the strategic and future development of the charity.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Equipment and furniture	- 5% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on cost
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Investment property

The investment property has been valued at £50,000 by the board of trustees.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The trustees operate each community and project of the charity as a separate designated fund.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**Fund accounting**

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Fund transfers occur biannually in the charity to reallocate financial resources between the designated funds and the general fund of the charity. Funds raised or donations authorised by the trustees, for the restricted activities are also transferred.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction

Investments

Investments are included in the financial statements at the year end market value. Income from investments, bank and other deposits are included on an accruals basis.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Donations	1,081	30,833
Mass stipends	10,431	23,392
Stole fees	5,758	2,041
Supply fees	5,524	4,128
Education and training	-	52,134
	22,794	112,528

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Fundraising events	-	15,072
Other income	4,830	1,040
	4,830	16,112

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Rents received	1,575	1,575
Dividend income	278,873	271,970
Deposit account interest	2,025	2,547
	282,473	276,092

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for the Year Ended 30 June 2023**5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

		30.6.23	30.6.22
	Activity	£	£
Contributions from members	General	90,967	98,907

6. RAISING FUNDS**Investment management costs**

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Portfolio management	19,470	20,555

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs	Support costs (see note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£
General	500,207	92,743	592,950

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Other	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£	£
General	41,536	966	50,241	92,743

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2023 nor for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2023 nor for the year ended 30 June 2022.

10. STAFF COSTS

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Wages and salaries	42,777	43,636
Social security costs	5,314	5,421
	48,091	49,057

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	2	2
Charitable Activities		

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Equipment and furniture £
COST			
At 1 July 2022	1,366,046	1,143,576	191,097
Additions	-	-	-
At 30 June 2023	1,366,046	1,143,576	191,097
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 July 2022	489,227	238,413	11,750
Charge for year	27,321	22,874	567
At 30 June 2023	516,548	261,287	12,317
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 June 2023	849,498	882,289	178,780
At 30 June 2022	876,819	905,163	179,347

	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 July 2022	13,600	88,962	3,181	2,806,462
Additions	-	8,250	-	8,250
At 30 June 2023	13,600	97,212	3,181	2,814,712
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 July 2022	4,091	78,748	2,762	824,991
Charge for year	476	8,015	105	59,358
At 30 June 2023	4,567	86,763	2,867	884,349
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 June 2023	9,033	10,449	314	1,930,363
At 30 June 2022	9,509	10,214	419	1,981,471

Included in Equipment and furniture are paintings and works of art that were gifted to the charity in 2002. These assets are believed to have residual values not materially different to the carrying values and are therefore not depreciated. These assets were independently valued in March 2002 with a value of £168,000. The replacement value for insurance purposes at September 2014 was approximately £296,000.

At 30 June 2023 Smithstone House in Kilwinning Scotland, is disclosed at a carrying value of £265,257 including improvement costs of £257,390, in the opinion of the trustees this has an approximate market value of £750,000. The market value of all other freehold property is not considered to be materially different from the carrying values.

12. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	UK quoted fixed interest £	Other listed investments £	Totals £
MARKET VALUE			
At 1 July 2022	6,432,874	19,744	6,452,618
Revaluations	(205,285)	5,782	(199,503)
At 30 June 2023	6,227,589	25,526	6,253,115
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 June 2023	6,227,589	25,526	6,253,115
At 30 June 2022	6,432,874	19,744	6,452,618

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Cost or valuation at 30 June 2023 is represented by:

	UK quoted fixed interest £	Other listed investments £	Totals £
Valuation in 2022	6,432,874	19,744	6,452,618
Valuation in 2023	(205,285)	5,782	(199,503)
	6,227,589	25,526	6,253,115

13. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	30.06.19	30.06.18
	£	£
Agricultural land - Redbourne, Hertfordshire	50,000	50,000

14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Other debtors	130,975	71

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	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>806,739</u>	<u>54,268</u>

16. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Within one year	7,740	6,249
Between one and five years	-	1,898
	<u>7,740</u>	<u>8,147</u>

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.22	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 30.6.23
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,834,753	140,367	(145,103)	2,830,017
Pension Augmentation	6,423,163	(205,284)	-	6,217,879
Inchicore, Dublin	358,337	(167,702)	26,500	217,135
Promotions	6	(2)	-	4
St. Joseph's, Stockport	(9,142)	(4,750)	-	(13,892)
Smithstone House	77,779	(114,192)	92,000	55,587
St. John's, Stockport	1,506,171	(60,830)	26,603	1,471,944
Ardlea, Dublin	16,337	1,244	-	17,581
Pilgrimage Fund	23,511	291	-	23,802
	<u>11,230,915</u>	<u>(410,858)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,820,057</u>
Restricted funds				
Moldova fund	191,523	-	-	191,523
Fr O Wynne Book Fund	14,814	-	-	14,814
	<u>206,337</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>206,337</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>11,437,252</u>	<u>(410,858)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,026,394</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	281,772	(147,187)	5,782	140,367
Pension Augmentation	-	-	(205,284)	(205,284)
Inchicore, Dublin	14,156	(181,858)	-	(167,702)
Promotions	(1)	(1)	-	(2)
St. Joseph's, Stockport	17,986	(22,736)	-	(4,750)
Smithstone House	8,755	(122,947)	-	(114,192)
St. John's, Stockport	21,941	(82,771)	-	(60,830)
Ardlea, Dublin	56,164	(54,920)	-	1,244
Pilgrimage Fund	291	-	-	291
	<u>401,064</u>	<u>(612,420)</u>	<u>(199,502)</u>	<u>(410,858)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>401,064</u>	<u>(612,420)</u>	<u>(199,502)</u>	<u>(410,858)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30.6.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	4,503,029	55,913	(1,724,189)	2,834,753
Pension Augmentation	6,870,628	(447,465)	-	6,423,163
Inchicore, Dublin	234,709	(60,967)	184,595	358,337
Promotions	7	(1)	-	6
St. Joseph's, Stockport	(26,572)	17,430	-	(9,142)
Smithstone House	110,072	(97,893)	65,600	77,779
St. John's, Stockport	65,618	(33,441)	1,473,994	1,506,171
Ardlea, Dublin	11,278	5,059	-	16,337
Pilgrimage Fund	23,409	102	-	23,511
	<u>11,792,178</u>	<u>(561,263)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,230,915</u>
Restricted funds				
Moldova fund	189,903	1,620	-	191,523
Fr O Wynne Book Fund	14,814	-	-	14,814
	<u>204,717</u>	<u>1,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>206,337</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>11,996,895</u>	<u>(559,643)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,437,252</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	275,166	(211,928)	(7,325)	55,913
Pension Augmentation	(1)	-	(447,464)	(447,465)
Inchicore, Dublin	71,394	(132,361)	-	(60,967)
Promotions	1	(2)	-	(1)
St. Joseph's, Stockport	58,432	(41,002)	-	17,430
Smithstone House	8,073	(105,966)	-	(97,893)
St. John's, Stockport	17,214	(50,655)	-	(33,441)
Ardlea, Dublin	71,638	(66,579)	-	5,059
Pilgrimage Fund	102	-	-	102
	<u>502,019</u>	<u>(608,493)</u>	<u>(454,789)</u>	<u>(561,263)</u>
Restricted funds				
Moldova fund	1,620	-	-	1,620
	<u>503,639</u>	<u>(608,493)</u>	<u>(454,789)</u>	<u>(559,643)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.7.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30.6.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	4,503,029	196,280	(1,869,292)	2,830,017
Pension Augmentation	6,870,628	(652,749)	-	6,217,879
Inchicore, Dublin	234,709	(228,669)	211,095	217,135
Promotions	7	(3)	-	4
St. Joseph's, Stockport	(26,572)	12,680	-	(13,892)
Smithstone House	110,072	(212,085)	157,600	55,587
St. John's, Stockport	65,618	(94,271)	1,500,597	1,471,944
Ardlea, Dublin	11,278	6,303	-	17,581
Pilgrimage Fund	23,409	393	-	23,802
	<u>11,792,178</u>	<u>(972,121)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,820,057</u>
Restricted funds				
Moldova fund	189,903	1,620	-	191,523
Fr O Wynne Book Fund	14,814	-	-	14,814
	<u>204,717</u>	<u>1,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>206,337</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>11,996,895</u>	<u>(970,501)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,026,394</u>

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	556,938	(359,115)	(1,543)	196,280
Pension Augmentation	(1)	-	(652,748)	(652,749)
Inchicore, Dublin	85,550	(314,219)	-	(228,669)
Promotions	-	(3)	-	(3)
St. Joseph's, Stockport	76,418	(63,738)	-	12,680
Smithstone House	16,828	(228,913)	-	(212,085)
St. John's, Stockport	39,155	(133,426)	-	(94,271)
Ardlea, Dublin	127,802	(121,499)	-	6,303
Pilgrimage Fund	393	-	-	393
	<u>903,083</u>	<u>(1,220,913)</u>	<u>(654,291)</u>	<u>(972,121)</u>
Restricted funds				
Moldova fund	1,620	-	-	1,620
	<u>1,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,620</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>904,703</u>	<u>(1,220,913)</u>	<u>(654,291)</u>	<u>(970,501)</u>

Transfers between funds

Transfers between the individual unrestricted designated funds are made at the discretion of the trustees.

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Included in Other creditors is a loan from Sacred Heart Fathers Education & Training charity, which is controlled by the the trustees of the charity. The loan advanced was £727,041 which is repayable on demand.

19. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

The general fund may be used at the discretion of the trustees for the furtherance of the charity's objectives.

20. DESIGNATED FUNDS

The charity operates a separate designated fund for each of the communities and projects that it operates.

Pension Augmentation

The investment is held to generate incoming resources that contribute towards the financial support of retired priests.

Inchicore, Dublin

This fund represents the income and expenditure relating to the house, which provides residence for students as well as retired priests.

Promotions

The fund represents the income and expenditure that relates to the promotion of the charity.

St Joseph's, Stockport

The fund represents the income and expenditure that relates to the resident priest, who works in the parish, and retired priests.

Smithstone House

The fund represents the income and expenditure relating to Smithstone House, which operates as a house of prayer.

St John's, Stockport

20. DESIGNATED FUNDS - continued

St John's, Stockport

The fund represents the income and expenditure relating to the house that is the residence of the Provincialate as well as older priests and brothers.

Ardlea, Dublin

The fund represents the income and expenditure that relates to the resident priest's who works in the parish.

Pilgrimages fund

The fund represents monies collected that were surplus to expenditure incurred on pilgrimage trips the charity operates. The designated fund will be used to support future pilgrimage costs.

21. RESTRICTED FUNDS

Moldova fund

The income received is used to support missionary work in Moldova.

Fr O Wynne Book fund

The income relates to a legacy received towards the printing and promotion of books by Fr O Wynne.