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Feast of All Saints



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My Dear People,

The annual collection for the support of the sick and retired clergy of the Diocese will be taken over the weekend of **1-2 DECEMBER**. This fund ensures our priests receive the best care and support they deserve when they retire or fall ill after a lifetime of service in our parishes, schools, hospitals and other chaplaincies.

Whilst most people retire in their mid to late 60's, priests generally step down from the responsibilities of being parish priests at the age of 75. Even after this, many of our priests continue in some form of active ministry - celebrating Mass where needed, supporting parish life, offering counsel and support to those in need and, above all, praying for the needs of all. Others simply become very old, too frail or incapacitated. But none are forgotten either by their former parishioners or the Diocese of Cardiff.

Your donations to this important collection ensure a dignified retirement for all of our priests. Your support helps cover gaps in health care or health emergencies as well as providing care for those with chronic conditions or those who are disabled. Please contribute generously if you are able. By completing a Gift Aid envelope, taxpayers can add 25% to your donation at no cost to yourself. Envelopes for this purpose are available today.

Thank you for the care you already show for your own parish priest and the priest of the Diocese.

+ George Stack

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