

GRANTMAKING TRUSTS FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Below are listed selected trusts which provide grants towards Christian education. Prior to making an application, do fully research the specific criteria and application procedures of the individual trust(s). If you'd like some general advice and guidance about writing a grant proposal, contact Christine Nielsen-Craig at cnc@sarum.ac.uk.

All Saints Educational Trust

Telephone: 020 7248 8380

Email: aset@aset.org.uk

Website: aset.org.uk

Makes personal grant awards to teachers, intending teachers and students in Religious Studies, Home Economics and related areas.

Funding Priorities

- first degree or diploma students of Religious Education
- students on a programme of study carrying or leading to UK 'Qualified Teacher Status', such as PGC(D)E
- applicants with a church connection
- applicants who can supply a reference from a priest or minister of religion
- serving teachers who want to gain further qualifications relevant to advancement within the education profession
- students pursuing second or higher degrees who are planning a career in training teachers

Applications

Requests for applications are due early in the year ahead of study. The deadline for applications is on the website here: <http://www.aset.org.uk/timetable.html>

Culham St Gabriel's

Telephone: 01865 612035

Email: enquiries@cstg.org.uk

Website: cstg.org.uk/grants

Culham St Gabriel's is an endowed charitable trust dedicated to educational work in support of religious education (RE).

Funding Priorities

- Religious Education as a school curriculum subject
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- Spiritual and moral development as a whole-school responsibility
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The Foundation of St Matthias

Telephone: 01179 060100

Email: stmatthiastrust@bristoldiocese.org

Website: stmatthiastrust.org.uk

The Foundation's primary objective is the advancement of education in the Dioceses of Bath & Wells, Bristol and Gloucester, with a preference for higher and further education; such education contributing to the advancement of the Church of England.

Funding Priorities

- The education and training of persons who are, or intend to become, engaged in social welfare work as social workers, community workers, youth workers, teachers, supervisors or pre-school groups or otherwise;
- The education and training of persons intending to become ministers of the Church of England or of a Church in communion therewith;
- The study of music or other arts subject to the main object of the charity

Applications

Applications should reach the Foundation of St Matthias by 31st May (for consideration in July) or 30th September (for consideration in November).

Hockerill Educational Foundation

Email: info@hockerillfoundation.org.uk

Website: hockerillfoundation.org.uk

Personal awards are made to teachers, intending teachers and others in further or higher education, with a priority to the teaching of RE. No awards for those training for ordination or mission, or clergy who wish to improve their own qualifications, unless they are also involved in teaching in schools. Awards are not given for follow-up Masters degrees.

Applications are accepted from December for the following year. Applications received by the first deadline of 31st March will be considered in May and may stand a better chance of success.

John James Charitable Trust

Website: johnjamestrust.org

The John James Trust exists to promote education in the Christian faith amongst children and young people; support people in training for Christian ministry; relieve poverty and distress created by sudden or unexpected circumstances pursue; any other charitable purpose consistent with those expressed before.

Applications

The trustees meet every three months to consider applications and if grants are awarded they are generally paid in March and September.

Leaders of Worship and Preachers Trust

Telephone: 01923 231811

Email: lwptoffice@lwpt.org.uk

Website: lwpt.org.uk

Leaders of Worship and Preachers Trust is an ecumenical charity that offers several grants each year towards vocational training for those considering preaching. Grants can be used towards course fees and materials for any recognised course that enables the applicant to explore or develop their preaching skills. This may include 'gap year' style courses as well as continuing professional development courses.

Grants are awarded twice a year. Meetings usually take place in June and November for grants to then be awarded in August and January.

2022 closing dates for applications are 3 May and 3 October.

Sarum St Michael Educational Charity

Telephone: 01722 422296

Email: clerk@sarumstmichael.org

Website: sarumstmichael.org

Aim is to advance the work in education originally done by the college. The charity makes grants to individuals ineligible for student loans to help them pursue their further education. Eligible applicants must live or study (including by distance learning) in the Diocese of Salisbury or one of its adjacent dioceses (Bath & Wells, Bristol, Exeter, Oxford and Winchester).

Those doing second degrees and postgraduate studies may apply. Grants may be given towards the costs of a dissertation and for books. An increasing number of first degree

courses lead to master's degrees: the Charity prefers applications for master's degrees that follow a first degree.

Vocational courses – the Charity will consider the proposed course of study and how it will help the applicant pursue his or her career and in the service of others.

Applications

Governors meet four or five times a year to consider grant applications. Please check the [website for forthcoming dates](#).

St Christopher's Educational Trust

Email: stchristopherstrust@hotmail.co.uk

Website: [Church of England website](#)

The St Christopher's Educational Trust aims to promote religious education in accordance with the principles of the Church of England. The Trustees currently wish to support new ways of providing Christian formation and education. Individuals may apply for grants for projects designed to support academic and/or practical studies leading to better practice in Christian education and formation.

Funding Priorities

- informal education opportunities for young people
- teaching and learning about Christianity
- education for adult discipleship

Applications

(May 2022) The Trustees are reviewing their grant policy & criteria. Applications are therefore suspended until further notice.

St Hild & St Bede Trust

Telephone: 01388 601627

Email: w.hurworth@btinternet.com

Website: sthildandstbedetrust.co.uk/how-to-apply/

The Women's Continuing Ministerial Education Trust

Telephone: 020 7898 1408

Email: tim.ling@churchofengland.org

Website: ministrydevelopment.org.uk/wcmet

The Women's Continuing Ministerial Education Trust provide grants to assist women in the pursuit of their professional development. Retreats and Sabbaticals will not normally be considered, however, wherever possible, funding towards the cost of the fees will be awarded. Initial Ministerial Education courses are not part of the Trust's remit and funding towards such ventures will be given only in exceptional circumstances.

Other Trusts

The Church of England Year Book has a list of grant-making bodies (under Organisations), not all of which will contribute to education purposes but instead give grants through diocesan bishops for other needs.

Grant-making bodies listed in the CoE Year Book include:

- Bristol Clerical Education Society
- Church of England Clergy Stipend Trust
- [Church Pastoral Aid Society Ministers in Training Fund](#)
- [Cleaver Ordination Candidates' Fund](#)
- [Elland Society Ordination Fund](#)
- Newton's Trust
- Ordination Candidates Funds (General)
- [Pilgrim Trust](#)
- Queen Victoria Clergy Fund
- Revd Dr George Richards' Charity
- St Aidan's College Charity
- [St George's Trust](#)