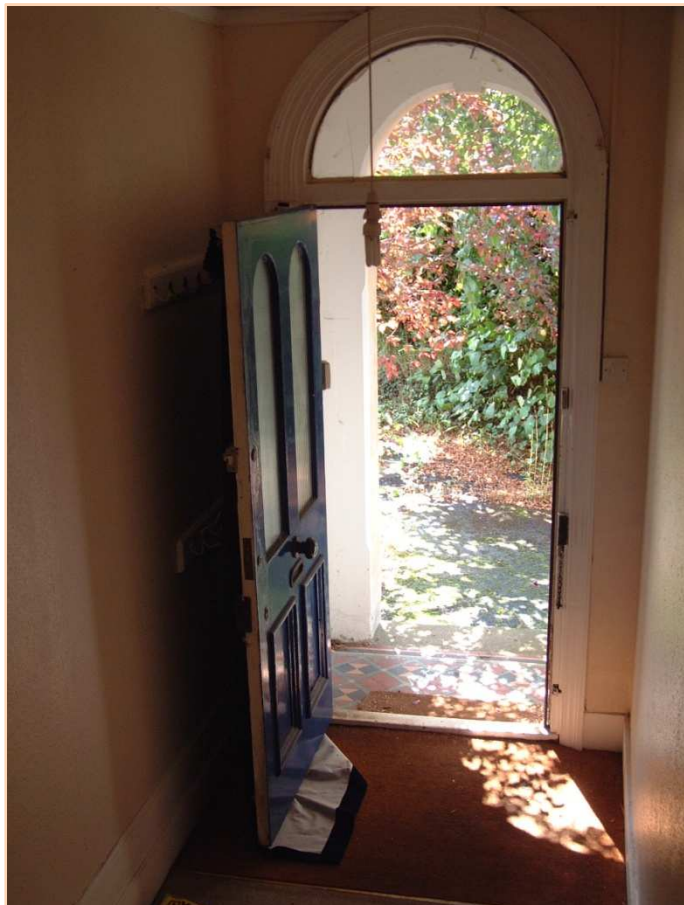




# The Haven for Priests Campaign successful

Dear Friends, we have now completed the purchase of a house in Reading. The total amount we have paid including taxes and legal fees is £485,588.50. This is a decisive step, as it is the very first house owned by the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter in England and Wales, and the first one bought by us in Britain at large (since our residence in Edinburgh was donated to us).



Of Edwardian style with bow-windows, this detached house is located in a quiet street surrounded with residential detached

Our offer for a larger house as advertised in the previous issue of *Dowry* had been rejected. However, the one we have bought still allows us to have a fairly spacious and stable base for our ministry across England and Wales. Walking to the church takes between 5 and 10mn.

(Entrance, drawing-room, kitchen and bedroom.)





houses. The garden is fairly large and the size of the rooms is adequate. There is off-street parking for 5 cars.

Since the neighbouring houses have had an extension added, there is reasonable hope that we will be granted planning permission for our own extension. A parishioner of ours, a builder by profession, has offered to follow up the work on our behalf and will make sure every pound is spent wisely.

After almost 10 years of uninterrupted ministry in England without a roof of our own, we now own a roof and even the walls under it! This most significant step for our apostolate would definitely not have been taken without your spiritual, moral and financial support. We try to reply individually to each of your letters or emails but we must apologise for sometimes not being able to do so (or only with long delays) due to lack of time and of manpower.

Refurbishing our new house will take several months and building the extension another couple of months. We now ask for your support again for allowing us to move in, as the contractor has given us a £162,300 estimate for the global work cost (including £80,600 for extension). We have received a promise of a £30,000 donation and have committed ourselves to a £50,000 loan against the property. This enables us to start the work immediately. But we surely are going to need further important donations soon if we want to complete what has been planned, which includes two bedrooms for resident priests with separate access, six small guest-rooms (cells) plus a conference room to allow small groups to come for a day of recollection and even stay overnight, and a small oratory for daily praying of Divine Office (according to our Constitutions) as well as for occasional Holy Masses and liturgical practice with visiting clergy. Please help us answer this most urgent need for an Extraordinary Form pastoral Centre, still lacking in England and Wales.



Please contact us for any information you need for donating and for putting our registered charity (official name: **Fraternitas Sacerdotalis Sancti Petri Limited**) in your will. While so many convents, seminaries, churches and presbyteries are being sold for secular purpose nowadays – what a statement of supernatural hope to do just the opposite and help us turn a secular building into a ‘Haven for Priests’ – and not only for priests but also for all the faithful who will want to visit us. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered at your intentions at least one Thursday per month, followed with a Holy Hour of prayer for priestly vocations and ministry.

**Bequest:** As well as sending us a donation, please kindly consider making a bequest to ‘FSSP England’.

Why should you make a Will at all? Making a Will is the only way you can be sure that your property and belongings go exactly where you want them to go. If you have no surviving relatives and die without a Will, your estate would pass to the state. Because ‘FSSP England’ is a registered charity, any legacy to ‘FSSP England’ will be exempt from Inheritance Tax and will reduce the overall tax liability of your estate. Please note that home-made wills, though they may be valid, can lead to court action and result in the frustration of the testator's intentions. You should seek legal advice and ensure that the appropriate wording is incorporated into your Will. Alternatively, please contact on our behalf Rev Mr Stephen

Morgan, also a Trustee of ‘FSSP England’: Diocesan Office, St Edmund's House, Edinburgh Road, Portsmouth PO1 3QA, England. Telephone: 023 9282 5430.

The ‘FSSP ENGLAND’ account details are:

**Bank: Lloyds TSB Bank plc**  
**Branch: Southsea,**  
**Palmerston Road**  
**Sort code: 30-93-04**  
**Account number: 01787153**  
**Account name: Portsmouth**

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Cheques made payable to: FSSP ENGLAND (to be posted to: Priestly Fraternity of St Peter, 179 Elgar Road, RG2 0DH, Reading, England).

Funding from outside the UK also possible: please contact us.

Please note that all your donations will be used for the development of our ministry in England and Wales exclusively. We thank wholeheartedly all our benefactors for their trust in our mission. Since we are not financially supported by the dioceses at this stage, your donations and your prayer are vital for us. May the good God reward you already in this life and surely in the next!

With our prayers for a beautiful month of the Holy Rosary,

Rev Fr Armand de Malleray, FSSP – and Rev Fr Simon Leworthy, FSSP cand.

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