



PRIVACY NOTICE

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST ANDREWS & EDINBURGH

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh (the "**Archdiocese**") is a charity registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator. Our charity number is SC008540 and our registered address is 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. In this Notice, references to 'we' and 'us' mean the Archdiocese.
- 1.2 When you provide us with Personal Data (see glossary section 11) in order to engage with us and/or benefit from our activities, we will keep a record of the data you give to us in order to enable us to comply with our statutory obligations and to achieve our charitable objects of advancing and maintaining the Roman Catholic religion through the operation of our parishes and our other activities.
- 1.3 For the purpose of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the Archdiocese through its Trustees will be a Data Controller (see glossary) in respect of your Personal Data. In some cases, the Archdiocese may be a joint Data Controller of your Personal Data (e.g. where your data is shared between the Archdiocese and another organisation for a particular purpose). Please be aware that our parishes form part of the Archdiocese and are not separate legal entities. Parishes are not Data Controllers, nor do they process Personal Data on behalf of the Archdiocese as a Data Processor.
- 1.4 Everyone has rights with regard to how their Personal Data is handled by organisations. The Archdiocese is committed to ensuring that Personal Data is properly and securely managed in accordance with the relevant data protection laws and believes this is an important part of achieving trust and confidence between the Archdiocese and those with whom it interacts. This notice explains how we use and protect personal data of living persons, and what your rights are in relation to this.

2 WHAT PERSONAL DATA DO WE HOLD ABOUT YOU?

- 2.1 We may hold the following types of Personal Data, as well as special categories of personal data (see glossary):
 - 2.1.1 name and contact details;
 - 2.1.2 gender, age, date of birth, marital status and nationality;
 - 2.1.3 information about your education/work history and professional qualifications;
 - 2.1.4 information about your family and any dependants;
 - 2.1.5 information about your involvement in Archdiocese activities and events;
 - 2.1.6 financial information (e.g. bank details) and details of any giving/donations you have made to us in the past;
 - 2.1.7 information obtained as a result of any background checks on volunteers;



- 2.1.8 CCTV recordings, photographs and film/video;
 - 2.1.9 information we collect through your use of our website such as IP addresses and other information collected using cookies; and
 - 2.1.10 any other information which you choose to provide to us or that we are provided by others.
- 2.2 We may also hold Special Categories of Personal Data e.g. information about your religious beliefs, information about your health and wellbeing, information revealing racial or ethnic origins, information concerning your sexual orientation or in the case of background checks, information about criminal records or proceedings.
- 2.3 We may also receive Personal Data about you from third parties, for example, your family members, other parishioners, other dioceses, medical professionals, the police and other law enforcement bodies.
- 3 HOW AND WHY DO WE PROCESS YOUR PERSONAL DATA?**
- 3.1 The Personal Data which we hold about you, whether it is collected directly from you or whether we receive it from a third party, may be processed in a number of ways, for example:
- 3.1.1 to communicate with you in relation to news about our activities and events taking place in the Archdiocese or in any Archdiocesan parish, including seeking feedback and informing you of any changes to our activities;
 - 3.1.2 to improve our activities and the way we communicate with you including our website or the website of any parish;
 - 3.1.3 to carry out our activities, from weddings and funerals to general pastoral and spiritual care;
 - 3.1.4 to process donations that you may make to us or other payments where, for example, you hire facilities belonging to the Archdiocese;
 - 3.1.5 to administer, support, improve and develop the administration of the Archdiocese's work and operations and to keep the Archdiocese's or any parish's accounts and records up- to-date;
 - 3.1.6 to process applications from you, including grant applications and applications for a role within the Archdiocese;
 - 3.1.7 to identify potential additional sources of fundraising such as identifying those eligible to make Gift Aid nominations;
 - 3.1.8 for audit and statistical purposes (e.g. for the annual audit undertaken by the Bishops' Conference of Scotland);
 - 3.1.9 to ensure we comply with our legal obligations (e.g. by providing information to OSCR or HMRC or carrying out safeguarding activities).
- 3.2 Any information gathered through cookies and similar technologies via the Archdiocesan website or the website of any parish, is used solely to measure and analyse information on visits to the website, to tailor the website to make it better for visitors and to improve technical



performance. We will not use the data to identify you personally or to make any decisions about you.

4 ON WHAT GROUNDS DO WE PROCESS YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

- 4.1 We must have a lawful basis for processing your information; this will vary according to the circumstances of how and why we have your information, but typical examples include:
- 4.1.1 the activities are within our legitimate interests in advancing and maintaining the Roman Catholic religion, in providing information about the activities of the Archdiocese or any Archdiocesan parish, and to raise charitable funds (e.g. where we use baptism data to follow up with families with children preparing for first communion);
 - 4.1.2 you have given consent (which can be withdrawn at any time by contacting us using the details below) for us to process your information (e.g. to send you marketing or fundraising communications by email or SMS);
 - 4.1.3 we are taking necessary steps in relation to a contract to which you are party or prior to you entering into a contract (e.g. where you enter into a hire agreement for one of our facilities);
 - 4.1.4 the processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation (e.g. where we pass on information to a local authority for safeguarding or other reasons);
 - 4.1.5 the processing is necessary for carrying out a task in the public interest; or
 - 4.1.6 to protect your vital interests (e.g. if you were unfortunate enough to fall ill or suffer an injury on our premises, then we may pass on information to the NHS for treatment purposes and to family members).
- 4.2 If we process any Special Categories of Personal Data, we must have a further lawful basis for the processing. This may include:
- 4.2.1 where you have given us your explicit consent to do so (e.g. to cater for your medical or dietary needs at an event);
 - 4.2.2 where the processing is necessary to protect your vital interests or someone else's vital interests (e.g. passing on information to the Police);
 - 4.2.3 where the processing is carried out in the course of our legitimate interests as a Roman Catholic diocese working with and supporting our current and former parishioners and the information is not shared outside the Archdiocese other than with your consent (e.g. carrying out parish censuses);
 - 4.2.4 you have made the information public;
 - 4.2.5 where the processing is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims;
 - 4.2.6 where the processing is necessary for carrying out the Archdiocese's employment and social security obligations; or



- 4.2.7 the processing being necessary for reasons of substantial public interest (e.g. where steps are taken to prevent fraud or other dishonest activity); provided that the legal basis is proportionate to the aim pursued and provides for suitable and specific measures to safeguard your rights, or as part of our legitimate interests as a Roman Catholic diocese and charitable institution.
- 4.3 If we process any Personal Data comprising criminal convictions or offences we must also have a further lawful basis for the processing. This may include:
- 4.3.1 where the Archdiocese is exercising obligations or rights which are imposed or conferred by law on us or you in connection with employment, social security or social protection and the Archdiocese has an appropriate policy document in place (e.g. to undertake appropriate checks on individuals prior to taking up a role);
- 4.3.2 where it is necessary for the prevention or detection of an unlawful act (e.g. passing on information to the Police or other investigatory body);
- 4.3.3 where the Archdiocese is complying with or assisting others to comply with regulatory requirements relating to unlawful acts or dishonesty (e.g. passing on information to the Police or other investigatory body);
- 4.3.4 where it is carried out in the course of safeguarding children or other individuals at risk e.g. making a safeguarding disclosure;
- 4.3.5 where an individual has given their consent to the processing;
- 4.3.6 where the Archdiocese is establishing, exercising or defending legal claims (e.g. providing information to our insurers or lawyers in connection with legal proceedings);
- 4.3.7 where it is necessary to protect the vital interests of an individual (e.g. passing on information to the Police); or
- 4.3.8 where it is carried out in the course of the Archdiocese's legitimate activities as a charitable body with religious aims (e.g. carrying out pastoral activities).

5 WITH WHOM WILL WE SHARE YOUR INFORMATION?

- 5.1 We will only use your Personal Data within the Archdiocese for the purposes for which it was obtained, unless you have explicitly agreed that we may share your Personal Data with another organisation or unless we are otherwise permitted or required to do so under the Data Protection Rules or order of a Court or other competent regulatory body or as set out in this Notice.
- 5.2 We may share your information with other members of the Church seeking relief and any ecclesiastical body enjoying canonical jurisdiction or powers of governance as detailed in the Code of Canon Law or the Apostolic Constitution Praedicate evangelium.
- 5.3 We may share your information with government bodies for tax purposes (including gift aid) or law enforcement agencies for the prevention and detection of crime.
- 5.4 Sometimes the Archdiocese contracts with third parties whom we ask to Process Personal Data on our behalf (e.g. IT consultants, outsourced payroll providers, distributors of parish newsletters and directories). We require these third parties to comply strictly with our instructions and with GDPR.



- 5.5 We also may be required to share your Personal Data so that the Archdiocese can benefit from Gift Aid nominations you have made e.g. with HMRC.
- 5.6 We have in place administrative, technical and physical measures designed to guard against and minimise the risk of loss, misuse or unauthorised processing or disclosure of the Personal Data that we hold.
- 5.7 In the course of Processing your Personal Data, or disclosing it to the recipients referred to above, we may transfer it to countries which are outside the UK, some of which may not have laws which provide the same level of protection to your Personal Data as laws inside the UK. In such cases we will take steps to ensure that the transfers comply with GDPR and that your Personal Data is appropriately protected. We do so by taking the following measures:
- 5.7.1 We will make enquiries of the recipient and always use the most secure method for the transmission
 - 5.7.2 Using password protection as appropriate for electronic transmission
 - 5.7.3 We will only transfer documents to ecclesial entities from whom we can expect the observance of the universally applicable privacy requirements of canon law

6 HOW LONG WILL WE KEEP YOUR INFORMATION?

- 6.1 Your information will be kept in accordance with our Retention Policy, copies of which are available from the Archdiocese. In any event, we will endeavour to only keep Personal Data for as long as is necessary and to delete it, in a secure and safe way, when it is no longer so.

7 YOUR RIGHTS

- 7.1 You have rights in respect of the Personal Data you provide to us. In particular:
- 7.1.1 the right to request a copy of some or all of the Personal Data that we hold about you. We do not make a charge for this service;
 - 7.1.2 if we Process your Personal Data on the basis that we have your consent, the right to withdraw that consent;
 - 7.1.3 the right to ask that any inaccuracies in your Personal Data are corrected;
 - 7.1.4 the right to have us restrict the processing of all or part of your Personal Data;
 - 7.1.5 the right to ask that we delete your Personal Data where there is no compelling reason for us to continue to Process it;
 - 7.1.6 the right to object to us processing your Personal Data for direct marketing purposes e.g. in relation to fundraising or wealth screening carried out by the Archdiocese; and
 - 7.1.7 the right not to be subject to legal or other significant decisions being taken about you on the basis of an automated process (i.e. without human intervention).



7.2 Please note that the above rights may be limited in some situations – for example, where we can demonstrate that we have a legal requirement to process your Personal Data. Also, we may need you to provide us with proof of identity for verification and data security purposes before you can exercise your rights.

7.3 Rights may only be exercised by the individual whose information is being held by the Archdiocese or with that individual's express permission. Children from 12 years upwards are entitled to make their own requests (where the Archdiocese is of the reasonable view that they have an appropriate understanding of the request they are making) and parents / guardian / family members do not have an automatic right to see information about their child or prevent their child from making a request to the Archdiocese.

8 CHANGES TO THIS NOTICE

8.1 We may make changes to this Notice from time to time as our organisational practices and/or applicable laws change. We will not make any use of your personal information that is inconsistent with the original purpose(s) for which it was collected or obtained (if we intend to do so, we will notify you in advance wherever possible) or otherwise than is permitted by data protection laws.

9 CONTACT DETAILS

9.1 If you have any questions, require further information about how we protect your Personal Data, if you wish to exercise any of the above rights or if you would like to provide feedback or make a complaint about the use of your information, please contact the Data Protection Officer at the Archdiocese at the following address: Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB or chancellor@staned.org.uk

9.2 We hope that we can satisfy any queries you may have about the way in which we process your Personal Data. However, if you have unresolved concerns you also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner ('ICO') (www.ico.org.uk).

10 COOKIES

10.1 Cookies, also known as browsers or tracking cookies, are small text files that are added to your computer when you visit a website. They help websites to perform certain functions e.g. to know who you are if you log into a restricted part of a website, for shopping carts, and for tracking purposes.

10.2 The separate Archdiocese cookie policy and website privacy policy contain more information on the use of cookies. These policies can be found on our website.

11 GLOSSARY

"Data Controller" means a person, organisation or body that determines the purposes for which, and the manner in which, any Personal Data is processed. A Data Controller is responsible for complying with data protection laws including GDPR and establishing practices and policies in line with them.

"Data Processor" means any person, organisation or body that Processes personal data on behalf of and on the instruction of the Archdiocese. Data Processors have a duty to protect the information they process by following data protection laws.



"Data Subject" means a living individual about whom the Archdiocese processes Personal Data and who can be identified from the Personal Data. A Data Subject need not be a UK national or resident. All Data Subjects have legal rights in relation to their Personal Data and the information that the Archdiocese holds about them.

"Personal Data" means any information relating to a living individual who can be identified from that information or in conjunction with other information which is in, or is likely to come into, the Diocese's possession. Personal Data can be factual (such as a name, address or date of birth) or it can be an opinion (e.g. a performance appraisal). It can even include a simple email address. A mere mention of someone's name in a document does not necessarily constitute Personal Data, but personal details such as someone's contact details or salary (if it enabled an individual to be identified) would fall within the definition.

"Processing" means any activity that involves use of Personal Data. It includes obtaining, recording or holding the information or carrying out any operation or set of operations on it, including organising, amending, retrieving, using, disclosing, erasing or destroying it. Processing also includes transferring or disclosing Personal Data to third parties.

"Special Categories of Personal Data" (previously called sensitive personal data) means information about a person's racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or similar beliefs, trade union membership, physical or mental health or condition or sexuality. It also includes genetic and biometric data. Special Categories of Personal Data can only be processed under strict conditions and such processing will usually, although not always, require the explicit consent of the Data Subject.

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