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Dear Bishop Rachel,

On behalf of everyone at GARAS, we would like to express our very grateful thanks to all involved in the collection that was made in memory of Bishop Michael Perham.

We are delighted to let you know that £10,160.86 has been raised over the past 6 weeks: arriving through the post, on line, through BACS payments and from the funeral collection. There is a small amount of Gift Aid to claim, but due to the efficiency of the Cathedral this is only on a few gifts. This is an amazing gift to GARAS and will make a huge difference to the lives of our clients.

We are pleased to let you know that we will be able to continue to run the Bishop's Fund that Bishop Michael was responsible for instigating. This fund is able to assist vulnerable individuals at times of particular need. This was first begun around 12 years ago from his Episcopal collections. Over the years it has helped clients towards deposits for rent, travel documents; bridging benefit gaps for food and tickets for emergency flights to ailing family members, amongst many other significant means of assistance.

We will now be able to give this fund a much needed boost and it will continue to be a very practical memory of the late Bishop Michael.

Thank you for your help with this.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adele Owen".

Adele Owen
Director



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