

Appeal for Peru



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Christ Church Coseley, The diocese of Worcester and BIFD member Richard Vines, funeral director at J Hartland & Son funeral home in Coseley are trying to raise money to support the poor people and help keep schools open in Peru. The children, who live in the shanty towns around Lima in Peru, cannot afford to go to the schools provided by the state.

The Anglican Diocese of Peru is linked with other diocese all over the world, and Christ Church has had a link with Peru for about 15 years. Through these links they give prayer, support and money which has enabled the church in Lima to have schools which take in these desperately poor children and give them a chance of a better life.

With the world financial crisis, the money from abroad which keeps these schools going

has been drastically reduced. If the situation continues, the schools will close down as they are already in debt. The Bishop has written with a special appeal for us to help raise money to save the schools; so whatever anyone can to do help may make all the difference.

Christ Church and the Diocese of Worcester also help to provide homes for orphans who have no family or anyone to care for them. The homes take children off the streets who usually resort to going through bins to find food.

An average Church in the shanty towns of Peru has no heating or lighting. People who come to worship sit only on plastic seats and a net and poles hold up the roof of the church, which does not offer very much protection from the elements.

Shanty towns are often overcrowded with

many people starving and in desperate need of fresh water and food, their homes are held together with bits of wood and other materials.

If anyone would like to make a donation to help support Christ Church and the Diocese of Worcester in trying to provide a better life and future for the poor people of Peru. Please send a cheque made payable to "Christ Church Coseley" to the address below

**The Peru Fund, C/O Richard Vines,
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Any donation would be really appreciated and a letter of thanks will be sent to all the people who offer a donation.