Carnmoney Presbyterian Church receives £1000 gift from local Roman Catholic chapel

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In the congregational magazine of Carnmoney Presbyterian Church, The Word, issue 11, a report on the offerings received at the opening of its new church building is given. It states that a gift of £1000 was received from St Bernard's Roman Catholic chapel.

According to the report, the fundraising theme for the new building was "Building Bridges". Since it is quite clear that they are seeking to cross the chasm between Biblical Protestantism and Romanism, it is understandable that the Roman Catholic Church is eager to help finance the venture.

Such investments in Presbyterianism seem quite common in the north of Belfast! Whitehouse Presbyterian Church, of which the 'minister' is Mrs Liz Hughes, after it was burned in an arson attack, received gifts of £1000 from each of seven local Roman Catholic parishes. This was widely reported in the press.

What was not reported was the interesting fact that Abbots Cross Congregational Church also gave £1000. It is alleged that this fact was only made known to members of the congregation in the statement of accounts for that year which were published later. The minister of this church is the former Independent Methodist minister, Rev. Eric Lewis. "How are the mighty fallen!"