



Richard Gillingham  
Sons of Clergy Charity  
Parish of Ham  
1723

Extract from the Parish Register 1723

**Whereas** Richard Gillingham late of this parish of Ham County of Wilts. Clerke did in and make by his last Will and Testam[en]t give and devise the sume of five hundred pounds as alsoe such other Sume as his household Goods should amount to (the same to be disposed of by Sale after the decease of his wife) to such Charitable uses as John Rawlinson and William James Esqrs. Trustees of the said Charity should direct and appoint and as it appears to us by two sevall Deeds or Writeings bearing date the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February Anno Dui 1720 abd the Tenth day of April Anno Dui 1723 that the said Trustees have directed and appointed the said Charity so given as afsd to be employed in the placeing and Apprenticeing of Poore Children of the Orthodox Clergy of the Church of England to which intent the said Trustees have paid to the Governors of the said Charity for the release of the Poore Widdows and Children of the Clergy the sev[er]all sumes of five hundred and four hundred pounds (pte of which last menconed sume the said household Goods amounted to) as in and by the said deeds now endured and shewed to us ill doth and may appeare – **Be Ill Now** therefore remembered that the said Trustees have now endured and shewed to us the above mentioned and recited Deeds to the intent that ill might appeare to us that the said sev[er]all sumes of money relateing to this Charity and menconed in the respective Deeds is paid to the Governors of the said Chatity as afsd whereby We are satisfield that the said Trustees have fairely justly and fully discharged the Trust reposed in them as to the disposeable of the said Charity money before menconed Witness[et]h our hands the three and twentieth day of June in the Ninth year of the reigne of King George over greate Brittain & **Annoq Dui 1723**.

*I Latimer Crosse Vicr. of Kintbury Coun: Berks officiating at Ham in the absence of Mr. Phil. Hayward on ye. - day of ye date of ye above written Memorand did peruse the writings mention'd in ye Memorandii*

*Latimer Crosse*

**OPC note:** Charity called the Corporation of the Sons of Clergy.