

How you can help....

We're all different; so are our circumstances. There is no easy answer, and we must all make our own decisions. But here are some things to consider.

First, our giving needs to be realistic about the needs of the church, so we can pay our bills and maintain our church for today *and* tomorrow.

Second, our giving makes possible the life, ministry and mission of our church. Without it, we would not be a living church serving our community.

Third, generosity is part of our Christian faith. As we give freely to our loved ones, so we give generously to God, honouring Him and saying thank you for all He gives to us.

Fourth, good giving needs planning and must be a priority. Practically, this might mean setting up a gift through the Parish Giving Scheme.

And finally, to be really practical, if everyone increased their giving by £xxx per week (or £xxx per month), we could achieve all our goals for this coming year.

We are all different.

Some can give more and some can give less: what can you do?

How to give...

If you would like to respond by setting up a gift to XXXXXXXXXXXX or by changing the amount you give, please fill in the enclosed Parish Giving Scheme 'Gift Form' and send it to:

Parish Giving Scheme, 76 Kingsholm Road,
Gloucester, GL1 3BD.

Please note, if you already give to xxxxxxxxxxxx by standing order you will need to cancel the standing order yourself. The church cannot do this for you.

If you would like to know more about other ways to give to xxxxxxxxx, please contact XXXTreasurers namexxx for more information.

Contact: xxxnamexxx,
xxxAddressxxx

T: xxxxx xxxxxx
E: xxxxxxxxxxx.xxx.xx

What is the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)?

PGS is a charity owned and funded by the National Church of England which enables individuals to give to their local church. Benefits of the scheme include the option to inflation proof your giving each year, reduced admin for the PCC treasurer and automatic claiming of gift aid where appropriate. For more information, see the enclosed PGS Gift form or email stewardship@carlisle-diocese.org.uk



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Church Name



Epiphany Gift Sunday



What we've been doing recently...

Last year, as part of our mission we:

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A big **thank you** to everyone who helped make these things happen

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. They opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11

Our financial need

The ministry of this church is funded by the money we give.

This year, our church needs £xxx per week for the work of ministry, worship, service and mission. This breaks down as:

- £xxxx on our share of clergy costs including stipend, housing, training (Ministry Offer).
- £xxxx on our building, including insurance, heat and light, church hall etc.
- £xxxx on worship and ministry costs.

Plans for our future...

We want our life and ministry to grow and develop and this year we see the following as our key priorities:

On top of all this, of course, we must maintain our beautiful church building, our services and worship, pay our bills, support our organisations, engage with those wishing to get married, those wishing for children to be baptised and those who have been bereaved - in fact, all those things that make up the life of CHURCHNAME.

Planning our income...

To meet this challenge, our planned income for the year looks like this in weekly terms:

£xxxx from regular giving, including Gift Aid reclaimed from H M Revenue and Customs.

£xxxxx from fees, lettings and fundraising efforts.

£xxx from interest and the use of reserves.

The largest share of our income is from the giving of our congregation.

To fund our ministry next year we will need an increase in weekly giving of £xxx per person (or monthly equivalent of £xxxxx)



“...yet what I can I give him...”

In the Bleak Midwinter, Christina Rossetti