



# YOUR GUIDE TO GIVING

A simple way to give to your church



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# WHAT IS THE PARISH GIVING SCHEME?

- The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is a mechanism for parishes to receive donations using direct debits.
- The scheme is a registered charity and is used by most dioceses in the Church of England

## What are the advantages to you, the giver?

- Giving electronically avoids the need for cash
- You can give monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit
- You can change the amount you give at any time
- You can sign up to increase your giving by inflation each year to maintain the value of your gift
- You can give anonymously if you prefer

## What are the advantages to your church?

- Less cash lowers the risk for volunteers and reduces the time spent counting cash and banking
- A regular predicted income aids budgeting and planning
- The option for givers to increase their gift by inflation each year helps to ensure that your churches mission and ministry remain financially sustainable
- Gift Aid administration is significantly reduced
- Cash flow benefits from monthly Gift Aid claims



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## ONCE YOUR PARISH IS REGISTERED THERE ARE THREE WAYS TO GIVE:



By phone

0333 002 1271



By post

Gift forms are  
available from  
Diocesan House



Online

[parishgiving.org.uk](https://parishgiving.org.uk)

### Inflation-linked giving

The Parish Giving Scheme offers a popular option where every giver can choose to increase their gift annually in line with inflation. This is a voluntary decision - but it could have a huge impact on the life and future of your church by maintaining the value of your gift year after year. 30 days before the anniversary of your gift, you will receive a letter informing you of your increased gift amount. If for any reason you do not wish for that increase to be actioned, you can simply notify the PGS team.

### FAQs

#### Why is regular giving important?

Regular giving is about stepping into the flow of God's generosity. Through our giving we help to enable God's mission in our local communities.

#### When will my gift be collected?

Giving is collected on the first day of each month.

#### Will my personal details be safe?

Your data will be held securely and your giving will be covered by the Direct Debit Guarantee.

#### When will my church receive my gift?

Your church will receive all gifts on the 10th day of each month.



For more information go to  
[www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk)



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