



GENEROSITY WEEK 2024

29 September - 6 October 2024

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WELCOME TO GENEROSITY WEEK 2024

This is the final Generosity Week newsletter for 2024, with the big week running from **Sunday 29 September to Sunday 6 October**. Whatever else you have planned, it's not too late to plan a generosity service – **this pack** will give you bible readings, sermon starters, hymns/songs and prayers to get you going. And if you're short of stories there are some recorded testimonies you can share. It's all designed to start you off, but gives you space to make it your own as well.

TALKING ROUND THE TABLE

Based on the book of Ruth, Liverpool diocese has filmed this insightful and thought-provoking **round table discussion**. It's great to show in services or small groups as a conversation starter, but can also be used in a Fika or Harvest event. It features a variety of people talking about times when they've received, given or witnessed different types of generosity.

MINT AND IDEA

T is for Trust and A is for Activate



TRUST

To give to our church week in, week out, we need to trust that our money is being used well. **Numbers and stories** are good things to concentrate on – 'Six teenagers enjoyed pizza and bible study' is more inspiring than 'A youth meeting took place'. And a young person saying: 'I enjoyed it

– it was good to spend time with Christians my age' gives you a meaningful story to share with givers.

ACTIVATING GENEROSITY

Modelling generosity as a church is much more inspiring than talking about it. Generosity Week is a good way of doing this, but you could also think as a church how you will be generous with your money and other resources.



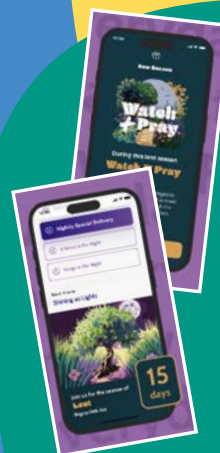
ONLINE GENEROSITY SERVICE

This year's **Generosity Week service** comes from Holy Trinity Roehampton, led by the Revd Joshua Rey: "It is in giving that we receive - but as the Vicar of a deprived inner London parish which couldn't provide full time ministry without the generosity of other churches around the diocese, I can tell you that to receive the generosity of others is also a joy!"



EVERYDAY GENEROSITY

In the lead up to Generosity Week, starting on 23 September, Jonathan de Bernhardt Wood will be featured on the **Everyday Faith app** with six days of inspirational generosity based on the story of Martha and Mary. The following week a series of talks on gratitude to tie in with Harvest will be on the app.



What is Everyday Faith? From the Church of England, this new, free app helps users journey daily with reflections to inspire, equip and encourage in their everyday faith.