



St Nicholas

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Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for the financial support you already give, either by way of collection during services or by regular donation, to St Nicholas Church. There is no national 'central pot' from which we can draw to share our faith, serve our communities and routinely maintain our beloved Church. We have to fund these local and national needs.

In order to provide for all we do at St Nicholas we currently need around £9,000 each month. Efficient planning, budgeting and spending of this provision will be immensely helped by the receipt of regular donations through the recently introduced Parish Giving Scheme (or PGS for short) which is wholeheartedly supported by the PCC.

Basically, joining the Parish Giving Scheme involves setting up a Direct Debit to replace your current cash or Standing Order donation. This has a number of benefits; it helps our financial administration, improves our cash flow, reduces our paperwork and enables us to receive any Gift Aid tax rebate more quickly.

The enclosed PGS Gift Form clearly explains how to join this Scheme. The Information Booklet may answer your further questions and the stamped addressed envelope enables you to get the form to the administrators at least the necessary one month before your PGS donation is to start.

Before you complete the Gift Form please could you review your personal giving to our church? The General Synod encourages that 5% of our net income be given to the church and 5% to other charitable endeavours. Pray about it and please give St Nicholas what you feel, in proportion to your income, is appropriate.

Thank you so much for joining the PGS. We are so grateful for all the support you give St Nicholas and would not be asking you to join the scheme if it were not a great help to our Church. Please feel free to contact Mike Blakely (01903-884995), our Stewardship Secretary and Planned Giving Coordinator, if you have any questions.

In the service of God

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