

Parish support Newsletter

October edition



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Here's what has happened in the last month and what's to come!

Welcome to our new and improved newsletter! We are thrilled to share with you the latest updates and information for you and your PCC as we head into October.

Firstly, we would like to express our gratitude to everyone who has attended our recent online training sessions for PCC trustees, treasurers and secretaries as well as our legacy webinar. We hope that you have found these sessions to be informative and have given you the confidence in your new PCC roles.

Many of you have requested access to the Cornerstone platform which provides parishes with access to apply for a wide range of grants in order to fundraise for their parish projects. We will be hosting a Cornerstone workshop that will provide a deep dive into the platform so do read on to find out more about that!

Finally, we want to remind you not to hesitate to reach out to us if any questions arise with regards to finance, stewardship and governance.

Enjoy this month's newsletter!

Parish support team

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Cornerstone Workshop

Join us for our upcoming Cornerstone workshop. At the workshop we will gather with a small number of other churches in an atmosphere of learning and planning together to improve your giving and generosity.

What we will do on the day:

- Review your Building Generosity Questionnaire responses
- Explore the available Pathways and which ones will benefit your parish the most.
- Use the Cornerstone platform to enact your plan to improve your giving practice and generous culture.



The workshop will last 2-3 hours. Please use the following link to indicate your availability for the workshop:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FITV>

Here are the details:

- Date: 26th November 2025
- Time: 10am-12:30pm
- Location: Church House, 211 New Church Road, Hove BN3 4ED



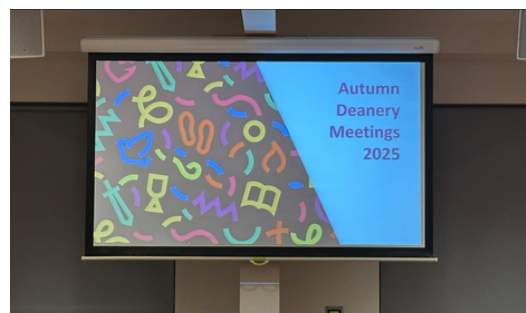
The Great Switch

The National Church of England will be encouraging parishes to think about - and pledge to - switching to a green energy tariff.

In making the switch you will be contributing to a 78% decrease in the Church of England's overall carbon emissions.

Watch this wonderful and engaging video which considers the importance of switching as part of the vision to become net zero carbon by 2030.

<https://youtu.be/H85w4U0KKTE>



Autumn deanery meetings

Please join us for our Autumn Deanery meetings that will be happening over the coming weeks. The diocesan team will be visiting each deanery and we look forward to meeting many of you there.

You will hear about the diocesan growth strategy, what it means for your deanery, and get an update on the application to the national church for funding for that strategy. You will also hear about the 2026 budget and 2026 parish ministry costs.

You'll have a chance to ask questions of the diocesan team as well as time for fellowship with people from other churches.



PCC trustee training

We will be running an additional online PCC trustee training session for anyone who has been unable to attend our previous training sessions this year.

The training will be held on zoom on Monday 6th October at 7pm.

To book, please complete the registration on this link:
<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FJII>



Generosity support

If you are interested in running a generosity, stewardship or legacy campaign this autumn then please do get in touch with Sarah, Molly or Andrew.

We have a range of resources from preaching material to leaflets, policy templates or parish giving scheme resources and we would be happy to support you in your generosity campaign however we can.

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Discount codes for collectin contactless giving devices

To encourage Churches to get ready for Christmas early, Collectin are offering £30 off collectin contactless giving devices for new customers and £25 off for new customers. These discounts are on top of the existing discounts you receive by purchasing through the parish buying website.

If you already have a collectin device and wish to purchase another one; use the code **Festive30**.

If you are a new customer and wish to purchase a collectin device; use the code **Festive25**.

These discount codes will last until the end of October.

Thank you for reading!

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