

Financial Pledge – Confidential

Responding to God’s love and generosity, and wanting to play my part as a member of the Parish Church in achieving His vision for our Church, I pledge to give regularly:

Amount *[including any existing commitment]*

Frequency Weekly Monthly *[Please mark as required]*
 Quarterly Annually *as required]*

Method of payment:
 Our preferred method is via a Standing Order

Gift Aid: *[Please tick as required]*

I should like the Parish to reclaim tax through the Gift Aid scheme.

I have already completed a Declaration form

Full Name:.....

Address:.....

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Postcode:.....

Email:.....

Phone:.....

Date:

Please complete this form and forward to the Planned Giving Officer: Jim May, 13 Rickyard Meadow, Redbourn, AL3 7HT. Tel: 01582 794676 who will contact you in confidence to complete the details.

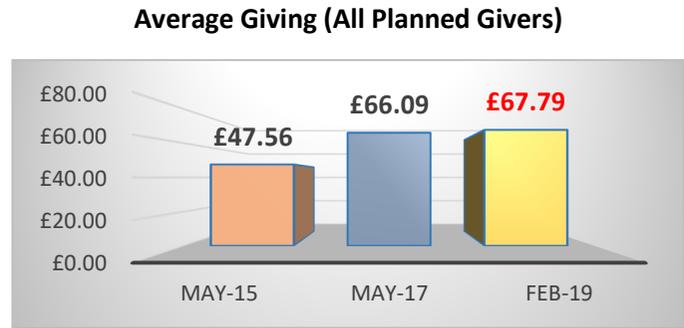
Planned Giving Income

The chart below gives a list of monthly giving amounts and the number of people giving. The value on each bar is the total monthly amount this generates.



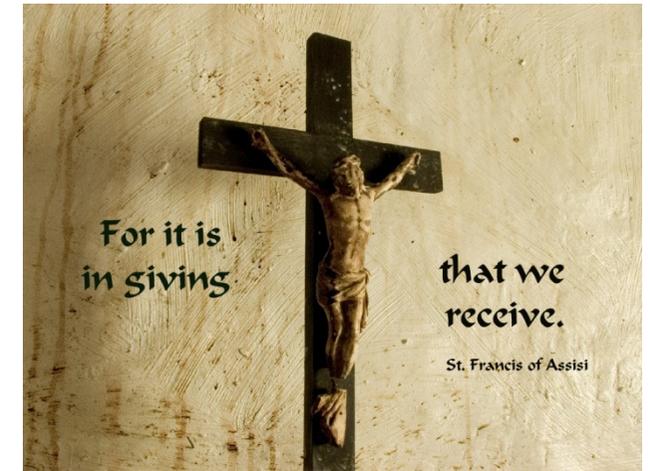
A total of 135 people are on the Planned Giving Scheme, which is less than half those on the Electoral Roll.

The Average monthly giving over the past 2 years has stagnated, so we are not keeping pace with our costs.



Resourcing St Mary's

Season for Giving Call to Action



Call to Action

Over the past two Sundays we have been exploring what a difference our contribution to the Parish Share makes across the Diocese.

Today is about how we can all respond to the challenge of not just covering our costs but building a fund for the future.

As already stated, the cost of running St Mary's continues to increase. Our Parish Share for 2019 will be £129,845, an increase of £4,315 from last year. I hope that the past three weeks have helped you understand how this money is used for good across the Diocese.

So, how can we all respond? Most of you will know Jim May who is the Planned Giving Officer at St Mary's. He will be writing to those on the Electoral Roll over the next couple of days with details of how you can support this campaign. Those already on the Planned Giving Scheme are asked to review and increase their current giving. Others will be given details on how to join the scheme – it is a simple process and is a wonderful way to support our mission.

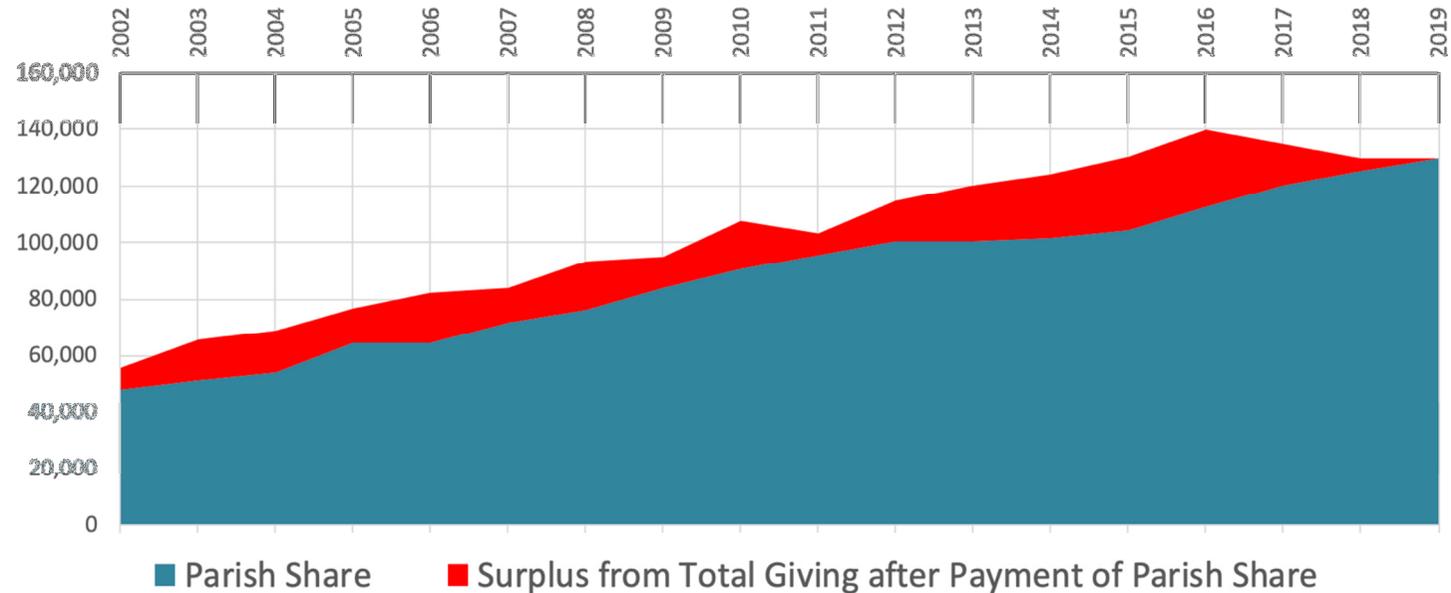
If you are not on the Electoral Roll then please complete the form on the back of this leaflet and hand it to Jim.

If you would like any further details on anything regarding Stewardship, then please speak to any member the clergy or the Stewardship Committee.

**Please take the time to listen,
read, ask and respond**

*Michael Wood
Chairman, Stewardship Committee*

Total Giving vs Parish Share



Our Challenge at St Mary's

Our goal has been to at least cover the Parish Share with planned giving. From 2011 we have managed to increase the surplus which helps run the Church and invest for the future. The chart above shows that our Total Giving has reduced over the past 2 years which has reduced this surplus and it is projected to disappear altogether in 2019.

Our challenge is twofold:

1. If you are not already on the scheme, then please join. Complete the form in this leaflet or talk to Jim May or me so that we can give you further details.
2. If you are one of the people already on our planned giving scheme, please prayerfully consider giving a little more. An increase of the equivalent of a weekly cup of coffee from the High Street, that's just over £2.00 each week or £10 each month, would help us balance the budget and invest for the future.

We ask you all to pray for the success of this campaign and prayerfully consider if the amount we give to our Church is at the right level given your personal financial situation.

