

Parish Giving Scheme

To set up a direct debit to donate to the church via the Parish Giving Scheme:

Telephone 0333 002 1271

Lines are open Monday to Friday, between 9 – 5pm.

You will be asked your

- bank account details,
- church/parish name and PGS parish code:
Studley 110611151 Mappleborough Green 110611152
- if you are giving monthly, quarterly or annually
- whether your donation is eligible for Gift Aid
- whether you would like to increase your giving annually, in line with inflation
(if you do, they will check with you next year that you still want to do this, before the amount increases)
- You may give to different churches, but you will need to set up separate direct debits for each church

PGS will tell you which date your donations will start from – this is always the 1st of the month, so it will be either next month, or the one after.

If you are transferring from standing order to the PGS:

**DON'T FORGET TO CANCEL YOUR STANDING ORDER
ONCE YOUR DIRECT DEBIT STARTS**

What is the Parish Giving Scheme?

- It is a Direct Debit scheme that provides a professional, effective donation management system to support parishes with their mission and ministry
- It is a charitable company owned by the participating dioceses (currently 30)
- It currently processes donations from over 35,000 people
- PGS is a separate legal entity from the parish and complies with all data protection law

Practicalities

- Our PCC has formally adopted the scheme, and members of the PCC joined in April – we have found the process efficient in every regard, and the people friendly and helpful
- You can opt to pay monthly, quarterly or annually
- You can opt to have the amount increased annually in line with inflation
- All monies are collected on 1st of the month, and PGS apply for the Gift Aid
- Total monies are sent to each parish monthly
- Each donor receives an annual print-out of their donations, and the total Gift Aid generated
- The parish also receives a print-out of all donations
- Although PGS will have your name, you can opt to remain anonymous to us
- If donors opted for an annual increase, they will be notified of the new amount a month in advance
- Donors can contact PGS directly at any time to change the amount they wish to donate
- Donations have to be sent on to your nominated church – PGS cannot use it for anything else
- You can donate to more than one church

Benefits

- There is no direct cost to us – the diocese meets the running costs
- The main beneficiary will be our churches – it ensures a regular, tax-efficient source of income with the capacity to increase with the cost of living, but with virtually no administration