

Our Giving enables Mission ...

Our giving of time and talent can assist our congregation in its outreach to the community.

Our giving of money helps provide resources - buildings and people - for local mission.

Our giving of money is one way for us to share in the mission of the Church:

- providing a Christian presence in every part of life;
- funding projects to bring the gospel to those who have yet to be challenged by it;
- enabling Christian comment to be made on the social, moral and political issues of our time;
- engaging in partnership with Churches in some of the poorest parts of the world.

The world takes notice when it sees a group of people who are willing to make a generous investment of their time, energy, gifts and money to share and spread the gospel.

We share and spread the Gospel ...

through worship, discipleship, service and mission.

Our giving of time, talent and money is

... Giving for the Gospel

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THE GOSPEL

A study leaflet
for church members

The Church is always asking for more ...

We are never left in peace. The Church always wants more - more of our time, more of our money.

There is always some job in the Church that needs to be done - a vacancy to be filled.

There is always a need for more money to prevent a deficit in the Church accounts - to balance the books.

Why can't the Church do less, cut its coat according to its cloth, and be content with what we already do, with what we already give?

We have a Gospel to proclaim ...

God has given us life and love. He has shown us the wonder of his love in the life and death of Jesus. He has promised us new life in the resurrection of Jesus.

This is the gospel we have received - a gospel for the world, a gospel for everyone.

Jesus said to the first disciples:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you."

(Matthew 28: 19-20)

Our Giving reflects our Faith ...

Our giving of time, talent and money displays:

- our praise and thanksgiving for the gospel we receive.
- our commitment to share and spread the gospel, the good news of God's love for his world.

Our Giving enables Worship ...

Our giving of time on a Sunday to be with God, sing his praise, hear his word, share his sacraments, is the first part of our giving.

Our giving of money helps maintain the holy place where we worship - a place of history, a place of beauty, a place of peace, a place of challenge, a place to glorify God.

Our giving of money helps provide for ministers of word and sacrament to lead people in worship, and for musicians and others who enrich our worship.

Our Giving enables Discipleship ...

Our giving of time to share in study groups helps us and others understand the gospel more fully, and grow and live faithfully.

Our giving of time and talent can help children and young people grow in the Christian faith.

Our giving of money helps provide resources for Christian learning in our own congregation and throughout this Diocese.

Our Giving enables Service ...

Our giving of time and talent can assist our congregation in its service to the community, caring for some of those who are most vulnerable in our society.

Our giving of money helps provide resources for the caring work of the Church, supporting those in this Diocese who are most in need but often forgotten, as well as those in other parts of the world who lack the basic necessities of life - things we take for granted.