



Congregational Giving



INTRODUCTION

...this is a wonderful place which matters to so many of us.



We would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your continued generosity and faithful support of Guildford Cathedral. Your commitment has been a vital source of strength and encouragement, especially during these financially challenging times. Every act of giving - whether through time, prayer, or financial support - contributes deeply to the life and mission of our Cathedral community.

As we navigate ongoing financial pressures, we gently invite you to prayerfully review your approach to Christian giving and stewardship. At its heart, stewardship is about recognising that all we have is a gift from God, and considering how we might respond with generosity, even in uncertain times. Your support enables worship, outreach, and the preservation of this sacred space for future generations.

Together, with faith and shared purpose, we can ensure the Cathedral remains a place of hope, beauty, and welcome for all. Thank you once again for all you do.

The Very Reverend Bob Cooper
Dean of Guildford

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Parish Giving Scheme

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is a secure and simple way of giving to the Cathedral on a regular monthly basis (or quarterly/annually if you prefer). The scheme enables the Cathedral to plan ahead, allowing us to know how much money is pledged in any given year. It is also administered externally, which lessens the administrative burden on our staff. If you are not already giving to the Cathedral, this is the best way to begin to do so.

PGS works by making a Direct Debit from your bank account on the 1st of the month, which is credited to the Cathedral's bank account by the 10th of the month. If eligible, you can opt to add Gift Aid, which PGS claims on our behalf, passing it back to us and benefitting our cashflow.

A unique feature of the scheme is the option for you, as a giver, to commit in principle to increase your gift annually in line with inflation. While this is a voluntary decision, it is one that could potentially have a huge impact on the life and future of the Cathedral. You can change this commitment at any time, either by using your personal log-in on the PGS website, or simply by contacting the PGS team. For those who have accepted the inflation link, the annual increase happens on the anniversary of the first donation.

To set up a regular gift with PGS, either

- Visit www.parishgiving.org.uk
- Call the very helpful telephone service on 0333 002 1271
(Monday-Friday, 9am until 5pm)

You will need to provide your bank details, and use Guildford Cathedral's unique code, which is 170617001

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Contributing in other ways

Please be in touch with our Development Office, either Nicola Pratt on 01483 547884, or Karen Taylor on 01483 5467863, or email headofdevelopment@guildford-cathedral.org to learn more about how your donation, of any amount, can make a real difference to the Cathedral.

Ways of giving include a regular or one-off gift aimed at a particular project, in the name of a loved one, or to a specific area of Cathedral life (music, education, fabric, outreach). Legacies are another way to offer your support, and the Development Office staff can show you how to make these arrangements.

Don't forget the simplest way to make a one-off gift is via our website www.guildford-cathedral.org, which has a "Donate" button on the front page.

On the pledge form enclosed, to help us with planning, please indicate which form of giving you are likely to choose, and by when it will take effect.

Thank you once again for all your support - it makes a tremendous difference to the work of this wonderful place.

Renewal of Giving Team

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