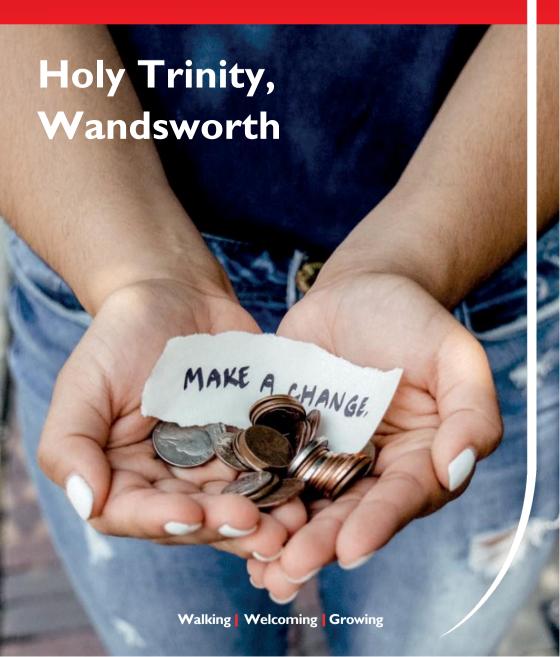




A simple way to give to your church

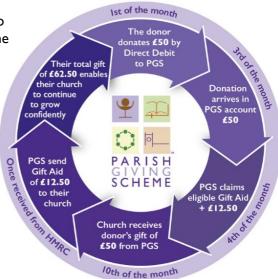


Thank you for your support for our church, enabling us to serve our community and share God's love with those around us.

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is a secure, free way to help you plan your regular giving tax efficiently and benefit your church!

The PGS enables people to donate to a church via a Direct Debit, claims the Gift Aid monthly, sending the full gift and Gift Aid back to your church's bank account.

Used by 70,000 donors in 34 dioceses, PGS is easy to use and reliable. It improves churches' cash flow, reduces administration for Treasurers and Gift Aid Secretaries and helps increase giving year on year with its optional annual inflationary increase.



#### How does the PGS work?

You give your regular donations to your church via the PGS by Direct Debit, on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis on the Ist of the month. You can change or cancel the amount at any time, online or by a simple phone call, so you can confirm the amount you give before your account is debited. Each donation is restricted to your parish church and, if you are eligible, Gift Aid is claimed monthly on your church's behalf, maximising cashflow.

# Inflation and optional increases

Our church, like every household, is hit by inflation. Many people forget to increase their gift annually, and with

Maintaining the value of your gift

I wish to support my parish in the future by increasing my gift each year in tine with inflation Iunderstand that the new amount will be communicated to me by the giving date. Have the right to opt out of this recommend at one parish the future is promotionated on my wishes to the Parish Cairle Scheme.

increasing costs, it is worth less over time.

The PGS tackles this problem by enabling church members to choose to increase their giving annually in line, partially or fully, with inflation. You are given time to reflect on the revised amount each year and can leave it the same, add more or decrease if you wish. Therefore you retain full control. It would make a huge impact on our church's finances if our planned givers opt for this option. Please opt to maintain the value of your gift.

## Why give in a new way?

How much you give is a matter for your personal and prayerful reflection, as you respond to God's grace and generosity. PGS benefits by reducing volunteers' admin time, provides free monthly gift aid claims, improves our cash flow, has no transaction fees and helps our church keep up with inflation, giving us more time and money for God's mission!

## Three ways you can sign up!

#### Online

Scan the QR code to reach <u>your church's landing</u> <u>page</u>. Alternatively, go to *parishgiving.org.uk* and search for the parish using our PGS code.



On your PGS page, click 'Regular Giving' and follow the instructions to set up your Direct Debit. Please opt in to 'maintain' the value of your gift by considering each year to increase your gift in line with inflation.

### Telephone

Call PGS on 0333 002 1271. Lines are open Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm. It normally takes around 10 minutes to set up over the phone.

#### Post

You will need to complete our Gift Form and post it to PGS office's address. You can download the Gift Form from our church website.

However you choose to sign up, you will need to have the following information at hand:

- your personal bank account details
- the name of our parish: Holy Trinity Wandsworth
- the PGS code for our parish: 370637355
- whether you are eligible for Gift Aid

If you currently give by standing order, you will need to cancel your payment. We recommend waiting until you have received your welcome letter or email from PGS.



You may also choose to give anonymously, and your church will be notified only of the amount of your gift.

Thank you for considering joining PGS in support of Holy Trinity.

# "For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you." I Chronicles 29:14 NRSV

# **Everyone benefits**



- ✓ You are in total control of the amount you give.
- ✓ The Direct Debit guarantee means your gift is safe and secure.
- ✓ Gift Aid is claimed monthly for the church, reducing administration and work for your Treasurer and Gift Aid Secretary.
- ✓ You can help protect your church against inflation by choosing to consider annually maintaining the value of your gift.
- ✓ We give you PGS tokens to put in the offertory plate to reflect your generous giving.
- ✓ A regular, tax-efficient method of giving that benefits you and your church!

# New in 2023: One-Off Giving!

It is now possible to make a one-off gift online via your Church's PGS page, adding gift aid if you are eligible. You can use a debit or credit card, Apple Pay or Google Pay. Transaction cost of 1.5%. Useful for visitors or for making an extra gift!

#### **Ouestions**

If you have any further questions, please contact your **PGS Project Leader:** Daniel Jones, email: danieljones740@gmail.com

Help is always available from  ${\bf the}~{\bf Giving}~{\bf Team}$  at the Diocese of Southwark:

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