

Please reflect on the following

- Does my financial contribution to the parish match my means with its needs?
- Do I give regularly?
- Do I review my giving annually in light of the parish's needs and my personal circumstances?
- Do I make it possible for the parish to make the most of my giving; am I eligible to sign up to Gift Aid?
- How can I share my time and my talents with my Parish community? More on this next week.

Your next action

- Review the amount you currently give and consider whether you can increase it
- If you already give by standing order and want to change the amount, use section 4 of the form provided and send it direct to your bank (or advise your bank on-line)
- If you do not have a standing order, arrange to set one up using section 4 of the form and send it direct to your bank or building (or advise your bank or building society on-line)
- If you have a standing order (or are setting one up) and you pay tax, sign up to Gift Aid using parts 1-3 of the form and bring it back next week or as soon as possible after that
- If you have any difficulties completing the forms, please ask for help

However you decide to help, we are grateful

If you have any questions, speak to a volunteer or contact the parish office.

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Week 2 of 3

"serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received"

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Our Parish Finances

Last week we explored the concept of stewardship. As we continue on our journey of stewardship, this week we look at our parish finances. Like any household, our parish has to:

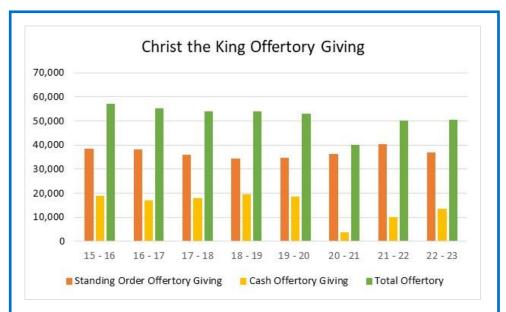
- Cover daily running costs
- · Pay for building maintenance
- Support parish programmes and projects
- Keep some funds in reserve for emergencies

How we operated in 2022 - 23

INCOME	£	EXPENDITURE	£
Standing order offertory	36,791	Clergy costs	15,699
Cash offertory	13,636	Church running costs	25,113
Refunded tax (gift aid)	10,537	Costs 71 Heol Hir	7,729
71 Heol Hir (former presbytery)	9,625	Hall running costs	9,177
Hall lettings	8,231	Archdiocesan levy	17,918
Charitable collections	4,506	Parish office	9,812
Miscellaneous	320	Collections for third parties	4,551
		Insurance and other	2,300
Total income	84,207	Total expenditure	91, 389
Balance			-7,161

Looking Ahead

The parish is running an annual deficit. At 31st March 2023 we had around £110,000 on deposit. This will reduce significantly following the purchase of new equipment and maintenance work needed on the parish centre and 71 Heol Hir We anticipate further significant expenditure to replace the hall heating system and to complete outstanding building maintenance. Energy and other costs are higher in 2023 - 24. To maintain the church buildings and site; and to sustain and grow outreach activities such as the Welcome Space and the Sustainable Clothes and Books market, we need to increase our annual income and end each year with a credit balance.



Standing order is one of the best ways to support our parish

A standing order provides the parish with secure, regular income that takes less time and effort to process than loose cash. With fewer of us carrying cash, it offers a straightforward means of giving. And if you are signed up to online banking it is easy to manage.

To avoid having to find cash each week, set up a standing order using the form provided and send it to your bank or building society. All you need is your bank or building society account number and sort code.

Gift Aid doesn't cost you a penny but helps our parish thrive

It's easy to do and there's **no extra cost to you**. If you have a standing order and you are a UK tax payer, please consider signing up to Gift Aid. The parish can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate.

Last year 63% of our total offertory income was gift aided, earning a further £10,537 in tax refunded. We could have claimed up to a further £5,000 if more people had signed up.