



Annual Gift Day 25th. April 2021

Dear Friend,

Hopefully we have weathered the worst of the Global Pandemic and can start to re-build our lives. Our Church has not been immune from the difficulties with our buildings closed for much of the year. As you might expect this has affected our finances.

Therefore we invite you to prayerfully consider whether you might be able to make a gift at this time. For many of us our situations have changed significantly and this will not be possible. If this applies to you we want you to know that we are grateful and thank you for all that you are already giving so generously and sacrificially.

Included with this letter is our 2021 Gift Day Brochure which explains our financial position. There is also a Gift Day Envelope should you wish to make an additional gift. If you can Gift Aid your donation then please add your name or weekly envelope number. You can bring this gift and place it in the offertory plate at one of our services. Alternatively hand it to one of our stewards or drop it in the Treasurer's letter box: 1 Poltondale SN3 5BN. You may also make a gift by Bank Transfer to the Dorcan Church Account Sort Code 08-92-99 A/c no. 65312775 Ref. Gift day.

The Brochure refers to The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). This is an established service for managing Direct Debit donations, designed to support churches to fund their mission and ministry. It reduces the burden of work on church volunteers and provides a simple and secure service to donors.

The service is freely available to our parish. Uptake is growing every year, with the majority of dioceses in the Church of England - and many of their parishes - now members of PGS and experiencing the benefits. The PGS makes it possible for donors to:

- Donate monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit
- Sign up to inflation-linked giving annually
- Enhance your gift to your church by having Gift Aid at 25% added to your giving
- Give securely and donate anonymously, if you prefer

Details here: <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/my-pgs/parish/66625/landing-page/>

Our church relies on donations to provide care and support to everyone in this community. Now more than ever, please consider giving generously to support our mission and ministry.

Thank you for giving this your prayerful thought and consideration. It is appreciated.

Finally, please continue to thank God for the way he has provided for us as a church during this crisis and do, please, pray for us as a committee as we seek to monitor and manage the finances going forward.

Thank You.

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