

Stewardship at All Saints



Each February, at All Saints, we hold a 'Stewardship Season', in which we review our financial giving to our church. It's an opportunity to look back over the previous year and take note of all that we've been able to do through the generous giving of our members. Your gifts have enabled us to keep the worship of God alive in our parish; to continue to be a warm and welcoming community, in which everyone is welcome; to reach out beyond our borders with love and support for those who need our help. During the challenges of Covid your gifts have enabled us to develop 'online worship' for the first time. Your gifts have enabled us to develop our worship space, making it more beautiful and flexible – both for our own use, and for the local community. Your gifts have enabled us to offer support to our schools, to Dray Court and to the Guildford Town Centre chaplaincy. Your gifts have enabled us to support those living further afield too, such as our Mission Partners – the Koens – in Papua New Guinea. Today I'd like to thank you once again for your continued generosity.

In financial terms 2020 was a challenging year at All Saints, with services closed and a reduction in Sunday giving. We were challenged by a loss of rental income too, with the hall closed for much of the year. Our planned giving went down too, with some of our dearly loved members moving away. The result was a deficit of £10,000 last year and the prediction is that we will incur a similar deficit in 2021 – unless things change.

The change we hope for in 2021 is that all our regular members will sign up for regular weekly or monthly giving. This could be through a standing order or through the envelope scheme. If you've saved money over 2020, while not incurring the cost of travel to work, or taking fewer holidays, you may like to make a one-off donation to help us through these challenging times. You may like to leave a legacy to All Saints, in years ahead. Each of these would enable our church to pay our bills, and continue our ministry into the future.

So please do give generously and regularly to the work of All Saints, if you possibly can. The Biblical principle is that we give the first 10% of our income to the Lord and his work; and then keep the remaining 90% for ourselves. If each of us is willing to give in that generous and sacrificial way, we will be able to breach the financial gap together. I pray that's something we will be willing and able to do.

Wishing you every blessing,
Beverly

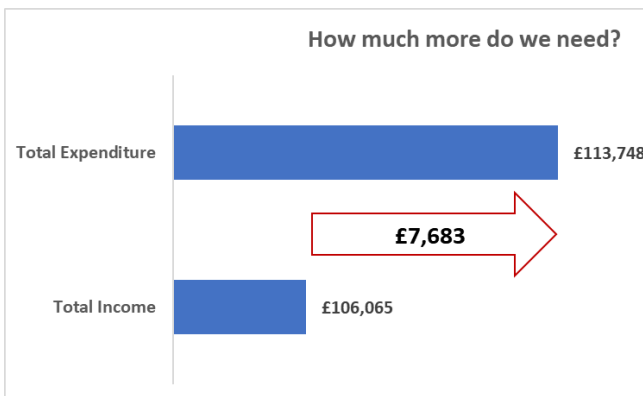
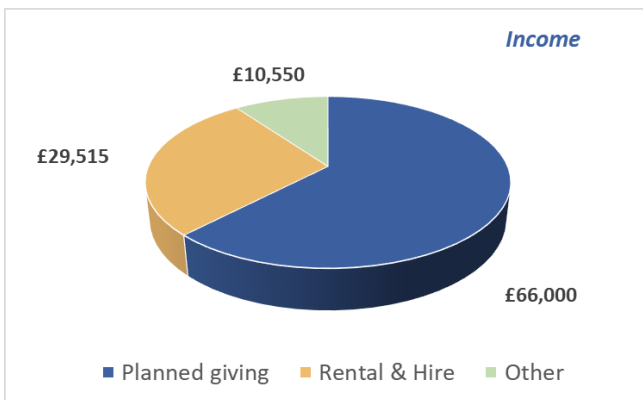
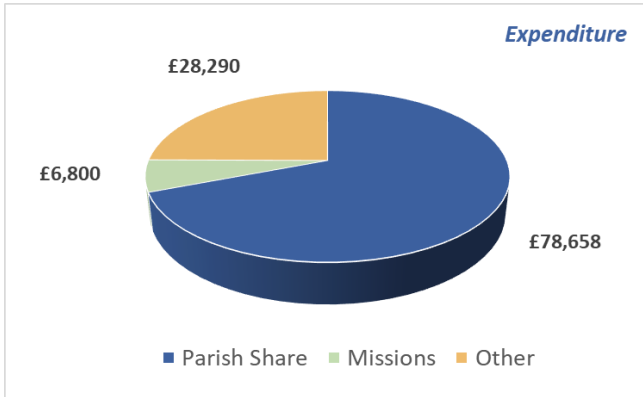
'Yours Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you'. (1 Chronicles 29:11)



Please fill the form on the back of this leaflet,
or visit bit.ly/allsaints-giving
to make your commitment to All Saints' Church.

Thank you.

Funding All Saints in 2021 will cost over £113,000



My commitment to All Saints

In the light of the needs of the church for 2021, I/we will make a weekly/ monthly/quarterly/annual * donation to the church of £_____

* *please delete as applicable*

1. I am a new donor / I am an existing donor* and this donation is an increase/decrease* of £_____ over my most recent donation.

2. This donation will be made via:

Offertory Envelopes - cash or cheque

Standing Order**

Cash/Cheque/Bank Transfer in single donations

'Give as you Earn'

** This form is on the website (or from the office):

www.allsaintschurchgfd.org.uk/get-involved/donations/

or if already giving in this way, please instruct your bank of any change

3. I, as I think fit, may make additional donations to the church.

4. Please reclaim the tax I have paid on my donation

If you haven't previously filled a gift aid form, please request one from the office, or download from: www.allsaintschurchgfd.org.uk/get-involved/donations/)

Name:

Address:

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Signature:

Date:

Telephone (in case of queries).....

**Please return this slip to the Treasurer,
Chris Lambert, 31 Elmside, Guildford, GU2 7SH or
via the pigeonholes in the church foyer.**

THANK YOU!