

**CHRIST CHURCH AINSWORTH
IMPACT OF GIVING
FEB 2026**

INTRODUCTION



As we look back over the last year, we remain incredibly thankful for your positive contributions to the worship, outreach and mission of this Church which stands at the heart of our village community.

We were particularly pleased to welcome Revd. Bob May to our ministry team towards the end of 2025 and we look forward to his support & input in 2026 as we continue through this period of interregnum.

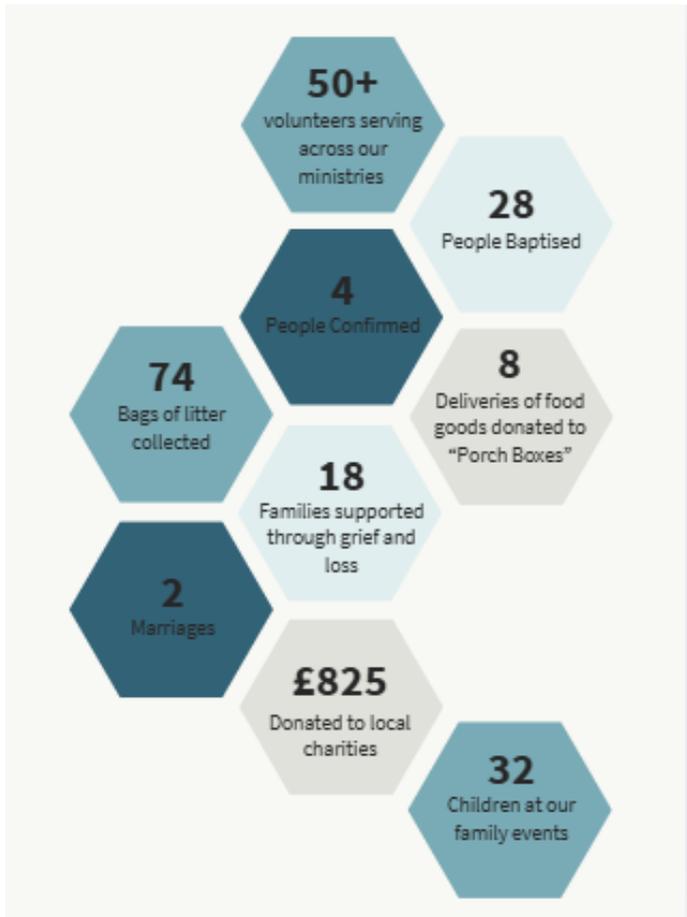
As we hope will be evident as you read through this leaflet, your generosity is making a real difference.

Our Generosity and Thankfulness Sundays scheduled for early 2026 are an opportunity for us to celebrate all that God has done through Christ Church Ainsworth, and an invitation to join in with all God is going to do in the future. As we continue our journey together, we invite you to consider your contribution to our shared mission. Whether you've been a long-standing member or have never been before, your support, big or small, ensures our Church remains a beacon of love, compassion and faith for all.

Here are a few highlights of what's been happening, and how your support is making a difference.



SOME FIGURES



A BIT ABOUT WHAT WE DO



SUNDAYS
BAPTISMS
OUTREACH
FAMILIES
COMMUNITY

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

This group was started in response to the growing number of older people experiencing loneliness within society and within our local community in particular.

The group, which meets in the Church & Community Hall, has grown to between 20 & 30 people now regularly attending to spend time with others and build new friendships, helping to reduce feelings of isolation.



ABC FIRST STEPS



This is the Church's parent and toddler group which meets on Friday mornings in the Church & Community Hall throughout term time, providing an opportunity for churchgoers and the wider local community to join together for songs, games and craft activities in a space for community and friendship.

BAPTISMS

Our baptism team has welcomed 20 families for baptism throughout 2025, preparing them all for this important life event where they commit to Christ on being welcomed into the Church family.

A 'Relight the Candle' service is planned for later in 2026 where baptism families will together be invited to renew their vows and promises at a special service.



MIDWEEK PRAISE

Between 20 & 25 families attend our weekly MidWeek Praise Service, coming together to worship & learn about God through a variety of age appropriate crafts, games & activities.

COMMUNITY



We hold a number of events each year which are intended to bring our local community together. In 2025 we held two Church Fairs, a Summer Choir Concert & Christmas Brass Band Concert, plus an Open Church & Organ Recital to coincide with Ainsworth Village Day.

We also held a number of seasonal family events throughout the course of the year.

SUNDAYS

Sunday services continue to be a main focus, with around 35 people gathering each week for prayer, worship and encouragement. During school term time the uniformed services join a monthly age-appropriate church parade service which provides an opportunity for the whole church family to engage in worship together.

Throughout the year there are also a number of joint services held with Ainsworth Methodist Church and monthly Sunday evening services featuring different styles of worship as we move through the year.





CARING FOR OUR BUILDING

Although there has been a Church on site since at least the 1500s, the current building largely dates from the 1830s and requires ongoing maintenance to keep it a warm, dry and safe place for worship. Following the provision of an extension to accommodate a toilet around the turn of the decade, subsequent major works have been required to stabilise the western wall of the main church building, undertake roof repairs and replace the heating boiler. A dedicated team of 'pew polisher' volunteers maintain the cleanliness of the church while another team maintain the upkeep of the churchyard, their combined efforts helping towards the church achieving Silver Eco Award status.

Church organised litter picks have also widened our impact in better caring for God's creation out into the local community.



CHRISTMAS



In 2025 over 500 people passed through our doors in December to attend our services and our annual Christmas Brass Band concert

It was an incredible opportunity to bless our local community and strengthen connections with those living in and around the village of Ainsworth.



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

As we look to continue to grow our ministry throughout 2026, there remains a need to financially resource all that is happening. Our Church does not receive any financial assistance from the government or the local authority; it costs around £1000 per week to run and maintain our Church ... and that's before we can look to expand our mission and explore exciting new opportunities as a Church.

Over the next year we're aiming to increase the amount received in gifts and through monthly giving, in order to develop our work with local charities and increase our footprint within, and for the benefit of, our local community of Ainsworth.

This is your Church, help us to make it the healthy heart of our village.

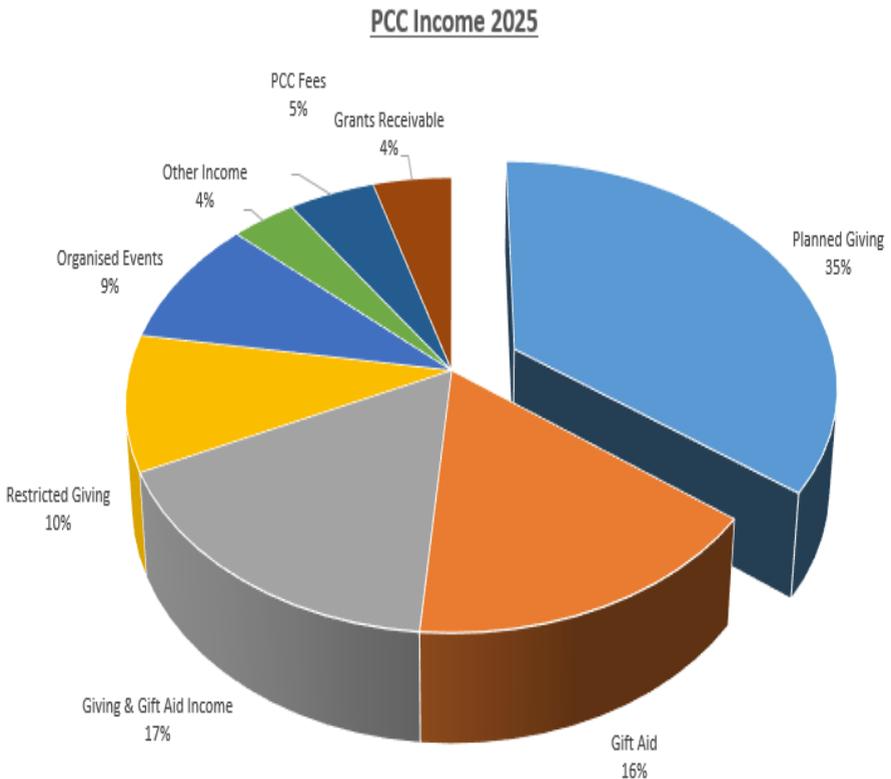
Everything we do is made possible by the generous giving of our Church community.

We'd love to invite you to join in and be a part of everything God is doing through Christ Church Ainsworth.



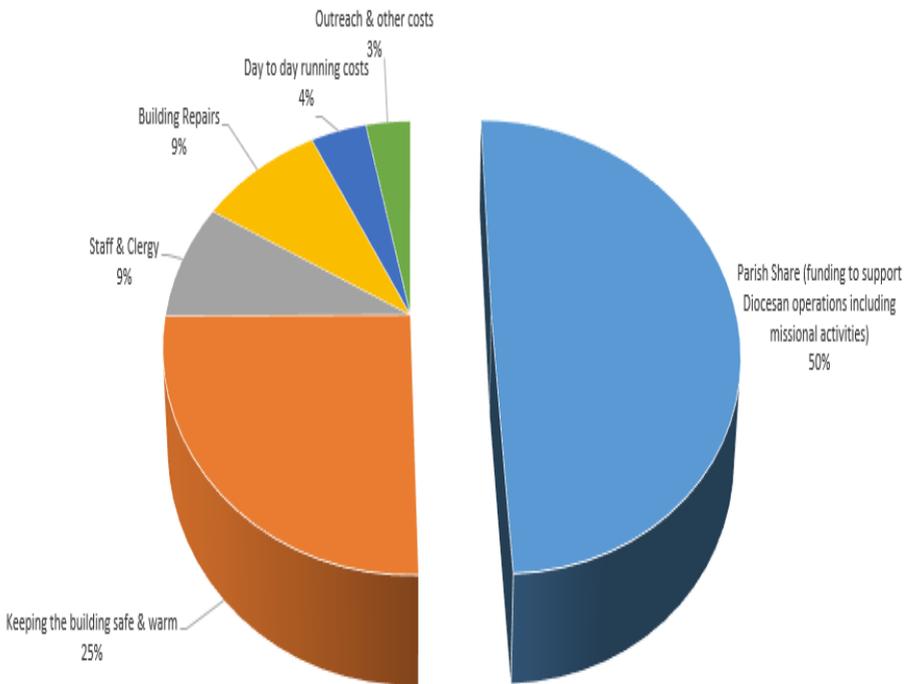
HOW DOES YOUR GIVING MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

EVERYTHING YOU GIVE HELPS ENABLE OUR VISION OF
'CELEBRATING, ENCOURAGING, PROCLAIMING AND SUPPORTING
FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE IN JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.'



IN 2025, OF EVERY £1 GIVEN, WE SPENT...

PCC Expenditure 2025



HOW TO GIVE



BANK TRANSFER

Make a one-off donation or set up a standing order to give regularly.

Account Name:

CHRIST CHURCH AINSWORTH PCC

Account Number: 65510959

Sort Code: 08-92-99

Reference: 'One-Off' / 'Regular'

GIVE ONLINE

Scan this QR code to give online.



Or click the link below to access our online giving page:

<https://givealittle.co/c/5DnxUeLJmzbxirRWakUOSu>

GIVING VIA THE PARISH GIVING SCHEME

Make a regular donation via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) by visiting our parish page at **parishgiving.org.uk**

CASH OR CHEQUE

You can place cheques or cash on the offertory plate or in the envelopes provided. Please make cheques payable to CHRIST CHURCH AINSWORTH PCC and fill in the Gift Aid form if you are eligible.

GIFT AID

If you're a UK taxpayer we would love you to fill out a Gift Aid Declaration. By filling out the form, we can claim an extra 25% of your gift from the government (at no extra cost to you!) which means your gift goes even further! Complete the form on your giving envelope complete the form below, or download a form from <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/charities-and-casc-gift-aid-declaration-forms-for-multiple-donation>

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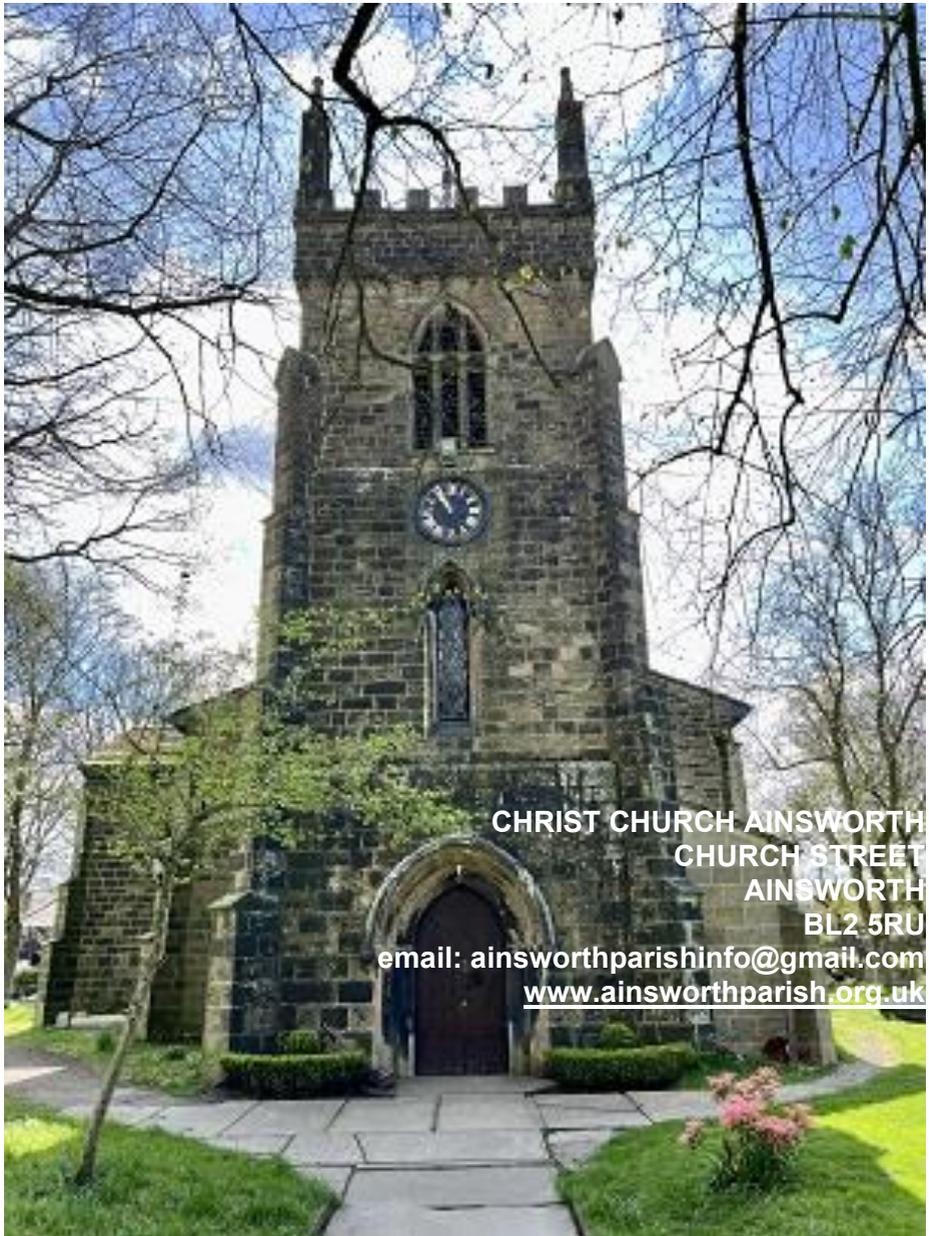
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