



St Andrew, Feniton and St Philip & St James, Escot

Impact of Giving 2025

A message from the Team Vicar, Rev. David Carrington

I am immensely grateful to all who support the ongoing work of Feniton and Escot churches, by giving their time, their skills, or their financial support. Without the generosity and kindness of so many, the church couldn't function as the caring community it is nor serve others with such grace.

Thank you.

Through the churches' activities, the lives of many people in our communities are enriched, encouraged, and supported. Those going through difficult times or critical life stages are helped through them. People are brought together and relationships built. Hope and faith help root people in our world of considerable change and challenge.

The many ongoing church activities underpin these things. This past year has also featured some lovely particular developments, including –

- a twice-termly 'Messy Church' starting, held in Feniton School
- a new leadership team developing the Little Wonders mums and toddlers' group
- introduction of a carol service for Honiton Memory Café

This leaflet highlights particularly the impact of financial giving to the church. I hope it encourages those who kindly give financially to visualise some of the fruit it helps produce.

If you don't currently give financially, any future support you could give would of course be greatly appreciated. The Parish Giving Scheme offers the most efficient way of doing so, both administratively and for claiming Gift Aid from HMRC for donations from taxpayers.

Many people choose to support the upkeep of St Andrew's church building through the Friends of St Andrew's (FOSA). I am very grateful to FOSA and all who support them.

*For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever,
and his faithfulness to all generations. (Psalm 100)*

Feniton and Escot churches...

are part of the Otter Vale Mission Community

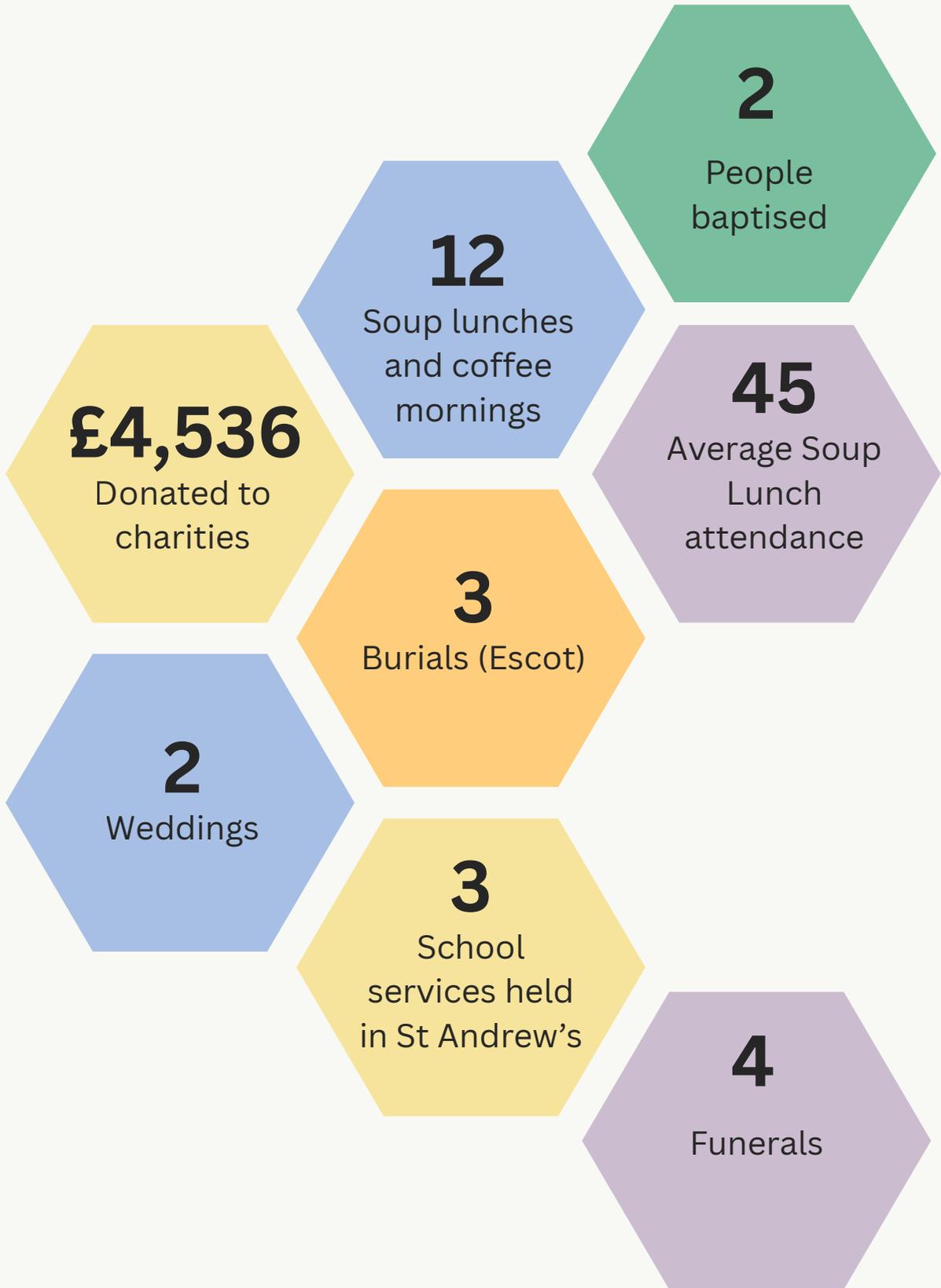
‘Churches working together to nurture faith and serve our communities’

Who we are

Sunday worship may be the most visible part of a church’s activity, but it is just the tip of the iceberg – much more goes on under the surface. Feniton and Escot churches, and the people who comprise them, seek to serve our local communities, through social events, pastoral support and neighbourly care. We seek to share the love of God and nurture faith.

From soup lunches and Tea and Toast to children’s Messy Church and Little Wonders, people of many ages gather to share company, care and food – and have fun!

Feniton and Escot churches came together as one parish in 2024. We have a single Parochial Church Council. We are mutually supportive in all we do in – sharing ideas, skills and time. We are part of the wider Otter Vale Mission Community group of churches, centred on Ottery St Mary.



Our impact

What we do

Tea and Toast

...is a free event providing tea (and coffee), toast and companionship to anyone who turns up. This has been taking place for over 10 years on Fridays in school term time at the Feniton Sports and Social Club from 8.50 to 10am.



Soup lunches and Coffee mornings

...we hold regular soup lunches and coffee mornings which are very popular and raise much needed donations for local, national and international charities. They provide an informal place to meet and chat.

Homegroup

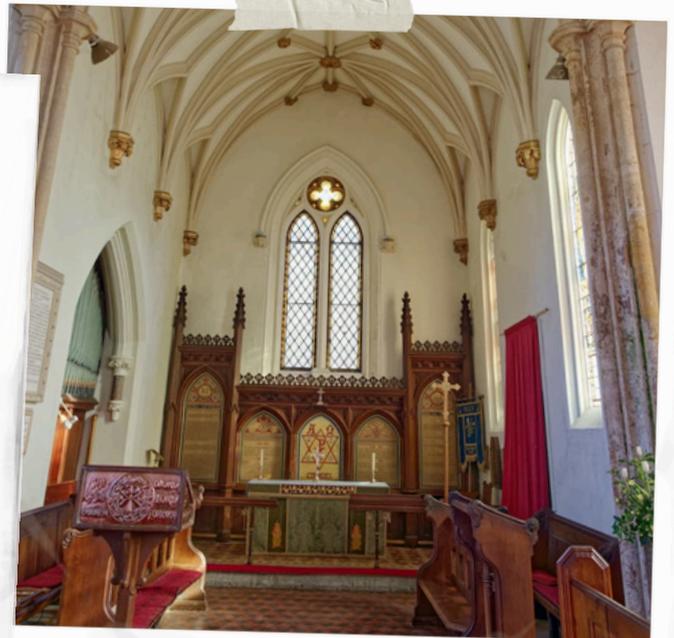
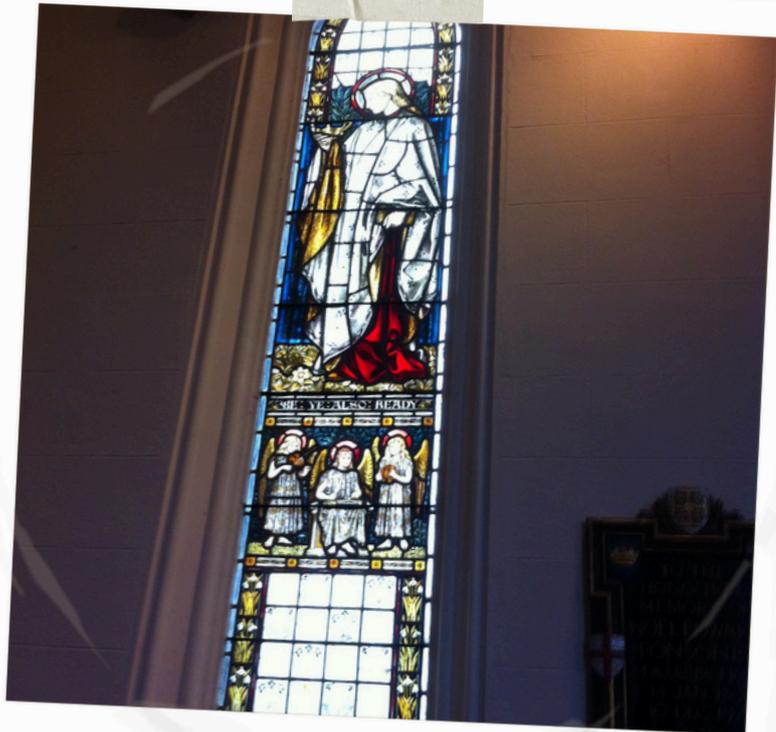
... is a regular meeting of people from our Parish who meet to develop their understanding of the Bible in a relaxed setting.



ST ANDREW, FENITON



ST PHILIP & ST JAMES, ESCOT





Storytime

...is a story and craft based session for our youngest members. This takes place on the first Sunday of each month at St Andrew's, Feniton at 9.15am.

Church volunteers

The flower arrangers are just one of the teams which helps to keep our church looking its best. Our dedicated band of cleaners, grounds-people, flower arrangers and maintenance helpers make our churches a welcoming place for our visitors and local community.



Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

... are available to all of our local community. The church can support you on your life journey. Please contact Rev. Dave for more information

(revdavidcarrington@gmail.com
or 01404 850905)





Weekly services

...from the Easter Sunrise service to Christingle and everything in between these provide the focus of our worship and take place in both of our churches. Details can be found online at <https://ottervalechurches.org/ministry/ovmc-services/> or on our Facebook page ('Parish of Feniton with Escot')

Bellringers

Our bellringers exercise mind and body to ring our church bells. They're not always seen but can be heard on practise nights and when services are held in Feniton Church (Escot doesn't have bells hung for ringing like this).



Feniton Church is open daily!

Feniton Church, in the 'old' part of the village, is open daily for your visit. It remains a place of calm as it has over hundreds of years.

Unfortunately we can't open Escot Church daily but regular services and occasional open days are held here.

Join in

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. John 10:10

As Christians, we believe generosity is an important part of how we live out our faith. This starts with God's generosity to us, giving us hope and a new life in Christ. Our generosity is a response to this blessing, as we use the different gifts God has given each of us to be a blessing to those around us.

Considering how we give of our time, talents, and treasure, is an important part of how we live out our faith and sustain the ministry of our churches.

Here's a few ways you can get involved...

Sundays

We have services every Sunday at St Andrew's, Feniton and on 1st and 3rd Sundays at St Philip & St James, Escot. All are welcome! See ottervalechurches.org/ministry/ovmc-services/ for up to date details

Volunteer

Use your practical gifts to play your part - or learn a new skill. Chat to one of our team on Sunday to find out how you can get involved. Or contact Cara, our churchwarden, on 01404 850262.

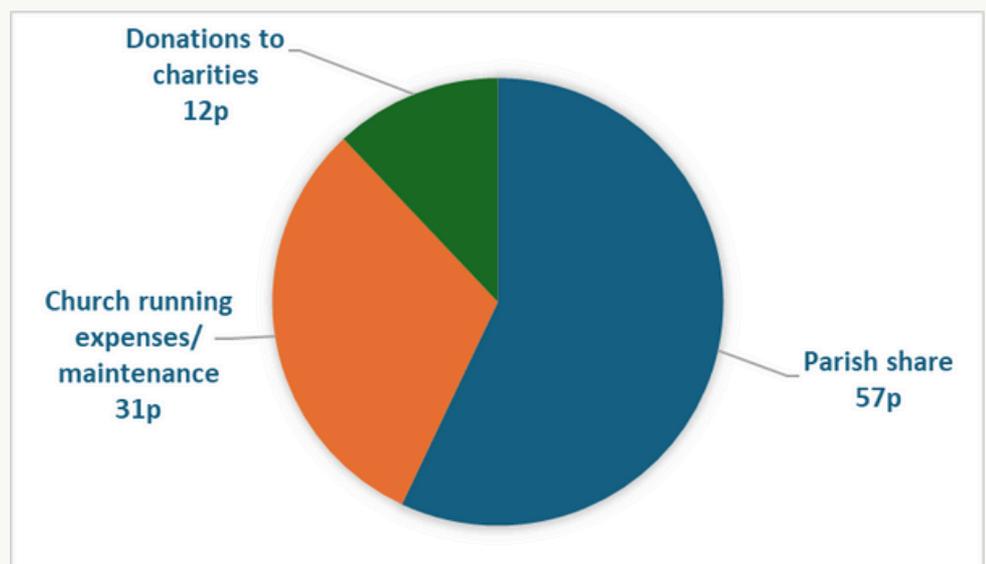
Give

Financial giving is an important part of how we sustain the ministry of St Andrew's, Feniton and St Philip & St James, Escot.

Giving accounts for 50% of our parish income, enabling us to continue our mission to love and serve the people of Feniton and Escot.

How does your giving make a difference?

In 2025, for every £1 given to our churches, we spent...



Ways to give

There are a few different ways you can give financially to support the work of the Church. Setting up a regular gift is particularly helpful as it helps us budget, plan and use our resources more effectively. You can also make a one-off gift by cash, card, or online using the details below.

The work we do wouldn't be possible without the generous contributions of all who give. Thank you for giving to support our church!

Bank Transfer

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

Account Name: Feniton with Escot PCC

Account Number: 50365688

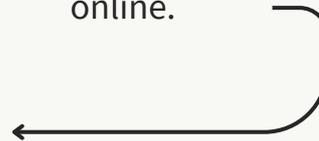
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Give online



Scan this QR code to give online.



Cash or Cheque

You can place cheques or cash in the envelopes provided, please make cheques payable to 'Feniton with Escot 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 or online at:
<https://givealittle.co/c/6KhnzF9OJg9oxQLNnKcGNC>.



Thank you!

It is your generosity that sustains our worship, community outreach, and sacred space. None of it would be possible without your support. For your prayers, your serving and your giving - Thank you!