

## How does PGS help our church?

PGS not only provides a safe way for you to give to our church, it helps everyone involved.

### As a giver, you benefit from:

**Flexibility**, retaining control of how much you give, how often and to which church.

**Certainty**, that this simple giving method is helping our church to receive regular financial support.

**Futureproofing**, having the option to increase a regular gift annually to protect your gift against inflation.

**Anonymity**, if preferred.



### Did you know that it's making life simpler for our church treasurer too?

PGS processes multiple gifts in a single transaction, reducing administration and paperwork.

PGS claims eligible Gift Aid from HMRC on our church's behalf, maximising your gift with no hassle for the treasurer.

Secure access for the treasurer to view our church's monthly and annual statements online

Saving time, for all those who count the cash given in church

### And our church benefits from:

A trusted mechanism to channel the financial generosity of all givers.

Predictable income that can be dedicated towards our mission and ministry, life and work.

Stable and planned giving makes it possible to plan for the future and to be the church God calls us to be.



# Giving regularly to St Catherine's, Preston-next-Faversham through the Parish Giving Scheme



Scan here, to make a regular or one-off gift to St Catherine's Church:



# Thank you

for all you are able to give to support the life and work of our church.

## What is the Parish Giving Scheme?

The Parish Giving Scheme is a way of giving to our church via Direct Debit. It is part of the Church of England and a very safe and secure way to give. Our church has registered and is encouraging everyone in the church family to join.

The scheme enables you to:

- Donate monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit.
- Sign up to inflation linked giving annually, if you choose.
- Increase your gift to the parish by having Gift Aid at 25% added to your giving.
- Give anonymously, if you prefer.

### I already support my church financially.

#### Why join the PGS?

We would like you to think about changing the way you give by joining PGS. It reduces both our bank charges and the administrative work that we do to match up donations received and reclaim Gift Aid. It is also flexible - you can increase or decrease your donation whenever you wish.

This is also a good opportunity for you to think about how much you give now and decide what is right for you.



## Setting up a regular gift

There are three secure ways to set up a regular gift by Direct Debit with PGS:

**online at [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) or by scanning the QR code on this leaflet by telephone on 0333 002 1271**

**or by completing a gift form and posting it to PGS**

If you are eligible to claim Gift Aid, it's easy to opt in, and you can also choose to increase your giving annually in line with inflation.

### You're always in control

We understand that everyone's circumstances change from time to time, so PGS makes sure it is easy for all regular givers to adjust the value and frequency of their gift, up or down.

Unlike other Direct Debit services, such as utility companies, PGS will never impose a change to your gift value and process it without your consent.

Many givers choose to 'opt in' to an annual increase, and this means they receive a letter from PGS as the anniversary of their gift approaches, detailing what the inflation-linked gift amount will be.

A growing number of PGS givers prefer to manage their gift online, but if you don't have access to the internet, don't worry. The friendly team at PGS HQ in Gloucester is available on the phone too, Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm.

## Making a one-off gift

A one-off gift is made in a single transaction using a debit or credit card, or with Apple or Google Pay, through the PGS website.

You may be a regular giver, choosing to make

an additional one-off gift for a special occasion. If you manage your regular giving online, you can simply log-in securely and follow the instructions on screen to make your one-off gift.

You'll then see it on your statement of account.

However, you don't need to have a PGS account, or give regularly, to make a one-off gift – this facility is open to everyone who would like to support our church.

To make a one-off gift to our church, simply visit the PGS website or use your smartphone to scan the QR code on this leaflet. You'll be guided through the transaction securely in a few short steps.