

Gift Aid

If you pay income tax, or have capital gains tax or interest on savings sufficient to cover the tax retrieved on all Gift Aid donations in a tax year, it is possible for the Church to reclaim the tax which you have paid on the money you donate.

All that you need to do is sign the declaration which forms part of this leaflet, This only needs to be done once.

You do not need to disclose details of your income or tax affairs; these remain your private affair.

Once signed, the Stewardship Recorder keeps the declaration. St Michael's can then claim tax at the basic rate on all identifiable donations made by you, at no extra cost to you. We reclaim about £15,000 from the Inland Revenue in Gift Aid every year.

If you pay tax at the higher rate, then you can personally reclaim additional tax relief on the difference between the basic and higher rates of tax. We hope that you will consider passing this benefit onto the church by increasing the amount you give.

The declaration must include your full name and post code as this is the way the Inland Revenue will be able to identify you as the donor.



For any enquiries or to return this form contact:

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Either directly or through his pigeon hole at church

Please think and pray about your response



Christian Stewardship Planned Giving



"Each should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9: 7

Christian Stewardship Giving

St Michael's is a Christian Stewardship Parish. Christian Stewardship is a response we all make to God to thank Him for all He has given us.

We regard our lives, our powers and possessions as gifts from God to be enjoyed and used in His service and to meet the needs of all mankind. We seek to be stewards of the Gospel and to share in Christ's mission to the world.

As Christian Stewardship has been adopted at our Church there are normally no collections taken during Services. Stewardship envelopes and one-off donations are put on the offertory plate at the back of the Church.

There are several ways of giving on a regular basis:

1. You may use the attached Bank Standing Order which enables you to make your offering on the day your income is received. This is our preferred way of receiving your gifts, as it is simpler for us to administer.
2. You may ask for a supply of envelopes which are dated for each Sunday and carry a unique number known only to the Stewardship Recorder for Gift Aid purposes.
3. You may give using a cheque on your personal bank account. Please use a Gift Aid envelope (available in church) if appropriate.

In Gratitude to God

I Plan to give: £ _____

Each Week Each Month

Gift Aid Declaration

Full name

Address

Post code

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 28p of tax on every £1 that I gave up to 5 April 2008 and will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give after 6 April 2008

Signed

Date

I would like to make my donations by:

Bank Standing Order (preferred)

Cheque

Stewardship Envelope scheme

Bank Standing Order

To the Manager Bank PLC

Sort Code/...../.....

Address

Please pay the Parochial Church Council
Of St Michael's Church, Tilehurst
At Lloyd's TSB Bank plc
Address Market Place
Reading
RG12EQ
Sort code 30 / 96 / 96
Account number 02431456

The sum of £(.....)
figures words

Commencing on(starting date)

And the same sum every month/quarter/year* until further notice. * delete as applicable

*This order cancels the instructions in favour of the above Parochial Church Council for £..... next payable on / / (date)

Signed

Date

Address

My Account Name

My Account Number