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The United Benefice of Berrow
with Pendock, Eldersfield,
Birtsmorton and Hollybush

Giving to the Church

Funding Mission and Ministry

The Church in our Benefice is completely funded by donations from its members and most of the roles are carried out by volunteers.

Giving of our money, time and talents creates the church that you see today.

When somebody gives you something, you say thank you. Giving to the Church is one way of saying Thank You to God - not just to pay the bills but in response to God's generosity and love to us.

See inside for more information on how you can help us today.

There are many ways for you to give financially to the church that allows your giving to be maximised. Whether it is by standing order or cash, we want to help you give well:

CASH

Giving cash suits lots of people and so to help anyone who wants to give in this way, we provide small cash envelopes which can be used each week.

STANDING ORDER

This allows you to set up a regular payment to come out of your bank account and be sent directly to the church's account. You can do this yourself if you have online access to your bank account; otherwise please ask your bank to set it up. (The account details for each church are listed on page 4.) You are always in control of this method of payment as you can cancel, suspend, increase or decrease your giving at any time.

GIFT AID

If you are a tax payer, by simply signing a Gift Aid declaration and returning it to the Benefice office (address at the bottom of page 4), we can collect tax back on your identifiable gifts. This can increase your giving by 25p for every pound you give. All the government asks is that you have paid an equivalent amount of tax in each tax year.

GIFT AID FOR HIGHER RATE TAXPAYERS

If you pay tax at a higher than standard rate, you can reclaim the difference between the standard rate of tax claimed by the church or charity in Gift Aid and the highest rate you pay on the gross gift, e.g. if you pay tax at 40%, you can claim 20% of the value of your charitable donations yourself. This means that, in order for your giving to remain proportionate to your income, you should either increase the amount you give **upfront** or you should donate the tax you can reclaim back **retrospectively**. Both are tax-effective methods of giving which will enable you to give more to the church or your chosen charity at no additional cost to yourself.

LEGACIES

We welcome gifts in wills, however large or small. We promise to use such gifts to make a difference to the work of the church (eg by funding development projects in the parish, whether buildings, equipment or staff). You can be confident that your gift will be used to make a real difference to our future mission and ministry.

All gifts to charity in your will are free of inheritance tax.

GIFTS IN MEMORIAM

If you would like to make a gift to our church in memoriam, please discuss this with our Rector, Rev'd Julie James. It can be a wonderful and appropriate way to remember a loved one.

PAYMENT DETAILS

You can make donations directly into one of our bank accounts or even set up a standing order using the following details:

<i>Birtsmorton and Hollybush PCC</i>	Sort Code: 30-80-55 Account: 48823968
<i>Berrow with Pendock PCC</i>	Sort Code: 30-91-87 Account: 02638344
<i>Eldersfield PCC</i>	Sort Code: 30-91-87 Account: 02737938

PLEASE CONTACT ...

our Rector, Rev'd Julie, or one of our treasurers, Doug Braund, if you want to discuss your donations or legacy:

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*All things come from you and of your own do we give you.
1 Chronicles 29.14*

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