

Ways to give regularly

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Thank you for asking about how to give to St Martin's PCC. This can be done in a variety of ways, as best suits you. Give as you are able – no gift is too small. Your gift will ensure we can keep our doors open, on site and online ministry, it will enable us to educate through our education program and serve the wider church through a variety of other ways. St Paul talks about giving cheerfully: it's a wonderful thing to know you're playing a part in what the Holy Spirit is doing in our community.

The following methods of regular giving are easily available.

- 1. The Parish Giving Scheme (the administration is paid for by the Diocese)
- 2. Payroll Giving (especially if your employer provides matched funding)
- 3. A regular standing order, with a Gift Aid form, if applicable (the administration of the Gift Aid is done at St Martin's)

Parish Giving Scheme

The Parish Giving Scheme is run by the Church of England and covers the whole processing, including Gift Aid, where appropriate.

Key points:

- It's easy to set up and it's easy to change when you wish to do so.
- You can opt in to having your gift increase each year by inflation.
- You can give anonymously through the scheme too.
- You can opt to give weekly/monthly/quarterly or yearly. Weekly or monthly is best for St Martin's as it enables us to plan.
- Payments are taken by direct debit on the 1st of each month
- St Martin's receives the money on the 10th of each month
- It's at no charge to St Martin's this service is paid for by the Dioceses, so the whole of your donation and Gift Aid comes to St Martin's.

Further details are found at

https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/ and https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/frequently-asked-questions/

To set up a donation, you can

- use the website here https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/ enter the code 230623065 and then pledge your gift via link at the bottom of the page;
- call the telephone service on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am 5pm. You may need the reference 230623065 for St Martin-in-the-Fields, London.

Payroll Giving

If your Employer has a payroll giving scheme, (usually through Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) or the Charities Trust), you can set up a regular donation. Most larger employers do offer this.

Key points

• These are taken directly from your pay by your employer when you are paid.

- These amounts are tax free and from your gross pay, and so the PCC will receive that figure rather than your take home amount. You do still pay the National Insurance contribution.
- Some employers also offer matched funding for payroll giving too. If your employer does, this is an excellent option.
- The supplier does take a fee for processing your donation (4% of your donation for CAF or 25p for the Charities Trust)
- More details should be available from your employer's HR department or Intranet.

On rare occasions, an organisation does not allow payroll giving to religious organisations – but it should be possible to give to the St Martin-in-the-Fields Trust, which would be able to ensure your regular gift was sent to the PCC. Please contact us if that is the case.

Standing Order

You can give to St Martin's by a regular donation from your bank account. Key points

- You can set this up, using the details below.
- Donations are at the frequency you desire weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually. Monthly is ideal for St Martin's to enable us to plan.
- If you are a UK taxpayer, please complete a Gift Aid declaration to enable St Martin's to claim back the tax that you have paid on this amount. It's at no cost to you.
- Higher-rate taxpayers get further relief when they make donations via Gift Aid declare the Gift Aid donations in your self-assessment return.
- St Martin's handles the Gift Aid claim.

The account details are

Account NameSt Martin-in-the-Fields PCCSort code604005Account number31120504ReferenceYour Christian name and SurnameUsing your Christian name and surname as the reference

Using your Christian name and surname as the reference enables us to identify the amounts in order to process a Gift Aid claim.

Confidentiality

The details of gifts from individuals will need to be seen by a small number of people, in order that Gift Aid can be processed and other administrative tasks performed. Other than Allison in Finance, not everyone will see details of every gift.

This is limited to

- Worship Coordinator, currently Sian Conway
- Finance Manager, currently Allison Polius
- Churchwarden, currently Jeff Claxton
- PCC Treasurer, currently Ros Scott

Legacies

Please contact Sally Hitchiner, Associate Vicar for Ministry, or Jeff Claxton, Churchwarden, or Ros Scott, PCC Treasurer, to discuss how you might leave a legacy to St Martin's in your Will.

Contact Details

Please send an email via the Sian Conway (clergy.office@smitf.org) or speak to Sally, Jeff or Ros at a service.

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