

Financial Support

We believe that a vital part of belonging is helping to 'pay the bills'. Making a regular financial contribution to the work of the local church is not only biblical but a very practical way of standing shoulder to shoulder with the whole church and demonstrating your commitment and support.

Where does the money go?

The work of St Saviour's, clergy and staff salaries and property, are financed entirely from the contributions of its members. Additional income is raised through the commercial letting of our facilities to local charities, businesses and the public sector which helps pay for the upkeep of these facilities. A full financial report, audited accounts and annual budget is made available at the Annual Church Meeting. The PCC scrutinise and authorise expenditure throughout the year.

Additional offerings are sometimes raised in the event of urgent or essential repairs. These are taken in addition to regular giving. Visitors to the church are under no obligation to give, but if you consider St Saviour's to be your church we strongly encourage you to consider supporting us financially.

How can you give?

- Bank Standing Order [Standing Order Form]. Please return to the Treasurer c/o the St Saviour's Church Office.
- One-off gift cheque or CAF voucher (made out to St Saviour's Church)
- Bank Transfer please use your name as the reference so we can identify the gift as coming from you for Gift Aid reclaim

Church Bank Account Number: 43054568 and Sort Code: 30-66-76

- Debit or Credit card payments directly through your bank, using your [Reference]
- Payroll Giving Under the terms of your employers 'Give as you earn' scheme;
- Gifts/donations By placing in the weekly offerings taken at Sunday services, or handed into the office.

By far the easiest and most tax-efficient form of giving, helpful for our own budget projections, is to set up a Standing Order or speak to our Treasurer and Finance Lead: Diana Hewlett.

Gift Aid Giving

Good News! Tax recovery:

If you pay UK income tax or capital gains tax read on ...

When you complete and sign a Gift Aid Declaration Form St Saviour's can reclaim from HM Revenue & Customs the tax that you have paid on your gift.

The declaration covers gifts made in any way - standing order, cheque, cash or bank transfer - so long as we know you made the gift. So, for cash gifts you need to put them in an envelope with your name on. For bank transfers put your name as the reference.

Please notify the church if you:

- 1. Want to cancel this declaration.
- 2. Change your name or home address.
- 3. No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If so you must cancel or reduce your Declaration. If you don't you will become liable for the tax inappropriately recovered by the Church and HMRC may seek to recover the difference directly from you (not the Church or other charity).

If you pay income tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue & Customs to adjust your tax code.

Joint forms for couples are invalid. Each partner must complete a separate form.

Questions and confidential information or advice about giving to St Saviour's - please speak contact the Treasurer and Finance Lead: Diana Hewlett.

Gift Aid Declaration

Please return to the Treasurer, St Saviour's Church, St Saviour's Crescent, Luton, LU1 5HG

St Saviour's is a registered charity – Registration Number: 231829

You can boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate. Gift Aid can be reclaimed by the church from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK tax payer. By completing this form you confirm that you have or will pay an amount of Income and/or Captial Gains tax for each tax year that is equal to the amount of gift aid claimed on all your donations and understand that it is your responsibility to pay any difference.

I would like to gift aid my donations as below to St. Saviour's Church, Luton: (please tick one box only \square): П All gifts of money that I have made in the past 4 years and all future gifts of money that I make from the date of this declaration. All gifts of money that I make today and in the future. This enclosed gift of £_____ONLY. Please complete in BLOCK capitals: Title First Name Surname Email Address Post Code Signature Date

Notes on Gift Aid Gift Aid is only applicable to UK taxpayers

You must notify the charities you support if you: - want to cancel your declaration, - change your name or home address - no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

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If you are unsure whether your giving qualifies for Gift Aid tax relief, please contact your local tax office for advice and ask for leaflet IR65.