

# Church of St George the Martyr – Pledge



I \_\_\_\_\_ (full name) promise to make a regular contribution to the work and mission of St George's Church of £\_\_\_\_\_ each week/month/quarter/year\* starting on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

I would like to make my gift by:

- Direct Debit via the Parish Giving Scheme (see the separate leaflet) – our preferred approach
- standing order from my bank using the Banker's Order below
- regular offering envelopes
- cheque made payable to St George's PCC

I understand that this offering may be changed at any time by giving notice to the Planned Giving Secretary.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / 2020

## GIFT AID DECLARATION

### Parochial Church Council of St George the Martyr

Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts of money made from the date of this declaration and in the past four years to the Parochial Church Council of St George the Martyr, Newbury.

*I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities (including churches) and Community Amateur Sports Clubs that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand St. George's Church will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.*

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / 2020

## BANKER'S ORDER

To the Manager \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay to: St. George's Church at Metro Bank plc, 64-65 Northbrook Street, Newbury, RG14 1AE,

Account Number 31992257, Sort Code 23-05-80, the sum of

£\_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_ figures) (\_\_\_\_\_ words)

commencing on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020 and on the same day each year/quarter/month\* until further notice.

\*This order cancels the existing Bankers Order to the above P.C.C. for £\_\_\_\_\_ next payable on \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / 2020

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

My Account Name: \_\_\_\_\_ My Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

My Bank Sort Code: \_\_\_\_\_ \* delete as applicable

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, marked "PLEDGE" TO  
THE CHURCH OFFICE, SIMON POOK or to a CHURCHWARDEN  
THANK YOU

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## Gift Aid

*Do you pay Income Tax, or Capital Gains Tax?*

*Do you support God's mission through our Church's ministries?*

*Do you want our Church to recover an additional 25 pence for every one pound you give?*

If you have answered 'Yes' to all these questions you can make your gifts using the Gift Aid scheme.

### What do I need to do?

All that you need to do is to sign and date the Declaration and fill in your **full name, address and postcode in block capitals**. This enables HM Revenue & Customs to identify you as the donor.

If you pay higher rate tax, you need to keep a record of the dates and sums of all gifts under the Gift Aid scheme and include them in your next Self Assessment tax return.

### Is the information kept confidential?

You do not need to disclose details of your income or tax affairs; these remain your private affair. Once signed, our church keeps the declaration. We are then able to recover tax on your gifts, at no extra cost to you.

### How can I make my gifts?

1. You can use the attached Banker's Order to help us administer your offering more efficiently.
2. You can give cash by asking for a supply of envelopes which carry a unique number. Only the person who makes the tax claims on behalf of our Church needs to know which number corresponds to each donor. The envelopes can be dated for each Sunday and provide a firm link between Giving and Worship.
3. You can give using a cheque on your personal bank account and place this in one of the white offering envelopes.

### Gift Aid Notes

- Please notify our Church, via the Planned Giving Secretary, if you change your name or address whilst the Gift Aid Declaration is still in force.
- You can cancel the Declaration at any time by notifying our Church, via the Planned Giving Secretary. We will then cease recovering tax from HM Revenue & Customs via the Gift Aid scheme.
- You must pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in any one tax year at least equal to the tax that our PCC (*and other charities you support*) recover on your *cumulative* gifts in the same tax year (currently 25 pence for each £1.00 you give)

### Higher Rate taxpayers

- If you pay Higher Rate tax as a donor you can claim back the difference between your Higher Rate of tax and the Basic Rate of tax: for instance, on a gift of £100:  
*at 40 per cent marginal tax rate, you can claim back 20 per cent of your gross donation = £25.00*
- To reclaim via Self Assessment tax return, use either the larger form **SA100** or the shorter version **SA200**; both are available online or as paper versions. If you don't use Self Assessment, you can contact your local tax office and reclaim the tax from your gift using the **P810** form.

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NB. Whether you pay Basic Rate or Higher Rate tax you can ask for Gift Aid donations to be treated as being paid in the previous tax year if you paid enough tax that year to cover both any Gift Aid gifts you made that year and the ones you want to backdate. See: [www.hmrc.gov.uk/individuals/giving/gift-aid.htm](http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/individuals/giving/gift-aid.htm)

**The Parish Giving Scheme** is a more efficient way, administratively, for you to give regularly to St. George's than a Banker's Order or offering envelopes, and is our preferred approach. Please read carefully the leaflet "An Introduction to the Parish Giving Scheme". If you are willing to use this approach, please complete the Direct Debit form and follow the instructions in that leaflet. For further information, please contact the Planned Giving Secretary:

Simon Pook (Tel: 01635 30599 – e-mail: [planned.giving@st-george-newbury.org](mailto:planned.giving@st-george-newbury.org))

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