Our Duty and our Joy

Christian Giving and Stewardship

St Marylebone Parish Church
If you were to ask anyone who comes through the doors of St Marylebone why they come, you would get a huge variety of answers.

Some people come to be inspired by the beautiful building or to be transported by wonderful music and worship; others enjoy meeting with friends and finding a sense of community; for others, to access an outstanding education in one of our two schools or to educate and challenge themselves through preaching, Bible study and prayer.

Many people come to support those in need or find comfort themselves. Most of us, at different times in our lives, might give several of those answers but we are all, whatever our needs, part of God's family here in central London.

One of the wonderful things about being part of that family is knowing that God longs to involve each of us in the work of the Holy Spirit by living lives of love, selflessness and service here on earth, following Jesus' example. By giving our precious time, talents and money we are responding to what God has given us.
WHAT WILL MY GIVING SUPPORT

It costs about £4,500 every day just to keep the parish church open as a place of worship and as a centre of community life.

Your giving supports:

» Our Worship and our Music
» Our work with people living with dementia and loneliness, bereavement, trauma and homelessness.
» The stipends to our three clergy (£27,100.00 in 2020)

» Paying our musicians, buildings team, administrators, youth worker and the rest of the team at St Marylebone
» Funding the Healing and Counselling Centre, unique in offering long-term support for people coping with mental and spiritual challenges whether or not they can afford to pay.
» Supporting young people through our two schools
» Maintaining and caring for a hugely expensive Grade 1-listed building.

HOW CAN I MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Just like any household, we can only spend what we raise ourselves. We are applying for grants to support our work, but all charities want to see that the congregation is contributing as much as it can too. It is perhaps difficult to see what a difference each of us can make. But you can make a huge difference.

St Marylebone needs you to make a regular financial commitment. Committed giving in a ‘planned’ way helps us budget and achieve great things together for God. It ensures that St Marylebone benefits from your generosity even when you are not able to join us for worship on a Sunday.
MAKING YOUR GIFT

All that we have comes from God and it is our committed, regular giving which enables the work of the parish church to be sustained and flourish. Many Christians give 10% of their gross income to the Church as a response to God’s generosity to them.

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Please think carefully about how you can support St Marylebone.

Will you join the planned giving scheme, or can you help by increasing what you already give? Simply fill out the Standing Order form and send it back to us.

Please ‘Gift Aid’ what you give if you are a UK tax payer, which increases your gift by 25% at no cost to you.

Thank you for making a real difference. Your generosity and support will go a long way to securing the future of St Marylebone Parish Church.
Our individual giving, as a member of the St Marylebone family, makes a real difference to sustaining the work of our parish church – not just on Sundays, but every day of the year.

“You should each give, then, as you have decided, not with regret or out of a sense of duty; for God loves the one who gives gladly.”

2 Corinthians 9:7
If you have any questions about how to give, or anything related to helping St Marylebone flourish, please get in touch.

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