

Please bring this completed form on November 18th or 25th.

Personal Details

Please complete your details in block capitals:

Title Forename Surname.....

Address
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..... Postcode

Daytime telephone

Email.....

St Andrew's Church Gift Aid Declaration

I would like St Andrew's Church to treat all donations I have made to the Nexus project and all future donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift Aid donations.

Date Signed

Notes

You can cancel the declaration at any time by notifying the church office.

You must pay an amount of UK income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that St Andrew's claims on your Gift Aid donations in the tax year. If your circumstances change and you no longer pay this amount of tax, please notify the church office. Please also inform us if your name or address change.



A new community space
at St Andrew's Church

Pledge
Pack



We have an exciting vision to take our church into the future, developing our building to enable St Andrew's to be God's transforming presence at the heart of the community.

Our aim is to create greater accessibility throughout the week, provide urgent improvements to our existing facilities and extra meeting space for a wide number of groups. The kitchen will be extended and upgraded, the offices will be relocated to the front of the church to enable easy access for the community and a coffee bar will provide a community meeting place in the larger lounge area. We will have a new room for youth work and other groups to use. There will be a new room for children's ministry and for community groups throughout the week. We will provide a building that will be a legacy for the next generation, equipping the church to fulfil our vision and calling.

Working with our architects, we have developed a design proposal to wrap a predominantly single storey extension around the church building, along with putting a small mezzanine level in the lounge area.

The purpose of this Pledge Pack is to ask you to prayerfully consider how you are going to respond to this challenge. You will see that there are several ways that you can give to the project. This gives us an opportunity to develop a faith community that

runs counter to the spirit of the age and shows the love and power of our God. I want to ask you to take this pack away with you and to pray over your response, based on the knowledge that you have about the project and the needs of the church. We want to grow and develop, not just to meet current needs but the future vision for St Andrew's Church.

There is so much we have to be thankful for in this community that we serve and through this project we have the chance to demonstrate the love of God both here and through the support we will be giving to the Church Planting initiative with St Mary and St George in Sands and Castlefield. We will be giving away £50,000 to support the Church Plant capital costs, to provide things such as improved PA, screens, signage, hospitality and a toilet, as part of this giving campaign.

We will need to give generously and sacrificially, but you will be amazed at how much you can do over three or more years. You will be even more amazed at what God can do when he finds a heart that wants to be generous.

Please come to the Sunday services on November 18th and 25th prepared to give your completed Pledge Pack so that we can move to the next stage of the church building project.

"Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in vain." Psalm 127:1

Yours

Simon Dust

My pledge to the Nexus project

Lump sum gifts

I/we would like to donate £..... by (date)

I/we would like to donate £..... by (date)

I/we would like to donate £..... by (date)

Regular gift

I/we would like to donate the sum of £ per year/month/ quarter/week (delete as applicable) for years

Please complete the Gift Aid form if you pay tax

Other

- I would like to leave a legacy to the church
- I would like to get involved with fundraising towards the project
- I would like someone from the church to contact me regarding my giving options

Please add any further notes relevant to your giving pledge below

Send this completed form to your bank.

Banker's Standing Order

To the Manager..... Bank

Address.....

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..... Postcode

Please pay to the account of St Andrew's Church at The Co-op
P.O Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT
Sort code 08-92-99 Account No. 65031292

the sum of £ (figures)

..... (words)

on the day of 20..... and on the same day each
succeeding month/quarter/year until further notice and debit my

account number: sort code: / /

Title, your name and initials (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss)

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Signed Date

Account Name

Address.....

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..... Postcode

What will it cost?

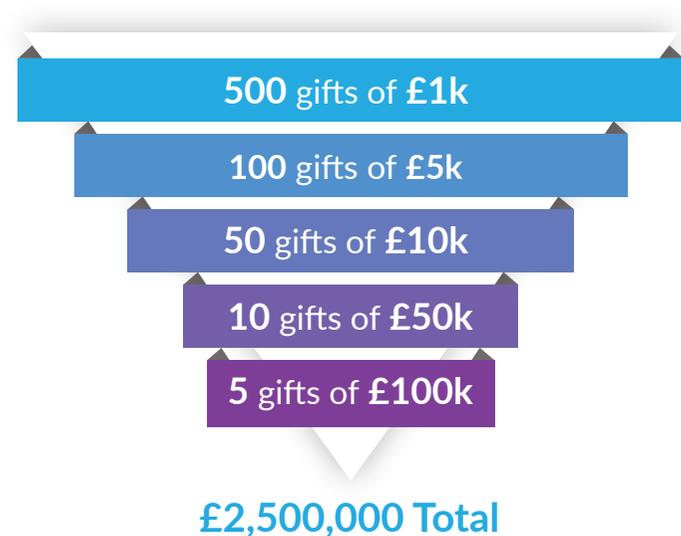
The estimated cost for the new building is £2.5m. This will take faith, courage, generosity and sacrifice. This is a long-term investment to bless future generations just as past generations made sacrifices to bless us.

Donations may be given in many forms including one-off gifts or pledges over a number of years. All opportunities for receiving grants from other bodies and trusts are being examined by a fundraising team. In reality however, only about

10% of the target is likely to come from these sources. We will also be contacting local companies and alumni and making the local community aware of the project. It may be that your company will support a charity that a staff member is fundraising for.

One-off gifts and pledges are expected to be the biggest source of funds for the project. The pyramid below shows the number and size of gifts that could be required to meet the target.

Example of how the funding could be achieved:



Impact of gift aid

As long as you pay income tax or capital gains tax, donating through Gift Aid means St Andrew's can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give as it is a charity. It won't cost you any extra. All you need to do is fill in one simple form included in this pack. The amount of tax you pay must be equal to or more than St Andrew's claim in Gift Aid on your donation in any tax year.

If the total cost was met from gift aided giving, the government would have contributed £500,000 to the building cost!

The impact for higher rate tax payers is even greater. If you donate £1000 St Andrew's will claim Gift Aid to

make your donation £1,250. As you pay 40% tax you can personally claim back £250 (£1,250 x 20%) by including it on your tax return. So a gift worth £1,250 to St Andrew's would only cost you £750. You will need to do this by including your gross donations on your tax return.

How your gift can grow

If you are not able to make a one-off gift, please pray and consider how you may be able to make a regular donation out of your income. The project is likely to be completed within three years. Below is an illustration of how a regular donation can grow and with Gift Aid can contribute significantly to the project.

	Amount	1 year	2 years	3 years	Total inc. gift aid
WEEKLY	£5	£260	£520	£780	£975
	£10	£520	£1040	£1,560	£1,950
	£25	£1,300	£2,600	£3,900	£4,875
MONTHLY	£25	£300	£600	£900	£1,125
	£100	£1,200	£2,400	£3,600	£4,500
	£250	£3000	£6000	£9000	£11,250

Other ways to give

You may already have a Charities Aid Foundation, Stewardship Services or similar giving scheme set up.

Alternatively, your employer may run a payroll giving scheme.

If you own your own company you can make a charitable gift through the company.

Funds may also be given via a Trust, Legacy or a gift of property or shares.

What should I do next?

TAKE STOCK and think carefully about your finances. It would be helpful to review your income and expenditure to assess your current situation.

PLAN AHEAD and consider all the options and possibilities open to you. We identified a number of ways that we believe people may be able to give. Choose those that you believe God is leading you to and read the information in the Pledge Pack on how to give. More than that though, think about the different ways you can give beyond financial giving; through prayer and through supporting fundraising efforts.

PRAY that God will speak to you and lead you as you consider the next steps. Those with joint accounts may find it best to set a time when they can come together to discuss what they believe God is saying. Be prepared to listen to Him and be open to His challenge to you. Don't pledge or give out of fear or guilt. God loves a cheerful giver who wants us to give out of love and commitment to Him.

Please bring the completed pages on the last page of this pack and send the Standing Order form to your bank.

