

ProVISION 20/20

Dear Friend

Thank you for all that you do and give to support the life and ministry of our church. It is a privilege to be in gospel partnership with you seeing lives transformed by the love of Jesus. These last few years have been incredibly encouraging as we have seen TRINITY born and the many anticipated opportunities become real. Although we have much still to achieve, the size and breadth of our ministry is amazing and humbling.

As you know, we want to consolidate and build the life of our church by creating a new permanent post of Associate Vicar; and we would like initially to appoint Jules to this role, beginning 1st Jan 2020 subject to funding. Jules is nearing the end of her curacy which is a training post entirely paid for by the diocese. The costs of an Associate Vicar will need to be met by us. The desire to appoint Jules has the whole-hearted support of the leadership, PCC and Diocese.

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A NEW POST OF ASSOCIATE VICAR

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The cost of an Associate Vicar is £46k every year (including 10% which we will give to our Mission Partners) - this equates to under £2 a week for every Electoral Roll member.

Since we have been broadly running with a balanced budget, we are praying that this recurring cost will be met through a corresponding increase in our church family's regular planned giving. The encouraging growth of TRINITY has been built on the goodness of God and the vision and faithfulness of its membership. Your generosity has meant that we have been able to fund a flourishing and fruitful ministry in an increasingly tough and secular culture. This is no small feat and we are so grateful to God for your support. Joyful, generous and sacrificial giving, as a response to God's overwhelming love, is part of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

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EVERY MEMBER GIVING SOMETHING

We rejoice that about 2/3 of our membership / households regularly give to support our ministry. We would dearly like every member / household to be giving *something* in a regular planned way.

Therefore, I want to encourage every member or household to support our mission through some form of regular financial giving, ie. the Parish Giving Scheme, Standing Orders, Envelope Scheme or regular one-off gifts.

..... **If you are not giving regularly** then starting to give in this way will express a commitment to our vision (the amount is not as significant as the actual dedication to give). Every contribution is important.

If you are already giving regularly and you are able to increase that amount, *thank you for your prayerful and generous love*. I am very aware that this will not be possible for some and it may be that you will need to keep your giving at the same level or even reduce it. We are immensely grateful for all that God has done, and is doing, through your offering.

RESPONDING TO ProVISION 20/20

We are asking every member of our church to respond to this invitation **by Easter Day** and to give us an indication of how your planned giving may change.

On the strength of all our responses we shall know whether we are able to create this role. Your individual response is therefore crucial.

Thank you for being willing to stand with us as we move into this new phase of our church's life.

Yours in Christ



RESPONSE PLANNED GIVING

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY EASTER DAY ON SUNDAY 21st APRIL

This form is designed to give us a sense of people's intentions, if it does not work for you please feel free to write on it something more personal.

To: Ruth Jayawant, TRINITY Finance Team.

I/We would like to support the next step of TRINITY's ministry and wish to

Increase / maintain / decrease** our giving by

£_____ per week / month / year** to a total of £_____ per week / month / year**

This amount can/cannot** be Gift Aided;

I/we wish to do this through the / Parish Giving Scheme / Standing Order / Envelope Scheme / Other**; and

for it to take effect / immediately / 1st June 2019 / 1st September 2019**.

(A member of the TRINITY Finance Team will contact you with the appropriate forms.)

PRINT NAMES: _____

SIGNED _____

The Parish Giving Scheme is a way of giving to TRINITY by Direct Debit which significantly reduces the amount of administration needed to process our finances and automates Gift Aid claims. This is our Treasury team's much preferred method!

Standing Orders are the more traditional way of regularly giving through a Bank Account but involves significant effort to process and to reclaim Gift Aid.

The Envelope Scheme is for people who prefer to use cash to give and members are given weekly/monthly envelope to deposit their gifts.