Welcome to Issue 12 of Money For Mission. This is our final issue for 2019 and is packed with events and training that you can plan into your new 2020 calendars!

We have really enjoyed working with you all in 2019. Thank you to all who have attended our training sessions and to those parishes who have embraced the Parish Giving Scheme.

Have a very Happy Christmas one and all!

Parish Buying Newsletter

65% of all parishes are already signed up to Parish Buying, which means 35% are missing out! Joining Parish Buying gives you access to a wide range of discounts and special offers and the E-news is the
News From the Finance Team

2020 Parochial Fees Forms
You should have recently received the new Parochial Fees rates for 2020 issued by the National Church. Please take care to use the correct year's forms depending on the year of the date of service. Guidelines on filling out fees forms can be viewed on the Diocesan Website.

2019 Share Payments
Can you please ensure that your 2019 share payments reach us (e.g. money in the DBF bank account or cheque received in the office) by Wednesday 8th January 2020 in order to be shown on your account for 2019. If you have any queries, please contact the Finance Team finance@leeds.anglican.org Thank you.

Diocesan Budget
A poster of the Diocesan Budget and how Parish Share is spent was sent out with the Parish Share requests in October. A download of that poster is available here.

Annual Reporting and Statistical Returns
As we approach the end of the year, we turn towards planning for the annual cycle of reporting, both statutory and statistical.

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News From the Stewardship and Income Generation Team

Parish Giving Scheme Launch Events
We are delighted to report that we now have 101 Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) donors who have joined the PGS as part of our pilot phase. The PGS pilot phase continues until December 2019 preceding the official PGS launch across the Diocese during January 2020.

Five special PGS launch events are planned for January and you can now book your free place at one of the events by clicking on the place name of the launch events listed below:

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Thursday 23rd January  St Peter’s Shipley  1.30pm - 4pm

Training Highlights

We are planning to be really busy over the spring term, delivering our existing popular sessions on Making a Plan for Fundraising and Applying for Grants, as well as two brand new sessions on Digital Fundraising and Fundraising for Major Projects.

**We are delighted to welcome former Diocesan Stewardship Adviser Uell Kennedy to speak about Generosity and Giving on 8th January**

**Gift Aid expert Andrew Burgess from ACAT will be joining us on 23rd January and training for new treasurers is available in York on 25th January**

And as you can see, we are travelling widely around the Diocese and offering more sessions in the evenings. Please sign up by following the links on [Eventbrite](#).

*Please join us if you can!*

Generosity and Giving

Former Stewardship Officer at the Diocese, Uell Kennedy, will be at Church House on Wednesday 8th January talking about Generosity and Giving. Uell helped hundreds of churches in his time here and we can’t wait to listen to his expert advice on ways to encourage generosity in church.

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The Association of Church Accountants and Treasurers

Join the experts to talk money matters.

The Diocese have block membership of ACAT and the session on 23rd Jan is provided at Church House for no charge. The session on 25th Jan in York will cost £50 but is highly recommended for new treasurers.
Making a Plan for Fundraising in Your Church

This popular hands-on session aims to show you how you can use your own historic parish income data to develop your own church fundraising action plan. Practical ideas that are tried and tested as well as new and innovative ways to raise income will be discussed.

Also includes an hour-long session on the Parish Giving Scheme. Suitable for all clergy, church leaders, treasurers and anyone with fundraising responsibility.

Thursday 30th January     
Skipton                  
1-4.30pm

Thursday 13th February    
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6-9pm

Tuesday 18th February     
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6-9pm

Thursday 5th March        
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Tuesday 7th April         
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6-9pm

Applying for Grants

Thinking of applying for a grant for your church project and don't know where to start? Keep getting grant rejections? Then this session is for you! We will show you where to look to find your perfect funding partner and how to write a successful bid.

This session is suitable for anyone with responsibility for applying for funding in their church.

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Digital Fundraising

Do you want to know about digital fundraising and how it is transforming giving to charity? Are you baffled, bewildered and befuddled by all the digital fundraising choices for your church? Then this session is for you! We will show you many different digital fundraising options, some of which cost absolutely nothing to set up, as well as some more ambitious ideas.

Also includes an hour-long session on the Parish Giving Scheme.

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Fundraising for Major Projects

Are you planning a big project and need to write a compelling case statement and do you need help structuring a fundraising strategy to get all the money together?

A good case statement is crucial for the whole fundraising team. It ensures everyone keeps ‘on message’ and engages the support of donors and funders. Planning how to raise the funds also needs careful thought. Join us to find out how to write a case that makes people sit up and take notice and to plan for success in reaching your fundraising target.

Also includes an hour-long session on the Parish Giving Scheme.

This session is suitable for fundraising teams who are about to embark on a major building project.

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This will be an informal opportunity to discuss the issues that affect you.

We have printed materials that we can give you on most topics but please come with a laptop or tablet and we can show you where to find more information online.

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Legacies and Giving in Memory

Legacy Marketing Tip
We are all busy this month and legacies probably won’t be something you are talking about. Therefore, I have uploaded the CofE legacy poster that you can print and display on your notice-boards in seconds!

Giving in Memory
It’s the season when the Nation’s hospices hold Light up a Life events which give people opportunities to remember loved ones. Events include:

- putting lights or name ribbons and tags on trees
- recording names in books of remembrance
- pledging monetary gifts online
- lighting candles in church
- holding praise, candlelight or carol services

The events often encourages people to give a donation for something tangible or for an experience in return. (note that Gift Aid cannot be claimed in these cases).

But why do people chose to give gifts this way? Research suggests people are motivated by some or all of the factors below and giving gifts and celebrating a life helps the grief process.

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Plenty of churches use candles all year round to receive gifts in memory but others make a special effort at Christmas. We love reading about everything on the E-news
and social media and if you would like to see your event in January’s Money For Mission, then get in touch.

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