

Stroud Deanery Financial Update – February 2025

Deanery Parish Share 2024



Thank
You

Stroud Deanery contributed £577,348 towards the payment of our stipendiary clergy. So thank you! This amount, however, is just over £20,000 less than last year and a lot less than, as a Deanery, we should be contributing to maintain our present level of clergy.

Parish Share reports can be found on the Gloucester Diocese website by using the link below and clicking on the Stroud Deanery Report.

www.gloucester.anglican.org/parish-resources/parish-finance-gift-aid-legal-advice/parish-share/

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Well done to all those Parishes who have contributed amounts towards their 2025 Parish Share. It might be that when the few missing Parishes tell us of their commitment, we may be very nearly able to maintain last year's amount, even if this is less than the budget the Finance Team at Gloucester have set. I'm sure we are all aware of the steps we are collectively trying to take to increase the fortunes of our Parishes; both financially and with the new initiatives we hear about. Important meetings between each Benefice will shortly be taking place to discuss the new Parish Share model, setting important benchmarks for the 2026 Parish Share allocation.

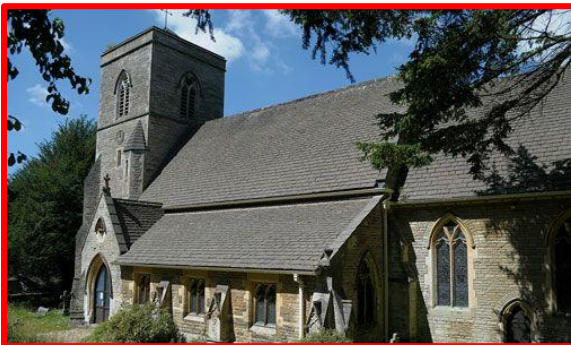


Deanery Administration Function



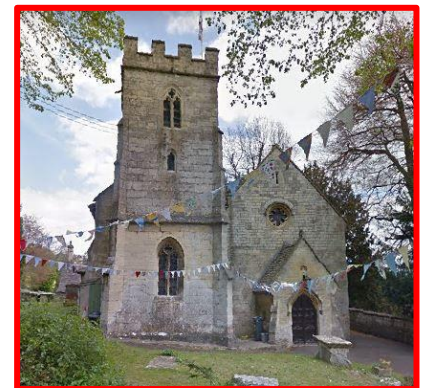
Thank you to all the parishes that have contributed to the Deanery Administration Function for 2024. Sally continues to keep us all up-to-date with items of concern and interest. And a big "Thank you" to Sally!

The method by which the Deanery Admin function is financed is by agreement at Deanery Synod in February using a percentage of each Parishes' Parish Share committed for that year. This method was agreed at a previous Deanery Synod meeting. With the expected commitment from Deanery Parishes for their Parish Share 2025, I recommend that 1.65% of each committed 2025 Parish Share is contributed towards the Deanery Administration Function.



I hope you guessed correctly that the church on the left this is St Michael and All Angels, Bussage.

Now for your next challenge - the picture on the right - where is it?



Mike Lambert – February 2025

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