

Stroud Deanery Financial Update – October 2024

Deanery Parish Share 2024



Thank you to all Parishes that have confirmed commitments towards the 2024 Deanery Parish Share total of £578,053. This is slightly higher than reported in May and we know, where possible, some parishes may be able to give more when finances for the year become clearer. We do value our stipendiary clergy and this is one way we can support them in their busy lives.

At the time of writing, the latest Diocesan report for the first seven months of 2024 shows that the actual amount of Parish Share contributed to date is £310,511 – that's 54% of the amount committed by Parishes for this year. Almost on target! However, not as much as the Diocese requested overall from this Deanery.

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/

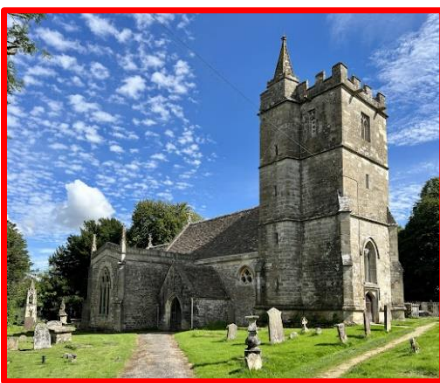
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The expected new calculations for allocating Parish Share for the whole Diocese has been delayed until 2026 due to further changes following consultation with Parishes. For 2025 the Diocese have used the 2022 requested amount and increased this figure by nearly 16%. Deaneries were asked to hold Treasurers meetings to discuss this and commit to an amount for 2025.

We held this Deanery's meeting on Monday 7th October. We had a great attendance of Treasurers supported by our clergy. Frank discussions on the state of Parishes finances were held in response to the Diocesan request for financing our clergy for next year. Obviously, we do not want to lose any of them and their valuable ministry in our communities. PCC meetings will be held in the weeks to come to discuss each parishes Parish Share commitment for 2025.

Deanery Administration Function

Thank you to all the parishes that have contributed so far to the Deanery Administration Function for 2024. Sally continues to keep us all up-to-date with items of concern and interest. Thank you Sally! We are politely reminding the few parishes who have yet to contribute for this year!



I hope you guessed correctly that the church on the left this is St John the Baptist at Kingscote.

Now for your next challenge - the picture on the right – where is it? I wonder if you have been here!



Mike Lambert – October 2024

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