

Giving Programmes

It is good practice to link the launch of the Parish Giving Scheme, in a parish, with a giving programme

RECOMMENDED PROGRAMMES



Giving in Grace (from the Diocese of Liverpool)

(www.givinginGrace.org)

- Flexible web resource
- Breadth of resources (sermons, youth, bible studies, prayer resources)
- Good link with vision through case statement

The full programme can be followed or resources can be downloaded to resource other stewardship initiatives



A parish Funding Programme (Developed nationally)

(<http://www.parishresources.org.uk/giving/pfp/>)

The programme has, at its heart, the discernment and communication of God's vision and purpose for the Parish, together with any planned initiatives. This forms the basis for assessing future funding needs and the required increase in planned giving.



A Simple Giving Programme for Smaller Churches (Developed nationally) (<http://www.parishresources.org.uk/sgp/>)

- This is designed for smaller or rural/village churches.
- In these churches, a greater percentage of the community are likely to be committed to the church than in other contexts.
- This programme encourages the church to consider whether it should approach the fringe/wider community, and also whether to hold a presentation event to communicate the financial needs of the parish

TRIO

The Responsibility Is Ours (from the Diocese of Southwark)

Packs available from the PGS Team at Chelmsford Diocesan

Office (pgs@chelmsford.anglican.org)

- One-off presentation with PowerPoint
- Financially focused, aimed at church members
- Pack gives instructions for before and after



Getting, Giving, Going : A video and home group discussion guide originally developed by CPAS

- Choices around elements to include
- Includes material for youth.

Ron McLernon, Bradwell Area stewardship adviser has moved the video onto a DVD (with permission). He can be contacted at

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COMMON INGREDIENTS TO ANY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMME :

- Clear planning
- Clear Objective - and link to mission - why do we need the money?
- Opportunity for Personal Response
- Prayer
- Teaching on Christian giving is an important element.
- Thank those who respond.

Support

The Area Mission and Ministry advisers can give support for parish giving programmes, and for related issues like Mission Action Planning, identifying God's vision for a parish and its mission

For more information, get in touch with the team at:

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