

## STANDING ORDER FORM

TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
of: \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay St Mildred's PCC, St Mildred's  
Road, Lee, London. SE12 0RA at:

**HSBC (Sort Code 40-04-15)  
85 Lewisham High Street  
LONDON. SE13 6BE**

for the account of:

**Lee St Mildred PCC (No. 51173723)**

the sum of £ \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_

and alike sum on the same day in each  
succeeding *Month / Quarter / Year*

until further notice from me in writing.

### AND DEBIT MY ACCOUNT

Number \_\_\_\_\_

Sort Code \_\_\_\_\_

with each payment made.

*Further, with effect from the above date, this  
Order cancels my/our existing Standing Orders  
in favour of the said Church.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Post Code \_\_\_\_\_

## Charity Gift Aid Declaration – multiple donations

**Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every  
£1 you donate**

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you  
pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed  
to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

**In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick  
the box below:**

- I want to Gift Aid my donation of  
£ \_\_\_\_\_ & any donations I make in the  
future or have made in the past 4 years to:

**Name of Charity:** THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH  
COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF  
ST MILDRED'S, LEE, DIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK

### My Details

Title \_\_\_\_\_

First name or initial(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Full Home address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Please notify the charity if you:

- Want to cancel this declaration.
- Change your name or home address.
- No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate  
and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you,  
you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your  
Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and  
Customs to adjust your tax code.

# Giving

**St Mildred's  
Church**



**GROWING THE  
KINGDOM OF GOD**

## What does the Bible say about giving?

Regular giving to the local church of which we're part is a responsibility of Christian discipleship.

In 2 Corinthians 8:1 – 9:10 we are taught that:

- Christians are expected to give financially.
- We should give because we want to (not because we feel forced to).
- We should give what we can afford. The decision about what this is, is our own personal responsibility before the Lord.
- Giving should primarily be planned (rather than ad hoc or spontaneous).

## Should I give to the local church rather than other charities?

Giving to all serious and well run charities is a good and important thing to do. However, God's people ought to give a substantive part of their giving to the work of growing the kingdom of God, because only God's people give to this work. If we do not support the growth of the kingdom of God, no one will.

Giving to well run and sensible Christian charities is definitely part of this. However, the local church, in which we live out the gospel together within a local community, is paramount to the growth of God's kingdom and should be considered a vital part of our giving.

## Church Vision

St Mildred's is an Anglican evangelical church whose mission statement is:

*The call of God on our lives at St Mildred's is to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ locally and globally in the power of the Holy Spirit.*

See [www.stmildreds.org.uk](http://www.stmildreds.org.uk) for more information.

## Church Expenditure

Our running costs as a church amount to around £140,000 per year. These costs include the upkeep of our buildings, the costs of running ministries together with the various administrative and staffing costs. In addition we are required to make substantial payments to Southwark Diocese which cover clergy costs as well as the expenditures of the diocese.

Apart from some very minor items we are completely dependent on the voluntary and sacrificial giving of the congregation to finance all of the expenditure of the church.

## Further information & where to return forms

If you would like further information, please contact either our Treasurer (Paul Nicolson; 020 83026541) or our Giving Secretary (Chris Coutts; 020 86988495).

Please send Standing Order forms to your bank.  
Please send Gift Aid forms to:

Chris Coutts  
21 Arran Road,  
Catford, London. SE6 2LT

## How can I give?

- **BANKER'S STANDING ORDER** This method is very convenient both for the church and for you. If you have a current account, a standing order (which can only be altered or cancelled by your instruction) tells your bank/building society to pay to the church a regular amount. To use this method, please complete the form overleaf.
- **SMOS ENVELOPE** This uses numbered and dated envelopes to help you to give cash or cheques, weekly or monthly. We will record your giving and can then tell you your total at the end of the year. The numbers avoid the use of names and only the Treasurer and giving secretary will know the information of who the giver is.
- **OCCASIONAL PAYMENTS** We do not have a collection during services, but there is a plate at the back of church for giving by cash or cheque. If you wish us to claim Gift Aid on your donation please include a note with your name and address and we will send you a form. You can also give by bank transfer directly to our bank account the details of which are overleaf and, again, please let us know if you wish us to claim Gift Aid on your donation.

## How can I give tax efficiently?

The government allows us to reclaim the tax you have paid on your donations. You can only claim this if you pay tax and we cannot reclaim more from the HMRC than you have paid in any one year. Please fill in the details overleaf.