

ST ANNE'S CHURCH, COPP

GIVING SUNDAY

22nd May 2022

We are extremely blessed to have people who give regularly and generously to the work of the church and we'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your faithful support.

However, just like everywhere else, the cost of running the church continues to rise so it is important for us to regularly review our financial situation.

The PCC has undertaken such a review and have determined that our income is not sufficient to pay all our regular commitments.

We were looking at a shortfall of around £8000 for this year, however, the Diocese have generously given us a special one-off allowance of £6000 but we still need to find the difference for this year whilst laying the foundations for next year.

So, we have decided to have a special "Giving Sunday" next week to allow people to make a one-off gift to the church to help us meet our commitments.

Also, we are asking you to review your current giving to see that it is still appropriate.

There will be much more information in a special presentation and summary of our accounts next week. Special envelopes for gifts will be available.

If you would like any more information about regular giving, please speak to the Vicar or the Churchwardens.

Next Sunday we have our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and it is also our Giving Sunday where we thank God for the generous gifts that the church receives and have the opportunity to make a special gift to help us maintain and keep the church available for our community.

It is also an opportunity to review your current giving.

Our total income for 2021 was

£43,000 of which **£24,200**

came from regular giving

Our total outgoings for 2021

were **£44,250**

WHAT CAN I DO?

- Pray for the church and its finances
- Consider making a special gift next Sunday
- Review your regular giving and, if it is affordable, consider increasing it
- If you are a taxpayer and do not currently gift-aid your giving, please consider doing so.
- Come to the APCM next week