



# Gift Week

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# Thank you for your generosity

Everything that we are able to do as a church is only possible by the generosity of those that love, give, serve and pray in our community. So, thank you!

**Why not spend some time and thank God for the Saints down the ages who believed that if they sowed in to the ministry and mission, they would see God do amazing things.**

Thank you to those in this church family who believe the same, and have given sacrificially to see God's Kingdom ushered in and extended, lives restored and real help extended to those in need.

Our vision can be summed up as **joining with God in the renewal of all things and practicing the way of Jesus in the community.**

This vision directs how we spend our money, make decisions, give of our skills and gifting and use our time.



# 2023 Financial Snapshot

## GENERAL FUND

All Saints mission and ministry is funded primarily through the generosity of its community. This funding enables both our existence together as family, and what we do in Worcester and beyond.

It's not been a surprise to the PCC to see our income and giving drop somewhat over the last 2 to 3 years. This was expected and all churches have had all sorts of challenges on this front. We are acutely aware of the current cost of living crisis into which we are making this appeal, and yet believe that costly, sacrificial giving is part of the call of God.

**2023 was designated as a fundraising year by the PCC.**  
The goal of £80,000 for the general fund was made up of 2 parts:

- **To increase regular (planned) giving by £30k each year** in order to continue our work as a resourcing church, including staff members, as the funding tails off at the end of 2025
- **To raise £50k** through fundraising and One-off gifts to (a) finish the reordering and commissioning of St Helen's and (b) pay for urgent and upcoming repairs to the All Saints building on Deansway

**So far £25,500 has been raised**

What follows is a simple breakdown of income vs. expenditure, the opportunity to give that we are presented with and the various ways in which we can all sow in to what God is doing and will do through us.

### A NOTE ABOUT FOODBANK

Foodbank has been blessed by finding new volunteers and financial partners from within the church and particularly beyond. Foodbank is meeting the challenge of growing hunger through its wonderful staff and the administrative support of the Trussell Trust. The restricted funds for Foodbank are healthy.

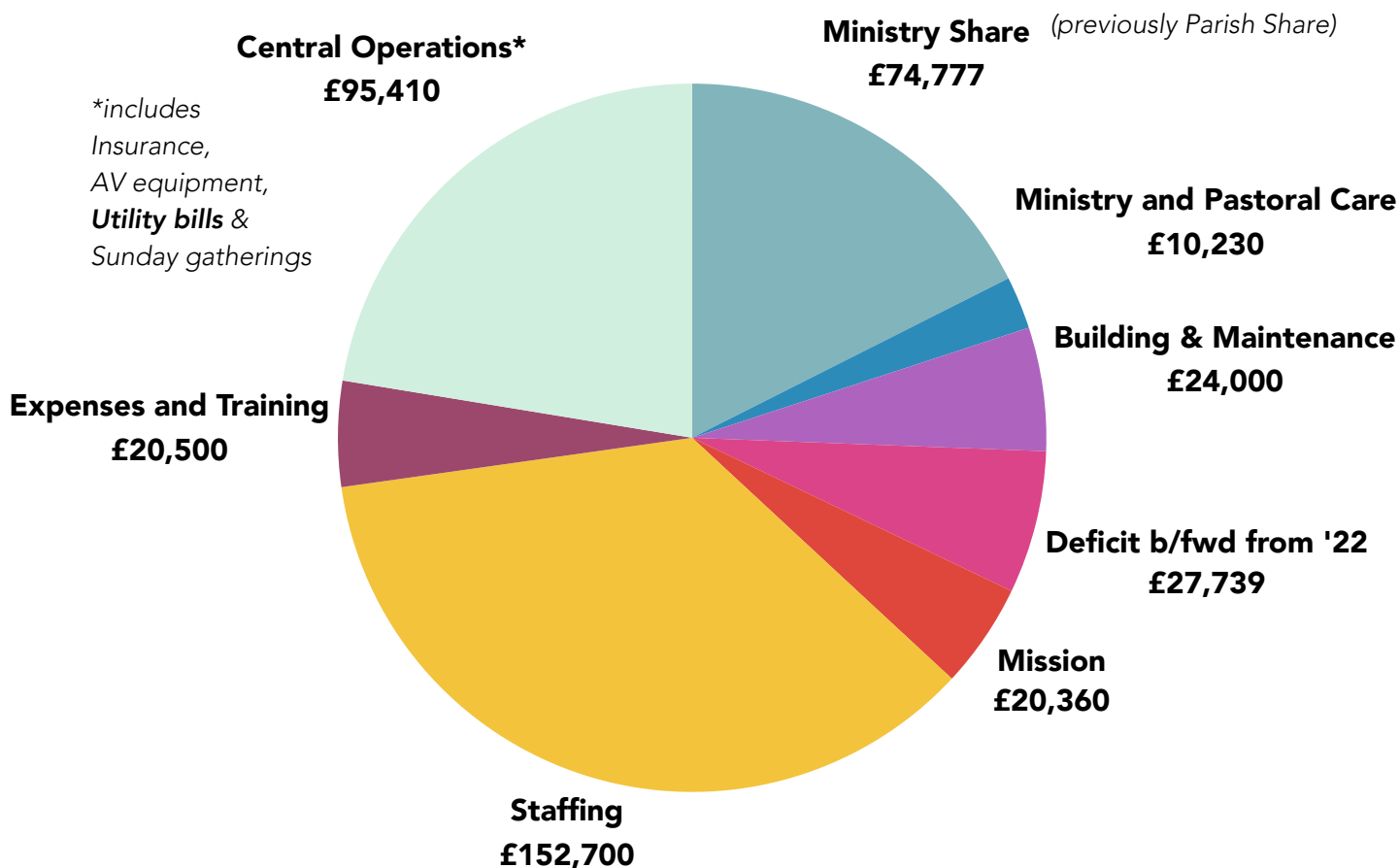
The conversation in this booklet is around the **All Saints General Fund**, which finances and enables other ministry and mission of our church.

# 2023 Financial Snapshot

Our **estimated expenditure** for 2023 is **£425,716**

This includes the cost of **MINISTRY ACTIVITY, PASTORAL CARE** and **MISSION**, alongside the cost of running and maintaining our buildings.

## *Estimated* **EXPENDITURE** **£425,716** (including deficit from 2022)



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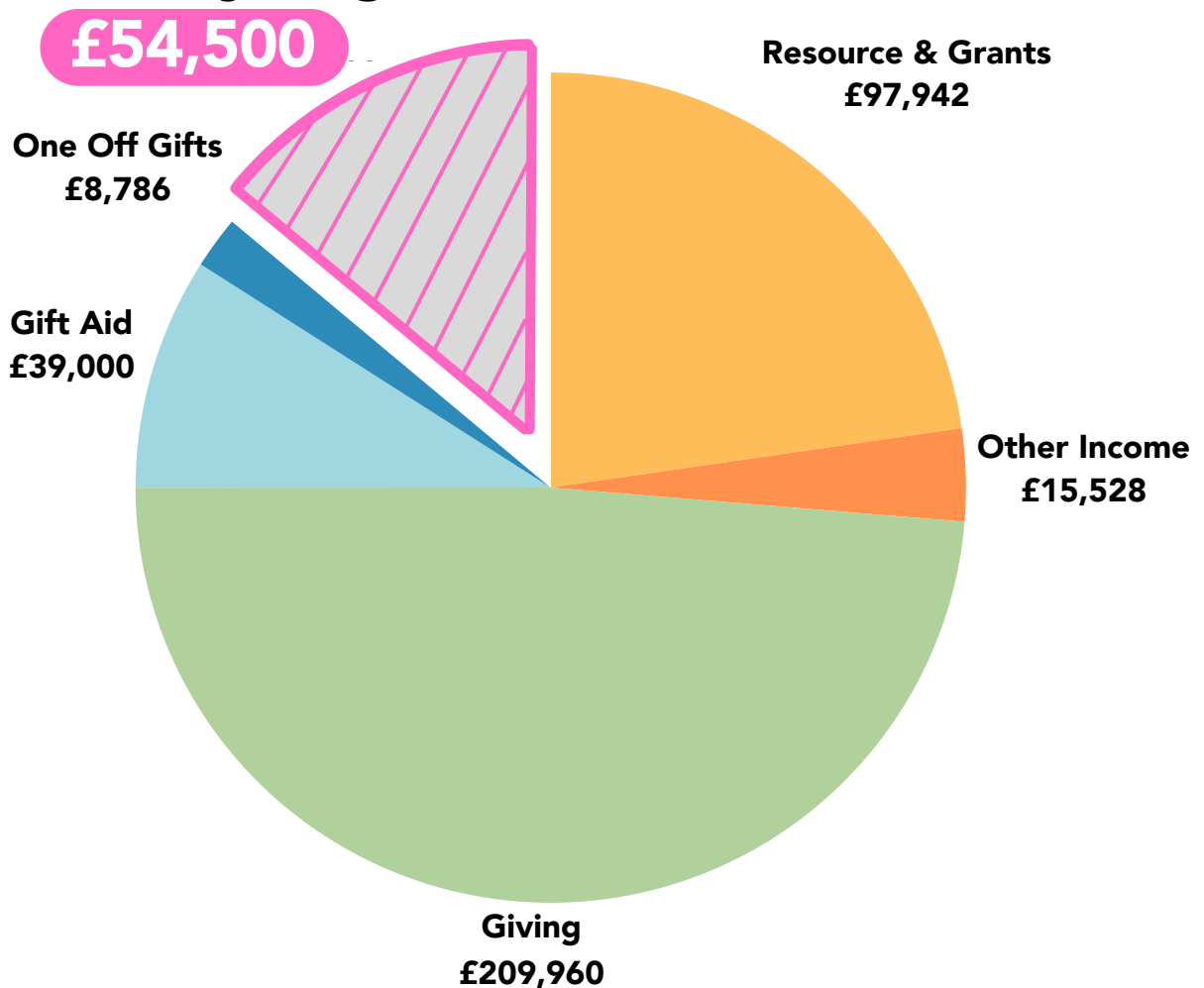


# 2023 Financial Snapshot

Our estimated income for 2023 is **£371,216**

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**INCOME**  
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## Opportunity to give



**GIVING TARGET: £54,500**

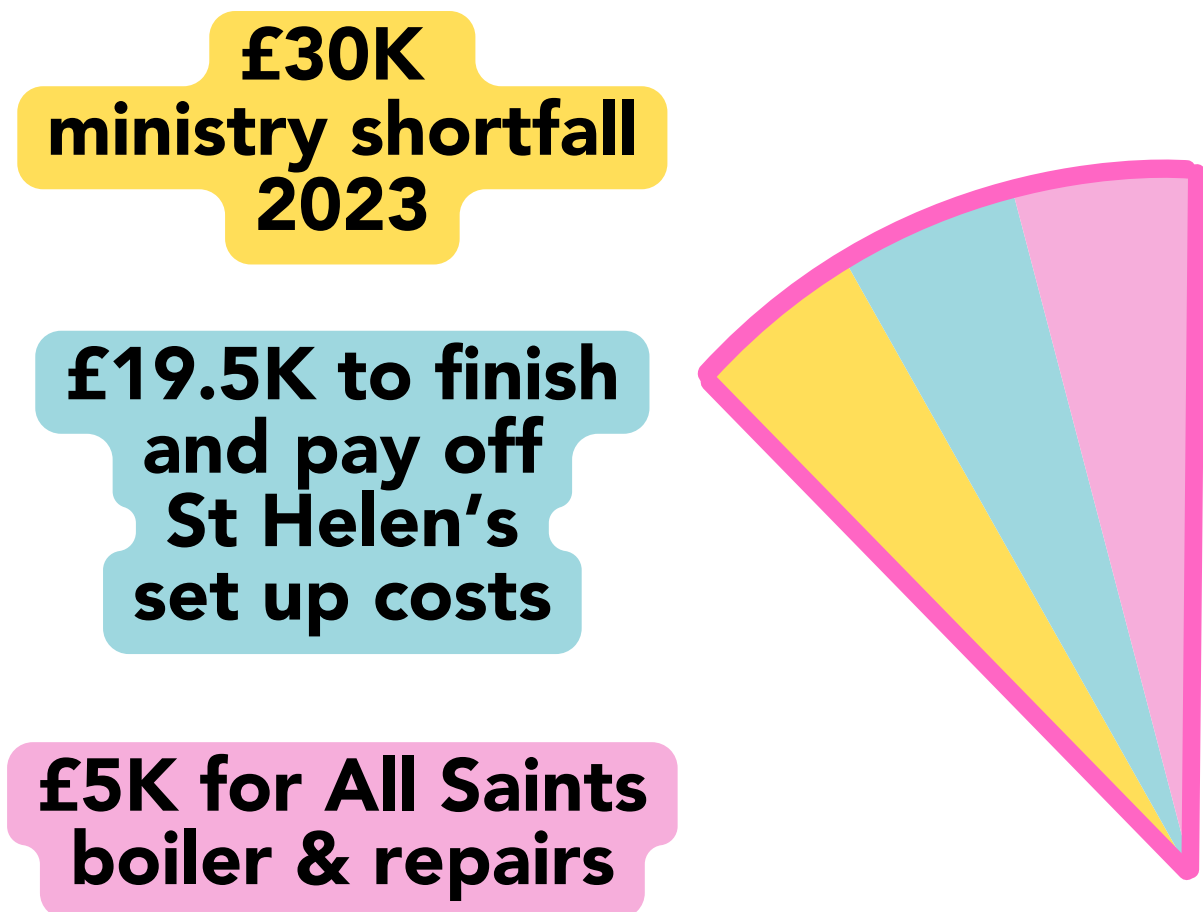
The gap between our estimated expenditure and income leaves us with a **GIVING TARGET** of **£54,500** to prevent us continuing to work at a deficit.

# Breaking it down...

So, that's the big slice of the pie that's missing, how is it broken down?

This slice of pie helps us to fulfil the vision of reaching our wonderful city with the good news of Jesus and begin to take up the tailing off of the resourcing church grant.

It also will help us continue caring for those who are in need, enable ongoing activities to flourish and release new ministry, we need to raise **£54,500**.



**Opportunity to give**

**£54,500**

**It looks daunting but together we can do it!**

# So what can we do about it together?

We currently have a target of £54,500 to get us started  
This will help us end 2023 with healthier All Saints family finances

Next year, we will need to continue building on this as we look to sow today so that we might reap tomorrow. This will help us continue our vision to join with God in with the renewal of all things.

The average take home pay for a full time UK worker is about £2,260 a month. If they were to sacrificially give say 10% of this to church, that would be £226 per month.

If we had **12 new givers giving £226 per month, that would raise £32,500!**

Over our target of increasing regular giving by **£30,000**, with Gift Aid, that amount would increase to **£40,625**

All Saints Church has around 430 people connected in some sort of way that we know of! **Average weekly attendance is around 230 at the 10am and the 6pm combined with children and young people.** We want to invite all who belong and attend All Saints to be contributors not consumers. To participate through praying regularly, serving in some way and in monthly giving. It really helps in order to budget, plan and then live out the vision together. Another way of putting it is that everyone is invited to **Pray, Play and Pay**

Currently All Saints sees annual giving of £209,000. This is the equivalent of 100 households giving the average gift of £174.16 per month

For example, if we had 200 households giving an average £226 per month. That would be an annual income of £542,400. With gift aid this would see an annual income of over £723,200. **Just imagine what could be done with that, how we could invest in our city, communities and people coming to know Jesus and growing the Kingdom!**

Giving financially to our local church is a biblical expression of our commitment to one another and this open-handed way is a substantial part of the radical lifestyle that Jesus invites us into.

# Regular Giving

**TARGET: £30,000**

If there were just **9 new** regular givers giving **£226 + Gift Aid** a month we would raise **£30,510**

If there were **16** new givers who gave on average **£125 + Gift Aid** a month we would raise **£30,000**

If **200** people gave **£5 + Gift Aid** a month it would raise an additional **£15,000**

If **100** of our existing givers increased their giving by just **£25** per month we would raise **£30,000**  
(with Gift Aid that would be **£37,500**)



**That's about one takeaway coffee and a supermarket sandwich a week!**



## Gift Aid

By completing a Gift Aid form, you are increasing the potential of your giving by 25%. Over £30,000 of Planned Giving in 2023 was not Gift Aided giving, potentially missing out on valuable opportunities.

**If you are or become a regular giver, or prefer to give in one off/ad-hoc, as your finances permit, please complete a Gift Aid declaration if you are eligible.**

This enables us to reclaim 25p in every £1 that you donate.

You can pick one up at the giving station or complete the digital one on the giving page on our website.



# One-off gifts

TARGET: **£24,500**


If **100** of our regular givers gave an **additional £250** one-off gift, we would raise the **£24,500** for St Helen's Commissioning and All Saints Buildings **+£500!**

If **100 existing regular givers** gave a **£200** one-off gift and **20 new regular givers** gave a **£150** one-off gift that would leave just **£1,500** left to raise from a non-regular giver or fundraising event!

**or...**

  
1 person - £24,500

  
4 people - £6,125 each

  
16 people - £1,531.25p each

  
64 people - £382.81p each

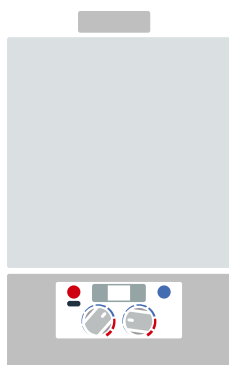
  
128 people - £191.41p each

# One-off gift ideas



£75 buys = £1.54p a week  
a comfy chair in giving

1 mug +  
drink for a  
warm = £2  
welcome

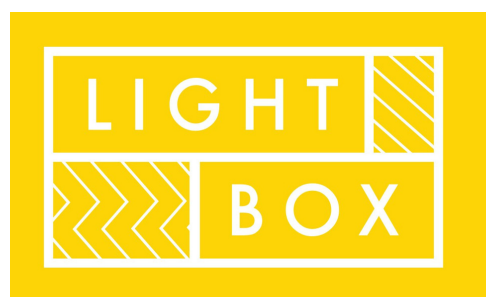


1 hour of  
heating a = £6 on average  
church building



= £1

Fund a Hot Chocolate Mountain at a **LIGHTBOX** drop in to help a young person belong, play their part, be known, loved and seen



# What an opportunity we have!

These sacrificial investments **grow** in to huge Kingdom **opportunities and impact** for people. Just like the parable of the mustard seed that grows in to a tree and gives shade to the birds, what we sow in faith today can become a great resource so that we and others might reap tomorrow.

Whether it's feeding people through Foodbank, Lightbox Youth drop-in is funded, children are nurtured and disciplined, parents and tots cared for, men and women are built up. We want to continue the vision of seeing people come to experience and encounter Jesus for themselves.

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