



PGS Registration process during COVID-19

For Registered Parishes

New Givers

New givers can still complete a paper PGS Gift Form (if they have already received one from their PCC) and post it to the PGS team for processing. Please ensure the most up to date Gift form is used with the new PGS address: (76 Kingsholm Road, Gloucester. GL1 3BD).

A PDF version of the PGS Gift Form is available where parishes do not wish to distribute paper forms. The form can be emailed to potential givers for them to print out at home. The form must be printed out, completed in full and signed – then returned to PGS by post. Scanned forms sent via email won't be accepted. The form doesn't have to be printed in colour, but the printing must be legible. A copy of the form is available from your Diocesan PGS representative on request.

Dedicated Telephone Service from PGS

April 2020 saw the PGS team launch a new, dedicated telephone service designed to enable prospective givers to set up a regular Direct Debit gift over the phone. Donors simply call the number below where they can speak to member of the PGS team to sign up to give to their local church. The call takes around 10 minutes.

- PGS dedicated telephone number is 0333 002 1271
- Lines are open Monday to Friday, between 9 – 5pm.
- You will need to have your bank account details, church/parish name and PGS parish code to hand (available from the PGS representative for your parish).
- You will be able to Gift Aid your donation, if eligible, and you will also be given the option to increase your giving annually, in line with inflation.

For more information on how this service works visit <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/how-it-works/>

New – Online Service

New givers can now sign up to make regular gifts to your parish via the Parish Giving Scheme website in just three steps. Donors will need to visit the web page www.parishgiving.org.uk and find your church, either searching via your PGS code or location.

Please be mindful that potential givers may prefer to use the traditional paper based gift form rather than the telephone service or online service.

Recent Registrations

For parishes that have recently registered for the PGS and who are in the planning stages of a giving programme to coincide with their PGS launch we advise that church leaders and PCC members start donating through the PGS by using the latest services, by telephone or online (see above). This will allow PCC members to practise using the scheme in preparation for a wider launch to the congregation. Parishes can then look to launch to the congregation with their giving programme as part of community worship as and when congregations gather together.



For Parishes considering Registration

Simply email or post a copy of your completed PGS registration form with a copy of a PCC bank 'paying in slip' to PGS@durham.anglican.org or

PGS Representative
Diocese of Durham
Cuthbert House
Stonebridge
DURHAM
DH1 3RY

Please note that during the pandemic, Parish representatives do not need to provide signatures on the PGS Registration form for all parish office holders, but instead officer holders can declare their consent via email to PGS@durham.anglican.org

All PGS Registration form details are verified by the Diocese before being emailed to the PGS team for processing. As soon as parish registrations have been processed, your Diocesan Representation will be in touch to discuss the resources available to you.

Where can I get more information?

Contact your Diocesan PGS representative for more information at PGS@durham.anglican.org or visit the Diocese website www.durhamdiocese.org or www.parishgiving.org.uk