

Please notify the Treasurer if you:

- Want to cancel this declaration. It will then not apply to donations you make on or after the date of cancellation or such later date as you specify.
- 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.

HMRC requires that all payments made are in a verifiable form i.e. Standing Order, Direct Debit, Cheque, Envelopes, or are receipted

**Please return this form to our Parish Treasurer, c/o St Andrew's Church, Huntington Road, Huntington, York YO32 9PX.  
Email: [treasurer@huntingtonparish.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@huntingtonparish.org.uk)**

Please contact our Treasurer if you have any further questions about Gift Aid or planned / regular giving.

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## More Questions

### *What if I pay income tax at the higher rate?*

The church can only reclaim tax back at the basic rate. But you can claim back the difference between the higher rate and the basic rate on your Self-Assessment return, or via the P810 Tax Review form from your Tax Office. You might like to take this into account when working out your level of giving.

### *I don't pay tax, but my spouse does.*

#### *Can I still use Gift Aid?*

No. Only a tax payer can use the scheme. The best thing is for your spouse to complete a Declaration.

#### *Can I count tax other than income tax when giving under Gift Aid?*

Yes. Capital gains tax, tax credits on dividend income, and tax deducted from bank and building society interest (provided you have not reclaimed it) can all be used to cover the tax on your gifts. But not VAT or Council tax.

### *What if I receive Tax Credits?*

It is in your interest to ensure that you disclose your Gift Aid donations when you make your claim for Tax Credits every year. It is likely that your Tax Credits will be increased because you make Gift Aid donations. You should do this by completing form TC825, available from the HMRC website.

### *Suppose I move church?*

You can cancel your Declaration at your old church, and complete a new one at the new.



# Gift Aid Your Giving

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## Thank You!

Thank you for asking about Gift Aid. Making your giving tax efficient through Gift Aid helps our church to be financially stable and gives us the resources we need for our ministry and mission here in Huntington.

Gift Aid is a generous government scheme which allows churches and charities to reclaim the tax that you have paid on your giving. The government wants to give this money because they know the positive and good work that churches and charities do in our society. So how does it work?

For every £10 you give to your local church, Gift Aid will provide another £2.50 from the tax you have already paid.

### *Want to Sign Up?*

If you are a taxpayer, all you need to do is to sign a Gift Aid declaration just once. Our Treasurer claims back that £2.50 tax and now your £10 has become £12.50 at no extra cost or effort to you! It all adds up and each year our church receives some £20,000 in Gift Aid reclaim from the taxman, courtesy of the government.

All you have to do is make sure that you have paid or will pay at least as much tax as all the charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) reclaim on your giving each tax year.

## Your Questions

### *What is a Gift Aid Declaration?*

The declaration is the church's authority to reclaim tax from HMRC on your donations. By giving the declaration, you are confirming that you understand this.

### *How do I pay under Gift Aid?*

Whichever is most convenient for you — weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually — by envelope, by cheque, by Standing Order, by Direct Debit, or receipted cash, as long as the payment is recorded.

### *Won't everyone know how much I give?*

No. A confidential recording system ensures only the Treasurer and the immediate helpers know how much you give.

### *What if my circumstances change, and I can't maintain the level of my giving?*

As long as you have paid or will pay at least as much tax that all the charities and CASCs reclaim on your giving in any one tax year, you can just alter your giving.

### *What if I stop paying enough tax?*

You can cancel your Declaration at any time. The cancellation will take effect from the date you let the church know.

## Gift Aid Declaration

### Details of Donor

Title ..... Forename .....

Surname .....

Full Home Address.....

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..... Postcode .....

Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts of money made

- from the date of this declaration
- in the past 4 years
- Just this donation

Please tick all the boxes you wish to apply.

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. Gift Aid is linked to basic rate tax, currently 20%, which allows the church to reclaim 25p for every £1 that I give.

Signed..... Date.....