

*“Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you and of your own do we give you. Amen.”*

and

*“Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have given us dominion over all things. Receive the fruits of our labour offered in love; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”*

(Anglican Prayer Book page 116)

These are the words prayed over our offerings every Sunday, and remind us that everything we have is a gift from God.



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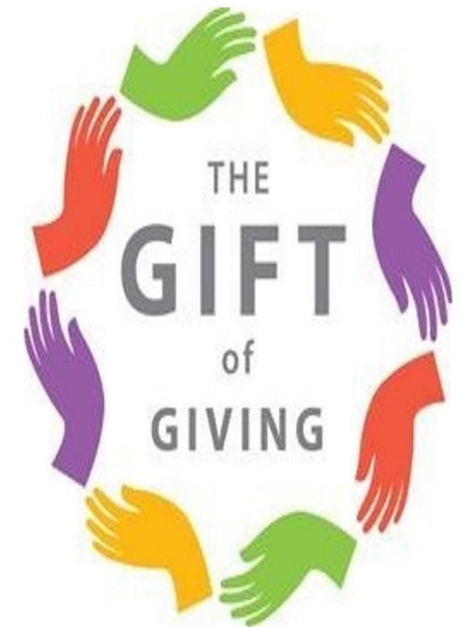
1. **The Lord Jesus expects and requires us to give.** Jesus said to His disciples, “when you give” not “if you give”. Matt 6:2
2. **The Lord Jesus wants us to give for the right reasons.** Jesus warned His disciples not to give for the sake of being admired by others. Matt 6:1
3. **The Lord Jesus wants us to practice benevolent or charitable giving.** Jesus said, “when you give to the poor...” Matt 6:2,3
4. **The Lord Jesus reminds us that our giving is ultimately to the all-seeing heavenly Father.** Jesus said, “when you give ... you Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you.” Matt 6:3-4
5. **The Bible teaches us that Christian giving is an act of worship.** “On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save.” 1 Cor 16:2
6. **The Bible teaches that Christian giving should be done in light of the incarnation.** “For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.” 2 Cor 8:9
7. **The Bible teaches that Christian giving should be done in accordance with our means.** “For if the readiness is present, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have.” 2 Cor 8:12
8. **The Bible teaches that the liberality of God’s blessings to us is connected to the liberality of our Christian giving.** “Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.” 2 Cor 9:7
9. **The Bible teaches that Christian giving must be willing giving, free giving.** “Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion.” 2 Cor 9:7
10. The Bible teaches that Christian giving ought to be cheerful giving. As Paul says “God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Cor 9:7

With grateful thanks for all that you will be offering and lovingly give.

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November 2023

ALL SOULS’ ANGLICAN CHURCH,  
NORTHMEAD



Dedication Sunday  
26<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### **What is Dedicated Giving?**

We are called to be stewards of what the Lord has entrusted to us. If God is the Lord of our life, then He should be Lord of our pocket, possessions, time and talents as well.

The Anglican Catechism encourages every Anglican to "consider the claims of tithing". Perhaps not 10% for everyone, but giving a fixed percentage ensures that as our situation changes, so our giving does too. In addition to giving a portion of one's income to the Parish, it is also important to consider the way in which we handle the rest of our money and possessions.

### **How does this Parish spend its income?**

The income is used to pay the Diocesan assessment, stipendiary clergy, staff costs, municipal costs and maintaining the Church property. The remaining income is used to assist people in need and fund the many social outreach projects in which the parish participates. The parish tithes its DG income to Buyani House.

### **What is the Diocesan Assessment?**

The Parish of Northmead, All Souls, is part of the Highveld Diocese. All Parishes pay an annual Diocesan Assessment based on the parish's income.

The Diocese uses this income to run the Diocese, to pay the clergy stipend in parishes which cannot afford to support their own priest, to support the Bishop and the administrative staff of the Diocese, to promote the development of the Anglican Church within the area covered by the Diocese, and to establish and run various community-based programs.

### **When do I commit to Dedicated Giving?**

Dedicated Giving Sunday is the Sunday when each parishioner is given the opportunity to pledge to give a specified amount to the Church each month. And Parishioners are also invited to pledge their time and talents in one or more of the various ministries within the Parish. This is a pledge for a year at a time, and each year we can pledge anew.

### **How do I become involved in Dedicated Giving?**

Please complete the adjacent form, put it in the envelope provided, and bring it to Church.

You may deposit your money directly into the All Souls Church current account with:-

**Standard Bank, Benoni**  
**Branch No:- 01-30-42**  
**Account No:- 02 097 4507**

You will receive a confidential DG number which you may use in place of your name as a reference to preserve confidentiality.

Alternatively the Parish Office will provide specially marked envelopes into which the pledged amounts may be placed. You may then place these envelopes in the collection bag during the services at Church.

When parishioners pledge a specific amount of money, it enables the Parish Council to work out a budget for the Parish, and enables the Parish to be a good steward of the money it receives from Parishioners.

Please refer any queries regarding Dedicated Giving to:-  
Trevor Ingram                      083 647 0566  
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## **My / Our offering in the service of Christ the King**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone / Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I / We wish to pledge R \_\_\_\_\_ per month

I am currently using \_\_\_\_\_ as my DG number".

Please tick the appropriate block:-

I / We will make payment by:-

Direct transfer                      [    ]

Stop order / Debt order            [    ]

Monthly Cash / Cheque            [    ]  
(envelopes will be provided)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_