## Annual Giving at St Mark's 14 May 2023 to 30 June 2023 Aiming to raise £30,000

On the weekend of 14 May, to coincide with our APCM, we launched our Annual Gift Day with donations being welcomed until the end of June.

This is an opportunity for you to make a one-off donation to the ongoing work of St Mark's and to the running and maintenance costs of the church and hall buildings. Every year we rely on this additional income to cover expenditure and this year we are aiming to raise around £30,000 including Gift Aid.

In 2022 our church income was £205,000 with expenditure of £219,000. Income from planned giving, collections and other donations represented 45% of total income, with rental income 21%, lettings 13% and other activities 9%. Gift Day donations totalled over £25,000 making up the final 12%.

Expenditure in 2023 is expected to be in excess of £240,000 with significant costs being incurred on the decoration and floors of the hall and foyer areas together with work already carried out on the Church belfry installing netting to the louvre arches to protect from pigeons.

Savings have been made in energy costs following the installation of solar panels last year and other green initiatives, but overall our costs are increasing and it has been some years since we have undergone decoration work.

We appreciate that household expenses are rising, and that this is a difficult time for many of you, but please consider making a donation if you feel you are able to.

Thank you, Mel Crighton, PCC Treasurer

## Donations can be made in a number of ways

By **bank transfer** to the following HSBC account Name of Account - SAINT MARK, REIGATE (please select 'paying a business) Sort Code 40 18 22 Account Number 72393263 (With 'Gift Day' as the reference)

Via our website <a href="https://www.stmarksreigate.co.uk/donate/">https://www.stmarksreigate.co.uk/donate/</a> Using 'Give A Little'

By **cheque** made payable to 'Saint Mark Reigate' in an envelope addressed to the treasurer and either brought to a Sunday service, handed in to the church office or posted to *Mel Crighton, PCC Treasurer, St Mark's Church, 8 Alma Road, Reigate, RH2 0DA* 

If you are able to Gift Aid your donation the church will receive an additional 25%. If we do not already have a gift aid declaration from you please complete this form.