Summer Gift Day: 31 July 2022

Many thanks to all those who send cheques or give via internet banking, in lieu of money that would normally be put on the collection plate at services. **Thank you** also to all who give in church. It is much appreciated.

You can also give via a **Direct Debit each** week or month or by Internet Banking, all of which we encourage. All these are convenient, regular, quick and safe ways to give, from your own home.



The account to send donations to is called:

'St. Peter's Parish Church Expenses Fund'. Sort: 60-12-03 A/C: 66609739 Please add your name as the message, so we know who is donating what!

Gift Day this summer is on 31 July 2022 the Eve of Lammas Day, the ancient medieval 'Harvest Festival'.

Our Annual 'Share' Allocation, this year, set by the Deanery of Jersey is £39,000.

This is half the amount of £78,000 per annum, which is the *starting point* in the Share Allocation process for each of the twelve Ancient Parish Churches in 2022 in the Deanery. At the date of writing this 24 June 2022, we have so far given £8750 towards our 'Share' for 2022. It means that **by the end of the year, we need to find the remaining £30,250**. This money needs to be raised by us as a congregation: it cannot be given by the civil Parish: this is the same in all Church of England Parishes in Jersey. We hope that all with give generously.

If you give to the Gift Day via Internet Banking, please message it with, 'Gift Day' and add your name.

The Church Officers at a previous meeting, decided, that like several other churches on the island, we will have *two* **Gift Days each year**, the next after *this summer* gift day will be **Advent Sunday**.

We are not receiving anything like the amount needed to pay our way at the moment, so **things continue to be financially difficult.**

'Cash flow' is so important, not only because of our monthly contribution to the Deanery of Jersey, but also because of the other bills which still have to be paid each month, as is the case in any organization.

I hope you will take this matter to heart and act upon it. God bless,

Father Michael