



5<sup>TH</sup> / 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

# OUR MOST HOLY REDEEMER & ST THOMAS MORE CHELSEA

## Please reflect upon the following:

- \* How am I using my time, talents and treasure to glorify God and benefit my parish community?
- \* Does my financial contribution to the parish reconcile my means with its needs?
- \* Do I give regularly, using weekly envelopes or (preferably) by standing order?
- \* Do I give efficiently, using Gift Aid if I pay UK tax, to ensure that my parish gets the most out of my contributions?

## Next week you will be able to:

- Sign up to Gift Aid your donations if you pay UK tax.
- Make your offering by Standing Order.
- Review & renew the amount you currently give.

However you decide to help, we are grateful.

If you have any questions, please ask a volunteer after Mass or contact:

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## OUR PARISH OUR RESPONSIBILITY

“Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.”  
- 1 Peter 4:10

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## Our Parish of Our Most Holy Redeemer & St Thomas More

has a rich history as the spiritual centre in the lives of many. As Stewards responsible for the gifts received from God, we must look after our beautiful church & pass it on to future generations in excellent condition.



### Like any household, our parish has to:

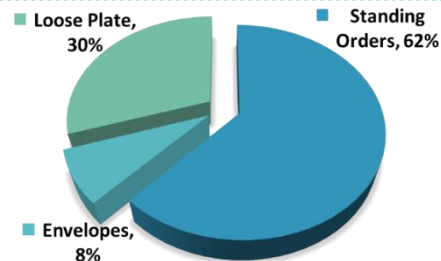
- Cover day-to-day running costs.
- Pay for building costs & repairs.
- Support Parish Programmes and Projects.
- Save a proportion of our income for emergency repairs & future projects.

### How we operated in 2018 – numbers rounded to nearest 100.

Offertries		Expenditure	
Envelopes	£15,000	Parish Ministry*	£18,500
Offertries Standing Orders	£109,900	Heat, Light, Water, Council Tax & Insurance	£15,900
Offertries Loose Plate	£52,300	Contribution to the Diocese	£53,800
Tax Refunds	£21,700	Parish administration	£49,600
General Donations & Fund Raising, Specific donations	£14,800	Donations & grants	£18,000
Christmas/Easter Offerings, Stipends, Fees	£16,100	Liturgical Expenses	£14,000
Repository, paper & candles	£5,800	Repository, papers & candles	£7,700
Other Income	£2,300	Other expenses	£2,700
		Property repairs and renewals	£26,400
		Purchase of Fixed Assets	£11,100
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£237,900</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>£217,700</b>
<b>(£) Savings 2018:</b>	<b>£20,200</b>	<b>(£) Savings 2018:</b>	<b>8%</b>

\*Includes travel expenses, clergy stipends, supply priests, deanery expenses

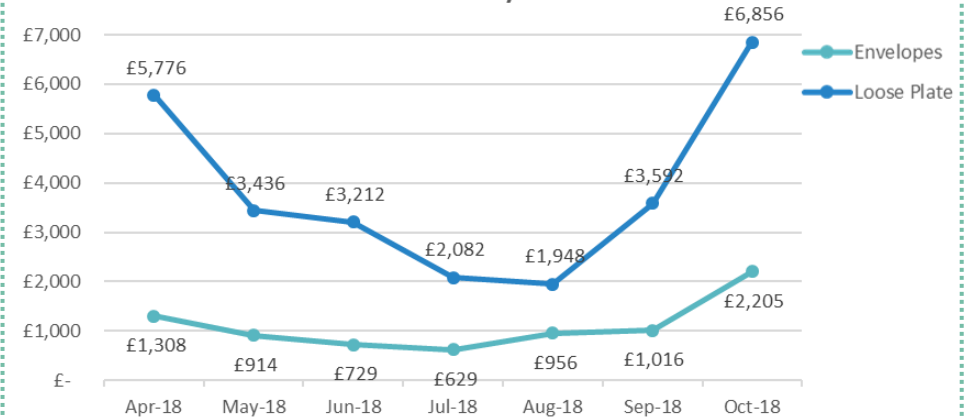
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## But did you know that...

**Cash and envelope giving drop significantly during holiday months even though our running costs continue.**

### Summer 2018 Offertory Movement



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**Standing orders provide essential regular income to the parish and do not drop during the holidays**

**Gift Aid is easy to do, doesn't cost you a penny and helps our parish!**

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- **47% of donations were Gift Aided in 2018** – if all donations were Gift Aided the parish would receive an extra **£24,300** from Gift Aid returns.
- Last year, 149 (12%) out of 1193 parishioners Gift Aided.
- If you pay UK income or capital gains tax please sign up to Gift Aid.
- If you pay tax at the higher rate, you can reclaim tax relief on your gross donation. Please contact us if you need further information.

**Gift Aid allows us to receive an extra 25p for every £1 you donate!**