



ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

Charitable Giving at St Michael's during the financial year 2021

Giving to charity is a vital part of our mission at St Michael's. Thank you to all who have worked so hard to support our charities and to the many donors amongst the congregation and beyond. 2021 was another very challenging year but the generosity of the St Michael's community ensured that we were able to continue providing financial support to our chosen charities. It is worth noting that some of the charities gained additional income indirectly through their association with St Michael's (see note* below).

During our financial year **January to December 2021**, we raised the following sums of money for good causes via the blue envelopes, contactless giving, direct donations and online. Figures include Gift Aid** where applicable.

1. A total of **£15,657** (2019: £17,130) was shared between our three chosen charities The Upper Room, WaterHarvest* and West London Welcome*. This included:
 - a. The Lent Appeal - **£3,522**
 - b. 25% of the profits from the Bedford Park Festival - **£4,332**
 - c. Church fête tombola (organised by the charities) - **£1,084**
 - d. Charities Sunday - **£630**
 - e. The Advent and Christmas Appeal - **£3,789**

* These charities raised variously a further £6,600 in matched funding as a result of donations from St Michael's.

** Gift Aid claimed amounted to £1,622 and is included in the above figures.

2. Christian Aid Week (envelope collection in church): **£769** (incl. gift aid).
3. Book Festival - **£4,500** for Doorstep Library, InterAct Stroke Support and The Felix Project
4. Common Fund. This is paid by all churches to cover Diocesan costs, including clergy salaries and housing. Some churches try to give over the parish standard cost to help support those parishes with fewer resources who may not be able to pay the full amount. During 2021 we gave **£10,800** above the standard cost.

Charitable Giving in 2021 - Total: **£31,726** (2020: **£29,430**)

When possible, the church continued to support the Ealing Food Bank through donations of food, provided clothing to the Upper Room and at Harvest we had a special collection of food and other items for the Upper Room and St Mary's Convent.