

ST LEONARD'S CHURCH SANDRIDGE

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Sunday 1 June	10.00am	Holy Communion, with burial of Peter Judd's ashes at 11.00am
Tuesday 3 June	10.00am	Midweek Communion
Saturday 7 June	11.00-3.00	Summer Fair in churchyard
Saturday 7 June	11.00-6.00	Flower Festival open: see opposite
Sunday 8 June	Pentecost	
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	12.00-5.00	Flower Festival open: see opposite
	5.00pm	Choral evensong and reception to close the Flower Festival
Tuesday 10 June	10.00am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 15 June	10.00am	Holy Communion
Tuesday 17 June	10.00am	Midweek Communion
Saturday 21 June	10.00-12.00	Craft Church: see page 9
Sunday 22 June	10.00am	Holy Communion
Tuesday 24 June	10.00am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 29 June	10.00am	Holy Communion

JULY DIARY

Tuesday 1 July	10.00am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 6 July	10.00am	Holy Communion
	3.00pm	CTM Songs of Praise with tea
Tuesday 8 July	10.00am	Midweek Communion
Saturday 12 July	10.00-12.00	Craft Church: see page 9

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The church is open daily from 10.00am until at least 3.00pm

Cover photo by Peter Hyde: rapeseed at Hammonds Farm, Sandridge

St. Leonard's Church

Events
of Summer
theme

FLOWER Festival

Saturday 7th June 11am - 6pm

Sunday 8th June 12 - 5pm

● Opening with a performance by the Rock Choir

Summer Fair

Saturday 7th June 11am - 3pm

Refreshments • Entertainment • Quilt and hamper raffles
Facepainting • Activities • Bric a Brac • Tombola • Cakes

Free Entry

St. Leonard's Church, Church End, Sandridge AL4 9DL
www.sandridgechurch.org.uk

2025 St Leonard's Church Stewardship campaign



Dear Friends

On behalf of St Leonard's Church, Sandridge, and the community it serves, we are asking you to consider supporting your church financially. Without the support of congregants, friends and neighbours, your church wouldn't be able to spread God's word, touch the lives of the local community and ensure the maintenance of the beautiful building and grounds. **The cost of keeping the church open is about £1,500 a week.**

St Leonard's is entirely funded by donations and money left to us in wills. We have prepared two leaflets which explain this and how you might be able to help. One is called ***Regular Giving to St Leonard's*** and it explains where we get our money from and what we spend it on, as well as how people can choose to give regularly.

The second leaflet is ***A Lasting Gift to St Leonard's*** and this details the importance of legacy money and how it is spent. Both are available in church, or we can send them to you if you fill in the contact form on our website.

Major projects (such as the Lychgate restoration, new sound system and redecoration of the chancel) are funded by grants or legacy money, but routine maintenance needs to come out of our regular income. Sadly, we have run at a deficit for two years and need to address this urgently,

2025 Stewardship campaign (cont)

so we need to work towards having a more sustainable financial position and predicting our cash flow more accurately.

If 85 people felt able to donate just £5 per month, we would break even.

We appreciate that circumstances can change for people and all our methods of support have the flexibility to make alterations in the future. Our preferred method of regular giving is via the **Parish Giving Scheme**. Donating via PGS means we receive any Gift Aid tax refunds more quickly. It also provides an option to authorise PGS to add inflation each year to your donation. If you are able to do this, it can be done easily by telephoning PGS on **0333 002 1271**, quoting our reference number **320632251**. As with standing orders, it can be cancelled or amended at any time. Alternatively, you may prefer to give a one-off donation, in which case please do contact us directly.

We do hope you will feel able to support us. For the price of a decent cup of coffee or two each month, you can help keep our wonderful ancient church open, allowing it to support people on their life journey by providing baptisms, weddings and funerals, as well as many other events which bring the community together.



The building itself is a treasure, as is the worshipping community that meets there. Your donation could help keep it that way for another 900 years.

Yours in Christ.

*The Revd Wendy Sellers
on behalf of the PCC of
St Leonard's Church,
Samdridge*

See pages 18 & 19 for
the Stewardship leaflets

Bishop Herbert de Losinga and Sandridge church

Regular visitors to St Leonard's will no doubt have noticed the framed history of the church, which hangs above the visitors' book. I was born and brought up in Norwich, where my parish church was the Cathedral, built by Bishop Herbert de Losinga, who – it is believed – consecrated our parish church no later than 1119, the year he died. My sister-in-law mentioned the connection to a fellow Norwich Cathedral guide, who then undertook some research into the connection, so I am grateful to Terry Adkin for much of the following:

The manor of Sandridge was given to St Albans Abbey in 796 by the son of King Offa. The Domesday Book (1087) showed that the manor had 26 villagers, 2 cottagers, 1 slave, 13 plough lands, 10 men's plough teams, woodland, a mill and 300 pigs! There is no record of a church at that time; there may have been an earlier wooden structure that no longer existed.

In about 1010, the three dioceses of Dorchester, Leicester and Lindsey were united to form the new Diocese of Lincoln, which was a vast area, stretching from the Humber to the Thames. The first bishop of this new diocese was Remigius of Fécamp, a monk at the powerful Benedictine monastery in Normandy. When he died in 1092, he was succeeded by Robert Bloet, a married bishop and close counsellor of Henry I. While Bishop Robert was a generous donor to religious houses, he was probably not sympathetic to the creation of monastic cathedrals. He died in 1123.

The new Diocese of Lincoln contained not only St Albans Abbey but also the influential Ramsey Abbey, founded in 871 by St Oswald of York, and where Herbert de Losinga was Abbot until he was appointed Bishop of Thetford in 1091. Controversially he purchased the bishopric from William II at a cost of £1,900 and this provided him with approximately £4,000 a year of income. Indeed, it was William II who had appointed Herbert de Losinga as Abbot of Ramsey Abbey. Before that he had been Prior of Fécamp and very probably a brother monk of Remigius.

Terry's theory is that the Abbot and monks of St Albans Abbey could not accept that a church under their patronage would be consecrated by a married bishop (Robert Bloet) and obtained permission from Anselm, the then Benedictine Archbishop of Canterbury, for St Leonard's church to be consecrated by a Benedictine monk. Herbert de Losinga, who by then was Bishop of Norwich and had founded Norwich Cathedral in 1096 while he was Bishop of Thetford, was therefore appointed to consecrate the new church in Sandridge.

Ros Adlard, Magazine Editor

(See image opposite)

Baptisms at St Leonard's

Few things make the St Leonard's family happier than a baptism (also called a christening). It seems that sometimes people think that they, or their children, can't be baptised for some reason. However, whenever possible, we will try to ensure that this can happen. So here are a few facts that might surprise you:

- You don't need to be a baby or small child – if you're not already baptised it can happen at any age.
- You don't need to live in the parish – if there's a good reason why you'd choose St Leonard's, then we are happy to talk to you.
- It doesn't cost anything.
- You can choose either a baptism at our main Sunday 10.00am service or a separate service at another time.
- You don't need lots of guests. You do need at least two godparents (one male and one female) if a child is being baptised.

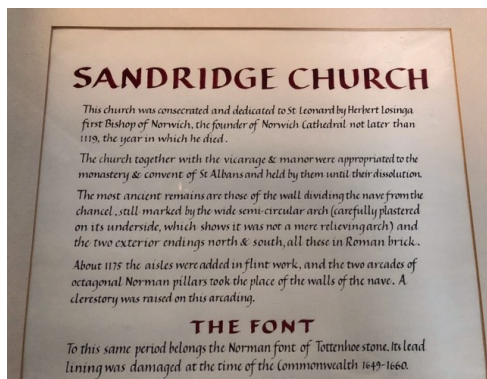
If you'd like someone special to act as godparent for your child, they need to be baptised themselves. If they're not baptised, they can still be involved as a supporter. Or we can even baptise them at the same time if they wish.

You don't need to come to church regularly or attend classes. However, it's always lovely if I get the chance to meet you beforehand. You do need to be happy to say the Christian promises in the service.

You can choose music and readings. You can choose to wear smart clothes and have a reception. Or you can just come as you are and be baptised quietly. It's up to you!

If you'd like to talk about any of this, or organise a christening, then please contact me using the contact form on our website. I'd love to hear from you. Every blessing

Revd Wendy Sellers



*Right:
Our
Norman
font*



News from CTSA: Churches Together in St Albans

Day of Prayer for the Emergency Services: 26 June

We are invited by Gary Bentley to join in a day of prayer for the emergency services. This has been run over the last few years by the National Christian Police Association.

This year's service will be at **11.00am on Thursday 26 June**, with a ceremony at Police HQ in Herts and hopefully some members of the Fire Service and Christian Ambulance Association will also be attending. I am writing to ask you and your congregation to pray for all of the emergency services on an ongoing basis, but particularly on either this day or the preceding/following weekend.

London Marathon 2026

If you've ever thought about taking on the challenge, why not join **#TeamChristianAid** for the 2026 TCS London Marathon? It's a chance to turn your training into action against poverty and injustice.

See www.christianaid.org.uk/get-involved/events/london-marathon-sign for more details.

From the Registers

Baptism: 27 April - Matteus Raphael Hannbeck

Confirmation: 19 April - Mark Curtis, Diego Diaz,
Juan Diaz, Rodrigo Diaz, Ellis Sugg
at St Albans Cathedral

Wedding: 20 April - Jack Anthony Douglas and
Anneka Jane Slough

Burial: 23 April - Kenneth Charles Kentsley

Burial of ashes: 10 May - Edward Roberts





**CTM Songs of Praise
with Afternoon Tea
on
Sunday 6 July
at
3.00pm**

Do join us for one of St Leonard's most joyful events – our annual **Churches Together in Marshalswick Songs of Praise at 3.00pm on Sunday 6 July.**

Together we will raise our voices to sing some well-known hymns and share in a wonderful afternoon tea of scones with jam and cream and homemade cake. And a cup of tea of course!

There is no need to book and, like almost everything we do, it is free (although we always welcome donations). We will be inside to make best use of our gorgeous Victorian organ and, if it's a hot day, you can also enjoy the 'medieval air conditioning' (that is, the church's naturally cool atmosphere).

We hope to see you there.

Revd Wendy

**Craft Church dates and themes
2025**



Saturday 21 June

Saturday 12 July

Saturday 20 September

Saturday 18 October

Saturday 15 November

Saturday 20 December

part of our new Heritage Day
Harvest
Remembering
Christmas

Craft Church is FUN and FREE!

Do come along and see for yourself.
Children and adults are all welcome.

Sandridge celebrates the 80th Anniversary of VE Day

A large crowd gathered in church on Thursday 8 May to celebrate the 80th anniversary of VE Day. Sandridge bell ringers joined in the national bell ringing at 6.30pm. Sandridge WI served orange and ginger cake, made to a wartime recipe, and The Queen's Head also served sandwiches

to those assembled in church. After a short service, Sandridge Scouts lit a beacon in the churchyard.



St Leonard's Summer Fair Saturday 7 June Quilt Raffle

Kathy Tilney, who many of you know and who is a former churchwarden, has very kindly donated another beautiful quilt, handmade by her, to be raffled at the Summer Fair on Saturday 7 June. To tempt you into buying tickets for the raffle, here is a photo of the finished quilt (which measures 188x168cms) ready to go to a new home!



Close-up of the design

There will be other opportunities to win prizes at the Summer Fair: a second raffle to win summer-themed hampers, a bottle tombola for the adults and a sweets tombola for the children. We are also looking forward to a performance by the Rock Choir at 1.30pm, so come and join in the fun, browse the stalls for a bargain or buy a new plant for your garden!

And while you are there, don't forget to visit the Flower Festival inside the church, with beautiful displays on the theme of 'Summer Events'.

Saturday - Summer Fair: 11.00am -3.00pm

Saturday - Flower Festival: 11.00am-6.00pm

Sunday - Flower Festival: 12.00-5.00pm

Farewell to Bishop Alan on his retirement



Photography by Toby Shephard

On Sunday 18 May, the nave of St Albans Cathedral was filled with people from across our diocese to bid farewell to Bishop Alan Smith, Bishop of St Albans, upon his retirement after 16 years as our diocesan bishop.

All the hymns, choral music and readings for the service were chosen by him and each member of the congregation was given a card with these words: *“Looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith”* taken from Hebrews 12, one of the readings in the service.

In Bishop Alan’s final sermon, he said: “As I take my leave of you, I ask only this: fix your eyes not on one another - for we let one another down - but on Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord. And let us point others to him, with confidence and joy, for he is the hope of the nations.”

Bishop Alan is moving back to Wiltshire, where he was born and raised, and where many members of his family still live. He was educated at Trowbridge Grammar School, then studied Theology at Birmingham University.

After training for ordination at Wycliffe Hall, he was ordained deacon in Bradford Cathedral in 1981. Before he was inaugurated as Bishop of St Albans, he was the Bishop of Shrewsbury from 2001 to 2009. We wish him a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Ros Adlard, Magazine Editor



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PARISH COUNCIL SUPPLEMENT (ABRIDGED DRAFT MINUTES)

**AT THE MEETING OF SANDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
14 MAY 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:**

TO ELECT A CHAIR AND RECEIVE A DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Cllr Hale nominated Cllr Leonard for Chair. The nomination was seconded by Cllr Wells before it was unanimously resolved to elect Cllr Leonard as Chair of the Parish Council for the coming year.

TO ELECT A VICE CHAIR AND RECEIVE A DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Cllr Hale nominated Cllr Roberts for Vice Chair. The nomination was seconded by Cllr Chachulski before it was unanimously resolved to elect Cllr Roberts as Vice Chair of the Parish Council for the coming year.

TO RECEIVE AND FORMALLY ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Leonard, White, Ternouth, Reid and Lambert.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

There was none.

TO NOTE THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 9 APRIL 2025

The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting were formally noted.

TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 9 APRIL 2025

The minutes of the meeting were duly approved.

QUESTIONS TO OFFICERS

A question was asked and answer given.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

CLERK'S REPORTS

Monthly Accounts

Members reviewed a schedule of creditor payments for the period 10 April to 14 May 2025. One question was asked and responded to before it was unanimously resolved to approve payment.

Share St Albans (Library of Things)

Duncan Gibbons of Share St Albans attended to speak to councillors on the progress of this initiative which is being supported by Sandridge Parish Council through the provision of some simple storage. Duncan gave an overview of the initiative, including its aims, funding background and how it operates. He encouraged all Members to visit the website www.sharestalbens.org

Further information will be published in the next issue of Neighbourhood News magazine.

To appoint representatives of the Council to Committees and Other Bodies

Members were emailed a schedule of Parish Council committees and outside bodies and asked to confirm their interests. The Deputy Clerk registered the membership preferences received both in advance of and during the meeting. It was then resolved (1) to allocate memberships as requested and (2) to delegate power to each committee to elect a Chair and Vice Chair (if applicable) at its next meeting.

Review of Safeguarding Policy

A copy of the Safeguarding Policy was distributed to members and following review it was resolved to re-adopt the Policy.

Terms of Reference for Parish Council Committees

It was resolved that each committee should undertake a review of its Terms of Reference at its next scheduled meeting. Any material amendments to be brought back to Full Council for ratification.

Parish Council's Insurance Policy

Members were informed that the Parish Council's insurance policy, incorporating public liability, buildings, flooding, outdoor apparatus etc but excluding the parish van, is due for renewal on 1 June. The Clerk has received a quote from both the Council's existing insurer as well as a broker specialising in local council policies. Members reviewed the quotes provided, following which it was unanimously resolved to enter into a three year contract with Zurich Municipal for the year commencing 1 June 2025.

Update to Standing Orders

Members reviewed updates to the Model Standing Orders which have been made to ensure consistency with the recent changes to procurement legislation in NALC's Model Financial Regulations. Changes have been made to section 18 and additionally section 14 to better reflect the Code of Conduct requirements. It was unanimously resolved to approve the updates to the Model Standing Orders.

Community Centres Biannual Report

The Community Centre Manager provided a written report to all members on community centre activity. This included information on lettings, hire charges, maintenance, facilities and parking. Members thanked the Centres Manager for her efforts. It was unanimously resolved to approve the existing hire charges remaining at the current rate and to be reviewed again in Spring 2026.

Review and re-adoption of the Code of Conduct

A copy of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct, adopted in 2021, was sent to Members for review. The Parish Office not being aware of any necessary amendments, it was unanimously resolved to readopt the Code of Conduct, being the Local Government Association's model code, for the coming year.

Matters of Note

- Following the resignation of Luke Sieger from the Council, members were informed that the notice to publicly announce the casual vacancy was posted on 11 April with a deadline of 6 May for electors to request an election. The Clerk has been notified that no election has been called, and therefore the vacancy will be advertised for a co-option to take place at June Full Council.
- The 2024-25 year-end process is underway, with visits made to the office from both the Internal Auditor and Accountant. The Annual Return and associated documents will be brought to both the Finance Committee and Full Council in June.
- New wildflower beds have been created at several of the Council's open spaces and previous year's beds have been rotovated before being sown, all with an annual mix.
- A new, larger Parish Council notice board will soon be installed to the front of the community garden.
- The broken table tennis table at St Leonard's open space will soon be replaced. A set of swings at William Bell open space has been taken out of service over safety concerns.
- The Woodland Park Committee continues to explore the feasibility of a larger pond on the park.

COUNCILLOR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grant Applications

Hornbeam Wood Hedgehog Sanctuary: Members discussed this grant application, following which it was resolved to award the sum of £500 towards the purchase of incubator facilities.

East St Albans Development

Members received a written report from Cllr Ternouth on the 24 April Oaklands College/Taylor Wimpey public consultation on the East St Albans Phase 2 development site. This included Cllr Ternouth's insights into issues arising from the consultation.

In the absence of Cllr Ternouth, Cllr Hale provided further verbal background to the report. It was unanimously resolved that the Council authorises the Planning Committee to seek clarification and resolution of the issues highlighted in italics in the report (1) at a meeting with developer representatives and (2) in dialogue with any other relevant bodies, based on the provisions of Sandridge Neighbourhood Plan (Policies D5, D7, T1, T2 and T3). In particular, it authorises the Planning Committee to engage in discussions with the developer on the potential SPC future ownership, management and maintenance of a community centre/facility, provided by the developer on the site (as per Policy D7 (12) © of Sandridge Neighbourhood Plan).

MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES

Cllr Hale provided a brief verbal update on the Planning Committee meeting (see below).

MATTERS OF NOTE ARISING SINCE THE CIRCULATION OF THE AGENDA

Cllr Roberts informed Members of the recent VE commemoration evening which took place at St Leonard's Church. The event was well attended and she thanked the Parish Council for providing support.

PLANNING MATTERS

The Planning Committee met on 28 April. The Committee meets every three weeks to review and respond to planning applications received from the Planning Authority, St Albans District Council.

Planning applications objected to/commented on since the last Full Council meeting were:

- 40 Barnfield Road 5/2025/0517

Please note: Planning applications received at the Parish Office from the Planning Authority *after* the Parish Council agenda has been published may also be discussed at the meeting, as may applications of complexity or applications likely to impact heavily on the Green Belt.

Note: In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, the Parish Council meeting will be open to the Public unless the Parish Council resolves otherwise.

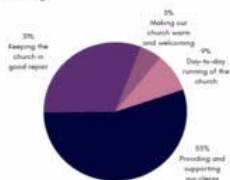
**Next meeting date: 11 June at 7.30pm
Marshalswick Community Centre**

Facts and figures

It can be helpful to gain a picture of what our collective giving looks like within our church. These are our current giving levels:



It can be helpful to know how our gifts are used. At St Leonard's Sandridge, for every £50 we receive, we distribute to the following:



Please pray and reflect on the information in this leaflet, reviewing your contributions that keep our church fulfilling God's mission in our community.

Thank you for all you are able to give.

*Giving God,
We receive as much from you and
therefore have much to give. Help us
to share in the blessings of giving as
well as the happiness of receiving, that
your love may be more widely shared
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*



Regular Giving to St Leonard's



Supporting the life and mission of Sandridge Parish

Why we need your support

Regular giving from individuals like yourself is the primary way in which St Leonard's, Sandridge resources itself - we receive no government or Church of England income.

Gifts from our community and supporters are vital to our church's life and work, as we continue to serve those around us and safeguard the legacy of faith, welcome and worship which we have inherited.

Regular committed giving helps us to plan financially and to grow our church both now and in the future.

It is a joy that our giving enables so much in the life and work of our church, including:

Prayer Baptisms, weddings, funerals	Churchyard maintenance	Regular worship
Christmas celebrations	Care home visits	School assemblies
Music	Pastoral care	Afternoon teas
Maintenance of Grade II* listed building	Craft Church	Flower Festival
	Parish magazine	Children's corner
	Online presence	

*All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.
(1 Corinthians 29:14)*

Sharing our gifts generously

As Christians, we believe that all we **have** and all we **are** is a gift from God. We are all blessed in a variety of ways, and we are called to bless others - giving of ourselves as an outpouring of love to support our local community.

In Sandridge, St Leonard's seeks to maintain and support a sense of spirituality, peace and tranquillity in our parish. We have a responsibility for the stewardship and care of our ancient building which holds such great meaning to so many.

Can you help us to ensure that more people can benefit from the life and work of the church here, both now and the future? Your gifts will help us plan for the future, and respond to the needs of our local community.



Regular giving to St Leonard's

A regular, monthly gift is the most effective way to give to the life and work of St Leonard's, especially through ways which reduce administration for our parish. It helps us to fund our mission and to budget and use resources wisely. We are very grateful for **all** donations, small or large - thank you.



The **Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)** is our preferred mechanism for regular giving, which we encourage you to use. Once you have decided on your gift amount, you can set up your regular gift to St Leonard's either:

-  **Online**
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Standing Order

If you would prefer to give through Standing Order, please arrange this yourself. If you need any help, please contact us through our website www.sandridgechurch.org.uk.

Dear Friends

It has always been a great encouragement whenever someone has left a gift in his or her will to our church in the past. It is their testimony to the faithfulness, goodness and generosity of God and their thankfulness for the life and work of St Leonard's Church.

We want to encourage everyone in our church family, old and young, to make a will, review it regularly, and consider the difference a gift in your will could make to the future of St Leonard's.

Thank you,

**The PCC of St Leonard's Church,
Sandridge**



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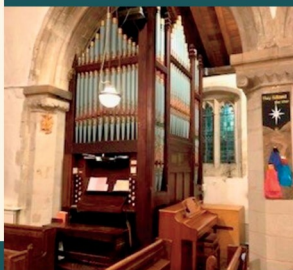
A Lasting Gift

We welcome *all* gifts in wills, however large or small, and we promise to use your gift to make a difference in our parish.

We have been fortunate to receive such generous gifts in the past. A generous legacy of £10,000 enabled us to install a sound system and hearing loop.

For more information visit
www.churchlegacy.org.uk

You can also speak to the Vicar or Treasurer in confidence about gifts in wills.



A Lasting Gift to St Leonard's

Sandridge, St Albans

Your Church, Your Gift

Many people give regularly to the mission and ministry of our church.

We are stewards of everything we own, not just our income, and gifts in wills are a natural part of that giving. They are a **valuable** and **lasting** way to invigorate the life of St Leonard's and transform its future.

A gift in your will can be an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God, and can help keep your local church alive.

The PCC has a Legacy Policy confirming that, however large or small, it will use your gift to make a **real difference** to the future of our church.

Our Legacy Policy

The policy of the PCC is to use gifts in wills to help fund **significant development projects** in the Parish.

Since needs change over the years, we encourage church members to leave a gift in their wills for the **general purposes** of the parish, rather than for a restricted purpose.



The chancel of St Leonard's was restored thanks to generous legacy gifts of £20,000.

The PCC can discuss with executors the most appropriate use of their gift in the light of current projects and the donor's known areas of interest in the church.

"Where your treasure is, there
your heart will be also."

Matthew 6.21

Suggested Wording For Your Will

I give % of my residuary estate OR
I give the sum of £_____ (pounds only) free
of all taxes to the Parochial Church Council of
the parish of St Leonard's Church, Sandridge in
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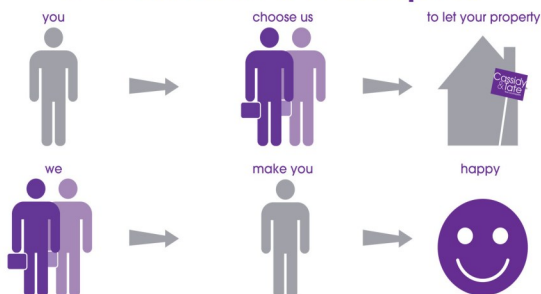


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