

# PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, BOYNE HILL

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Dear Parishioners and Friends of All Saints, Boyne Hill

**In these challenging time Fr Jeremy wrote in the Parish News:-**

## **IT IS NOT ALL BAD NEWS**

### **ALL SAINTS CHURCH LOOKS FORWARD TO RESTORING GEORGE STREET FLOOR**

*“That’s right with the Lockdown continuing and thanks to the stewardship of Christian people who are giving generously in time and money we can look forward this year to continue Christ’s mission for our church community and the community in which we serve. This means that we are able to bring forward the floor project to the middle of February so that we may finish the work hopefully by the middle of August. Just imagine a hot summer’s day, with hopefully the pandemic under control and a return to All Saints for a summer service of hope and celebration.....”*

Yes, we are able to proceed thanks to the generosity of members of our congregations, supported by donations from Charities. We are also taking “advantage” of the pandemic, planning to start the work earlier than planned.

However, with the total cost being approx. £230,000 (excluding VAT which we hope to recover) we are, when all pledges have been received, approximately £30,000 light in our fund-raising. External fund-raising has been more difficult than anticipated due to the pandemic. It is the responsibility of All Saints Church to make up the shortfall.

We are able to proceed by using funds that have been reserved for maintenance of items such as the leaking tower, the crumbling chimney and the holes in the high level stained glass windows. The PCC have agreed that these funds can be used, if needed, for the floor costs, to ensure All Saints can pay the invoices that will follow.

We do however need to raise as much of this £30,000 shortfall as possible to rebuild these reserves that are able to be diverted and close the deficit gap.

These are difficult times and we do realise that many people are finding times hard, so it is difficult to ask for further donations, and we understand if people are unable to contribute.

**We would however, ask everyone who feels able, if they can assist with meeting this shortfall, by:-**

- **Would everyone who has made pledges and is waiting for confirmation that the floor project is going ahead please initiate these as soon as possible.**
  - This will help prevent the projected funding gap from getting larger.
  - We fully understand if circumstances have changed and would as if you could let Sue or Rod know as soon as possible.
- **If you have initiated a Standing Order and are able to, could you please look at the possibility of extending these.**
  - This will help with rebuilding the fund needed for future work.
- **Lastly, if possible, could you please consider if an one-off donation could be made.**

We appreciate you considering these and thank everyone for their most generous contributions to this project which has enable us to proceed. It is important to have a safe place to gather and worship for now and for future congregations. The fact that this is a floor of significance is an added bonus.

We would also thank those who have, and are, giving so much time to this project. To keep the costing down members are assisting with moving and clearing items from the Church.

The hoped for restoration of the pews has also been put on hold until funding permits and we are also not progressing with the planned re-ordering at the rear of the Church at the moment, again until funding permits.

We are living through difficult times and we will need to look at the overall funding of All Saints, however at the moment we are focusing upon the financing for the floor, when this is completed we will be in a better position to look ahead.

Thank you for all the support you have given and hopefully we will be able to fund the floor restoration without the need to call on other Church funds.



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### **INFORMATION**

In case of queries please contact either Rod Broad or Sue Stannett via the Treasurer e-mail at:-

[allsaintsboynehill.finance@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsboynehill.finance@gmail.com)

Please also advise of any donations that can be made directly to the All Saints bank account at:-

Bank: Lloyds  
Maidenhead - 45 High Street - SL6 1JS

Account Name: All Saints Church Fund  
Account Sort Code: 30 95 36  
Account No: 00025109

Please add FLOOR as the reference with any payment. --- Should you prefer to donate via cash or cheques could this please be delivered to Fr Jeremy at the Vicarage during this period of Lockdown.

If you are able to extend your pledge/standing order please again advise Rod or Sue as above.

If you are able to start a new pledge then a pledge form is available on the website at:-

[https://www.allsaintsboynehill.org.uk/files/8715/6807/1911/Pledge\\_of\\_Support\\_for\\_the\\_G\\_E\\_Street\\_FLOOR\\_RESTORATION\\_PROJECT.pdf](https://www.allsaintsboynehill.org.uk/files/8715/6807/1911/Pledge_of_Support_for_the_G_E_Street_FLOOR_RESTORATION_PROJECT.pdf)

Should you wish to register for Gift Aid please contact Sue Stannett who will be able to arrange this.

Should you also feel that you would like to register for Regular Giving via the Parish Giving Scheme full information is available on the website and Sue Stannett can provide the forms; or sign up by telephone which is now available:-

<https://www.allsaintsboynehill.org.uk/welcome-about-all-saints/giving/parish-giving-scheme/>

Thank you.