



Seven Saints Team

NEW BURY WITH GREAT LEVER



In recent years, the landscape of financial transactions has shifted dramatically, with card payments surpassing cash as the most popular method of payment in 2017. This shift has had a profound impact on various sectors, including religious organizations and churches, where traditional cash donations have long been a staple. As society moves increasingly towards a cashless future, churches must adapt to ensure they can continue to receive and manage donations effectively. This is where **digital giving** becomes crucial.

What is Digital Giving?

Digital giving refers to the process of making donations to a church using digital means, typically through a bank card or smart device like a mobile phone. This can be done in several ways:

1. **Contactless Donation Units:** These are physical devices located within the church premises where donors can simply tap their card or phone to make a contribution.
2. **Online Giving Pages:** Donors can visit a designated web page on their smartphone, tablet, or computer to make a donation by scanning a QR code provided by the church.

Safe and secure

Digital giving mechanisms are a safe and secure way to churches to receive donations. Funds can often be settled into the church's bank account the next day and no personal data is stored on contactless donation devices, meaning both the person giving and you as the church receiving the gift can have a high level of trust in the donation process.



The work of our church is reliant on people's generosity, and we are so grateful for all the gifts we receive.

As we adapt to the changing times, we are excited to announce that soon you will see **contactless card readers** in both St Catherine's and St George's. These new devices will allow you to give digitally, making it easier and more convenient to support the church.

Using QR Codes for Digital Giving across the Seven Saints Churches

In the context of digital giving at a church, QR codes offer a simple and effective way to facilitate donations. Here's how it works:

1. **Scan the Code:** A QR code is displayed. You can scan it using your smartphone's camera or a QR code reader app. The QR code typically links directly to an online donation page where you can complete the transaction.
2. **Complete the Donation:** You follow the prompts to enter your payment information (if not saved) and confirm your donation.

Benefits of QR Codes

- **Convenience:** QR codes allow quick access to donation pages without typing in a web address.
- **Accessibility:** They can be scanned from almost any printed material or digital screen, making them versatile.
- **Security:** QR codes don't store your personal data but simply direct you to a secure webpage or payment gateway.

QR codes are a powerful tool in modernizing the way churches facilitate donations, making giving easier and more accessible for everyone.

 QR Codes for Digital Giving to use in any of our Seven Saints Churches	
<p>If you wish to donate £1</p>  <p>Scan to pay</p>	<p>If you wish to donate £3</p>  <p>Scan to pay</p>
<p>If you wish to donate £5</p>  <p>Scan to pay</p>	<p>If you wish to donate £10</p>  <p>Scan to pay</p>

Your generosity makes a real difference, and we thank you for being a vital part of our church's work and mission.