

**Friends of St. Augustine's Church, West Monkton
Registration Form**



Information and Application Pack

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An Invitation...

St. Augustine's, West Monkton is a beautiful and historic Grade 1 Listed parish church loved by many, regardless of religious views.

The building dates mainly from the 15th century with some older parts. Inevitably, occasional projects are needed to preserve this ancient building and to keep it safe and dry. With help from legacies, donations, fundraising including the 100 Club, and major grants from the Heritage Lottery Fund and Viridor-Credits, a major repair project was undertaken along with additional carparking and disabled-friendly toilet in the last decade. Those works totalled over £200,000. This allowed worship, music, craft and drama events, and school visits can continue. However, with fundraising required for urgent roof repairs and upgrade requirements for the church to modernise and become more energy efficient in the coming years, your contribution is more important than ever.

The church is sometimes full for funerals, weddings, baptisms, Christmas services and special events, so lots of people want the church to be there when they need it. It would be a mistake to believe the church can keep functioning if we cannot meet all our bills.

Regular members of the congregation are finding it increasingly difficult to fund the day-to-day running costs which include heating and lighting, insurance, maintenance of the building and burial ground and our share towards our clergy. These amount to around £35,000 - £40,000 a year, or around £750 each week and the 50 or so churchgoers and regular contributors find this a tall order.

Becoming a Friend means a commitment to modest but regular financial support in one of three ways:

Join the 100 Club costing £5 per month per draw ticket by direct debit. The monthly first and second prize-winners are published in the Village News and our website www.westmonktonchurch.co.uk

Annual membership is offered by a donation of not less than £50 each year, or

Life membership is offered by a donation of £500 or more.

(Annual & Life Members are not automatically included in the 100 Club draw.)

The funds will be recorded in the annual church accounts which are available at the Annual Parish Meeting held in church and are available for public inspection by request. The fund will be administered by a sub-committee of the Parochial Church Council to include the Rector, and a minimum of three others who might or might not be members of the PCC.

PLEASE BECOME A FRIEND OF ST. AUGUSTINE'S.

Thank you.

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PLEASE COMPLETE NAME AND ADDRESS IN BLOCK CAPITALS

Name:.....

Address and postcode:
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Telephone **e-mail**.....

I wish to become a Friend of St. Augustine's Church, West Monkton and would like my name included as follows:

(We respect the decision of anyone wishing to remain anonymous. Please write 'ANON' here). Those wishing to remain anonymous will not have their names included in any published list of Friends.

I would like to join the 100 Club

OR make an Annual Donation

OR make a donation for Life Membership

(Please tick as appropriate)

I would like to pay my contributions by:

Standing order from my Bank or Building Society

OR

By cheque payable to **West Monkton PCC**

(Please tick as appropriate)

Signed:

Gift Aid Declaration

(For those choosing Annual or Life Membership)

Full Name:

Address:

Post code:

I want the church to reclaim tax on all donations I make from the date indicated below.

I am a U.K. taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations that year, then it is my responsibility to pay the difference.

Signature:

Date:

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Friends of St. Augustine's Church, West Monkton Standing Order Form

To the Manager ofBank plc/ Building Society
Bank Address:

Please pay West Monkton Church At Lloyds Bank plc
Sort Code: 30-98-45 Account No: 55705760

The sum of £ (figures)

..... (words)

Commencing on the First of (month & year) and a like sum monthly/annually* until
further notice and debit my account with each payment when made.

(*please delete as appropriate)

Signed:,

Date:

Address (Inc. Postcode)

Account Name:

Sort Code:Account:

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Rules of 'Friends of St. Augustine's Church, West Monkton'

The objectives of the fund are to help with the task of preserving the church and burial ground and supporting the church's ministry.

Funds will be managed by the appointed sub-committee. Membership of this committee is to be approved by the Parochial Church Council (the PCC) and to comprise of four members including the Rector. Up to two more members can be co-opted. A quorum of the committee shall consist of at least three members, and in the absence of the Rector shall include a churchwarden.

Members include any person who either contributes monthly to the 100 Club, or by donating a minimum of £50 annually, or at least £500 to become a Life Member.

Independently verified accounts shall be available annually as part of the church accounts and reports.

The Rector, churchwardens and PCC retain their rights and all ecclesiastical laws continue to apply to the church. Members of the Friends are not entitled to any privileges not available to others.

Rules may be varied, deleted, or added by agreement of the committee and subject to approval by the PCC.

If the 'Friends of St. Augustine's Church, West Monkton' is terminated for any reason, then further payments by members would be cancelled. Any funds and the account would revert to the control of the PCC.



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