

## Stroud Deanery Financial Update – January 2026



### Deanery Parish Share 2025

Welcome to Spring in the Stroud Deanery. It will warm up soon!

Thank you for being able to contribute to the salaries of our stipendiary priests in 2025. The Parish Share reports for the Stroud Deanery for 2025 have not as yet been released so hopefully these will be available soon.



When issued, the reports can be found on the Gloucester Diocese website by using the link below and clicking on the Stroud Deanery Report.

[www.gloucester.anglican.org/parish-resources/parish-finance-gift-aid-legal-advice/parish-share/](http://www.gloucester.anglican.org/parish-resources/parish-finance-gift-aid-legal-advice/parish-share/)

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Well done to all those Parishes who have committed amounts towards their 2026 Parish Share. It might be that when the few missing Parishes tell us of their commitment, we may be able to report an increase in the amount pledged – remembering that we have all been asked to fully fund all our Deanery stipendiary clergy in 5 years' time.

I'm sure you have all been looking at ways to increase revenue in your Parishes and coming up with ideas, even if it's combining with other Parishes (to share the organizing skills and required helpers for spectacular events) and then having fun (most important) and splitting the profits!

### Deanery Administration Function



Thank you to all the parishes that have contributed to the Deanery Administration Function for 2025. Sally continues to keep us all up-to-date with items of concern and interest. And of course, a big "Thank you" to Sally!

Don't forget to use the Deanery website - [www.stroud-deanery.org.uk](http://www.stroud-deanery.org.uk)

The method by which the Deanery Admin function is financed is by agreement at Deanery Synod in January, using a percentage of each Parishes' Parish Share committed for that year. This method was agreed at a previous Deanery Synod meeting. With the expected commitment from Deanery Parishes for their Parish Share 2026, I recommend that 1.65% of each committed 2026 Parish Share is contributed towards the Deanery Administration Function.



I hope you guessed correctly that the church on the left this is St Matthews, Cainscross.

Now for your next challenge - the picture on the right – where is it?



Mike Lambert – January 2026

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