



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF

CHRIST CHURCH ST LAURENCE

RAILWAY SQUARE, SYDNEY

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Gift List

Parishioners and friends often express interest in making gifts, over and above offertory contributions, to support the work of the parish. There are no special requirements for gift giving: we are grateful for all contributions, large and small. This list has been assembled to provide a wide range of suggestions, covering most areas of our activity. Most are one-off items, but some might be longer-term commitments. In some cases we have estimated a dollar sum, but in other cases the items have not yet been costed or are open-ended in nature.

Anyone interested in giving to the parish is most welcome to discuss their ideas or wishes with the rector or one of the wardens.

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Fabric of the church

The church and its associated buildings, though handsome, are also old. They require ongoing upgrade and maintenance, as well as compliance with regulations concerning fire protection, etc. Some specific current needs are:

Restoration of a stained glass window (\$27,000)

Brass protective screen for a stained glass window (\$2600)

Cleaning a stained glass window (\$1920)

Service bell for use at services, for the Angelus, and for tolling at funerals. Such a bell is distinct from change-ringing bells which are used at present but are not well suited to these purposes (\$20,000)

Replacement of the T. S. Mort stone shield on the hall exterior (\$22,000)

Amenities and furnishings in the church and hall

Kitchenette area behind the wooden screen in the northwest corner of the church. This is for the use of vergers and parish staff when providing food and drink to those in need. Currently it is necessary to make a trip to the hall kitchen, unlocking and re-locking at least three doors, in order to serve a cup of coffee.

Cupboard under the organ, to house light bulbs and other items currently stacked untidily and dangerously. It would match other cupboards in the area (\$300-\$2000)

It is likely that substantial works will need to be done in conjunction with the leasing of the lower level of the hall. At the same time we will undertake other overdue work on the hall, including:

Upgrade of the Pitt St entrance to make access easier and safer

Disabled toilet on the first level (that is, the level used by the parish).

Upgrade of choir office to provide a private area for the Director of Music and expanded desk space

Extra storage and display areas for the music department, the bookshop, and the Sunday school

Improvements to fire safety

Painting and decorating. When the preceding improvements have been made, it will be necessary to repaint the hall interior. In the longer term, the ceiling and pillars of the church will also need to be painted, but that project is not yet under active consideration

Liturgical items

Travel and other expenses for visiting Holy Week preacher (\$4500)

Alms dish: the brass alms dish on which we receive the collection is being worn away from years of polishing (\$375-725)

Credence table to match the ones used for daily Mass and at the west end of the church on Sundays (\$300-700)

Brass priests' lectern to stand at the south entrance to the chancel, opposite the present lectern (\$5000)

Votive candle stand to replace the one stolen some years ago from the shrine of Christ the Redeemer

(design and price currently under negotiation)
Advent candle stand (\$3200 or \$2100)
Our Lady of Walsingham banner (\$6000)
Altar frontals, to match the vestments purchased in 2013 (\$4000 each)
Birettas (\$140 each)

Thanks to recent generous donations and energetic fund-raising, no funding is currently needed for liturgical vestments. For future information: cope \$3000; dalmatic and tunicle \$2500 each; set of matching stoles, veil, and burse \$800; full seasonal set \$9000

Music

The musical ministry of the parish can be supported by donations to St Laurence Music Inc., which contributes to funding the choir's annual concert and the annual orchestral mass, the choir's international tours, the monthly organ recitals (\$300 each), an organ scholarship (\$6500 per year), and choral scholarships (5 x \$4000 per year). In recent years it was the conduit for the purchase of the Klop chamber organ. Donations to St Laurence Music Inc. are tax-deductible.

Other musical resources or choir facilities for which funding would be welcome are:

Purchase and maintenance of sets of choral parts (\$300 to \$600 each)
New copies of the musical settings for the 9 am Sung Eucharist
Purchase and maintenance of choir robes—soon to be a high priority (\$5000)

Improved lighting in the St Laurence Chapel
Hymn books, in ongoing need of replacement (\$40 each)

Kitchen

Ongoing replacement or upgrading of catering equipment
A new hot- and cold- water dispenser for kitchen
Upgrading the hand-washing equipment

Other items supporting the work of the parish

New and larger signage for the Pitt St side of the church property
Banners to publicise major seasons, feasts, and other parish events
Production costs for pewsheets, service booklets, The Deacon's Treasure, St Laurence Tracts
Flowers may be donated in memory of a particular person (and on a particular date if available) or by a general donation to the flower fund
Outreach to homeless and disadvantaged (\$150 supplies a week's food and travel assistance and dinner for the Cana homeless men's shelter)

Bequests

Christ Church St Laurence is grateful for the many bequests, large and small, that it has received over many years, and continues to receive, from parishioners and friends. These gifts have endowed the parish with a treasured material and financial patrimony.

If you wish to remember us in your will, please be aware that bequests of money, unless they are for a specifically stated purpose within a parish, flow to the diocese. In order to be certain that your bequest will be retained by the parish, the following form of words is necessary:

I GIVE AND BEQUEATH

[either]

the sum of *[in words and figures]*

[or]

..... *[in words and figures]* percentage of my estate

to the Rector and Churchwardens for the time being of the Parish of Christ Church St Laurence (the "Parish") UPON TRUST to be applied:

(a) to the Restoration Fund maintained by the Parish (or such other account maintained by the Parish for any of the purposes referred to in paragraph (b) of this clause),

(b) from that fund in such amounts and for such purposes as a majority of the Parish Council for the time being of the Parish (of if there is no Parish Council, as a majority of the Rector and Churchwardens for the time being) shall in their absolute discretion determine including (without limitation and without imposing any restriction or specific trust) for the maintenance, repair, renovation, restoration, improvement of the real and personal property of the Parish, or for the acquisition of new or additional real or personal property of the Parish, and

(c) I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or Churchwardens shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor for this gift.