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Dear Friend of St James

Now we have entered the New Year and are welcoming the start of Spring, it is a good time to reflect and give thanks for what we have.

St James' Church has been a historic part of the city of Porto for more than 200 years, serving the local community, but its survival depends entirely on the support and generosity of the community as well as regular churchgoers. Our Church is entirely self-financed and the only income we receive to keep the Church alive and active is what people voluntarily give to us.

The costs are considerable of maintaining a thriving Church in the Anglican tradition with regular church services, services of baptism, weddings, funerals and providing a warm welcome for all who enter through the doors, with our own Church of England clergy licensed by our bishop, in a historic 200 year old site. We are blessed to be able to worship in a beautiful historic building, but these old Church buildings and the cemetery require constant care and upkeep. We are grateful for recent support and donations from two Port companies towards these ongoing costs, preserving them for the congregation and the local community.

Nevertheless, we struggle to raise enough funds to meet our ongoing costs each year and depend on the generosity of the community and Church members to support us. Despite a programme of fund raising events and careful management we have been running at a loss each year for too many years.

If you value St James' Church and all it represents, and want to help it continue its work and mission, please make a donation now. You can do this by bank transfer directly to the Church bank account (details below), or by post with a cheque payable to St James Church, Porto. UK taxpayers can give through Justgiving.com to increase the value of your gift with no extra cost to you. You can also leave a lasting legacy and remember the Church in your will.

We would like to be able to thank you if you let us know, but understand if you prefer to give anonymously.

Please help us now with a donation and give as generously as you can to support St James Church.

Thank you.

Julie and Vicky

Julie Chambers & Vicky Field
Churchwardens, on behalf of St James Church Council

Church's Bank Details

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