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Dear Friend of St James

PORTUGAL IRS CONSIGNMENT SCHEME

We wrote to you last month asking for your support by making a donation for our Church of St James. If you are a taxpayer in Portugal you can claim tax relief on a donation to the Church. For example on a donation of 408 euros you can receive a tax rebate of 100 euros, so the actual cost to you is 308 euros. If you wish to receive a tax rebate on your donation we can issue an official receipt for this, we just need you to send us your fiscal number, name and address.

UK taxpayers can also increase their gift by 25% through Justgiving.com. Details can be found on the Donations page on our website.

If you are a taxpayer in Portugal there is another way you can support the Church financially with no cost to yourself at all, through the IRS Consignment Scheme. This is a government sponsored charitable scheme where you can nominate St James Church on your IRS tax return to receive a contribution of 0.5% of your annual tax bill. Simple to do and no cost to you at all.

On page 2 of the online IRS Tax return Modelo 3, in Section 11 you just need to put a X by Instituições religiosas, put St James Church fiscal number – 592008614 in the NIF box, and a X in the IRS box:

11		CONSIGNAÇÃO DE 0,5% DO IRS / CONSIGNAÇÃO DO BENEFÍCIO DE 15% DO IVA SUPORTADO	
ENTIDADES BENEFICIÁRIAS			
Instituições religiosas (art.º 32.º, n.º 4, da Lei n.º 16/2001, de 22 de junho)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1101	
Instituições particulares de solidariedade social ou pessoas coletivas de utilidade pública (art.º 32.º, n.º 6, da Lei n.º 16/2001, de 22 de junho)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Pessoas coletivas de utilidade pública de fins ambientais (art.º 14.º, n.ºs 5 e 7, da Lei n.º 35/98, de 18 de julho)	<input type="checkbox"/>	1102	NIF 592008614
Instituições culturais com estatuto de utilidade pública (art.º 152.º do CIRS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	1103	IRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IVA <input type="checkbox"/>

That's all. So easy to do. The Church receives a substantial amount each year through this scheme from its supporters collectively, as a lump sum without individuals identified. Please pass on this information to your friends too.

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.

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

Thank you

Julie
Julie Chambers

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Vicky Field

Churchwardens on behalf of St James Church Council