



## **Our Lady Crowned – Upper Mayfield Parish Finances**

The Finance Committee is guided by the Norms for Parish Finance Committees of the Diocese of Cork and Ross.

### **Finance Committee Members**

Teresa O’Kelly – Chair  
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### **Parish Finances**

In 2020 the Diocese of Cork and Ross introduced a new way how parishioners can contribute to your parish for the upkeep and maintenance of the church, grounds and utilities. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic many churches were closed under the first lot of restrictions along with further restrictions where churches were open for private prayer but not Public Mass. As a result people were unable to contribute to the upkeep of their parish faith community through the weekly Offertory Collection. This meant a substantial reduction in income for parishes throughout the diocese including Our Lady Crowned Church here in Mayfield.

The diocese introduced online payments for those who wish to use this method of contributing, and they engaged the services of Easy Payment Plus to manage our online payments. A Donate Button has been added to our Website and Facebook Page. This is a safe, confidential and convenient online method for making a once-off or recurring donations to your parish, the diocese or your local clergy.

There is also a standing order method to support your parish by using the **Parish IBAN number** – a pdf is attached to the Parish Finance Section of our Website: [www.olcmayfield.ie](http://www.olcmayfield.ie) with the letter Fr Charlie sent to all parishioners before Christmas 2020.

### **Rebate on Income Tax.**

This system already operates here in Our Lady Crowned Church for a number of years. Simply, if a parishioner donates €250 or more in a year, the parish can claim a refund of tax paid on that donation at a specified rate currently 30%. In the case of a donation of €500, this equates to an additional benefit through the tax refund of €224 at no additional cost to the individual and will bring the total value of the donation made to €724 – any payments made by standing order or

through the online donate facility will also qualify. For further information on how your parish might benefit from a tax refund – please contact the Parish Office on: **0214551276** or **office@olcmayfield.ie**

**Further details are available on the Revenue website.**

**New methods of supporting your Parish Financing here in Our Lady Crowned Church.**



### **The Donate Button on our Parish Website**

This past week we introduced a Donate Button to our Parish Website. Simply log onto our Website **www.olcmayfield.ie** - go to the Donate Button and click to see how it operates.

### **QR Code - Quick Response Code**

**QR** stands for "Quick Response." It looks simple and it is. **QR codes** when scanned allows the user to access information instantly – hence why it's called a Quick Response Code.

Here is our diocese each parish has its own unique QR Code. Both the QR Code and the Donate Button are secure and safe ways to make payments to the parish whenever you wish to do so – The secure site is called **Payzone**. If you have a phone with a camera you can point at the above QR Code and it will take you to the Parish Donate Button for the Offertory Collection etc. You can use a credit or debit card to make an offering.

Shortly we will give you more details about this on our Parish Facebook Page and Website. This will also have a video link which will explain all of this in more detail.

As always we thank our parishioners for their continuous generosity and financial support during these difficult times.

**The following are the Unique QR Codes for Our Lady Crowned Church – Upper Mayfield:**



**Our Lady Crowned Church – Church Collections Main Page.**



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**Our Lady Crowned Church - For use in the Parish Office for Mass Cards etc.**



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**Our Lady Crowned Church - Offertory Collection**



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**Our Lady Crowned Church - Priest's Income**



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**Our Lady Crowned Church – Annual Diocesan Services Collections**