

APPLICATION FORM

I/We wish to become a Friend/Friends of the Church of:

- * St Mary the Virgin, Martlesham
- * St Michael & All Angels, Martlesham Heath
- * St John the Baptist, Brightwell
- * **Friend for Life:** (One-off payment, £50 or more)
- * **Friend in Need:** (Annual payment, £10 or more)

- * Day-to-day Expenses
- * Buildings Maintenance
- * No preference

** Please read notes overleaf and delete as necessary*

Name:

Address:

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Postcode:

GIFT AID DECLARATION

(If you are a taxpayer, you can increase the value of your membership by 28 pence in the £ by completing this declaration, which will allow us to reclaim tax)

I want Martlesham Parochial Church Council/ Brightwell Parochial Church Council to treat all donations I make after the date of this declaration as Gift Aid donations.

I confirm that I currently pay an amount of income tax at least equal to the amount to be reclaimed.

Signature:

Date:

The Benefice of Martlesham with Brightwell



Church of St Mary the Virgin



Church of St Michael and All Angels



Church of St John the Baptist

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Mary, Michael and John need YOUR help

You can adopt a donkey in an animal sanctuary or a monkey in a zoo, so why not...

Adopt a church?

Just as “adopted” animals need contributions towards the spiralling costs of food and care, so our three lovely churches are increasingly expensive to maintain. Now, they need **your** help!

You won’t get cute letters from your adopted church (promise!) but you will receive a warm welcome ... because a church is more than a building. A church includes people.

And you’ll know that you are helping to build the kingdom of God in your community, or in a place that is special to you.

It’s easy!

You can become a Friend of one (or more) of the churches described in this leaflet, for a one-off donation or a regular payment. The choice is yours.

**Martlesham Parochial Church Council
is responsible for St Mary's
and St Michael's.**

**St Mary the Virgin
Martlesham**

Christians have been worshipping on the site where St Mary's now stands for almost a thousand years, since at least 1086. Although our present building is almost modern by comparison (at "only" 600 years old!) it requires loving attention.

Every five years an inspection by the Diocesan Architect identifies repairs that need to be carried out. Work has also been undertaken to provide 21st century facilities including a modern kitchen and disabled access and toilet facilities.

**St Michael & All Angels
Martlesham Heath**

The baby of the family, St Michael's is a multi-purpose community building opened in 1991 at the heart of the modern residential development of Martlesham Heath. Church and village come together in St Michael's, which provides a home to many local activities as well as a place of worship.

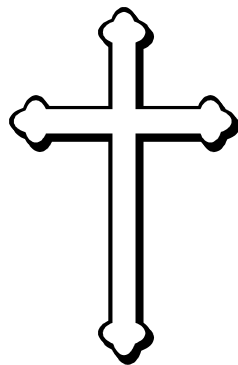
Even a relatively new building still requires time, effort and money to ensure regular maintenance is carried out, as well as any repairs identified by the inspections.

**Brightwell Parochial Church Council
is responsible for St John's.**

**St John the Baptist
Brightwell**

Small but perfectly formed, St John's stands guard over the hamlet of Brightwell from its raised position above a green valley. Dating from the Middle Ages, with a later tower built in 1656, this picturesque and much-loved church retains its solid mediaeval door inside the 19th century porch.

As well as regular maintenance and repairs, recent work has provided disabled access, toilet facilities and a path from the newly refurbished car park.



All of our church buildings
have been entrusted to us
to care for and maintain,
to hand on to future generations,
for the good of the community
and to the glory of God.

**The Benefice of
Martlesham with Brightwell**

The Parochial Church Councils of Martlesham and Brightwell invite you to become friends of one or more of the churches entrusted to their care. The two PCCs are grateful for your support, both prayerful and financial.

Your prayers are greatly valued, and you can also choose to support the churches financially by becoming either a Friend for Life or a Friend in Need, donating either to the upkeep of the buildings or to general running costs.

Friend for Life: a single, one-off payment.
Friend in Need: an annual donation.

Reserve Account: buildings maintenance.
General Account: day-to-day expenses.
No Preference: wherever the need is greatest.

Please complete the form overleaf, detach and return it to:

Revd Ian Naylor
The Rectory
17 Lark Rise
Martlesham Heath
IPSWICH
Suffolk
IP5 3SA

You will be contacted with further details.
Thank you for your generosity,
and God bless you.