

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST  
LINCOLN



"God so loved the world  
that he gave...."

## WHAT DO WE GIVE IN RETURN ?

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP is returning to the Lord a proper part of the time, talent, and treasure which God has given us.

We practice CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP because we are faithful to our duty to God and because we are thankful to Him for His many blessings.

The people of the Old Testament and the early Christians practised TITHING or the giving of one tenth to the work of the Lord.

Many Christians today are adopting the MODERN TITHE ( five per cent after income tax, national insurance, rates, rent or mortgages ) as their standard of supporting of God's work through His Church.

Adopt the MODERN TITHE as YOUR method of giving to God in return for what He has given you.

Faithfully,

Robert Ken

# YOUR CHURCH . . .

## AND RISING COSTS.

There follows the proposed budget of our Church for the current year. It is given for your enlightenment and education as well as pointing to the minimum needs of our Church to carry on God's work in this Parish. We ask you to remember that the emphasis of Stewardship is on GIVING TO GOD rather than the underwriting of a budget. We sincerely hope that the inclusion of a budget will in no way put a ceiling on your giving. Let each of you put the emphasis on pledging to God " as He has prospered you."

Running costs	1964	£2,673
Running costs	1965	£2,623

### ESTIMATED BUDGET 1966

Salaries	£490
Repairs & maint	£600
Diocesan Tribute	£288
Mortgages	£492
Supplies	£155
Electricity, rates etc	£160
General expenses	£270
Hall subsidy	£300

£2,755

## A STANDARD OF CHRISTIAN GIVING

Every year each one of us must decide how much of his income he is going to give to the Church. Exactly how much is a personal decision. But Christian teaching can guide us. Christ approved of the tithe - a giving of ten per cent of one's goods.

Today, with taxes being used for so much social welfare, the 'modern tithe' is more realistic. This is a giving of a twentieth of one's goods. For many this is a target to aim for. For many it is a standard of Christian giving. For some people it will be difficult. For no one will it be impossible.

Below we give some examples how this standard of Christian giving might work out in practice. The weekly wage figure is **AFTER TAXES & INSURANCE** have been taken out.

### CHRISTIAN GIVING TO CHURCH

Weekly wage:	Weekly giving:
£10. 0. 0.	10/-
£12. 0. 0.	12/-
£14. 0. 0.	14/-
£15. 0. 0.	15/-
£16.10. 0.	16/6
£17. 0. 0.	17/-
£17.10. 0.	17/6
£18. 0. 0.	18/-
£20. 0. 0.	20/-