

VOLUNTARY DONATIONS AND GIFT AID

If you are a UK taxpayer, **using Gift Aid means that for every pound you give, we get an extra 28p from the Inland Revenue, helping your donation go further.** If you are a higher rate taxpayer, you can also claim back the difference between the basic and higher rate tax paid, thus further reducing the net cost to you of your gift. For example:

Lump sums or annual donations:

To give the Choir this amount (£):	which would pay for:	your Gift Aid Donation would be (£):	and if you can reclaim higher-rate tax, the net cost to you would be (£):
50	Piano Tuning	39	30
75	2 Concert tickets for Music Critics	59	45
100	Conductor's Full Score	78	60
200	Rehearsal and music costs for a student for one year	156	120
500	Hire of Chamber Organ: 1 concert	390	300
1000	Hire of Hall for a St Matthew Passion Rehearsal	780	600
2000	Hire of a top flight soloist : 1 concert	1560	1200

Monthly donations:

If you gave a monthly donation of (£):	the Choir would benefit annually by a total of (£):	and if you can reclaim higher-rate tax, the net cost to you would be	
		Annually (£):	Monthly equivalent (£):
5	77	46	3.85
10	154	92	7.65
15	231	138	11.50
20	308	185	15.40
32.50	500	300	25.00
50	769	462	38.50
100	1538	924	77.00

So, for an outlay of only £32.50 a month you could become a Benefactor of The Bach Choir **and**, if applicable, reclaim £90 in higher-rate tax for the year: a net monthly cost of just £25.

These tables illustrate only a limited number of examples and are based on current tax rates: we will be glad to advise what the figures would be for other amounts, or for quarterly payments.

You do not necessarily have to be even a basic-rate taxpayer, provided that you pay UK tax at whatever rate (on income, interest, credit on dividends, or capital gains tax) equal to the **amount** of tax reclaimed by the Choir (28% of the total of your subscription plus any voluntary donation). i.e.: If you pay more than £56 tax in the year, your subscription, plus an extra £5 monthly if you wish, would qualify for Gift Aid.

But every Pound will help – and will be greatly appreciated