

Generosity at Christmas 2025 at All Saints Highertown

Rosey Sanders writes 'As part of its Christmas Giving, All Saints Highertown Church (ASH) in Truro, had a variety of ways in which we provided for others in need.

Firstly instead of giving individual Christmas cards to each other, as in previous years, we asked the congregation to give one Christmas card to everyone and pin it up on a noticeboard in the church, and then make a donation to a charity. This year we chose Water Aid and we managed to raise £140.00 for the charity. 696 million people in the world are still living without clean water close to home. This donation was enough for [two water tanks](#). A water tank for a community offers far more than a place to store clean water. It can improve health, strengthen local farming initiatives, and provide peace of mind for the future.'

Also there was a collection of toiletries. ASH Congregation member Avril Bond advises 'An Acts 435 notice was announced at our church, two weeks before Christmas. The Woman's and Men's Refuge required toiletries as most of the people who needed the Refuge's help often came with only the clothes they stood up in. Toiletries were in great demand because of this. The toiletries needed to be seen for identification for each Refuge plus a few for children. A few days before Christmas these toiletries were given to a Senior Support Worker. She was utterly amazed at the generosity of the church. There were bags and bags of toiletries plus new toys for the children. I was so touched and was reminded of "They will know the love of God by the actions of Christians.'

Finally, ASH took part in Truro Foodbank's [Reverse Advent Calendar](#). Donations of food were collected in December ready for the new year. Jean Cooke, Church Warden, who took the donations to the Foodbank said that 'ASH's donations of food made a big difference, especially after Christmas when stock was very low in the stores due to the high demand for food before Christmas. The Reverse Advent Calendar is a great way to remind us to pop an item a day away for the Foodbank every day of December. The attached image is Store's Manager Nick and the Lead Manager Mandy at Truro Foodbank receiving some of the Reverse Advent Calendar early in January.