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Paying Subscription by Direct Debit

Dear Member

In 2022 Newcastle Diocese started offering the option of paying our subscriptions by Direct Debit. Over 250 members (about one third of our membership) took this up, and the process was very straightforward. These members will not have to do anything in order to pay their subs from now on – and nor will their Branch Leaders, nor the Diocesan or MSH admin teams. Branch Leaders are aware who these members are.

By now, any little snags have been sorted out, so I can now offer this method with even greater confidence for the 2023 collection, which will take place on 31st January.

To those not yet paying subscription by Direct Debit:

The easiest way to apply is to do so online – just put <https://www.mothersunion.org/newcastle-direct-debit> in the search box, click on the resulting link, fill in the very simple online form, and press 'Submit'. Alternatively find the link on our website munewcastle.org.uk. The form enables you to choose between single membership and joint membership. It also enables you to tick a box for us to receive Gift Aid on your payment, if you are a taxpayer.

Gift Aid is particularly valuable to us, because Newcastle Diocese M.U. will receive the Gift Aid for the whole of the subscription, including for the £21 that goes to Mary Sumner House.

I recognise that some members are not comfortable with online application, and I have included a paper version of the Direct Debit and Gift Aid forms, with my address for you to send it to. Please ask your Branch Leader or Treasurer if you would like these forms.

Either way, be assured that you will not receive extra 'bump' from Mary Sumner House – just the annual notice of the amount and date of the collection.

Just inform your Branch Leader that you are starting to pay by Direct Debit, so that they do not need to collect subscription money from you! Do contact me if you are unsure about anything.

If you do not wish to pay by Direct Debit, you are, of course, free to give your subscription to your Branch Leader or Treasurer as before.

Thanks and best wishes

Barbara Packer

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