

Why not try something different which might more suit your congregation?
Here are just a few alternatives to the standard programmes/processes
above:

1. We can also provide a **Standing Order** and **Gift Aid** Form to send out with your letters, information sheet and response mechanism.

2. **Time and Talents**
Instead of listing all the possible jobs on the response card, why not include separate "job adverts" to promote these - see samples?

3. **Invitations**
Instead of sending out the initial invitations, you could advertise the programme in an alternative way, eg the Parish Magazine or the pew sheet.
The sermon/presentation is then given and those in church take their envelopes on that day, with the remainder posted out.
Following analysis of the results an **invitation** is then sent out to everyone for a special event (eg Pie & Peas supper) to explain what happened and to say thank you.

4. **Sermons/Presentations**
3 separate presentations over 3 weeks, including a sermon by the Incumbent, with a 5 minute slot by a presenter. For example:

Week	Clergy subject	Lay Member subject
1	Our Church	Mission & Ministry
2	Our Gifts	Financial Review
3	Our Future	What Happens Next?