

# How to Help

*Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me – Matthew 25.40*



A number of you are asking about how we can best respond. There are four things we are promoting, and a fifth we are exploring.

First, please continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, for the people of Russia and for the surrounding area and for world peace.

Second, if you want to encourage the Government to support Ukrainian refugees you can sign a petition through [change.org](https://change.org) [here](#).

Third, we are told that the most effective way we can support is through cash donations. You can do these through the [DEC](#) itself, or through [Christian Aid](#) as one of the partners within the DEC.

Fourth, the West Oxfordshire donation centre is now set up. Working with local partners we have set up a donation centre for essential supplies which will be sent to those impacted by the crisis in Ukraine.

Residents who want to make donations of supplies can do so at Carterton Leisure Centre (Broadshires Way, Carterton, OX18 1AA). A dedicated area in the centre has been set up for donations to be dropped off with staff on hand to support.

The following items are in urgent need to support refugees:

- Dried food (Long-life items only)
- Bottled Water (unopened)

- First Aid Supplies (unopened)
- Toiletries & Sanitary Items (unopened)
- Warm Clothes & Underwear
- Sleeping Bags (No duvets or pillows)
- Children's toys

People are urged to only bring items which appear on this list as these have been deemed as 'much needed' by organisations on the ground in the Ukraine.

The collection point at the Carterton Leisure Centre is now open and members of the public can follow the signage on site to drop off items. The leisure centre is open from 6am to 10pm Monday - Friday and 7am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday.

Fifth, we are exploring how we might respond to enable a link with a refugee family/ies in due course and will keep you posted on this.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to those in such need.

Keep the faith,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Toby" with a checkmark below it.

**REVEREND CANON TOBY WRIGHT**  
**TEAM RECTOR**

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