



Help us shine a light in the darkest hours.

Join the Patron Circle and help fund nighttime care for families across our community.

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Help us shine a light

Every night, families in our community face some of life's hardest moments. You can be the reason they don't face them alone.

Nighttime is often a lonely and difficult time for someone facing the end of their life. In those quiet, dark hours, our Hospice at Home team provides comfort, care, and companionship to patients and their loved ones. Their support is a lifeline - helping families feel safe and less alone in the hardest moments.

It's a crucial part of the care we offer, but with more people needing our help, and the cost of providing this care continuing to rise, we need committed support more than ever.

We've launched the Patron Circle for people like you - those who want to make a real difference when it matters most.

If you're able to pledge an annual gift to support our night shifts, you'll help ensure that fewer people face the night alone. Your commitment would mean that more families can experience the peace and dignity of Hospice care at home.

Whether you've supported us for many years, or are just discovering our work, thank you for considering this meaningful way to give.

Join the Patron Circle and be a light in someone's night.



Peace of mind in the small hours

Night shifts are a vital - and growing - part of our Hospice at Home service. Tonight - and every night - trained Palliative Care Support Workers will each travel across our region to spend 10 hours with a single family, providing care to our patients and support for their loved ones in the comfort of their own home.

This service brings:

- ♥ relief and reassurance to exhausted caregivers
- ♥ dignity and comfort to patients
- ♥ peace of mind to families during difficult nights

In 2024-25, we delivered 798 night shifts - each one a lifeline. At an average cost of £217 per shift, that's over £173,000 spent delivering calm, compassionate care through the night. And demand is rising.

Joining the Patron Circle means standing beside families when they need it most. Your support will help deliver calm, compassionate care through the night - bringing relief, dignity, and peace to homes across our community.

Through the Night

Comfort for Brian and peace of mind for his family.

When Brian's health declined in his nineties, his wife Jill had been caring for him for years. As his death approached in early 2025, their daughter Helen returned home to support them both. With Brian growing weaker, their GP referred them to St Peter's.



Brian had daytime carers coming to the house and Jill and Helen were also there. But they were exhausted by the broken nights, checking on Brian every two hours and sitting with him through the night when he was awake and distressed.

Helen said, "The first St Peter's night shift sticks in my mind. I was on my knees with tiredness. For

weeks, if I wasn't at Dad's bedside through the night, I was coming to his room every two hours. I was running on empty and my sense of perspective was failing. Becky, the nurse who came, was truly wonderful. She really connected with Dad and I went off to bed knowing not only that he would be safe but that he would be cared for.

"When I came down in the morning after my first good night's sleep in ages, she and Dad were quietly working together on a paint by numbers picture on her iPad. Dad had always loved painting and art, and amazingly, Becky had found just the way to connect with him and help him through the night. And I was refreshed from my night's sleep and ready to face whatever the day would bring. I think that the memory of that morning will stay with me forever."

Becky, the Hospice at Home nurse said: "When I first met Helen, she was clearly exhausted. I reassured her that it was okay for her to get some rest, letting her know I'd wake her if I needed to. It's so important that families feel

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confident and comfortable leaving their loved ones in your care - they need to trust that you're there not just for the patient, but for them as well. It was such a pleasure to spend time with Brian and hear more about his love of art and painting. When Helen woke in the morning, she looked refreshed after a full night's sleep - ready to take on the day, reassured her father had been well cared for."

Read more about Helen's story on our website: stpetershospice.org/through-the-night

Become a Candle, Lantern or Beacon Patron

As a member of the Patron Circle, you'll be part of a community of generous supporters helping to fund care through the darkest hours.

You can pledge support at one of three levels:

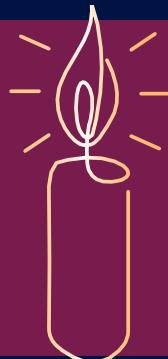
Candle Patron

Annual Gift

£1,000

What it funds

Four to five night shifts per year



Lantern Patron

Annual Gift

£2,000

What it funds

Nine night shifts per year



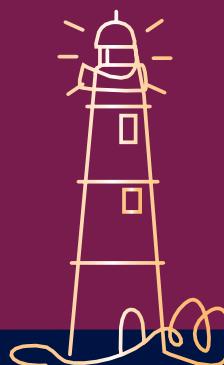
Beacon Patron

Annual Gift

£5,000

What it funds

Twenty-three night shifts per year



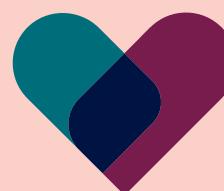
As a Patron you will receive:

- Heart icon: regular stories and updates on your impact
- Heart icon: invitations to special events
- Heart icon: optional recognition in our publications

To keep this vital service running night after night, we need to plan ahead. That's why we ask our Patron Circle members to make a three-year commitment, helping us bring lasting comfort and care to families across our community.

You can choose to give monthly or annually (for example, £84 per month = £1,000 per year).

However you choose to give, **your support will go directly to funding nighttime care**, making a real difference when it matters most.



Your support doesn't just fund a shift - it gives a son peace of mind, a wife a moment to rest, and a patient the dignity they deserve.

Pledge Form

Please complete sections 1 to 3

1 of 3. Your details

Title _____ First Name _____

Surname _____ Phone no. _____

Email _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Staying connected: As a Patron, you'll get regular updates on how your support is making a difference, along with other news and ways to get involved with the Hospice. These updates will come by phone and mail. Please check the boxes if you'd like to receive updates by email or SMS: Email SMS

If you don't want to hear from us, or wish to change how we contact you, please email supportercare@stpetershospice.org or phone 01275 391420.

2 of 3. Gift Aid

Gift Aid

By ticking this box I confirm that I am a UK taxpayer and would like St Peter's Hospice to reclaim the tax on any donations made over the previous four years and all donations in the future. I understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. St Peter's Hospice can currently claim an additional 25p for every £1 donated. Please notify us if you want to cancel this declaration, change your name or home address, or no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

Signature _____

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Date _____

Pledge online



3 of 3. Your donation (please complete section A or B)

A. Cheque

I pledge to give **£1,000 / £2,000 / £5,000** a year (delete) and enclose a cheque payable to 'St Peter's Hospice'.

B. Direct Debit

I wish to give St Peter's Hospice the sum of **£1,000 / £2,000 / £5,000** a year (delete), to be paid by Direct Debit instalments as follows (tick one):

£1,000:

Monthly (£84)

Quarterly (£250)

Annually (£1,000)

£2,000:

Monthly (£167)

Quarterly (£500)

Annually (£2,000)

£5,000:

Monthly (£417)

Quarterly (£1,250)

Annually (£5,000)

Please debit the above from my account on or around the 1st of the month starting from

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Instruction to your Bank or Building Society to pay by Direct Debit

Name and full postal address of your Bank or Building Society



Name and address of your Bank/Building Society

Service User Number

Name(s) of Account Holder(s)

Bank/ Building Society account number

Branch Sort Code

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Signature(s)

Date

Reference (for office use only)

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society: Please pay St Peter's Hospice Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction, subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with St Peter's Hospice and, so, details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.





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