



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1st January 2023** To **31st Dec 2023**

Charity name: ST. Marys Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church, Liverpool

Charity registration number: 1121608

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the religion of the Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church in the North West of England
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Maintaining the faith, traditions and doctrines of the Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church and perform all the religious rites and sacraments to all its members in accordance with the ancient Syrian Orthodox traditions. Conduct Holy Eucharist, Sacraments and services according to the faith, traditions, customs. provide Holy Sacraments to all its members. organize and conduct Sunday School, Prayer Meetings, Retreats, Youth Association and Vanitha Samajam etc
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	To provide charity payments to poor and needy for hospital treatments, helping the poor to relieve poverty.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	No Such activities
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	No Such activities

Other		
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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Conducted regular Holy services by maintaining the faith, traditions of the church throughout the year.</p> <p>Conducted all special services during holy weeks, Provided all the religious rites and sacraments to all its members in accordance with the traditions of Holy Church.</p> <p>Maintained ongoing activities of Sunday School, Youth Association and Vanitha Samajam.</p> <p>Throughout the year we had the success in welcoming new members to the church helped the growth of the charity</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	No Such activities
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	No Such activities
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Cash reserve of the charity is held in the nominated bank account for future activities as per the established objects.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Members monthly subscriptions, donations, gift aid are the principal sources.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	No Such activities
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		St. Mary's Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	constitution and bylaws
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Adopted its bylaw
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	AGM of the charity

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	
Charity's principal address	

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev. Akhil Joy	Chairman		
2	Binu Varkey	Secretary		
3	Jose Mathew	Treasurer		
4	Suresh Koshy	Vice President		
5	Bindhu Binu		27/01/2024	
6	Kochumon Thomas		27/01/2024	
7	Basil Iype		27/01/2024	
8	Lasitha Chacko		27/01/2024	
9	Ben George		27/01/2024	
10	Ebin Varghese		27/01/2024	
11	Binu Jacob		27/01/2024	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	No Assets
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	None
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Jose	
Full name(s)	Jose Mathew	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	27 th January 2024	



Charity Name ST MARY'S JACOBITE SYRIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH	No (if any) 1121608
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2023	To	Period end date 31/12/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
CHARITY OFFERINGS	900	-	-	900	800
CHRISTMAS DONATIONS	1,580	-	-	1,580	1,390
CHURCH OFFERTORY	6,106	-	-	6,106	4,485
DONATIONS-MEMBERS	1,278	-	-	1,278	1,495
DONATIONS-MEMBERS REFRESHMENT	4,475	-	-	4,475	-
FAMILY CONFERENCE	265	-	-	265	-
FUNERAL SERVICE COLLECTION					3,650
GIFTAID REPAYMENTS	8,490	-	-	8,490	4,076
HOLY QURBANA OFFERINGS	450	-	-	450	600
HOLY WEEK OFFERINGS	2,300	-	-	2,300	1,100
MEMBERS SUBSCRIPTIONS	10,839	-	-	10,839	7,025
PERUNAL OFFERINGS	2,200	-	-	2,200	925
PICNIC CONTRIBUTIONS	3,799	-	-	3,799	3,265
ST. MARYS PRAYER GROUP - SAMAJAM	31	-	-	31	1,140
ST. MARYS YOUTH ASSOCIATION	967	-	-	967	-
SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS	2,948	-	-	2,948	499
BUILDING FUND	-	-	-	-	1,080
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	46,629	-	-	46,629	31,529
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	46,629	-	-	46,629	31,529
A3 Payments					
BANK CHARGES	102	-	-	102	60
BUILDING FUND CONTRIBUTION	3,190	-	-	3,190	-
CHARITY PAYMENTS-CHURCH	1,150	-	-	1,150	1,050
CHARITY PAYMENTS-SAMAJAM	613	-	-	613	-
CHARITY PAYMENTS-SUNDAY SCHOOL	180	-	-	180	-
CHRISTMAS EXPENSES	1,080	-	-	1,080	265
CHURCH ITEMS	825	-	-	825	517
CHURCH RENT	9,949	-	-	9,949	2,560
FUNERAL SERVICE EXPENSES	42	-	-	42	3,650
HOLY WEEK EXPENSES	1,570	-	-	1,570	1,250
MSOC REGIONAL COUNCIL PAYMENTS	1,600	-	-	1,600	405
PERUNNAL EXPENSES	1,230	-	-	1,230	-
PICNIC EXPENSES	3,713	-	-	3,713	3,446
REFRESHMENT EXPENSES	5,086	-	-	5,086	1,844
SUNDAY SCHOOL EXPENSES	2,860	-	-	2,860	570
VICAR'S PAYMENTS	5,250	-	-	5,250	4,400
VICAR'S TRAVEL EXPENSES	50	-	-	50	450
Sub total	38,488	-	-	38,488	20,467
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	38,488	-	-	38,488	20,467
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,140	-	-	8,140	11,062
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	45,904	-	-	45,904	34,842
Cash funds this year end	54,044	-	-	54,044	45,904

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	HSBC CURRENT AC	52,192	-	-
	CASH BALANCE	1,853	-	-
	Total cash funds	54,044	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities				
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jose Mathew	28/10/2024



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

ST MARY'S JACOBITE SYRIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1121608

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2023

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

29 October 2024

Name:

Seejo Tony

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Address:

58 Highbury Grove

Portsmouth PO6 2RS

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.