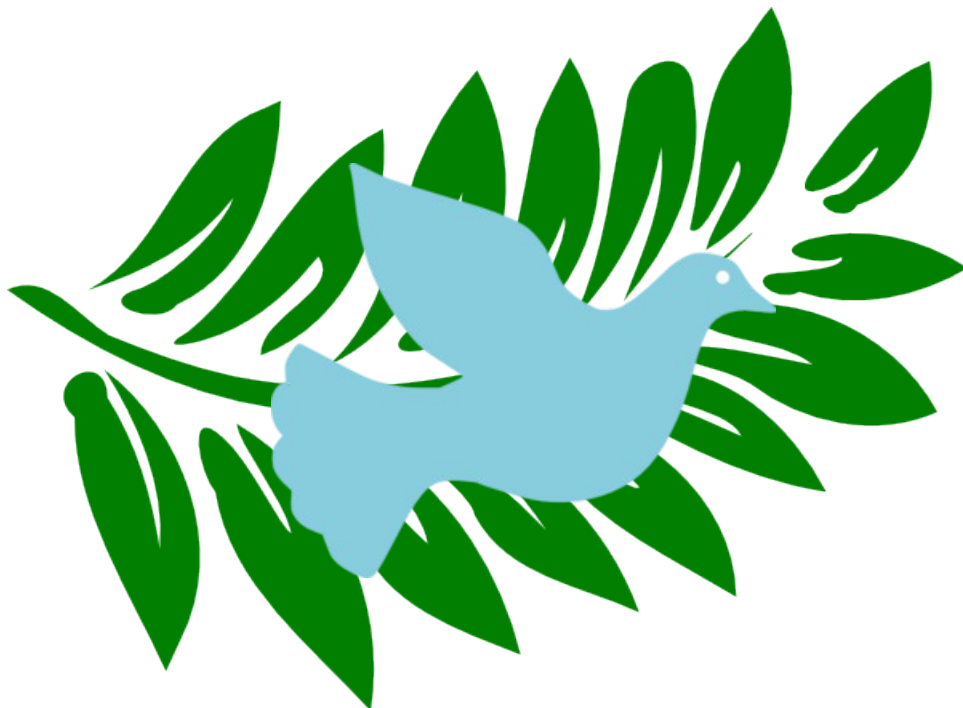


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*The church of St Bede is situated on the corner of Hartington Road and Fern Grove
and Church of St Clement is situated on the corner of Beaumont Street and Dove
Street, in the Church of England Diocese of Liverpool*

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Administrative Information

Address for all correspondence

Church office Fern Grove

Parochial Church Council

Chair Vacant

Vice Chair David Thomas

Church Wardens David Thomas
Dr Paul Strickland (Elected 28.05.2023)

Secretary Anna Bishop

Treasurer David Roughley FCCA Treasurer

Elected Members Helen Strickland
Doreen Lewis
Sue Arnold
Eileen Roughley
David Roughley
Anna Bishop
Jackie Roache (Elected 28.05.2023)

Deanery Synod Reps Dr Paul Strickland
Helen Strickland

Readers Dr Paul Strickland
David Roughley (PTO)

Health and Safety Neil Bishop

Electoral Role Officer Doreen Lewis

Organist Dr David Pope

Bankers Barclays Bank plc

Independent Examiner Richard Fraser ACA

Architects Robin Wolley B Arch RIBA (St Clements building)
Anthony Grimshaw Associates (St Bedes building)

Charity Registration number 1127447

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The Parochial Church Council present their annual report for the year ended 31st December 2023. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and the Charities SORP 2005.

Structure, Management and Governance

The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Powers Measure 1956. The Parishes of St Bede and St Clement became a united benefice and on 28th June 2012 under a pastoral reorganisation scheme became a united parish and is now known as the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Bede with St Clement Toxteth.

St Clements was a registered charity and St Bedes an Excepted charity, It was agreed with the Charity Commission to change the name of the registered charity to St Bede with St Clement and retain the same charity number held by St Clements.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. No member of the PCC received any remuneration and no staff are employed, a vergers fee is paid to church officials to cover funerals on a casual basis.

Agency

The PCC acts as agent for the following:-

- The Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance in respect of statutory fees, fees collected in the year are paid over on a regular basis.
- The Toxteth and Wavertree Deanery in respect of the Deanery Mission and Growth Fund, monies received from the LDBF are distributed to the churches in the Deanery by way of grant, this is no longer administered by the church from June 2024.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC (Powers) measure 1956 states that the PCC 'is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical'

Our key objective as a church is to love God, one another and ourselves and to love and serve our local community. We aim to live out our faith and to deepen our relationships with other Christians who both worship and minister in our parish.

As a church we work to proclaim the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. We have two worship centres which provide us with good opportunity to engage with the local community as the buildings each offer different and complementary ways to carry out worship and community activities. At present both buildings are financially viable.

Our commitment to building ecumenical relationships is reflected through our regular contact with other Christians, both ecumenically and within the deanery and the relationship we have with the other Christian fellowships, Indian and African, worshipping in our church buildings. Additionally, as the parish has a large proportion of residents who are Muslim, we aim to develop the interfaith contacts which are so important in this context.

We will respond to local, national and international disasters.

We continue to offer food, clothing and donated household items to those in need and other charities including the Whitechapel centre and shop,

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Achievements and Performance

Worship and Discipleship

The church wardens, in an interregnum, take on even more duties, and we are fortunate that, David Thomas is very experienced and we give thanks for his commitment to the task. Paul Strickland was appointed a warden in May 2023. Paul Strickland and David Roughley, our Lay Readers have ensured that our services have been maintained. We also give thanks for the visiting clergy and readers who have supported us during the year.

We thank Helen Strickland and Neil Bishop for ensuring that the young people's ministry has always been available despite fluctuating numbers and age span.

The numbers worshipping fluctuates but we are encouraged by new members and the friendly fellowship and support for one another which exists and which is commented on by visiting clergy and readers.

Parochial Church Council

Memberships:

Susan Arnold, Aminata Bass, Anna Bishop, Doreen Lewis, Jackie Roache, David Roughley, Helen Strickland, Paul Strickland, Eileen Roughley, David Thomas

The PCC met regularly throughout the year, significant matters that were discussed were

Maintaining services throughout the ongoing interregnum

The PCC discussed ongoing services noting the hard work David Roughley put into organising the rota and contacting visiting clergy. As Lay readers within the Church Paul and David were also working hard to cover services. The PCC agreed special services throughout the year including the harvest service and meal, Christmas services and meal and the Easter services and Maundy Thursday meal. The PCC wishes to thank all those from the church and visiting clergy and lay readers who have supported us through leading services or preaching over the last year.

The recruitment of a new vicar

The PCC had given much deliberation to the future of the Church. Having been advised that we would only be able to recruit a half post, the PCC was also asked to consider joining a team ministry with other churches. The PCC considered written submissions and met with people from three churches in relation to this: St Philemons', St James' in the City and St Lukes'. Having prayed and discussed the matter the PCC felt the best fit was with St Lukes and advised the Deanery of our choice. The Deanery Mission and Pastoral Committee disagreed with our choice and said we should partner with St James. When the DMPC passed their suggestion to the Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee who returned the matter to the PCC for consideration as they were not happy to approve a suggestion that the church had not agreed with. The PCC met and following further discussion and prayer still believed that joining with St Lukes was the preferred option. The interim Archdeacon (now the Archdeacon) provided an alternative proposal which was that we recruited a 2 year part time post to help us decide our future under the Fit for Mission Initiative. The PCC agreed to do this and David Roughley and Helen Strickland spent a great deal of time creating a Parish Profile and role profile in order to advertise the post. Aminata Bass and Anna Bishop were selected to be the Churches' representatives in the selection process alongside the new Area Dean and a member from our patrons, the Simeon's Trust. Two applications were received. Following the interview process it was agreed that neither candidate was suitable and that we would readvertise the post. We have been waiting since the start of February for the post to be readvertised and the PCC, via our rep's have been putting pressure on to move the process on..

Since the interviews the churches in our deanery were advised that they had to make an initial decision whether to participate in the Fit for Mission Initiative in 12 months' time and if so their level of commitment to this, from a prescribed range of options. The PCC considered this carefully and felt that as we have no vicar, and if this continued to be the case, we had little option but to agree to participate but with significant reservations. We have communicated this decision to the Area Dean.

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Parochial Church Council con't

The Deanery Synod

Paul and Helen Strickland kept the PCC updated on issues discussed at Deanery Synod. Members of the PCC gave their comments to Paul and Helen for feedback.

Use of the Church buildings

Our church buildings are used by three other churches and a range of charities and organisation's providing local services as well as the Food Market, TTe PCC views this as a positive thing and welcomes their use. We are very grateful to David Thomas, Jackie Roache and Paul Strickland for all the opening and locking of buildings required. The management and opening and closing of the buildings has now become a significant task, and in the coming months the PCC will be discussing the possibility of employing a part time caretaker.

Repair of the Church Buildings

the PCC routinely discusses the condition of both our church buildings; it is important that both are in good repair and remain safe and comfortable for people to use and that the fabric is protected to ensure their long-term viability.

Church Finances

The PCC has responsibility for church Finances, and to ensure that the church is remains viable and a going concern able to pay its bills. The treasurer routinely reports to the PCC providing up to date accounts for discussion. A regular topic of conversation is the low level of giving on the plate in the services and the dependence upon those people who give through the Parish Giving Scheme and on the income from renting the buildings. Whilst the Church covers its costs at present, the PCC has discussed the long-term viability of both buildings and whether, in the future, we may need to reduce our commitment and retain one building and we have sought information from the Diocese on the process for this should we progress down that road.

The PCC remains committed to our church, the spiritual welfare and growth of our members and our mission to share the gospel with our community and will continue to work hard in

Electoral Roll:

There are 51 (2021 46) names on the Electoral

Financial Review

The deficit for the year on the unrestricted funds was £2,990 (2022 surplus ££2,824,) after transfers from reserves the surplus was£4,688 (2022 Surplus £3,403). Our finances have been greatly helped by a Diocesan heating grant of £3.5k (2023£3.2k Heating and Parish share. Our parish share £9.8k is one of the lowest in the deanery, the PCC. agreed to make a voluntary additional contribution of £1k We are fortunate that we have been able to hire our buildings to other Christian fellow ships and community groups bring in £21.8k (2022 £17.3k). It is clear that we would struggle to exist on our giving.

Our Harvest and Thanksgiving Day collections of £1,916 went to the National Emergencies Disaster Fundin in recognition of the many worldwide emergencies, Our Christmas day collection £216 went to the Whitechapel Center, a local charity for the homeless, (2022 £269. Our charitable giving from our own income represented 9.96% (2022 6.88%)

In summing up, we are financially viable because of our hire income from our buildings, our regular giving was static and remains to be improved.

We received a generous gift aid donation of £3,500 towards the cost of tarmacing which cost £7,140

We also received a restricted donation of £10,000 from the family trust of the Rev David White dec, the Constantine Trust. David Served as a curate with his wife Ruthg at St Clements in the 80's.This is to be used to teach, preaching and study. We thank Ruth and the family for this generous gift.

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Buildings

St Bede

Repair to gent's toilets, door closes to main inner church door, hall door and kitchen door, temporary fixing of hall roof,

Fire extinguishers updated, leak in ladies toilet replaced, 6 vents on the central heating system replaced as they have been leaking and system losing water pressure.

Building used by the Apostolic Church and the Renewal Chapel on Sunday's, on other days, Food Market, Citizens Advocacy and a Housing Association.

St Clement

New cooker fitted, the P.A. system was updated, two new speakers fitted and multimedia player.

Clearing of church gutters and fixing leak on vestry roof. New mains fuse box. Fire extinguishers updated. Re-tarmac the front of church, Beaumont Street side.

Building used by ourselves on a Sunday also The Mountains of Fire, The Sower Church and once a month, during the week, New Leaf Housing and Granby Toxteth Development Trust

David Thomas Church Warden

Children and young people's work

Sessions

Sunday School sessions have been held throughout 2023, with breaks for the summer and at Christmas. Sessions are held at both St Clement and, during the first Sunday of the month, at St Bede.

Young People

There have been 6 children/young people attending Sunday School frequently, with occasional attendances by others, although numbers vary from 1 to 6 on a weekly basis.

Leaders

The sessions have been led by 2 leaders, alternating the preparation of lessons.

Planning

We subscribe to Roots on the web and use their material. Roots follows the Lectionary, and provides a methodical, consistent template, with ideas to unravel the meaning of the topic. The material is flexible, and allows a choice of approaches.

The Ladies Fellowship

Sadly the ladies fellowship no longer meets, age and long-term illness has taken its toll on members. Some keep in touch by regular telephone conversation, and some are able to attend church on the odd occasion.

Deanery Synod

We have discussed (at length)

- Fit for Mission
- The guidance from the General Synod on the Living in Love and Faith process including new prayers which have been authorised for use in church services.
- The situation in Palestine which resulted in no action being taken.
- Rev Jude Padfield devised a new system for dividing the Parish Share within the Deanery, which was agreed.

The Rev Canon Elaine Jones resigned as Area Dean as she was leaving the Diocese.

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Safeguarding Report

Paul Strickland is the Lead Recruiter, able to sign Sections W, X and Y on DBS applications submitted via THIRTYONE Eight, the Church of England's contracted Umbrella Body, Neil Bishop is the Additional Recruiter.

Clergy and Lay Readers receive safeguarding training and DBS checks via recruiters appointed directly by the Diocese.

Sunday School continued during 2023. A register has been kept at both St Bede and St Clement. The Sunday School has been run by 2 persons alternating the lead each week, both have been DBS checked.

The Parish Safeguarding Officer has not been made aware of any safeguarding issues during the year.

St Bede with St Clement is aware of and endorses:

- a. Promoting a Safer Church.
- b. Parish Safeguarding Handbook.
- c. Safer Environment and Activities.

Neil Bishop Parish Safeguarding Officer

Food Market

Throughout the year, except for bank holidays, the Food Market operated consistently the overarching goal of the project remains to alleviate food poverty in the Parish and L8 area.

The market is serviced by a small dedicated group of volunteers led by Jenny, none are members of our church, Pastor Joseph Ola, a leader of the Nigerian Apostolic Church which used St Bede's as a worship venue coordinates the operation. We thank our volunteers and Joseph and would welcome more.

We subscribe to Fareshare and receive food weekly from them. Due to the wide ethnic population of the area our food is not always suitable and this year we were offered a grant from Feed Liverpool which will enable us to supplement the food from Fareshare and provide monthly community lunch sessions.

Community

A very close partnership has existed between Liverpool Citizen Advocacy (LCA) and St. Bede with St. Clement PCC since 2000. LCA's Agnes Woodford Project (AWP) is an entirely volunteer run and funded project that operates from St. Bede's. It is aimed at building connections between people living in the neighborhood and is targeted particularly at those who are isolated either in their homes or in residential care. It seeks to provide people with the connections that will reduce their isolation and protect them from neglect and abuse. The AWP runs two main regular activities at St. Bede's. The first is a community lunch that is usually held on the third Thursday of each month. This offers people the physical and psychological benefits of being provided with a decent lunch and of getting to know each other and sharing problems and concerns. The second is a weekly 'drop-in' on Mondays which operates alongside the PCC's Food Market. This is aimed at people who have a concern or issues that they don't know how to deal with or who to go to for assistance. Volunteers offer a sympathetic ear and would subsequently provide active signposting through LCA's links with advice and information organisations dealing with health, social care, housing and other areas of their lives. Whenever necessary, AWP volunteers also provide informal, one-to-one advocacy support to people identified through both the drop-ins and lunches. For more information about the project and Liverpool Citizen Advocacy, visit www.liverpoolcitizenadvocac

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Liverpool Memory Singers continue to use St Bede's church hall on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. This is a group for people and their carers living with dementia meeting to enjoy, music and friendship.

The group are very appreciative of the use of the hall which is a familiar and welcoming environment for the members.

Doreen and Anne, from the church continue to prepare the hall and make the refreshments for the group which is an important part of the session.

The number of people attending does fluctuate as some sessions coincide with other groups that people attend but generally numbers are reasonably stable.

Reserves Policy

It is desirable to have reserves available to meet unforeseen expenditure, a minimum reserve of at least £20k to meet such events is unreasonable. Further reserves of at least three months expenditure is required to maintain the weekly church activity, this amounts to circ £9k, we currently have sufficient cover

Parish Development and Mission Plan

We are currently in interregnum and are maintaining a weekly service and pastoral care to the members of the church and making sure we service the needs of the parish as and when required.

We are also engaging with the diocese through the deanery in exploring how we can participate within the FIT FOR MISSION agenda.

Plans for the future

Due to a number of issues affecting the Church of England, finance, aging congregations a lack of clergy and in particular clergy not wanting to come north has impacted on our Diocese. The Bishops and the leadership team have adopted policies to address these issues, one being the FIT FOR MISSION agenda, this calls for smaller deaneries, parishes joining together to make larger parishes with reduced clergy. This has proved to be a painful exercise for many and we have been faced with exploring who we, as a parish, would like to partner with and the search for a solution is ongoing and will continue into the new year. Any appointment must recognise our diverse congregation and the need to grow this, Until this is achieved our church services will be maintained by Paul Strickland and David Roughley, who has permission to officiate, who our lay ministers plus the support of retired clergy and lay ministers from other deaneries, we are thankful for their support.

'The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.' (Exodus 14.14)

David Thomas

Paul Strickland

Church Warden & Vice-Chairman

Church Warden

28th April 2024

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Independent Examiners Report to the Parochial Church Council

This report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on the annexed pages is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2007 ('the Regulations') and S.143 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of S144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 does not apply and that an independent examination is needed.

s my responsibility to,

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below. .

Independent Examiner's Statement

(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with requirements of the 2011 Act

Have not been met, or

(2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Richard Fraser A C A
8TH April 2024

St Bede with St Clement Toxeth
Statement of Financial Activities
Year Ended 31st December 2023

| | | Funds | | | Total | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | Designated | Restricted | Unrestricted | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
| Incoming Resources | Notes | | | | | |
| Voluntary income | 2 | 2,131 | 12,322 | 27,264 | 41,717 | 30,377 |
| Investment Income | 3 | | | 423 | 423 | 167 |
| Income from church activities | 4 | | | 22,115 | 22,115 | 17,535 |
| | | <u>2,131</u> | <u>12,322</u> | <u>49,802</u> | <u>64,255</u> | <u>48,079</u> |
| Resources Expended | | | | | | |
| Charitable Activities | 5 | | 2,447 | 52,592 | 55,039 | 43,269 |
| Charitable Grants | 6 | 2,131 | | 200 | 2,331 | 1,321 |
| | | <u>2,131</u> | <u>2,447</u> | <u>52,792</u> | <u>57,370</u> | <u>44,590</u> |
| Net incoming resources | | 0 | 9875 | (2990) | 6885 | 3489 |
| Balance brought forward | | 37,238 | 4,233 | 28,924 | 70,395 | 66,906 |
| | | <u>37,238</u> | <u>14,108</u> | <u>25,934</u> | <u>77,280</u> | <u>70,395</u> |
| Transfers between funds | 8 | (7678) | | 7678 | 0 | 0 |
| Balance 31st December | 8 | <u>29,560</u> | <u>14,108</u> | <u>33,612</u> | <u>77,280</u> | <u>70,395</u> |

St Bede with St Clement Toxeth
Notes to the Financial Statements
Year Ended 31st December 2023

| | | | | 2023 | 2022 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 6 Charitable Grants | Designated | Restricted | Unrestricted | | £ |
| Harvest & Thanksgiving | 1,915 | | | 1,915 | 896 |
| Christmas homeless | 216 | | | 216 | 269 |
| Other | | | | 0 | 156 |
| Grants | | | 200 | 200 | 0 |
| | 2,131 | 0 | 200 | 2,331 | 1,321 |
| Total Resources Expended | 2,131 | 2,447 | 52,792 | 57,370 | 61,541 |

| 7 Fixed Assets | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|--|
| Cost | Kitchen | Central Heating System | Land | Total | |
| As at 1 January | 7,536 | 42,684 | 3,604 | 53,824 | |
| Additions during year | - | - | - | - | |
| | 7,536 | 42,684 | 3,604 | 53,824 | |
| Aggregate Depreciation | | | | | |
| As At 1 January | 6,034 | 12,810 | 0 | 18,844 | |
| Charge in year | 748 | 2,135 | 0 | 2,883 | |
| | 6,782 | 14,945 | 0 | 21,727 | |
| NBV 31st December 2023 | 754 | 27,739 | 3,604 | 32,097 | |
| NBV 31st December 2022 | 1,502 | 29,874 | 3,604 | 34,980 | |

8 Funds

| Unrestricted | Designated | | Unrestricted | | Total £ |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|----------|------------|
| | St Bedes | St Clements | | | |
| | Reserve | Building | Reserve | General | |
| Opening balance 1st January | 1,821 | 29,874 | 5,543 | 28,924 | 66,162 |
| Incoming resources | - | - | - | 49,802 | 49,802 |
| | 1,821 | 29,874 | 5,543 | 78,726 | 115,964 |
| Resources expended | - | - | - | (52,792) | (52,792) |
| | 1,821 | 29,874 | 5,543 | 25,934 | 63,172 |
| Transfer between funds | - | (2135) | (5543) | 7678 | 0 |
| Balance 31st December | 1,821 | 27,739 | 0 | 33,612 | 63,172 |

| Restricted | David White | Food Store | Buildings St Clements | Total | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------------|--------|--|
| | | | | £ | |
| Opening balance 1st January | 0 | 629 | 3,604 | 4,233 | |
| Incoming resources | 10,000 | 2,322 | - | 12,322 | |
| | 10,000 | 2,951 | 3,604 | 16,555 | |
| Resources expended | - | (2447) | - | (2447) | |
| | 10,000 | 504 | 3,604 | 14,108 | |
| Transfer between funds | - | - | - | - | |
| Balance 31st December | 10,000 | 504 | 3,604 | 14,108 | |

| | |
|--------------------|---------------|
| 2023 | 77,280 |
| Total Funds | |
| 2022 | 70,395 |

| Analysis of Funds | Unrestricted | Designated | Restricted | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|--------------|------------|------------|--------|---------|
| | | | | £ | £ |
| Fixed Assets | 28,493 | | 3,604 | 32,097 | 34,980 |
| Debtors | 5,398 | | | 5,398 | 4,820 |
| Cash & Bank | 31,869 | | 10,504 | 42,373 | 43,972 |
| | 65,760 | 0 | 14,108 | 79,868 | 83,772 |
| Creditors | (2588) | 0 | 0 | (2588) | (13377) |
| | 63,172 | 0 | 14,108 | 77,280 | 70,395 |
| Transfer between funds | | | | | |
| 2135 Building reserve Amortization to match depreciation charge | | | | | |
| 5543 St Clements building reserve special items | | | | | |
| 7678 | | | | | |

St Bede with St Clement Toxteth
Balance Sheet
As at 31st December 2023

| Notes | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| 7 & 1-2 Tangible Fixed Assets | 32,097 | 34,980 |
| Current Assets | | |
| Debtors - Income Tax | 2,132 | 1,438 |
| Other Debtors | 3,266 | 3,382 |
| Bank current accountnt & cash | 6,143 | 20,492 |
| Bank Deposit Account | 36,230 | 23,480 |
| | <u>47,771</u> | <u>48,792</u> |
| Creditors due in one year | | |
| General | 2,588 | 4,431 |
| LDBF Grant | 0 | 3,000 |
| As agent for DMGF | 0 | 5,946 |
| | <u>2,588</u> | <u>13,377</u> |
| Net Current Assets | 45,183 | 35,415 |
| | <u><u>77,280</u></u> | <u><u>70,395</u></u> |
| Represented by :- | | |
| 8 Funds | | |
| 1.3/1.4 Unrestricted | 63,172 | 66,162 |
| 1.2 Restricted | 14,108 | 4,233 |
| | <u><u>77,280</u></u> | <u><u>70,395</u></u> |

Approved by the Parochial Council 4th March 2024

signed on their behalf

D Thomas (Church Warden)

Dr Paul Strickland (Church Warden)

D G Roughley FCCA (Honorary Treasurer)

St Bede with St Clement Toxteth
Notes to the Financial Statements
Year ended 31st December 2023

Notes

| | Designated | Restricted | Unrestricted | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|--|------------|------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| 2 Voluntary Income | | | | | |
| Church collections plate GASDS | | | 823 | 823 | 1,108 |
| Church Collections Gift Aid | | | 1,920 | 1,920 | 1,920 |
| Church Collections Parish Giving | | | 11,948 | 11,948 | 12,033 |
| Income Tax recoverable | | | | | |
| Church collections inc GASDS | | | 686 | 686 | 763 |
| Parish giving | | | 2,987 | 2,987 | 3,008 |
| Special collections | 2,131 | | | 2,131 | 2,062 |
| Contributions | | 2,322 | | 2,322 | 2,696 |
| Donations Gift Aid inc Tax | | | 5,240 | 5,240 | 1,594 |
| None Gift Aid | | | 160 | 160 | 1,514 |
| LDBF Housing Grant Curate | | | | 0 | 437 |
| LDBF Parish share credit | | | 0 | 0 | 2,242 |
| LDBF Heating grant | | | 3,500 | 3,500 | 1,000 |
| David White memorial | | 10,000 | | 10,000 | 0 |
| | 2,131 | 12,322 | 27,264 | 41,717 | 30,377 |
| 3 Investment Income | | | | | |
| Woodward Memorial Trust | - | - | 155 | 155 | 154 |
| Interest | - | - | 268 | 268 | 13 |
| | 0 | 0 | 423 | 423 | 167 |
| 4 Income from church activities | | | | | |
| Hire of buildings | | - | 21,790 | 21,790 | 17,315 |
| Fees | | - | 325 | 325 | 220 |
| | 0 | 0 | 22,115 | 22,115 | 17,535 |
| Total Incoming Resources | 2,131 | 12,322 | 49,802 | 64,255 | 48,079 |
| 5 Charitable Activities | | | | | |
| The Ministry | | | | | |
| Parish Share | - | | 9,929 | 9,929 | 9,823 |
| Parish share voluntary | - | | 1,000 | 1,000 | 0 |
| Old balance write off | - | | 0 | 0 | 1,382 |
| Leaving gift Archdeacon | | | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| Readers subscription | | | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Food Store | - | 2,447 | 0 | 2,447 | 3,072 |
| | 0 | 2,447 | 11,029 | 13,476 | 14,427 |
| Outreach | - | - | 815 | 815 | 667 |
| | 0 | 0 | 815 | 815 | 667 |
| Church Services | | | | | |
| Light & heat | | - | 17,905 | 17,905 | 12,444 |
| Water Rates | - | - | 880 | 880 | 632 |
| Repairs | - | - | 3,116 | 3,116 | 6,118 |
| Insurance | - | - | 4,342 | 4,342 | 3,985 |
| Sundry | - | - | 931 | 931 | 942 |
| Church Office | - | - | 723 | 723 | 673 |
| Depreciation | - | - | 2,883 | 2,883 | 2,889 |
| Fees paid | - | - | 378 | 378 | 492 |
| | 0 | 0 | 31,158 | 31,158 | 28,175 |
| Special | | | | | |
| Major one off repairs | | | 9,590 | 9,590 | 0 |
| Cost of Raising Funds | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Charitable Expenditure | 0 | 2,447 | 52,592 | 55,039 | 43,269 |

The Parish of St Bede with St Clement Toxteth

Annual Report and Financial Statement of the Parochial Church Council for the Year ended 31st December 2023

Independent Examiners Report to the Parochial Church Council

This report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on the annexed pages is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2007 ('the Regulations') and S.143 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of S144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 does not apply and that an independent examination is needed.

s my responsibility to,

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below. .

Independent Examiner's Statement

(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with requirements of the 2011 Act

Have not been met, or

(2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Richard Fraser A C A
8TH April 2024