LANGLEY MARISH TEAM MINISTRY

ANNUAL REPORT 2024

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Team Rector Report

When I reflect on the last 12 months and the years since I arrived in Langley in September 2021, three words come to mind:

Joy This is a church and parish community where there is lively activity. People are committed, passionate, open, friendly, and welcoming. There is a generous sense that everyone can belong and everyone is welcome.

Sunday mornings I see an intergenerational community of young and old together. It is easy to take for granted that when we held an away day recently, 30 people came, four of whom were of secondary school age. This is extraordinarily unusual - I doubt there is any other parish within the Deanery that could make such a claim, and I doubt you would see it across the diocese very often.

I see conversations happening after the service between young and old, old friends and new friends, and that is incredibly encouraging. This is a good place to be.

Thankful This is a busy community. Much happens here: rotas are prepared, flowers are arranged, the brass is cleaned, the silver is polished, carpets are hoovered. We have readers, intercessors, chalice assistants. There is coffee, samosas, Sunday club, sides people, and so much more.

I need to say that these things don't go unnoticed - they are valued and welcomed. There is much to be thankful for. We have a lively group of youngsters and a good group of people who help to make this church the welcoming space that it is. So I am joyful and I am thankful.

Hopeful It is easy after 20 years of ordained ministry to be cynical, to be complacent, to feel you've seen it all before, done it all before. But I don't feel that way here. I sense a community in transition. The demographics point to this.

Holding a community in transition is not easy. As rector and the new kid on the block, I have found that attempting to hold a parish in transition can at times be quite a lonely place to be, but I am hopeful.

Our Journey and Future Direction

What I have attempted to do these last few years is to change the DNA of the parish, recognizing that we are a community in transition - responding to the needs of a very young population that is predominantly minority ethnic. I suspect within the next few years that 65% will become 70-80%, and the population will become younger simply because of the transient nature of this community.

Responding to this is going to be a challenge, but we must start by changing the DNA of the parish. I have resisted the desire for immediate action - to get things done quickly. I have known too many parishes, clergy, and lay people rushing to do things and resulting in burnout and unfinished projects.

This resistance hasn't been easy because I suspect all of us prefer action to words. But remember, much of Jesus's ministry focused on teaching and words. His healing, feeding of 5,000, and walking on water were instruments of the coming of God's Kingdom - powerful but almost incidental. The ultimate work of Christ was the cross and resurrection. To tell a story, we need to be clear what that story is before we tell it and be aware of who our audience is. Our audience are the teenagers who gather outside the shops of Trelawny Ave, one of whom held the door for me when I went into the CoOp, it the mum in a Hijab, the dad wearing his turban, the children who only eat a meal at school, the boy who saw his mother hit last night and bottles it up at school… This is our audience, and each person needs to know Jesus. A life in Jesus is the best life any of us can live.

And we need to listen. I was struck at the Away Day when we were talking about ministry amongst teenagers, we very easily fell into the trap of assuming that our own experiences as teenagers would be same as teenagers today and there moments when we failed to listen to the 4 secondary school aged children present, assuming that we knew more than them.

We also need to be aware of the immense changes in our society. Social Media and AI being powerful examples. The Netflix series ‘Adolescence’ should be compulsory viewing.

Filling the church with activity can sometimes be the wrong approach. Having said that, you will have seen from the Away Day leaflet that we have identified several things we would like to attempt in the next 5 years. It's about picking one, two, or three of these things and perhaps running with them to see where they lead us.

I've sought to renew the emphasis on the church as the body of Christ - that it is not just an individual person with a passion who runs with it, but the body of Christ recognizing the need for this work. It is not an individual hobby horse but us as the body of Christ who recognizes the importance of being a church community that is intercultural and intergenerational.

We are a church rooted and focused in the life of Jesus himself, who calls us to be his body, filled with his Spirit, soaked in the Scriptures, and nourished by the sacraments.

Challenges Ahead

We are now in the midst of a time of challenge. As a parish, we need to think seriously about what the future will look like. Is it realistic for three churches in the current climate to be offering traditional parish ministry? I would strongly suggest that it is not.

I've been saying this for a few years. I said it to the Archdeacon when I met with him a few weeks ago. I will say it to Bishop Dave when he comes to visit the parish in June. I will make it clear to anyone that will listen we need to make bold decisions if we are evangelise Langley and to have a mission and ministry that does not rely on a few individuals but on the Body of Christ.

Along with changing our parish DNA and emphasising the body of Christ concept, we also recognize our limitations. Finances are tight, and we have found ourselves with a volunteer base that is already at capacity. It has been a struggle to get things done. We need to acknowledge this.

Despite these challenges, I remain joyful, thankful, and hopeful for our future together as we discern God's will for our parish.

In addition to my work as Rector, I am the Associate Area Dean, and I sit on Diocesan Synod. I also sit on the Diocesan Board of Education, the Diocesan Human Resource Panel and I continue to work as a Spiritual Director and

Confessor to other clergy, as well as developing networks for clergy wellbeing. I am a Co-Chair of Governor's at Ryver's School where I am also Chair of the Welfare Committee, Safeguarding Lead and SEND Governor.

As always, there are too many people to thank! I do want to thank Parish and District Wardens for their hard work, the Treasurer for his commitment to what is an all-consuming and difficult job, and to Parochial and District Church Councillors for their commitment to their churches, and the parish as a whole.

My thanks also Angus MacKenzie for his work in the Parish Office - administration is a powerful charism of the Holy Spirit, and I am grateful for his commitment and diligence.

Shola's ministry is greatly valued across the parish, her pastoral care and building links in the community are an immense blessing the work of God's kingdom.

I need to thank my family: Hannah, Samuel, Sophie and my mother, Viola for their patience with me, and the way in which they are a constant reminder of my humanity under God; without them I would be a pale shadow of the person I am today.

Chris Ferris, Team Rector

Team Vicar Report 2024

The Sunday Services and all planned events had gone well. Sunday attendance rose slightly with three new families joining us and occasional visitors. On Sunday 9 June 2024, CtW held their Patronal Service which was followed with a lunch and enjoyed by all who attended. Harvest service was 29 September 2024 and was well attended with food donations/gifts from church and Toadhall Nursery which were sent to Slough Foodbank. The harvest service was followed with a good lunch prepared by Cavelle Chisholm, Val Pinnock (the leaders of CtW Social Committee Group) and team. A 'Big Thanks' to the whole team.

In December 2024, CtW was not at Slough Mencap – unable to do the date offered but we were at Shamrocks for Carols Singing which was well attended and much appreciated by all. On Christmas Day, there were 15 adults and 7 children who attended the service. The children and young people always take part in services when in church. On Sunday 29 December 2024 – there was a Parish Joint Service at St. Mary's attended by members of the three churches – St. Mary's, St. Francis and CtW.

All the special services and social events held in 2024 at CtW were well attended. Thanks again to the Service Leaders and Social Committee Group for their hard work, commitment and generosity throughout the year. The social events raised good funds with donations from friends of CtW towards the some of the work of the church – such as the replacement of a stolen Hoover with a new one; a new fitted flushing system to replace the old faulted system – to mention just a few.

The 2023 initiative with Shamrocks Pub by CtW called 'Shamrocks Friendship Club' continues to thrive in 2024/25 as we seek to reach out helping and giving support to folks in Langley and beyond. This has been a huge success with at least 40/50 people in attendance every week. We thank God as lives are been touched in genuine, loving and compassion ways. A written report from one of Shamrocks managers is enclosed.

School Ministry: Supporting the work of Foxborough Primary School has been positive and well received.

A message from the Head Teacher, Jessica Theisinger on 9 January 2025 reads,

> 'We are truly grateful for your ongoing support of Foxborough Primary School, and we look forward to collaborating further in 2025. We would be delighted to welcome you to any of our events - your presence is always appreciated by our school community.
>
> Thank you again for your generosity and willingness to support our school'.
>
> Jessica Thesinger

I would like to thank Barbara Birmingham and David Raynor for their support of my work in Foxborough Primary School.

My sincere thanks to DCC members, Social Committee group, Service Leaders, my District Warden – Audrey Boyles for their faithfulness, commitment and hard work. Also, for the support received from our Parochial Churchwardens – Anna Thomas-Betts and Joy Raynor.

As CtW starts the year 2025 with God and each other, we seek God's guidance and leading of the Holy Spirit as we serve Him and His people where He has placed us as His Church in Langley. We are looking forward to the 60th Anniversary service of the Dedication of CtW church on Sunday 22nd June with the Archdeacon of Buckingham – The Venerable Guy Elsmore as the Preacher and Celebrant for the day. Also, CtW is looking forward to working with our sister churches – St. Mary's and St. Francis and others in our call to be a Compassionate, Courageous and Contemplative church for the sake of God's world and of course, for Langley community.

By God's grace and with the help of the Holy Spirit, we shall be the church that God has called us to be in this place in Jesus' name. Amen.

Shamrocks Friendship Club Report

SFC is an outreach started by CtW with Shamrocks pub to serve its community, reaching out to those who are lonely and isolated by providing friendship, support and information as and when the needs arise. Ajay and Mags – the Managers of Shamrocks have been a great support providing a safe space to meet and their hospitality awesome.

The club started in July 2023 and meets every Monday from 10am to 12noon. It continues to flourish as we see new people every Monday from within and

outside Langley community. There had been various guest speakers from different works of life offering information and support that members can tap into. Attendance varies but on the high side.

A piece written by Ajay, one of the managers of Shamrocks, which highlights some of the good things the club has achieved.

> 'We are so happy that Rev Shola and Christ the Worker Church are involved in joint running and managing of Shamrocks Community Group.
>
> Since the group's inception over 18 months ago it has grown from strength to strength and now have over 40 to 50 attendees each week.
>
> Last year 2024, I (Ajay) decided to turn the group into a CIC and was successful in securing lottery funding so that we can do more for those who attend - this includes Fitness Classes, Day Trips, IT classes, and having money we can attract more guest speakers.
>
> We are grateful for Rev Shola and her attending weekly and leading the meeting and steering the ship so to speak. Her contribution, prayers and blessings are Invaluable. God bless her, always'.
>
> Ajay Parkash, Director, Shamrocks Community Group CIC.

At Shamrocks, we're not just about tea and coffee as noted. We're also kept updated about health and wellbeing and supports that are available for our members. Birthdays are also celebrated.

The club continues to thrive with an average number of 40 to 50 each Monday week.

Thanks to the Owners of Shamrocks and Staff for providing a warm and safe environment for our Seniors and always ready with teas and coffee.

This is an awesome club where local people meet every Monday to enjoy each other's company, listen to professionals who came and gave support, and where everyone is loved and cared for. I thank God for the growth of the group, and I like to encourage our friends to come and enjoy the fun activities, the care and support the club gives.

Rev Shola Aoko

PCC Secretary Reports

There is no PCC Secretary. Minutes have been taken by Joy Raynor.

There are 18 PCC members,

- 11 St Mary
- 5 Christ the Worker
- 2 St Francis

Six meetings were held in 2024.

Meetings covered issues such as Mission, Finance, Health and Safety, receiving reports from each of the District churches, the Parish Centre, Safeguarding etc.

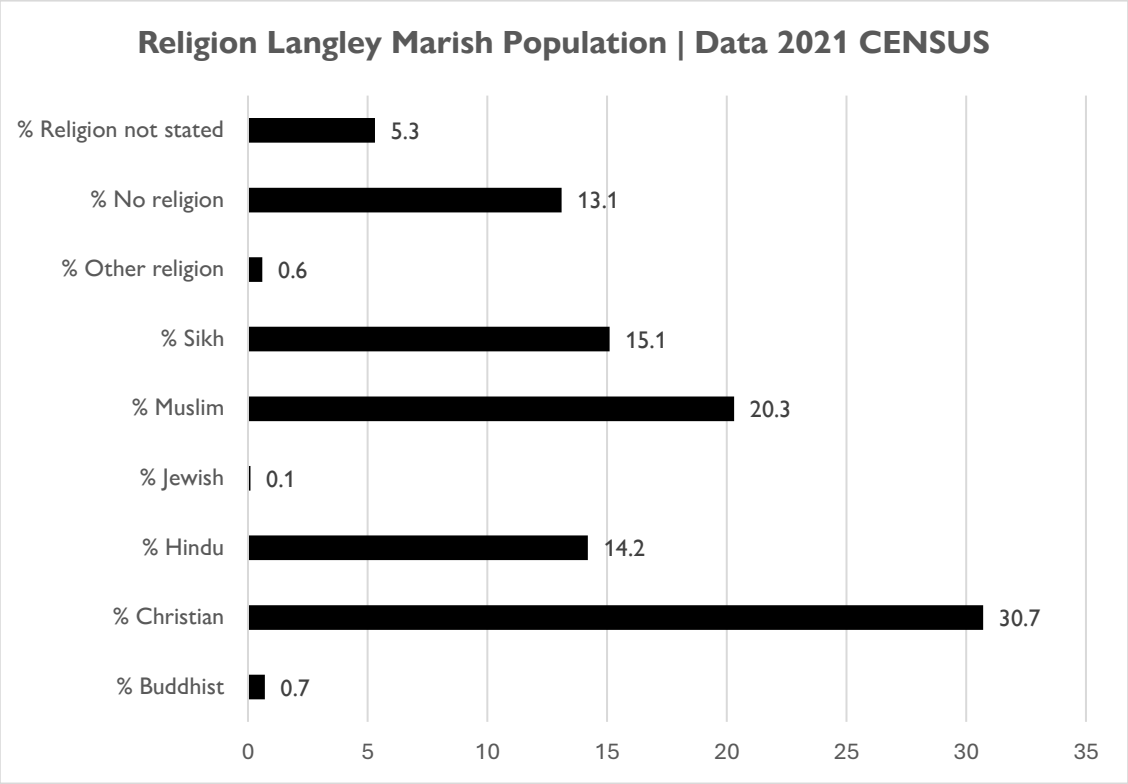
Treasurer Report

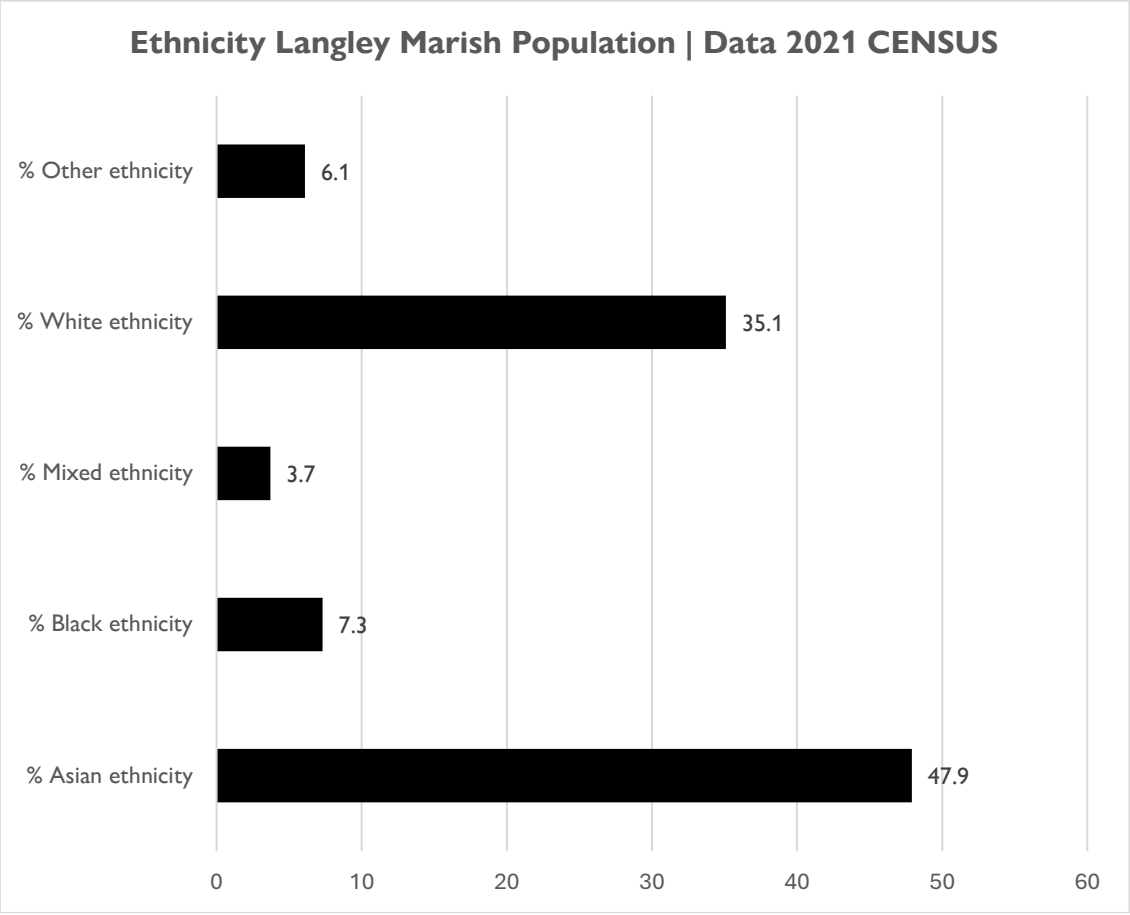
The Financial Report awaits approval from the auditors. The report will be available once approval has been granted.

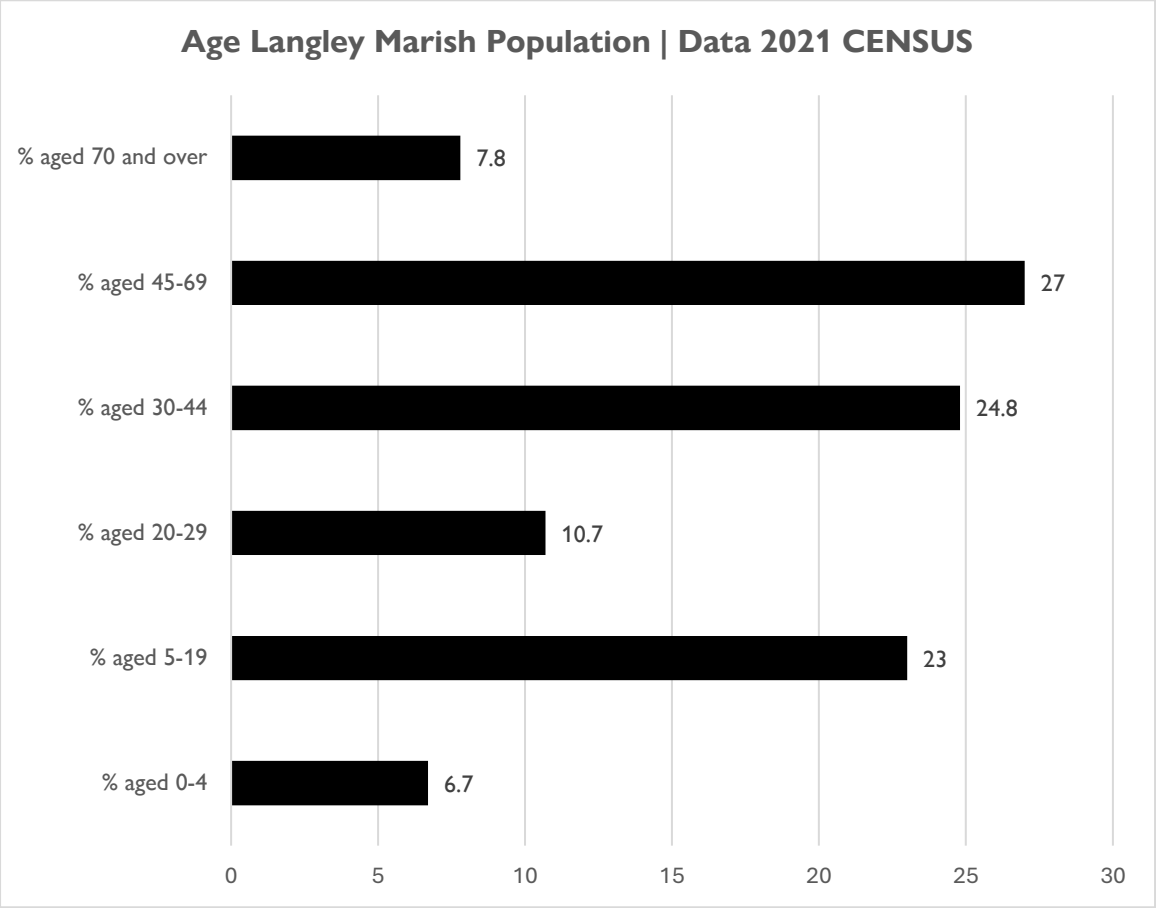
Duke Munday, Treasurer

Statistics

Source Church of England

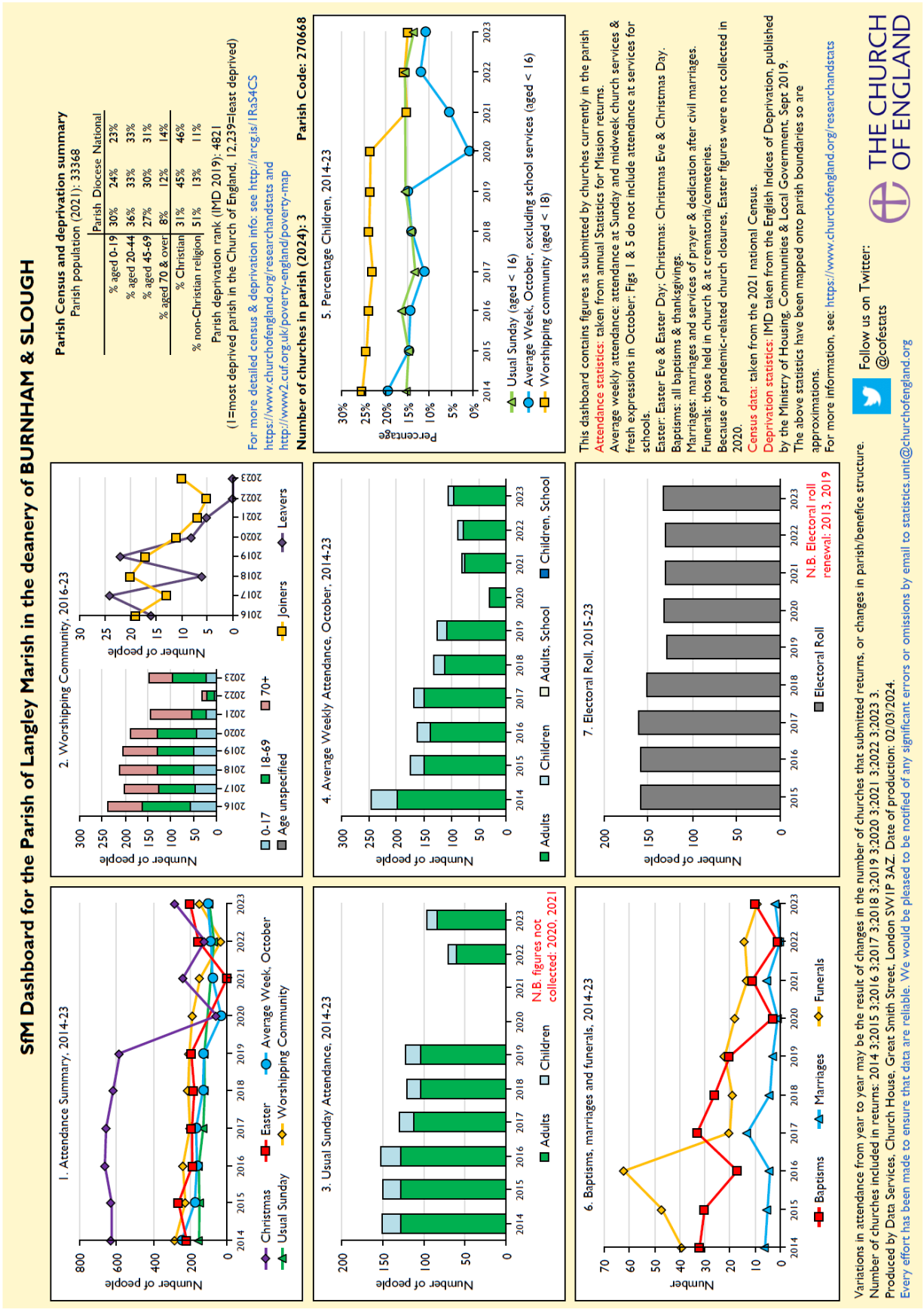






Source | Church of England

Deprivation rank (1=most deprived, 12,239=least deprived)	4,821
Parish population (2021 census)	33,368
Parish number of occupied households	11,149
Parish Area (square miles)	4.7
Population density (people per square mile)	7,131



Source | Deanery of Burnham and Slough

Deanery mapping for children and young people's strategy

Average Weekly Attendance (AWA) by parish (2023)

Based on responses submitted before 04.03.24

Deanery	Burnham & Slough

Parish Code	ParishName	All Avg Weekly Att (AWA)	All AWA per Pop %	U16 Avg Weekly Att (AWA)	U16 AWA per U16 Pop %	Parish Population	Population U16
270651	Burnham	154.5	1.1%	9.25	0.3%	13,711	2,841
270653	Colnbrook	29.8	0.5%	7.25	0.5%	6,405	1,539
270654	Datchet	29.8	0.6%	2.75	0.3%	5,272	1,015
270655	Dorney	22.0	2.8%	1	0.7%	781	139
270656	Dropmore	6.3	1.9%	0	0.0%	326	25
270658	Eton	0.0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5,210	1,421
270659	Farnham Royal	59.0	0.6%	2.75	0.1%	19,106	4,396
270662	Hedgerley	23.3	2.4%	1.25	0.6%	952	210
270663	Hitcham	38.0	1.8%	0.5	0.1%	2,139	434
270664	Horton	22.3	1.8%	0.5	0.2%	1,207	228
270665	Iver	48.0	0.7%	2	0.2%	13,258	2,528
270667	Iver Heath	54.8	1.0%	1.75	0.2%	5,244	1,012
270668	Langley Marish	104.8	0.3%	11.25	0.1%	100,104	25,855
270670	Manor Park St John the Baptist & Whitby Road	25.8	0.1%	4.5	0.1%	20,232	5,392
270671	Slough: St Paul	155.3	0.7%	24.75	0.4%	21,510	5,510
270672	Stoke Poges	52.3	1.0%	1.75	0.2%	5,237	1,014
270674	Taplow	102.8	5.7%	1.25	0.5%	1,796	276
270675	Upton-cum-Chalvey	108.5	0.4%	8.75	0.1%	87,456	22,263
270678	Wexham	45.8	0.6%	6.5	0.3%	7,986	1,994
270679	Wraysbury	24.0	0.6%	1	0.2%	4,037	652
Grand Total		**1,106.5**	**24.8%**	**88.75**	**5.1%**	**321,969**	**78,744**

Deanery mapping for children and young people's strategy

Census data - Population by parish

Deanery	BURNHAM & SLOUGH

Parish Code	Parish Legal Name	Parish Occupied Households	Parish Population	Population 0-16	U16 % Population
270650	Britwell Saint George	4,862	14,069	3,959	28.1%
270651	Burnham	5,358	13,711	2,841	20.7%
270652	Cippenham Saint Andrew	7,582	21,302	5,451	25.6%
270653	St. Thomas, Colnbrook	2,376	6,405	1,539	24.0%
270654	Datchet	2,122	5,272	1,015	19.3%
270655	Dorney	292	781	139	17.8%
270656	Dropmore St. Anne	152	326	25	7.7%
270658	Eton with Eton Wick and Boveney	1,613	5,210	1,421	27.3%
270659	Farnham Royal	3,569	9,553	2,198	23.0%
270662	Hedgerley	371	952	210	22.1%
270663	Hitcham	887	2,139	434	20.3%
270664	Horton	447	1,207	228	18.9%
270665	Iver	2,490	6,629	1,264	19.1%
270667	St. Margaret, Iver Heath	2,036	5,244	1,012	19.3%
270668	Langley Marish	11,149	33,368	8,618	25.8%
270670	Manor Park Saint John the Baptist and Whitby Road	5,829	20,232	5,392	26.7%
270671	St. Paul, Slough	6,580	21,510	5,510	25.6%
270672	Stoke Poges	1,935	5,237	1,014	19.4%
270674	Taplow	858	1,796	276	15.4%
270675	Upton cum Chalvey	9,945	29,152	7,421	25.5%
270678	Wexham	2,659	7,986	1,994	25.0%
270679	Wyrardisbury (otherwise known as Wraysbury)	1,507	4,037	652	16.1%

Source: Parish Census Detailed Data, November 2023 January 2024 - see notes for additional information

St Mary District Wardens Report | Josephine Hanney and Sheila Schmidt

Worship

Saint Mary's church continues to be a busy lively community in Langley. It has been encouraging to see our numbers averaging around 45 to 55 each Sunday. We continue to experiment with intergenerational worship with children and adults people of all ages meeting and worshipping together and encountering Jesus and we hope to develop that more and more over the years.

People

The church continues to host various visits from different schools particularly around Christmas when we welcome 2 local schools to lead their Carol services. In addition to this Langley Academy hosted a few days of exhibiting museum after facts of children's toys and as a part of their own initiative of intergenerational outreach within the greater Slough community once the numbers went particularly big it was encouraging that this initiative has being a part of the church's life. The church was open on the first Sunday of month between May and October for public visits to the Kedermister Library. A series of well attended and vibrant events including singing and art sessions were held in church at the same time.

On the 2 June an invited choir joined St Mary's choir for a wonderful evensong and enjoyed by all who came. More will be planned. On the 15 July St Mary's hosted Rev Carol Dunk licensing.

Fabric

The Fabric remains in good condition, and the church is well looked after by a faithful team of people. Outside motion sensor lights were fitted which makes access dark nights and mornings a great improvement. A review of heating, lighting to the choir area and sound provision were undertaken.

St Francis Warden Report | Joy Raynor

Worship

Sunday morning worship at 9.30 am communion 3 times a month and a lay led service of the Word the other Sunday. There is a communion service on most Wednesday mornings at 10.00 am.

People

The numbers at services have generally been maintained but it is impossible not to notice the increasing age of the congregation. They continue to support one another when things are challenging.

Fabric

The year started with some discussions about rubbish removal, but we failed to get the council to agree to take anything other than a small bin every other week. It was decided we would see how this goes before paying for waste removal. So far it seems fine.

A new Henry Vacuum Cleaner was purchased at the beginning of the year as the Dyson had been damaged in use and the cleaner expressed her frustration at it.

A fence across the side alley has been put up and the gate has a padlock on it. We are hoping this means the bins will not be filled with other people's rubbish, but the situation will be monitored. The large black bin and the green bin with no lid were collected by the council.

A H&S audit was scheduled for 6th June. This raised some issues but nothing major. On recommendation a kick stool was bought as it is much safer than standing on chairs. David Raynor also underwent ladder training. Other minor improvements continue.

New cafetieres and tea towels have been purchased, making it much easier to brew enough coffee for everyone.

The corner garden needed some work and Elisabeth has started this. Anyone with an hour or so to spare is welcome to help out (and people do). Other minor maintenance has been done by David Raynor.

The Archdeacons inspection went reasonably well and there are some action points, mainly for the parish.

The toys from Little Flowers were sorted, some discarded and others sold or passed on to groups or individuals who will use them. This has freed space under stage and in the storeroom, which is much easier to keep tidy.

The resources from Lighthouse are still stored at St Francis under the stage. Clearing this out needs to be a parish activity, probably later in 2025. At some point the loft also needs clearing out.

Generally, the year has not had any major work, although I am aware there is still quinquennial work outstanding which will be brought up at the inspection due in 2025 and the kitchen needs refurbishing.

Many thanks to James and Kim who keep the inside and outside clean and tidy week by week and to David Raynor who does many small maintenance tasks to keep the building useable.

Lettings

The building continues to be used by a variety of groups and at the end of the year there was a Pilates group, Rise and Shine (a group for elderly south Asian ladies), a dementia support group, Dance classes, Boxercise, a martial arts group, a singing group and two other churches using the hall. In addition, it is used as a Polling Station and hired out for meetings and parties. In a usual week the hall is in use for about 30 hours. This raises an income of nearly £20,000.

There are few problems but occasionally a group doesn't pay their invoice and this leads to stress. The users email, telephone, text or WhatsApp me if there are problems, or if they need to amend or cancel their booking.

Managing the bookings can take between 3 and 10 hours a month, occasionally more.

Consideration needs to be made for me stepping down and how the management of lettings (and to an extent the building management) will move forward.

Christ the Worker District Wardens Report | Audrey Boyles

Services and Attendance

All the services in 2024 continued as usual on Sundays as per rota lead by Rev Shola and Lay leaders. Fathers' Day service in 2024 was led by the young people and supported by their leaders. Rev Shola has encouraged the children to take an active part in the services when in church. In 2024, the electoral roll for CtW was 24 members.

Attendances on a typical Sunday (as required by the Church of England statistical return) - Christ the Worker Morning Service 9.30am/11.00 am between 18-28 in 2024.

Social Events

All our social events were well attended by friends and family as well as church congregations in 2024. The events organised were Agape Meal, International Evening, Quiz Night, Macmillan Coffee Morning and Harvest Celebration. See Team Vicar's report for more information on Shamrocks.

Needles and A Yarn

This outreach group has been meeting on a fortnightly basis to knit different articles and share companionship and friendship in CtW hall. The sessions always begin with one or two hymns and a prayer. Attendance have been between 10 to 14.

The knitted items have been donated to Wexham Park Hospital. In 2024 some of the knitted items were donated to a charity in Katoga supported by Jean Sharman Golder. We sold some blankets, gloves, knitted bags and various soft toys at St Mary's Christmas Fayre and the money was donated to the Parish.

Money received from Nine lessons and Carols as well as the Shamrock Friendship group has been placed into the Parish account for the use of the club when we need to buy wool.

The total amount of voluntary donation counted on 3rd March 2025 was £83.39. We have kept £40.00 for running cost and placed £43.39 in the church safe.

The group continue to thrive and enjoy knitting and teaching others to knit.

Thank you to Maureen and Val for their devoted work for the group.

Maureen Bush, Val Pinnock, Marie Kouhi

Christmas Services and Outreach Work

A small group of CTW congregation went to the Shamrock on Friday 20th December 2024 to sing and share the joy of Christmas to anyone who wanted to hear and join us.

The Nine Lessons and Carols Service was well attended, and the children did a brilliant job doing all the readings in the service. This was followed by Mulled wine and Minced Pies. We had a Christmas Day service on Wednesday 25 December 2024. There was an end of year Joint Parish Service at St Mary's church on Sunday 29 December 2024.

Financial Report

We have £89 as petty cash and £155.87 (donations) kept in church safe for CtW's practical use.

Building Report

CtW Main Hall and Side Hall were in use throughout 2024 and maintained well. Slabs at the grounds of the church were relayed in Sept/October 2024 (at the cost to the parish) as they posed a safety hazard. The Fire Extinguishers in the two buildings were serviced – 20 November 2024.

The Archdeacon's Inspection went well. And thanks to Joy Raynor for her support at the inspection.

Many of the outstanding work highlighted by Quinquennial Report which needed attention were done in 2024 by replacement/repair of the items at the Architect's recommendation.

Find below some of the jobs that were done with dates in 2024:

Toilet Area the old tile flooring in the one of the toilets in the Main Hall was re-placed with a new one. Also, a new fitted flushing system was put in the second toilet that was faulty on 02/02/25 at the cost of £189.50

A new hoover was bought on 24/04/24 (£79.99) to replace the stolen one.

Changing room area: Broken cupboards were fixed on 19/06/24 at no cost to the church.

The Main and Side Halls All doors and handles that needed repair were fixed free of charge - making them easier to open and close. Uneven slabs were all relayed in October 2024 at a cost to the parish and making them safer to walk on.

The outdoor wooden bench by the Side Hall was sanded down and varnish at no cost to the parish.

The two buildings and grounds were kept clean and tidy in 2024 by Regina M and James F. Many thanks to both.

Barbara Soko, CtW Hall Manager did very well too managing CtW rentals. Many thanks to Barbara for her commitment and hard work.

Kitchen All broken cupboards and doors in the side hall were fixed at no cost to the church. Also, a new tap fitted and a leaked pipe under the sink was repaired at no cost to the cost.

An extension led was donated to the church and its PAT tested.

Castle Water Issue was resolved in July 2024 through Duke's persistence, commitment and hard work in getting back the overcharge of £10,000+ back to the parish. A big thank you to Duke.

2025 Anderson C completed an online ladder training in January as part on CtW safety policy. He did very well and was given a Certificate.

A New Electrical Panel to replace the old one at CtW Main Hall as it's a secondary meter to the one in the vicarage. This is being done by LC Electrical from the Diocese. This is at no cost to the parish.

Thank you to the kind and generous helper(s) and to others for their support in 2024.

Audrey Boyles

Parish | Parish Office

Office Administration

The official office hours are 10 hours a week which are equally split between Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings and paid monthly in arrears. The administrator regularly exceeds the contracted hours often working all day on Fridays and especially during busy seasonal times, additional costs are not passed onto the parish. Timesheets are recorded with the Rector and Treasurer.

An annual review was conducted in the autumn of 2024 with the Rector.

The main duties include general office duties, including the production of weekly news sheets, web site/page updates, general parish communications and telephone enquiries. There are weekly meetings and correspondence with the Rector and a small parish-wide team who review and update content for the news sheets and online distribution.

The web working group reviewed current systems, robustness and structure with the aim of simplifying content creation and improve user experience. Forecast for implementation in 2025.

Office Equipment and Software

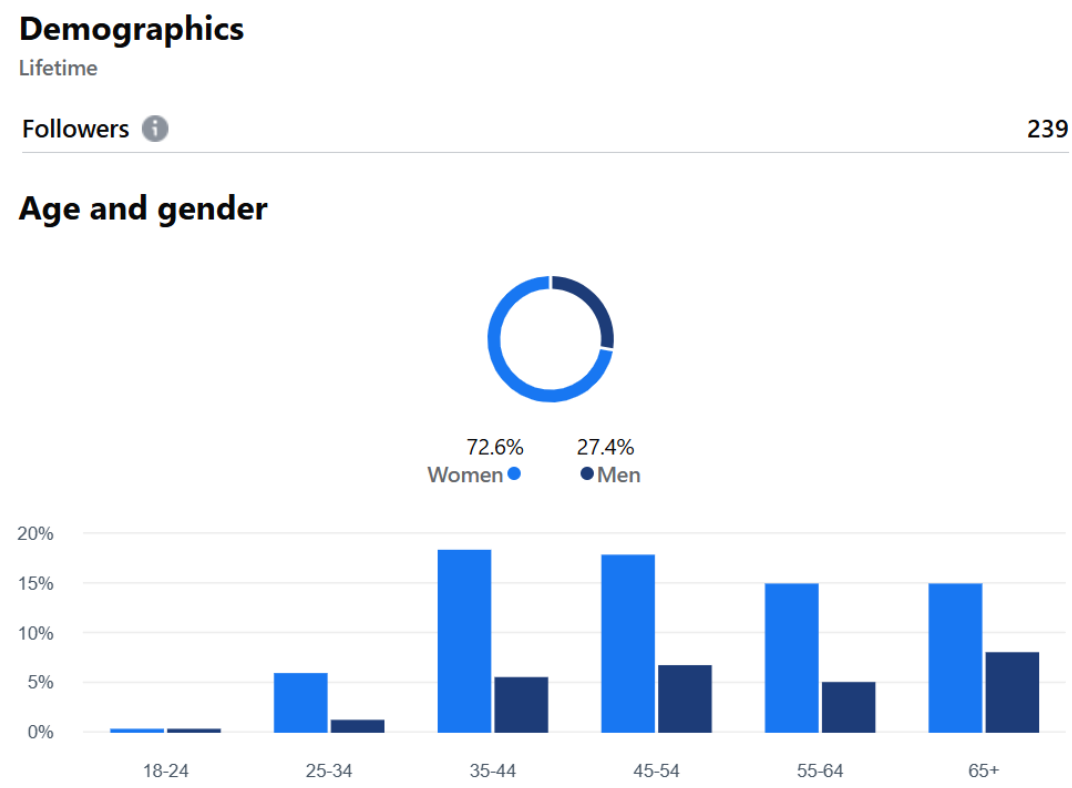
A new photocopier/printer and supplier was approved by the PCC. The new equipment became operational during the third and fourth quarter.

Observations and Trends

By the end of 2023 most external enquiries were associated with the churchyard at St Mary whereas the latter half of 2024 most communications were enquiries and requests for Baptisms and Weddings.

Parish social media is currently via Facebook (Editors include Parish Administrator, Rector and Church Warden). The audience followers profile remains unchanged from previous years. Utilisation of other social media platforms would broaden a wider audience and/or demographic.

Social Media Summary | Facebook



Source Facebook | Professional Dashboard | May 2025

There has been a small increase in the number of Facebook followers 221 in 2023 to 239 in 2024. Facebooks Reports are recorded and kept to monitor audience engagement and review successful posts. Although a significant number of the congregation state they do not use social media the levels of post reach and engagement continues to build on 2023 figures. More recent trends indicate the audience share of non-followers is slightly greater than followers. Non-followers are starting to achieve 60/70% share of the audience.

Of the 239 followers, the most unrepresented age group is under 35 years of age with 18 – 24 years of age below 5%.

Angus MacKenzie

Parish | Safeguarding
Safeguarding Committee Report

We have had three meetings this year. Clare Clark continues as the Parish Safeguarding representative, Chris Ferris as our recruiter, Elizabeth Jones as the verifier for DBS checks. Our parish representatives are Joy Raynor and Theresa Theo. Shola Aoko continues to support the committee.

We have fed relevant information back to the PCC throughout the year.

Recruitment

An additional member has been successfully recruited and has joined St Mary's Sunday School team.

DBS Checks

Thanks to Liz, all required DBS checks were completed in a timely manner. We continue to review the list at our meetings.

Training

The Parish Safeguarding representative continues to oversee training which to date remains on-line with a few face-to-face courses available. We ran two very successful training courses for the parish during April. The online Basic Awareness course was held at each church after their Sunday morning service. Joy also very kindly ran a face-to-face Foundation course at St Mary's church centre. 15 people attended the Basic Awareness course and 10 the Foundation. The Parish Safeguarding representative continues to follow up outstanding training.

Total courses completed throughout the year: -

Basic Awareness – 19

Foundation – 15

We have a First Aid course booked for Saturday 11th October 2025.

Parish Safeguarding Dashboard

This now replaces our parish "Promoting a Safer Church Action Plan." The Parish Safeguarding representative continues to update this regularly. We have progressed to Level 2. For future PCC meetings, The Parish Safeguarding representative will now provide a printed update of our dashboard information to be reviewed and signed on behalf of the PCC. Our focus for the forthcoming year is to ensure all necessary risk assessments are completed. Members of the Safeguarding Committee are now able to view our information on the Dashboard.

Safeguarding Concerns

To the knowledge of the Safeguarding Committee, there have not been any safeguarding concerns raised this year.

Thank You's

The Parish Safeguarding representative would like to thank the committee for all their hard work and commitment throughout the year. My thanks also go to the Oxford Dioceses Safeguarding team for their continued support.

Parish Safeguarding Policy

Our policy was read out at the May 2025 PCC meeting, accepted and signed. Copies of the policy will go on display in all our churches and church halls.

Christ the Worker | Safeguarding

Report 2024

Oxford Diocese has released a new revised Confidential Declaration form Privacy notice and a Confidential Declaration form for roles meeting the criteria for an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service. This is now available and will now become part of our recruitment process.

To help young people experiencing mental health problems, a list of organisations parishioners can turn to for help has been circulated to all churches.

The Langley Parish has now moved up to Level 2. The Parish Safeguarding Dashboard has now replaced our "Promoting a Safer Church "Action Plan and is currently monitored by the parish safeguarding officer.

DBS checks were carried out and renewed so we are updated. For the interest of members who do not have easy access to technology, organised group training sessions for Basic Awareness and F2F Foundation was organised in April with a view for fellowship amongst members. This was a success and well received by many within the parish.

Theresa Teo (Munday)

Parish | Around Langley

Around Langley remained faithful to its strapline, 'A Free Magazine published by the Langley Churches for the People of Langley'. In 2024 we continued to produce articles of general and varied interest as well as Christian messages. However, in the previous year a decision had been taken to reduce the number of issues produced from 10 a year to 6 and that

pattern has continued into 2024. Tony Randall (Langley Free Church) shares editorial responsibility with me and produces the contents of every other issue.

Although the income from advertisements has been steady, albeit at a low level, there has been no charges to the churches in 2024. Along with financial uncertainties, the distribution of the magazine in Langley, outside the churches, is another point of vulnerability as the volunteer base of distributors is getting more elderly and fragile. However, anecdotal evidence shows that non-churchgoing public also appreciate the magazine, so we end 2024 with gratitude for the past and hope for the future.

Anna Thomas-Betts

St Mary | Bell Ringing

The bells were inspected by Whites of Appleton [bellhangers] at the end of 2024. A report is awaited. This is the first time that the bells have been inspected since before the Covid lockdowns. An ideal would be an inspection every two or three years to ensure that the bells and fittings are in good order as this fulfils an important health and safety function. Whites were not working during the lockdown and it has taken time for a backlog of orders to be cleared. For those relatively new to the PCC it is worth remembering that the ring of bells were augmented to eight and the frame and fittings replaced in 1997. This work has allowed us, in addition to ringing all eight bells, to ring a light six which is suited to smaller numbers and potentially older ringers and therefore increases the range of what can be offered.

Bells have continued to ring for the 11.00 Sunday service and for Tuesday practices without interruption as well as any weddings or special services where bells are requested. Given that so many bell towers in the local area have fallen silent this is no mean feat. There are, for instance, no regular bells in Iver, Slough, Farnham Royal and Horton where there were thriving bands of ringers a few decades ago.

The tower was open during the Christmas Fayre in late November and a number of local residents and others were interested to hear more about the tower and bells.

Yet the future is not 100% secure. Those who have learned in recent years have provided useful service to the band but numbers are such that a loss of two or three ringers in quick succession without replacement could send the band into steep decline. Recent recruits have tended to come from outside the congregation and the question must be asked whether the timing of the Sunday choir practice is a factor when many churches have ringers who are also choristers.

We have a far better retention rate when it comes to ringers than the majority of towers and a few members of the congregation who might be prepared to learn to ring could help significantly to secure the future of ringing at Langley for many years to come.

My overall estimation of the situation is that, pending confirmation in White's report, the bells and fittings are in good order and a strong tradition of ringing is being maintained at Langley, a few more people coming forward to learn to ring would help to secure the future.

Mark Instone

St Mary | Children's Activities

St Mary Sunday Club (4 years-old upwards): The number of children on the register has stayed roughly the same as previous years with 26 on the register, of which 16 children attend on a fairly regular basis. The weekly attendance can be anything from 2 to 12 with quite a wide age range. Leaders/helpers should be on duty 1 out of every 4 weeks, although most regularly cover additional weeks due to a shortage of volunteers. This year we are down to only 3 teams of leaders/helpers, which is just about manageable, allowing for the intergenerational services when we do not provide Sunday school sessions. Further recruitment is needed, although all current avenues have been exhausted.

Crèche has not run this year as the only attendee moved up to Sunday school. Crèche could be available once a month if needed.

Junior Choir continues, led by Roger, with 8 choristers. This again is down slightly on last year due to families moving out of the area. However, the junior choir has been involved in several services this year, both supporting the adult choir and on their own at the Christingle and Crib services.

Altar servers - 11 children/young adults also contribute to church life as Altar servers, once more this is slightly down on last year, due to families moving out of the area. Chris is arranging another training session for Altar Servers at Easter.

Many of the children have been involved in special church services which Chris Ferris has planned for them for example, Mothering Sunday, Easter, Patronal, Harvest, Christingle and Crib services, or the monthly intergenerational service. Children not involved with the choir have taken part in readings or intercessions, rung hand bells or had an activity/worksheet, produced by Angus MacKenzie, linked to these services. Additional activities involving the children include building the Easter Garden, Vicarage BBQ and helping to run stalls at the Christmas fayre.

Carol Palmer

Christ the Worker | Sunday School Report 2024

No separate Sunday School sessions have been held this year. Most of the regular children who attends church service at CtW are now older and attending senior schools. They attend the main service, together with their parents, and the worship team continues to get the children involved through areas of scripture reading and preparation of offertory and holy communion. The children also played a major contribution during our Advent season and annual Nine Lessons & Carol in December. The Father's Day worship service in June was wholly led by the children and was well received by the congregation.

Rev Shola Aoko and Theresa Teo (Munday)

St Mary | Choir and Junior Choir

Main (Adult) Choir

The Adult Choir continues to sing regularly at the 11.00am Sunday service, as well as at the majority of special occasions; most notably around Christmas and Easter. Although numbers are currently quite low (there are fewer than a dozen names on the register) it is normal to sing Sunday's hymns and anthems in four parts. New members are always welcome; even if they are unable to attend on a regular weekly basis. Extra members from outside, for example, are often recruited for festival services.

This year the possibility of joining with other local church choirs is being investigated, with the intention of singing a series of choral evensongs; perhaps on a rota basis around the churches.

Choir Practice is held every Friday in church between 8pm and 9pm.

St Mary | Junior Choir

The Junior Choir joins the Adult Choir on Mothering Sunday and Easter Day, as well as being solely responsible for the music at the Christingle and Crib services.

There are currently ten names on the register (although it is rare that all attend each rehearsal). Rather than meet all year round, they practise for a number of weeks, running up to each commitment, also bearing school holidays in mind. Choir Practice is in church at 7pm on Fridays

The material sung is, on the whole, more contemporary than that of the adults.This year there was some experimentation in the placing of the choir, as it is recognised that when singing from the choir stalls beyond the screen, much of the volume can be lost.

Roger Witney

St Mary's Churchyard

It continues to be a challenge to keep the churchyard in the good order expected by the public. The PCC commissioned a Tree Hazard Assessment Survey and Condition report in January 2024 from a professional arboriculturist. This highlighted several trees requiring urgent work for the continuing health of our trees and the safety of churchyard users.

Slough Council, on receipt of the report, carried out the necessary work promptly. The report forms the basis of a long-term plan for the care and maintenance of our trees in the future. The council cuts the grass approximately four times a year but there is always work to be done and any help is appreciated.

Josephine Hanney

St Mary's Cleaning

St Mary's is cleaned every Wednesday morning by a diminishing number of volunteers who are not getting any younger. More help is needed.

Josephine Hanney

St Mary | Flower Arranging

A big thank you to the current team for doing their lovely flower arrangements during the past year. People often comment on how nice they look. We would like it if more people would volunteer. HELP....we would always help and show any newcomers. We are only a team of six.

Pat Gravette

St Mary | St Mary's Centre

The main hall and Hurst Room are available for lettings. The bookings were managed by Simona Gregorio while Liz Jones managed the day-to-day management of the Centre. There was a mixture of regular clients and a small increase of newer client enquiries.

Hire costs

The cost to hire the Hall and the Hurst Room on a regular basis is £15 per hour. The cost to hire the Hall for parties or any other one-off events is £25 per hour. A minimum of 4 hours booking is required for birthdays/one off/occasional events.

There is also a £100 deposit required in cash to secure the booking. It is returned once I can confirm the hall has been left in good condition, and as tidy and clean as it was found. I

have a paper form which I ask hirers to complete in advance with details of events and their full contact details (full name, address, email, contact number).

The hall is typically hired during term time approximately 31 hours per week.

Conditions

All hirers are aware that if the church needs the hall for any reason, they will be informed in advance and they will need to cancel or reschedule their activity, so that the hall is available for the church.

Also, Sunday hirers are aware that they can use the hall on Sunday with the agreement that if there is a request for a party or a community event on any given Sunday, they will be informed in advance and they will cancel their activity on those days.

Payments

Two hirers request an invoice including Slough Borough council.

One hirer sends me a monthly break down of the hours and days they have used the hall and the Hurst room and I prepare and send them an Invoice back.

All users pay by bank transfer except for one where an agreed specific established measure is in place. Two hirers pay by term, approximately every 3 months. One group pays each week.

All regular hirers pay only for the actual days that they use the hall. If for some reason sometimes they need to cancel the class, they will not pay for the hall.

Polling/parties/meetings

2 polling stations

4 private parties

Income

Estimate of the income in 2024 : £18,800, we expect a similar amount in 2025.

Looking after the bookings for the centre has been generally fine and smooth. I enjoy being part of the wider community at St Mary's Church Centre and I am very happy and grateful to look after the bookings and have this agreement so that I can use the Hurst room for my work as a counsellor and psychotherapist.

Simona De Gregorio, St Mary's Church Centre booking manager

Christ the Worker | Lettings

From 1st March 2025, the new rate for the Main Church Building is £20 per hour and £15 per hour for the Side Hall with a minimum booking of 2 hours.

Christ the Worker Church Bookings - 2024					
GROUPS	Religious	Tuition	Social	Private Training	Total
January	£510.00	£240.63	£78.75	£106.25	£935.63
February	£475.00	£309.38			£784.38
March	£645.00	£331.25			£976.25
April	£672.50	£206.25			£878.75
May	£450.00	£343.75			£793.75
June	£775.00	£275.00			£1,050.00
July	£450.00	-			£450.00
August	£690.00	£68.75			£758.75
September	£577.50	£137.50			£715.00
October	£480.00	£343.75			£823.75
November	£475.00	£362.50			£837.50
December	£600.00	£275.00			£875.00
Grand Total	£6,800.00	£2,893.76	£78.75	£106.25	£9,878.76

Parish | Healing and Wholeness Group

We continue to meet once a month to pray for those of our congregation and friends who are in poor health or are in need of support. We are a small group but at least one of us will try to keep in touch with those who have asked for our prayers. All information we receive is confidential unless we have been otherwise informed.

If you have anyone who you feel that you think might like to be included in our prayers please let me know.

Jeanne Roddick

St Mary | Kedermister Library

During summer 2024 our openings were very well supported. The Church and Library were buzzing and there was a wonderful community feel. I am really looking forward to our summer 2025 openings, dates and times on our website. All welcome!

Two very special visitors came to see The Library this year, Claire Breary MBE, Head of Ancient Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts at The British Library and Karen Limper-Hertz, Lead Curator and Head of Printed Heritage Collections also from the British Library. Both visitors were delighted to see The Kedermister Library and agreed it was much more impressive than the photos they had seen previously. They both gave me pointers for the care and display of the library books, which was very helpful.

Following their visit, I arranged for a small group of us to visit the British Library so Claire could show us The Kedermister Gospels. This manuscript book has been on permanent loan to The British Library, from The Kedermister Library since 1932. It is very difficult to put into words how amazing this experience was. Claire was incredibly generous with her time and knowledge. We looked in wonder at the script and illuminated decoration on the pages of the Gospels, and marvelled that it had been written in 1024.

Our connection with The Kedermister Gospels was explored again when Anne Courtney, Archivist at St George's College visited. Anne talked briefly about the collection of books at St George's and how in 1612 a decision had been made by the Cannons to move on their manuscript books to make space for easier to read printed books. Some of the manuscript books were taken to The Bodleian Library and somehow The Kedermister Gospels ended up here in The Kedermister Library, in Langley.

Visitors can always make an appointment to see The Library outside of our planned open days as did author Dr Robert Bard requested to visit prior to finishing his book on Berkshire Churches. He described his visit as 'fascinating and beyond all expectations' he was amazed that such treasures still existed outside of mainstream institutions. We will receive a copy of the book when Amberley publish is with an acknowledgement.

I received an interesting email from Patrick Honey who served as a Ranger in Black and Langley Parks from 1966 to 1999. In his email he shared some memories of his time working for Bucks County Council, who became 'Lords of the Manor' when they became owners of the parkland, mansion house and library. When Langley Mansion stood empty Patrick and his Ranger team were responsible for the security of the house and library. He described finding a vault in the house which contained tea chests, shelves of books, bundles of documents and annual diaries of household matters. Patrick arranged for this amazing find to be collected by County Archives for posterity. Also, concerned, that there was no record of the painted panels in The Kedermister Library or the pew Patrick arranged for slides to be created of them. From documents collected from the vault in Langley Mansion, visiting the County Records, the Bodleian and British Library Patrick compiled the Estates history from Roman times to 1999. I am delighted to have been able to find a set of the slides in The Library and a copy of his book in the County Archives so two wonderful pieces of local history have now come to light again.

On 4th November I attended a course at SOAS University of London organised by the Historic Libraries Forum called Securing our Collections. The focus was on managing risks in historical libraries. All sessions were interesting and informative and included actual incidents that either the speakers or the libraries or museums they were based at had dealt with. Their experiences were intriguing and certainly helped raise my awareness to be vigilant during open days and to safeguard our wonderful collection.

Jane Sculpher, Honorary Librarian Kedermister Library

Parish | Men's Group

This group was instigated and coordinated by Anthony Moorthoti in 2023. It has a broad range of attendees from all churches, ages and backgrounds. The initial events took place in the evening at local pubs/restaurants with an average attendance of 20. More and different types of events are planned in 2025.

Rev Chris Ferris and Anthony Moorthoti

St Francis | Refresh

Refresh continues to be popular with attendance usually in the 20's.

We are blessed by the presence, at most meetings, of a group from The Haven carehome, along with their carers, who join in enthusiastically.

This past year we have enjoyed song, dance, crafts, travel talks, quizzes and more as well as enjoying tea, cakes, scones and crisps! We have also enjoyed some inspiring Bible Links each meeting.

Thank you to all who help with planning, setting up, washing up, sweeping and cleaning up etc.

It would be good to see more people from across the parish joining us. All newcomers are made very welcome.

St Francis | Not Home Alone Lunches

The group continues to thrive with eight guests. We enjoy a variety of home-cooked, two-course meals with different guests often volunteering to cook the main course or provide a dessert.

We aim to offer the atmosphere of a 'family meal', which people living in their own can dearly miss. The fellowship we share is every bit as important as the food.

The meal is followed by a short time of reflection and prayer, all of which seems to be appreciated.

It is a pity numbers have to be restricted as I am sure there are many others within and outside the church who would welcome the opportunity to be part of such a group – we never have any problem filling vacancies. Any volunteers to start another group?

Elisabeth Howell

St Mary | Social Committee Reports

The Social Committee consists of Christine Beynon (Chair), Joan Bastick, Sam MacKenzie, Roselin Moorthoti, Christina Nadar and Sheila Schmidt.

All our events were well planned and mostly well attended. The Parish BBQ, Patronal Festival, Bettle Drive and Bingo Night were thoroughly enjoyed by those attending, as was our Christmas Fayre which raised over £1000+. The Christmas Fayre remains a prominent Parish event with many visitors returning each year in the lead up to our Christmas services and events. For many years the Christmas Fayre has been our sole parish fundraising activity.

Year 2025 events have already been planned, and we have already had one successful outcome. The challenge for the future of the group is addressing its vulnerability. One member has moved out of the parish, most of the volunteer base is getting more elderly and fragile while others balance work commitments. Even as a vibrant dedicated group we need additional members if we are to continue the same level of activities beyond 2025.

Christine Beynon and Social Committee members

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Langley Marish
January – December 2024

Annual Report and Financial Statements
For the year ending 31 December 2024

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2024

The following pages contain the financial statements of Langley Parochial Church Council, and unincorporated charity for the year ending 31st December 2024. The Charity's registered number and registered address can be found on the information page.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 to 2006, which assure compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity Commission's revised Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2015 FRS102). This report is a summary of the most significant financial events in 2024.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The total funds of the PCC in 2024 are £1,451,844 (2023: £1,441,681). The funds have increased by £10,163. The unrealised gains on the investments were £21,047. This means that there was a deficit of £10,884 (2023: (£14,583)) across all other funds for the year.

- **UNRESTRICTED FUNDS**

  Unrestricted Funds provide most of the financial resources on which the parish relies to meet its day-to-day expenditure. The policy of the PCC is to agree an annual budget, in which the expenditure does not exceed the incoming resources. Financial reviews in relation to the budget are presented at each meeting of the Standing Committee and, where appropriate, the full PCC meeting. There is also a Finance committee that meets now to discuss ongoing expenditure although this has now been merged with the standing committee.

  In 2024 unrestricted funds achieved a total deficit of £7,997 (2023: a deficit of £20,883). A final claim will be made against the Seymour Bequest fund for St Mary's running costs. The claim represents the 2024 expenditure and the total amount to be claimed is £22,691. The total claim outstanding is now £38,020 (2023: £15,329). Claims will be transferred as and when the main PCC account requires it, otherwise it is agreed to try and leave the claim to earn interest in the deposit account whilst the interest rates are favourable.

  Stewardship dropped slightly in the year from £76,657 to £75,072. This represents a decrease of 2%. The total stewardship received is still below pre-pandemic levels and given inflation levels over the last year or so you can tell that the cost of living crisis has potentially affected stewardship donations to the Church.

  It is always hoped that we can achieve a 5% increase on stewardship each year, but it looks like this needs to be reassessed.

  The PGS scheme continues to be helpful in accelerating gift aid which also greatly helps our day-to-day cashflow.

The ground fund and fabric fund have been transferred to the main general fun. Money is continuously spent on these areas but in the past has not been apportioned to these funds. Money can always be apportioned to these funds if we get back into a position of excess funds. Excluding the building the general reserve is now negative £18,003 (See note 4(b). Discussions will continue to be had as to how to reverse this trend.

Regarding General Fund income, the main points in 2024 were:

Stewardship, gift aid receipts collections and donations decreased in 2024 by £10,455 to £93,867 (2023: £104,321). This equates to a 10% drop from the previous year. It is hoped that 2025 will get us back towards the 2023 levels.

Our thanks go out to all those who continue to support the parish.

- Rental income from our buildings continues to be vital to the parish. Total rental receipts increased to £49,047 from £43,675 in 2023. The rental income is extremely important for the financial wellbeing of the parish, so all involved in this effort must be thanked for their hard work.

- As part of stewardship, our resources are carefully and thoughtfully utilised to keep the expenditure within budget. In 2024 the parish spent £153,738 (2023: £172,188) from its general fund.

Notable points regarding expenditure were:

- Our parish share was not met in full. The total included in the accounts for 2024 was £88,487 (2023: £112,763).

- In 2024, giving to charities and other good causes amounted to £Nil (2023: £4,575). The Parish is no longer able to keep to its 5% distribution due to the financial constraints that it is facing.

- At year end the Fabric Fund reserves amounted to £Nil (2023: £24,517), the General Fund amounted to (£18,003) (2023: (£41,543)). As noted above for now the fabric and ground funds will be included back in the general fund.

- **RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The most significant points associated with the restricted funds are:

- **The Christ the Worker Community Room & Hall:** The church hall income is now included within unrestricted funds. The fund now stands at £2,182 (2023: £2,182).

- **St. Mary's Church Centre:** The rental income from the Church Centre is now included within unrestricted funds. The Church Centre Trust provided £3,600 (2023: £4,542) of investment and interest income. The Church Centre donated £Nil (2023: £Nil) to the

unrestricted general fund. At year end the St. Mary's Church Centre fund was £62,564 (2023: £58,779).

- **The Parish Magazine Fund:** Income from the parish magazine increased in the year. Total income was £140 (2023: £2,555). This magazine remains to be free, and it is hoped that the cost of production may be met from advertising and donations.

- **St. Mary's Bequest Fund:** No bequests have been received in the year. Therefore, the fund still stands at £11,291.

- **ENDOWMENT FUNDS AND TRUSTS**

  The parish benefits from two trusts, the Seymour Bequest Fund, held by the PCC and included in these accounts, and the St. Mary's Education Trust, administered by the Diocese and not included here. Without the income from these trusts the parish would be financially hard pressed.

- **Seymour Bequest Fund:** In 2024 the items of expenditure claimed in accordance with the terms of the bequest were £22,691. The total amount to be claimed now stands at £38,020.

- This sum was entirely used to defray PCC church upkeep and running expenses during the year.

  The total investment income of the fund amounted to £24,612 (2023: £20,047). During the year, the investments appreciated by £16,212 (2023: £62,967) so that, at year end, the fund was valued at £817,822 (2023: £799,688).

- **St. Mary's Education Trust:** During the year the trust contributed £1,432 (2023: £2,114) toward education and children's work within the parish, in accordance with the terms of the trust.

D.T. Munday (Treasurer – Langley PCC)

Date: 15 August 2025

Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Langley Marish

Registered Charity No. 1128004

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Langley Marish

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 21.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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 charity'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 Commissioner 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with these records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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 attentions should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

…… Date: 16/08/2025

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Seymour Fund £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Incoming resources from donors	2a	93,867.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	93,867.22	104,321.51
Other voluntary incoming resources	2b	0.00	1,431.64	0.00	0.00	1,431.64	4,032.67
Income from charitable trading	2c	49,940.31	140.00	0.00	0.00	50,080.31	48,695.99
Other ordinary incoming resources	2d	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Income from investments	2e	1,933.37	3,599.82	0.00	24,612.79	30,145.98	27,471.40
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		145,740.90	5,171.46	0.00	24,612.79	175,525.15	184,521.57
RESOURCES USED							
Grants	3a	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,575.00
Directly relating to the work of the church	3b	140,844.72	5,136.63	0.00	22,691.40	168,672.75	177,156.70
Fund - raising and publicity	3c	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Church management & administration	3d	10,962.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,962.51	10,725.10
Governance costs	3d	1,931.13	4,842.61	0.00	0.00	6,773.74	6,647.40
TOTAL RESOURCES USED		153,738.36	9,979.24	0.00	22,691.40	186,409.00	199,104.20
NET INCOMING /(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(7,997.46)	(4,807.78)	0.00	1,921.39	(10,883.85)	(14,582.63)
GAINS AND LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS							
- Realised		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
- Unrealised		0.00	0.00	4,835.27	16,212.05	21,047.32	77,927.54
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(7,997.46)	(4,807.78)	4,835.27	18,133.44	10,163.47	63,344.91
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1st JANUARY 2024		339,529.79	104,566.22	197,896.53	799,688.35	1,441,680.89	1,378,335.98
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD AT 31st DECEMBER 2024		**331,532.33**	**99,758.44**	**202,731.80**	**817,821.79**	**1,451,844.36**	**1,441,680.89**

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st. DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	6	363,277.94	368,120.55
Investment Assets (Seymour Bequest)	7	724,519.51	708,307.46
Investment Assets (Church House Estate)	7	17,391.05	17,001.90
Investment Assets (St. Mary's Church Centre)	7	181,816.67	177,370.55
		1,287,005.17	1,270,800.46
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors	9	20,273.01	43,817.85
Deposit Account (Seymour Bequest)		113,989.86	89,377.07
Cash at bank and in hand:			
National savings bank		9,683.70	9,683.70
Main PCC current account		606.93	21,140.44
St. Mary's church centre current account		555.34	303.23
St. Mary's church centre business account		38,305.76	28,210.56
Parish Magazine account		889.89	2,189.89
St. Francis Mother & Toddler Fund account		0.00	731.44
St. Francis General Fund account		1,295.72	1,295.72
C.W.Community Hall Float account		5.72	5.72
Seymour Bequest bank account		17,332.49	17,332.49
Seekers Club bank account		25.95	25.95
C.W. Mother & Toddler Group account		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - General Account		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - Seekers Club		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - St.Mary's Float		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - St. Francis General Fund		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - St. Francis Mother & Toddler Fund		0.00	20.00
Cash in hand - Christ the Worker Hall Float		22.33	22.33
Cash in hand - C.W. Mother & Toddler Group		0.00	0.00
		202,986.70	214,156.39
LIABILITIES :			
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	10	(38,147.51)	(43,275.96)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		164,839.19	170,880.43
TOTAL NET ASSETS	5	**1,451,844.36**	**1,441,680.89**
FUNDS:			
Unrestricted	4(b)	331,997.06	339,994.52
Restricted	4(e)	99,758.44	104,566.22
Endowment	4(c)	202,267.07	197,431.80
Seymour restricted	4(d)	817,821.79	799,688.35
		1,451,844.36	**1,441,680.89**

Approved by:

D.T. Munday
(Treasurer - Langley PCC)
Date: 15 August 2025

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 as amended by the Church Accounting (Amendment) Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value.

FUNDS

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Voluntary Income and Capital Sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by the fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other Income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from Investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

Gains and Losses on Investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when the investments are sold.

Un-realised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31st December.

RESOURCES USED

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid on 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance sheet.

FIXED ASSETS

Consecrated Land and Buildings and Movable Church Furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the Vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated, they are listed in the church's Inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to (2000) there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life on a straight-line basis.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings individual items under (£1,000) or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1st January is written off.

Other Fixtures, Fittings and Office Equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value as at31st December.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC as at 31st December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts which may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Seymour Fund £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
2(a) INCOMING RESOURCES FROM DONORS						
Planned giving :						
Stewardship : With Gift Aid Declarations	75,071.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	75,071.73	76,657.47
Income tax on Gift Aid declarations	16,169.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,169.61	17,552.40
Collections	227.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	227.49	4,897.19
Sundry donations	2,398.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,398.39	5,214.45
	93,867.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	93,867.22	104,321.51
2(b) OTHER VOLUNTARY INCOMING RESOURCES						
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	338.63
Legacies (see note 10)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund raising events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,580.18
Social Events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Choir Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
St. Mary's School Religious Education Trust	0.00	1,431.64	0.00	0.00	1,431.64	2,113.86
	0.00	1,431.64	0.00	0.00	1,431.64	4,032.67
2(c) INCOME FROM CHARITABLE TRADING						
Fees & Copyright	893.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	893.00	1,226.00
External Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00
Sale of Books	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sale of Magazines	0.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	140.00	2,555.00
Church hall letting	49,047.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	49,047.31	43,674.99
Donation from Church Centre income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	49,940.31	140.00	0.00	0.00	50,080.31	48,695.99
2(d) OTHER ORDINARY INCOMING RESOURCES						
Insurance claims	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reclaimed VAT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2(e) INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS						
Interest	239.30	0.00	0.00	4,950.91	5,190.21	2,417.02
Dividends	1,694.07	3,599.82	0.00	19,661.88	24,955.77	25,054.38
	1,933.37	3,599.82	0.00	24,612.79	30,145.98	27,471.40
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	145,740.90	5,171.46	0.00	24,612.79	175,525.15	184,521.57

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

3 RESOURCES USED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Seymour Fund £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
3(a) GRANTS						
Missionary and charitable giving:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,575.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,575.00
3(b) DIRECTLY RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH						
Ministry						
Clergy Expenses	4,075.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,075.34	3,735.28
Diocesan Quota	88,487.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	88,487.34	112,762.98
Deanery Quota	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Church running costs & maintenance	29,400.15	0.00	0.00	20,703.09	50,103.24	37,343.97
Upkeep of grounds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Upkeep of graves & churchyard	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,567.51	1,567.51	1,467.36
Upkeep of services	185.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	185.57	795.31
Salaries & External Fees	12,459.87	0.00	0.00	420.80	12,880.67	12,102.20
Major church repairs & replacement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of parish magazine & bookstall	0.00	2,240.00	0.00	0.00	2,240.00	1,545.00
Sunday School	0.00	561.17	0.00	0.00	561.17	445.96
Training and mission	-1,172.19	2,304.46	0.00	0.00	1,132.27	2,347.77
Youth groups	0.00	31.00	0.00	0.00	31.00	447.50
Church hall expenditure	6,908.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,908.64	4,163.37
	140,844.72	5,136.63	0.00	22,691.40	168,672.75	177,156.70
3(c) FUND RAISING AND PUBLICITY						
Cost of social events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of fund raising events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of stewardship (non recurring)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3(d) CHURCH MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION						
Administration:						
Cost of secretarial assistance	8,476.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,476.39	8,569.84
Cost of stationery	2,276.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,276.06	1,882.70
Bank charges	210.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	210.06	272.56
Governance costs	1,931.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,931.13	1,804.79
Amortisation	0.00	4,842.61	0.00	0.00	4,842.61	4,842.61
Loan interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	12,893.64	4,842.61	0.00	0.00	17,736.25	17,372.50
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	153,738.36	9,979.24	0.00	22,691.40	186,409.00	199,104.20

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

DEFINITION OF FUNDS, FLOATS AND PURSES

The following material funds, floats and purses have been identified by the PCC who have approved these definitions:

GENERAL FUND (UNRESTRICTED FUND)

The General Fund is used for the furthering of the mission and mission of the church and to meet the expenses of the parish of Langley Marish and the clergy team in their work within the Deanery at the discretion of the PCC.

FABRIC FUND (UNRESTRICTED FUND)

The Fabric Fund enables money to be set aside from general funds for future major church projects at the discretion of the PCC.

GROUNDS FUND (UNRESTRICTED FUND)

The Grounds Fund is used to provide income for the upkeep of church grounds at the discretion of the PCC.

CHOIR FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Choir Fund is restricted to income specifically for the choir to finance choir activities. This fund is used at the discretion of the choir and choirmaster as delegated by the PCC.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CENTRE FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Mary's Church Centre Fund is restricted to income from the hire of the centre and investments associated with the centre. The purpose of the fund is for the upkeep and long-term maintenance of the centre at the discretion of its Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

ST. MARY'S GENERAL FLOAT (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Mary's General Float is a restricted fund, with much of its income derived from donations and specifically used for the general upkeep and maintenance of the building and facilities. With a maximum limit of £250, this fund is used at the discretion of the Verger, district wardens of DCC as delegated by the PCC.

LANGLEY PARISH MAGAZINE FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Langley Parish Magazine Fund is restricted to income and expenditure associated with the parish magazine and used at the discretion of the Magazine Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS MOTHERS & TODDLERS FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis Mothers and Toddlers Fund is restricted to income from donations given specifically for the benefit of the group. The fund is used only for the activities of the group or other related purposes at the discretion of the organisers as delegated by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS DEVELOPMENT FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis Development Fund is restricted to income from donations, bequests and fund-raising events specifically for the benefit of St. Francis church. The fund is used only for the on-going upkeep and development of St. Francis church at the discretion of the Vicar and District Wardens as delegated by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS BUILDING FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis Building Fund is restricted to income given specifically for the restructuring of St. Francis church. The fund is used only for that purpose as approved by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS GENERAL FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis General Fund is a restricted fund, with its income derived from smaller donations and activities in St. Francis district. It is used for the minor maintenance and upkeep of the building and services at St. Francis church. This fund is used at the discretion of the Vicar, District Wardens or DCC as delegated by the PCC.

CHRIST THE WORKER FLOAT (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Christ the Worker Float is a restricted fund used for the general upkeep and maintenance of the building and facilities. This fund is used at the discretion of the district wardens or DCC as delegated by the PCC.

CHRIST THE WORKER COMMUNITY HALL FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Christ the Worker Community Room fund is restricted to income from letting of the community room and used for its maintenance and running costs at the discretion of the Christ the Worker Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

SEEKERS CLUB FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Seekers Club Fund is a restricted fund; its income derived from club activities or donations. The fund must be used to meeting the running costs or other related expenses of the club, at the discretion of the club leaders as delegated by the PCC.

CHRIST THE WORKER MOTHERS & TODDLERS FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Christ the Worker Mothers and Toddlers Fund is restricted to income and donations given specifically for the benefit of the group. The fund is used only for the activities of the group or other related purposes at the discretion the organisers as delegated by the PCC.

SEYMOUR BEQUEST FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Seymour Bequest Fund is a restricted fund, its primary purpose being for the upkeep of St. Mary's Church and the graveyard according to its needs. However, if the income cannot be applied to the main objective it may be applied to:

a) The upkeep of St. Francis and Christ the Worker churches.

b) To further the religious and other charitable work of the church in the parish.

The trustees of the bequest, as delegated by the PCC, administer the fund.

4. MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

CHURCH HOUSE ESTATE FUND (ENDOWMENT FUND)

The Church House Estate Fund is an endowment fund. The capital, which cannot be spent, is derived from the Langley Church House Estate Charity. The income from this capital is unrestricted and may be used for any purpose at the discretion of the PCC.

GRAVE MAINTENANCE FUND (ENDOWMENT FUND)

The Grave Maintenance Fund is an endowment fund. The capital cannot be spent but the income from this capital can only be used for the on-going upkeep of the graves and surroundings of Mrs Oseland, Paul Nash, the Irons family and A.N.Other at the discretion of the PCC.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CENTRE TRUST (ENDOWMENT FUND)

The St. Mary's Church Centre Trust is an endowment fund and as such the capital cannot be spent. The primary purpose of the income from the capital is to provide for the on-going upkeep and long-term maintenance of the church centre at the discretion of its Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

4 MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

4(b) UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

		General Fund £	Fabric Fund £	Ground Fund £	St. Mary's Hall/Centre £	**Unrestricted Funds Total £**
Fund at 1st. January 2024		(41,542.73)	24,517.28	7,019.97	350,000.00	**339,994.52**
Add	Interest / Dividend	1,933.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	**1,933.37**
	Income	143,807.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	**143,807.53**
	Donation from Restricted Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
	Transfers between unrestricted funds	31,537.25	(24,517.28)	(7,019.97)	0.00	**0.00**
Less	Expenditure	(153,738.36)	0.00	0.00	0.00	**(153,738.36)**
	Transfer to restricted funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Fund at 31st. December 2024		(18,002.94)	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	**331,997.06**

4(c) ENDOWMENT FUNDS

		Grave Maintenance Fund £	Church House Estate £	St. Mary's Centre Trust £	**Endowment Funds Total £**
Fund at 1st. January 2024		3,059.35	17,001.90	177,370.55	**197,431.80**
Add	Interest / Dividend	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Less	Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Gains/Losses on Investments		0.00	389.15	4,446.12	**4,835.27**
Fund at 31st. December 2024		3,059.35	17,391.05	181,816.67	**202,267.07**

4(d) SEYMOUR BEQUEST FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

			£	**£**
Fund at 1st. January 2024				**799,688.35**
Add	Income Received:	VAT Refund on Building Work	-	
		Dividends from investments	19,661.88	
		Interest from deposit account	4,950.91	
		Repayment of work on Library	-	
				24,612.79
Less	Use of Bequest:			
		Utilities	(5,394.34)	
		Insurance	(5,134.24)	
		Maintenance, cleaning and repair	(10,595.31)	
		Major repairs	0.00	
		Upkeep of graves and churchyard	(1,567.51)	
				(22,691.40)
Movement of Fund				**1,921.39**
Realised Gains/Losses on Investments				**0.00**
Unrealised Gains/Losses on Investments				**16,212.05**
Fund at 31st. December 2024				**817,821.79**

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

4 MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

4(e) RESTRICTED FUNDS

		Parish Magazine Fund £	St.Mary's Choir Fund £	St. Mary's Float £	St.Mary's Church Centre Fund £	St. Mary's Bequest £	Other Restricted Funds £
Fund at 1st. January 2024		3,174.89	1,608.94	0.00	58,778.78	11,291.03	1,433.99
Add	Interest / Dividend	-	0.00	0.00	3,599.82	0.00	
	Income	140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,431.64
	Donation to General Fund		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Legacy	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Movement between funds	(185.00)			185.00		
Less	Expenditure	(2,240.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(2,865.63)
Fund at 31st. December 2024		889.89	1,608.94	0.00	62,563.60	11,291.03	0.00

		St.Francis Mother & Toddler Fund £	St.Francis General Fund £	St. Francis CTC Fund £	St. Francis Development Fund £	St. Francis Building Fund £
Fund at 1st. January 2024		756.44	1,295.72	0.00	2,037.16	2,882.25
Add	Interest / Dividend	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	From General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Less	Expenditure	(31.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund at 31st. December 2024		725.44	1,295.72	0.00	2,037.16	2,882.25

		C.W. Seekers Club £	C.W. Mother & Toddler Fund £	C.W. Hall Fund £	C.W. Building Float £	C.W. Extension Building £	**Restricted Funds Total £**
Fund at 1st. January 2024		975.95	0.00	2,182.47	28.05	18,120.55	**104,566.22**
Add	Interest / Dividend	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**3,599.82**
	Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**1,571.64**
	Legacy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
	Donation to General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
	Transfer between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Less	Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(4,842.61)	**(9,979.24)**
	Transfer between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Fund at 31st. December 2024		975.95	0.00	2,182.47	28.05	13,277.94	99,758.44

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

5 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Seymour Fund	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	350,000.00	13,277.94	199,207.72	724,519.51	1,287,005.17	1,270,800.46
Current Assets	20,144.57	86,480.50	3,059.35	131,322.35	241,006.77	229,485.06
Current Liabilities	(38,147.51)	0.00	0.00	(38,020.07)	(76,167.58)	(58,604.63)
TOTAL	331,997.06	99,758.44	202,267.07	817,821.79	1,451,844.36	1,441,680.89

6 VALUATION OF TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The St. Mary's Church Centre and the land retained by the PCC, located at the junction of St. Mary's Road and Langley Road, Langley, SL3 7EN, has been valued at £350,000. This gross book value is considered to be a fair estimate.

Freehold Buildings	2024	2023
	£	£
Valuation - St. Mary's Church Centre	350,000.00	350,000.00
C.W. Extension building	96,852.32	96,852.32
Revaluation - St. Mary's Church Centre	0.00	0.00
Cost carried forward	446,852.32	446,852.32
Amortisation	4,842.61	4,842.61
Amortisation carried forward	83,574.38	78,731.77
Net book value at 31 December 2024	363,277.94	368,120.55
Net book value at 1 January 2024	368,120.55	372,963.16

The Christ the Worker Extension building costs will be amortised over a period of twenty years.

7 INVESTMENTS

Seymour Bequest Fund :	2024	2023
Shares held in the CBF's Investment Fund - number of shares	31,334	31,334
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£23.12	£22.61
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£724,520	£708,307
Church House Estate :		
Shares held in the CBF's Investment Fund - number of shares	752	752
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£23.12	£22.61
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£17,391	£17,002
St. Mary's Church Centre :		
Shares held in the CBF's Investment Fund - number of shares	5,505	5,505
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£23.12	£22.61
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£127,301	£124,453
Shares held in the CBF's Fixed Interest Fund - number of shares	36,558	36,558
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£1.49	£1.45
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£54,516	£52,918

The above valuation is obtained from statements provided by CCLA at 31 December 2024.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

8 LEGACIES

There were no legacies received in the year, nor the previous year.

9 DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments	5,840.73	6,075.86
St. Francis' Organists	0.00	0.00
Magazine	0.00	800.00
St Mary's Religious Education Trust	14,432.28	23,513.13
Parish accounts interest	0.00	0.00
Other Debtors	0.00	13,428.86
	20,273.01	43,817.85

10 LIABILITIES : AMOUNTS FALLING WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors for goods and services	15,310.59	20,144.04
St. Mary's Church Centre accruals	0.00	0.00
Other accruals	22,836.92	23,131.92
	38,147.51	43,275.96

11 STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
Number of people paid by the Parish	6	6
Fees and honoraria	£20,936	£19,432

The PCC does pay a wage or fees to a secretary, cleaners, and organists.
The parish treasurer received £0 and the Church Centre treasurer received £0 towards their expenses.

12 GRANTS AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS

There were no grants made in the year.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

13 ST. MARY'S SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TRUST

In 2024 the PCC made a claim for £1,432 (2023: £2,114) which had been spent by the PCC on educational and youth projects. This claim was approved by the trustees.

14 REMUNERATION OF TRUSTEES

In 2024 the trustees of Langley Parochial Church Council received no remuneration for being a trustee, and paid no expenses either.

15 INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REMUNERATION

The independent examiners remuneration amounts to £1,800, and is included with governance costs in note 3(d).

SEYMOUR BEQUEST FUND (RESTRICTED FUND - FOR INFORMATION)

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2024

CARRIED FORWARD FROM 2023		**799,688.35**
INCOME RECEIVED:		
Dividends from investments	£19,661.88	
Interest from deposit account	£4,950.91	
Contribution for Library work	£0.00	
VAT Refund on Building Work	£0.00	
		£24,612.79
USE OF BEQUEST:		
St. Mary's:		
Utilities	£5,394.34	
Insurance	£5,134.24	
Maintenance, cleaning and repair	£10,595.31	
Major repairs	£0.00	
Upkeep of graves and churchyard	£1,567.51	
		(£22,691.40)
Realised increase (decrease) of assets		£0.00
Unrealised increase (decrease) of assets		£16,212.05
FUND AS AT 31st. DECEMBER 2024		£817,821.79
REPRESENTED BY:		
Investments (Cost £366,154)		£724,519.51
Cash on deposit - CBF		£113,989.86
Cash at Bank		£17,332.49
Creditor		(£38,020.07)
TOTAL FUND ASSETS		£817,821.79

*Claim to be agreed with the trustees

HON.TREASURER
Duke Munday
15 August 2025

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Langley Marish
January – December 2024

Annual Report and Financial Statements
For the year ending 31 December 2024

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2024

The following pages contain the financial statements of Langley Parochial Church Council, and unincorporated charity for the year ending 31st December 2024. The Charity's registered number and registered address can be found on the information page.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 to 2006, which assure compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity Commission's revised Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2015 FRS102). This report is a summary of the most significant financial events in 2024.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The total funds of the PCC in 2024 are £1,451,844 (2023: £1,441,681). The funds have increased by £10,163. The unrealised gains on the investments were £21,047. This means that there was a deficit of £10,884 (2023: (£14,583)) across all other funds for the year.

- **UNRESTRICTED FUNDS**

  Unrestricted Funds provide most of the financial resources on which the parish relies to meet its day-to-day expenditure. The policy of the PCC is to agree an annual budget, in which the expenditure does not exceed the incoming resources. Financial reviews in relation to the budget are presented at each meeting of the Standing Committee and, where appropriate, the full PCC meeting. There is also a Finance committee that meets now to discuss ongoing expenditure although this has now been merged with the standing committee.

  In 2024 unrestricted funds achieved a total deficit of £7,997 (2023: a deficit of £20,883). A final claim will be made against the Seymour Bequest fund for St Mary's running costs. The claim represents the 2024 expenditure and the total amount to be claimed is £22,691. The total claim outstanding is now £38,020 (2023: £15,329). Claims will be transferred as and when the main PCC account requires it, otherwise it is agreed to try and leave the claim to earn interest in the deposit account whilst the interest rates are favourable.

  Stewardship dropped slightly in the year from £76,657 to £75,072. This represents a decrease of 2%. The total stewardship received is still below pre-pandemic levels and given inflation levels over the last year or so you can tell that the cost of living crisis has potentially affected stewardship donations to the Church.

  It is always hoped that we can achieve a 5% increase on stewardship each year, but it looks like this needs to be reassessed.

  The PGS scheme continues to be helpful in accelerating gift aid which also greatly helps our day-to-day cashflow.

The ground fund and fabric fund have been transferred to the main general fun. Money is continuously spent on these areas but in the past has not been apportioned to these funds. Money can always be apportioned to these funds if we get back into a position of excess funds. Excluding the building the general reserve is now negative £18,003 (See note 4(b). Discussions will continue to be had as to how to reverse this trend.

Regarding General Fund income, the main points in 2024 were:

Stewardship, gift aid receipts collections and donations decreased in 2024 by £10,455 to £93,867 (2023: £104,321). This equates to a 10% drop from the previous year. It is hoped that 2025 will get us back towards the 2023 levels.

Our thanks go out to all those who continue to support the parish.

- Rental income from our buildings continues to be vital to the parish. Total rental receipts increased to £49,047 from £43,675 in 2023. The rental income is extremely important for the financial wellbeing of the parish, so all involved in this effort must be thanked for their hard work.

- As part of stewardship, our resources are carefully and thoughtfully utilised to keep the expenditure within budget. In 2024 the parish spent £153,738 (2023: £172,188) from its general fund.

Notable points regarding expenditure were:

- Our parish share was not met in full. The total included in the accounts for 2024 was £88,487 (2023: £112,763).

- In 2024, giving to charities and other good causes amounted to £Nil (2023: £4,575). The Parish is no longer able to keep to its 5% distribution due to the financial constraints that it is facing.

- At year end the Fabric Fund reserves amounted to £Nil (2023: £24,517), the General Fund amounted to (£18,003) (2023: (£41,543)). As noted above for now the fabric and ground funds will be included back in the general fund.

- **RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The most significant points associated with the restricted funds are:

- **The Christ the Worker Community Room & Hall:** The church hall income is now included within unrestricted funds. The fund now stands at £2,182 (2023: £2,182).

- **St. Mary's Church Centre:** The rental income from the Church Centre is now included within unrestricted funds. The Church Centre Trust provided £3,600 (2023: £4,542) of investment and interest income. The Church Centre donated £Nil (2023: £Nil) to the

unrestricted general fund. At year end the St. Mary's Church Centre fund was £62,564 (2023: £58,779).

- **The Parish Magazine Fund:** Income from the parish magazine increased in the year. Total income was £140 (2023: £2,555). This magazine remains to be free, and it is hoped that the cost of production may be met from advertising and donations.

- **St. Mary's Bequest Fund:** No bequests have been received in the year. Therefore, the fund still stands at £11,291.

- **ENDOWMENT FUNDS AND TRUSTS**

  The parish benefits from two trusts, the Seymour Bequest Fund, held by the PCC and included in these accounts, and the St. Mary's Education Trust, administered by the Diocese and not included here. Without the income from these trusts the parish would be financially hard pressed.

- **Seymour Bequest Fund:** In 2024 the items of expenditure claimed in accordance with the terms of the bequest were £22,691. The total amount to be claimed now stands at £38,020.

- This sum was entirely used to defray PCC church upkeep and running expenses during the year.

  The total investment income of the fund amounted to £24,612 (2023: £20,047). During the year, the investments appreciated by £16,212 (2023: £62,967) so that, at year end, the fund was valued at £817,822 (2023: £799,688).

- **St. Mary's Education Trust:** During the year the trust contributed £1,432 (2023: £2,114) toward education and children's work within the parish, in accordance with the terms of the trust.

D.T. Munday (Treasurer – Langley PCC)

Date: 15 August 2025

Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Langley Marish

Registered Charity No. 1128004

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Langley Marish

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 21.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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 charity'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 Commissioner 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with these records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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 attentions should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

…… Date: 16/08/2025

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Seymour Fund £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Incoming resources from donors	2a	93,867.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	93,867.22	104,321.51
Other voluntary incoming resources	2b	0.00	1,431.64	0.00	0.00	1,431.64	4,032.67
Income from charitable trading	2c	49,940.31	140.00	0.00	0.00	50,080.31	48,695.99
Other ordinary incoming resources	2d	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Income from investments	2e	1,933.37	3,599.82	0.00	24,612.79	30,145.98	27,471.40
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		145,740.90	5,171.46	0.00	24,612.79	175,525.15	184,521.57
RESOURCES USED							
Grants	3a	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,575.00
Directly relating to the work of the church	3b	140,844.72	5,136.63	0.00	22,691.40	168,672.75	177,156.70
Fund - raising and publicity	3c	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Church management & administration	3d	10,962.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,962.51	10,725.10
Governance costs	3d	1,931.13	4,842.61	0.00	0.00	6,773.74	6,647.40
TOTAL RESOURCES USED		153,738.36	9,979.24	0.00	22,691.40	186,409.00	199,104.20
NET INCOMING /(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(7,997.46)	(4,807.78)	0.00	1,921.39	(10,883.85)	(14,582.63)
GAINS AND LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS							
- Realised		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
- Unrealised		0.00	0.00	4,835.27	16,212.05	21,047.32	77,927.54
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(7,997.46)	(4,807.78)	4,835.27	18,133.44	10,163.47	63,344.91
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1st JANUARY 2024		339,529.79	104,566.22	197,896.53	799,688.35	1,441,680.89	1,378,335.98
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD AT 31st DECEMBER 2024		**331,532.33**	**99,758.44**	**202,731.80**	**817,821.79**	**1,451,844.36**	**1,441,680.89**

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st. DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	6	363,277.94	368,120.55
Investment Assets (Seymour Bequest)	7	724,519.51	708,307.46
Investment Assets (Church House Estate)	7	17,391.05	17,001.90
Investment Assets (St. Mary's Church Centre)	7	181,816.67	177,370.55
		1,287,005.17	1,270,800.46
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors	9	20,273.01	43,817.85
Deposit Account (Seymour Bequest)		113,989.86	89,377.07
Cash at bank and in hand:			
National savings bank		9,683.70	9,683.70
Main PCC current account		606.93	21,140.44
St. Mary's church centre current account		555.34	303.23
St. Mary's church centre business account		38,305.76	28,210.56
Parish Magazine account		889.89	2,189.89
St. Francis Mother & Toddler Fund account		0.00	731.44
St. Francis General Fund account		1,295.72	1,295.72
C.W.Community Hall Float account		5.72	5.72
Seymour Bequest bank account		17,332.49	17,332.49
Seekers Club bank account		25.95	25.95
C.W. Mother & Toddler Group account		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - General Account		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - Seekers Club		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - St.Mary's Float		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - St. Francis General Fund		0.00	0.00
Cash in hand - St. Francis Mother & Toddler Fund		0.00	20.00
Cash in hand - Christ the Worker Hall Float		22.33	22.33
Cash in hand - C.W. Mother & Toddler Group		0.00	0.00
		202,986.70	214,156.39
LIABILITIES :			
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	10	(38,147.51)	(43,275.96)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		164,839.19	170,880.43
TOTAL NET ASSETS	5	**1,451,844.36**	**1,441,680.89**
FUNDS:			
Unrestricted	4(b)	331,997.06	339,994.52
Restricted	4(e)	99,758.44	104,566.22
Endowment	4(c)	202,267.07	197,431.80
Seymour restricted	4(d)	817,821.79	799,688.35
		1,451,844.36	**1,441,680.89**

Approved by:

D.T. Munday
(Treasurer - Langley PCC)
Date: 15 August 2025

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 as amended by the Church Accounting (Amendment) Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value.

FUNDS

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Voluntary Income and Capital Sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by the fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other Income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from Investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

Gains and Losses on Investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when the investments are sold.

Un-realised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31st December.

RESOURCES USED

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid on 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance sheet.

FIXED ASSETS

Consecrated Land and Buildings and Movable Church Furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the Vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated, they are listed in the church's Inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to (2000) there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life on a straight-line basis.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings individual items under (£1,000) or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1st January is written off.

Other Fixtures, Fittings and Office Equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value as at31st December.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC as at 31st December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts which may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LANGLEY MARISH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT : FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER 2024

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Seymour Fund £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
2(a) INCOMING RESOURCES FROM DONORS						
Planned giving :						
Stewardship : With Gift Aid Declarations	75,071.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	75,071.73	76,657.47
Income tax on Gift Aid declarations	16,169.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,169.61	17,552.40
Collections	227.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	227.49	4,897.19
Sundry donations	2,398.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,398.39	5,214.45
	93,867.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	93,867.22	104,321.51
2(b) OTHER VOLUNTARY INCOMING RESOURCES						
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	338.63
Legacies (see note 10)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund raising events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,580.18
Social Events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Choir Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
St. Mary's School Religious Education Trust	0.00	1,431.64	0.00	0.00	1,431.64	2,113.86
	0.00	1,431.64	0.00	0.00	1,431.64	4,032.67
2(c) INCOME FROM CHARITABLE TRADING						
Fees & Copyright	893.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	893.00	1,226.00
External Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00
Sale of Books	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sale of Magazines	0.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	140.00	2,555.00
Church hall letting	49,047.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	49,047.31	43,674.99
Donation from Church Centre income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	49,940.31	140.00	0.00	0.00	50,080.31	48,695.99
2(d) OTHER ORDINARY INCOMING RESOURCES						
Insurance claims	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reclaimed VAT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2(e) INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS						
Interest	239.30	0.00	0.00	4,950.91	5,190.21	2,417.02
Dividends	1,694.07	3,599.82	0.00	19,661.88	24,955.77	25,054.38
	1,933.37	3,599.82	0.00	24,612.79	30,145.98	27,471.40
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	145,740.90	5,171.46	0.00	24,612.79	175,525.15	184,521.57

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3 RESOURCES USED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Seymour Fund £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
3(a) GRANTS						
Missionary and charitable giving:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,575.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,575.00
3(b) DIRECTLY RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH						
Ministry						
Clergy Expenses	4,075.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,075.34	3,735.28
Diocesan Quota	88,487.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	88,487.34	112,762.98
Deanery Quota	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Church running costs & maintenance	29,400.15	0.00	0.00	20,703.09	50,103.24	37,343.97
Upkeep of grounds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Upkeep of graves & churchyard	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,567.51	1,567.51	1,467.36
Upkeep of services	185.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	185.57	795.31
Salaries & External Fees	12,459.87	0.00	0.00	420.80	12,880.67	12,102.20
Major church repairs & replacement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of parish magazine & bookstall	0.00	2,240.00	0.00	0.00	2,240.00	1,545.00
Sunday School	0.00	561.17	0.00	0.00	561.17	445.96
Training and mission	-1,172.19	2,304.46	0.00	0.00	1,132.27	2,347.77
Youth groups	0.00	31.00	0.00	0.00	31.00	447.50
Church hall expenditure	6,908.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,908.64	4,163.37
	140,844.72	5,136.63	0.00	22,691.40	168,672.75	177,156.70
3(c) FUND RAISING AND PUBLICITY						
Cost of social events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of fund raising events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of stewardship (non recurring)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3(d) CHURCH MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION						
Administration:						
Cost of secretarial assistance	8,476.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,476.39	8,569.84
Cost of stationery	2,276.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,276.06	1,882.70
Bank charges	210.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	210.06	272.56
Governance costs	1,931.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,931.13	1,804.79
Amortisation	0.00	4,842.61	0.00	0.00	4,842.61	4,842.61
Loan interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	12,893.64	4,842.61	0.00	0.00	17,736.25	17,372.50
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	153,738.36	9,979.24	0.00	22,691.40	186,409.00	199,104.20

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

DEFINITION OF FUNDS, FLOATS AND PURSES

The following material funds, floats and purses have been identified by the PCC who have approved these definitions:

GENERAL FUND (UNRESTRICTED FUND)

The General Fund is used for the furthering of the mission and mission of the church and to meet the expenses of the parish of Langley Marish and the clergy team in their work within the Deanery at the discretion of the PCC.

FABRIC FUND (UNRESTRICTED FUND)

The Fabric Fund enables money to be set aside from general funds for future major church projects at the discretion of the PCC.

GROUNDS FUND (UNRESTRICTED FUND)

The Grounds Fund is used to provide income for the upkeep of church grounds at the discretion of the PCC.

CHOIR FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Choir Fund is restricted to income specifically for the choir to finance choir activities. This fund is used at the discretion of the choir and choirmaster as delegated by the PCC.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CENTRE FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Mary's Church Centre Fund is restricted to income from the hire of the centre and investments associated with the centre. The purpose of the fund is for the upkeep and long-term maintenance of the centre at the discretion of its Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

ST. MARY'S GENERAL FLOAT (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Mary's General Float is a restricted fund, with much of its income derived from donations and specifically used for the general upkeep and maintenance of the building and facilities. With a maximum limit of £250, this fund is used at the discretion of the Verger, district wardens of DCC as delegated by the PCC.

LANGLEY PARISH MAGAZINE FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Langley Parish Magazine Fund is restricted to income and expenditure associated with the parish magazine and used at the discretion of the Magazine Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS MOTHERS & TODDLERS FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis Mothers and Toddlers Fund is restricted to income from donations given specifically for the benefit of the group. The fund is used only for the activities of the group or other related purposes at the discretion of the organisers as delegated by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS DEVELOPMENT FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis Development Fund is restricted to income from donations, bequests and fund-raising events specifically for the benefit of St. Francis church. The fund is used only for the on-going upkeep and development of St. Francis church at the discretion of the Vicar and District Wardens as delegated by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS BUILDING FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis Building Fund is restricted to income given specifically for the restructuring of St. Francis church. The fund is used only for that purpose as approved by the PCC.

ST. FRANCIS GENERAL FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The St. Francis General Fund is a restricted fund, with its income derived from smaller donations and activities in St. Francis district. It is used for the minor maintenance and upkeep of the building and services at St. Francis church. This fund is used at the discretion of the Vicar, District Wardens or DCC as delegated by the PCC.

CHRIST THE WORKER FLOAT (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Christ the Worker Float is a restricted fund used for the general upkeep and maintenance of the building and facilities. This fund is used at the discretion of the district wardens or DCC as delegated by the PCC.

CHRIST THE WORKER COMMUNITY HALL FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Christ the Worker Community Room fund is restricted to income from letting of the community room and used for its maintenance and running costs at the discretion of the Christ the Worker Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

SEEKERS CLUB FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Seekers Club Fund is a restricted fund; its income derived from club activities or donations. The fund must be used to meeting the running costs or other related expenses of the club, at the discretion of the club leaders as delegated by the PCC.

CHRIST THE WORKER MOTHERS & TODDLERS FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Christ the Worker Mothers and Toddlers Fund is restricted to income and donations given specifically for the benefit of the group. The fund is used only for the activities of the group or other related purposes at the discretion the organisers as delegated by the PCC.

SEYMOUR BEQUEST FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

The Seymour Bequest Fund is a restricted fund, its primary purpose being for the upkeep of St. Mary's Church and the graveyard according to its needs. However, if the income cannot be applied to the main objective it may be applied to:

a) The upkeep of St. Francis and Christ the Worker churches.

b) To further the religious and other charitable work of the church in the parish.

The trustees of the bequest, as delegated by the PCC, administer the fund.

4. MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

CHURCH HOUSE ESTATE FUND (ENDOWMENT FUND)

The Church House Estate Fund is an endowment fund. The capital, which cannot be spent, is derived from the Langley Church House Estate Charity. The income from this capital is unrestricted and may be used for any purpose at the discretion of the PCC.

GRAVE MAINTENANCE FUND (ENDOWMENT FUND)

The Grave Maintenance Fund is an endowment fund. The capital cannot be spent but the income from this capital can only be used for the on-going upkeep of the graves and surroundings of Mrs Oseland, Paul Nash, the Irons family and A.N.Other at the discretion of the PCC.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CENTRE TRUST (ENDOWMENT FUND)

The St. Mary's Church Centre Trust is an endowment fund and as such the capital cannot be spent. The primary purpose of the income from the capital is to provide for the on-going upkeep and long-term maintenance of the church centre at the discretion of its Management Committee as delegated by the PCC.

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4 MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

4(b) UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

		General Fund £	Fabric Fund £	Ground Fund £	St. Mary's Hall/Centre £	**Unrestricted Funds Total £**
Fund at 1st. January 2024		(41,542.73)	24,517.28	7,019.97	350,000.00	**339,994.52**
Add	Interest / Dividend	1,933.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	**1,933.37**
	Income	143,807.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	**143,807.53**
	Donation from Restricted Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
	Transfers between unrestricted funds	31,537.25	(24,517.28)	(7,019.97)	0.00	**0.00**
Less	Expenditure	(153,738.36)	0.00	0.00	0.00	**(153,738.36)**
	Transfer to restricted funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Fund at 31st. December 2024		(18,002.94)	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	**331,997.06**

4(c) ENDOWMENT FUNDS

		Grave Maintenance Fund £	Church House Estate £	St. Mary's Centre Trust £	**Endowment Funds Total £**
Fund at 1st. January 2024		3,059.35	17,001.90	177,370.55	**197,431.80**
Add	Interest / Dividend	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Less	Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Gains/Losses on Investments		0.00	389.15	4,446.12	**4,835.27**
Fund at 31st. December 2024		3,059.35	17,391.05	181,816.67	**202,267.07**

4(d) SEYMOUR BEQUEST FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)

			£	**£**
Fund at 1st. January 2024				**799,688.35**
Add	Income Received:	VAT Refund on Building Work	-	
		Dividends from investments	19,661.88	
		Interest from deposit account	4,950.91	
		Repayment of work on Library	-	
				24,612.79
Less	Use of Bequest:			
		Utilities	(5,394.34)	
		Insurance	(5,134.24)	
		Maintenance, cleaning and repair	(10,595.31)	
		Major repairs	0.00	
		Upkeep of graves and churchyard	(1,567.51)	
				(22,691.40)
Movement of Fund				**1,921.39**
Realised Gains/Losses on Investments				**0.00**
Unrealised Gains/Losses on Investments				**16,212.05**
Fund at 31st. December 2024				**817,821.79**

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4 MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PCC FUNDS

4(e) RESTRICTED FUNDS

		Parish Magazine Fund £	St.Mary's Choir Fund £	St. Mary's Float £	St.Mary's Church Centre Fund £	St. Mary's Bequest £	Other Restricted Funds £
Fund at 1st. January 2024		3,174.89	1,608.94	0.00	58,778.78	11,291.03	1,433.99
Add	Interest / Dividend	-	0.00	0.00	3,599.82	0.00	
	Income	140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,431.64
	Donation to General Fund		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Legacy	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Movement between funds	(185.00)			185.00		
Less	Expenditure	(2,240.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(2,865.63)
Fund at 31st. December 2024		889.89	1,608.94	0.00	62,563.60	11,291.03	0.00

		St.Francis Mother & Toddler Fund £	St.Francis General Fund £	St. Francis CTC Fund £	St. Francis Development Fund £	St. Francis Building Fund £
Fund at 1st. January 2024		756.44	1,295.72	0.00	2,037.16	2,882.25
Add	Interest / Dividend	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	From General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Less	Expenditure	(31.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund at 31st. December 2024		725.44	1,295.72	0.00	2,037.16	2,882.25

		C.W. Seekers Club £	C.W. Mother & Toddler Fund £	C.W. Hall Fund £	C.W. Building Float £	C.W. Extension Building £	**Restricted Funds Total £**
Fund at 1st. January 2024		975.95	0.00	2,182.47	28.05	18,120.55	**104,566.22**
Add	Interest / Dividend	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**3,599.82**
	Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**1,571.64**
	Legacy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
	Donation to General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
	Transfer between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Less	Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(4,842.61)	**(9,979.24)**
	Transfer between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**0.00**
Fund at 31st. December 2024		975.95	0.00	2,182.47	28.05	13,277.94	99,758.44

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5 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Seymour Fund	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	350,000.00	13,277.94	199,207.72	724,519.51	1,287,005.17	1,270,800.46
Current Assets	20,144.57	86,480.50	3,059.35	131,322.35	241,006.77	229,485.06
Current Liabilities	(38,147.51)	0.00	0.00	(38,020.07)	(76,167.58)	(58,604.63)
TOTAL	331,997.06	99,758.44	202,267.07	817,821.79	1,451,844.36	1,441,680.89

6 VALUATION OF TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The St. Mary's Church Centre and the land retained by the PCC, located at the junction of St. Mary's Road and Langley Road, Langley, SL3 7EN, has been valued at £350,000. This gross book value is considered to be a fair estimate.

Freehold Buildings	2024	2023
	£	£
Valuation - St. Mary's Church Centre	350,000.00	350,000.00
C.W. Extension building	96,852.32	96,852.32
Revaluation - St. Mary's Church Centre	0.00	0.00
Cost carried forward	446,852.32	446,852.32
Amortisation	4,842.61	4,842.61
Amortisation carried forward	83,574.38	78,731.77
Net book value at 31 December 2024	363,277.94	368,120.55
Net book value at 1 January 2024	368,120.55	372,963.16

The Christ the Worker Extension building costs will be amortised over a period of twenty years.

7 INVESTMENTS

Seymour Bequest Fund :	2024	2023
Shares held in the CBF's Investment Fund - number of shares	31,334	31,334
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£23.12	£22.61
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£724,520	£708,307
Church House Estate :		
Shares held in the CBF's Investment Fund - number of shares	752	752
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£23.12	£22.61
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£17,391	£17,002
St. Mary's Church Centre :		
Shares held in the CBF's Investment Fund - number of shares	5,505	5,505
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£23.12	£22.61
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£127,301	£124,453
Shares held in the CBF's Fixed Interest Fund - number of shares	36,558	36,558
Unit share price as at 31 December 2024	£1.49	£1.45
Current total share value as at 31 December 2024	£54,516	£52,918

The above valuation is obtained from statements provided by CCLA at 31 December 2024.

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8 LEGACIES

There were no legacies received in the year, nor the previous year.

9 DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments	5,840.73	6,075.86
St. Francis' Organists	0.00	0.00
Magazine	0.00	800.00
St Mary's Religious Education Trust	14,432.28	23,513.13
Parish accounts interest	0.00	0.00
Other Debtors	0.00	13,428.86
	20,273.01	43,817.85

10 LIABILITIES : AMOUNTS FALLING WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors for goods and services	15,310.59	20,144.04
St. Mary's Church Centre accruals	0.00	0.00
Other accruals	22,836.92	23,131.92
	38,147.51	43,275.96

11 STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
Number of people paid by the Parish	6	6
Fees and honoraria	£20,936	£19,432

The PCC does pay a wage or fees to a secretary, cleaners, and organists.
The parish treasurer received £0 and the Church Centre treasurer received £0 towards their expenses.

12 GRANTS AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS

There were no grants made in the year.

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13 ST. MARY'S SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TRUST

In 2024 the PCC made a claim for £1,432 (2023: £2,114) which had been spent by the PCC on educational and youth projects. This claim was approved by the trustees.

14 REMUNERATION OF TRUSTEES

In 2024 the trustees of Langley Parochial Church Council received no remuneration for being a trustee, and paid no expenses either.

15 INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REMUNERATION

The independent examiners remuneration amounts to £1,800, and is included with governance costs in note 3(d).

SEYMOUR BEQUEST FUND (RESTRICTED FUND - FOR INFORMATION)

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2024

CARRIED FORWARD FROM 2023		**799,688.35**
INCOME RECEIVED:		
Dividends from investments	£19,661.88	
Interest from deposit account	£4,950.91	
Contribution for Library work	£0.00	
VAT Refund on Building Work	£0.00	
		£24,612.79
USE OF BEQUEST:		
St. Mary's:		
Utilities	£5,394.34	
Insurance	£5,134.24	
Maintenance, cleaning and repair	£10,595.31	
Major repairs	£0.00	
Upkeep of graves and churchyard	£1,567.51	
		(£22,691.40)
Realised increase (decrease) of assets		£0.00
Unrealised increase (decrease) of assets		£16,212.05
FUND AS AT 31st. DECEMBER 2024		£817,821.79
REPRESENTED BY:		
Investments (Cost £366,154)		£724,519.51
Cash on deposit - CBF		£113,989.86
Cash at Bank		£17,332.49
Creditor		(£38,020.07)
TOTAL FUND ASSETS		£817,821.79

*Claim to be agreed with the trustees

HON.TREASURER
Duke Munday
15 August 2025

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