

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY, BARNSTAPLE

England & Wales - Charity number 1130331

Details

Other names	HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-06-24
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

Activities: The primary object of the PCC is to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£256,487	£269,170	-	-
2024-12-31	£290,062	£277,469	-	-
2023-12-31	£280,004	£209,163	-	-
2022-12-31	£265,882	£259,890	-	-
2021-12-31	£242,260	£257,968	-	-
2020-12-31	£201,939	£208,011	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREW JOHN KEENAN		2020-11-10
Andrew Jenkins		2025-09-21
DAVID GEOFFREY ARCHER		2020-10-12
Julie Marie Griffin		2024-04-15
Margaret Nobbs		2019-05-13
Rachel Keenan		2019-09-16
Rev Paul Jeremy Taylor		2020-11-02
Roger Edwin Dadswell-Boyton		2024-04-15
Sarah Jenkins		2026-04-21
Suzanne Melanie Pentney-Tighe		2023-05-15

Accounts



**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

**Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
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Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Objectives and Activities

Aims and Objectives

The primary object of the PCC is to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of The Church of England.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Main Achievements

This past year has been another great season of blessing in the life of our church at Holy Trinity Barnstaple. We have seen a steady stream of newcomers joining our church fellowship and we have worked to ensure people who are new are warmly welcomed in and encouraged to find their place of belonging and service within the body of the church. Our Midweek Service (which is most often a Communion service) has been very well attended and has become a part of our established pattern of services. We have reviewed responses to the survey conducted about how we should format our evening OASIS service and the changes we have made have been well appreciated by those who attend.

We have a considerable number of people engaged in outreach and evangelism through visits to nursing homes and places such as Barum Court. We have also run several Alpha courses including an Alpha course to support those who are Christians Against Poverty (CAP) clients. This CAP Alpha has involved members of our congregation working alongside team members from other churches. We have also continued to support the work of Street Pastors and Try Praying teams that go out on to the streets in Barnstaple to witness by caring for people and sharing the gospel.

A number of us have supported the ministry amongst other churches in Barnstaple through the work of Church Together in Barnstaple (CTiB). It has been very encouraging to see how this ministry has developed and how close friendships have been built with members of the CTiB enabling group. This has included our work together on projects such as the Good Friday walk of witness and Carol singing in the Pannier Market in the lead up to Christmas.

It has been wonderful to see the growth and development of our youth and children's ministry with new members of our church serving on these teams. We have also seen the development of Adventure Church, which is hosted in conjunction with Goodleigh Church, and this has resulted in up to 75 people in attendance at one of the recent events. We have also been hugely encouraged by the number of young people in attendance at camps such as SPREE and Creation Fest which has further advanced the deepening of fellowship and growth in discipleship amongst younger members of our congregation.

As a church we have still found challenges in terms of paying our Common Fund and especially in the light of Living in Love and Faith (LLF) and Prayers of Love and Faith (PLF) discussions over the past year. Our PCC continue to discuss this and to seek clarity from other churches who are part of the Alliance of Churches that hold to orthodox Bible views on marriage.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all of those who faithfully serve week in week out at Holy Trinity. There is an incredibly high level of commitment to serving the Lord and it is wonderful to see new people attending Trinity contributing to the life and ministry of our church.

**Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

Financial Review

Financial Position

What a privilege it is to be part of a thriving, outward-looking, community-minded church family. The happy bustle on Sunday mornings is an absolute joy as young and old worship the Lord. Monday morning brings in local mothers, fathers and grandparents with their busy toddlers and the occasional sleepy infant. Pop in on Tuesdays and you will find a cheerful coffee morning gathering. You can chat, drink tea and eat cake, craft or colour to your heart's content. Various Bible study and discipleship groups also meet in the Hall during the week. You might find a CAP Job Club or Alpha Group on the go. The Art Group have laid claim to Thursday afternoons and long may they continue to produce the amazing works of art periodically on show in the church. Perhaps steer clear of Friday evenings, unless you have the courage to join a hectic game of Nerf guns with the energetic Ten 10 group. This is just a sample of the activities hosted in our buildings each week.

Without the support of our family members, none of the above would be possible. Just as our cars require fuel to get from place to place and maintenance to keep them in good repair, so our church needs a basic support structure to enable our outreach for the Kingdom of God. We thank each person who gave of their time and resources to support Trinity Barnstaple in the past year. Every act of prayer or service and every pound donated help to ensure that God's word keeps being proclaimed.

Once again, finances have proved a challenge for the PCC. We have a team of dedicated support staff who go above and beyond their remits and work longer hours than their contracts require. Yet, when it comes to deciding staff salary increases, we are constrained by our falling revenue. Our total income in 2025 declined by approximately 12% to £256,487 (2024: £290,062). Consequently, the PCC were obliged to cut back on expenditure. This amounted to £269,170 as opposed to £277,469 in 2024. We finished the year with a deficit of £12,683 as opposed to a surplus of £12,593 last year. Total funds carried forward have therefore declined from £143,339 to £130,656.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves') held by the Charity should be approximately three months of the resources expended. At this level the trustees feel that they would be able to continue the current activities of the Charity in the event of a significant drop in income.

Common Fund

As a church forming part of the Church of England, we are requested to pay a contribution to the Exeter Diocese each year. The amount we are called upon to pay is termed Common Fund and is calculated by a formula which takes into account the number of people in our worshipping community, our church buildings and the level of local deprivation. Common Fund is used by the Diocese to pay and house clergy, for selection and training for ministry, mission and ministry support, education and chaplaincy and other broader costs. In 2025, we were asked for a contribution of £106,550. Due to financial constraints, we were able to pay approximately 90% of this amount (£96,000) and this was paid to the Diocese in two instalments of £48,000 in June and December.

Structure, Governance and Management

**Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

Governing Document

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. Holy Trinity Barnstaple is a mission community in the Exeter Diocese.

Trustee Selection Methods

The method of appointment to the PCC is set out in the Church Representation Rules. Nominations for membership to the PCC are invited prior to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Membership of the PCC is open to all members on Holy Trinity's Electoral Roll. The PCC has ultimate responsibility for a wide range of matters affecting the parish, including such matters as compliance with health and safety, General Data Protection Regulations, disability discrimination legislation and safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. We have no formal induction process although new members are briefed on issues as they arise. Members of the PCC have attended training in Safeguarding and Domestic Abuse and all members have been made aware of current Safeguarding legislation and good practice recommendations. They have also been DBS checked for the adult and child workforce. The incumbent, church wardens and church administrator ensure that all decisions made by the PCC comply with current legislation. The PCC meets every second month. Other matters are delegated to the Standing Committee which meets when necessary. Standing Committee can authorise expenditure up to £1,000. Day to day management of the parish is by the minister and church wardens. Two part-time administrators are employed in the church office.

Organisational Structure

The PCC (Powers) Measure 1956 states the PCC is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Members of the PCC are either ex-officio, elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting or co-opted by the PCC in accordance with the Church Representation Rules..

The Standing Committee: As agreed by the PCC consists of the Vicar, Church Wardens, Associate Minister, PCC Treasurer, PCC Secretary and Administrator or Assistant Administrator. The Standing Committee has the power to transact business on behalf of the PCC. This committee meets in between the bi-monthly PCC meetings when needed and has the authority to call extra-ordinary meetings of the PCC if necessary. It has the responsibility to bring to the attention of the full PCC the financial position of the church and can authorise urgent expenditure up to the limit set by the PCC.

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees

Mr Andrew Jenkins - Deanery Synod Representative (appointed 21/09/2025)
Mr Roger Dadswell-Boynton
Mrs Julie Griffin
Mrs Louise Kevan
Mrs Suzanne Pentney-Tighe - Churchwarden
Mr Andrew Keenan - Churchwarden/Vice-chair
Rev Paul Taylor - Vicar/Chair
Mr David Archer
Mrs Rachel Keenan
Mrs Margaret Nobbs - Treasurer

Charity Number

1130331

**Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

Independent Examiner

Cheryl Manning FFA
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**Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Rev Paul Taylor

Trustee
17/03/2026

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the Trust's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of The Institute of Financial Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and contents of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Cheryl Manning

Cheryl Manning FFA
17/03/2026
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Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:						
Donations and legacies	3	192,363	37,566	-	229,929	257,140
Charitable activities:						
Diocesan Fees		1,315	-	-	1,315	386
Church Weekend		12,826	-	-	12,826	17,980
Church hire and car park rent		9,458	-	-	9,458	10,888
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts		762	-	-	762	641
Investments	4	2,153	-	44	2,197	3,027
		218,877	37,566	44	256,487	290,062
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Charitable activities:	5					
Charitable activities		(226,000)	(43,126)	(44)	(269,170)	(277,469)
NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME		(7,123)	(5,560)	-	(12,683)	12,593
Transfers between funds	12	7,340	(7,340)	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		217	(12,900)	-	(12,683)	12,593
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:						
Total funds brought forward		106,565	36,774	-	143,339	130,746
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	12	106,782	23,874	-	130,656	143,339

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Comparative Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	3	195,933	61,207	-	257,140
Charitable activities:					
Diocesan Fees		386	-	-	386
Church Weekend		17,980	-	-	17,980
Church hire and car park rent		10,888	-	-	10,888
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts		641	-	-	641
Investments	4	2,983	-	44	3,027
		<u>228,811</u>	<u>61,207</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>290,062</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities:	5				
Charitable activities		(234,898)	(42,527)	(44)	(277,469)
NET INCOME		<u>(6,087)</u>	<u>18,680</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,593</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>(6,087)</u>	<u>18,680</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,593</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		112,652	18,094	-	130,746
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	12	<u><u>106,565</u></u>	<u><u>36,774</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>143,339</u></u>

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Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Statement of Financial Position
As At 31 December 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS						
Investments	9	45,459	-	-	45,459	45,459
		45,459	-	-	45,459	45,459
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	10	2,380	-	-	2,380	5,511
Cash at bank and in hand		60,848	23,874	-	84,722	101,679
		63,228	23,874	-	87,102	107,190
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	11	(1,905)	-	-	(1,905)	(9,310)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		61,323	23,874	-	85,197	97,880
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		106,782	23,874	-	130,656	143,339
NET ASSETS		106,782	23,874	-	130,656	143,339
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY						
Restricted Funds					23,874	36,774
Unrestricted Funds					106,782	106,565
TOTAL FUNDS	12				130,656	143,339

On behalf of the board

Rev Paul Taylor

Trustee
17/03/2026

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**Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

1. General Information

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple is an unincorporated charity registered with the Charity Commission, registered charity number 1130331. The principal address is .

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)", Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

2.2. Investments

2.3. Cash and Cash Equivalentents

Cash and cash equivalentents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and are readily convertible to a known amount of cash with insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts.

3. Income from Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds
	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	165,438	36,196	201,634
Gift aid	26,925	1,370	28,295
	192,363	37,566	229,929
			2024
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	166,225	61,207	227,432
Gift aid	29,708	-	29,708
	195,933	61,207	257,140

4. Investment Income

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
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	Unrestricted funds	Endowment funds	2025 Total funds
	£	£	£
Interest from investments	2,153	44	2,197

	Unrestricted funds	Endowment funds	2024 Total funds
	£	£	£
Interest from investments	2,983	44	3,027

5. Analysis of Expenditure

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs (see note 6)	2025 Total
	£	£	£
Charitable activities	233,380	35,790	269,170

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs (see note 6)	2024 Total
	£	£	£
Charitable activities	232,293	45,176	277,469

6. Support Costs

	2025 Charitable activities
	£
Premises expenses	26,702
General administration	9,088
	35,790

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
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	2024 Charitable activities £
Premises expenses	35,623
General administration	9,553
	45,176

7. Staff Costs

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	50,481	41,769

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000.

8. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees during the year was: 5 (2024: 5)

9. Investments

	Unlisted £
Cost or Valuation	
As at 1 January 2025	45,459
As at 31 December 2025	45,459
Provision	
As at 1 January 2025	-
As at 31 December 2025	-
Net Book Value	
As at 31 December 2025	45,459
As at 1 January 2025	45,459

10. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	2,380	5,511

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
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11. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,905	9,310

12. Movement in Funds

	As at 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	As at 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General:					
General unrestricted fund	98,765	215,483	(221,410)	7,340	100,178
Designated:					
Youth and Children	4,599	2,701	(4,021)	-	3,279
Hardship Fund	3,201	693	(569)	-	3,325
	7,800	3,394	(4,590)	-	6,604
Total unrestricted funds	106,565	218,877	(226,000)	7,340	106,782
Restricted funds					
Building Fund	22,502	-	(375)	(7,340)	14,787
Christians Against Poverty	14,272	37,566	(42,751)	-	9,087
Total restricted funds	36,774	37,566	(43,126)	(7,340)	23,874
Endowment funds					
Permanent:					
CBF Churchyard Fund	-	44	(44)	-	-
Total funds	143,339	256,487	(269,170)	-	130,656

	As at 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	102,467	227,715	(231,417)	98,765

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Designated:				
Youth and Children	6,171	449	(2,021)	4,599
Hardship Fund	4,014	647	(1,460)	3,201
	<u>10,185</u>	<u>1,096</u>	<u>(3,481)</u>	<u>7,800</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>112,652</u>	<u>228,811</u>	<u>(234,898)</u>	<u>106,565</u>
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	1,494	28,692	(7,684)	22,502
Christians Against Poverty	16,600	32,515	(34,843)	14,272
	<u>18,094</u>	<u>61,207</u>	<u>(42,527)</u>	<u>36,774</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>18,094</u>	<u>61,207</u>	<u>(42,527)</u>	<u>36,774</u>
Endowment funds				
Permanent:				
CBF Churchyard Fund	-	44	(44)	-
	<u>130,746</u>	<u>290,062</u>	<u>(277,469)</u>	<u>143,339</u>
Total funds	<u>130,746</u>	<u>290,062</u>	<u>(277,469)</u>	<u>143,339</u>

13. Transactions with Trustees

During the year the expenses reimbursed to the trustees or paid directly to third parties were as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other Expenses	<u>3,545</u>	<u>3,627</u>

Number of trustees reimbursed for expenses during the year was 4 (2024: 4)

14. Related Party Disclosures

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

	2025	2024
	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		
Donations and legacies		
Donations and gifts	189,732	214,482
Cash Collections	11,902	12,950
Gift aid	28,295	29,708
	229,929	257,140
Charitable Activities:		
Diocesan Fees		
Income from charitable activities	1,315	386
	1,315	386
Church Weekend		
Income from charitable activities	12,826	17,980
	12,826	17,980
Church hire and car park rent		
Income from charitable activities	9,458	10,888
	9,458	10,888
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts		
Income from charitable activities	762	641
	762	641
Investments		
Interest from other current asset investments - unlisted	2,197	3,027
	2,197	3,027
	256,487	290,062
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable Activities:		
Charitable activities		
Charitable activities	(182,899)	(190,524)
Wages and salaries	(50,481)	(41,769)
Light and heat	(10,892)	(12,352)
Repairs and maintenance	(4,553)	(15,222)
Cleaning	(1,347)	(971)
Premises insurance	(7,946)	(4,652)
Other premises costs	(1,964)	(2,426)
Printing, postage and stationery	(3,676)	(2,969)
Telecommunications	(1,038)	(1,224)

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

Audit fees	(660)	(660)
Sundry expenses	(3,714)	(4,700)
	<u>(269,170)</u>	<u>(277,469)</u>
	(269,170)	(277,469)
NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME	<u>(12,683)</u>	<u>12,593</u>

Accounts

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical
Parish of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Registered Charity Number: 1130331

Holy Trinity Barnstaple



**Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
For the year ended 31st December 2024**

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31st December 2024

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Objectives and Aims

The primary object of the PCC is to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of The Church of England.

Public benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

Achievement and Performance

Charitable activities

We have been immensely encouraged over the past year at all the Lord has been doing in our lives as we serve Him together. We have seen various changes to our worship services with the inclusion of a regular mid-week service and we have also developed the format for our evening OASIS service – with more group discussion and group times of sharing prayer. These developments have been very enriching and encouraging for all involved.

We have continued to serve the Lord in outreach and evangelism through regular initiatives such as the Tuesday morning coffee time as well as hosting an Alpha Course and it has been lovely to see people coming to faith through these activities. It has also been a great encouragement to have a number of people getting baptised on the beach in September with more people wanting this in the forthcoming year. Our work amongst other churches through Churches Together in Barnstaple has gathered momentum and there is a great sense of unity in what we hope to do together in the future. We have continued to place prayer at the centre of all that we do as we seek the Lord's direction and guidance. It has been tremendously encouraging to see a good number of children and youth coming along regularly to our Sunday morning services, and we have also developed Adventure Church taking Lighthouse and youth church outside to enjoy God's creation as a part of our discipleship. Adventure Church has, over the past year, become part of our 'regular diet' for young people at Trinity. We have occasionally noted that those under the age of 18 have made up a third of those in attendance at our morning service, which is a great encouragement to us all. It has been wonderful to have Tim Cranston join us on the staff team as your youth worker. Our Connect groups have continued to flourish looking at fresh material as we all seek to grow in our discipleship. We had our second visit to Lee Abbey since COVID-19 and benefited from great teaching from Mark and Lindsay Melluish who many of us have known from New Wine trips over several years. We look forward to our next Lee Abbey trip in February 2026. These trips have been greatly enriching for our fellowship, spiritual growth and development as we seek to flourish together as a worshipping community at Trinity.

I personally want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributes to all our worshipping life at Trinity; it truly is amazing to see the number of people worshipping, serving, assisting and caring for one another.

Financial Review

On behalf of the PCC, I wish to thank every person who made any sort of contribution to our Church during 2024. That may have been a gift of time, of prayer or of money – whatever its nature, it was much valued. God's Word reminds us that we are all members of one body and when one of those members makes a decision to bless the body in any form whatsoever, we are all blessed. Sadly, during 2024, our actual income from Giving declined by approximately £10,500. We suspect that this is an indirect consequence of either resistance to or approval of the Prayers of Love and Faith currently being considered by the Church of England. Whilst this is an on-going concern for the PCC, we were heartened by your response to our appeal for assistance with the maintenance of the car park and the creche roof. An amount of £25,489 was donated for those causes. The car park was partially retarred at a cost of £5,820 and the creche roof underwent first a temporary repair and, once the weather cleared, a more permanent one at a total cost of £9,210. The second bill of £7,390 was paid in January 2025.

We were much blessed by the sponsorship of additional working hours for our Youth worker, Tim Cranston who was appointed during the year. You may have noted that our outlay on salaries was less than in 2023 and this is attributable to that generosity. It has been heartening to see Tim developing the youth ministry in leaps and bounds. Thanks to the generous support of the Trinity congregation, we were able to meet all our commitments in 2024 and end the year with unrestricted cash reserves of £106,565. Whilst this may seem a healthy sum to hold in reserve, we always need to bear in mind that our buildings are listed buildings. In fact, we have a quinquennial review due this year and have some structural concerns regarding the church. In this regard, the Diocese have recommended that we aim at setting aside £10,000 p.a. over 10 years for the purpose of ensuring that our buildings comply with regulations. Our total surplus for 2024 was £12,593 (2023: £27,684). Total spending increased by just under 10% to £277,469 (2023: £252,320).

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31st December 2024

We were able to maintain our mission support during the year, donating monthly support to CAP, Tearfund, Release International, Frontiers, Rhea Ministries and the Freedom Centre. Smaller donations were also made to Amigos, the Foodbank, Hospice and Children's Hospice. Trinity Barnstaple would cease to function without your support, financial and otherwise. May I remind you of the many ways in which you can give to the work and mission of our Church: you can give via the Parish Giving Scheme, the 'Give a Little' machine at the Welcome Desk, the offering bag, the Trinity website or by direct deposit into the church bank account. Please remember to Gift Aid your donation if you are able. For further details, I can be reached at finance@trinitybarnstaple.org.uk.

All that we have comes directly from our Heavenly Father. Let us in turn be generous with our prayers, our time and our money in support of His Church.

Trustee selection

The method of appointment to the PCC is set out in the Church Representation Rules.

Nominations for membership to the PCC are invited prior to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Membership of the PCC is open to all members on Holy Trinity's Electoral Roll. The PCC has ultimate responsibility for a wide range of matters affecting the parish, including such matters as compliance with health and safety, General Data Protection Regulations, disability discrimination legislation and safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. We have no formal induction process although new members are briefed on issues as they arise. Members of the PCC have attended training in Safeguarding and all members have been made aware of current Safeguarding legislation and good practice recommendations. The incumbent, church wardens and church administrator ensure that all decisions made by the PCC comply with current legislation. The PCC meets every second month. Other matters are delegated to the Standing Committee which meets when necessary. Standing Committee can authorise expenditure up to £1,000. Day to day management of the parish is by the minister and church wardens. Two part-time administrators are employed in the church office. The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to comply with the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Organisational structure

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

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio, elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting or co-opted by the PCC in accordance with the Church Representation Rules..

The Standing Committee: As agreed by the PCC consists of the Vicar, Church Wardens, Associate Minister, PCC Treasurer, PCC Secretary and Administrator or Assistant Administrator. The Standing Committee has the power to transact business on behalf of the PCC. This committee meets in between the bi-monthly PCC meetings when needed and has the authority to call extra-ordinary meetings of the PCC if necessary. It has the responsibility to bring to the attention of the full PCC the financial position of the church and can authorise urgent expenditure up to the limit set by the PCC.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 31st December 2024**

Reference and Administration Details

Registered name

The full name of the charity is The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity, Barnstaple. The charity is also known by the name Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple

Registered Charity number

1130331

Principal address

Holy Trinity Church Hall
Barbican Terrace
Barnstaple
EX32 9HQ

Vicar

Revd Paul Taylor

Associate Minister

Revd Shirley Paterson

Secretary

Peter Nott

Trustees

Name	Position	Appointments/Resignations
Ex Officio members:		
Revd Paul Taylor	Vicar/Chair	
Revd Shirley Paterson	Associate Minister	Retired during 2024
Revd Robin Smith	Curate	
Andrew Keenan	Churchwarden/Vice-chair	
Steve Bunce	Churchwarden	Retired during 2024
Suzanne Pentney-Tighe	Churchwarden	
Rachel Keenan	Deanery Synod Representative	Until 2026
Steve Bunce	Deanery Synod Representative	
Members:		
Roger Boyton		Until 2027
Julie Griffin		Until 2027
Louise Kevan		Until 2026
Margie Nobbs	Treasurer	Until 2025
David Archer		Until 2026

During the year: Many thanks to Helen Corfe, Sarah Tanton, David Elliot and Chris Oldham who ended their terms on the PCC.

Julie Griffin is employed in the Office on a part-time basis.

Independent Examiner

Cheryl Manning FFA
94 Lower Cross Road
Bickington
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Approved by the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

.....Chair

**Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Independent Examiners Report**

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustee of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustee you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

As the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Institute of Financial Accountants.

I have completed my examination. I can 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:

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

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

Cheryl Manning

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94 Lower Cross Road
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06 March 2025

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
	Notes					
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2	195,933	61,207	-	257,140	262,653
Charitable activities	3	29,895	-	-	29,895	15,998
Investments	4	2,983	-	44	3,027	1,353
Total		228,811	61,207	44	290,062	280,004
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	147,953	34,843	44	182,840	158,256
Other	6	86,945	7,684	-	94,629	94,064
Total		234,898	42,527	44	277,469	252,320
Net gains on investments		-	-	-	-	-
Net income		(6,087)	18,680	-	12,593	27,684
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net income before other gains/(losses)		(6,087)	18,680	-	12,593	27,684
Other gains and losses						
Net movement in funds		(6,087)	18,680	-	12,593	27,684
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		112,652	18,094	-	130,746	103,062
Total funds carried forward		106,565	36,774	-	143,339	130,746

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple**Balance Sheet**at **31 December 2024**

Charity No. 1130331

		2024	2023
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Investments	8	45,459	44,442
		<u>45,459</u>	<u>44,442</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	9	5,511	5,196
Cash at bank and in hand		101,679	83,133
		<u>107,190</u>	<u>88,329</u>
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	10	<u>(9,310)</u>	<u>(2,025)</u>
Net current assets		97,880	86,304
Total assets less current liabilities		143,339	130,746
Net assets excluding pension asset or liability		<u>143,339</u>	<u>130,746</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>143,339</u></u>	<u><u>130,746</u></u>
The funds of the charity			
Restricted funds	11		
Restricted income funds		36,774	18,094
		<u>36,774</u>	<u>18,094</u>
Unrestricted funds	11		
General funds		98,765	102,467
Designated funds		7,800	10,185
		<u>106,565</u>	<u>112,652</u>
Reserves	11		
Total funds		<u><u>143,339</u></u>	<u><u>130,746</u></u>

Approved by the trustees on 06 March 2025

And signed on their behalf by:

P. Taylor
Chair
06 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Change in basis of accounting or to previous accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and method of accounting) since last year and no changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds	These are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity.
Designated funds	These are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.
Revaluation funds	These are unrestricted funds which include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at their market values.
Restricted funds	These are available for use subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through terms of an appeal.

Income

Recognition of income	Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount of the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Income with related expenditure	Where income has related expenditure the income and related expenditure is reported gross in the SoFA.
Donations and legacies	Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the the SoFA when receivable and only when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the income.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Income from tax reclaims is included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift/donation to which it relates.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in income (with an equivalent amount in expenditure) where the benefit to the Charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material.
Volunteer help	The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	This includes any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments.

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Expenditure

Recognition of expenditure	Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
Expenditure on raising funds	These comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income, fundraising trading costs and investment management costs.
Expenditure on charitable activities	These comprise the costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services in the furtherance of its objects, including the making of grants and governance costs.
Grants payable	All grant expenditure is accounted for on an actual paid basis plus an accrual for grants that have been approved by the trustees at the end of the year but not yet paid.
Governance costs	These include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity, including any audit/independent examination fees, costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity, together with a share of other administration costs.
Other expenditure	These are support costs not allocated to a particular activity.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Receipt of donated goods, facilities and services

All donated goods, facilities and services received are recognised within incoming resources and expenditure at an estimate of the value to the charity.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	153,275	56,061	209,336	211,514
Gift Aid	29,708	5,146	34,854	36,301
Cash collections	12,950	-	12,950	14,838
	<u>195,933</u>	<u>61,207</u>	<u>257,140</u>	<u>262,653</u>

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Notes to the Accounts

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Diocesan Fees	386	386	2,046
Church Weekend	17,980	17,980	6,443
Church hire and car park rent	10,888	10,888	7,025
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts	641	641	484
	<u>29,895</u>	<u>29,895</u>	<u>15,998</u>

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted	Endowment	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Interest received	2,983	44	3,027	1,353
	<u>2,983</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>3,027</u>	<u>1,353</u>

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Expenditure on charitable activities</i>					
Charitable Activities	147,953	34,843	44	182,840	158,256
<i>Governance costs</i>					
	<u>147,953</u>	<u>34,843</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>182,840</u>	<u>158,256</u>

6 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Employee costs	41,769	-	41,769	49,940
Premises costs	35,623	7,684	43,307	36,655
General administrative costs	8,893	-	8,893	6,969
Legal and professional costs	660	-	660	500
	<u>86,945</u>	<u>7,684</u>	<u>94,629</u>	<u>94,064</u>

7 Staff costs

	2024	2023
Salaries and wages	41,769	49,940
	<u>41,769</u>	<u>49,940</u>

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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8 Investments

	Other investments - Unlisted £	Total £
Cost or revaluation		
At 1 January 2024	44,442	44,442
Additions	1,017	1,017
At 31 December 2024	<u>45,459</u>	<u>45,459</u>
Net book values		
At 31 December 2024	<u>45,459</u>	<u>45,459</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>44,442</u>	<u>44,442</u>

9 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	5,511	5,196
	<u>5,511</u>	<u>5,196</u>

10 Creditors:

amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals	9,310	2,025
	<u>9,310</u>	<u>2,025</u>

11 Movement in funds

	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources (including other gains/losses) £	Resources expended £	At 31 December 2024 £
Restricted funds:				
Endowment funds:				
CBF Churchyard Fund	-	44	(44)	-
<i>Total</i>	-	44	(44)	-
Restricted income funds:				
Building Fund	1,494	28,692	(7,684)	22,502
Christians Against Poverty	16,600	32,515	(34,843)	14,272
<i>Total</i>	18,094	61,207	(42,527)	36,774
Unrestricted funds:				
General funds				
	102,467	227,715	(231,417)	98,765
Designated funds:				
Youth and Children	6,171	449	(2,021)	4,599
Hardship Fund	4,014	647	(1,460)	3,201
<i>Total</i>	10,185	1,096	(3,481)	7,800
Total funds	130,746	290,062	(277,469)	143,339

Purposes and restrictions in relation to the funds:

Endowment funds:

CBF Churchyard Fund

Restricted funds:

Building Fund For ongoing repairs to the Church and car park
 Christians Against Poverty To support debt coaches in their debt advice work

Designated funds:

Youth and Children For the further development of the ministry for young people
 Hardship Fund To assist and support members of the church who are facing financial difficulties

12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Investments	43,794	1,665	45,459
Net current assets	67,041	30,839	97,880
	<u>110,835</u>	<u>32,504</u>	<u>143,339</u>

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13 Reconciliation of net debt

	At 1 January 2024 £	Cash flows £	At 31 December 2024 £
Cash and cash equivalents	83,133	18,546	101,679
	<u>83,133</u>	<u>18,546</u>	<u>101,679</u>
Net debt	<u>83,133</u>	<u>18,546</u>	<u>101,679</u>

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies					
Donations and legacies	153,275	56,061	-	209,336	211,514
Gift Aid	29,708	5,146	-	34,854	36,301
Cash collections	12,950	-	-	12,950	14,838
	<u>195,933</u>	<u>61,207</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>257,140</u>	<u>262,653</u>
Charitable activities					
Diocesan Fees	386	-	-	386	2,046
Church Weekend	17,980	-	-	17,980	6,443
Church hire and car park rent	10,888	-	-	10,888	7,025
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts	641	-	-	641	484
	<u>29,895</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,895</u>	<u>15,998</u>
Investments					
Interest received	2,983	-	44	3,027	1,353
	<u>2,983</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>3,027</u>	<u>1,353</u>
Total income and endowments	228,811	61,207	44	290,062	280,004
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activities	147,953	34,843	44	182,840	158,256
	<u>147,953</u>	<u>34,843</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>182,840</u>	<u>158,256</u>
Total of expenditure on charitable activities	147,953	34,843	44	182,840	158,256
Employee costs					
Salaries/wages	41,769	-	-	41,769	49,940
	<u>41,769</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,769</u>	<u>49,940</u>
Premises costs					
Light, heat and power	12,352	-	-	12,352	14,669
Premises cleaning	971	-	-	971	1,208
Premises insurances	4,652	-	-	4,652	5,880
Premises repairs and maintenance	15,222	7,684	-	22,906	12,784
Other premises costs	2,426	-	-	2,426	2,114
	<u>35,623</u>	<u>7,684</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,307</u>	<u>36,655</u>
General administrative costs, including depreciation and amortisation					
Stationery and printing	2,969	-	-	2,969	2,409
Sundry expenses	4,700	-	-	4,700	3,417

Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
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Telephone, fax and broadband	1,224	-	-	1,224	1,143
	8,893	-	-	8,893	6,969
Legal and professional costs					
Audit/Independent examination fees	660	-	-	660	500
	660	-	-	660	500
Total of expenditure of other costs	86,945	7,684	-	94,629	94,064
Total expenditure	234,898	42,527	44	277,469	252,320
Net gains on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Net income	(6,087)	18,680	-	12,593	27,684
Net income before other gains/(losses)	(6,087)	18,680	-	12,593	27,684
Other Gains	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(6,087)	18,680	-	12,593	27,684
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward	112,652	18,094	-	130,746	103,062
Total funds carried forward	106,565	36,774	-	143,339	130,746

Accounts

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical
Parish of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Registered Charity Number: 1130331

Holy Trinity Barnstaple



**Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
For the year ended 31st December 2023**

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31st December 2023

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023. The trustees have opted, under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act'), to prepare receipts and payments accounts.

Objectives and Aims

The primary object of the PCC is to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of The Church of England.

Public benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

Achievement and Performance

Charitable activities

The past year has been a time of great blessing and encouragement at Trinity as we have continued to see growth and development of our worship services and an increase in the number of people attending. We have developed our worship patterns to include moments of quiet reflection, in order to offer people a 'wider menu' of worshipping opportunities. Over the past year we have hosted a number of newcomers' lunches and have seen a significant number of new people joining us at Trinity for which we are very grateful.

Our 10:30am service has continued to develop with new people serving in various ways and in particular the development of our sung worship. This has included a few technical developments and the nurturing of new worship leaders and musicians. Our OASIS service has also continued on Sunday evenings fortnightly and allows for a different emphasis with longer periods of sung worship and the opportunity for people to share their testimony or perhaps give a talk at church for the first time.

We have seen some changes to the staff team as Linda Pinfold has joined us as our Childrens' worker and Lynn Hopwood as our Schools' Outreach worker. Our staff continues to meet together every Monday for a time of prayer, fellowship and to look forward and plan together for all the areas of ministry that we cover. We have had a very strong administrative base which has continued to utilise online tools such as ChurchSuite which has become part of our common vocabulary as a church for all things administrative and for use in good communication more widely in the life of our church.

In the Autumn we hosted three weeks of 'Rekindled' which was a chance to gather together for fun, food, fellowship and teaching from New Wine. It was a chance to gather as a church in the years 'in between' our church trips to Lee Abbey and was a great success with many people in attendance over the three weeks.

We have seen considerable growth in the number of Connect groups and these provide great opportunities for people to grow together in faith and fellowship as well as caring compassionately in prayer for one another. We have also continued to run courses that enrich our lives in discipleship and help those who have come through to faith through initiatives such as the Alpha Course.

We have had some excellent opportunities for people to get away together such as our summer trip to Creation Fest. These trips away have been a wonderful chance for people to grow deeper in friendship and fellowship with one another as well as experiencing great times of worship and teaching in a fresh context.

Our Christmas services have gone exceptionally well with the development of a new community Christmas choir and the recent introduction of the Carols round the Manger service. This new service has attracted a large number of families along who don't usually attend our church services at Trinity, which has been a great encouragement.

We personally want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who worships and serves at Trinity; we are so blessed by an incredible number of people serving, assisting and caring for one another.

Financial Review

The Word tells us that God loves a cheerful giver and we have many of those at Trinity – our grateful thanks to all our members who support us with their regular giving and their donations plus their time and practical support. The Holy Trinity church family needs the involvement of every person in order for us to continue to be a welcoming light in the world.

We have been able to continue our outreach into the Barnstaple community as in previous years and have even added an additional outreach to young people in the form of Ten 10. Our mission giving has continued - a tithe of our income from your giving – and during the year we have supported Christians against Poverty, the Freedom Centre, Release International, Rhea Ministries and Tearfund.

Last year I mentioned our accommodation challenge as our church family continues to grow. In order to maximise use of the space we do have, we set up a Youth and Children's Fund. Your generous giving to this need supplied £9,051 for renovations to the Revival Room and other vital expenditure for the benefit of our young people and those in the community. We have been able to repaint and recarpet the room and these improvements, together with bright curtains

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for the year ended 31st December 2023

and colourful beanbags, have created a multi-purpose space that is being enjoyed by our young people and other small groups.

Building Fund expenditure covered the retention due regarding the garden door and the upgrading of the fire doors of the Revival Room and the Vicar's office. Other maintenance included the replacement of a boiler, the installation of curtains in the Hall and the repair of the car park light. Our maintenance needs are ongoing and cause our church wardens much frustration.

A cursory glance at the Receipts and Payments for the year to 31 December 2023 would suggest that there has been a more than fourfold increase in the surplus. In effect, the creation of the Youth and Children's Fund accounts for much of this increase. Another factor influencing our net income was the drop in expenditure. Last year we spent £13,604 from the building fund as opposed to £4,199 this year. Your PCC has been very cautious with the church funds, as evidenced by the £7,000 fall in overall spending, despite the general increase in the cost of living. The total surplus for 2023 was £27,684 as compared to £5,992 in 2022. Income increased by 0.05% to £280,004 (2022: £265,882) and expenditure decreased by 0.03% to £252,320 (2022: £259,890). Unrestricted cash reserves at year-end totalled £54,854.

Malachi 3:10 in the Message version says: "Bring your full tithe to the Temple treasury so there will be ample provisions in my Temple. Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams". God is faithful and His word is true. You can give via the Parish Giving Scheme, the 'Give a Little' machine at the Welcome Desk, the offering bag, the Trinity website or by direct deposit into the church bank account.

Reserves policy

The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves') held by the Charity should be approximately three months of the resources expended. At this level the trustees feel that they would be able to continue the current activities of the Charity in the event of a significant drop in income.

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for the year ended 31st December 2023

Reference and Administration Details

Registered name

The full name of the charity is The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity, Barnstaple. The charity is also known by the name Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple

Registered Charity number

1130331

Principal address

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Revd Paul Taylor

Associate Minister

Revd Shirley Paterson

Secretary

Peter Nott

Trustees

Name	Position	Appointments/Resignations
Ex Officio members:		
Revd Paul Taylor	Vicar/Chair	
Revd Shirley Paterson	Associate Minister	
Revd Robin Smith	Curate	
Andrew Keenan	Churchwarden/Vice-chair	
Steve Bunce	Churchwarden	
Rachel Keenan	Deanery Synod Representative	Until 2026
Members:		
Suzanne Pentney-Tighe		Until 2026
Sarah Tanton		Until 2026
Louise Kevan		Until 2026
Margie Nobbs	Treasurer	Until 2025
Christopher Oldham		Until 2026
David Archer		Until 2026
Helen Corfe		Until 2024

During the year: Many thanks to Sharon Blyth, Lee Hurrell and Tony Shields who ended their terms on the PCC and David Elliot who ended his term on Deanery Synod.

Independent Examiner

Magnus Proctor FFA
Lindisfarne
Landkey Road
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Approved by the board of trustees on 11th April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

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Chair

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trinity Church Barnstaple

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trinity Church Barnstaple (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination 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 those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Magnus Proctor FFA
Fellow of the Institute of Financial Accountants
Lindisfarne
Landkey Road
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Date: 7th March 2024

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
for the Year ended 31st December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£		£	£
RECEIPTS					
Donations and legacies	161,101	40,146	10,267	211,514	200,125
Gift aid	33,761	1,745	795	36,301	32,107
Cash collections	14,838			14,838	13,679
Diocesan fees	2,046			2,046	1,781
Church weekend	6,443			6,443	10,946
Church hire and car park rent	7,025			7,025	5,086
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts	484			484	850
	225,698	41,891	11,062	278,651	264,574
Investments					
Interest received	1,309	44		1,353	1,308
Total receipts	227,007	41,935	11,062	280,004	265,882
PAYMENTS					
Charitable activities					
Common fund	88,273			88,273	86,120
Clergy expenses	2,143			2,143	639
Ministry resources	1,470			1,470	2,622
Altar, music and coffee supplies	3,283			3,283	3,189
Mission gifts	18,361		4,510	22,871	21,744
Christians Against Poverty	0	31,568		31,568	33,694
Church weekend	3,027			3,027	16,714
Youth and children	2,701		2,880	5,581	4,738
Climbing wall	40			40	0
Premises costs					
Insurance	5,880			5,880	5,471
Light and heat	8,232			8,232	6,296
Cleaning	1,208			1,208	976
Maintenance	1,733	4,199		5,932	15,618
Church hall - maintenance	6,852			6,852	1,863
Church hall - light and heat	6,437			6,437	3,350
Security	2,114			2,114	5,096
Administration costs					
Salaries	49,940			49,940	43,424
Telephone	1,143			1,143	1,159
Stationery and printing	2,409			2,409	2,649
Sundry office costs	3,417			3,417	4,028
Independent examination	500			500	500
Total payments	209,163	35,767	7,390	252,320	259,890
Net receipts / payments	17,844	6,168	3,672	27,684	5,992
Reconciliation of funds					
Transfer between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Total funds brought forward	37,010	11,926	6,513	55,449	49,457
Total funds carried forward	54,854	18,094	10,185	83,133	55,449

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
At 31st December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Assets					
CBF Investment Fund	42,814	1,628	0	44,442	40,590
Current Assets					
Debtors	4,178	910	108	5,196	3,518
Cash at Bank	54,854	18,094	10,185	83,133	55,449
Current Liabilities					
Creditors	(2,025)	0	0	(2,025)	(2,672)
Total Assets less Liabilities	99,821	20,632	10,293	130,746	96,885

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 11th April 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

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 Chair

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. Movement in Funds

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance
	1 st Jan 2023				31 st Dec 2023
General Fund	37,010	227,007	(209,163)	0	54,854
Youth and Children	0	9,051	(2,880)	0	6,171
Hardship Fund	6,513	2,011	(4,510)	0	4,014
Restricted:					
Building fund	4,956	693	(4,155)	0	1,494
Christians Against Poverty	6,970	41,198	(31,568)	0	16,600
Endowment:					
CBF Churchyard fund	0	44	(44)	0	0
Total Funds	55,449	280,004	(252,320)	0	83,133

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance
	1 st Jan 2022				31 st Dec 2022
General Fund	29,376	216,774	(209,140)	0	37,010
Hardship Fund	0	9,965	(3,452)	0	6,513
Restricted:					
Building fund	11,661	6,855	(13,560)	0	4,956
Christians Against Poverty	8,420	32,244	(33,694)	0	6,970
Endowment:					
CBF Churchyard fund	0	44	(44)	0	0
Total Funds	49,457	265,882	(259,890)	0	55,449

The Building Fund was commenced in September 2016 to provide for the Chancel roof repair, a new doorway, garden and wall refurbishment and window repairs, all of which have been completed. The expenditure of £4,155 has been for the payment of retention on the project as well as a fire door, per fire regulation requirements.

3. Trustee remuneration and benefits

Rachel Keenan (Church Administrator) is employed by the charity.

No other of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.

Accounts

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical
Parish of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Registered Charity Number: 1130331

Holy Trinity Barnstaple



**Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
For the year ended 31st December 2022**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the year ended 31st December 2022

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022. The trustees have opted, under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act'), to prepare receipts and payments accounts.

Objectives and Aims

The primary object of the PCC is to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of The Church of England.

Public benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

Achievement and Performance

Charitable activities

The past year has been very enriching in terms of all that has occurred at Trinity as we have continued to come away from some of the restrictions that the pandemic placed upon us. We have seen many people coming back to church and have had up to 185 people in attendance on some of our Sundays with up to 40 children and young people. There have been some tough challenges in terms of what is happening around the world, and we hosted a prayer meeting to pray for Ukraine and opened up the church for periods of time when people could come and pray for peace and have moments of quiet reflection.

We ran the Bible Society's Bible Course online at Goodleigh, which was open to members of Holy Trinity, and enjoyed our regular joint prayer meetings with Goodleigh. We had planned to go to Lee Abbey (11-13th February) but unfortunately the staff at Lee Abbey contracted Covid-19 and we made very quick plans to host an 'in-house Lee Abbey' at Trinity. It was very well attended, and the talks were led by Revd Canon Andrew and Fiona Perry. We then attended the re-scheduled Lee Abbey (8-10th July), the talks were led by Revd Neil and Debbie Smart with around 150 in attendance and we had a wonderful weekend of fellowship. In the summer months we had a group attending Creation Fest as well as New Wine and these were good opportunities for us to grow in fellowship and receive some great teaching.

Our staff team has had several new people joining us: Revd Robin Smith our Curate joined us in the summer, first as a Licensed Pastoral Lay worker (licensed on 30th June 2022) and then Robin was ordained in Exeter Cathedral on Sat 10th September 2022. We have also been joined by Linda Pinfold in her capacity as our Children and Family Worker and Lynn Hopwood as our Schools Outreach Worker.

Like many churches across the country and around the world we took time to give thanks for the life of our Queen following her death and we hosted times for prayer and opened the church for a book of condolence to be signed by those who came to pray and reflect.

We celebrated 4 women getting baptised at Saunton Sands this year at our annual beach baptisms. It was wonderful to see such a good turnout for this wonderful moment. We also had a tremendous time at the CAP Christmas party where 12 people made a commitment to follow Christ, following a talk by a guest evangelist.

We have all been incredibly encouraged by the growth in the number of Connect Groups and we long to see more growth and development in all areas of ministry at Trinity as we continue to seek to be led by the Holy Spirit throughout the year that lies ahead. We want to take this opportunity to thank all those who have continued to faithfully serve the Lord and give glory to Him throughout the past year.

Financial Review

We are most grateful for the generous support received from the members of Trinity Barnstaple this year. In keeping with the maintenance needs of our historic buildings and the current economic conditions, we have been most cautious in our spending but ended the year having to approve the unexpected expense of a new boiler for the Hall.

Maintenance issues aside, your generous giving has enabled us to continue with outreach to our Barnstaple community in the form of Monday Toddlers, Tuesday Coffee morning, Baby and Me, Begin Well, Messy Church, Kids Matter and schools' work. As far as mission support is concerned, the PCC made a decision to direct our giving to five organisations working either with persecuted Christians or assisting in the cost of living crisis. These are Tearfund, Release International, Rhea Ministries, Freedom Centre and Christians Against Poverty.

We have been delighted to witness the growth of our membership and the happy sound of children in our morning service is a delight. However, this influx of young people brings with it an accommodation challenge. We are currently looking at ways in which we can maximise the space we have and offer the best possible facilities for growing our children and youth ministries. The completion of the door to the church garden has opened up new possibilities for use of this space, but weather conditions are not always conducive to outside activities. Please pray for us as we consider these issues.

J. John's memorable talk about doughnuts aired at a morning service in October, reminding us that all that we have comes

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for the year ended 31st December 2022

from God and that His expectation is that we give a tithe of our income to our local church. When we are faithful, God is faithful; and when you are faithful, your church is able to carry out its God-given mission.

The accounts show that income increased in the year by 9.7% to £265,882 whilst expenditure increased by 0.7% to £259,890. The surplus for the year was £5,992 (PY: deficit £15,708)

Unrestricted cash reserves held at the year-end amounted to £37,010 (PY £29,336)

Reserves policy

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The Standing Committee: As agreed in May 2011 the SC consists of the Vicar, Associate Minister, Church Wardens, PCC Treasurer and PCC secretary. The Standing Committee has the power to transact business on behalf of the PCC. This committee meets in between the bi-monthly PCC meetings when needed and has the authority to call extra-ordinary meetings of the PCC if necessary. It has the responsibility to bring to the full PCC's attention the financial position of the church and can authorise urgent expenditure up to the limit set by the PCC.

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Steve Bunce	Churchwarden	Until 2022
David Elliot	Deanery Synod Representative	Until 2023
Rachel Keenan	Deanery Synod Representative	Until 2023

Members:

David Archer		Until 2023
Sharon Blyth		Until 2023
Lee Hurrell	Assistant Safeguarding Officer	Until 2023
Margie Nobbs	Treasurer	Until 2022
Christopher Oldham		Until 2023
Tony Shields		Until 2023
Helen Corfe		Until 2024

Independent Examiner

Magnus Proctor FFA
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Approved by the board of trustees on xxth March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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Chair

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trinity Church Barnstaple

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trinity Church Barnstaple (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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Signed:



Magnus Proctor FFA
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Date: 24th February 2023

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
for the Year ended 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£		£	£
RECEIPTS					
Donations and legacies	152,230	37,930	9,965	200,125	189,002
Gift aid	30,938	1,169		32,107	26,997
Cash collections	13,679			13,679	8,351
Diocesan fees	1,781			1,781	1,601
Church weekend	10,946			10,946	9,191
Church hire and car park rent	5,086			5,086	2,380
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts	850			850	2,506
	215,510	39,099	9,965	264,574	240,028
Investments					
Interest received	1,264	44		1,308	1,168
Total receipts	216,774	39,143	9,965	265,882	241,196
PAYMENTS					
Charitable activities					
Common fund	86,120			86,120	83,608
Clergy expenses	639			639	934
Ministry resources	2,622			2,622	573
Altar, music and coffee supplies	3,189			3,189	3,315
Mission gifts	18,292		3,452	21,744	26,572
Christians Against Poverty		33,694		33,694	31,269
Church weekend	16,714			16,714	2,135
Youth and children	4,738			4,738	3,864
Climbing wall	0			0	
Premises costs					
Insurance	5,471			5,471	5,313
Light and heat	6,296			6,296	3,586
Cleaning	976			976	401
Maintenance	2,014	13,604		15,618	42,249
Church hall - maintenance	1,863			1,863	1,255
Church hall - light and heat	3,350			3,350	1,901
Security	5,096			5,096	3,848
Administration costs					
Salaries	43,424			43,424	39,390
Telephone	1,159			1,159	905
Stationery and printing	2,649			2,649	2,017
Sundry office costs	4,028			4,028	3,269
Independent examination	500			500	500
Total payments	209,140	47,298	3,452	259,890	256,904
Net receipts / payments	7,634	(8,155)	6,513	5,992	(15,708)
Reconciliation of funds					
Transfer between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Total funds brought forward	29,376	20,081	0	49,457	65,165
Total funds carried forward	37,010	11,926	6,513	55,449	49,457

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
At 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Assets					
CBF Investment Fund	39,103	1,487	0	40,590	45,978
Current Assets					
Debtors	2,899	619	0	3,518	3,067
Cash at Bank	37,010	11,926	6,513	55,449	49,457
Current Liabilities					
Creditors	(2,672)	0	0	(2,672)	(1,231)
Total Assets less Liabilities	76,340	14,032	6,513	96,885	97,271

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on xxth March 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

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 Chair

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Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments method under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act')

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. Movement in Funds

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance
	1 st Jan 2022				31 st Dec 2022
General Fund	29,376	216,774	(209,140)	0	36,966
Hardship Fund	0	9,965	(3,452)	0	6,513
Restricted:					
Building fund	11,661	6,855	(13,560)	0	4,956
Christians Against Poverty	8,420	32,244	(33,694)	0	6,970
Endowment:					
CBF Churchyard fund	0	44	(44)	0	0
Total Funds	49,457	265,882	(259,890)	0	55,449

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance
	1 st Jan 2021				31 st Dec 2021
General Fund	26,841	189,413	(186,878)	0	29,376
Restricted:					
Building fund	29,316	22,123	(39,778)	0	11,661
Christians Against Poverty	9,008	30,681	(31,269)	0	8,420
Endowment:					
CBF Churchyard fund	0	43	(43)	0	0
Total Funds	65,165	242,260	(257,968)	0	49,457

The Building Fund was commenced in September 2016 to provide for the Chancel roof repair, a new doorway, garden and wall refurbishment and window repairs. The new doorway has now been completed at a cost of £13,560.

3. Trustee remuneration and benefits

Rachel Keenan (Church Administrator) is employed by the charity.

No other of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.

Accounts

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical
Parish of Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple
Registered Charity Number: 1130331

Holy Trinity Barnstaple



**Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
For the year ended 31st December 2021**

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the year ended 31st December 2021

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The primary object of the PCC is to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of The Church of England.

Public benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

Achievement and Performance

Charitable activities

The past year has continued to have certain challenges as we had hoped to ease out of the pandemic earlier than has actually been the case. Throughout this season of the church's life, we have thankfully continued to see many people attending church services and a significant number of newcomers joining our church.

On the 9th October 2021 we hosted our church Vision Day at Filleigh Village Hall and invited the PCC, Ministry Team, Staff Team and those on the Growing Leaders Course to spend a day worshipping, praying and listening to one another as we sought to discover afresh what the Lord is calling us to as a church. We have reviewed this Vision Day and are looking forward developing our life and ministry together in the areas of:

- Worship
- Belonging
- Service
- Outreach

We have run several great courses over the past year including a course run by a group called Walk Through the Bible entitled: "The Bible in a Nutshell" (looking at an overview of the Old Testament) and the Bible Course which is run by the Bible Society. Both courses were very well attended, and it was so encouraging to see so many engaging in a fresh overview of scripture.

One main project has been the development of the glass door project to place a new door leading out into the church garden. We are hoping that this will be completed in early 2022 and anticipate that this will transform our times of worship and fellowship and be of great benefit in a variety of ways. We are all hugely grateful to Jerry Kent for the incredible amount of work that he has put into this project happen.

Trinity continues to have many people serving in lots of different aspects of our church life and outreach into the community. We are immensely grateful to all who serve the Lord in so many ways and ensure that we include others and invite people into our fellowship, church services and events. It has been wonderful to see the development of new Tech teams and the ongoing changes to how we continue to have an online presence for those who haven't felt ready to attend church services yet due to Covid concerns. Those with these technical skills have enabled lots of people to feel included, despite not being present at events or services. This year of review and envisioning will lead us to develop all aspects of church life as we work together towards the future that God has in store for us.

We take this opportunity to thank everyone who has worked tirelessly to support all aspects of ministry at Trinity. Despite some of the challenges we have faced, we have experienced a wonderfully deep sense of unity together.

Financial Review

We are all weary of hearing about the negative effects of Covid, so let me start with a positive look at its effects on our lives and finances. Happily, Covid has helped us to set aside our own comfort and put our focus on the needs of others. In telling us what the Lord requires of us, Micah 6:8 reminds us that we are to love mercy and in an expression of this, the members of Trinity Barnstaple donated some £7,000 to needy folk within the church and the local community. This was over and above normal Giving.

In addition, Trinity was able to donate £1,500 each to Tear Fund, the North Devon House of Prayer, Amigos and Scripture Union. Coastal Community and Home for Good received £900 each and smaller amounts supported New Wine, Street Pastors, Frontiers and a couple of children's ministries. The PCC are intent on ensuring that we tithe on our income from Giving in support of mission work.

Another piece of good news has been our progress on the doorway to the garden. Our generous members stepped up yet again, and an additional £22,123 was added to the £29,316 in the Building Fund and we were able to proceed with building the archway. Those who have had a sneak preview say that an excellent job has been done and thanks are due to Riley and Guy and our own Jerry Kent, the architect in charge of the project. To the end of December, £39,778 had been spent on these building work.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

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At the PCC meeting in January, the matter of Common Fund was considered once again. Since our finances have still not recovered to pre-pandemic levels, it was resolved to increase our annual payment to the Diocese by 3% on last year's figure. This amount falls short of what was requested by some £6,800. We have addressed a letter to the Diocesan Finance Department explaining our financial constraints.

Grateful thanks are due to all those members who increased and/or switched their giving to the Parish Giving Scheme as a result of the 'family meeting' in October, when I highlighted our on-going shortfall. We are blessed by the faithful giving of every member who contributes to the running expenses of our church. As was mentioned in the 'family meeting' we enjoy the privilege of meeting in Listed Buildings but that privilege carries a maintenance responsibility. Your PCC aim to set aside approximately £10,000 each year for the purposes of carrying out the repairs indicated in the most recent quinquennial inspection. The shortfall of £15,708 on the current year's receipts and payments does not bode well for this plan and we may have to consider making further appeals for assistance with this expenditure.

Trinity Barnstaple is our church home. Let's all work together to make it shine out God's presence in the community through our ministry, our worship, our participation and our giving.

The accounts show that income increased in the year by 20% to £242,260 whilst expenditure increased by 24% to £257,968. Deficit for the year was £15,708 (PY: deficit £15,954)

Unrestricted cash reserves held at the year-end amounted to £29,336 (PY £23,975)

Reserves policy

The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves') held by the Charity should be approximately three months of the resources expended. At this level the trustees feel that they would be able to continue the current activities of the Charity in the event of a significant drop in income.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. Holy Trinity Barnstaple is Mission community known as the Barnstaple Group.

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the year ended 31st December 2021

Reference and Administration Details

Registered name

The full name of the charity is The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity, Barnstaple. The charity is also known by the name Holy Trinity Church Barnstaple

Registered Charity number

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Revd Paul Taylor

Associate Minister

Revd Shirley Paterson

Secretary

Peter Nott

Trustees

Name	Position	Appointments/Resignations
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Ex Officio members:

Revd Paul Taylor	Vicar/Chair	
Revd Shirley Paterson	Associate Minister	
Andrew Keenan	Churchwarden/Vice-chair	
Steve Bunce	Churchwarden	Until 2022
David Elliot	Deanery Synod Representative	Until 2023
Rachel Keenan	Deanery Synod Representative	Until 2023

Members:

David Archer		Until 2023
Sharon Blyth		Until 2023
Stephen Dove		Until 2023
Lee Hurrell	Assistant Safeguarding Officer	Until 2023
Harry Monson		Until 2022
Margie Nobbs	Treasurer	Until 2022
Christopher Oldham		Until 2023
Tony Shields		Until 2023
Helen Corfe		Until 2024

Independent Examiner

Magnus Proctor FFA
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Approved by the board of trustees on 14th March 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

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Chair

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BARNSTAPLE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trinity Church Barnstaple

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trinity Church Barnstaple (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination 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 those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Magnus Proctor FFA
Fellow of the Institute of Financial Accountants
Lindisfarne
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Date: 04th March 2022

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
for the Year ended 31st December 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations and legacies	139,194	49,808	189,002	157,216
Gift aid	24,001	2,996	26,997	23,695
Cash collections	8,351		8,351	9,296
Diocesan fees	2,665		2,665	2,046
Church weekend	9,191		9,191	295
Church hire and car park rent	2,380		2,380	3,873
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts	2,506		2,506	4,390
	188,288	52,804	241,091	200,811
Investments				
Interest received	1,125	43	1,168	1,128
Total receipts	189,413	52,847	242,260	201,939
Payments				
Charitable activities				
Common fund	83,608		83,608	83,608
Diocesan fees	1,064		1,064	1,518
Clergy expenses	934		934	2,396
Ministry resources	573		573	1,014
Altar, music and coffee supplies	3,315		3,315	1,837
Mission gifts	26,572		26,572	18,677
Interface	0		0	697
Christians Against Poverty	0	31,269	31,269	27,495
Church weekend	2,135		2,135	30
Youth and children	3,864		3,864	3,159
Climbing wall	0		0	40
Premises costs				
Insurance	5,313		5,313	5,503
Light and heat	3,586		3,586	4,774
Cleaning	401		401	1,205
Maintenance	2,428	39,821	42,249	6,503
Church hall - maintenance	1,255		1,255	3,670
Church hall – light and heat	1,901		1,901	1,671
Security	3,848		3,848	2,003
Administration costs				
Salaries	39,390		39,390	35,295
Telephone	905		905	1,483
Stationery and printing	2,017		2,017	1,817
Sundry office costs	3,269		3,269	3,061
Legal costs	0		0	55
Independent examination	500		500	500
Total payments	186,878	71,090	257,968	208,011
Net receipts / (payments)	2,535	(18,243)	(15,708)	(6,072)
Reconciliation of funds				
Transfer between funds	0	0	0	0
Total Funds brought forward	26,841	32,324	65,165	71,237
Total Funds carried forward	29,376	20,081	49,457	65,165

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
At 31st December 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
	0	0	0	0
Investment Assets				
CBF Investment Fund	44,294	1,684	45,978	40,198
Current Assets				
Debtors	2,918	149	3,067	1,922
Cash at bank	29,336	20,121	49,457	65,165
Current Liabilities				
Creditors	(1,231)	(0)	(1,231)	(1,170)
Total Assets less Liabilities	<u>75,317</u>	<u>21,954</u>	<u>97,271</u>	<u>106,115</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 14th March 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

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 Chair

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General Fund	33,330	173,986	(180,475)	0	26,841
Restricted:					
Building fund	29,316	0	0	0	29,316
Christians Against Poverty	8,591	27,912	(27,495)	0	9,008
Endowment:					
CBF Churchyard fund	0	41	(41)	0	0
Total Funds	71,237	201,939	(208,011)	0	65,165

The Building Fund was commenced in September 2016 to provide for the Chancel roof repair, a new doorway, garden and wall refurbishment and window repairs. The target is £80,000. Donors have been notified that a 10% tithe of all giving toward the building fund will go to the Lama girl's hostel in the Philippines.

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Rachel Keenan (Church Administrator) and Sharon Blyth (Schools and Families Worker) are both employed by the charity.

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Public benefit

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Charitable activities

The past year has been perhaps one of the most challenging chapters of church life experienced at Holy Trinity. From the start of the pandemic in March 2020, there have been three periods of 'Lockdown' enforced by the Government and Trinity, like many other churches around the country, has had to adjust how we 'do church' in the light of these restrictions. Despite these challenges, the leadership of the church have worked extremely hard together to ensure that church life could continue as best as can be expected under these constraints.

The leadership structure at Trinity includes the staff team, the ministry team and of course the PCC. All three of these groups have endeavoured to ensure that all areas of ministry have been covered during this season. This has included ensuring that people have been able to attend times of private prayer at the church when the church services haven't been happening, the continuation of Connect groups meeting online using Zoom and the careful opening of church services with restricted numbers whilst adhering to social-distancing guidelines. It has also included a clear plan for pastoral care which has involved organising key members of the church phoning around the congregation, as well as many of the people we seek to reach out to through support groups, in order to ensure that everyone has been cared for, checked up on, and prayed for.

The leadership and congregation at Trinity have handled the interregnum exceptionally well and have continued to develop fellowship and outreach programs to retain the healthy aspects of church ministry in the parish. The pandemic has also introduced certain challenges in terms of the timescale for appointing the new incumbent. The interviews took place on Friday 19th June 2020 and Revd Paul Taylor was licensed as the new incumbent on 2nd November 2020 led by Rt Revd Robert Atwell.

One key aspect of life and ministry that has been crucial in support for everyone during this season has been the exceptional teamwork overseen by the leadership within the church. Key volunteers have put a huge amount of commitment in time and effort into developing online worship and fellowship using Zoom as a tool of communication.

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has worked so hard to support life and ministry at Trinity and in the wider community of the parish throughout the past year. Despite the difficulties faced, everyone has rallied together exceptionally well to develop the healthy aspects of church life that we can celebrate together.

Financial Review

Despite the financial challenges that the Covid 19 epidemic presented in 2020, our church managed to hold its own. As is to be expected, we experienced a drop in income since we were unable to hold customary church services during the year. Many of our members were forced to reduce their giving because of widespread financial issues, and our church, hall and carpark rental income also dropped. By year end, we were in the uncomfortable position of having our expenses exceed our receipts by some £6,072. Quite plainly, this is a situation that cannot be sustained in the long term.

We thank our faithful God that the good harvests of previous years have enabled us to withstand this loss. We were able to keep up to date with our Common Fund payments and to give an additional £3,600 to partners in mission, North Devon House of Prayer, Amigos, Frontiers, Tear Fund, Scripture Union and Lama Ministries as agreed by the PCC in December 2019. We also donated £2,500 to Christians Against Poverty. One of the chancel heaters in the church needed replacing at a cost of £3,027 and we were able to redecorate the church hall while it was not in use.

Praise God that the adverse conditions we all faced did not hamper your generosity. Some folk were able to make extraordinary donations to church funds and in true Acts 4 fashion, we were also able to establish a Covid Help Fund which paid out £4,650 to church members particularly badly affected by the epidemic. We were also able to support outreaches into the community through activity boxes for families stuck at home and gift hampers at Christmas.

As we move into 2021 and more uncertainty, the PCC have made the decision to put a hold on the 2021 increase to Common Fund and to continue making contributions to the Diocese in line with those made in 2020. This situation will be reviewed later in the year.

Our thanks go to every one of our faithful givers. Whether your contribution to your church is small or large, know that it

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the year ended 31st December 2020

is a blessing to the Lord and a vehicle for growing His Kingdom. May we all continue to live a lifestyle of grateful giving that overflows into our community.

The accounts show that income decreased in the year by 7% to £201,839 whilst expenditure increased by 2% to £208,011. Deficit for the year was £6,072 (PY: Surplus £15,954)

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Approved by the board of trustees on 19th April 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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Chair

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Date: 27th March 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
for the Year ended 31st December 2020

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations and legacies	129,348	27,868	157,216	126,345
Gift aid	23,651	44	23,695	25,788
Cash collections	9,296		9,296	37,689
Diocesan fees	2,046		2,046	3,287
Church weekend	295		295	15,243
Church hire and car park rent	3,873		3,873	5,812
Goodleigh PCC	0		0	405
Climbing wall and other sundry receipts	4,390		4,390	1,178
	172,899	27,912	200,811	215,747
Investments				
Interest received	1,087	41	1,128	1,122
Total receipts	173,986	27,953	201,939	216,869
Payments				
Charitable activities				
Common fund	83,608		83,608	78,358
Diocesan fees	1,518		1,518	1,433
Clergy expenses	2,396		2,396	3,427
Ministry resources	1,014		1,014	1,581
Altar, music and coffee supplies	1,837		1,837	2,969
Mission gifts	18,677		18,677	11,398
Interface	697		697	52
Christians Against Poverty	0	27,495	27,495	15,401
Church weekend	30		30	12,250
Youth and children	3,159		3,159	3,795
Climbing wall	40		40	48
Premises costs				
Insurance	5,503		5,503	5,312
Light and heat	4,774		4,774	5,692
Cleaning	1,205		1,205	619
Maintenance	6,462	41	6,503	3,713
Church hall - maintenance	3,670		3,670	7,463
Church hall – light and heat	1,671		1,671	2,843
Security	2,003		2,003	5,609
Administration costs				
Salaries	35,295		35,295	32,505
Telephone	1,483		1,483	747
Stationery and printing	1,817		1,817	2,313
Sundry office costs	3,061		3,061	2,087
Legal costs	55		55	800
Independent examination	500		500	500
Total payments	180,475	27,536	208,011	200,915
Net receipts / (payments)	-6,489	417	-6,072	15,954
Reconciliation of funds				
Transfer between funds	0	0	0	0
Total Funds brought forward	33,330	37,907	71,237	55,283
Total Funds carried forward	26,841	38,324	65,165	71,237

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
At 31st December 2020

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
	0	0	0	0
Investment Assets				
CBF Investment Fund	38,726	1,472	40,198	37,602
Current Assets				
Debtors	1,916	6	1,922	2,669
Cash at bank	26,841	38,324	65,165	71,237
Current Liabilities				
Creditors	(1,170)	(0)	(1,170)	(845)
Total Assets less Liabilities	66,313	39,802	106,115	110,663
	66,313	39,802	106,115	110,663

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 19th April 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

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 Chair

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments method under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act')

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. Movement in Funds

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance
	1 st Jan 2020				31 st Dec 2020
General Fund	33,330	173,986	(180,475)	0	26,841
Restricted:					
Building fund	29,316	0	0	0	29,316
Christians Against Poverty	8,591	27,912	(27,495)	0	9,008
Endowment:					
CBF Churchyard fund	0	41	(41)	0	0
Total Funds	71,237	201,939	(208,011)	0	65,165

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance
	1 st Jan 2019				31 st Dec 2019
General Fund	23,975	194,829	(185,474)	0	33,330
Restricted:					
Building fund	26,023	3,293	0	0	29,316
Christians Against Poverty	5,285	18,707	(15,401)	0	8,591
Endowment:					
CBF Churchyard fund	0	40	(40)	0	0
Total Funds	55,283	216,869	(200,915)	0	71,237

The Building Fund was commenced in September 2016 to provide for the Chancel roof repair, a new doorway, garden and wall refurbishment and window repairs. The target is £80,000. Donors have been notified that a 10% tithe of all giving toward the building fund will go to the Lama girl's hostel in the Philippines.

3. Trustee remuneration and benefits

Rachel Keenan (Church Administrator) and Sharon Blyth (Schools and Families Worker) are both employed by the charity.

No other of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.