

St Mary's Church, East Leake

Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council For the Year Ended 31st December 2025



Administrative Information

St Mary's Church is situated at the corner of Main Street and Station Road, East Leake, Loughborough, LE12 6PB.

It is part of the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham within the Church of England.

The correspondence address is The Rectory, 3 Bateman Road, East Leake, LE12 6LN.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. Charity number 1130545.

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2025 until the date of this report are:

Incumbent: The Rev'd Timothy J Parker Chairperson

Curate: The Rev'd Daniel Bauhahn

Associate Priests: The Rev'd Mary Essex
The Rev'd Andrew Livingston (until 22nd February 2026).

Lay Readers' Representative: Mr John O'Nions

Wardens: Mr Conrad Oatey Treasurer
Mrs Voirrey Paesler Lay Vice-chair

Representatives on the Deanery Synod: Mrs Sue Shaw PCC Secretary
Mr Colin Knight
Mr John Alexander

Elected Members: Mrs Pam Peacock
Mr Jamie Taylor
Mr Jacob Langley
Mrs Sharon Purnell
Mrs Janet Bonser
Mr Ron Hill
Mr Daniel Pate
Mr Michael Gibbney
Dr Debra Bunford
Mrs Helen Livingston Parish Safeguarding Officer
Mr Matthew Pate

1. Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

2. Objectives and activities

St Mary's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Safeguarding is vital to ensure that children, young people and vulnerable adults are kept safe whilst in the care of the church, an integral part of our church life. The PCC has complied with its duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults) and has adopted in full "Promoting a Safer Church" as our church safeguarding policy.

The Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator during the year was Mrs Helen Livingston.

The PCC also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church of St Mary's and for St Mary's Hall, both of Main Street, East Leake.

3. Achievements and performance

Church attendance

There were 154 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll as at the April 2025 Annual Meeting, compared with 161 people as at the 2024 Annual Meeting. The average weekly attendance at church counted during October 2025 was 134, an increase from 126 in 2024.

The attendance at festivals was 177 on Easter Sunday and 78 on Christmas Day.

Online Digital Worship continued during 2025, providing live-streamed services at home.

Review of the year

The full PCC met 9 times during the year. Objectives throughout 2025 have been to lead St Mary's church, joining together in the transforming mission of God through growing disciples, wider, younger, deeper and in their compassion, confidence and courage.

Financial review

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £164,453 and are detailed in the financial statements.

£165,499 was spent from unrestricted funds to provide the Christian ministry from St Mary's Church, including a £96,500 contribution to the Diocesan Parish Share, which largely provides the stipends, pensions and housing for the clergy.

The net result for the year on unrestricted funds was a deficit of £1,046, almost £1,000 less than budgeted. However it should be noted that, without a legacy of over £2,700, the deficit would have been larger than planned. Although there was an increase in planned giving, it was lower than expected.

After adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st December for unrestricted funds totalled £22,105.

Further increases in giving will be required in 2026 to ensure that costs will be met without significantly depleting the already minimal reserves.

Restricted income / expenditure showed a surplus of £3,669 at the end of the year, with a restricted fund balance of £27,073. Much of this surplus is deposits for the Parish Holiday in the summer of 2026.

This Annual Report was approved by the PCC on 13th April 2026

and signed on their behalf by

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF EAST LEAKE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2025

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	Note	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations and Legacies		145,074	11,330	156,404	144,861
Income from other events & Activities		18,123	9,416	27,539	27,327
Investment Income		1,256	-	1,256	1,608
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	2	164,453	20,746	185,199	173,796
EXPENDITURE					
Cost of raising funds		-	-	-	-
Ministry Expenses		120,951	5,917	126,868	134,903
Church Running Costs		10,424	-	10,424	9,099
Hall Running Costs		8,371	-	8,371	7,140
Other Expenditure		3,327	2,925	6,252	7,163
Administration cost		13,213	-	13,213	13,647
Major Repairs and Renewals		1,012	-	1,012	540
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	3	165,499	17,077	182,576	186,211
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(1,046)	3,669	2,623	(12,415)
Transfer between Funds		-	-	-	-
Net gains (losses) on Investment Assets - unrealised		-	-	-	-
Net Movement in Funds		(1,046)	3,669	2,623	(12,415)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		23,151	23,404	46,555	58,970
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		22,105	27,073	49,178	46,555

The notes on pages 3 to 6 form part of these accounts.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF EAST LEAKE

BALANCE SHEET

31 December 2025

Notes	£	2025 Total £	£	2024 Total £
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors and prepayments		9,764		8,119
Short Term Deposits				
CBF Church of England Deposit Fund		27,683		26,799
Cash at Bank and in hand				
Bank	14,521		15,121	
Cash	<u>38</u>	14,559	<u>8</u>	15,130
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Total Current Assets		52,006		50,048
LIABILITIES FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
Accruals and deferred income		(2,828)		(3,493)
LIABILITIES FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR				
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NET ASSETS		<u>49,178</u>		<u>46,555</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS				
Unrestricted Fund		22,105		23,151
Restricted Funds		27,073		23,404
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		<u>49,178</u>		<u>46,555</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on

2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Chairman

Treasurer

The notes on pages 3 to 6 form part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Charities Act 1993. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted. The principal accounting policies are applied consistently.

Funds

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

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Incoming Resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when income is recognised. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain. Funds raised by Fund-Raising activities are accounted for gross.

Income from investments

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

Outgoing Resources

Grants

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

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish share payable to the Diocese is accounted for when payable. Any parish share unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF EAST LEAKE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2 Incoming Resources for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted		Restricted		TOTAL FUNDS 31 December 2025		TOTAL FUNDS 31 December 2024	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES								
<i>(a) Voluntary receipts</i>								
Planned giving								
Giving on which tax is recoverable	96,862		-		96,862		94,116	
Income Tax recoverable on giving	25,897		1,989		27,886		26,391	
Other	7,754		-		7,754		6,834	
Church collections	6,255		4,218		10,473		10,522	
Donations	5,576		5,124		10,700		5,998	
		142,344		11,330	-	153,674	-	143,861
<i>(b) Other voluntary receipts</i>								
Grants	-		-		-		-	
Legacies	2,730	2,730	-	-	2,730	2,730	1,000	1,000
<i>(c) Receipts from activities for generating funds</i>								
Hall Income	5,167		-		5,167		4,356	
		5,167	-	-	-	5,167	-	4,356
<i>(d) Receipts from church activities</i>								
Fees		4,200		-		4,200		4,994
<i>(e) Receipts from investments</i>								
Interest		1,256		-		1,256		1,608
<i>(f) Other miscellaneous income</i>								
Social Events	1,365		-		1,365		2,172	
Churchyard	9		-		9		35	
Parish Social Fund			4,268		4,268		-	
Contributions toward Youth Ministry	254		5,018		5,272		6,491	
Contributions toward Expenses	3,000		-		3,000		3,000	
Printing Costs recharged	2,737		-		2,737		2,838	
VAT Recoverable - LPW Grant	-		-		-		-	
Other income	1,391	8,756	130	9,416	1,521	18,171	3,441	17,977
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		164,453		20,746		185,199		173,796

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF EAST LEAKE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3 Expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted		Restricted		TOTAL FUNDS 31 December 2025		TOTAL FUNDS 31 December 2024	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
RESOURCES USED								
<i>Costs of fundraising</i>		-		-		-		-
<i>Activities relating to the work of the Church</i>								
Charitable giving:								
Church overseas missions	4,000		922		4,922		3,965	
Church societies and home mission	4,200		4,111		8,311		7,792	
Other Charities	-	8,200	3,202	8,235	3,202	16,435	1,962	13,719
Ministry								
Diocesan Parish Share	96,500		-		96,500		93,300	
Expenses of Incumbent	650		-		650		460	
Expenses of Assistant Staff	1,077		-		1,077		1,189	
Honoraria	760		-		760		880	
Service Expenses	4,956		-		4,956		4,681	
Organist Fees	3,845		-		3,845		3,664	
Youth Ministry	13,163		5,018		18,181		16,447	
Children and Families Ministry	-		899		899		14,283	
		120,951		5,917		126,868		134,903
Church Running Costs								
Insurance	2,968		-		2,968		2,875	
Electricity	2,947		-		2,947		2,346	
Gas	2,758		-		2,758		2,485	
Water	216		-		216		191	
Repairs	1,537		-		1,537		1,202	
Quinquennial Inspection	-	10,424	-	-	-	10,424	-	9,099
Hall Running Costs								
Insurance	569		-		569		558	
Electricity	2,038		-		2,038		2,470	
Caretaker	4,212		-		4,212		3,900	
Repairs	1,463		-		1,463		129	
Sundry Exps	89	8,371	-	-	89	8,371	83	7,140
Other Expenditure								
Upkeep of Churchyard	9		-		9		35	
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,018		-		2,018		4,163	
Parish Social Fund	-		2,925		2,925		-	
Social Events	1,300	3,327	-	2,925	1,300	6,252	2,965	7,163
General Administration								
Printing and Copying	4,427		-		4,427		5,051	
Other Expenses	1,840		-		1,840		2,066	
Salaries	6,946	13,213	-	-	6,946	13,213	6,530	13,647
Major Repairs								
Fabric	1,012		-		1,012		-	
Kneelers			-		-		540	
Installations		1,012	-	-	-	1,012	-	540
		165,499		17,077		182,576		186,211
Surplus/(Deficit) for year before other recognised gains and losses		(1,046)		3,669		2,623		(12,415)
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets		-		-		-		-
Inter Fund Transfers		-		-		-		-
Net movement of Funds		(1,046)		3,669		2,623		(12,415)
Opening Reserves		23,151		23,404		46,555		58,970
Closing Reserves		22,105		27,073		49,178		46,555

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF EAST LEAKE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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	Unrestricted 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
4 STAFF COSTS				
Wages and salaries	<u>20,007</u>	<u>6,793</u>	<u>26,800</u>	<u>37,465</u>

No payments have been made to members of the Parochial Church Council.

5 DEBTORS

	31 December 2025	31 December 2024
Income Tax recoverable	3,278	1,885
Hall Income	1,544	1,547
Youth Ministry	-	1,435
Other debtors and prepayments	<u>4,942</u>	<u>3,252</u>
	<u>9,764</u>	<u>8,119</u>

6 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Cash on Short Term Deposit	610	27,073	27,683
Other Current Assets	24,323	-	24,323
Current liabilities	<u>(2,828)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,828)</u>
	<u>22,105</u>	<u>27,073</u>	<u>49,178</u>

7 FUND DETAILS

	Balance 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Balance 31 December 2025
Restricted Funds;				
Social Fund (Holiday)	-	4,268	2,925	1,343
Hardship Fund	779	4,956	3,571	2,163
Young Children / Holiday Club	69	135	-	205
Youth Ministry Fund	-	5,018	5,018	(0)
Charities	-	4,664	4,664	-
Childrens Mission	22,556	1,706	899	23,363
	<u>23,404</u>	<u>20,746</u>	<u>17,077</u>	<u>27,073</u>

The Endowment Capital of the Birchnall, Potter and Little/Godber Capital Endowment Funds comprise a combination of CBF Shares and deposits. At 31 December 2025 the value of the funds was £22,477 (2024: £2,513).

Independent Examiners Report to the PCC of St. Mary's East Leake

For the year ended 31 December 2025

This report is on the Accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2024 as set out on pages 1 to 3.

Respective responsibilities of trustee and examiner

As members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- * examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- * to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- * to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

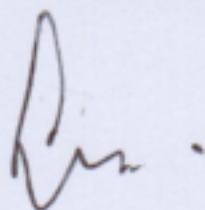
Basis of this Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - * to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - * to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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3 February 2026

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