

**St Wilfrid's Church, Calverley**  
**Annual Report and Financial Statements**  
**of the**  
**Parochial Church Council**

**for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Prepared for the  
Annual Parochial Church Meeting  
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Reverend Rob Denton

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## **ST. WILFRID'S PARISH CHURCH CALVERLEY**

### **ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022**

#### Background

St Wilfrid's, Calverley P.C.C. 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.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

Worship and prayer, learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.

Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St. Wilfrid's Church and The Barn.

## **Structure Governance and Management**

St Wilfrid's Parish Church is situated in Calverley, Pudsey.

It is part of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England.

It is a corporate body established by the Church of England.

It is a registered charity, number 1130921.

The correspondence address is:

Parish Office, St Wilfrid's Parish Church, Town Gate, Calverley, Pudsey, LS28 5NF.

## **Membership**

Membership of the P.C.C. are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

<i>Incumbent:</i>	Rev. Rob Denton (Chairperson)	10/10
<i>Wardens:</i>	Mrs Sandra Tempest (Vice Chairperson)	10/10
	Mr Dan Cohen	8/10
<i>Elected Members:</i>	<i>the late</i> Mr Richard Crooks (deceased July 2022)	1/6
<i>Secretary</i>	Mrs Fiona Hainsworth	7/10
	Mrs Julie Horan	4/10
	Mr Richard Jobes	8/10
	Mrs Susan Jubb	5/10
<i>Treasurer</i>	Mrs Nicola Lightfoot	10/10
	Mrs Rachel Marcus	9/10
<i>Co-opted &amp; Parish Rep.</i>	Mrs Brenda Pickard	9/10
	Mrs Kim Raja	6/10
<i>Deanery Synod Rep:</i>	Mrs Rachel Rudman	8/10
	Mr Geoffrey Simpson	8/10
<i>Co-opted (May 2021)</i>	Mr John Corbin	3/10
<i>Safeguarding (non-voting)</i>	Mrs June Hopkinson	2/10
 <i>(Jan – Apr 2022)</i>	 Mr Stephen Batty	 3/4
	Sylvia Cooke	4/4
	Pauline Duxbury	4/4
	Glenice Hutton ( <i>resigned Mar '22</i> )	0/3
 <i>(May – Dec 2022)</i>	 Mrs Olivia Gaunt	 5/6
	Mr Jonathan Lacey	3/6
	Mr David Williams	5/6

## **Committees**

The P.C.C. operates through Standing Committee between full meetings of the P.C.C. if needed.

## **Chairman's Address**

### **2022 Vicar's Report St Wilfrid's Calverley**

2022, my first full calendar year in St Wilfrid's, was another busy year for us here at St Wilfrid's. A more descriptive review of the year came out in January to our Newsy Email subscribers, this is a shorter and more factual review. It is my intention to establish a format with this report that will allow for useful comparisons year-on-year, bear with us as this format evolves.

### **Events and Worship**

Towards the start of the year we had a vision day, leading to our updated vision statement and logo (Loving God, Loving Calverley, Growing Together).

2022 saw us experiment with service times, with the family service moving to Sunday evenings for June and July. We have now settled into a slightly revised pattern for Sunday worship – 9:15 and 11 on Sundays, with a joint service on every 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in a month and for major festivals. There is also communion on Midday on Mondays in term times, our 'hour of quiet.' We continue to produce online Morning Prayer, which is now offered once a week on Wednesday from a small, committed team.

Our Sunday services are well-served by a large team of people who preach and lead, and a growing team of many ages who pray, read, serve coffee, welcome etc.; church works when we all pull together, and it is a delight to see this at work at Calverley. We have established the pattern of Ask Me Anything sermon slots once a term too, where everyone's questions are cherished and explored together. We continue to explore how to best do worship for everyone – kids have a great time when they go out to Sunday School, and we are learning and experimenting with how to worship together on the weeks when they stay in.

There were several high-points to our worship – major festivals were celebrated with gusto and joy, with many joining us at Easter and over Advent and Christmas, and in November we saw several candidates confirmed by Bishop Arun, the new Bishop of Kirkstall. Of us engaged with the Church of England's Living in Love and Faith course over lent, exploring issues of sexuality and gender, learning a lot and growing together. This led to our first prayer service for Pride in August.

A new addition to the calendar was the inaugural Beer Festival, run by a large team of volunteers from within the church community and beyond. Hundreds of people joined us in a joyful celebration of brewing, many of whom had never or rarely been in church before, and around £4000 was raised.

There were many other events, some raising money, some serving the community; all a chance to Love Calverley.

### **Numbers**

Sunday attendance figures remain steady, although as we return to a new normal after the pandemic it is hard to make comparisons. I consider this year to be our new baseline, from which we hope to grow. Growing Together is rightly part of our vision statement – numbers matter, not as a statistic, but because numbers are people, individuals for whom our hope and prayer is that they get to know the joy of life in all its fullness we have found in Christ.

Our total worshipping community are below. I intend to publish the last few years ever year from now on. (These are figures we send annually to the Church of

England about those who worship with us once a month or more, or who would if not prevented by illness).

## **2022**

Total	<b>215 (+25%)</b>
Children (Age 0-10)	46 (+84%)
Young People (Age 11-17)	12 (+71%)
Adults (Age 18-69)	95 (-9.5%)
Adults (Age 70+)	62 (+77%)

## **2021**

Total	<b>172</b>
Children (Age 0-10)	25
Young People (Age 11-17)	7
Adults (Age 18-69)	105
Adults (Age 70+)	35

Another way of counting our people is the Electoral Roll – in 2022 this consisted of 119 people, of whom 76 lived in the parish and 42 outside.

### **Occasional offices**

These are in the heart of our calling as a parish church, something we offer to the whole community. In 2022 we continued to ably served by Kath, Sylvia and Claire who oversaw admin in these areas.

Funerals in church: 10

Funeral at crematoria by clergy or LLMs: 17

Interments of ashes: 15

Burials: 2

Baptisms: 11

Weddings: 6

### **Mission**

As mentioned above, Growing Together is in our vision statement, and we often pray the LYCIG prayer for growth in our services:

*God of Mission*

*Who alone brings growth to your Church,*

*Send your Holy Spirit to give*

*Vision to our planning,*

*Wisdom to our actions,*

*And power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers,  
In spiritual commitment to you,  
And in service to our local community,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

I love how it recognises that growth is about our depth of relationship with God and how we serve the community, as well as in reaching the community, and that it is God who grows the church, and our calling is to join him as the Spirit leads.

With this in mind, this year a team, of us went away on the inspirational LYCIG course, and some of us continue to attend regular meetings. Our focus coming out of that was to be more inclusive in our worship and ministry, reaching younger people better, and also to make our services, especially at high-points such as Easter, Christmas and Remembrance, great opportunities for people to rethink and encounter God.

As well as the events mentioned above, the foundation for and site of many invitational conversations, our ongoing mission of connecting to the community continues through activities such as Coffeeshop and Barn Babies, our many connections with both schools such as Open the Book assemblies and What's the Story and Heritage days in church. TAG continued to grow, welcoming a generally older crowd to a fortnightly(ish) session of connection and fellowship with some exploration of faith. The Easter trail and walking nativity engaged the wider community outside the walls. Short video series in Advent and the summer allowed other voices to be heard in people's homes.

### **Structures**

Behind the scenes, many important structures were established or refined in 2022. As mentioned above, we settled on a new logo and strapline. Our protocols for Safer Recruitment of employees and volunteers were pinned down. Our paid staff finally received the National Living Wage, and Sally and Claire had contracts and policies put in place. Claire started work as our Missional Buildings and Events Manager – it's too long a title, I know! She is already doing great work looking after the barn and church, sorting chairs, and coordinating events such as next year's Beer Festival.

### **Finally**

Regular worshippers will know the delight I take in seeking and promoting gratitude. We start all our acts of worship with the question 'what are we thankful for?', as well as staff meetings. This report ends with it. I remain thankful to be the vicar of such a wonderful church, full of people prepared to try new things with and for Christ, to seek to Love God, Love Calverley and Grow Together. A church where people participate, pray and love to be together. This vicar's report stands on the work of many dozens of faithful servants of Christ – thank you all.

**Rev. Rob Denton**

### **Standing Committee**

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power of the PCC between meetings, subject to any directions given by council. (Full Terms of Reference & Procedures available on request) It met during the year.

### **Church Attendance**

Church numbers are roughly 45 at the 9.15am service and 60 (including children) at the 11.am. Christmas services continued without restrictions in numbers but we had to restrict numbers for the Christingle services due to health and safety.

### **The Parochial Church Council**

The P.C.C. met in-person on 10 occasions.

### **Major areas of Parochial, Deanery and Diocesan concern addressed by PCC:**

Systems and structures – employment contracts and pay for our employees, including recruiting a Missional Buildings and Events Manager. Creating and implementing the License Agreement with Play Academy for the Barn. Safer recruitment structures and planning.

Mission and worship – Engaging with the Living in Love and Faith course, addressing issues in human sexuality, gender and relationships, and considering our inclusivity. Consolidating our pattern of worship. LYCIG, church growth, creating and implementing a strategy. Running a beer festival to raise money and connect with Calverley.

**Rev. Rob Denton**

### **Staffing**

Toby is paid for 2 and a half hours for the work he does in updating the website and producing our morning prayer for You Tube (and many other things). Susan Jubb is paid for 2 hours a week to clean the office, vestry, toilets and server. Sally Corbin-Smith our Church administrator is paid for 12 hours and we have recently employed Claire Tular as our Church and Barn Events Manager for 5 hours a week.

### **Resources Income**

The income from donors by way of regular giving, tax recovery, plate and fundraising was £87,813 (£119,298 in 2021), a decrease of 26 % on the previous year.

The total income was £130,363 (£140,709 in 2021) a decrease of 7% on the previous year.

### **Resources Used**

The mission giving for the year, to each of the five mission agencies,

Church Pastoral Aid Society, £1,628

Tearfund, £2,152

South American Mission Society (now part of CMS), £3,300

Church Army (Sorted), £2,152

Church Mission Society (Azaria Spencer support), £1,628

Jesus Shaped People, £1,200

Total expenditure was £143,830 (£168,958 in 2021) a decrease of 15% on the previous year.

### **Reserves Policy**

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to £32,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the end of the year was £59,003 which is higher than this target but which includes a legacy amount of £24,104.70, the use of which has yet to be decided.

Restricted funds (fabric, graveyard and youth work) comprise £22,757 of fixed assets and £25,368 of current assets.

### **The Diocesan Share**

The share, a proportion of which meets the stipend, pension and housing costs of the clergy, was £62,366 (£60,000 in 2021 which included a voluntary contribution of £3,303) . The share is allocated on a formula, which has been agreed by the new Diocese. The current year's Share has an unpaid balance of £20,000, this will be paid if sufficient funds remain after the current years share has been paid.

The Trustees Report was approved by the Parochial Church Council on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

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Revd Rob Denton

Chairman of the Meeting.



## **Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid's Calverley**

### **Independent examiner's report**

I report on the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley (the church) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PCC AND THE EXAMINER**

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners

(under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and

- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT**

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

#### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

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

- 1.gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements  
keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act: and  
prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and  
comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met:  
or

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

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.

**Alison Whalley FCA**  
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**Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley**

**Statement of financial activities for the year ended**

**31 December 2022**

	Note	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2022	Unre- stricted Funds 2021	Re- stricted Funds 2021	Endow- ment Funds 2021	Total Funds 2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>									
Donations and legacies	2a	87,683	130	-	87,813	86,385	32,913	-	119,298
Other trading activities	2b	12,187		-	12,187	1,359	--	-	1,359
Investments	2c	725	339	576	1,640	105	19	535	659
Church activities	2d	21,328	7,395	-	28,723	16,257	3,136	-	19,393
Other Sources	2e	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
				-					
<b>Total Income</b>		121,923	7,864	576	130,363	104,106	36,068	535	140,709
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED:</b>									
Church activities	3	134,437	9,393	-	143,830	128,361	40,597	-	168,958
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		134,437	9,393	-	143,830	128,361	40,597	-	168,958
Net Losses on invest- ments	6b	-	-	(2,707)	(2,707)	-	-	2,771	2,771
<b>Net Income / (Expenditure)</b>		(12,514)	(1,529)	(2,131)	(16,174)	(24,255)	(4,529)	3,306	(25,478)
Transfers between funds		(1,088)	1,088	-	-	310	(310)	-	-
<b>Net movement in Funds</b>		(13,602)	(441)	(2,131)	(16,174)	(23,945)	(4,839)	3,306	(25,478)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>									
Total funds b/fwd		72,605	48,566	28,439	149,610	96,550	53,405	25,133	175,088
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>		59,003	48,125	26,308	133,436	72,605	48,566	28,439	149,610

**Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley**  
**Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022**

	Note	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2022 £	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>									
Tangible fixed assets	6a	-	22,757	-	22,757	-	24,920	-	24,920
Investments	6b	-	-	20,393	20,393	-	-	23,100	23,100
		-	22,757	20,393	43,150	-	24,920	23,100	48,020
<b>Current Assets</b>									
Debtors	7	19,444	-	-	19,444	33,739	1,936	-	35,675
Cash at bank and in hand		65,215	25,368	5,915	96,498	86,514	21,710	5,339	113,563
		84,659	25,368	5,915	115,942	120,253	23,646	5,339	149,238
<b>Liabilities</b>									
Creditors : amounts	8	25,656	-	-	25,656	47,648	-	-	47,648
falling due in one year		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Current assets		59,003	25,368	5,915	90,286	72,605	23,646	5,339	101,590
<b>Total net assets</b>		59,003	48,125	26,308	133,436	72,605	48,566	28,439	149,610
<b>PARISH FUNDS</b>									
Endowment	9	-	-	26,308	26,308	-	-	28,439	28,439
Unrestricted		59,003	-	-	59,003	72,605	-	-	72,605
Restricted	9	-	48,125	-	48,125	-	48,566	-	48,566
		59,003	48,125	26,308	133,436	72,605	48,566	28,439	146,610

The Balance Sheet, Statement of Financial Activities and notes thereto, together with the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2022 were approved by the Parochial Church Council on 17th April 2023

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Chairman of the meeting

**Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley**  
**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley is a Parochial Church Council (PCC) registered in England and Wales number 1130921 and governed by its Power of Measure and Church Representation Rules.

**1.1 ACCOUNTING CONVENTION**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the PCC's Power of Measure and Church Representation Rules, the Charities Act 2011 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019). The PCC is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the PCC. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

**1.2 GOING CONCERN**

At the time of approving the accounts, the Members have a reasonable expectation that the PCC has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

**1.3 FUNDS**

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending on the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invite by the PCC for a special object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on the fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

**Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley**  
**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**

**1.4 INCOME**

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amount due. Dividends are accounted for when receivable. All other income is recognised when it is received. All income is accounted for gross.

**1.5 EXPENDITURE**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under heading that aggregate all costs related to the category. Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

**1.6 FIXED ASSETS**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10 of the Charities Act 2011. Equipment used within the church premises has been written off in the year of acquisition.

Moveable church furnishings are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- Fixtures and Fittings                      20 years and 3 years straight line

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose value derives from them are valued at market value at the year end.

**1.7 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

**1.8 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

**Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley**  
**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**De-recognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

**1.9 EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the PCC is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

**1.10 RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

# **1Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley**

## **Notes to the financial statements (continued)**

		Unre- stricted Funds £	Restrict- ed Funds £	En- dow- ment Fund s £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unre- stricted Funds £	Re- stricted Funds £	En- dowme nt Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>2</b>	<b>Income :</b>								
<b>2a</b>	Donations & legacies- Planned giving								
	Gift Aid donations	59,837	-	-	59,837	57,974	-	-	57,974
	Tax recoverable	15,414	-	-	15,414	21,049	1,936	-	22,985
	Other	-	-	-	-	208	-	-	208
	Open plate collections	5,551	-	-	5,551	2,772	-	-	2,772
	Organ fundraising	-	90	-	90	-	15,977	-	15,977
	Grants	1,250	-	-	1,250	520	15,000	-	15,520
	Donations and appeals	5,631	40	-	5,671	3,862	-	-	3,862
		87,683	130	-	87,813	86,385	32,913	-	119,298
<b>2b</b>	Other trading activities				-				
	Coffee Shop	4,097	-	-	4,097	1,359	-	-	1,359
	Other fund raising	8,090	-	-	8,090	-	-	-	-
		12,187	-		12,187	1,359	-	-	1,359
<b>2c</b>	Income from invest- ments								
	Dividends and interest including tax recoverable	725	339	576	1,640	105	19	535	659
		725	339	576	1,640	278	19	535	659
<b>2d</b>	Income from Church activities								
	Church Hall lettings	16,420	-	-	16,420	14,076	-	-	14,076
	Children's activities	-	815	-	815	-	277	-	277
	Fees	4,908	6,580	-	11,488	2,181	2,909	-	5,090
		21,328	7,395	-	28,723	16,257	3,136	-	19,393
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>121,923</b>	<b>7,864</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>130,363</b>	<b>104,106</b>	<b>36,068</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>140,709</b>

# Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2022	Unre- stricted Funds	Re- stricted Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>3 Expenditure:</b>								
3 Church activities								
a Mission and charitable giving								
Overseas								
CMS	1,628	-	-	1,628	1,628	-	-	1,628
SAM	3,300	-	-	3,300	3,300	-	-	3,300
Tearfund	2,152	-	-	2,152	2,152	-	-	2,152
Home								
CPAS	1,628	-	-	1,628	1,628	-	-	1,628
Church Army	2,152	-	-	2,152	2,152	-	-	2,152
Jesus Shaped People	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,200	-	-	1,200
Grow Your Church	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	1,500
	12,060	-	-	12,060	13,560	-	-	13,560
Ministry								
Diocesan Share	62,366	-	-	62,366	60,000	-	-	60,000
Other ministry costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Church running and maintenance costs	33,826	-	-	33,826	28,629	-	-	28,629
Churchyard upkeep	-	1,277	-	1,277	-	4,053	-	4,053
Church Hall costs	9,827	-	-	9,827	8,456	-	-	8,456
Printing and stationery	1,445	-	-	1,445	998	-	-	998
Organ repairs	-	968	-	968	6,407	32,035	-	38,442
Depreciation	-	2,163	-	2,163	-	2,439	-	2,439
Bank Charges	80	-	-	80	-	-	-	-
	107,544	4,408	-	111,952	104,490	38,527	-	143,017
3 Coffee shop	1,081	-	-	1,081	351	-	-	351
b Children's Work	-	710	-	710	-	525	-	525
Fundraising Expenses	3,588	-	-	3,588	-	-	-	-
	4,669	710	-	5,379	351	525	-	876
3 Governance costs								
c Independent Examiners Fee	600	-	-	600	564	-	-	564
3 Other staff costs/fees	9,564	4,275	-	13,839	9,396	1,545	-	10,941
d								
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>134,437</b>	<b>9,393</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>143,830</b>	<b>128,361</b>	<b>40,597</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>168,958</b>



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**STAFF COSTS**

**4a. Number of employees**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022	2021
	3	3
Employment costs		
	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	8,498	6,535

No employee earned over £60,000 in the current or previous year.

**5 TAXATION**

As a charity the PCC is exempt from tax on income falling within part II of the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

**6. FIXED ASSETS**

**6a. Tangible Assets**

	Fixtures & Fittings
Cost	£
At 1 January 2022	36,027
Additions	
At 31 December 2022	36,027
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2022	11,107
Charge for the year	2,163
At 31 December 2022	13,270
Net book value	
At 31 December 2022	22,757
At 31 December 2021	24,920

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	2022		2021	
6b. Investments	£		£	
Market value as at 1 January	23,100		20,329	
Revaluation gain / (loss)	(2,707)		2,771	
Market value as at 31 December	20,393		23,100	
The market value at 31 December 2022 represents investments in endowment funds				
7. Debtors	2022	2022	2021	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	£	£	£
Tax recoverable	12,529	-	14,064	1,936
VAT recoverable	556	-	7,045	-
Prepayments	541	-	506	-
Other debtors	5,818	-	12,124	-
	19,444	-	33,739	1,936
8. Liabilities				
Amounts falling due in one year:				
Accrual for utility and other costs	4,468	-	3,133	-
Creditors	21,168	-	43,601	-
Other creditors	20	-	48	-
Deferred income	-	-	866	-
	25,656	-	47,648	-

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### 9. Funds

The restricted funds comprise the graveyard, children/youth work, and fabric (reordering) funds.

The endowment funds comprise the following funds: poor (Parochial), insurance (John Stead Trust), graveyard, incumbent (W Blackett bequest) and chancel (T H Gray bequest)

#### Restricted funds

	At 1 January 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2022
Graveyard	11,305	2,524	(1,277)	(264)	12,288
Fixed Asset Fund	24,920	-	(2,163)	-	22,757
Children and Youth	11,453	970	(710)	1,357	13,070
Funeral Fees	-	4,280	(4,275)	(5)	0
Fabric Fund	10	-	-	-	10
Organ Repairs	878	90	(968)	-	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,566</b>	<b>7,864</b>	<b>(9,393)</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>48,125</b>

#### Restricted funds –2021

	At 1 January 2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 De- cember 2021
Graveyard	13,724	1,377	(4,053)	257	11,305
Fixed Asset Fund	27,359	-	(2,439)	-	24,920
Children and Youth	12,312	233	(525)	(567)	11,453
Funeral Fees	-	1,545	(1,545)	-	-
Fabric Fund	10	-	-	-	10
Organ Repairs	-	32,913	(32,035)	-	878
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,405</b>	<b>36,068</b>	<b>(40,597)</b>	<b>(310)</b>	<b>48,566</b>

	At 1 January 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2022
<b>General Funds</b>	<b>72,605</b>	<b>121,923</b>	<b>(134,437)</b>	<b>(1,088)</b>	<b>59,003</b>

	At 1 January 2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 De- cember 2021
General Funds– 2021	96,550	104,106	(128,361)	310	72,605

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### Endowment funds

	At 1 January 2022	Income	Expenditure	Gains / (Losses)	At 31 December 2022
Parochial	7,914	150	-	(543)	7,521
Insurance	7,143	167	-	(750)	6,560
Graveyard	1,686	-	-	(198)	1,488
Incumbent	11,151	259	-	(1143)	10,267
Chancel	545	-	-	(73)	472
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,439</b>	<b>576</b>		<b>(2707)</b>	<b>26,308</b>

	At 1 January 2021	Income	Expenditure	Gains / (Losses)	At 31 December 2021
Endowment funds—2021					
Parochial	7,222	120	-	572	7,914
Insurance	6,195	162	-	786	7,143
Graveyard	1,442	-	-	244	1,686
Incumbent	9,690	253	-	1,208	11,151
Chancel	584	-	-	(39)	545
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,133</b>	<b>535</b>		<b>2,771</b>	<b>28,439</b>

### 10. Analysis of net assets

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	22,757	-	22,757
Investment fixed assets	-	-	20,393	20,393
Current assets	84,659	25,368	5,915	115,942
Liabilities	(25,656)	-	-	(25,656)
All falling due within one year	-	-	-	-
	<b>59,003</b>	<b>48,125</b>	<b>26,308</b>	<b>133,436</b>

### Analysis of net assets—2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	24,920	-	24,920
Investment fixed assets	-	-	23,100	23,100
Current assets	120,253	23,646	5,339	149,238
Liabilities	-	-	-	-
All falling due within one year	(47,648)	-	-	(47,648)
	<b>72,605</b>	<b>48,566</b>	<b>28,439</b>	<b>149,610</b>

### 11. Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the current or prior year.

Payments amounting to £ 1,711 were made to three Trustees in the year for specific services provided outside of their trustee role, (2021 £2,947 to two Trustees).

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Aggregate compensation	nil	nil

### **THE BARN**

The Barn has continued to be used morning and evening throughout the year by Play Academy, also pilates meet weekly on a Monday term time only along with Barn babies who now only meet on a Thursday term time due to low numbers.

**Sandra Tempest**

### **BARN BABIES PARENT & TODDLER GROUP**

We re-opened in September 21 with just one session on a Thursday and decided to wait and see if any more sessions were required. Attendees have been down from pre- covid with around 15 names on the register typical attendance being around 10 mums/ grandparents with their children. Although it is disappointing that we haven't had more interest the smaller number has allowed us time to get to know those who have been coming and good friendships have developed among the parents with them organising to meet up in the holidays. We've advertised we have spaces available and hope more will want to attend next term. We have a great team of 5 helpers on the refreshment rota, Sally Littlejohn, Naomi Simkins and myself are there on a weekly basis. After 16 years Naomi has stepped down at the end of Spring half term due to work commitments, a big thankyou from everyone who has passed through Barn Babies and enjoyed your singing and friendship.

**Fiona Hainsworth, Barn Babies Co-ordinator**

### **BELL RINGERS**

Although we have continued to ring at least five bells for the Sunday Services as often as possible, low numbers of ringers has meant this has been far less frequent, than we would have chosen, in 2022. The opportunity to ring all eight bells has rarely arisen and I'm sure Calverley residents have noticed that Thursday night practices have been rather sporadic especially in the latter part of the year.

We have however, managed to ring the bells for Easter and Christmas Services and on Remembrance Sunday. The tenor bell was tolled for Queen Elizabeth the Second both on the evening of her death and on the day of her funeral.

Four couples invited us to ring for their weddings in 2022. One of these was John Walker's daughter. We are always pleased to help to mark these special occasions. Requests from visiting ringers have been far fewer since the Covid pandemic but we did welcome the Ladies Guild to Calverley in October.

Two members of the band attended a safeguarding course in November and one member has had some training in basic bell maintenance.

An annual meeting between the Ringers, the Vicar and the Church Wardens was instigated in March 2022. This resulted in an action plan which is currently being implemented.

We have recently had some expressions of interest from people who might be interested in learning to 'Ring for the King' i.e., for the Coronation in 2023. We hope that some new blood will enable us to ring more regularly in 2023.

Anyone interested in finding out more about ringing or the bells should contact: [nicola.goode2@virginmedia.com](mailto:nicola.goode2@virginmedia.com)

### **CHURCHYARD MAINTENANCE & ANIMALS**

The year has been a very busy one: cutting and mowing, trimming, lopping digging raking and hoeing to keep the Churchyard looking tidy for the congregation, visitors remembering loved ones, and also for the local community as an inviting place for a bit of peace and quiet, away from the hurly- burly of daily life. David Jubb has

provided some very handy joinery repairs to a damaged bench in the cremated remains area and Sue Jubb is always busy keeping the area looking tidy and uncluttered. In between, there's been Ashes Interments and Remembrance Day to prepare for, and Easter Pageant of the Crosses, Tomb and Stone. We're very lucky to have two new volunteers, Steve and Geoff, who've made a very valuable contribution to the team and been enormously helpful in getting through those very busy, and hot, summer months.

All this effort by the team was, we understand, one of the major influences of Calverley receiving The Gold Medal accreditation for Village in Bloom; the Judges were particularly impressed with beds and borders maintained by Peter, Freda and Mary and the simple measures taken by the team to encourage biodiversity in the meadow. There is however the ongoing problem with the damaged water supply pipe to the adjoining farmland and which may bring its own problems with mowing and strimming as we go through the summer. There may also be some safety/security issues which the PCC may need to give some thought to, to avoid further damage to the temporary surface length of pipe, and to keep visitors aware of this. Thankfully, there's been no major vandalism issues to report. The team would also like to place on record our thanks to Adam for providing the transport facilities for getting our mowers and strimmer's to and from their annual repair and maintenance.

Anyone interested in getting involved in the Churchyard Team would be most welcome. We have plenty of light work tending the beds and borders where a spare pair of hands would be a big help. So if you have a spare couple of hours on a Friday morning with a nice bunch of folk and a free Coffee to go with it, please get in touch. We'd love to hear from you.

Sadly, Pablo (the black and white alpaca) died and consequently Geoffrey was rehoused at Tong Alpaca farm where he originated from. In the latter part of 22 we also lost Edna one of our easy-care sheep, the cause of death could not be determined. The remaining three continue to thrive albeit we have had to call the vets out on three occasions one of which resulted in John and Sandra running round trying to catch one so it could be injected,

Caring and looking after the animals is a responsibility and the church is grateful to our band of volunteers Sandra, Margaret Clayton, Fiona Knowles, Shirley Carson and Denise Ratcliffe who ensure the sheep are fed daily and look out for them, thank you.

John Corbin is presently overseeing their general welfare and making sure they have water, straw and hay but the church is looking for someone to take over these duties if you know of anyone please speak to John, alas if no help is forthcoming we may have to rehome them, which would be a shame as we have animals grazing in the churchyard for well over ten years.

**Pat Kelly for the Churchyard Team**

### **COMMUNITY COFFEE SHOP**

The community coffee shop has continued to open during term time every Friday morning from 9 until 12. This is thanks to the volunteers in each of the five teams many of whom give up their day off work to serve.

All our volunteers work cheerfully and willingly but we would welcome more helpers for this valuable outreach work.

Please consider whether you could join us. The team leaders Margaret, Sylvia, Brenda, Judith and Claire would be happy to have you on their team.

## **Margaret Roundhill**

### **DEANERY SYNOD**

The Deanery Synod met in February 2022 at St Peter's, Morley where the new Area Dean,

Rev Phil Harris was introduced. The guest speaker was Rev Jude Smith, Director of Church Revitalisation, who came to talk about what Church Revitalisation is.

In June 2022, the Deanery Synod met at St Mary's, Woodkirk and there was a presentation from Richard Earnshaw, Leeds Diocese Digital & Social Media Officer. Synod vacancies were discussed and an update on the timetable for Deanery Reorganisation was given.

There was an Area Forum at St George's in September 2022 to meet the new Bishop of Kirkstall, Arun Arora. In October 2022 the Deanery Synod took place at Ven Bede, Wyther and the speaker was Rev Roger Reece, Armley Prison Chaplain. There was also a discussion about the motion "This synod would welcome the Church of England withdrawing its opposition to the distribution of wine in individual cups at Holy Communion".

The launch of the new South Leeds Deanery took place on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 and there was a Celebration of the New Deaneries on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at St Matthias, Burley. The election of David Joryzs as the Lay Chair of the new South Leeds Deanery also took place at this meeting.

We are thankful for the work of Rev Phil Harris, Area Dean, and David Jorysz, Armley Deanery Lay Chair.

### **FABRIC**

All maintenance and servicing was completed and all safety certificates obtained.

We had a blockage in a pipe in the lower churchyard which feeds spring water to the farm at the back of church. There is a temporary pipe installed but will be buried once our church architect has done his quinquennial report and advised us as we will need a faculty.

**Sandra Tempest and Dan Cohen (Churchwardens)**

### **FLOWER ARRANGING**

Easter 2022 was our first big celebration of the year and the Flower Team Ladies excelled themselves with an explosion of yellow, white and spring colours in beautiful arrangements in Church. Once again, the floral crosses on the external gates welcomed everyone into Church during this special time.

The Platinum Jubilee for QUEEN ELIZABETH 11 was celebrated in Church so it was appropriate to display some large pedestal arrangements in the Royal colours to compliment the occasion.

Harvest was next and as always Hydrangeas were the star of the displays along with an array of fruit and vegetables splendidly displayed on the windowsills, we are very grateful to Calverley Allotment Society for their generous donations which helped to make it all possible.

Remembrance Sunday – many compliments were made about how stunning the Poppy displays looked and very fitting for the occasion.

Christmas as always is a very special time of the year for the Church and this year we had an exceptional team of ladies which included some new volunteers who we look forward to seeing again in the future.

The festive arrangements were enhanced by lovely micro lights woven amongst the holly and spruce.

A Wreath making workshop was an extra event added this year and it proved to be a very popular and successful evening enjoyed by everyone who attended and some stunning results were produced. This maybe a yearly date on the Church calendar so watch this space.

As always we are most grateful for the generous donations received in the Green Flower Box which is a great help.

After 9 years I have decided due to health reasons to step down from my role as Flower Team Co-ordinator and have handed over to the very capable hands of Kim Pollard and Sally Corbin.

Sincere thanks to everyone for their help and support over the years I couldn't have done it without you all. Blessings.

**Julie Horan for the Church Flower Arranging Team**

### **COMMUNION TABLE FLOWER ROTA**

This year there have been some small changes to the Flower Rota, firstly there will be no flowers on the Altar Pedestals during the weeks of Lent. Secondly due to the excessive hot weather in 2022 the flowers were not lasting for the required two weeks, so it has been decided to replace them weekly during the Summer of 2023.

Therefore, the following dates are now vacant JUNE 18<sup>th</sup>, JULY 9<sup>th</sup> & JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>. Should anyone be willing to fill any of these dates please have a word with me. The dates roll over year to year, so it is a good way to remember a special date or a loved one.

Many Thanks to everyone who provide flowers on this very special rota..

**Julie Horan**

### **GIFT AID**

Anyone who pays tax can sign a gift aid declaration when they make a financial gift to a charity. This enables the charity to recover an additional 25% of the gift from the inland revenue. Many of our congregation commit to regular giving to the mission of our church and have agreed that gift aid can be reclaimed on their giving.

Every year I submit a return to the revenue to recover gift aid and this year our refund was (need to look at my files to check this)

Since July, however, 34 people have joined the PGS giving scheme and the gift aid on their giving is paid to us monthly.

There are now many ways to support the mission of the church and I am happy to speak to anyone in confidence about the various methods of giving.

**Margaret Roundhill**

### **SMALL GROUPS**

There are 5 weekly small groups and 1 fortnightly group (TAG).

Approximately 50 adults attend small groups on a regular basis which is approximately 1/3 of the adult church goers.

All groups are back to meeting face to face in homes or at church.

Groups have autonomy to study a mixture of topics of their choice and some use the Go Deeper notes that accompany each sermon.

One new group started in 2022, but otherwise all other groups have been running for some time with a steady membership.

All groups are open to new members although in practice very few new people have



joined groups during 2022.

No training or meetings have been delivered to small group leaders in 2022, one will be scheduled for Q2 2023.

**Victoria Denton**

**Small group co-ordinator**

### **LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY**

2022 saw us slowly begin to recommence visiting at home and hospital to administer Home Communion to those unable to attend church, although it was still, understandably, proving difficult to get into Champion House with Communion.

During this year 14 HC's were administered in total to 8 people.

Numbers of HC has declined this year partly due to new safeguarding and training procedures brought in by the Diocese and also, we lost some of those church members we visited during 2022 - Joan Kitson, David Badger and Malcolm Raistrick.

**Pauline Corbin**

### **PASTORAL CARE**

As with Home Communion visits Pastoral visiting has been restricted, but telephone contact has remained where possible. Again, many of our church members have kept in touch with others once again showing how the Body of Christ works for the good of others.

A new Pastoral Team is being formed who are undergoing the necessary safeguarding checks and training. This team should be fully operational some time in 2023.

**Pauline Corbin**

### **LICENCED LAY MINISTRY**

Putting aside the war in the Ukraine and natural disasters that are becoming regular and more devastating by the week, the church at St. Wilfrid's starts to get back to some normality after covid and political upheaval.

I was relicensed by Bishop Nick to officiate as a Lay Minister in the Diocese until 31<sup>st</sup> October 2026 and God willing shall continue serving the church and community till then.

I have been busy, despite having a brief sabbatical from church at the beginning of the year and like all those in leadership roles I successfully completed the Diocesan Virtual Safeguarding Training in addition to holding a current Enhanced DBS Certificate.

In March along with others from church I attended a 'Leading Your Church into Growth' a three-day conference at Swanick, later in the month I was privileged to lead prayers at the Calverley Park Cenotaph, to commemorate The Royal British Legion Calverley and Rodley Branch 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service.

In April I attended Ripon Cathedral on Maundy Thursday with clergy and fellow Lay Ministers to renew our commitment to our ministry at The Leeds Diocesan Chrism Eucharist.

Throughout the year I conducted six interments and twenty funerals including those of Joan Kitson, Malcolm Raistrick David Badger and Jean Stead all members of this church in addition we remember Pat Collinge and Richard Crooks, may they all Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Pastoral and Bereavement visits both at homes and hospitals including particularly Wheatfields Hospice allows me to share the Gospel with those who were facing

death, a very poignant and humbling experience.

I would like to thank all those in the church family who encourage me on my preaching and.... take pity on my joke telling! And for the love and support I receive from Pauline and family.

To God be the Glory.

**John Corbin Licenced Lay Minister**

**MARRIAGE COURSES** No courses took place in 2022.

### **MESSY CHURCH**

After online Messy Church in Feb and March, we held our first Messy Church back in church in April for Easter. Following that, we took a break to plan for a new start in October which was Harvest. We retained the booking system created after COVID and this worked really well but sadly, several Messy Churches had to be cancelled due to very low bookings the team met to discuss possible ways forward. Ultimately, the decision was to accept that maybe Messy Church had outlived its attraction. We decided to reduce the number of 'Messies' to festivals so we had a Messy Harvest and a Messy Christmas which were well received.

**Brenda Pickard**

### **MISSION PARTNERS**

The vital work of financial and prayer support for mission is a core role of our church, taking God's love to the world. We continue to support:-

- “CMS partner Azaria Spencer, who is doing an amazing job working with street children in Guatemala City. She is continuing to make strong connections and bring the good news, coordinating the mentoring program at Centro Opp and focusing on discipleship. Pray for her as she explores exciting projects and explores more of a leadership role. We also support CMS in general for their work in South America.
- “Sorted (Church Army) working with disadvantaged young people in three locations in Bradford. Emerging from lockdown has seen them find creative ways to engage with as many young people as possible, both in term time and holiday. They have restarted schools work, Friday socials, and Sunday nights.
- “CPAS who work with young people and in leadership development, as well as managing the 700 CPAS-patronage churches. They do a valuable job, and Rob continues to be blessed by their training.
- “TEARFUND, who offer relief and development in places that are desperate for their support.
- “Jesus Shaped People (JSP) whose material we have pioneered here, and whose good work continues to expand in the UK.

**Revd Rob Denton**

### **'OPEN THE BOOK'**

'..the Bible is the book

So come on take a look

It's fun to turn the page

Find out what God's word says....'

We sing these words at the start of every presentation the OTB team give in assembly at the C of E school. We have been acting stories from the Bible since last year, beginning with the creation story and we have progressed through the Bible stories of

Noah Abraham Jacob and Esau Joseph and Moses.

We enjoy it. The children enjoy it.

We should like to visit Parkside school but need to expand the team to be able to do this. The team currently consists of John, Pauline, Alan, Sandra, Margaret C, Margaret R and Tina.

If you think it is important that young people hear 'what God's word says' maybe you would like to join us.

**Margaret Roundhill**

### **MUSIC REPORT**

Worship at St Wilfrid's has been enhanced with a variety of live music over the past year.

The newly restored organ has performed well, playing at many 9.15 services, festivals such as Christmas and Easter and for a few weddings and funerals.

The church band has played/sung at some of the 11am services and at the family carol service and are eagerly seeking new members to augment it – both instrumentalists and singers. All are very welcome. Currently we have a keyboard, drums, violin, trumpet, clarinet & guitar.

The St Wilfrid's singers, after a large gap caused by the Pandemic, were very pleased to get together to sing at the traditional carol service and this was very well received by the congregation and enjoyed by the choir. They will be joining up again to sing on Easter Day. The choir sang both the congregational carols and also a couple of choir only carols.

**Jonathan Lacey - Organist**

### **OUTREACH CHILDREN'S WORK**

#### **What's The Story**

In March, we invited Year 5 children from Parkside and the C of E school into church for 'What's the Story about Easter?' and Years 1 & 2 children for 'What's the Story about Christmas?'. We were encouraged by how well the children engaged with the stories and crafts and a great time was had by all.

**Brenda Pickard & the team**

#### **Stained Glass Workshops**

We were relieved to be able to get back into our regular routine of visits during the year. We invited Year 3 classes from both our Primary schools to come to the Stained Glass workshops and we also then offered the workshops to Year 4 groups who had missed their turn due to continuing COVID restrictions the previous year. A very happy and satisfying time and some beautiful stained 'glass'.

We followed the same pattern for the Heritage Trail with the Year 4 groups and then Year 5 and these were equally successful. Several children enjoyed their fully costumed trip back in time to the extent that they wanted to return to school and even go home still dressed in fashions of several hundred years ago!

**Brenda Pickard**

### **Safeguarding**

*'The church of England, it's archbishops, Bishop, clergy and leaders are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the church.'*

In 2022 we used the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard to monitor and report on all areas of safeguarding within the church. We are working to ensure all those involved with children and young people or vulnerable adults complete the required DBS (disclosure and barring service) checks, undergo diocesan safeguarding training and see the best practice is observed. In addition to this, Brenda Pickard, Sally Corbin-Smith and Rob Denton have undertaken Safer Recruitment training and are implementing a church-wide structure which complies with this for all roles, paid or voluntary.

Anyone who has concerns regarding the safety of others within our church should contact myself or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor, or if the risk of danger is imminent, ring the police. Contact details are available on our website and are displayed in the church and barn.

**June Hopkinson, Parish Safeguarding Officer.**

### **Children's Work**

On the second, third and fourth Sunday of each month, children of school age are invited to go out during the Sunday 11am service to sessions that take place in the barn. Numbers can range from 10 to 30 children, and we sometimes have older teenagers coming out to help out too (as well as the two requisite adults with DBS). For the last couple of years, we have been following the curriculum from 'Energize' which is produced by Urban Saints. Each week, there is a focus (for example, recent themes have been 'Blessed are the Peacemakers', 'Full of Grace!' and 'merciful God') and the resources offer a range of activities from which we choose some for the half hour session. This might include a game, some discussion, a Bible focus and maybe a craft activity.

**Rachel Rudman**