

**St Mary and All Saints,
The Parish Church of Bingham**

Registered Charity Number – 1131217

**Annual Report
Of the
Parochial Church Council
For the year ended 31 December 2025**



PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS, BINGHAM

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BACKGROUND

St Mary and All Saints' PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector to promote in the ecclesiastical parish of Bingham, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The aims are stated as: to worship God, to serve the community, to show God's love to everyone, to care for those in need and to introduce people, young and old, to our Lord Jesus Christ.

The PCC is also responsible for Old Church House.

MEMBERSHIP

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio, are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), have been co-opted or have filled a vacancy during the year in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Incumbent:	In vacancy	
Assistant Curate:	Revd Wendy Forbes-Buckingham	
Warden:	Mr John Woodman	
Hon PCC Secretary:	Mrs Wonnie Wong	
Treasury Team:	Mrs Susan Price, Mr John Woodman, Mrs Vivien Dyer	
Representatives on the Diocesan Synod:	Mrs Kate Gent, Mrs Vivien Dyer	
Representatives on the Deanery Synod:	Mrs Vivien Dyer	
Elected Members:	Mr Andy Moxon	(Chairman, until 2027)
	Mrs Lesley Black	(until 2028)
	Ms Natalie Lister	(until 2027)
	Mrs Chrissy Sanderson	(until 2027)
	Mrs Jo Radford	(until 2026)

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Committees

The PCC operates with the help of two committees or groups which meet between full meetings of the PCC:

Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has powers to transact the business of the PC between meetings subject to any direction given by the PCC.

Old Church House Management Group

This committee considers the financial situation and the maintenance of Old Church House.

Church Attendance

Following a revision of the Church electoral roll for the 2025 APCM there were 68 parishioners on the roll.

The average weekly adult attendance counted during October 2025 was 89. On Easter Day 2025 there were 121 attendees; on Christmas Day 2025 there were 82 attendees.

There were 2 baptisms, 2 weddings and there were 19 Bingham parish funerals.

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St Mary and All Saints' Church is in a Covenant for Unity with other churches in Bingham, namely the Methodist Church and the Bingham Congregation of St Anne's Roman Catholic Church in Radcliffe-on-Trent.

On behalf of St Mary and All Saints' Parochial Church Council

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Mr Andy Moxon
Chairman (In interregnum)

Date: 17 May 2026

ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS

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ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

12.00 – Sunday 17 May 2026

1. OPENING PRAYERS
2. Apologies for Absence

ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

Agenda

1. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2025
2. The election of Church Wardens

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Agenda

1. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2025 (attached)
2. Revised Electoral Roll
3. Report in lieu of Rector's Report (attached)
4. Church Warden's Report
5. Treasurer's Report and adoption of the examined accounts for 2025 (attached)
6. Deanery Synod Report (attached)
7. OCH Report (attached)
8. The election of church members to the Parochial Church Council (one re-election sought)
9. The appointment of Sidesmen for the coming year
10. The appointment of an independent examiner
11. Other matters of parochial or general interest
12. CLOSING PRAYER

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS & THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING HELD IN CHURCH ON SUNDAY 18TH MAY 2025

PRESENT: Andy Moxon (Vice-Chair), 2 Churchwardens, 15 parishioners.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Anthony Watts, Graham Price, Chrissy Sanderson.

The meeting opened in prayer at 12.00.

The meeting opened in prayer and reading from Proverbs 24 by Andy Moxon at 12:00pm.

ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES HELD ON 28TH APRIL, 2024

The minutes had been previously circulated and were agreed to be a true record.

Proposed: Kate Gent. Seconded: Lesley Black. All in favour.

2. ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Wendy Forbes Buckingham will need to step down as Churchwarden due to her upcoming ordination. One nomination received:

John Woodman, nominated by Chris Page, seconded by John Miller.

In the absence of other nomination, it was proposed that **John Woodman be declared Churchwarden for the year 2025/2026. All in favour.**

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. MINUTES OF THE 2024 ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The minutes had been previously circulated and were agreed to be a true record.

Proposed: Wendy Forbes-Buckingham. Seconded: Kate Gent. All in favour.

2. REVISED ELECTORAL ROLL

The current electoral roll stands at a total of 66, a slight decrease from last year. However, the number of people regularly attending Sunday services has increased.

3. REPORT IN LIEU OF RECTOR'S REPORT (attached)

The report had been previously circulated and there were no questions raised. Wendy Forbes Buckingham expressed heartfelt thanks to the Rector Jon and his wife, Maria, for their 7.5 years of dedicated service, during which they laid strong foundation and provided a clear vision for the church's growth.

4. CHURCH WARDEN'S REPORT (attached)

The report had been previously circulated and there were no questions raised. John Woodman provided an update at the meeting on the pew project and the faculty application for the Spire Light project.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT AND ADOPTION OF THE EXAMINED ACCOUNTS FOR 2024 (attached)

The report and accounts had been previously circulated. Sue Price addressed the meeting, noting that the fundraising events including the fair, Christmas table top sale and coffee mornings had given £4,000. She expressed her gratitude to everybody involved. Special thanks to Linda Walden for her carrying along the Old Church House for years, with the kind assistance from Natalie Lister.

One quick question was raised regarding the meaning of 'restricted fund' in the financial statement. It was clarified that these funds were restricted purely for the specific course or purpose.

There were no further questions regarding the finance report. The accounts have been submitted and approved by independent examination.

The adoption of the examined accounts for 2024 was proposed by John Woodman and seconded by Alan Moxon. All in favour.

6. DEANERY SYNOD REPORT (attached)

The report had previously been circulated and there were no questions from the meeting.

7. OCH REPORT (attached)

The report had previously been circulated and there were no questions from the meeting.

Expression of thanks to Linda Walden again and the matters raised will be discussed at the next PCC meeting.

8. THE ELECTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS TO THE PCC (one re-election sought)

Mieneke Hedges and Alan Cooper stepped down from their positions, while Lesley Black was due for re-election.

Proposed: Kate Gent. Seconded: Gil Oxley. All in favour.

9. THE APPOINTMENT OF SIDESMEN FOR THE COMING YEAR.

Deferred to churchwardens.

10. THE APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Treasurer informed the meeting that Brian Hall had been appointed as the independent examiner of the accounts.

Proposed: Wendy Forbes-Buckingham. Seconded: John Woodman. All in favour.

11. OTHER MATTERS OF PAROCHIAL OR GENERAL INTEREST.

This related to safeguarding. Wendy Forbes-Buckingham has prepared the standard report to be attached and will continue to serve as the Safeguarding officer.

12. CLOSING PRAYER

The meeting closed with The Grace together at 12.30 pm

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REPORT IN LIEU OF RECTOR'S REPORT FOR 2025

2025 has been a very exciting year in the life of St Mary & All Saints. We have seen a steady growth in numbers attending both of our regular services and have welcomed approximately 20 new people into our worshipping community.

We have seen the start of a monthly youth club, a weekly soup service and a monthly inter-generational service, all of which have been well received and supported.

2025 was our 800th Anniversary and we were delighted to have Bishop Paul with us at our Patronal Festival service to lead us in an anniversary procession with the children and to preach at the service.

We were able to connect with the local schools during 2025, holding a Christingle Assembly at Robert Miles Infant School; welcoming the children parents and staff of that school as we hosted their Christmas carol service in church; welcoming the children from Robert Miles Junior School to our Christmas Tree Festival; welcoming children from Carnarvon Primary School to join us in our 800th anniversary processions; delivering some teaching in Carnarvon Primary School.

Over the next year we plan to start running Alpha Courses and to continue to increase the number of young families coming to church. We are committed to playing our part in the Diocesan Vision of Living Faith.

As always, the PCC very much appreciates the continued support of all who serve and worship in St Mary and All Saints and within the wider community.

Revd Wendy Forbes-Buckingham
Assistant Curate

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CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT FOR 2025
FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Nave

The major project to remove pews and install tile flooring at west end was completed.

New moveable seating was purchased.

Toilets

The sump pump serving tower room toilets failed and was replaced.

Central Heating

Repairs were carried out to the boiler ignition system. The boiler is near the end of its life.

Tower Clock and Bells

The clock and associated mechanisms require significant work. Although regularly serviced, increasingly the clock has been stopping without obvious cause. Also, the chimes don't work properly.

A bell rope has been repaired.

Churchyard

A team of volunteers organised by Bingham Town Council carried out repairs to the churchyard wall. The work will be ongoing.

Also, memorial testing was carried out by the Council. Only 13 memorials are of concern.

John Woodman
Churchwarden

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ANNUAL FINANCE REPORT – Year Ending 31 December 2025

Income:

Regular giving, collections and card payments increased during the year, for which we are thankful. Grateful thanks also for specific donations towards audio-visual improvements and repairs. The café/Sunday tea point provide a healthy income by donation. We have also received £1,500 during the year from the Chestnut Community Coffee morning, which is extremely kind, especially as it is supported mostly by those who do not attend St Marys.

Income from Buttercross, although slightly reduced, and Old Church House continue to support the overall church finances and the efforts of John Woodman and Linda Walden are much appreciated.

Expenditure:

The pews project, complete with the provision of chairs, was finished this year, with the total outlay in the region of £42,000, higher than originally anticipated.

Maintenance of the church and Old Church House continue to be problematic, with roof, heating and other issues raising their heads. Despite the huge heating bills, complaints about the cold church are on-going!

We were only able to pay 80% of the Parish Share this year, and it is going to present

another challenge in 2026, at a rate of over £5,000 per month, but we will endeavour to achieve the full payment.

Reserves:

We cashed in several very small investments this year, totalling £1,685 to help towards the pews project. The bellringers have asked the church to hold their funds as they raise money for replacement bells, and to that end £16,455 of the Reserves is restricted for this purpose only. Our available Reserve funds have diminished by another £10,000 over the year, leaving us quite vulnerable to any major repairs that crop up.

Susan Price
Treasurer

St Mary & All Saints Bingham - Financial Statement for the Year ended 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2025 £	TOTAL 2024 £
RECEIPTS				
Regular giving	31408.00	480.00	31888.00	29458.40
Collections/Envelopes/Card payments	8044.64	0.00	8044.64	5483.09
Other Giving (Note 1)	647.04	19955.00	20602.04	5671.31
Fund-raising : Café/Tea Point	3463.81	0.00	3463.81	2480.43
Fund-raising : Inc 800th & CT Festival	5277.30	0.00	5277.30	3831.30
VAT recovered	6917.76	0.00	6917.76	2379.07
Gift Aid/Small Donations Scheme	8078.09	486.25	8564.34	11862.32
Investment Income (Note 2)	1684.69	0.00	1684.69	15.67
Weddings & Funerals Total Inc	6108.00	0.00	6108.00	7954.10
Buttercross Advertising	23970.00	0.00	23970.00	24431.27
Old Church House Rentals	26599.19	0.00	26599.19	27555.20
Transfers from Reserves	10255.00	0.00	10255.00	24160.00
Other Receipts - inc. Sequestration	1005.56	0	1005.56	0
	133459.08	20921.25	154380.33	145282.16

EXPENDITURE				
Parish Share	-45879.00		-45879.00	-55152.00
Ministry expenses	-428.21		-428.21	-200.00
Services	-1967.48		-1967.48	-250.45
Weddings & Funerals (Costs & DBF)	-3895.00		-3895.00	-5443.48
Mission & Evangelism	-1142.74		-1142.74	-675.06
Church Running Costs	-8834.11		-8834.11	-9599.62
Church utilities	-6556.57		-6556.57	-6933.30
Church Fabric	-4816.56		-4816.56	-10826.67
Pews Project	-20989.22		-20989.22	-21601.52
Cost of Fund-raising	-1533.71		-1533.71	-23.35
Buttercross Printing	-22191.32		-22191.32	-21658.64
Old Church House Running Costs	-17815.27		-17815.27	-13693.56
Transfer to Reserves (Rest Donations)		-18205.00	-18205.00	
	-136049.19	-18205.00	-154254.19	-146057.65

CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE	
Balance at 1 January 2025	1861.71
Income	154380.33
Expenditure	-154254.19
Balance at 31 December 2025	1987.85

Reserves (Instant Access Account)

	Unrestricted	Restricted		
	General/Fabric	Bell Fund	Heating Fund	TOTAL
01-Jan-25	32523.69			32523.69
Deposit		16445.00	1500.00	17945.00
Withdrawal	-10255.00			-10255.00
Interest	404.13			404.13
Gift Aid		10.00	250.00	260.00
31-Dec-25	22672.82	16455.00	1750.00	40877.82

TOTAL ASSETS	Unrestricted	Restricted
Current Account	1987.85	0.00
Reserves Account	22672.82	18205.00
CCLA Investment Account	16340.31	0.00

Note 1: Restricted donations for heating, books, speakers, chairs, TV screen.

Also the Bellringers' Bell Fund of £16445

Note 2: Seven very small investments cancelled and cashed in



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees of St Mary & All Saints Bingham

On accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025

Charity no
(if any) 1131217

Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees 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 Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent
examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed: B. Victor Hall

Date: 11/2/2026

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EAST BINGHAM DEANERY SYNOD FOR 2025

East Bingham Deanery Synod meets three times a year. The Deanery representatives can bring to Synod subjects to discuss. I have been a Deanery Rep for several years alongside Pam Page, who relinquished her place and Vivien Dyer stepped up to be a second representative. Incumbents are also encouraged to attend the meetings and usually do. The Deanery has representatives on the Diocesan Synod so matters discussed can then be cascaded down to us. We also have reports on the matters discussed at General Synod reported back to us.

At the last few meetings we have broken into small groups to discuss subjects that have been discussed at Diocesan Synod. We also talk about Finance and the importance of paying Parish Shares each year so that ministry and mission can continue and grow.

Kate Gent

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REPORT ON OLD CHURCH HOUSE

The tenants of OCH are getting into the habit of booking when they are in and when out. This makes it easier to accept casual bookings during the school holidays.

We have lost several groups due to semi-retirement, ill health, and a lack of volunteers. This has greatly reduced our income.

The light fitting in the passage by the store room is still not working. I understand that this is not straightforward. Peter has put a campsite light in the inner passage, which is helpful when unlocking the store room.

The decoration of the large hall, carried out by Megan, was completed last August. The kitchen was also painted thanks to members of the church, and chairs were re-covered. William painted the small hall, and new flooring was laid in the kitchen.

The roof has been greatly improved and no longer leaks.

The problem with drains has been sorted, but the men's and ladies' loos are still in need of upgrading, as is some of the flooring in the disabled loo and the corridor. The corridor also needs repainting.

The new idea of the spin mop was great and works very well.

The Henry hoover sucks very well, but needs a new brush head.

Suggested work for this August, painting the corridor by William.

The Thursday playgroup / home schooling group is no longer using OCH.

The church café is now using OCH every Thursday at 10:00am to 12:00pm.

A great thank you to Natalie for liaising with the parties, and achieving action.

Linda Walden