

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY FORMBY

England & Wales · Charity number 1131722

Details

Other names HOLY TRINITY FORMBY

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2009-09-21

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: Christian (Church of England) Church

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

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

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£178,362	£170,742	-	-
2023-12-31	£239,820	£227,441	-	-
2022-12-31	£194,553	£185,498	-	-
2021-12-31	£176,070	£175,516	-	-
2020-12-31	£179,250	£240,303	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Julie Butcher	Chair	2022-07-01
Jenny Hays		2018-04-01
Oonagh Victoria Higgins		2020-10-18
Patricia Guy		2025-05-12
Victoria Beret Sime		2020-10-18

Accounts

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EVERYONE: INVITED INCLUDED IMPORTANT
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Holy Trinity Church Formby Annual Report for 2024

12th May 2025

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I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Postal address: Holy Trinity Church, Rosemary Lane, Formby, Liverpool L37 3HA.
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Official correspondence should be sent to the Church Office at the above address.

From the beginning of 2024, the following personnel have served as PCC members for the whole of the reporting period unless stated otherwise:

Vicar Reverend Mark Stanford

Curate Reverend Julie Butcher

Churchwardens Mrs Jan Outram
Mrs Jenny Hays

Deanery Synod Representatives Ms Jenny Hays (Churchwarden)
Ms Anne Hothersall (and PCC member)

Other Members Mrs Vicky Sime (Reader)
Mrs Vicky Higgins
Mr John Paton (Reader) - until May '24
Mrs Margaret Paton - until May '24
Mr Brian Thorne (Reader)

Other Ministers Ms Sylvia Beardsell (Reader)
Ms Sue Raby (Reader)
Mrs Ruth Woodward (Reader)
Reverend David Taylor – retired
Reverend Paul Ellis – retired
Reverend Jan Harney - retired

Honorary Treasurer Mr Phil Crow

Honorary PCC Secretary Mr Peter Hitchcock

Bankers Barclays Bank PLC, 265/267 Lord St, Southport PR8 1PD
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Accountant Mr Phil Crow

Independent Examiner Mr Ian Wright FCA (Sefton CVS)

Day-to-day management of the Church is exercised by the Vicar and the Churchwardens, who can be contacted via the Church Office: 01704 878913.

The Reverend Mark Stanford is Vicar of both Holy Trinity Church, Formby, and the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Altcar, which form a United Benefice. The Reverend Julie Butcher is Curate of Holy Trinity and of St. Michael's also and will be licensed as an associate priest in the near future. In Dec 24, Mark announced his

intention to retire at the end of Feb 25 prior to moving to join the Liverpool Cathedral Team as a 'House of Duty' priest. (See also Part II, para A).

II. STRUCTURE, MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

A. General

Holy Trinity United Benefice incorporates Holy Trinity Church in Rosemary Lane and the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Altcar. The 6 Readers listed in Part I, together with the 2 Churchwardens, the 3 retired Reverends, the Organist, David Pearson, Vicky Higgins and Denise Clarke form the Ministry Team. Liz Chestnutt also attends as Churchwarden at St. Michael's.

Holy Trinity PCC is a body corporate and operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission, and all elected members of the PCC are registered as Trustees. Our Charity Number is 1131722.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register for the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Elected PCC Members serve for a three-year term and one third are eligible to retire each year by rotation. Role descriptions are in place for each PCC member who, on election, sign a confidential declaration, be subject to an enhanced DBS check, and have a willingness to undertake safeguarding training and raising awareness of domestic abuse training. The PCC is represented on the governing body of Trinity St Peter's Primary School and we aim to try and hold at least one meeting each year at the school.

The PCC operates with five committees and a number of officers and representatives as listed below (effective following the APCM of May 2024).

Standing Committee	Required by law to transact any business between PCC meetings
	Vicar (Chair), two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer, Hon Secretary, one PCC representative
Fabric Committee (now Incorp into Std Cttee)	Responsible for all buildings belonging to the Church
	Vicar, two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer
Finance Committee	Responsible for budgets and control of finances
	Vicar (Chair), Hon Treasurer, two Churchwardens, Ann Urmston (Parish Giving Officer), one PCC representative
Electoral Roll Officer	Responsible for updating and maintaining the Parish Electoral Roll
	Andrew Phillips
Parish Hall Committee	Runs and maintains the Parish Hall
Accountable to Fabric Cttee	Philip Eastwood (Chair), Ann Urmston (Treasurer)
Workshop Committee	Runs and maintains the Workshop
Accountable to Fabric Committee	Maggie Flodman (Chair), Jan Outram (Treasurer), Alison Stennet
Churches Together	Vicar, Helen Davies
Stewardship Officer	Ann Urmston
Health & Safety Officers	Stephen Griffiths, supported by Jenny Hays - Churchwarden
Safeguarding Officer	Phil Eastwood

Minutes of each PCC meeting are available for inspection in the church office after they have been approved at the preceding meeting.

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Although not departing until end of Feb 25, grateful thanks must be recorded now to both Mark and his wife, Sam, for all their hard work, dedication and devotion to Holy Trinity and St. Michael's over the last 13 years of their tenure. They have both selflessly immersed themselves fully into the churches' lives and activities and the Benefice is the richer for it. God's blessing goes to them both and their wider family as they embark on the next chapter of their lives.

B. Risk Assessment

The PCC ensures that health and safety legislation is complied with. Procedures are in place for recording accidents. Lists of first-aiders are kept at Rosemary Lane. All assets are insured; cover is reviewed annually and approved by the PCC. During the year, no accidents were recorded and there was no cause to employ any legal adviser on behalf of the PCC.

C. Safeguarding Our Safeguarding policy continues to be displayed in the Church and its implementation is overseen by the PCC. The safeguarding Officer is Mr. Philip Eastwood who is also the Children's advocate. The PCC and officers continue to ensure that every person working with children and/or vulnerable adults has a current DBS check. The Policy is reviewed annually and was updated in Jan 2024. Steps have taken place already to provide online Level 1 training to all relevant personnel to renew their qualifications.

If ever there was a time to bring Safeguarding to the fore to all officiators it was Aug 2024 following the unbelievable child murders and massacres in Southport. This tragic event affected everyone and for Mark and his team in particular – as timing was just before several summer social events at the church involving minors - it was a mind-searching task to critically review all the risk assessments made and the in-place health and safety precautions to decide whether or not it was sensible and safe to continue with the Summer programme, in particular the 'Good News Holiday Club' week which was scheduled to start within days. All events went ahead as planned and were completed safely. HT held special prayers for anyone and everyone in the aftermath of this horror, a procedure strongly supported by Bishop John.

D. Health & Safety Following a comprehensive H&S review last year, there are no issues to report in 2024. Clarification was obtained from the church renovation architect as to certified fire exits throughout the various buildings and appropriate new signage has been procured for where it was needed.

E. Serious Incidents NTR.

III. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 states that the PCC 'is to cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical'. When planning activities for the year, the PCC gives consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

Our vision is that we may be living proof of Jesus Christ and lead others to believe in Him, offering worship and a welcome with God's love as central in the heart of Formby. We are a church wanting to draw out a living faith in people of all ages, working as partners to this aim with the other churches in Formby. Our objectives below are

testament to our successful efforts to date to draw more people into our growing Church.

Fit for Mission (FfM). Subsequent to last year's report which explained that our Deanery was in the preparatory phase of implementing the then Bishop Paul's FfM objectives, events have progressed and Bishop John has picked up the baton. By mid-2024, six deaneries in 2 'cohorts' had completed the "Engage" phase during which all the participating churches had been encouraged to thoroughly explore the FfM concept, in general, and objectives in particular. In July, via the leadership of the Reverend Canon David Banbury (FfM Engagement Manager), Bishop John called upon the remaining 7 Deaneries in Cohort 3 to enter into the 'Engage' phase. This step now involved HT, as part of Sefton North, and between July and Oct 25, Mark has strongly encouraged the Ministry Team, the PCC and all churchgoers to meet the challenge and explore new ways of moulding a wider, even more welcoming church that we have already in an effort to reach out to even more of the community. In Oct 25, the PCC will be required to decide, along with other churches in the Deanery, whether or not to move on to the next stage of the journey towards being part of a much larger, all-encompassing Parish. During Nov 24, where able, PCC members attended FfM workshops, hosted by Rev. Banbury, who explained the complete concept again, objectives, targets and purpose to ensure full understanding.

Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG). Both HT and St. Michael's and All Angels had started their involvement in LyCiG activities in the Autumn of 2023 with Vicky Sime heading the first 'Joint' PCC teach-in session "Creating a Prayerful Culture of Growth". In 2024, five more sessions were held involving the Ministry Team also: "Implementing an effective Strategy"; "Practicing Fruitful Evangelism"; "Develop, Engage, Worship"; "Becoming an Inviting and Welcoming Church"; and, "Future Plans". In all these sessions, Mark and Julie drew out ideas from everyone as to how we, in a United Benefice, could encourage new blood into the church to see what it is all about. Julie, the Curate, made several large diagrammatic wall posters displaying objectives, ideas and achievements and she then put these around the church for all to see and consider and also to learn what had been achieved already. Several related events and activities took place throughout the year which are highlighted in the relevant sections below.

The Bible Reading Challenge. In Jul 24, Bishop John set all Parishes a 'Summer Bible Reading' challenge: to read the whole book over the summer period. Mark very enthusiastically accepted the challenge and decided to cover 7 key messages from the Bible over a 7-week period from 21 Jul to 1 Sep through the medium of holding 'single-service Sunday celebrations. Together, Mark and Julie covered a new topic each week linking transparently from one message to the next. Each section was dissected and discussed in the Service thereby involving as many of the congregation as possible. Vicky Sime produced large portraits of each message theme and displayed these around the church walls for all to see and ponder throughout the summer. The challenge was achieved brilliantly and it also triggered much to contemplate.

A survey was conducted after this single-service programme to determine how popular this single-service strategy was within all families and age groups. With nearly 100 responses, there was much enthusiasm for and a sense of momentum with having a full church with lively singing. It induced a true sense of belonging. Clearly, there were

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cons also so Mark decided to trial another single service period, vice the 3 in the normal routine, over Christmas starting on the 1st Sunday in Advent and continuing until 5 Jan 25. The first service was preceded on 17th Nov with the Toy Service, traditionally a single-service Sunday anyway. Further views would be gleaned after this experience to lend a pointer to future service programming.

Not associated with the Challenge itself but within the single-service theme, HT continued its usual hosting role by holding Easter, Harvest Festival and Remembrance united services (and the Toy Service mentioned above) all supported and attended by the churches' Uniformed groups.

Bronze Eco Church award. HT gained its Bronze award in Mar 2020 and the Curate, Julie, has been forging ahead with her cohorts in the Scouts, Guides and the Pizza Eaters group with new ideas (the latter covered later). But, bee-friendly plants are now established throughout the grounds as is a 'wild garden' area to the rear of the church. About a dozen bird boxes have been sited around the grounds and peat-free compost is always used when required. And, a compost bin is in full use.

Supporting Tanzania (UK) Trust. The 2023 report highlighted the considerable charity work and support conducted by Laura Neilson – a former HT reader, now ordained – for the Trust for the Christian Centre Church in Dodoma and the re-build health centre in Nduli. Mark also flew out to theatre last year to lend support. Since then, marvellous progress has been made and continues apace. In Aug 24, the area Government finally connected electricity to the Nduli Health Centre encouraging more people to move into the area. In Sep, the Ebenezer dispensary opened also thanks to the support of many local volunteers. A road to the Centre is also being laid. Our support will continue.

Bereavement and START Courses. John Paton, a member of the Ministry team, hosted and chaired a 7-week Bereavement Course/discussion at his home starting in Aug. The location provided a more personal environment. Between Aug and Dec, John had seen 20 people, not all churchgoers, with another 3 interested but later declining, proving Bereavement to be a much-needed but nevertheless emotional subject. The Curate and Vicky Sime began a 6-week group discussion START course on 1 Dec aimed at answering questions for some about life and the Christian Faith.

Other Activities.

Sweet Friday's / The 'Loft' Gathering. For the Ladies, Sam Stanford again organised a series of bi-monthly gatherings from Mar-Dec to which guest speakers were invited to present topics ranging from gardening, song & music to Bees and a Canape Master course. The aim, as ever, was to encourage the local community IN as well as offering a chance to chat in safe and sociable surroundings. For the Men, Mark continued with his 'Loft' gatherings, a weekly-breakfast social meeting to discuss anything and everything including ways of growing HT in the town.

'Be Still' Prayer Course / "Chosen" Film Sessions. Two 'weekly' events started in June: a 'Be Still' prayer course and the showing a "The Chosen" film. These programmes were open events and were well attended continuing until Oct and Nov respectively.

Summer Fayres/Open Day. With the aim of reaching out in different ways to the local community, St. Michael's and All Angels held a Summer Fayre on 13 Jul followed a week later on 20 Jul by HT holding an Open Day. Fun & game stalls were set up for the youngsters with plenty of interesting craft- making challenges for the children to lend their hand to and, tables advertising the multitude of activities carried out by the

churches, such as the Fell Walking Club, Mothers Union, Prayer Group were set up in the church for visitors to view and mingle and, hopefully, be encouraged to join. At the Open day, the Scouts and Guides provided an excellent bbq lunch which people enjoyed outside in good weather.

Burn's and Trafalgar Nights. Two dinners were held in the Parish Hall organised by the Vicar and Sam: Burn's Night on 26 Jan – with Piper - and Trafalgar Night on 18 Oct. The organisers did all the arranging and most of the cooking supported by able volunteers and both occasions were extremely enjoyable, unifying and extremely well attended. These events demonstrated the superb harmony in the Benefice and the willingness to help out.

Coffee Mornings / Sing-alongs. Every Monday, HT hosts a coffee morning in the foyer open to all and it is something that many people look forward to for comfort, warmth and friendship, which is heartening. Also, Maggie Flodman continues her very popular 'sing-alongs/cuppa & chat with proceeds going to MacMillan Cancer Charity.

IV. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

A. Number on the Electoral Roll and Sunday Attendance

i. Electoral Roll

The number on the electoral roll as at the APCM in 2024 was 160. (159 in 2023).

ii. Sunday Attendance

The average service attendance in 2024 was as follows:

8.30am	Holy Communion - 31 adults + 1 child (32 adults + 1 in 2023)
10.00am	Family Worship - 18 adults + 5 children (21 adults + 5 in 2023)
11.15am	Morning Worship - 45 adults (44 adults in 2023)

B. Pastoral Care and Service to our Community

Below are reports on some of the activities through which we exercise our mission in the church and in our local community.

Bible Study Groups

Pizza Eaters Pizza Eaters has met each month apart from August during 2024. We have 15 active members, ranging in age from 10 to 16. During our meetings, we discuss a topic relevant to the Church's liturgical year, eg. Lent, and what effect it could have on us personally. We discuss any charitable ideas, and there was input to eco church. A time of prayer is important to our group, bringing the problems of the world as well as local and personal requests to God.

As there is artistic talent in the group, we were able to decorate the windows, in the Church doors, to match the seasons. We also decorated a window at harvest time. At a coffee morning event, we raised enough money to sponsor twinning of several

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toilets in underdeveloped countries, enhancing their hygiene security. Some of us have taken part in some of the Services, mainly in assisting at the Holy Communion Services on the first Sunday of the month, and also in the Wreathing Service. At Christmas, we decorate the foyer tree, and are responsible for Christingle making. Some of us are proficient at attending to the sound desk, for power point etc. We have a yearly outing, to bowling and laser tag, at the Ocean Plaza, inviting siblings to join in the fun. And, of course, we eat pizza. And pop, and popcorn, and crisps.....

Sylvia Beardsell, Vicky Higgins.

Prayer Group The Prayer group meets each Thursday at 7pm, during the summer in the prayer room, but in colder seasons, in each other's homes. Our prayers are wide spreading, from people we know who need healing to world problems. There are 8 regular members, but is open to all.

Bible Study in the afternoon. The Bible Study group meets on alternate Tuesdays, 2pm, at Elisabeth Douglas' home. At present we are studying St Matthew's Gospel, but we have looked at Psalms recently. There are 4 of us, but would like to grow to a larger group. We conclude each meeting with prayer for those that we know who need healing or comfort from God.

Prayer Harmony. This is a prayer guide, provided to the Church Newsletter, each month, to help people to direct their thoughts and prayers in 'harmony'. Mainly local in tone, important world events are included as necessary.

Sylvia Beardsell

Bible Study on Sunday. There is a small group of mainly working people who try to meet about 3 weekly, on Sunday evening, in each other's homes. We are studying Colossians. Unfortunately, work and family commitments have made this group unable to meet as regularly as they would like, however they are committed to supporting each other in prayer and friendship. Again, this group would welcome other people to join them.

Sylvia Beardsell, Vicky Sime, Vicky Higgins, Peter Killen, Sam Barnes.

Formby Manor Holy Communion Service for the house bound. In association with 4 members of St Luke's Church, we have continued to bring a Service of Holy Communion to the residents of Formby Manor, each month, the St Luke's people providing the music accompaniment for hymns. The numbers vary but we have seldom less than 15 communicants from the residents. We have formed many friendships with both residents and staff, and have been very welcomed.

Sylvia Beardsell, Ruth Woodward.

Maryland Holy Communion Service for the house bound. We have continued the long-standing association with Maryland to bring Holy Communion each month. The numbers are usually about 5 or 6, some long standing members of Holy Trinity or St Michael's.

Sylvia Beardsell, Ruth Woodward

Holy Communion to the house bound in their own homes. There are a number of Church members who are unable to attend normal church services, for medical and practical reasons, that we visit with Holy Communion each month. At present

there are around 10 people, but this varies as people recover or go into residential care. This provides a regular contact with these people, ensuring that they remain within the church community, bringing them up to date with church events.

Sylvia Beardsell, Ruth Woodward, John Paton.

Weekly on-line Service. Each week, one of the Church Services is videoed, edited and uploaded to You Tube, so that people unable to attend in person, are able to be included in the worship. Each type of Service, across the United Benefice, is represented. The video comes out a week after the Service to allow time for editing, it is not live streamed. Feedback suggests that there is a regular audience for this service.

Sylvia Beardsell

Daily reflections. Each weekday, contributors provide a short video reflection on the lectionary reading for the morning. This is about 5-7 minutes long on average. The contributors are members of the clergy and congregation, providing a variety of voices and insights. Again, feedback says that these are regularly viewed by not only the house bound but also by other people who find them a good way to start the day. They are edited and uploaded to You Tube, for viewing at any time.

Sylvia Beardsell and about a dozen others

Morning Prayer. Each weekday morning at 9 a.m. a small group meet on zoom to pray through Morning Prayer and include prayers for parishes and anything else that is relevant. We have done this since the beginning of Covid.

Julie Butcher, David Taylor, Ruth Woodward, Sylvia Beardsell

For more info about any of these, please ring Sylvia on 07872 31410,

Little Tiddlers/Toddler Group We have pleasure in submitting our report on the Toddler Group during 2024. It is pleasing to note that we still attract a large number of children, parents, grandparents and carers to our Monday morning meetings. We provided a Christmas party for 47 children which again included a visit from Father Christmas. Once again, Caroline Collins has been providing crafts on a regular basis and also leading our Christmas Eve Toddler Church Service. Our year has taken the usual format with Easter, Harvest and Christmas being celebrated. Thanks go to Margaret and Simon Johnson and Sue Murray our "ace packer uppers". This year, we welcomed Julie Downey, a former grandma who, along with Sue Robertson, has provided us with much needed help. Thanks are also due again to our band of tea ladies. Thank you, all of you. We could not manage the Group with the numbers we attract without you.

We have been so pleased to be able to do our bit as a kind of "outreach" for young Mums, Grandparents etc of the community who can find it quite isolating after young children of their own.

Barbara Smith and Joyce O'Connell

Mothers' Union As usual, our year began with a Communion Service in January followed by our AGM in February. We were happy to welcome three members but sadly we lost 2 of our long-standing members, Joyce Hampson and Avril Hassall. We had several interesting talks as well as games and crafts afternoons. Our Coffee

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Morning, Strawberry Tea and Christmas Lunch were also held. We were sorry to lose Mark at the end of the year. We presented him with a gift and wished him and Sam well for the future.

Joyce O'Connell

Holy Trinity (4th Formby) Scouts Another good year with membership increased to in excess of 60 young people. I say, in excess, as the overall number is a little fluid at the moment due to 4th Formby opening a Squirrel Drey, for youngsters aged 4-6 years, at the beginning of June, and we are still receiving enquiries. We also have a Waiting List of 11 who are generally waiting until they reach the age requirement, but in a small number of cases waiting for space as we are pretty much full in Scouts and Cubs. We've had a slight increase in adult members, particularly with a change around of members of our Trustee Board. We now have 12 on the Board. We also have a change of Group Chair in the offing, with Steve Griffiths returning to the Scouting fold.

We had planned to hold a Group Camp in July 2024, but due to numbers of Leaders available, we swapped this to a Beaver Camp, needing support from a couple of parents. As, many of the Beavers hadn't camped before, we took them along to Tawd Vale for just one night. Very successful, although sleep was in short supply. Of course it rained, does it count as Scout camping if it doesn't rain? My abiding memory of that Beaver camp will be Beavers playing 'stuck in the mud' in a big puddle of mud!

Our Cubs had a trip to the Wing Ding Camp, a large Cub activity camp at Tawd Vale and a District day out to the RAF Museum at Cosford.

Our Scouts have had a couple of one-night camps locally, Laurel's Wood on Old Southport Road, exploring the delights of sleeping hammocks. Some sleep very well in hammocks it seems, needing waking at 0930hrs! We have also 'gone back' to cooking over fires for these 'backwoods' camps.

We also had a small number of Scouts and Leaders join in with the German/English Camp organised by 5th Formby. This is a long-standing event, in its 46th year, where a contingent from Formby Scouts camp with a Scout Contingent from Weilburg Germany. The camp alternates every two years between Germany and UK. This year in was held at Linnet Clough in the Peak District with almost 70 Scouts and Leaders Camping for 10 nights.

The Group's young people had also been involved in Water Fun days at Waterside Lodge Southport, Swimming Galas, Athletics competitions, Indoor and Outdoor Skills competition and the Beavers had a trip to the Pantomime!

We also try to encourage as many of our Yong People to attend the Church Parades, and for Wreathing this year, 45 members of the Group came along, including all of the cast of the nativity! We also managed a few for Mark's retirement! The Scout Christmas Post was, with help from members of the congregation, a success again this year, providing much needed funds for our Group. Our fund-raising stall at the Christmas Light switch on again proved quite successful.

John Carr

Holy Trinity Guides and Brownies

Guides

We currently have 9 Guides and 5 of them have reached the age of 14 and have to leave us, so they are busy working towards their Gold award - top award in Guides

From July 25 we will be left with 4 Guides and desperately need some new recruits otherwise the unit will close which is a shame as we have been going for 95 years. We have busy working towards badges; a weekend away at Shirdley Hill with Harry Potter theme, we have done various cooking challenges and made a donation towards a Christmas tree for church and decorated it with a theme of White Christmas. We enjoyed a night hike and ended up at Chippy. Also, we have had a chat about personal safety.

We just finished out Fitness badge and Be Well Theme badge - the girls cooked a well balanced meal for family at home and planned an exercise programme. We were invited by the National Trust to plant trees at Lunt nature reserve. Lots of outdoor activities planned and a party for gold awards.

Brownies

We have done collections, zero waste and languages badges. Currently working on the archaeology badge. We have done first aid and make change skills builders and are currently working on lead.

We've been pumpkin picking, made bonfire cookies, made Xmas pj bags and went for a Xmas meal. We went to Waitrose to buy food for harvest for the food bank, made decorations for the Xmas tree festival.

We are currently working on a bear badge and have been bear hunting in Southport. We've made split pin bears, done bear quizzes, drama and are going to build a bear. We made light up bottles for Mother's Day and are looking forward to being out and about more as the weather warms up.

Brownies are also low on numbers and have 6 girls and will close if we don't get numbers for Sept term which will be a shame

Helen Gillon

Fell Walking Club 2024 was a challenging year for the club. We had good walks in the following venues: Haworth, Castleton, Clapham, Ilkley, Kendal, Hebden Bridge, Hayfield, Tidewell and Trefriw, and enjoyed mainly good weather. Unfortunately, the number of members on the coaches was disappointing but after increasing the coach fare midway through the season we did manage to break even. We have a new Committee member for 2025 who is proficient with Social Media and we are hoping this will attract a few new members and we will have more consistency in attendance. We had our Festive meal in the Jubilee Hall, this was a very good social occasion catered by Martin. We are a friendly group and welcome new members.

Pat Guy

Parish Breakfast Two industrious teams prepared and laid on Sunday breakfasts once per month throughout the year providing approximately 350 meals in all (not counting team members themselves). For the New Year breakfast and for the pre-Xmas meal in Dec, little 'extras' were added to the traditional sausages, beans and egg' or 'bacon, tomato and egg' menus such as black pudding, mushrooms, hash browns and croissants. A huge thanks must go to Sam Stanford on my team who will be leaving the programme at the end of Feb 25 to accompany Mark in his new role at Liverpool Cathedral. Her advice and boundless energy and enthusiasm has been invaluable and so appreciated by everybody. Thank you to Sam. Thanks also to the many volunteers who help with the washing and clearing up. The teams could always benefit from new blood so, if any reader is interested in helping out – it would be once every 2 months – then please contact either Andrew Phillips or myself via the Church office.

Peter Hitchcock

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The Workshop The Workshop was built to provide a safe and warm environment for all the Holy Trinity uniformed organisations. In 2001 it was completely refurbished. Since that time we have also provided an important safe and warm environment for our village community. The Workshop is used regularly by Formby U3A, Yoga groups, Pilates and Exercise Groups, Conquest Art, MS meetings, Wow knit and natter meetings and is available to hire for parties and occasional meetings. Our main commitment to the community is to provide a Saturday Coffee Morning each and every Saturday during the year. This is run by either The Workshop Teams or outside organisations. This has included Formby Community Club (Squirrels), Inner Wheel, British Legion, St Michael's Church, MacMillan and the Trefoil Guild. We did regretfully have to close on just one Saturday due to our own staff shortages. Revenue from all our bookings enable us to pay for every day maintenance and upkeep. We have also been able to transfer funds to the PCC.

We are extremely grateful to our loyal, happy band of volunteers and regular customers without whose support we would not be able to continue our work in church and the community.

We would welcome with open arms anyone who would like to join The Workshop Team.

Maggie Flodman

Parish Hall The Parish Hall has had another successful year during 2024. The Hall is a real asset and is now used practically constantly throughout the week by a wide range of different groups and is truly a part of the local community of Formby as well as the church. Karate, Formby Choral Society, Formby artists, British Legion, Scottish dancing, several line dancing groups and fitness classes are among some of the regular weekly bookings together with the popular monthly markets and many one-off bookings for parties or social events.

As usual the Hall has been the centre of the church's social activities and outreach. Monday mornings see Mums and Toddlers meet and the monthly Parish Breakfasts are as popular as ever. During 2024 it has also been lovely to continue to welcome 'Sweet Fridays', the regular ladies evening hosted by Sam. A number of other church social events including the Burns Night supper have also been hosted in the hall.

Throughout 2024 we have continued to maintain and refurbish the hall so as to keep the overall fabric of the building, which is now well over 100 years old, in good order. Historically our largest challenge has always been the aging heating system which was extremely inefficient and very expensive to run. The new heating system was fitted in late 2023 and we are already seeing savings in the heating bills for the hall as the new boiler is much more effective, efficient and reliable. Ongoing updates to the lighting system moving over to LED throughout the hall has also seen substantial savings in terms of our electricity usage as well.

In summary, during 2024 the Parish Hall continued to be a well-used and a valued asset for both community and church use and we are sure that the building will continue to be at the centre of Formby and church life during 2025. Future plans for the coming year include an upgrade to the electrics including the emergency lighting and the potential purchase of some new seating.

Parish Hall Committee

Good News Holiday Club 2024

Following a break for the last few years Holiday Club again successfully ran in August 2024. Numbers of children attending were disappointing compared with previous years but we had a core of 10 - 15 children who attended each day. Lots of fun and games were enjoyed as well as range of art and craft activities based on the theme of Space and a parallel Biblical theme following the story of the disciple Peter. It was also lovely to see a range of church members from different services working together as volunteers during the week. A huge thank you goes out to the team for their help and support.

Now relaunched it would be good if Holiday club could become the usual annual children's outreach it was pre-covid.

Philip Eastwood

V. CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT INCLUDING FABRIC

The Church Wardens have had a busy year with no major issues to report.

A Deputy Warden was appointed in December 24. This has eased the pressure on the Wardens. A great help.

Thank you to all who have supported us throughout the year with help in very many ways. We would not be able to achieve all that's required without their willing help, and we appreciate this support.

There have been no major repairs necessary to the church fabric. General maintenance has been carried out throughout the year. The 5-year electrical inspection requirement for Ecclesiastical Insurance was completed and certificated in February 2024. Tree pruning on the roadside of Rosemary Lane was carried out in December 2024.

All in all, a good year.

Jan Outram & Jenny Hays

VI. FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts for 2024 and the report of the Independent Examiner are set out in the enclosed Annex.

VII. VICAR'S REPORT In 2024, encouraged by the Diocese, Holy Trinity and St Michael and All Angels joined the national Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG) programme with the agreement of both PCC's. This shaped the programme for the year as we prayed:

God of Mission

Who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship

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.

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As well as using the prayer weekly in our liturgical life we gifted over 200 mugs to congregation members at Easter with the encouragement to pray the prayer daily (this was financed by the Deanery Mission Fund) It was heartening to see this embedded in the life of our congregations.

The PCCs met jointly throughout the year as we sought to develop a culture of invitation and work through the LyCiG material. This prompted two very successful welcome events, a welcome day at Holy Trinity and a Summer Fayre at St Michael and All Angels

In addition we responded to the Bishop's Bible Reading Challenge with summer series that took us through the Bible's plotline from Genesis to Revelation; the creativity of the ministry team came through to the fore, and the feedback was very positive in the subsequent survey.

Other memorable highlights from the year included:

- The Burn's Night supper.
- Lent Course
- Easter Cantata at St Michael and All Angels with choir augmented with Holy Trinity members.
- Be Still Prayer Course
- 50th Anniversary Good News Holiday Bible Club at Holy Trinity – whilst clearly affected by the events in Southport it was great to see the club back after Covid, and the children that came enjoyed them selves.
- The Trafalgar Night Supper.

During the year our ministry team was augmented by two newly retired ministers, Paul and Jan who joined David in having permission to officiate, and it's been great to see the different gifts that they have brought to the benefice. In addition it was thrilling to learn that Julie would stay in the benefice as Associate Priest as she completed her curacy. Of course, this has been timely as I announced my retirement and move to the Cathedral but it means that the ministry team is in a healthy position to lead both churches through the interregnum.

As always, my thanks go to all those who work behind the scenes to make both churches such great places to belong, where increasingly everyone is invited, included and important.

Rev. Mark Stanford

Signed

Gay Hays - Church Warden

May 2025

Annex: Accounts for 2024 & Examiners' Report

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	2(a)	104,898	-	-	-	104,898	149,935
Income from charitable activities	2(b)	3,666	40,291	3,269	-	47,226	54,465
Other trading activities	2(c)	15,843	9,000	-	-	24,843	25,843
Investments	2(d)	394	-	-	-	394	453
Other income	2(e)	1,000	-	-	-	1,000	9,124
Total income		125,801	49,291	3,269	-	178,362	239,820
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	3(a)	2,005	-	-	-	2,005	1,510
Expenditure on charitable activities	3(a)	130,983	32,332	5,423	-	168,737	225,431
Other expenditure	3(b)	-	-	-	-	-	500
Total expenditure		132,987	32,332	5,423	-	170,742	227,441
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		(7,186)	16,960	(2,154)	-	7,620	12,379
Transfers							
	6						
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains / losses							
Gains/losses on investment assets	6(b)	-	(7,058)	-	58	(6,999)	219
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	11	(7,186)	9,902	(2,154)	58	621	12,598
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		814,850	72,579	14,373	2,670	904,472	891,874
Total funds carried forward		807,664	82,481	12,219	2,729	905,093	904,472

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Balance Sheet (Summary)

	Note	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Fixed assets			
Tangible Assets		824,098	824,098
	7(a)	824,098	824,098
Current assets			
Debtors	8	12965	11,918
Investments	7(b)	2,729	2,670
Cash At Bank And In Hand		71,050	74,302
		86,745	88,891
Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	9	5,750	8,516
		5,750	8,516
Net current assets less current liabilities		80,995	80,374
Total assets less current liabilities		905,093	904,472
Liabilities			
		-	-
Total net assets less liabilities		905,093	904,472
Represented by			
Unrestricted			
	10		
Unrestricted - General Funds		807,664	814,850
Designated			
	10		
Designated - Book Of Remembrance		2,576	2,576
Designated - Breakfast		136	95
Designated - Church Lounge		391	391
Designated - Cuppa & Chat		142	169
Designated - Curate House		45,123	39,326
Designated - Flowers		259	195

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Designated - Holiday Club	31	227
Designated - Little Tiddlers	1,097	1,178
Designated - Organ	2	2
Designated - Parish Hall	23,742	21,581
Designated - Sweet Friday	173	-
Designated - Vision	880	880
Designated - Workshop	7,929	5,960
Restricted	10	
Restricted - Christmas Tree Fund	(204)	-
Restricted - Legacy Youth Fund	2,000	2,000
Restricted - PCC Fees	9	(12)
Restricted - Rimmer Garden Fund	1,029	3,000
Restricted - Youth	9,385	9,385
Endowment	10	
Endowment - Rainford Fund	2,613	2,554
Endowment - Repair Fund	116	116
Fund Totals	905,093	904,472

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by

P M Crow

P.M.Crow

PCC Treasurer.

Date: 4/5/2025

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, and with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16th July 2014, and with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006.

Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: The charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).
Legacies	Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.
Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts
Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are valued at cost.
Investments	Fixed asset investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end.
Debtors	Debtors are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

2. INCOME & ENDOWMENTS

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Income from charitable activities							
Totals		3,666	40,291	3,269	-	47,226	54,465
Other trading activities							
	2(c)						
0910 - Rummage sales etc		1,769	-	-	-	1,769	-
1030 - Sports Club		6,451	-	-	-	6,451	6,325
1031 - Curate's House - Income		-	9,000	-	-	9,000	9,000
1222 - Non-charitable trading		5,973	-	-	-	5,973	5,973
1231 - Church Hire		1,650	-	-	-	1,650	4,545
Other trading activities Totals		15,843	9,000	-	-	24,843	25,843
Investments							
	2(d)						
1001 - Dividends		71	-	-	-	71	70
1020 - Bank and building society interest		323	-	-	-	323	383
Investments Totals		394	-	-	-	394	453
Other income							
	2(e)						
0801 - Recurring grants		1,000	-	-	-	1,000	-
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants		-	-	-	-	-	2,090
1310 - Insurance claims		-	-	-	-	-	7,034
Other income Totals		1,000	-	-	-	1,000	9,124
Income and endowments Grand totals		125,801	49,291	3,269	-	178,362	239,820

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3. EXPENDITURE ON: NOTE

Raising funds

3(a)

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	2,005	-	-	-	2,005	1,510
Raising funds Totals	2,005	-	-	-	2,005	1,510
Expenditure on charitable activities 3(a)						
1702 - LDBF costs	300	-	3,078	-	3,378	4,581
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	-	6,861
1850 - Home mission	-	-	-	-	-	396
1870 - Secular charities	1,306	-	-	-	1,306	210
1910 - Parish Share	90,958	-	-	-	90,958	95,961
2050 - Salary of parish administrator 5	6,302	-	-	-	6,302	5,782
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	827	-	-	-	827	693
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	4,432	-	-	-	4,432	4,017
2201 - Parish training and mission	1,017	-	-	-	1,017	880
2301 - Church running - insurance	8,059	-	-	-	8,059	7,653
2302 - Church running expenses - other	3,994	-	34	-	4,029	3,910
2303 - Redgate - Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	39
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	277	-	-	-	277	761
2330 - Church maintenance	1,959	-	-	-	1,959	13,290
2331 - Cleaning	1,884	-	-	-	1,884	1,826
2340 - Upkeep of services	480	-	-	-	480	219
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	360	-	1,936	-	2,296	-
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	6,616	-	-	-	6,616	8,205
2501 - Photocopier Printing & magazine costs	1,937	-	-	-	1,937	1,824
2560 - Parish Hall - Expenditure	-	17,816	-	-	17,816	31,220
2561 - Workshop -Expenditure	-	5,188	-	-	5,188	7,287
2562 - Holiday Club - Expenditure	-	196	-	-	196	-
2563 - Breakfast - Expenditure	-	564	-	-	564	798
2564 - Little Tiddlers - Expenditure	-	1,642	-	-	1,642	1,365
2565 - Cuppa & chat - Expenditure	-	1,974	-	-	1,974	856
2566 - Flower Fund - Expenditure	-	1,709	-	-	1,709	1,376
2567 - Sweet Friday Expenditure	-	40	-	-	40	-

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Expenditure continued

2601 - Governance costs Accountancy fees & examination/audit fee & accounting software	4	274	-	-	-	274	274
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation		-	-	-	-	-	24,672
2840 - Curate's House - Expenditure		-	3,202	-	-	3,202	425
2841 - Book of Remembrance - Expenditure		-	-	-	-	-	50
2932 - Christmas Tree Fund expenditure		-	-	374	-	374	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals		130,983	32,332	5,423	-	168,737	225,431
Other expenditure	3(b)						
1703 - Gifts		-	-	-	-	-	500
Other expenditure Totals		-	-	-	-	-	500
Expenditure Grand totals		132,987	32,332	5,423	-	170,742	227,441

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4. Analysis of expenditure allocation of support costs

	Direct costs	Support costs	
	£	£	TOTAL
Church building and maintenance	1,959	274	2,233
	2024	2023	
Governance Costs including Independent examiners remuneration *	274	274	

* (fees payable to the PCC's examination of the financial statements)

5. Staff costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	6,302	5,782
Number of employees	1	1

During the year the PCC employed one Parish Administrator on a part-time basis.

5(a) Payments to PCC members

A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to his services as chairman of the PCC. Similarly some PCC members were reimbursed for any relevant expenses incurred during the year.

6. Analysis of Transfer between Funds

There were no fund transfers in 2024.

6(b) Gains/losses on investment funds

The Parish Hall and Workshop funds have been adjusted downwards as the accounting system was overstating their value due to incorrect use of the accounting computer system functions that enter Debtors, Prepayments, Creditors, Accruals and Petty Cash. Consequently the Parish Hall fund has been adjusted downwards by £5,235 and the Workshop by £1,823. These adjustments correct imbalances dating back to the introduction of the computer accounting system in 2022. The fund values in the system now tally fully with the separately prepared Parish Hall and Workshop 2024 accounts.

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7. Fixed Assets

7(a) Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Land & Buildings £
Church Club	180,821
Tennis Courts	32,500
Parish Hall	415,693
Workshop	131,477
Curate's House	63,607
Total	824,098

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Club, Tennis courts, Parish Hall, Workshop and Curate's house at Hampton Road.

These assets are stated at cost. There is no revaluation policy in place. They are all held under the General Unrestricted Fund.

7(b) Investments

Investments in CBF

	2024 £	2023 £
Market value at 1 st January	2,670	2,451
Revaluation gain/(loss)	59	219
Market value at 31 st December	2,729	2,670

8. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Tax recoverable	5,120	2,968
Prepayments and accrued income	2,906	3,887
Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	4,940	5,063
Totals	12,965	11,918

9. Liabilities

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade creditors	1,394	3,507
Accruals	789	818
Other creditors	2,061	1,256
Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	1,506	2,935
Totals	5,750	8,516

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10. Funds

The Restricted Funds consists of the Legacy Youth Fund, Youth Fund, PCC Fees fund, Rimmer Garden Fund and Christmas Tree Fund. The Vision fund is partly restricted and partly designated.

The Unrestricted Fund is the General Fund.

The Designated Funds consists of the Breakfast, Book of Remembrance, Cuppa & Chat, Curates House, Church Lounge, Flowers, Holiday Club, Little Tiddlers, Organ, Parish Hall, Redgate, Workshop and Sweet Friday funds.

There are two Endowment Funds, the Rainford and Repair funds.

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11. SUMMARY OF FUND MOVEMENTS

Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
BC - Breakfast	95	606	564	-	-	-	136
BR - Book Of Remembrance	2,576	-	-	-	-	-	2,576
CC - Cuppa & Chat	169	1,946	1,974	-	-	-	142
CH - Curate House	39,326	9,000	3,202	-	-	-	45,123
CL - Church Lounge	391	-	-	-	-	-	391
CT - Christmas Tree Fund	-	170	374	-	-	-	-204
FL - Flowers	195	1,773	1,709	-	-	-	259
HC - Holiday Club	227	-	196	-	-	-	31
LT - Little Tiddlers	1,178	1,562	1,642	-	-	-	1,097
LYF - Legacy Youth Fund	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
OF - Organ	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
PCF - PCC Fees	-12	3,099	3,078	-	-	-	9
PH - Parish Hall	21,581	25,212	17,816	-	-	-5,235	23,742
RF - Rainford Fund	2,554	-	-	-	-	58	2,613
RGF - Rimmer Garden Fund	3,000	-	1,971	-	-	-	1,029
RP - Repair Fund	116	-	-	-	-	-	116
SF - Sweet Friday	-	213	40	-	-	-	173
VS - Vision	880	-	-	-	-	-	880
WS - Workshop	5,960	8,979	5,188	-	-	-1,823	7,929
YF - Youth	9,385	-	-	-	-	-	9,385
General - General Fund	814,850	125,801	132,987	-	-	-	807,664
Totals	904,472	178,362	170,742	-	-	-6,999	905,093

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

to the trustees of Holy Trinity Formby Parochial Church Council (PCC)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of PCC for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 12.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). You are satisfied that the accounts of the charity are not required by charity law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts. I have carried out my examination under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

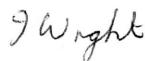
An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the consolidated accounts present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records, with respect to the Charity, were not kept as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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



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Accounts

HOLY TRINITY: THE CHURCH IN THE VILLAGE
EVERYONE: INVITED INCLUDED IMPORTANT



Holy Trinity Church Formby Annual Report for 2023

20th May 2024

I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Postal address: Holy Trinity Church, Rosemary Lane, Formby, Liverpool L37 3HA.
Email: formby.htc.office@btconnect.com | Website: www.holytrinityformby.com
Official correspondence should be sent to the Church Office at the above address.

From the beginning of 2023, the following personnel have served as PCC members for the whole of the reporting period unless stated otherwise:

Vicar Reverend Mark Stanford

Curate Reverend Julie Butcher

Churchwardens Mrs Jan Outram
Mrs Jenny Hays

Deanery Synod Representatives Mrs Val Skinner – until Feb '23
Mr John Paton (Reader) until Apr '23
but remaining on PCC
Ms Jenny Hays (Churchwarden) from Apr '23
Ms Anne Hothersall from Apr '23

Other Members Mrs Vicky Sime (Reader)
Mr Duncan Wylie (Reader) – until Apr '23
Mrs Vicky Higgins
Mrs Margaret Paton
Mr Brian Thorne (Reader) – from Apr '23

Other Ministers Ms Sylvia Beardsell (Reader)
Ms Sue Raby (Reader)
Mrs Ruth Woodward (Reader)

Honorary Treasurer Mr Phil Crow

Honorary PCC Secretary Mr Peter Hitchcock

Bankers Barclays Bank PLC, 265/267 Lord St, Southport PR8 1PD
CAF Bank Ltd, 25, Kings Hill Ave, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent. ME19 4JQ

Accountant Mr Phil Crow

Independent Examiner Ms Simone Meme (Sefton CVS)

Day-to-day management of the Church is exercised by the Vicar and the Churchwardens, who can be contacted via the Church Office: 01704 878913.

The Reverend Mark Stanford is Vicar of both Holy Trinity Church, Formby, and the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Altcar, which form a United Benefice. The Reverend Julie Butcher is Curate of Holy Trinity and of St. Michael's also. She was Priested at Liverpool Cathedral on 10th June, 2023.

II. STRUCTURE, MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

A. General

Holy Trinity United Benefice incorporates Holy Trinity Church in Rosemary Lane and the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Altcar. The 6 Readers listed in Part I, together with the 2 Churchwardens, form the Ministry Team.

Holy Trinity PCC is a body corporate and operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission, and all elected members of the PCC are registered as Trustees. Our Charity Number is 1131722.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register for the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Elected PCC Members serve for a three-year term and one third are eligible to retire each year by rotation. The PCC is represented on the governing body of Trinity St Peter's Primary School and we aim to hold at least one meeting each year at the school.

The PCC operates with five committees and a number of officers and representatives as listed below (effective following the APCM of April 2023).

Standing Committee	Required by law to transact any business between PCC meetings
	Vicar (Chair), two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer, Hon Secretary, one PCC representative
Fabric Committee (now Incorp into Std Cttee)	Responsible for all buildings belonging to the Church
	Vicar, two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer
Finance Committee	Responsible for budgets and control of finances
	Vicar (Chair), Hon Treasurer, two Churchwardens, Ann Urmston (Parish Giving Officer), one PCC representative
Parish Hall Committee	Runs and maintains the Parish Hall
Accountable to Fabric Cttee	Philip Eastwood (Chair), Ann Urmston (Treasurer)
Workshop Committee	Runs and maintains the Workshop
Accountable to Fabric Committee	Maggie Flodman (Chair), Jan Outram (Treasurer), Alison Stennet
Churches Together	Vicar, Helen Davies
Stewardship Officer	Ann Urmston
Health & Safety Officers	Vicky Sime, Jenny Hays supported by Jan Outram - Churchwarden
Safeguarding Officer	Phil Eastwood

Minutes of each PCC meeting are available for inspection in the church office after they have been approved at the preceding meeting.

A Note and Tribute must be made here to Mrs Jean Raybould who passed away suddenly on 12 Sep 23. She had been a loyal and trusting servant of Holy Trinity for much of her life and was Hon. Secretary of the PCC for 7 years – 2014-2021. Jean was a true Christian and her dedication, thoroughness, friendly personality and a willingness to help others before herself was her trademark and she will be

remembered by her legion of friends in the community for many years to come. A Service of Thanksgiving was held at Holy Trinity with a Memorial Service on 27 Sep.

B. Risk Assessment

The PCC ensures that health and safety legislation is complied with. Procedures are in place for recording accidents. Lists of first-aiders are kept at Rosemary Lane. All assets are insured; cover is reviewed annually and approved by the PCC. During the year, no accidents were recorded and there was no cause to employ any legal adviser on behalf of the PCC. [See also para D, below].

C. Safeguarding Our Safeguarding policy continues to be displayed in the Church and its implementation is overseen by the PCC. The safeguarding Officer is Mr. Philip Eastwood who is also the Children's advocate. The PCC and officers continue to ensure that every person working with children and/or vulnerable adults has a current DBS check. The Policy is reviewed annually and was updated in Jan 2024; only one small incident was brought to the attention of the relevant officers during 2023 and this was promptly dealt with internally.

D. Health & Safety

Following a complete H&S review last year, Vicky Sime (officer i/c) supported by both Wardens, the Parish Hall officer and Mr. Stephen Griffiths, undertook a comprehensive review of risk and H&S factors in both the main church building and the Parish Hall as well the Workshop during 2023. All fire exits were assessed for functionality and conformity to regulations; any chemical fluids used for cleaning, surplus to requirements, were disposed of with the remaining items kept under lock and key and clearly marked. In the interests of minimising any fire risk, work is on-going to reduce the amount of equipment stored in the Parish Hall. Daily monitoring is automatically undertaken by the Churchwardens.

E. Serious Incidents

The PCC is unaware of any serious incident during the year which resulted or could have resulted in a significant loss of funds or a significant risk to the charity's property, work, beneficiaries or reputation. The PCC minutes for the year stand as a record that no such serious incident has occurred.

III. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 states that the PCC 'is to cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical'. When planning activities for the year, the PCC gives consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

Our vision is that we may be living proof of Jesus Christ and lead others to believe in Him, offering worship and a welcome with God's love as central in the heart of Formby. We are a church wanting to draw out a living faith in people of all ages, working as partners to this aim with the other churches in Formby. Our objectives below are testament to our efforts to draw more people into our growing Church.

Fit for Mission. The first of at least 5 major HT objectives in 2023 was the continuation of Archbishop's Pete's aims of last year; namely, introducing people to Jesus; developing/growing Christian leaders, deepening discipleship, and, working for justice. Although our Deanery has been earmarked for Phase 3 of this undertaking, (2025 involvement), the Vicar is, and always has been, keen for HT to embark on this objective and 'get ahead of the game', so to speak. An excellent example of this, mentioned in the last report, was the Alpha course held in Nov 22. Also, this year, Mark introduced to parishioners Robin Gamble's book 'Jesus 100' whereby everyone possible was urged to read 5 chapters per week which he reinforced by relevant explanations during Sunday services. Over 60 books were sold and the word is spreading. The Vicar is very passionate that, at HT, we keep spreading the word and inviting and encouraging people to learn a bit more about the Church, the Word and exuding friendship; hence, the coffee mornings held in both the Church and the Workshop with the overarching ambience of a 'Welcome In' to the community.

Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG). A major objective which manifested itself in 2023 was LyCiG – a 2 year process in which the United Benefice Church Councils agreed to participate and engage. It is a process which invites and potentially involves all parishioners and has, within it, 6 aims which are well known and do not need repeating here. But, our end objective is to pray and work towards Growth within our own church community and to ensure our Joint Benefice is an inviting and welcoming body. A National initiative in itself, the local devolution is to the Diocese Parish Development Minister, the Reverend Neil Short, Vicar of St. Michael's, Blundellsands, and Mark invited him to a HT PCC meeting on 10 July to explain the concept to members and how it would work including the timescales of future progress meetings. The next stage involved Mark, our Vicar, Jenny Hays and Vicky Sime (Churchwarden and Reader respectively and both PCC members) and Sue Taylor from St. Michael's and All Angels, Altcar, attending a 3-day LyCiG conference in Derbyshire in Nov 23 as an instruction and grounding of what to strive for in our Parish over the next 2 years and to effect the missions aims. Then, at a joint PCC in Dec, Vicky gave a 2-way presentation concentrating on Church Growth. The ongoing intent is to hold these joint meetings 2-monthly to focus on specific aims and carry them forward. Mark is also forming a smaller working group to help in this task. The Curate has already attended this course before the pandemic so has been able to offer considerable advice and valuable 'steers'.

Network of Kindness. In May, the Curate introduced parishioners to the 'Network of Kindness' initiative which essentially examines what churches are able to offer in terms of projects/events to make a difference to the community. She produced a chart of deanery church activities to identify any areas of gap or overlap. The 'cuppa and a chat', the prayer evenings and the 'Loft' (men's gathering) are examples of trying to unite, uplift and help the local community.

Eco Church. Mid-year, Julie also took up the reins from our previous Curate of the Eco Church objective. Already, some of the youngsters in Pizza Eaters and the Scouts/Guides are involved and Julie has capitalised on their enthusiasm in creating a more environmentally friendly church surrounds such as: bee-attracting wild flowers, bird/bat/hedgehog boxes, bug hotels. Some of these ideas are now in place so thinking is expanding to helping with beach clean-ups and utilising more Fairtrade commodities and starting bird-watching census days. It is an evolving mission.

Supporting Tanzania (UK) Trust. For some years now, initially through the work of Laura Neilson, a former HT parishioner, HT has supported the Tanzania Trust in their vision of strengthening support for the Capital Christian Centre Church in Dodoma and introducing more followers into the faith, encouraging the Tazama na Tunza Health centre in best practice and, very importantly, assisting both financially and physically in a new build Health Centre at Nduli. In the last year, the latter task has gone from a field to a well-built outer structure already. Accordingly in March, Mark flew out to the area with some members of the (UK)Trust to see the work for himself and assist in whatever way he could while he was there. He also briefed the Benefice before he went refreshing everyone on this Charity work and its future aims. He started a fund-raising campaign to not only support the health centre build but also raise funds for our own Parish hall boiler system which needed upgrading. As ever, support was instant and overwhelming and, in Dec 23, the HT Treasurer was able to send £6961 to the Tanzania (UK) Trust and a further £11,311 towards the boiler replacement.

Other Activities.

- a. King Charles III Coronation. The new Monarch's Coronation, of course, was a major National event into which HT wholly immersed itself. On Fri 5th May, 2 vigils of prayer and readings were held at St. Maichael's and All Angels followed by one at HT. On Sunday 7th, services were held at both churches and an additional Parade Service held in the afternoon at HT. Also, that same morning, HT put on a special monthly 'breakfast' for churchgoers in the Parish Hall offering celebratory "bubbly" and croissants in addition to the usual cooked meal.
- b. Sweet Friday's. Throughout the year, Sam Stanford, the vicar's wife, has organised a series of social gatherings for the 'women of the community' to get-together for fun, friendship and cake. Five events were held in 2023 providing a relaxing, social union amongst friends, old and new.
- c. Burn's and Trafalgar Nights. Two dinners were held in the Parish Hall organised by the Vicar and Sam: Burn's Night on 20 Jan – with Piper - and Trafalgar Night on 20 Oct. The organisers did all the arranging and cooking and both occasions were extremely enjoyable and unifying.
- d. Musical Events. By request, several musical events were held during the year in the Church which helps bring the wider community into HT. Both the Liverpool Male Voice Choir and Formby Choral Society sang again as did the 'Pearl of Africa' gospel choir (Ubuntu) in concert with Formby High School. In the Summer, a 9-year old pianist played a concert in aid of Sudan, for charity. The events possibly plant seeds of thought in folk about visiting again on a more regular basis.

IV. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

A. Number on the Electoral Roll and Sunday Attendance

i. Electoral Roll

The number on the electoral roll as at the APCM in 2023 was 159 (162 in 2022).

ii. Sunday Attendance

The average service attendance was as follows:

8.30am	Holy Communion -	32 adults + 2 children	(28 adults in 2022)
10.00am	Family Worship –	21 adults + 5 children	(17 + 5 in 2022)
11.15am	Morning Worship -	44 adults	(34 in 2022)

B. Pastoral Care and Service to our Community

Below are reports on some of the activities through which we exercise our mission in the church and in our local community.

Bible Study Groups

Pizza Eaters continues to meet once a month, usually on the first Wednesday, 6.30 to 8pm and have 11 regular members. We have been creative, using our talents to decorate the windows of the Church, according to the seasons. We have taken on some ecological ideas, such as composting and wormery, for the Church grounds. We have taken part in several services, and some of the young people are proficient at 'manning' the sound and power point desk. This year, many of our members started their GCSE year, and we have been praying for them to be able to cope and not be too stressed. We continue to try to have fun and friendship, supporting each other and above all, drawing closer to Jesus.

The Bible Study Group who meet fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons, at Elisabeth's house, have been studying: firstly the end of the book Jesus 100, then Colossians, then Joel. We are a very small group and would be delighted if other people would like to join us.

The Bible Study Group who meet 3 weekly on Sunday evenings, at various homes, have been following the different sermon series subjects throughout the year. We are another small group, many people unable to attend because of work and family commitments. But we still keep in contact and give prayer and support when problems arise.

The Prayer Group who meet on Thursday evenings at 7pm to 8pm, were given the name Prayer Club by a relative of one of the attendees, which has stuck. During the winter months we met in each other's homes, but mainly we meet in the Prayer room. We pray for whatever is needed that week, nationally, internationally, locally, or simply church matters. All are very welcome to just drop in, and stay as long as they like.

Sylvia Beardsell

For more info about any of these, please ring Sylvia on 07872 314103

Little Tiddlers/Toddler Group We have pleasure in submitting our report on the Toddler Group during 2023. It is pleasing to note that we still attract a large number of children, parents, grandparents and carers to our Monday morning meetings. We provided a Christmas party for 51 children which again included a visit from Father Christmas. Once again, Caroline Collins has been providing crafts on a regular basis and also leading our Christmas Eve Toddler Service. Our year has taken the usual format with Easter, Harvest and Christmas being celebrated. Thanks are due to Sue Robertson who has kindly joined us and to Margaret and Simon Johnson and Sue Murray, our ace “packer-uppers”. Thanks are also due again to our band of Tea Ladies. Thank you, all of you. We could not manage to run the Group with the numbers we attract without you. On a very sad note, we were extremely upset to lose Jean Raybould. Jean was a great friend to us, both personally and to the Toddler Group. We miss you very much, Jean.

We have been pleased to do our bit as a kind of “outreach” for young Mums, grandparents etc of the community who can find it quite isolating looking after children on their own.

Barbara Smith and Joyce O’Connell

Mothers’ Union As usual, the Mothers’ Union held a full programme of events during 2023 including our coffee morning in the Workshop and our strawberries and ‘bubbly’ afternoon in July. We had some very interesting speakers, covering a wide range of topics. As we have no official leader, we are working as a committee of 6 with the Vicar. This seems to be working out well. Sadly, we have lost some of our long standing members but we have been recently pleased to welcome some new members.

Joyce O’Connell

Holy Trinity (4th Formby) Scouts The last year has seen a bounce back in numbers, the Scout Association Census in January saw us reporting a total of 49 young people, however that figure has grown since, with a waiting list for spaces in Beavers.

Our Adult numbers have remained quite stable but with an increase in the numbers on our Trustee board. For the third year in a row, we have a former Scout stay on as Leader as he turned 18, after helping with our Beaver section as a Young Leader. I have high hopes to repeat that again for the coming year too.

As reported last year, one of our younger Leaders did attend the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea as a member of the Support Team and yes, it was as wet as shown on the news.

Looking back across the year at all of the activities our Young People have been involved in it’s difficult to know where to start. All three sections have attended District and County events throughout the year and some of the activities they have tried have been sailing, bowling, shooting air rifles, throwing tomahawks, paddling dragon boats, with taster sessions of fencing and golf.

Our Scouts entered two Teams in the annual Great Escape competition at Tawd Vale, placing well in the overall standings with one team winning the Best Team Spirit award. We also fielded a Team in the Beavan Challenge, who again fared well.

Cubs have entered Swimming, Athletics and Skills competitions, placing 4th in the District Pack of the Year. Beavers participated in many events too.

We also took a group of Cubs for a sleep-over at the Catalyst Museum in Widnes, whilst it may not sound like a good trip out for 8-10 year olds, it was actually a great trip. Sleeping in the viewing gallery at the top of the museum, with a 360 degree panorama was probably the highlight. The view being surprisingly picturesque considering its location.

Many of our Beavers came along for a visit to the Police Helicopter at the National Police Air Service base at Hawarden airport, where we were very well looked after. The Beavers also attended the Liverpool University Science Jamboree, where they spent the time experimenting and having fun.

Our Group Camp in late June at Tawd Vale was a success. Due to COVID, many of our Young People had not camped before, so the Leaders decided to set up on the Friday evening, for the Young People to arrive Saturday morning for a slow time day of pitching tents and introduction to camp duties and Scouting skills. And of course, it was on the Friday evening that it rained. It was wet, very very wet!



Sefton North Scout District organised a Cub hike around the dunes and woods at Ainsdale, with 180 Cubs attending which produced some unusual photographs.



The Scout Christmas Post was a success again this year, as was the fund-raising Tombola stall at the Christmas Light switch on. *John Carr*

Holy Trinity Guides and Brownies

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Helen Gillon

Fell Walking Club 2023 was a challenging year for the club. We had good walks in the following venues: Ambleside, Llangollen, Grassington, Ingleton, Coniston, Sedbergh, Llanberis, Grasmere and Conwy. Unfortunately, the number of members on the coaches was below what we needed to break even. This resulted in a shortfall in our account. Fortunately, it was not necessary to draw on our reserves. We are addressing this issue with greater publicity and in raising the subs. We hope for more consistency in attendance during the coming year. Our festive Meal was again taken in the Parish Hall, it was a happy occasion catered for by Martin. This has been my first year as Chairman and I have a good team of Committee members to support me. We are a friendly group and welcome new members. *Pat Guy*

Parish Breakfast The tradition continued throughout 2023 with steady average attendances of about 33 parishioners on the 1st Sunday of each month. Two volunteer teams, under the respective helmsmanships of Steve Griffiths and myself, took turn and turn about each month to prepare, cook and serve the meals. Afterwards, some of the guests always help with the washing up! During the year, some 360 meals were served, the biggest turnout by far – over 60 - being for the special Coronation celebrations over the May 6/7th weekend. A special meal was laid on which included, over and above the usual trimmings, black pudding, croissants and Prosecco/OJ. The Parish Hall was suitably decorated with Union Flag bunting with table coverings and napkins to match. The monthly breakfasts will continue next year and, if any reader has an inclination to volunteer and join a team, please feel free to contact either Stephen Griffiths or Peter Hitchcock via the Church Office.

Peter Hitchcock

The Workshop In 2023, as in the previous 23 years at The Workshop, we have aimed to provide a safe and pleasant meeting place for both Holy Trinity and the wider community. Our regular groups, who hire the hall and provide us with the income to maintain the building, offer Yoga, Pilates, U3A, Conquest Art and Zest for Life. WOW is Holy Trinity's own twice monthly Knit & Natter Group. In December we were able to transfer £1,000 to the PCC.

From Holy Trinity, throughout the year, we have our uniformed organisations using The Workshop and often its surrounding grounds. The Workshop was originally constructed for the use of those thriving youth groups and their dedicated and loyal leaders.

Our biggest and most important outreach into the community is our Saturday Coffee Morning. Our aim is to provide a warm and friendly place for refreshments and where everyone in the community will feel welcome and included.

We encourage organisations from outside Holy Trinity to share the weekly Saturday Rota so that we can be open each and every Saturday during the year. In 2023 we had bookings from "Formby Squirrels", The Walton Centre and Inner Wheel. From our own Church community we were hosted by Mothers Union, St Michael's Church and our Scouts.

We are so grateful for the small band of very hardworking volunteers without whom we could not keep our Saturday Coffee Mornings going. We would welcome with wide open arms anyone who would like to join the teams.

We are extremely grateful to our lovely, friendly, regular customers who make it all worthwhile.

Maggie Flodman

Parish Hall The Parish Hall has had another successful year during 2023. The Hall is a real asset and is now used practically constantly throughout the week by a wide range of different groups and is truly a part of the local community of Formby as well as the church. Karate, Formby Choral Society, Formby artists, British Legion, Scottish dancing, several line dancing groups and fitness classes are among some of the regular weekly bookings together with the popular monthly markets and many one off bookings for parties or social events.

As usual the Hall has been the centre of the churches social activities and outreach. Monday mornings see Mums and Toddlers meet and the monthly Parish Breakfasts are as popular as ever. During 2023 it has also been lovely to continue to welcome 'Sweet Fridays', the regular ladies evening hosted by Sam. A number of other church social events including the Burns Night supper have also been hosted in the hall.

Throughout 2023 we have continued to maintain and refurbish the hall so as to keep the overall fabric of the building, which is now well over 100 years old, in good order. Historically our largest challenge has always been the aging heating system which was extremely inefficient and very expensive to run. The boiler finally gave up, after many years' service, in late winter and we were without heating for a number of months. However, following a fund-raising effort across church as well as some reserve funds held by the hall, a replacement boiler was able to be funded and this was fitted during the Autumn. We are already seeing savings in the heating bills for the hall as the new boiler is much more effective, efficient and reliable. We would like to thank all those who supported the boiler project whether financially or practically by being part of the working group put together to manage the works.

In summary, during 2023, the Parish Hall continued to be a well-used and valued asset for both community and church use and we are sure that the building will continue to be at the centre of Formby and church life during 2024. Future plans for the coming year include an upgrading to the electrics including the emergency lighting and the potential purchase of some new seating.

Philip Eastwood

V. CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT INCLUDING FABRIC The Church Wardens again have had another busy and demanding year partly due to the need for another Deputy Church Warden and being particularly busy with events. Thank you to all who have helped and supported us throughout the year and taken up so many duties. This does ease the pressure.

There has been one major repair necessary to the fabric. A glass panel in the front porch canopy of the Church was damaged and had to be replaced. The work was completed as an insurance claim.

Minor work. The exit door at the North Side of the Church has been repaired. The bolt on the LH door was broken. A push bar has been fitted on both doors for easy exit and to make the door secure.

The 5-year legal electrical inspection required by Ecclesiastical Insurance across the site commenced in the Autumn 23. This has now been completed in all buildings. All remedial work in Church, Workshop and Parish Hall has been done to required legal standards and certificated. The inspection took much longer than expected, particularly in the Church as there were many wires and extensions that were not connected or in some cases not earthed. These had to be tracked down from the fuse boxes to source and determined whether still required, sealed off if not and made legal if still in use. A long process. Certificates will now be issued.

The Health & Safety Officer supported by Church Wardens has been reviewing existing risk assessments and writing new ones where applicable. Fire Risk Assessments highlighted some issues in the Parish Hall that are being addressed. An initial inspection was carried out in July 23 with our Fire Safety Officer and Church Wardens plus Phil Eastwood. Several issues were raised, the major one being testing the fire alarm that wasn't happening. The system was tested by an outside contractor and found to be in good working order. The system should be tested weekly, but this is proving to be difficult due to the high usage of the Parish Hall and the number of people available to do it. Fire doors were assessed for easy existing of the building.

Hatching to stop parking in front of the fire doors outside is required along with signage. A thorough assessment and removal of unwanted items from the stage area is needed. A team effort is required to achieve this. There is a query over existing fire doors as to whether they meet current fire regulations. Advice has been requested from the Diocese, and we are waiting for a response. *Jenny Hays*

VI. FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts for 2023 and the report of the Independent Examiner are set out in the enclosed Annex.

VII. VICAR'S REPORT In 2023, we continued to shape our life around Diocesan Rule of Life: to pray, read, learn and tell, serve, give. In particular:

- Church members read Jesus 100 by Robin Gamble between Christmas and Easter which was accompanied by daily online devotionals on the Benefice YouTube channel and a sermon series. The engagement with this material was strong with over 60 members reading the book for themselves.
- In the Summer, we joined with the Bishop's Bible Challenge to read the Book of Acts focussing on Paul's missionary journeys in our preaching.
- Autumn saw a focus on Creation and the Environment in our worship as we utilised the "A Time for Creation" material recommended by the House of Bishops.
- To focus on stewardship, we followed this material with the Diocese material, Generous Harvest.

In the Autumn, both PCC's committed to joining the Leading your Church into Growth programme, two members of Holy Trinity PCC accompanied the Vicar and we are now well into the process of delivering this across the church.

Other memorable highlights from the year included:

- Our inaugural Burn's Night Supper
- Special services praying for and celebrating the coronation of King Charles III
- Attending the cathedral to witness Julie's ordination to the priesthood, this was followed by a memorable joint benefice service when we were joined by guest preacher Rev. Dr. Cannon Michael Leydon, principal of Emmanuel Theological College.
- Trinity Sunday gift day which successfully raised significant funds to enable the replacement of the Parish Hall boiler and contribute to the building of a health centre in Nduli, Tanzania, following my mission trip in the Spring.
- The Trafalgar Night Supper.

As always, my thanks go to all those who work behind the scenes to make Holy Trinity such a vibrant place to belong, where increasingly everyone is Invited, Included and Important. Finally, I want to recognise the contributions to our parish Life of Bill Douglas, Ron Whitehead and Jean Raybould as we commend them to God with confidence.

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	2(a)	122,882	24,053	3,000	-	149,935	117,011
Income from charitable activities	2(b)	6,811	43,404	4,249	-	54,465	44,645
Other trading activities	2(c)	16,843	9,000	-	-	25,843	29,310
Investments	2(d)	453	-	-	-	453	137
Other income	2(e)	9,124	-	-	-	9,124	3,450
Total income		156,114	76,457	7,249	-	239,820	194,553
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	3(a)	1,510	-	-	-	1,510	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	3(a)	153,061	68,089	4,281	-	225,431	185,498
Other expenditure	3(b)	500	-	-	-	500	-
Total expenditure		155,071	68,089	4,281	-	227,441	185,498
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		1,043	8,368	2,968	-	12,379	9,055
Transfers							
Gross transfers between funds - in	6	-	-	-	-	-	2,378
Gross transfers between funds - out		-	-	-	-	-	(2,378)
Other recognised gains / losses							
Gains/losses on investment assets		(0)	-	-	220	219	(311)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	11	1,043	8,368	2,968	220	12,598	8,744
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		813,807	64,211	11,405	2,451	891,874	883,130
Total funds carried forward		814,850	72,579	14,373	2,670	904,472	891,874

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Balance Sheet

	Note	As at 31/12/2023	As at 31/12/2022
Fixed assets			
Tangible Assets	7(a)	824,098	824,098
		824,098	824,098
Current assets			
Debtors	8	11,918	8,320
Investments	7(b)	2,670	2,451
Cash At Bank And In Hand		74,302	64,868
		88,891	75,638
Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due in One Year	9	8,516	7,862
		8,516	7,862
Net current assets less current liabilities			
		80,374	67,776
Total assets less current liabilities			
		904,472	891,874
Liabilities			
		-	-
Total net assets less liabilities			
		904,472	891,874
Represented by			
Unrestricted			
Unrestricted - General Funds	10	814,850	813,807
Designated			
Designated - Book Of Remembrance	10	2,576	2,546
Designated - Breakfast		95	56
Designated - Church Lounge		391	391
Designated - Cuppa & Chat		169	125
Designated - Curate House		39,326	30,751
Designated - Flowers		195	68
Designated - Holiday Club		227	227
Designated - Little Tiddlers		1,178	1,148
Designated - Organ		2	2

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Designated - Parish Hall	21,581	22,922
Designated - Redgate	-	39
Designated - Vision	880	1,499
Designated - Workshop	5,960	4,437
Restricted	10	
Restricted - Legacy Youth Fund	2,000	2,000
Restricted - PCC Fees	(12)	20
Restricted - Rimmer Garden Fund	3,000	-
Restricted - Youth	9,385	9,385
Endowment	10	
Endowment - Rainford Fund	2,554	2,335
Endowment - Repair Fund	116	116
Fund Totals	904,472	891,874

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by

P. M. Crow

P.M.Crow

PCC Treasurer.

Date: 13th May 2024.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, and with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16th July 2014, and with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006.

Recognition of income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: The charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).

Legacies

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity Investments

These are valued at cost.

Fixed asset investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end.

Debtors

Debtors are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

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2. INCOME & ENDOWMENTS

Note Unrestricted Designated Restricted Endowment					Total
				This year	Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies		2(a)			
0101 - Planned Giving - Parish Giving Scheme - Donations	52,527	-	-	52,527	54,547
0102 - Planned Giving - Standing Orders	15,971	-	-	15,971	19,472
0110 - Planned Giving - Envelopes	1,219	-	-	1,219	1,828
0204 - Just Giving	624	-	-	624	1,169
0205 - Collections - SumUp	290	-	-	290	1,093
0301 - Collections - Open Plate	6,424	-	-	6,424	4,875
0550 - Donations appeals etc	11,506	11,311	-	22,817	4,319
0551 - Donations from PH, WS or Clubs	4,999	10,000	-	14,999	4,645
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	6,828	2,742	-	9,570	6,112
0602 - Tax Recoverable - Parish Giving Scheme	11,370	-	-	11,370	11,705
0701 - Legacies	9,947	-	3,000	12,947	6,000
0901 - Other funds generated	1,177	-	-	1,177	1,246
Donations and legacies Totals		122,882	24,053	3,000	- 149,935 117,011
Income from charitable activities 2(b)					
1101 - PCC Fees for weddings funerals etc	5,529	60	-	5,589	3,121
1102 - PCC Fees allocated to LDBF	-	-	4,249	4,249	3,250
1221 - Fundraising events	1,282	-	-	1,282	-
1230 - Parish Hall - Income	-	29,879	-	29,879	27,606
1232 - Workshop - Income	-	8,810	-	8,810	7,166
1234 - Breakfast - Income	-	837	-	837	405
1235 - Little Tiddlers - Income	-	1,394	-	1,394	1,070
1236 - Cuppa & chat - Income	-	901	-	901	632
1237 - Flower Fund - Income	-	1,503	-	1,503	1,365
1239 - Book of Remembrance - Income	-	20	-	20	30
Income from charitable activities Totals		6,811	43,404	4,249	- 54,465 44,645

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2. INCOME continued

Note Unrestricted Designated Restricted Endowment						This year	Last year	Total
Other trading activities		2(c)						
1030 - Sports Club		6,325	-	-	-	6,325	6,201	
1031 - Curate's House - Income		-	9,000	-	-	9,000	10,332	
1222 - Non-charitable trading		5,973	-	-	-	5,973	9,847	
1231 - Church Hire		4,545	-	-	-	4,545	2,930	
Other trading activities Totals		16,843	9,000	-	-	25,843	29,310	
Investments		2(d)						
1001 - Dividends		70	-	-	-	70	69	
1020 - Bank and building society interest		383	-	-	-	383	68	
Investments Totals		453	-	-	-	453	137	
Other income		2(e)						
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants		2,090	-	-	-	2,090	3,450	
1310 - Insurance claims		7,034	-	-	-	7,034	-	
Other income Totals		9,124	-	-	-	9,124	3,450	
Income and endowments Grand totals		156,114	76,457	7,249	-	239,820	194,553	

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3. EXPENDITURE	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
EXPENDITURE ON: NOTE						
Raising funds	3(a)					
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	1,510	-	-	-	1,510	-
Raising funds Totals	1,510	-	-	-	1,510	-
Expenditure on charitable activities 3(a)						
1702 - LDBF costs	300	-	4,281	-	4,581	3,330
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	6,861	-	-	-	6,861	1,066
1850 - Home mission	396	-	-	-	396	183
1870 - Secular charities	210	-	-	-	210	1,853
1910 - Parish Share	95,961	-	-	-	95,961	107,425
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	5,782	-	-	-	5,782	5,365
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	693	-	-	-	693	1,089
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	4,017	-	-	-	4,017	3,896
2201 - Parish training and mission	880	-	-	-	880	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	7,653	-	-	-	7,653	7,583
2302 - Church running expenses - other	3,910	-	-	-	3,910	5,618
2303 - Redgate - Expenditure	-	39	-	-	39	542
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	761	-	-	-	761	492
2330 - Church maintenance	13,290	-	-	-	13,290	6,822
2331 - Cleaning	1,826	-	-	-	1,826	1,425
2340 - Upkeep of services	219	-	-	-	219	542
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	-	-	-	-	-	1,385
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	8,205	-	-	-	8,205	5,390
2501 - Photocopier Printing & magazine costs	1,824	-	-	-	1,824	1,809
2560 - Parish Hall - Expenditure	-	31,220	-	-	31,220	14,697
2561 - Workshop -Expenditure	-	7,287	-	-	7,287	5,128
2563 - Breakfast - Expenditure	-	798	-	-	798	529
2564 - Little Tiddlers - Expenditure	-	1,365	-	-	1,365	1,269
2565 - Cuppa & chat - Expenditure	-	856	-	-	856	644
2566 - Flower Fund - Expenditure	-	1,376	-	-	1,376	1,297
2601 - Governance costs Accountancy fees & examination/audit fee & accounting software	274	-	-	-	274	1,206

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EXPENDITURE continued	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	-	24,672	-	-	24,672	-
2840 - Curate's House - Expenditure	-	425	-	-	425	4,914
2841 - Book of Remembrance - Expenditure	-	50	-	-	50	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	153,061	68,089	4,281	-	225,431	185,498
Totals						
Other expenditure	3(b)					
1703 - Gifts	500	-	-	-	500	-
Other expenditure Totals	500	-	-	-	500	-
Expenditure Grand totals	155,071	68,089	4,281	-	227,441	185,498

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4. Analysis of expenditure allocation of support costs

	Direct costs	Support costs	TOTAL
	£	£	
Church building and maintenance	13,290	274	13,564
	2023	2022	
Governance Costs including Independent examiners remuneration *	274	1,206	

* (fees payable to the PCC's examination of the financial statements)

5. Staff costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	5,782	5,365
Number of employees	1	1

During the year the PCC employed one Parish Administrator on a part-time basis.

5(a) Payments to PCC members

A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to his services as chairman of the PCC. Similarly some PCC members were reimbursed for any relevant expenses incurred during the year.

6. Analysis of Transfer between Funds

There were no fund transfers in 2023.

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7. Fixed Assets

7(a) Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Land & Buildings £
Church Club	180,821
Tennis Courts	32,500
Parish Hall	415,693
Workshop	131,477
Curate's House	63,607
Total	824,098

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Club, Tennis courts, Parish Hall, Workshop and Curate's house at Hampton Road.

These assets are stated at cost. There is no revaluation policy in place. They are all held under the General Unrestricted Fund.

7(b) Investments

Investments in CBF

	2023 £	2022 £
Market value at 1 st January 2023	2,451	2,762
Revaluation gain/(loss)	219	(311)
Market value at 31 st December 2023	2,670	2,451

8. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Tax recoverable	2,968	3,162
Prepayments and accrued income	3,887	2,196
Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	5,063	2,962
Totals	11,918	8,320

9. Liabilities

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade creditors	3,507	2,383
Accruals	818	1,840
Other creditors	1,256	1,965
Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	2,935	1,675
Totals	8,516	7,862

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10. Funds

The Restricted Funds consists of the Legacy Youth Fund, Youth Fund, PCC Fees fund and Rimmer Garden Fund. The Vision fund is partly restricted and partly designated.

The Unrestricted Fund is the General Fund.

The Designated Funds consists of the Breakfast, Book of Remembrance, Cuppa & Chat, Curates House, Church Lounge, Flowers, Holiday Club, Little Tiddlers, Organ, Parish Hall, Redgate and Workshop funds.

There are two Endowment Funds, the Rainford and Repair funds.

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11. SUMMARY OF FUND MOVEMENTS

Fund	Fund balances	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances
	brought forward						Carried forward
BC - Breakfast	56	837	798	-	-	-	95
BR - Book Of Remembrance	2,546	80	50	-	-	-	2,576
CC - Cuppa & Chat	125	901	856	-	-	-	169
CH - Curate House	30,751	9,000	425	-	-	-	39,326
CL - Church Lounge	391	-	-	-	-	-	391
FL - Flowers	68	1,503	1,376	-	-	-	195
HC - Holiday Club	227	-	-	-	-	-	227
LT - Little Tiddlers	1,148	1,394	1,365	-	-	-	1,178
LYF - Legacy Youth Fund	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
OF - Organ	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
PCF - PCC Fees	20	4,249	4,281	-	-	-	-12
PH - Parish Hall	22,922	29,879	31,220	-	-	-	21,581
RF - Rainford Fund	2,335	-	-	-	-	-	2,554
RG - Redgate	39	-	39	-	-	-	-
RGF - Rimmer Garden Fund	-	3,000	-	-	-	-	3,000
RP - Repair Fund	116	-	-	-	-	-	116
VS - Vision	1,499	24,053	24,672	-	-	-	880
WS - Workshop	4,437	8,810	7,287	-	-	-	5,960
YF - Youth	9,385	-	-	-	-	-	9,385
General - General Fund	813,807	156,114	155,071	-	-	0	814,850
Totals	891,874	239,820	227,441	-	-	219	904,472

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I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Official correspondence should be sent to the Church Office at the above address.

From the beginning of 2022, the following personnel have served as PCC members for the whole of the reporting period unless stated otherwise:

Vicar	Reverend Mark Stanford
Curate	Reverend Julie Butcher (1 st meeting Sep)
Churchwardens	Mrs Jan Outram Ms Jenny Hays
Deanery Synod Representatives	Mr John Paton (Reader) Mrs Val Skinner
Other Members	Mrs Vicky Sime (Reader) Mr Duncan Wylie (Reader) Mrs Vicky Higgins Mrs Margaret Paton
Other Ministers	Mr Brian Thorne (Reader) Ms Sylvia Beardsell (Reader) Ms Sue Raby (Reader) Mrs Ruth Woodward (Reader)
Honorary Treasurer	Mr Phil Crow
Honorary PCC Secretary	Mr Peter Hitchcock

Bankers Barclays Bank PLC, 265/267 Lord St, Southport PR8 1PD
CAF Bank Ltd, 25, Kings Hill Ave, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent. ME19 4JQ

Accountant Mr Phil Crow

Independent Examiner Anthony Deegan (Sefton CVS)

Day-to-day management of the Church is exercised by the Vicar and the Churchwardens, who can be contacted via the Church Office: 01704 878913.

The Reverend Mark Stanford is Vicar of both Holy Trinity Church, Formby, and the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Altcar, which form a United Benefice. The Reverend Julie Butcher is Curate of Holy Trinity and St. Michael's also, having joined the Benefice in June 2022.

II. STRUCTURE, MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

A. General

Holy Trinity United Benefice incorporates Holy Trinity Church in Rosemary Lane and the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Altcar. The former 'plant' church at Redgate ceased during all the lockdowns and has now been fully subsumed within the Holy Trinity structure including the conducting personnel and its congregation.

The Reverend Julie Butcher joined Holy Trinity as Curate following her Ordination on 26 June 2022 and has already contributed tremendously to the overall functioning of the church. She has been warmly welcomed and her 'Priesting' will take place on 10 Jun 2023 at Liverpool Cathedral. The 6 Readers listed in Part I, together with the 2 Churchwardens, form the Ministry Team.

Holy Trinity PCC is a body corporate and operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission, and all elected members of the PCC are registered as Trustees. Our Charity Number is 1131722.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register for the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Elected PCC Members serve for a three-year term and one third are eligible to retire each year by rotation. The PCC is represented on the governing body of Trinity St Peter's Primary School and we aim to hold at least one meeting each year at the school.

The PCC operates with five committees and a number of officers and representatives as listed below (effective following the APCM of May 2022).

Standing Committee	Required by law to transact any business between PCC meetings
	Vicar (Chair), two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer, Hon Secretary, one PCC representative
Fabric Committee (now Incorp into Std Cttee)	Responsible for all buildings belonging to the Church Vicar, two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer
Finance Committee	Responsible for budgets and control of finances Vicar (Chair), Hon Treasurer, two Churchwardens, Ann Urmston (Parish Giving Officer), one PCC representative
Parish Hall Committee	Runs and maintains the Parish Hall Accountable to Fabric Cttee Philip Eastwood (Chair), Ann Urmston (Treasurer)
Workshop Committee	Runs and maintains the Workshop Accountable to Fabric Committee Maggie Flodman (Chair), Jan Outram (Treasurer), Alison Stennet
Churches Together	Vicar, Helen Davies
Stewardship Officer	Ann Urmston
Health & Safety Officers	Vicky Sime, Jenny Hays supported by Jan Outram - Churchwarden
Safeguarding Officer	Phil Eastwood
Cathedral Rep	Nigel Jackson

Minutes of each PCC meeting are available for inspection in the church office after they have been approved at the preceding meeting.

B. Risk Assessment

The PCC ensures that health and safety legislation is complied with. Procedures are in place for recording accidents. Lists of first-aiders are kept at Rosemary Lane. All assets are insured; cover is reviewed annually and approved by the PCC. During the year, no accidents were recorded and there was no cause to employ any legal adviser on behalf of the PCC.

C. Safeguarding Our Safeguarding policy continues to be displayed in the Church and its implementation is overseen by the PCC. The safeguarding Officer is Mr. Philip Eastwood who is also the Children's advocate. The PCC and officers continue to ensure that every person working with children and/or vulnerable adults has a current DBS check. The Policy is reviewed annually and was updated in Sep 2022; no incidents were brought to the attention of the relevant officers during the year.

D. Health & Safety

The Health & Safety Policy was reviewed during the Summer months by the newly appointed volunteer officer i/c Vicky Sime, who had accepted to take on the role at the request of the PCC. Vicky and her team examined the complete spectrum of the Policy and took action on several minor issues for completeness and transparency. None of these issues had had any impact on the effectiveness of the H&S procedures. Daily monitoring is automatically undertaken by the Churchwardens.

E. Serious Incidents

The PCC is unaware of any serious incident during the year which resulted or could have resulted in a significant loss of funds or a significant risk to the charity's property, work, beneficiaries or reputation. The PCC minutes for the year stand as a record that no such serious incident has occurred.

III. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 states that the PCC 'is to cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical'. When planning activities for the year, the PCC gives consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

Our vision is that we may be living proof of Jesus Christ and lead others to believe in Him, offering worship and a welcome with God's love as central in the heart of Formby. We are a church wanting to draw out a living faith in people of all ages, working as partners to this aim with the other churches in Formby.

A major objective of Reverend Stanford was to revive service attendances to at least pre-pandemic levels and an initial target of 60% was set which was quickly surpassed. The Vicar's determination to programme 3 Services at Holy Trinity each Sunday to accommodate all styles of worshippers, especially families, was warmly received and very successful with now an excellent regular 75% attendance level including several newcomers. Weekly Prayer Room gatherings with Sue Raby and regular YouTube worship continues courtesy of Sylvia Beardsell for those who prefer, but, all these programmes combine to provide the community with an efficient, effective and inclusive promulgation of prayer, worship and friendship. Further services are held each Sunday, too, at our sister church at St. Michael's, Altcar, maintaining a genuine

feeling of togetherness. The challenges, both technical and liturgical, posed by these mix of services and venues have been embraced enthusiastically, not just by the Clergy, but by a wide range of people from our congregations. Holy Trinity is blessed with a very technical skill-set of volunteers who are extremely enthusiastic to reach out to as many, often immobile, folk and worshippers as possible. The policy of the wearing of face masks relaxed mid-year but remains an option, obviously, for those who wish to continue the practice. Hand sanitisers are liberally available throughout all buildings.

Work objectives continue in the areas of The Child Friendly Church Award and Eco-Friendly Church Award where we strive to attain the next award goal (silver for eco-matters). Strong focus continues on using less paper and economising sensibly when hard copies are essential. Newsletters go out to parishioners now on a monthly basis using the medium 'MailChimp'. Community exchanges/interaction continue to be headline aims and successes in this field – such as the Tiddler/Toddler Group, Bible Study groups, the Workshop events including coffee mornings, are detailed below in Section IV.

Holy Trinity opens its doors as much as possible to other Societies in the interests of 'togetherness'; such as, the scouts fund-raising event to attend an International Jamboree; Sefton Music Society events and also Formby Chorus Chorals – all events held in Holy Trinity. Other charitable activities such as the collection of clothing, etc., for local refugees, has re-started post pandemic and collections for a local Foodbank continue thanks to the brilliant efforts of Helen Davies, Alex and Gwyn Jones. We benefit from the work and enthusiasm of many volunteers who give their time and talents for those organisations and for general maintenance tasks. We are also a driver for Christian Aid and continue to be the major host for the British Legion Remembrance Parade and War Memorial Services.

A major task which loomed in the Autumn was to manage the "Energy" expenses due to the extortionate rise in fuel prices. The Treasurer's report is at the Annex to this report but reflects a complete review also of the 2023 Budget in light of the huge price increases. Although outside the period of this report, it is relevant in that Phil Crow, as Treasurer, gave presentations to all parishioners in Jan 2023 to appraise everyone of the expected costs, where the money goes, and other challenges ahead. By so doing, it was hoped that people would be able to examine their abilities for increased donations to ease the budget strains.

With regard to Activities,, Vicky Sime (Reader) organised and ran an 'Alpha' Course from 20 Sep – 29 Nov 2022. She received outstanding support and achieved commendable attendance. The whole event was a success and extremely well received and her report is contained below in Section IV.

An initiative by Reverend Standford was to organise and host in the Vicarage garden 3 special outdoor services/lunches, each one aimed at a specific congregational group. The aim was to hold services and prayers and readings promoting free discussions as well as a sense of harmony and inclusion. The events included a b-b-q and refreshments and Sam, (Mrs Standford), must be thanked for her very generous help and preparatory inputs on all occasions.

With the tragic passing of HM Queen Elizabeth II on 8 Sep 2022, the Church opened for prayer on the 9th and 10th Sep and also provided a Book of Condolence for people to sign. A 1-minute silence was held in HM's memory on the Sunday 11th service and

a special Commemorative Parade and Service was arranged for Sunday, 18th Sep attended by the Scout and Guide groups, once again offering the opportunity for congregations to sign the Book of Condolence.

Sam Stanford organised 2 'Sweet Friday' events for the Ladies in Oct and Dec, the purpose to come together for friendship and discuss issues over tea, cake and coffee. Local historians gave talks also and Dymna Edwards talked about the hosting of a Ukranian family. The Vicar created a similar atmosphere in a 'sit-down' coffee service and Holy Communion, giving people the opportunity to speak out on experiences which have impacted on their lives in recent months. Further similar gatherings are planned for next year.

IV. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

A. Number on the Electoral Roll and Sunday Attendance

i. Electoral Roll

The number on the electoral roll as at the APCM in 2022 was 179 (180 in 2021).

ii. Sunday Attendance

Some Sunday Service times changed. The 10a.m. was Morning Worship but is now the Family Service and the 1115a.m is now the Morning Worship. The average service attendance was as follows:

8.30am	Holy Communion - 28 adults + 2 children (26 adults in 2021)
10.00am	Family Worship – 17 adults + 5 children (18 + 8 in 2021)
11.15am	Morning Worship - 34 adults (30 in 2021)

B. Pastoral Care and Service to our Community

Below are reports on some of the activities through which we exercise our mission in the church and in our local community.

Alpha Course 2022

In April 2022 Mark and I had a discussion about running an Alpha course in September. As the Alpha course had such a great impact on my own faith journey, I was keen to have a go at running one and I really wanted us to offer a meal to begin each session. We decided to run the course on Tuesdays from 20th September until 29th November with a Saturday at the beginning of November for Holy Spirit Day.

I signed up for the course online and with funds provided by the Diocese we purchased publicity material, invitations and a banner.

In the summer I created a display in the foyer to encourage people to attend or invite others. I also asked for volunteers to help with catering, serving, washing up, testimonies and most importantly prayer. I was thrilled to have over 20 volunteers sign up. An email group was set up to keep everyone informed which worked really

well. After an initial meeting with the Mark, Julie and the volunteers, a schedule of helpers was drawn up.

In the weeks leading up to 20th September the ministry team mentioned the course each Sunday and at every other opportunity it was publicised. The banner was hung outside the workshop and posters put up. I visited Toddler Tiddlers to see if any of the parents fancied coming along. Although the sign up was slow to begin with, we were delighted that 8 turned up on the night. We had a mixture of existing church goers and a couple of non-church people. On the second week we had another person join us. Most people attended the whole of the course and the general feedback was very positive.

The format of the evening was food, testimony of a church member (during dessert), film and then discussion, finishing promptly at 9pm. I was really pleased that every member of the ministry team came and gave their testimony plus others did too. It was fascinating to hear their stories and I know that our course attendees found it helpful and enjoyable. The food was very well received and everyone really got to know each other during the mealtimes. I can't thank the volunteers enough for all their hard work, support and delicious food. I had no idea that Holy Trinity had such good cooks. What a brilliant team!

The Alpha films were very accessible and the questions posed were good. Obviously, it took a few weeks before everyone really settled and felt confident to talk openly but we soon had some great conversations and some tough questions.

The Holy Spirit Day went very well. Not everyone came, but those who did engaged with it and we were pleased that nearly everyone stayed for prayer at the end. At the end of the course, we encouraged everyone to come to the Christmas services and to join us as a church studying the Jesus 100 book. (Several of these were given to the course attendees.)

I have since set up a bible study group with Sylvia which meets every month in the prayer room. It is a small group but I hope that others will join in time. We are using Jesus 100 bible studies provided by Neil Short and these are a great way to discover more about Jesus wherever you are on your journey.

In conclusion, I think that the course was well received. Many questions were asked and answered, friendships were made and faith strengthened. It's still to be seen whether our non-church goers will join us, but I hope that seeds have been sown and that God will find a way to grow them. I also think that the course was a great success for our church, it brought together so many different people and there was a real sense of fellowship and working together for Christ. I loved it. *Vicky Sime*

Bible Study Groups

Bible study at Bill and Elisabeth Douglas' home on Tuesday afternoon

This small group of people have continued to meet fortnightly, studying the Gospel of Luke during this year with just the summer and Christmas breaking the pattern of meeting. It is also a supportive group, with deep friendships, committed to praying for one another. We gained a new member towards the end of the year, which is encouraging. We would heartedly welcome anyone who would like to join us. Our thanks go out to Bill and Elisabeth for their hospitality.

Bible study on Sunday Evenings approx - 3 weekly

This is a group of 6 mainly working-age people who meet together for Bible study, prayer and spiritual encouragement and support. We have been using Pete Greig's book, 'How to hear God', to enhance our studies with its use of the Emmaus road appearance of Jesus to Cleopas and his companion as the focal point. We meet in a member's home, depending on whose house is available. There will be a warm welcome for anyone who wants to join us.

On Line Reflections

Each morning, except Sundays, a member of Holy Trinity, video records a reflection on the Reading for the day, mostly from the Lectionary, but at the end of the year, the book Jesus 100 by Robin Gamble was used as a resource. The Reflections are uploaded to the Holy Trinity You Tube account for public viewing, accessible through the website, with a reasonably good take up. This resource is aimed at the house bound members of the Church, but is also appreciated by many others who are also able to attend Church. The aim is to give a daily focus for prayer and thought, in addition to the person's own prayers and Bible reading. It would be difficult to say how many strangers also view these recordings. There is always room for other people to volunteer to take their turn at recording these reflections, if they contact Sylvia 07872 314103

Holy Communion to the House bound.

Each month, Readers take it in turns to take Holy Communion to those who are house bound, ill or isolating, and who have requested this. The co-ordinator for this service is Ruth Woodward. Requests are usually processed through the Vicar or the Church Office.

Thursday evening weekly prayer meeting

Each Thursday evening, from 7pm -8pm, a group of people meet for prayer, during the warmer weather, in the Prayer Room, in winter months in one of their homes. This is an open meeting and we would like to encourage anyone to simply turn up. Or if preferred, ring Sylvia 07872 314103, and an invite will be given, and a lift if needed. At present, we have 7 regular attendees, sometimes 8, but would be delighted to welcome more. The style of prayer varies, as people bring written prayers they have discovered, or might simply ask for prayer for people they know need help. (Food pantry, homelessness etc). Or, something from the news, such as

Ukraine, Turkey and the like. There is no obligation to lead the prayers, or even to speak aloud.

Videoing Services Weekly

Each week, one of the Services from Holy Trinity, is videoed, edited and uploaded to YouTube (accessed through the Holy Trinity website) for viewing on the following Sunday morning, 10.45 and available afterwards. For special events, such as Christmas, these are uploaded as soon as possible.

These on line Services are appreciated by the house bound and those isolating, as well as some who join in with them, even if they are able to attend Church.

If anyone willing to learn how to use a video camera, and would like to offer their help, I would be very grateful, especially during holiday periods. Ring Sylvia 07872 314103.
Sylvia Beardsell

Little Tiddler / Toddler Group: Thankfully, we have been able to get things back to normal after the pandemic. We have been welcoming around 35-50 children and their parents each week who have all seemed to have enjoyed their time with us. Caroline Collins, Deanery Family Worker, has again performed her craft sessions with the children. We celebrated the late Queen's Diamond Jubilee Anniversary with a little party with gifts for the children. We held a Christmas party for 57 children, attended by Santa, who gave each child a present. Our Christmas Eve service was held in the Church. Thanks are due to Caroline Collins and Maggie Flodman. We also had a mini party in September to celebrate Barbara and Joyce's 20 years of running the Toddler group.

Barbara Smith and Joyce O'Connell

Mothers' Union Thankfully, we were able to hold a full programme of events during 2022. Elizabeth Douglas resigned as Branch Leader and Val Skinner, Heather Sissons and Alex Jones resigned from the Committee. Joan Barton rejoined the Committee. We had interesting speakers during the year and our usual 'strawberries and bubbly' afternoon was held in June, and a coffee morning in the Workshop. We celebrated Christmas with a Bring and Share lunch.
Joyce O'Connell

Pizza Eaters Our young people continue to meet together in the Church foyer each month for a time of consolidating friendship, learning more about their faith, fun and food. They are encouraged to be more involved in the Services by being in charge of the sound desk as, because they are teenagers, they understand it better than most adults. At some of the major Services they have taken part and had responsibility for dramatizing the Reading etc. They did this at Easter and Christmas with most of them acting in the playlets. They have been responsible for decorating a Harvest window and putting up and decorating 2 of the big Christmas trees, participating in the Wreathing Service, and also the creation of Christingles. Each month we follow the church calendar for our discussions and teaching, encouraging questions and opinions, (or if a specific theme is suggested by the members, this is included). Each session concludes with everyone sharing their requests for prayer.

We have about 12 members in the group, most of them from Church families, but also have 2 friends of one member, who attend regularly. This is very encouraging, as this means the young person has already emulated St Andrew by bringing these 2 friends to Jesus. We welcome young people from school year 6 and upwards, whether church based or not, and would like to invite parents and grandparents to contact us, to have their young people included. (Sylvia 07872 314103) We have 4 leaders (with DBS) who are very dedicated to our young people, and a passion for strengthening their faith, and including them into Church leadership and responsibility.

May I take this opportunity to thank Vicky, Mike and Sam for their enthusiasm and faithfulness to the Pizza Eaters, for without them, we wouldn't be able to meet.

Sylvia Beardsell

Holy Trinity Guides and Brownies We have done Influence Stage 2 and Camp Stage 2 plus Aviation and Charities badge. We have 8 Brownies who have achieved Bronze Award. Fire safety, promise plates, glow stick men and ducks in bed confectionery for Easter. At the end of November, Holy Trinity Guides went away for a weekend to sleep in a barn and the theme was Christmas. The Guides have also worked towards their confectionary badge and 'express myself' theme badge. We have been making crafts for Easter and Mothers Day and helping at the church parade services. We are planning some outdoor activities for next term. We completed our bronze award.

Helen Gillon

Holy Trinity (4th Formby) Scouts The last year has seen that the Group has bounced back after COVID, albeit in fits and starts as the rule's changed. The overall numbers of Young People in the Group have risen, now with a total of 55 across all four sections. We aren't back to pre-COVID numbers, but we are getting there, and we have a small waiting list for spaces in Beavers. Our Leader numbers have stabilised although currently they have concentrated into the Scout section due to the movement of children through the sections, having been predominantly Leader heavy in Cubs previously. We have two new 18-year-olds who were both young members in the Group, agreeing to remain and take on the Leaders mantle. Vikingar Explorer Scouts, one of the two Formby Explorer Units, still maintain strong links with 4th Formby. We currently have 5 Young Leaders from Vikingar helping across all three 4th Formby sections. You may have noticed them helping at coffee mornings and joining the Church Parades, the older Scouts with a Blue and Green Neckerchief.

All three Group sections have fully returned to weekly sessions and attended a couple of larger District events. Our Scouts fared quite well in the Great Escape competition, the Teams placing 5th and 11th out of 75 teams, with only 5 points separating the two. The Beavers attended Go Wild, an activity Day and the Cubs, the Wing Ding two day Activity Camp at Tawd Vale.

As reported last year, the Group were awarded a grant from the Youth Investment Fund for a replacement Minibus. As I'm sure many of you will have noticed in the carpark, our new Minibus arrived during the summer. I was quite surprised just how difficult sourcing a suitable bus proved to be, an odd impact of COVID apparently.

The bus has been used by us and several other Groups around the District and so far and has proved quite popular with those that have used it. Hopefully some return custom Quite a departure from the last one... and light years away from the old ambulance from Steve Griffiths Scout days The Group's Christmas Post was a success, albeit still a bit down on pre COVID years. We also ran a fund-raising Tombola stall at the Christmas Light switch on, which proved quite successful but very, very, very wet!

John Carr

Fell Walking Club We started our walking year in Llandudno. This was a new venue for us. It proved to be fairly popular. It was a promising start to the season. The weather was kind to us although there was a bracing breeze from the sea. April saw us in Kirkby Lonsdale, another new venue. It had proved difficult to find suitable walks and the coach had to be parked outside the town. The turnout for Hebden Bridge was down but we had a sunny day and one or two unusual sightings! In June we were off to Keswick where rain threatened but never actually appeared. However we had a long journey home, over five hours, because of roadworks on the M6! Bakewell beckoned in July but it was the lowest number on the coach. August found us exploring Settle on a warm sunny day. Unfortunately, the coach was in the full sun and a swelling appeared on the front tyre. We had to await a replacement who took us down the A59 where another Ogden's coach had come to pick us up, driven by Mr Ogden himself. September was rather dull in Elterwater but as we made our way back to the coach it brightened up. We had a lovely sunny day in October for our visit to Church Stretton. Finally, to Arnside with an almost full coach and Glorious Sunset. There was a slight deficit on the costs but some wonderful memories.

For our annual meal we repeated the formula from last year and had local walks without the rain and a meal in the Parish Hall catered once again by Martin which all who attended appreciated and enjoyed.

The membership is now around 77 with 72 full members and 5 associates.

At the AGM in February 2023 I stood down from the Chairmanship and passed on the batten to Pat Guy who knows more about walking than I even could. The future is looking bright as coach numbers are consistently higher. The great outdoors beckons check out the website www.htfellwalking.blogspot.com

Jennifer Mathias

Parish Breakfast On the first Sunday in April 1964, an important innovation took place. A cooked breakfast was prepared and served in the Parish Hall by a team of men, for the congregation after the 0845 service, as it was then. Initially done on a trial basis, the 2nd April 2023 will see the 59th anniversary of this great time of fellowship, still available to all who wish to partake. Following the fallout from the pandemic, 2022 witnessed a 'full house' of 12 monthly gatherings on the 1st Sunday of each month. Ian Jones led 3 volunteer teams of 4 each time and was a keen stalwart at the cooking and he has carefully tutored 2 other volunteers in this role. In the year, the teams served about 225 meals (plus volunteer staff), an average of 20 per event. In Dec 22, Ian announced his retirement after 59 years of involvement and a special "Thank You" was led by the Vicar after the Dec breakfast. Tremendous thanks are due to Ian for his dedication and meticulous attention to detail for what is half a life-time!! Some more team retirements are expected leading more volunteers would be most welcome, so come and join the rota and you will

have an enjoyable and rewarding time. In addition to the preparatory volunteers, small teams of ladies help each month also with the clearing and washing up. The whole event is an excellent fellowship occasion with time to chat in convivial surroundings and company. ALL are invited and would be most welcome: 0915 -30 on the 1st Sunday of each month to suit particularly the 0830 and 1000 hr service congregations.

Ian Jones' last report with additions by Peter Hitchcock

The Workshop During the year, we have continued to provide a warm, safe and pleasant regular meeting place for our uniformed organisations for whom the building was originally constructed. We continue to hire out the hall and kitchen to local groups in the wider community. Our regular weekly hirers are Judo, U3A, Pilates, Conquest Art, Zest for life and MS support.

From Holy Trinity we have our uniformed Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Rangers and, twice monthly, WOW (our knit and natter group).

We have managed to host our biggest outreach into the community with our Saturday Coffee Morning on each Saturday of the year. Our aim is to provide an 'all-are-welcome' comfortable meeting place with refreshments etc for our community.

We encourage organisations from outside the church to share the weekly rota and have regular bookings from Formby Squirrels, Inner Wheel, The Walton Centre. From our church community, St Michael's, Scouts and Mothers Union have also organised their own Saturday Coffee Mornings. We support the PCC when we have sufficient funds. In December, we transferred £1,000. We are extremely grateful for the small loyal band of volunteers who help support us. We would welcome with open arms anyone else who would like to join the team.

At the time of writing this report we are so saddened to hear of the passing of Ann Jones, one of our founder members of the Workshop Team. We all started together in 2001 when we all started to raise funds to redesign and create the new look Workshop for the whole community of Formby. Ann was a friend and colleague of , many people who regularly come into the Workshop. She served hundreds, maybe thousands of cups of tea, made hundreds, maybe thousands of cakes and welcomed hundreds, maybe thousands of people to The Workshop. After retiring from those years of hard work at the end of 2021, she became one of our regular customers. She will be sadly missed by us all.

Maggie Flodman



Parish Hall The Parish Hall has had another successful year during 2022. Following the lockdowns in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID, the Hall has now returned to 'normal' service with all our regular users and organisations returning to their usual meeting schedules. As we have come out of Covid restrictions, we have also attracted some new organisations who have relocated or new groups that have started up such as a U3A line dancing group or an ever popular Tai Chi group. The Hall is now used practically constantly throughout the week by a wide range of different groups and is truly a part of the local community of Formby as well as the church. Karate, Formby Choral Society, Formby artists, Scottish dancing, several line dancing groups and fitness classes are among some of the regular weekly bookings together with the popular monthly markets and many one-off bookings for parties or social events.

As usual the Hall has been the centre of the churches social activities and outreach. Monday mornings see Mums and Toddlers meet and the monthly Parish Breakfasts are as popular as ever. During 2022 it has also been lovely to welcome some new social groups including a new ladies evening hosted by Sam.

Throughout 2022 we have continued to maintain and refurbish the Hall so as to keep the overall fabric of the building, which is now over 100 years old, in good order. Our largest challenge continues to be the ageing heating system which continues to keep us busy and presently continues to work although it is extremely inefficient and very expensive to run! We hope we will be able to keep the existing system working for a while longer with some TLC but is something that will need to be looked at in the near future and the replacement of the parish heating system is not going to be a quick fix.

In summary, during 2022 the Parish hall continued to be a well-used and valued asset for both community and church use and we are sure that the building will continue to be at the centre of Formby and church life during 2023. *Philip Eastwood*

V. CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT INCLUDING FABRIC

The Church Wardens have had a busy and demanding year partly due to not having any Deputy Church Wardens. Thank you to all who have assisted us throughout the year.

There have been no major repairs necessary to the fabric.

A list of maintenance jobs was displayed in church that included the painting of all outside doors, both inside and out of the Church, Parish Hall, Workshop and railings around Church and weeding of the carpark. Thank you to all who gave up their time to carry out this valuable work.

The radiator in the Ladies toilet was not connected from the refurbishment in 2014!

The work has now been done. A thorough electrical check, commenced in September 22 has been carried out as the 5-year check requirement for Ecclesiastical Insurance. A report will be issued outlining remedial work requirements. Once these works have been completed, certificates will be issued.

The Health & Safety Officer supported by Church Wardens has been reviewing existing risk assessments and writing new ones where applicable; see Sect. II, para D. No health and safety issues were found.

VI. FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts for 2022 and the report of the Independent Examiner are set out in the enclosed Annex.

VII. VICAR'S REPORT

2022 will be remembered not only for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations but also for the sadness of her death. Both events were marked by whole church gatherings that were fitting for the occasion. The planting of the rhododendrons and Christmas trees will grow to form a "Queen's Walk" that will be a long-time reminder of our thanks to God for the Queen Elizabeth's faithful service and Christian example.

Too, the year saw us being joined by the Rev Julie Butcher, following her ordination as deacon. Julie has settled quickly, becoming a valued and inciteful colleague who is bringing a prayerful teaching and preaching ministry to add to our ministry team, as well as a great sense of fun. We very much look forward to celebrating her ordination to the priesthood shortly.

The wardens, Jan and Jenny, with the assistance of Vicky Sime undertook a complete Health and Safety review of the site and reported to the PCC, this was a big piece of work and I'm grateful for their diligence in seeing this through. The wardens have regularly met with their opposite numbers, Dave and Liz, from St Michael and All Angels and we continue to work at of making our united benefice a reality in practice. Phil continues to carefully steward our finances and I'm thankful for the eyes of faith and prudence which he brings to the role. Peter organised a volunteer summer works programme with the aid of a very willing team all the tasks were completed (although there are now more to be done).

Regular Sunday attendance has not fully recovered from pre covid levels however, we have seen several new people join our congregations. Giving has fallen commensurately but we have been able to plan for a balanced budget following a significant reduction in the amount of parish share we are paying. As I said last year this has only come about because of the generosity of other churches in the deanery who recognised the disproportionate amount that Holy Trinity had been contributing to the cost of mission and ministry. We are not alone in facing these challenges, as The Liverpool Diocesan website reports:

Church attendance has been in decline and we are reaching a crucial point in the Diocese – we need to increase our capacity to invest in our mission. This decline has meant that over time, more has been expected of fewer people. We know this must change – we need to work together to share the load if we are to be Fit for Mission. We also need to explore how we look after our buildings, which need significant investment. It often falls to volunteers to meet the demands around maintenance. The way we manage them needs a new approach. The Covid pandemic has created a unique set of

circumstances for change and gives us a renewed opportunity to adapt and re-establish our parishes at the centre of communities.

So, challenged by the Archdeacon's review in November 2021, Liverpool Diocese's "Fit for Mission" (FFM) has shaped the strategic thinking of the PCC in 2022. FFM has four core principals, with a commitment and calling to:

- introduce more people to Jesus,
- deepen discipleship,
- develop our Christian leaders of the future
- and work for justice,

As Bishop Paul stated, *"It is vital that we address the key challenges that we have been facing as a church for some time."* Whilst Sefton North Deanery, of which we are a part, has been slated to be part of the third phase, to be implemented in 2025/6, in response to the four principals of FFM, Holy Trinity in 2022:

- successfully ran the Alpha Course last Autumn, my thanks to Vicky Sime and her team for facilitating this;
- embed the Diocesan Rule of Life into our liturgical life, recognising that we are all called to pray, read and learn, and sent to tell serve and give; we began the Jesus 100 programme in Advent and estimate that around 100 people across the benefice are engaging daily with the material which will last until Ascension 2023,
- encouraged five individuals who signed up for the Liverpool Diocese "Directions Course" which began in January of this year;
- we have joined a the Deanery Leaning Community, an exercise mapping the numerous projects that are engaged in community transformation across our deanery (e.g. Food Pantry, "Cuppa and Chat", "Tiddler Toddlers" and Sweet Friday) with the aim of identifying gaps in provision; we also continue to work at our Eco Church award to maintain and improve upon our present bronze status.

A look back over a year inevitably brings sadness as we remember those who we have lost from our congregation, but too, a deep sense of thanksgiving for the myriad of people who faithfully work in the background to make Holy Trinity the place that it is: a church where everyone is invited, included and important.

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	2(a)	114,431	2,580	-	-	117,011	129,710
Income from charitable activities	2(b)	3,081	38,314	3,250	-	44,645	20,196
Other trading activities	2(c)	18,768	10,542	-	-	29,310	22,696
Investments	2(d)	137	-	-	-	137	68
Other income	2(e)	3,450	-	-	-	3,450	3,400
Total income		139,867	51,436	3,250	-	194,553	176,070
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	3(a)	152,948	29,321	3,230	-	185,498	175,516
Other expenditure	3(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure		152,948	29,321	3,230	-	185,498	175,516
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		(13,080)	22,115	20	-	9,055	554
Transfers							
	6						
Gross transfers between funds - in	2,378	-	-	-	-	2,378	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	(2,378)	-	-	-	(2,378)	-
Other recognised gains / losses							
Gains/losses on investment assets		-	-	-	(311)	(311)	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	11	(10,702)	19,737	20	(311)	8,744	554
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		824,509	44,474	11,385	2,762	883,130	882,576
Total funds carried forward		813,807	64,211	11,405	2,451	891,874	883,130

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Balance Sheet

	Note	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
Fixed assets			
Tangible Assets	7(a)	824,098	824,098
		824,098	824,098
Current assets			
Debtors	8	8,320	7,938
Investments	7(b)	2,451	2,762
Cash At Bank And In Hand		64,868	59,142
		75,638	69,842
Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	9	7,862	10,810
		7,862	10,810
Net current assets less current liabilities		67,776	59,032
Total assets less current liabilities		891,874	883,130
Liabilities			
		-	-
Total net assets less liabilities		891,874	883,130
Represented by			
Unrestricted	10		
Unrestricted - General Funds		813,807	824,509
Designated	10		
Designated - Book Of Remembrance		2,546	2,476
Designated - Breakfast		56	180
Designated - Church Lounge		391	391
Designated - Cuppa & Chat		125	137
Designated - Curate House		30,751	25,123
Designated - Flowers		68	-
Designated - Holiday Club		227	227
Designated - Little Tiddlers		1,148	1,347
Designated - Organ		2	-

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	Note	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
Designated - Parish Hall		22,922	10,013
Designated - Redgate		39	682
Designated - Vision		1,499	1,499
Designated - Workshop		4,437	2,399
Restricted	10		
Restricted - Legacy Youth Fund		2,000	2,000
Restricted - PCC Fees		20	-
Restricted - Youth		9,385	9,385
Endowment	10		
Endowment - Rainford Fund		2,335	2,646
Endowment - Repair Fund		116	116
Fund Totals		891,874	883,130

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by

P M Crow

P.M.Crow

PCC Treasurer.

Date: 17th April 2023.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, and with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16th July 2014, and with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006.

Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: The charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).
Legacies	Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.
Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts
Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are valued at cost.
Investments	Fixed asset investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end.
Debtors	Debtors are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

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2. Income & Endowments

						Total	
	Note	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations and legacies	2(a)						
0101 - Planned Giving - Parish Giving Scheme - Donations		54,547	-	-	-	54,547	59,214
0102 - Planned Giving - Standing Orders		19,472	-	-	-	19,472	24,706
0110 - Planned Giving - Envelopes		1,828	-	-	-	1,828	2,570
0204 - Just Giving		1,169	-	-	-	1,169	3,504
0205 - Collections - SumUp		1,093	-	-	-	1,093	665
0301 - Collections - Open Plate		4,875	-	-	-	4,875	2,567
0550 - Donations appeals etc		1,839	2,480	-	-	4,319	5,702
0551 - Donations from PH, WS or Clubs		4,545	100	-	-	4,645	259
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid		6,112	-	-	-	6,112	7,833
0602 - Tax Recoverable - Parish Giving Scheme		11,705	-	-	-	11,705	12,690
0701 - Legacies		6,000	-	-	-	6,000	10,000
0901 - Other funds generated		1,246	-	-	-	1,246	-
Donations and legacies Totals		114,431	2,580	-	-	117,011	129,710
Income from charitable activities	2(b)						
1101 - PCC Fees for weddings funerals etc		3,081	40	-	-	3,121	3,770
1102 - PCC Fees allocated to LDBF		-	-	3,250	-	3,250	2,861
1230 - Parish Hall - Income		-	27,606	-	-	27,606	10,035
1232 - Workshop - Income		-	7,166	-	-	7,166	2,779
1234 - Breakfast - Income		-	405	-	-	405	97
1235 - Little Tiddlers - Income		-	1,070	-	-	1,070	583
1236 - Cuppa & chat - Income		-	632	-	-	632	71
1237 - Flower Fund - Income		-	1,365	-	-	1,365	-
1239 - Book of Remembrance - Income		-	30	-	-	30	-
Income from charitable activities Totals		3,081	38,314	3,250	-	44,645	20,196

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2. Income & Endowments
continued

Other trading activities	2(c)							Total
	Note	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
1030 - Sports Club		6,201	-	-	-	6,201	5,931	
1031 - Curate's House - Income		-	10,332	-	-	10,332	8,903	
1222 - Non-charitable trading		9,637	210	-	-	9,847	7,358	
1231 - Church Hire		2,930	-	-	-	2,930	445	
1260 - Parish magazine sales		-	-	-	-	-	59	
Other trading activities Totals		18,768	10,542	-	-	29,310	22,696	
Investments	2(d)							
1001 - Dividends		69	-	-	-	69	67	
1020 - Bank and building society interest		68	-	-	-	68	1	
Investments Totals		137	-	-	-	137	68	
Other income	2(e)							
0801 - Recurring grants		-	-	-	-	-	3,400	
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants		3,450	-	-	-	3,450	-	
Other income Totals		3,450	-	-	-	3,450	3,400	
Income and endowments Grand totals		139,867	51,436	3,250	-	194,553	176,070	

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3. Expenditure

						Total	
EXPENDITURE ON:	Note	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Expenditure on charitable activities 3(a)							
1702 - LDBF costs		100	-	3,230	-	3,330	2,861
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies		1,066	-	-	-	1,066	-
1850 - Home mission		183	-	-	-	183	-
1870 - Secular charities		1,853	-	-	-	953	-
1910 - Parish Share		107,425	-	-	-	107,425	119,417
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	5	5,365	-	-	-	5,365	5,293
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent		1,089	-	-	-	1,089	852
2130 - Parsonage house expenses		3,896	-	-	-	3,896	2,615
2301 - Church running - insurance		7,583	-	-	-	7,583	4,334
2302 - Church running expenses - other		5,517	101	-	-	5,210	2,006
2303 - Redgate - Expenditure		-	542	-	-	542	20
2320 - Organ / piano tuning		492	-	-	-	492	-
2330 - Church maintenance	4	6,822	-	-	-	6,822	10,923
2331 - Cleaning		1,425	-	-	-	1,425	-
2340 - Upkeep of services		342	200	-	-	542	1,099
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard		1,385	-	-	-	1,385	-
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting		5,390	-	-	-	4,773	3,456
2501 - Photocopier Printing & magazine costs		1,809	-	-	-	1,809	1,570
2560 - Parish Hall - Expenditure		-	14,697	-	-	14,697	9,410
2561 - Workshop -Expenditure		-	5,128	-	-	5,128	5,097
2563 - Breakfast - Expenditure		-	529	-	-	529	78
2564 - Little Tiddlers - Expenditure		-	1,269	-	-	1,269	369
2565 - Cuppa & chat - Expenditure		-	644	-	-	644	-
2566 - Flower Fund - Expenditure		-	1,297	-	-	1,297	-
2601 - Governance costs Accountancy fees & examination/audit fee & accounting software	4	1,206	-	-	-	1,206	3,709
2840 - Curate's House - Expenditure		-	4,914	-	-	4,914	2,407
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals		152,948	29,321	3,230	-	185,498	175,516
Expenditure Grand totals		152,948	29,321	3,230	-	185,498	175,516

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4. Analysis of expenditure allocation of support costs

	Direct costs	Support costs	
	£	£	TOTAL
Church building and maintenance	6,822	1,206	8,028
	2022	2021	
Governance Costs including Independent examiners remuneration *	1,206	3,709	

* (fees payable to the PCC's examination of the financial statements)

5. Staff costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	5,365	5,293
Number of employees	1	1

During the year the PCC employed one Parish Administrator on a part-time basis.

5(a) Payments to PCC members

A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to his services as chairman of the PCC. Similarly some PCC members were reimbursed for any relevant expenses incurred during the year.

6. Analysis of Transfer between Funds

	Unrestricted	Designated
Organ repairs	2378	(2378)

A new designated fund for repairs to the church organ was established to keep the proceeds of an appeal. Upon receipt of the bill for the repairs £2,378 was transferred to the General fund to settle the invoice.

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7. Fixed Assets

7(a) Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Land & Buildings £
Church Club	180,821
Tennis Courts	32,500
Parish Hall	415,693
Workshop	131,477
Curate's House	63,607
Total	824,098

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Club, Tennis courts, Parish Hall, Workshop and Curate's house at Hampton Road.

These assets are stated at cost. There is no revaluation policy in place. They are all held under the General Unrestricted Fund.

7(b) Investments

Investments in CBF

	2022 £	2021 £
Market value at 1 st January 2022	2,762	2,431
Revaluation gain/(loss)	(311)	331
Market value at 31 st December 2022	2,451	2,762

8. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Tax recoverable	3,162	3,653
Prepayments and accrued income	2,196	1,188
Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	2,962	3,097
Totals	8,320	7,938

9. Liabilities

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade creditors	2,383	7,110
Accruals	1,840	1,271
Other creditors	1,965	1,473
Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	1,675	956
Totals	7,862	10,810

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10. Funds

The Restricted Funds consists of the Legacy Youth Fund, Youth Fund and PCC Fees fund. The Vision fund is partly restricted and partly designated.

The Unrestricted Fund is the General Fund.

The Designated Funds consists of the Breakfast, Book of Remembrance, Cuppa & Chat, Curates House, Church Lounge, Flowers, Holiday Club, Little Tiddlers, Organ, Parish Hall, Redgate and Workshop funds.

There are two Endowment Funds, the Rainford and Repair funds.

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11. Summary of fund movements

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
Unrestricted							
General - General Fund	824,509	139,867	152,948	2,378	-	-	813,807
Sub-totals	824,509	139,867	152,948	2,378	-	-	813,807
Designated							
BC - Breakfast	180	405	529	-	-	-	56
BR - Book Of Remembrance	2,476	70	-	-	-	-	2,546
CC - Cuppa & Chat	137	632	644	-	-	-	125
CH - Curate House	25,123	10,542	4,914	-	-	-	30,751
CL - Church Lounge	391	-	-	-	-	-	391
FL - Flowers	-	1,365	1,297	-	-	-	68
HC - Holiday Club	227	-	-	-	-	-	227
LT - Little Tiddlers	1,347	1,070	1,269	-	-	-	1,148
OF - Organ	-	2,580	200	(2,378)	-	-	2
PH - Parish Hall	10,013	27,606	14,697	-	-	-	22,922
RG - Redgate	682	-	643	-	-	-	39
VS - Vision	1,499	-	-	-	-	-	1,499
WS - Workshop	2,399	7,166	5,128	-	-	-	4,437
Sub-totals	44,474	51,436	29,321	(2,378)	-	-	64,211
Restricted							
LYF - Legacy Youth Fund	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
PCF - PCC Fees	-	3,250	3,230	-	-	-	20
YF - Youth	9,385	-	-	-	-	-	9,385
Sub-totals	11,385	3,250	3,230	-	-	-	11,405
Endowment							
RF - Rainford Fund	2,646	-	-	-	-	(311)	2335
RP - Repair Fund	116	-	-	-	-	-	116
Sub-totals	2,762	-	-	-	-	(311)	2,451
Totals	883,130	194,553	185,498	-	-	(311)	891,874



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

The Parochial Church Council of Holy Trinity Church Formby

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1131722

Set out on pages

1 to 11

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2022

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

I 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

12/4/23

Name:

Anthony Deegan MAAT MICB Pm.Dip

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

MAAT MICB Pm.Dip

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Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 0LG.

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts

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May 2022

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Vicar Revd Mark Stanford

Deanery Synod Representatives Mr John Paton (Former Reader-in Charge, Redgate)

Other Members	Mrs Vicky Sime (Reader) Mr Duncan Wylie (Reader) Mrs Vicky Higgins Mrs Margaret Paton Mrs Joan Hilton – until May 2021 (resigned) Dr Laura Neilson – until Oct 2021 (resigned)
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Honorary Treasurer Mr Phil Crow

Bankers Barclays Bank PLC, 265/267 Lord St, Southport PR8 1PD
CAF Bank Ltd, 25, Kings Hill Ave, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent. ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner Mr Michael Chambers

The Revd Mark Stanford is Vicar of both Holy Trinity Church, Formby, and the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Altcar, which form a United Benefice.

II. STRUCTURE, MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

A. General

Holy Trinity Parish covers Holy Trinity Church in Rosemary Lane and its 'plant' church at Redgate. However, during the pandemic and up to mid-year, all services were conducted online. When time was safe to resume live in-church services, Holy Trinity re-shaped its service schedule to incorporate Redgate services and its congregation. Mr John Paton, the Reader-in-Charge at Redgate, assisted by Ms Sylvia Beardsell, Reader, assumed their role within the Holy Trinity service structure with the Redgate congregation attending also. The other Readers who, together with the Wardens, form the ministry team are Ms Sue Raby, Mrs Vicky Sime, Mr Brian Thorne, Mrs Ruth Woodward and Mr Duncan Wylie. Dr Garth Raybould was also a principal Reader for nearly 24 years and a Deanery Synod Rep, but it is with great sadness that we have to report his tragic and very sudden passing in August 2021. Garth played an exceptionally pivotal role in the Church, not only as Reader, but in his Reflection recordings and as a driving force behind the ECO-Church improvements which gained Holy Trinity a Bronze award in 2020.

Holy Trinity PCC is a body corporate and operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission, and all elected members of the PCC are registered as Trustees. Our Charity Number is 1131722.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register for the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Elected PCC Members serve for a three year term and one third retire each year by rotation. However, 1 member retired early last year, Dr. Laura Neilson, due to moving out of area to follow her husband who had been given a ministry in Burscough. The PCC is represented on the governing body of Trinity St Peter's Primary School and we try to hold one meeting each year at the school.

The PCC operates with six committees and a number of officers and representatives as listed below (effective following the APCM of May 2021).

Standing Committee	Required by law to transact any business between PCC meetings
	Vicar (Chair), two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer, Hon Secretary, one PCC representative
Fabric Committee	Responsible for all buildings belonging to the Church
	Vicar, two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer
Finance Committee	Responsible for budgets and control of finances
	Vicar (Chair), Hon Treasurer, two Churchwardens, Ann Urmston (Parish Giving Officer), one PCC representative, with Nick Stark Accountant, in attendance
Parish Hall Committee	Runs and maintains the Parish Hall
Accountable to Fabric Cttee	Philip Eastwood (Chair), Ann Urmston (Treasurer)
Workshop Committee	Runs and maintains the Workshop
Accountable to Fabric	Maggie Flodman (Chair), Jan Outram (Treasurer), Anne Jones

Committee	(Secretary), Shirley Fairnie, Ian Jones, Joan Hilton, Alison Stennet
Social Committee	Anne & Ian Jones, Shirley Fairnie, Joan Hilton, Gail Moores, Jan Outram,
Churches Together	Vicar, Helen Davies
Stewardship Officer	Ann Urmston
Health & Safety Officers	Churchwardens
Safeguarding Officer	Pam Pearson
Cathedral Rep	Nigel Jackson

Minutes of each PCC meeting are available for inspection in the church office after they have been approved at the succeeding meeting.

B. Risk Assessment

The PCC ensures that health and safety legislation is complied with. Procedures are in place for recording accidents. Lists of first-aiders are kept at Rosemary Lane. All assets are insured; cover is reviewed annually and approved by the PCC. During the year, no accidents were recorded and there was no cause to employ any legal adviser on behalf of the PCC.

C. Safeguarding

Our safeguarding policy is displayed in church and its implementation is overseen by the PCC. The Safeguarding Officer and Lead Recruiter (formerly DBS Verifier) is Mrs Pam Pearson. Particular responsibilities are given to the following: Anne Hothersall and Wendy Wilding are first points of contact for anyone who wishes to raise any concerns about safeguarding; Philip Eastwood is Children's Advocate. The PCC and officers continue to ensure that every person working with children and/or vulnerable adults has a current DBS check. The current Holy Trinity policy was scrutinized during the Annual Parish Review in Oct 2021 and was received positively. Nevertheless, it was incumbent upon the PCC to review the Policy again to ensure its complete relevance. No incidents were brought to the attention of the relevant officers during the year.

D. Serious Incidents

The PCC is unaware of any serious incident during the year which has resulted or could have resulted in a significant loss of funds or a significant risk to the charity's property, work, beneficiaries or reputation. The PCC minutes for the year stand as a record that no such serious incident has occurred.

III. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 states that the PCC 'is to cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical'. When planning activities for the year, the PCC gives consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

Our vision is that we may be living proof of Jesus Christ and lead others to believe in Him, offering worship and a welcome with God's love as central in the heart of Formby. We are a church wanting to draw out a living faith in people of all ages, working as partners to this aim with the other churches in Formby.

The Church was very much in the grip of Covid restrictions for much of the year and some key personnel were struck down by the virus, including the Vicar. But our fundamental objectives were kept clearly in view and acted upon via media methods until the Autumn when an easing of Covid restrictions allowed Church events to gradually open up but with sensible and safe precautions in place.

Having religiously and meticulously produced 2 recorded services each Sunday on YouTube throughout the pandemic, as well as daily reflections (apart from Sunday), Holy Trinity cautiously re-commenced in-person worship at the church from 28 March 2021 expanding, by the Autumn, to 3 Sunday morning worships: conventional communion with hymns; contemporary family worship; and a conventional service of worship and hymns populated well by the former Redgate congregation as mentioned above. A further service was held each Sunday, too, at our sister church at St. Michael's, Altcar, maintaining a genuine feeling of togetherness. The policy remains to encourage the wearing of face masks, certainly whilst singing, and hand sanitisers are liberally available throughout the buildings. Daily Reflections continue with an extensive repertoire from both Readers and new broadcasters keen to share their views and wanting to spread the Christian Faith. Morning prayer has been transmitted on Zoom also. Both topics are covered in greater detail in the Group reports. The challenges, both technical and liturgical, posed by these mix of services and venues have been embraced enthusiastically by a wide range of people from our congregations, many of whom had never previously been involved in the planning or provision of worship.

Further objectives from last year remain such as the Child-Friendly Church Award and the Eco-Church Award, for which we reached the Bronze stage in Mar 2020. The aim now is to strive for the silver award and eco criteria are very much in the forethought both on outside projects in the grounds as well as in office activities. For the former, Isobel Jordan has taken the initiative to create and maintain a 'wild garden' section to the rear of the church; and, in the latter, less dependency on paper is a must and online activity a preference. To that end, the church website has been overhauled and further Parish information has been uplifted to the 'Church Near You' website thereby reaching out hopefully to a wider audience. The Diocesan Rule of Life – 'Pray, Listen, Learn, Tell, Serve, Give' – has continued to influence the theme of several of our services and sermons, both online and in church. We continue to support the Tanzania (UK) Trust at the Africa Inland Mission in Kenya (the Rossingtons have now moved back to the UK). Some church and youth organisations were able to re-commence some activities during the year, as reported below.

On the 18 Nov 2021, The Venerable Pete Spiers, "Archdeacon Pete", conducted his Annual Parish Review covering Holy Trinity's Mission and Ministry, finance and stewardship and buildings. He also graced the PCC with his presence on that evening's PCC meeting. The Review went well and the Vicar and Wardens (the 2 J's) in particular received some well-deserved praise for their preparation and presentation. The Archdeacon did make recommendations which have either been implemented or are under consideration.

Some charitable activities such as the collection of clothing, etc., for local refugees remains suspended because of the pandemic but collections for a local

Foodbank continue thanks to the brilliant efforts of Helen Davies. We benefit from the work and enthusiasm of many volunteers who give their time and talents for those organisations and for general maintenance tasks. We are also a driver for Christian Aid and host for the British Legion Remembrance Parade and War Memorial Services.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

A. Number on the Electoral Roll and Sunday Attendance

i. Electoral Roll

The number on the electoral roll as at the APCM in 2021 was 180 (183 in 2020).

ii. Sunday Attendance

Sunday Services resumed at Rosemary Lane on 28 March 2021 and, thereafter, the average service attendance was as follows:

8.30am 26 adults (55 in 2020)

10.00am 30 adults (38 in 2020)

11.15am 18 adults and 8 children (replaces 6.30pm service)

In-church attendances reflect the continuing nervousness of some parishioners to actually come to the building; rather, they receive their comfort through the medium of YouTube – both service transmissions and daily Reflections.

B. Pastoral Care and Service to our Community

Below are reports on some of the activities through which we exercise our mission in the church and in our local community, most of which, of course, were still affected by Covid for much of 2021.

Little Tiddlers Toddler Group: This report is, of necessity, shorter again as in 2020 due to the pandemic. It was with great pleasure that we reopened the group in September amid speculation as to how many people would turn up. However, we needn't have worried. We welcomed such a lot of children and adults. Apart from about 3 adults, everyone was new. All the children who used to attend before closure were now at nursery or at school. Three sets of children and grandparents who used to come, came but with children who were new additions to the family! Caroline Collins, Deanery Family Worker, came along again and the children enjoyed her craft sessions. We held our annual Christmas party for 60 children which was greatly enjoyed by all who attended. Our Christmas Eve service was held as usual but unfortunately Barbara and Joyce were unable to attend due to Covid. Thanks are due to Caroline and Maggie. Thanks are again due to our Tea ladies. We welcomed some new additions – Ann Morrish, Alison Stennett, and Pam Pearson who replaced Gill Griffiths, Oonagh Killen and Helen Davies. Many thanks to those tea Ladies who have helped us over the years and to Steve Griffiths and Jean Raybould for their help. *Barbara Smith and Joyce O'Connell*

Sunbeams Sunbeams is a Sunday School group for pre-school age children (under 5's) which historically had met at some Rosemary Lane services but has

not done so now since before the pandemic. With the 10a.m. friendly family service now in full swing, it is unlikely that we will be starting up a Sunday school group again at this service. Nothing else to report.
Nina Killen

Pizza Eaters The New Pizza Eaters group first met in November; they are young people from Year 6 upwards, to about age 15, and there are 11 of them, all associated with Holy Trinity and St Michael's.

The leadership has changed since we last met in person in 2020. Duncan has stepped down for health reasons and Sylvia has stepped aside, mainly continuing with providing refreshments. The parents of the young people have become the leadership team, Vicky Higgins, Sam Barnes and Marlize Coleman with the addition of Mike Wylie.

Our aim is to promote Christian maturity, friendship and fun. We meet monthly, on the 1st Wednesday evening, 6.30-8. The risk assessment involves supervision, especially outside and on the mezzanine, and also ensuring that Esther is only offered gluten free food and that any other allergies are identified.

The young people have been provided with copies of the Gospel of Luke, so that they can make notes and use as they wish, and we will be using Luke during the coming year. The November meeting concentrated on Advent, and the December one on sorting the fact from the fiction about Christmas. In December they were involved in the Christmas tree dressing activity and they put up and dressed one of the main trees. They joined in Wreathing and Christingle.

In the New Year, we hope to be involved with the family Services, in leading, preaching, reading and prayers etc. and are fortunate to have Mike to help with sourcing music as several members are instrument players. Although a dozen is an ideal number to have in the group, we are very open to newcomers, and friends of members, and when we go on activities like bowling and the like, we will be inviting brothers and sisters.

Being involved with the new generation of God's people is obviously challenging, but so very rewarding and quite simply a pleasure to count them as friends. Sylvia (07872314103, for further inquiries) and the team. *Sylvia Beardsell*

Holy Trinity Guides: On behalf of Holy Trinity Brownies and Guides, we have been meeting face to face since September 2021 with numbers growing in both units. Brownies are hopefully going away to Wales for the weekend and have been busy doing badge work, crafts, helping the church at Christmas and making Christmas tree decorations. Guides have been busy doing their backwood cooking badge on fires and working towards their adventure badge. We have had a new leader join us, called Gemma, and 2 new young leaders.

We are looking forward to having a coffee morning in the workshop later on in the year and for the Queens Jubilee Sefton Girlguiding have an official beacon being lit on Thurs, 2nd June, along with 70 others. So looking forward to that.

Helen Gillon

Holy Trinity (4th Formby) Scouts: The Group has bounced back after COVID, albeit in fits and starts as the rule's changed. The overall numbers of Young People in the Group have risen, now with a total of 55 across all four sections. We aren't back to pre-COVID numbers, but we are getting there, and we have a small waiting list for spaces in Beavers. Our Leader numbers have stabilised although currently they have concentrated into the Scout section due to the movement of children through the sections, having been predominantly Leader heavy in Cubs previously. We have two new 18-year-olds who were both young members in the Group, agreeing to remain and take on the Leaders mantle.

All four Sections are fully back to Face-to-Face meetings and there have been a couple of short camps, although one of those was delayed because of the storms in late November/early December. It does seem if it's not one thing, it's another.

As reported last year, the Vikingar Explorer Scouts, which mostly consists of former 4th and 5th Formby Scouts, is slowly moving to become a standalone Explorer Unit, however it will still maintain strong links with 4th Formby, not only as a feeder unit but also for the loan of equipment. The Explorers will also always be welcome to help as Young Leaders both during Section meetings and when Camping. There are already three who regularly assist.

The Group sections have managed to run many weekly sessions, initially outside and attend some larger District events. They have been to Waterside Lodge, in Southport, which as the Headquarters for the Sefton North Scout District tends to be the focus for many water-based events. All sections have attended a Water Day with more scheduled for this year. It also has led to a number of the Group's Leaders beginning to train as Instructors in some of the watercraft disciplines.

Unfortunately, the COVID 'stand down' for the Groups' Minibus meant that corrosion took hold rather dramatically, to the extent that it failed it's MOT and the repair work necessary wasn't deemed to be cost effective. This means that currently the Group is without transport. We have hired in a Minibus and a van for events so far but fortunately we have been awarded a grant from the Youth Investment Fund to purchase a replacement, which is currently being sourced. After coming second in the blue discs vote in their stores, the Group was awarded a grant from the Tesco Community Fund towards the purchase of a new mess tent.

The Group has been fortunate to be allowed use an area in one of the side rooms of the Parish Hall as an additional store. This is much appreciated as we have outgrown the current store. The donation received from the Formby Rotary Club, towards the fitting out of this new store area, was also very much appreciated too. After the cancellation of 2020 Christmas Post, it was nice to be able to deliver cards across Formby for Christmas 2021. The card numbers were down on previous years but hopefully they, along with our membership of young people, will bounce back for 2022

John Carr, Group Scout Leader

Mothers' Union: This report is, of course, much shorter than usual due to circumstances of which we are all too aware. Our first "get-together" of the year was a Cream Tea in the Workshop on Thursday, 2nd September. The proceeds from this event were sent to Liverpool in response to an appeal for funds as there had been little opportunity for fund raising in 2020/2021. This was for help for women in general. This was attended by around 28 members. It was very much enjoyed as many members had not been in contact with each other for such a long time. The sum of £96 was raised.

Usually, the first meeting of the year is a Communion service but in October, the Vicar was indisposed due to Covid and a talk was given to us by Rev. Simon McCauley, Curate of St. Peter's, which was both amusing and enjoyable. In November, Caroline Collins spoke to us on various aspects of the work of the MU and what we could do to help. It was decided to hold a Bring and Share lunch as our Christmas celebration as it had not been feasible to book a meal out.

Sadly, during the period we were unable to meet, three of our members had passed away - Jean Glover, Enid Halloran, and Marion Page, and since September 2021, Jen Whicher and Mary Davies had also passed away. Mary had been a longstanding member, former Leader of our Branch and keen supporter of the Mothers Union.

On a happier note, Joyce Hampson and her husband Arthur, had celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary and Eva McCreath and Brenda Blackman their 90th birthdays.

Joyce O'Connell

Fell Walking Club: We did manage to restart walking in July 2021 following the lifting of some restrictions. We were masked, had to be vaccinated or have a negative test to travel. We picked up the programme we had planned for 2020. Our first outing was to Eyam, the irony did not pass us by. The village being known as 'The Plague Village' because of the way they contained the plague. August saw us in Betws-y-Coed which was busy with visitors and everything had to be paid for by card. For Grasmere we had forty on the coach so we were hopeful of some normality returning. However, Hathersage and Malham didn't have such numbers but these walks provided hope for the future. We lost money on all the coach trips, fortunately we had reserves to cover that. For the annual meal and walk we decided to walk locally and have a catered meal in the Parish Hall. We had less than half of the club joining us and many dropped out of the walk because it was an atrocious day. We wondered whether we were walking, paddling or swimming?! However, the meal was worth it all and was so appreciated by all that the caterer has been asked to do food for next year's AGM. We have lost some members and currently we have 66 full members and 10 associate members as of February 2022. We are looking forward to a full walking season and a growing membership again.

Jennifer Mathias

Parish Breakfast: The Parish breakfast returned to Holy Trinity after the break due to Coronavirus on Sunday, 4 Oct 2021. After a slow start, we are now welcoming 25-30 customers to have breakfast with us and this is very encouraging but there is always room for more.

Parish breakfasts take place on the 1st Sunday of every month, being served in the Parish Hall after the 0830 service and from 0930 for those attending the 10am service. The breakfast is prepared by a team of men on a rota basis meaning each team is on duty 4 times per year. The washing up is done by a team of ladies who are on duty once or twice a year. Meal items are: bacon or sausage, egg, fried bread, tomatoes or baked beans; bread and butter, marmalade and unlimited tea or coffee. The cost is £1.50 for adults and 75p for children. This is a very good fellowship occasion with time to meet and speak to other members of the congregation in a relaxed atmosphere. If anyone would be willing to join one of the rotas they would be made very welcome.
Ian Jones

The Workshop The team at the Workshop have tried to pick up the pieces after the disruption of the Covid crisis with all its restrictions and regulations. We are continuing to keep our building safe and pleasant, especially for the Holy Trinity Uniformed Groups for whom the building was originally constructed. Most of our regular session hirers have returned after the lockdown. We have The Food Pantry, U3A, Judo, Pilates, Conquest Art, Zest for Life, M.S groups as well as, from our own Church, W.O.W(knit&natter), Brownies, Guides, Cubs and Scouts.

Our biggest outreach into the community is the Saturday Coffee Morning. We organised alternate Saturdays ourselves and encourage outside groups to hire The Workshop on the other Saturdays. We try to ensure that The Workshop offers a welcoming meeting place with refreshments on every Saturday in the year. During the year we had Saturdays hosted by our Cubs and Scouts, Formby Squirrels, Formby Inner Wheel and Friends of the Walton Centre. We have lovely loyal regular customers and each Saturday we welcome newcomers. In December we celebrated 21 years of Saturday Coffee Mornings. We also saw the retirement of an amazing team of hardworking friends; Ann, Ian, Joan, Shirley and Alison. We are all very grateful for their years of service and are so pleased to see them as our VIP customers now. We are hoping and praying that we have more helpers to join the team so that we can continue sharing God's love in the wider community.
Maggie Flodman

Bible Study Groups: Bible study 1 For many years, a small group of people have met for Bible Study fortnightly, on a weekday afternoon. During Covid, zoom was used successfully, and could be used again, so that the house bound could be involved. At present, 4 of us meet at Bill and Elisabeth Douglas' home, Tuesday 1.30-3, fortnightly. We had been following a study guide from Embrace the Middle East, about equality and justice, and are now studying St Luke's Gospel. In the past, we have chosen Bible books, or themes, tackling the challenging as well as the familiar. We would very much welcome new members to the group, with fresh ideas and opinions.

Bible study 2 A group (6 regulars) meet together for Bible Study, 3 weekly on Sunday evenings, 7.30-9, meeting in each other's homes, as convenient. We spent most of 2021 following a Lent guide on the Beatitudes by Steven Croft,

relating the readings to our experience of everyday life. We are now following a LifeBuilder study guide, Resurrection, living as people of the Risen Lord by Kristie Berglund. This uses different Bible books per session to illustrate a theme. We have in the past studied social justice themes, following the use of film and other media. New members would be very welcome.

Prayer group Before Covid, a small group of people began meeting for prayer, each week, inviting anyone to join them. Obviously, these meetings stopped, but you can't stop people praying. The WhatsApp group 'Chats with God' was formed, (30 participants) which was especially well used during 2020 and early 2021, with people asking for prayer for loved ones, and responding with their prayers. This has started to be less used, probably because people are more able to meet each other and attend Church. The regular group continued, using Zoom and phone calls, and in 2021, because of Covid relaxations, we were able to meet together in each other's homes, weekly, on Thursday evenings, 7-8.30. There are 5 regulars, but all are still invited. In the warmer weather, we hope to resume meeting in the Prayer Room, when we will be able to advertise this wider.

Our prayers are for items on the world news, for local community projects and for individuals. We pray for our Churches and congregations. Before Covid, we offered prayer after the main Services in Church, and as we become more 'normal', we would like to again offer to pray for those that request it.

Reflections co-ordinator

Ever since the beginning of Covid, very nearly each morning, apart from Sunday, a Reflection on one of the Readings for Morning Prayer has been videoed by a member of the congregation, and posted on YouTube. These readings are Psalms, Old Testament and New Testament and so, the reflections are very varied. Sometimes, the Collect for the week will be the subject, and sometimes special themes, as they arise. These short meditations have been appreciated by the house bound, those in isolation and also by those who listen to them on the way to work. We have been told that they help people find their focus at the beginning of the day.

Services uploaded to You tube

Since the beginning of Covid, a Service has been posted on YouTube, each Sunday morning. These were compilations of small videos, filmed in people's homes, edited together to make a whole Service. Since being permitted to resume 'In Person' Services, one of the Services has been videoed, in its entirety, and transmitted, via YouTube, the following Sunday at 10.45. Unfortunately, because of the length of time it takes for the computer to process the editing, and for the corresponding time YouTube takes to upload the Service (in all about 2-3 hours) it hasn't been possible to transmit the Service on the same day that it took place. This is most noticeable at seasonal Services, such as Remembrance, Christmas, Easter and Pentecost. But over Christmas 2021, we were able to upload each special Service, such as Wreathing, Christingle and the Carol services. At first,

the people watching were across the age range, but as the congregations started to meet again, the people watching on line, are more likely to be the house bound, elderly, or those isolating, and it is planned for more variety in the style of Service being videoed. *Sylvia Beardsell*

Parish Hall The Parish Hall had a mixed year during 2021. The first half of the year saw the country put into the second national lockdown due to COVID so use of the hall was minimal. However, as the year progressed more organisations tentatively started to reopen and the Parish Hall continued to be well used by various church groups and other organisations for differing activities. Karate, Formby Choral Society, Formby artists and Scottish dancing are among some of the regular weekly bookings together with the popular monthly markets and many one-off bookings for parties or social events. As we have come out of Covid restrictions, we have also attracted some new organisations who have relocated or new groups that have started up such as a U3A line dancing group or an ever popular Tai Chi group. The Hall is now used practically constantly throughout the week by a wide range of different groups and is truly a part of the local community of Formby as well as the church.

As usual the Hall has been the centre of the churches social activities, although these have been greatly curtailed due to Covid. It was lovely to welcome back the Mums and Toddlers group and Parish Breakfasts in the Autumn term and we hope that during 2022 more social events will be able to be organised for church utilising the halls extensive facilities.

Throughout 2021 we have continued to maintain and refurbish the hall. Some of these changes have been to meet latest Covid guidance such as the installation of paper towel dispensers in the toilets, while others have been to keep the overall fabric of the building, which is now over 100 years old, in good order. Our largest challenge continues to be the ageing heating system which continues to keep us busy and presently continues to work although it is extremely inefficient and very expensive to run! We hope we will be able to keep the existing system working for a while longer with some TLC but is something that will need to be looked at in the near future and the replacement of the parish heating system is not going to be a quick fix.

In summary, during 2021 the Parish Hall continued to be a well used and valued asset for both community and church use and as we continue to come out of Covid restrictions we are sure that the building will continue to be at the centre of Formby life. *Phil Eastwood*

V. CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT ON FABRIC

Church Wardens frequently inspect the church buildings and address minor issues on a regular basis.

Damp in the vestry, mentioned in the 2020 report, was investigated and major repairs were carried out to the roof and guttering over the vestry and children's room. At the same time storm damage to the roof in November 2021 was completed. These works appear to have resolved leaking and damp problems.

Parkingeye parking controls in place now running for 12 months is doing its job to keep the carpark congestion free as much as is possible. The system has not been without problems, with terminals deactivating themselves, particularly in the Parish Hall. We are dealing with all issues in a timely manner.

Jan Outram, Jenny Hays

VI. FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts for 2021 and the report of the Independent Examiner are set out in the enclosed Annex.

VII. VICAR'S REPORT

In many ways 2021 was another stop start year marred by Covid restrictions, but nevertheless there were some significant highlights to celebrate.

Our online ministry continued to reach significant numbers of people twin tracking the in-person services which expanded to three Sunday morning services during the course of the year, these have needed some adjustments in timing and I'm grateful for everyone's patience in this respect. Our online ministry has given the opportunity for some different people to lead and speak, it is encouraging to see their gifts develop.

The benefice ministry again made a significant contribution to CTiFAH, facilitating the Easter Trail which made use of QR code technology.

We were honoured to host the Sefton South Deanery Confirmation service when six of our young people were confirmed. Their faith and sense of togetherness shone through the service and Bishop Beverly rose to the occasion engaging everyone with her spirited and prayerful ministry.

During the summer Mark co-chaired a Deanery Review of Parish Share which has resulted in some adjustments to the contributions that local churches make, this was a significant and challenging piece of work; that we achieved a successful outcome was due to the generosity of those churches who recognised that they were underpaying in relation to the contributions being made by their neighbours. The outcome is a system which is both equitable and flexible enough to respond to the challenges of the future (for more on this please see the Diocesan Web Site "Getting Fit for Mission" which we will be hearing more about in the coming months).

Our church finances continue to hold up under the watchful care of Phil and I'm really grateful to him for both his diligence and eyes of faith for the task.

Laura Neilson continued her placement with us until the summer, when she moved to St John's Burscough to join Chris and the rest of the family, she will be ordained deacon this June. Over the last five years we benefited hugely from her considered insight as well her gifts of leading and preaching.

In November we underwent our Archdeacon's Parish Review, Pete firstly met with Jan and Jenny before spending time with the whole PCC, it was a lively time, with Pete affirming both our compliance and imaginative missional outreach. Pete encouraged us to make some specific targets for 2022, which the PCC have now done.

With Christmas looming it seemed that we were finally able to take the brakes off, the church was packed for a memorable wreathing service led by our young people (the Pizza Eaters) many of whom had been confirmed earlier in the year, and we could sing carols, this followed by a whole church service on Christmas Day, a Christingle with communion.

The maintenance of our buildings was particularly challenged by the winter storms; but the wardens, Jan and Jenny along with Phil and the hall committees were speedily diligent in ensuring the safety of the site and the processing of insurance claims.

It has been really good to see our hospitality ministry, both on Saturday morning in the workshop and midweek in the foyer return. I extend our thanks to all who take their part in all the practical rotas that ensure that Holy Trinity is able to continue its ministry of welcome so that we are truly a place where everyone is invited, included and important.

I need to conclude by reflecting on the shock that we all felt on losing our good friend Garth Raybould so suddenly. His prophetic preaching, strategic thinking, prayerful encouragement and his practical and quiet service were all marks of the integrity of the man we, and especially Jean miss, and in whom we clearly saw Jesus.

Appendix

Accounts for 2020 and Independent Examiner's Report

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
For the year to 31st December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted General Funds £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Vision Fund £	Fully Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
							2021 £	2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES								
Voluntary Income	2(a)	129,710	0	0	0	0	129,710	132,173
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	7,803	0	0	0	0	7,803	8,430
Income from investments	2(c)	68	0	0	0	0	68	68
Church activities	2(d)	3,829	22,468	0	2,861	0	29,158	29,146
Other incoming resources	2(e)	9,331	0	0	0	0	9,331	9,433
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		150,741	22,468	0	2,861	0	176,070	179,250
RESOURCES USED								
Church Activities	3(a)	151,565	17,381	0	2,861	0	171,807	236,919
Fund-raising trading costs	3(b)	0	0	0	0	0	0	61
Governance costs	3(c)	3,709	0	0	0	0	3,709	3,323
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		155,274	17,381	0	2,861	0	175,516	240,303
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES		(4,533)	5,087	-	0	0	554	-61,053
Gains or losses on investment assets on revaluation		0	0	0	0	331	331	149
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(4,533)	5,087	-	-	331	885	-60,904
Balances b/fwd at 1st January 2021		829,042	37,888	1,499	11,385	2,431	882,245	943,149
Balances c/fwd at 31st December 2021		824,509	42,975	1,499	11,385	2,762	883,130	882,245

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
BALANCE SHEET
31st December 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	5(a)	824,098	824,098
Investment	5(b)	2,762	2,431
		<u>826,860</u>	<u>826,529</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	7,938	8,647
Short term deposits		20,186	10,185
Cash at bank and in hand		38,956	42,960
		<u>67,080</u>	<u>61,792</u>
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due in one year	7	10,810	6,076
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		56,270	55,716
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		883,130	882,245
 TOTAL NET ASSETS		 <u>883,130</u>	 <u>882,245</u>
 PARISH FUNDS			
Total		883,130	882,245
		<u>883,130</u>	<u>882,245</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by

P. Crow

P.Crow

Date 5/4/22

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the year to 31st December 2021

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Non-designated Funds	Unrestricted Designated Funds	Other Restricted Funds	Total	2020 £
	£	£	£		
2a Voluntary Income					
Planned giving	86,490			86,490	89,127
Tax recoverable	20,523			20,523	21,367
Collections (open plate)	2,567			2,805	3,493
Collections (Sum Up)	665			665	
Donations	5,702			5,464	10,568
From clubs	259			259	1,205
Just giving	3,504			3,504	4,413
Legacies	10,000			10,000	2,000
	<u>129,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>129,709</u>	<u>132,173</u>
2b Activities for Generating Funds					
Church mag ads	-			-	271
Fundraising events	-			-	763
Non-charitable trading	7,358			7,358	7,251
Church hire	445			445	145
	<u>7,803</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,803</u>	<u>8,430</u>
2c Income from Investments					
Dividends and Interest including tax recoverable	68			68	68
	<u>68</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>68</u>
2d Income from Church Activities					
Church Hall, workshop and club activity (note 11)		13,565		13,565	10,745
Magazine income from sales	59			59	820
PCC Fees	3,770		2,861	6,631	8,815
Curate house		8,903		8,903	8,766
	<u>3,829</u>	<u>22,468</u>	<u>2,861</u>	<u>29,158</u>	<u>29,146</u>
2e Other Incoming Resources					
Sports club rent	5,931			5,931	5,931
Job retention scheme	3,400			3,400	2,502
Restart Grant				-	1,000
	<u>9,331</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,331</u>	<u>9,433</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>150,741</u>	<u>22,468</u>	<u>2,861</u>	<u>176,069</u>	<u>179,250</u>

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)
For the year to 31st December 2021

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

		Unrestricted Non-designated Funds	Unrestricted Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	2020 £
		£	£	£		
3(a) Church Activities						
Missionary and charitable giving:						
	Home missions and other Church organisations				-	85
Ministry						
	Parish Share	119,417			119,417	126,560
	Working expenses of incumbent	852			852	969
	Parsonage house	2,615			2,615	2,714
	Assistant staff costs				-	2,063
	LDBF costs			2,861	2,861	4,371
Church running expenses						
	Heating and lighting	3,456			3,456	2,536
	Insurance	4,334			4,334	3,607
	Other costs	2,006	20		2,026	3,550
Church maintenance		10,923			10,923	62,277
Upkeep of Services		1,099			1,099	815
Printing and other costs of magazine		1,570			1,570	2,033
Church Hall, workshop and club activity (note 11)			14,954		14,954	17,627
Curate's house			2,407		2,407	1,949
Salaries/wages		5,293			5,293	5,763
		<u>151,565</u>	<u>17,381</u>	<u>2,861</u>	<u>171,807</u>	<u>236,919</u>
3(b) Fundraising trading costs						
	Cost of fetes and other events				-	61
					-	61
3(c) Governance costs						
	Accountancy	3,709			3,709	3,323
		<u>3,709</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,709</u>	<u>3,323</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>155,274</u>	<u>17,381</u>	<u>2,861</u>	<u>175,516</u>	<u>240,303</u>

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
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For the year ended 31 December 2021

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4a	STAFF COSTS	2021	2020
		£	£
	Wages and Salaries	5,293	5,763
	Social Security Costs	0	0
		<u>5,293</u>	<u>5,763</u>

During the year the PCC employed one administrative staff member.

4b **PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS**

A small and immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to his services as chairman of the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

5 **FIXED ASSETS**

5(a)	Tangible fixed assets	Freehold	Total
		Land & Buildings	
		£	£
	Actual/deemed cost		
	Church Club	180,821	180,821
	Tennis Courts	32,500	32,500
	Hall	415,693	415,693
	Workshop	131,477	131,477
	Curate's House	63,607	63,607
	Net Book Value At 31st December 2021	<u>824,098</u>	<u>824,098</u>

The freehold land and buildings comprise the curate's house at Hampton Road, Formby, the Parish Hall, Workshop, Church Club, and Sports Club. These assets are stated at cost. There is no revaluation policy in place.

5(b)	Investment Assets	2021	2020
		£	£
	Investments in CBF		
	Market value at 1st January 2021	2,431	2,282
	Revaluation gain/(loss)	331	149
	Market value at 31st December 2021	<u>2,762</u>	<u>2,431</u>

The market value at 31st December 2021 represents investments for:

Endowment funds	<u>2,762</u>	<u>2,431</u>
	<u>2,762</u>	<u>2,431</u>

6	DEBTORS	2021	2020
		£	£
	Tax recoverable	3,653	5,163
	Prepayments and Accrued Income	1,188	1,540
	Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	3,097	1,944
		<u>7,938</u>	<u>8,647</u>

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7	LIABILITIES	2021	2020
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year		
	Trade creditors	7,110	112
	Accruals	1,271	682
	Other creditors	1,473	4,032
	Parish Hall/Workshop/Clubs	956	1,250
		10,810	6,076

8 FUNDS

The Restricted Funds consists of the Youth Fund only. The vision fund is partly restricted and partly designated.

The Unrestricted Funds comprise: General only.

The Designated Funds comprise: Redgate, Book of Remembrance, Parish Hall, Workshop, Lounge, Clubs, Messy Church and Curates House.

The Endowment Funds comprise the Rainford and Repair funds.

CBF Investment and deposit account balances 31st December 2021

		Deposit	Investment
		£	£
Endowment:	Rainford	2,646	2,315
	Repair	116	116
	Total	2,762	2,431

9	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Vision (Restricted/designated)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Tangible fixed assets	824,098					824,098
	Investment fixed assets					2,762	2,762
	Current Assets	9,334	43,831	1,499	12,316		67,080
	Liabilities:						
	Amounts falling due within one year	(8,923)	(956)		(931)		(10,810)
		824,509	42,975	1,499	11,385	2,762	883,130

Designated Funds at 31st December 2021

Redgate	682
Book of Remembrance	2,476
Lounge	391
Parish Hall, Workshop and clubs	14,303
Messy Church	-
Curate House	25,123
	42,975

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10 ANALYSIS OF RESTRICTED FUNDS AND VISION FUND (PART RESTRICTED/PART DESIGNATED)

	Legacy Youth fund £	(Designated/ Restricted) Car Park £	Youth Fund £	PCC Fees £	Total 2021 £
Income					
Other				2,861	2,861
Interest					
Total income				<u>2,861</u>	<u>2,861</u>
Expenditure					
Other expenditure				2,861	2,861
Total Expenditure				<u>2,861</u>	<u>2,861</u>
Net movement in funds					
Transfers between funds					
Funds brought forward at 1st January 2021	2000	1,499	9,385	-	12,884
Funds carried forward at 31st December 2020	<u>2000</u>	<u>1,499</u>	<u>9,385</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,884</u>

11 ANALYSIS OF HALL, WORKSHOP AND CLUB FUNDS

	Hall £	Workshop £	Holiday Club £	Breakfast Club £	Little Tiddlers £	Cuppa & Chat £	Total £
Income	10,035	2,779		97	583	71	13,565
Expenditure	9,410	5,097		78	369		14,954
Net surplus/(deficit)	625	(2,318)		19	214	71	(1,389)
Fund balance at 1st January 2021	9,388	4,717	227	161	1,133	66	15,692
Fund balance at 31st December 2021	<u>10,013</u>	<u>2,399</u>	<u>227</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>1,347</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>14,303</u>

12 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, and with the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16th July 2014, and with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006.

Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: the charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).
Legacies	Legacies are included in the SoFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
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For the year ended 31 December 2021

12 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts
Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are valued at cost.
Investments	Fixed asset investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end.
Debtors	Debtors are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity Formby

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1131722

Set out on pages

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

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

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

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

I 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.

Signed:

Karen Parr

Date:

31/3/2022

Name:

KAREN PARR

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

MAAT, BA HONS

Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Accounts

Holy Trinity Church Formby Annual Report for 2020

May 2021

I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Official correspondence should be sent to the Church Office at the above address.

From the APCM of April 2019 those listed in the Annual Report for 2019 served as PCC members until the Covid-delayed APCM of October 2020. The following served for the remainder of the year:

Vicar	Revd Mark Stanford
Churchwardens	Mrs Jan Outram The late Mr Richard Woodward
Deanery Synod Representatives	Mr John Paton (Reader-in Charge, Redgate) Dr Garth Raybould (Reader) Mrs Val Skinner
Other Members	Ms Jenny Hays Mrs Vicky Higgins Mrs Joan Hilton Mr Peter Hitchcock Dr Laura Neilson Mrs Margaret Paton Mrs Vicky Sime (Reader) Mr Duncan Wylie (Reader)
Other Ministers	Dr Emily Ball (Reader) Ms Sylvia Beardsell (Reader) Ms Sue Raby (Reader) Mr Brian Thorne (Reader) Mrs Ruth Woodward (Reader)
Honorary Treasurer	Mr Phil Crow
Honorary PCC Secretary	Mrs Jean Raybould

Bankers Barclays Bank PLC, 41 Chapel Lane, Formby L37 4DT

Accountant Mr Nick Stark, 27 Holmwood Gardens, Formby L37 1NH

Independent Examiner Mr Michael Chambers, 15 Freshfield Road, Formby L37 3JA

Day-to-day management of the Church is exercised by the Vicar and the Churchwardens, who can be contacted via the Church Office: 01704 878913.

The Revd Mark Stanford is Vicar of both Holy Trinity Church, Formby, and the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Altcar, which form a United Benefice.

II. STRUCTURE, MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

A. General

Holy Trinity Parish covers Holy Trinity Church in Rosemary Lane and its 'plant' church at Redgate. The Vicar was assisted for part of 2020 by a Curate (see above). Mr John Paton is Reader-in-Charge at Redgate and is assisted by Ms Sylvia Beardsell, Reader. The other Readers who, together with the Wardens, form the ministry team are Dr Emily Ball, Ms Sue Raby, Dr Garth Raybould, Mrs Vicky Sime, Mr Brian Thorne, Mrs Ruth Woodward and Mr Duncan Wylie. With sadness we note the passing in February 2021 of Richard Woodward, who served the church in many ways and was Warden at the time of his death in July.

Holy Trinity PCC is a body corporate and operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission, and all elected members of the PCC are registered as Trustees. Our Charity Number is 1131722.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register for the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Elected PCC Members serve for a three year term and one third retire each year by rotation. The PCC is represented on the governing body of Trinity St Peter's Primary School and we try to hold one meeting each year at the school. (Some of these arrangements might change with the 2020 rules.)

The PCC operates with six committees and a number of officers and representatives as listed below (effective following the APCM of October 2020).

Standing Committee	Required by law to transact any business between PCC meetings
	Vicar (Chair), two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer, Hon Secretary, Reader-in-Charge (Redgate), one PCC representative
Fabric Committee	Responsible for all buildings belonging to the Church
	Vicar, two Churchwardens, Hon Treasurer, Garth Raybould
Finance Committee	Responsible for budgets and control of finances
	Vicar (Chair), Hon Treasurer, two Churchwardens, Ann Urmston (Parish Giving Officer), one PCC representative, with Nick Stark Accountant, in attendance
Parish Hall Committee	Runs and maintains the Parish Hall
Accountable to Fabric Committee	Philip Eastwood (Chair), Ann Urmston (Treasurer), Andrew Phillips, Joan Hilton, Gail Moores
Workshop Committee	Runs and maintains the Workshop
Accountable to Fabric Committee	Maggie Flodman (Chair), Jan Outram (Treasurer), Anne Jones (Secretary), Shirley Fairnie, Ian Jones, Joan Hilton, Alison Stennet
Social Committee	Anne Jones, Ian Jones, Shirley Fairnie, Joan Hilton, Gail Moores, Jan Outram, Heather Sissons
Churches Together	Vicar, Curate, Helen Davies, Joan Rimmer
Stewardship Officer	Ann Urmston
Health & Safety Officers	Churchwardens
Safeguarding Officer	Pam Pearson
Cathedral Rep	Nigel Jackson

Minutes of each PCC meeting are available for inspection in the church office after they have been approved at the succeeding meeting.

B. Risk Assessment

The PCC ensures that health and safety legislation is complied with. Procedures are in place for recording accidents. Lists of first-aiders are kept at both Rosemary Lane and Redgate. All assets are insured; cover is reviewed annually and approved by the PCC. During the year, no accidents were recorded and there was no cause to employ any legal adviser on behalf of the PCC.

C. Safeguarding

Our safeguarding policy is displayed in church and its implementation is overseen by the PCC. The Safeguarding Officer and Lead Recruiter (formerly DBS Verifier) is Mrs Pam Pearson. Particular responsibilities are given to the following: Anne Hothersall and Wendy Wilding are first points of contact for anyone who wishes to raise any concerns about safeguarding; Philip Eastwood is Children's Advocate. The PCC and officers continue to ensure that every person working with children and/or vulnerable adults has a current DBS check. No incidents were brought to the attention of the relevant officers during the year.

D. Serious Incidents

The PCC is unaware of any serious incident during the year which has resulted or could have resulted in a significant loss of funds or a significant risk to the charity's property, work, beneficiaries or reputation. The PCC minutes for the year stand as a record that no such serious incident has occurred.

III. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 states that the PCC 'is to cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical'. When planning activities for the year, the PCC gives consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

Our vision is that we may be living proof of Jesus Christ and lead others to believe in Him, offering worship and a welcome with God's love as central in the heart of Formby.

We are a church wanting to draw out a living faith in people of all ages, working as partners to this aim with the other churches in Formby.

It barely needs to be said that during 2020 our objectives and achievements were severely disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic. From March onwards our principal objective was to provide worship in all the ways that we could in order to continue serving not only our existing congregations but those who might join us online.

From then up to the date of this report we have provided two recorded services each Sunday on YouTube, nominally at 10.45 am and 6.00 pm (latterly 4.00 pm), and a short Bible reflection every Monday to Saturday posted at 9.00 am. The challenges, both technical and liturgical, posed by these services have been embraced enthusiastically by a wide range of people from our congregations, many of whom had never previously been involved in the planning or provision of worship. In particular, we have seen wonderful Sunday morning broadcasts involving whole families, with great input from children as well as adults to talks, prayers, readings, craft demonstrations and family news. Daily reflections, which started with clergy and Readers, have also been contributed after the first few weeks by a range of people of all ages. We have seen a lot of unsuspected talent and wisdom and our future objectives will certainly include retaining that, whatever form our worship takes.

In the gap between lockdowns in the summer of 2020 we returned briefly to Covid-secure in-person worship in church, and that resumed again on Palm Sunday 2021 with up to three Sunday morning services at Holy Trinity and one at our sister church at St Michael's, Altcar. Interaction between the two churches of the united benefice has increased significantly as a result of the pandemic.

As regards objectives from 2019, the Child-Friendly Church Award is still being pursued, as is the Eco-Church Award, for which we reached the Bronze stage early in 2020. The Diocesan Rule of Life – 'Pray, Listen, Learn; Tell, Serve, Give' – has continued to influence the theme of several of our services and sermon series, both online and in church. We continue to support the Tanzania (UK) Trust and the Rossington family at the Africa Inland Mission in Kenya (though the Rossingtons will be moving back to the UK this year). Some church and youth organisations have been able to continue some activities during the year, as reported below.

Some charitable activities such as the collection of clothing, etc., for local refugees had to be suspended because of the pandemic but collections for a local Foodbank continued on an occasional basis, thanks to the sterling efforts of Helen Davies.

We benefit from the work and enthusiasm of many volunteers who give their time and talents for those organisations and for general maintenance tasks.

IV. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

A. Number on the Electoral Roll and Sunday Attendance

i. Electoral Roll

The number on the electoral roll as at the APCM in 2020 was 183 (184 in 2019).

ii. Sunday Attendance

Before the pandemic the average Sunday attendance at Rosemary Lane was as follows:

8.45am 55 adults (44 in 2019)

10.45am 38 adults (38 in 2019)

6.30pm 4 adults (15 in 2019, including harvest and other special services)

The average midweek attendance at Rosemary Lane was 31 (32 in 2019). The average attendance for private prayer was 14 on Wednesdays and 8 on Sundays. The average Sunday attendance at Holy Trinity Redgate was 29 adults (36 in 2019)

In the brief summer opening period the average attendance at Rosemary Lane was 30 on Sundays and 23 on Wednesdays.

In addition to in-person attendances, the numbers tuning in to our YouTube services during 2020 averaged approximately 200 for Sunday morning services and 30 for daily reflections, these figures not taking account of couples and groups. We have about 180 regular subscribers on our YouTube channel.

B. Pastoral Care and Service to our Community

Below are reports on some of the activities through which we exercise our mission in the church and in our local community, most of which were of course affected by the pandemic in 2020.

Pandemic response: In addition to the activities of the groups described below, there was an early response to the pandemic by ad-hoc groups and individuals who provided quantities of

protective equipment for local healthcare workers. In the first few weeks, Holy Trinity and St Michael's parishioners made 216 'scrubs' bags (for isolating potentially contaminated laundry) and 160 facemask extenders (to make them more comfortable to wear) for workers at ten care homes in Formby and the surrounding area, given together with cards offering love, prayers and encouragement.

Little Tiddlers Toddler Group: We met until 16 March. Things were going as well as normal until the untimely appearance of Covid19. However, on the last meeting, we managed to incorporate our Mother's Day activities and as we knew it was going to be the last for the foreseeable future, we also distributed Easter eggs to the children. As we only had a much reduced number on that last day, we had quite a few eggs left over which we donated to the Food Bank. Thanks are due again to our band of helpers and hope that it is not too long before we are able to meet again. *Barbara Smith and Joyce O'Connell*

Sunbeams is a Sunday School group for pre-school age children (under 5s) which meets at some Rosemary Lane services but had little chance to meet in 2020. In normal times we do age-appropriate activities with the children, which allows for parents to enjoy our communion services without worrying about keeping little ones entertained. The children return to the service in time to receive a blessing during the taking of communion. Parents can attend Sunbeams with children if they wish. Sunbeams is led by *Nina Killen, Victoria Higgins and Barbara Smith*.

Pizza Eaters met only on a couple of occasions in 2020. We attempted a Zoom, but it wasn't popular. However, almost all of our members have taken part in the online services, leading the service, contributing to the family news, reading the lesson and our most senior young person even preaching. This has been greatly appreciated by other people, and has brought joy to the services.

Over the 12 months, the younger people of the church have reached Pizza Eater age, and they have been included in the group, mainly for Easter and Christmas presents, hopefully making an easier transition when we are permitted to meet together in person. Some of our older members have moved on, and we ask for God's blessing on them for the future. *Sylvia Beardsell and Duncan Wylie*

Holy Trinity Guides: The Guides currently have 12 members. We had only had one meeting, on Zoom, before Christmas, saying hello and goodbye to Assistant Leader Chrissy Ryder. We played various Christmas games. In addition I have been using WhatsApp to give the Guides various activities and challenges. We have plans to start regular Zoom meetings and have one talk planned, on birds of prey.

Holy Trinity Guides and Brownies reached their centenary in November but as yet we have not been able to hold a celebration. We hope to do so soon, and to meet regularly face-to-face outdoors. *Helen Gillon*

Holy Trinity (4th Formby) Scouts: The pandemic has seen a decrease of 37% in numbers in the Group, with only 44 young people across all four sections in the annual census. The Beavers section dropped most dramatically to only three members as seven Beavers turned 8 years old and moved on to Cubs and we have not been recruiting. Surprisingly, we have increased the number of Leaders, with two new Leaders coming on board, and very recently we have recruited two new Scouts.

The only Section that managed any face-to-face meetings was the Explorer Scouts, as part of one of the new District Explorer Units, which began meeting in September. Currently it is a combined 4th and 5th Formby Explorer Unit and has chosen as its new name Vikingar, a Norse

word for a group of people who went on expeditions, an apt description of what Explorer Scouts are about and a nod to Formby's past.

Aside from a few activities run at the beginning of 2020, everything has moved online. The Scout Association (TSA) nationally negotiated a deal with Zoom as many Groups had already embraced the medium and adapted their programs to suit. This has continued throughout the year, with TSA allowing items completed at home to be credited towards badges, even to the point of circulating online programs and challenges. The older sections have taken to the online environment with quite a few attending the weekly meetings. We have done quite a lot of cooking and craft. We have had a few talks, including a most interesting one from Peter Hitchcock about his time in the RAF. With the TSA adaptations, a lot of the young people have camped at least once during the year. I managed to get all four of my family under canvas in our garden once. They are all members of 4th Formby!!

One notable change has been the move to a Thursday night meeting rather than Friday for our Scout Troop. This has had the desired effect as we now have four Leaders, whereas the Leadership had reduced to one prior to the change.

Unfortunately, the European Jamboree which was due to be held in July 2020 in Gdansk, for which two of our Explorers had been selected to attend, was initially postponed until 2021 and then ultimately cancelled, leaving to two extremely disappointed Explorers.

The cancellation of the Christmas Post was an exceedingly difficult decision to make. The Christmas Post is something that Holy Trinity Scouts do for Formby and we couldn't do in 2020, which felt wrong. We will be back all being well for Christmas 2021.

Overall, 2020 has been a difficult time, something we will feel the impact of for a number of years but hopefully we will begin our return to Scouting business as usual, whatever usual becomes, in the near future. *John Carr, Group Scout Leader*

Mothers' Union: This report is, of course, much shorter than usual due to circumstances of which we are all too aware. We had no meeting in January due to work on the car park and a funeral. In February, we had our Annual General Meeting, enrolment and Communion service. Sadly, in March we had our only other meeting of the year when Mark spoke to us about Constantine and the Black Swan. Hopefully, it will not be too long before "normal service can be resumed." *Joyce O'Connell*

Trinity Fellowship held only a few meetings early in the year and sadly, despite thriving throughout 2019, took the decision to close at the end of the year.

Book Group was only able to meet twice in 2020, in January and February. Bearing in mind the surreal nature of the year, the titles of the books we discussed seemed particularly appropriate. They were 'The Woman who Went to Bed for a Year' by Sue Townsend, and 'The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared' by Jonas Jonasson. We were sad not to have the opportunity to meet on Mondays at 12.30 in the church foyer to enjoy lively discussion and the friendship of other readers, but one of the very few advantages of lockdown was that we all had a great deal more time to read at home! *Jean Raybould*

Fell Walking Club: Well what a year 2020 turned out to be! At the beginning I thought it had such a good sound but sadly it did not live up to my expectations. On 4 January we set out for our 'Festive Meal', returning to The Gilpin Bridge near Levens. All completed the walks and most managed to miss the rain. We had a lovely meal and great social occasion. The only proper walk was on 14 March from Llangollen. We had 35 on the coach; the weather though blustery stayed fair and all parties missed the rain, which could be seen skirting Llangollen to the north and south. The following week lockdown started and caused the rest of the walks to

be cancelled. The membership remains at 81, with 64 Full members and 17 Associate members. We are looking forward to restarting walks, possibly in July. *Jennifer Mathias*

Parish Breakfast: My report is that there is not much to report! We had only three breakfasts in 2020. We are looking forward to restarting this traditional social event as soon as possible. *Ian Jones*

Bible Study Groups: The group of five people who meet on Tuesday afternoons, fortnightly, have taken to Zoom, mastering the technology. We have spent time on the Beatitudes, applying them to our daily lives. Because of disruption due to illness we have not always been able to meet, but the friendship is very strong, and we have been able to support each other well, especially through prayer and phone calls. This group would benefit from being able to be together in person when we are permitted to do so.

The group of people (10, with 7 regulars) who meet on Sunday evenings, fortnightly, also have met on Zoom, finding it useful, with no need for child care to be in place and, after busy days, not needing to leave home. We have returned to the book used several years ago, *Dwelling with Philippians*, using the comprehensive questions (in each chapter of the book) to form our discussion. This has taken us, in depth, through *Philippians*. We have used a WhatsApp group for communication, prayer requests etc., which has allowed the whole group to grow together and pray for each other during stressful times. It is possible that this group will continue to use text and Zoom in the future, probably combining it with in-person meetings.

Both Bible Study groups would welcome new members, and although they are called 'Study', there is no need for prior knowledge of the Bible. In both groups, we have found that God has blessed us, especially through the prayer and concern that each has for the others. *Sylvia Beardsell*

V. CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT ON FABRIC

Although the Fabric Committee has not been able to meet frequently the church has been inspected regularly by the Vicar and Churchwardens.

Minor repairs have been made to the roof to replace broken tiles but further investigation is needed into the cause of damp in the vestry.

ParkingEye made a survey of the grounds and submitted their proposal for the installation of a camera to monitor the entry of vehicles and terminals to be placed in all buildings for visitors to log in their registration numbers. The proposals have since been implemented and parking controls are in place.

The commercial and domestic boilers have both been serviced and are now on a yearly contract.

VI. FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts for 2020 and the report of the Independent Examiner are set out in the Appendix.

VII. VICAR'S REPORT

Whilst 2020 will be remembered for Covid there has been much to rejoice in in the life of Holy Trinity.

We enjoyed Bishop Paul's visit to bless our new communion table at joint service with St Michael and All Angel's, we quickly able to take the table out into the community on Ash Wednesday as we were joined by Archdeacon Pete for "Ashes to Go" in the village, we took up our place outside (the now defunct) Edinburgh Woollen Mill what followed was a fantastic morning of conversation and prayers of blessing for passers by as well as staff from the shop.

It was just a couple weeks later that we had to, by necessity, discover a whole new way of doing church; both Poppy and Chris, along with Mike and David Taylor were key in getting this off the ground quickly with their video editing skill sets as got our YouTube Channel up and running immediately, as Duncan Sylvia and I sought to learn as quickly as possible. The reach of this work has been huge with a total of 32,000 views over the last 12 months, and whilst we know who many of the people are many remain anonymous. The team that keep this ministry going is, as you know, large and I'm grateful to them all.

In the summer we said goodbye to both Poppy and Chris as they moved on to their next phases of ministry. Poppy was an exemplary curate who I know was much loved by you all, her faith and sense of fun marked her time with us, and we pray for her ministry as vicar of The Good Shepherd, West Derby in Liverpool. Chris likewise moved on, his training completed with St Mellitus, to become curate at St John's, Burscough. Chris's passion for sharing Jesus with everyone, his practical care for the vulnerable and sense of humour marked his time with us. They were both fantastic colleagues who I'm proud to have supervised.

One of my personal highlights of the year was to run a online confirmation class in the Autumn for seven of our young people, and we're looking forward to being able to welcome a Bishop to conduct the service which will be at Holy Trinity.

Christmas brought its own challenges – to wreath or not to wreath and stay Covid safe – we decided to go for it, and we were glad that we did – as always thank you to the team that made it happen, albeit for an Online service.

How could we facilitate singing carols was our next challenge, we'd heard of other churches doing "Drive In" Services but to pull it off would require a huge amount of teamwork (and risk assessment paperwork for Sefton Council to ensure we were safe). Too, we wondered whether we should partner with other local Churches. "Driving In For Christmas" was the result; two services in the Pool Car Park with Holy Trinity driving the effort under the auspices of CTiFAH, several hundred folk were able to attend... and sing.

You've heard how well how finances have stood up to the challenge of the past 12 months, I'm really grateful to Phil for his proactive response, but most of all to you for your generous response in maintaining our giving – thank you. Likewise I'm sure Jan had little idea of what she was signing up to when she became warden – my thanks to her.

Throughout my nine and a bit year here Jean has been a constant in her work as Parish Secretary, always calm. I've been really grateful for her quiet counsel and practical help, so

this will be her last APCM as she stands down after 10 years of service in this role. Thank you, Jean.

Ministry to the dying is always a privilege, but when it is someone, you count as a friend especially so, it is right that I conclude this report by thanking God once more for Les, Richard and Bob Rimmer We continue to miss them and thank God for them.

Appendix

Accounts for 2020 and Independent Examiner's Report

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year to 31st December 2020

	Note	Unrestricted General Funds £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Vision Fund £	Fully Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
							2020 £	2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES								
Voluntary income	2(a)	126,318	100	2,550	3,205	0	132,173	189,277
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	8,430	0	0	0	0	8,430	10,587
Income from investments	2(c)	66	0	2	0	0	68	135
Church activities	2(d)	5,264	19,511	0	4,371	0	29,146	50,186
Other incoming resources	2(e)	9,433	0	0	0	0	9,433	5,843
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		149,511	19,611	2,552	7,576	0	179,250	266,028
RESOURCES USED								
Church Activities	3(a)	153,487	19,756	58,100	5,576	0	236,919	214,411
Fund-raising trading costs	3(b)	61	0	0	0	0	61	256
Governance costs	3(c)	3,323	0	0	0	0	3,323	3,270
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		156,871	19,756	58,100	5,576	0	240,303	217,937
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES		(7,360)	(145)	(55,548)	2,000	0	(61,053)	38,091
Gains or losses on investment assets on revaluation		0	0	0	0	149	149	341
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(7,360)	(145)	(55,548)	2,000	149	(60,904)	38,432
Balances b/fwd at 1st January 2020		836,302	38,133	57,047	9,385	2,282	943,149	904,717
Balances c/fwd at 31st December 2020		828,942	37,988	1,499	11,385	2,431	862,245	943,149

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
BALANCE SHEET
31st December 2020**

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	5(a)	824,098	824,098
Investment	5(b)	2,431	2,282
		<u>826,529</u>	<u>826,380</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	8,647	10,472
Short term deposits		10,185	5,682
Cash at bank and in hand		42,960	111,833
		<u>61,792</u>	<u>127,987</u>
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due in one year	7	6,076	11,218
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		55,716	116,769
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		882,245	943,149
 TOTAL NET ASSETS		 <u><u>882,245</u></u>	 <u><u>943,149</u></u>
 PARISH FUNDS			
Total		882,245	943,149
		<u><u>882,245</u></u>	<u><u>943,149</u></u>

Deficit for year

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by

P. Crow

P. Crow M.A.A.T. Hon Treasurer.

Date 17th May 2021

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the year to 31st December 2020

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Non-designated Funds	Unrestricted Designated Funds	Car Park Fund (Restricted/ designated)	Other Restricted Funds	Total	2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
2a Voluntary Income						
Planned giving	89,127				89,127	96,440
Tax recoverable	21,367				21,367	35,169
Collections (open plate)	3,493				3,493	9,284
Donations	7,918	100	2,550		10,568	46,952
Other income (Poppy gift)				1,205	1,205	1,259
Just giving	4,413				4,413	-
Legacies				2,000	2,000	173
	<u>126,318</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>2,550</u>	<u>3,205</u>	<u>132,173</u>	<u>189,277</u>
2b Activities for Generating Funds						
Church mag ads	271				271	655
Fundraising events	763				763	927
Non-charitable trading	7,251				7,251	7,205
Church hire	145				145	1,800
	<u>8,430</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,430</u>	<u>10,587</u>
2c Income from Investments						
Dividends and Interest including tax recoverable	66		2		68	135
	<u>66</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>135</u>
2d Income from Church Activities						
Church Hall, workshop and club activity (note 11)		10,745			10,745	34,313
Magazine income from sales	820				820	1,168
PCC Fees	4,444			4,371	8,815	5,939
Curate house		8,766			8,766	8,766
	<u>5,264</u>	<u>19,511</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,371</u>	<u>29,146</u>	<u>50,186</u>
2e Other Incoming Resources						
Sports club rent	5,931				5,931	5,843
Job retention scheme	2,502				2,502	-
Restart Grant	1,000				1,000	-
	<u>9,433</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,433</u>	<u>5,843</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>149,511</u>	<u>19,611</u>	<u>2,552</u>	<u>7,576</u>	<u>179,250</u>	<u>256,028</u>

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)
For the year to 31st December 2020**

3	RESOURCES EXPENDED		Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Designated/	Restricted	Total	2019
			Non-designated	Designated	Car Park			
			Funds	Funds	Fund	Funds	£	£
			£	£	£	£		
3(a) Church Activities								
	Missionary and charitable giving							
		Overseas relief and dev. agencies					-	1,190
		Home missions and other Church organisations		85			85	-
		Secular organisations					-	340
	Ministry							
		Parish Share	126,560				126,560	122,398
		Working expenses of incumbent	969				969	1,029
		Parsonage house	2,714				2,714	847
		Assistant staff costs	2,063				2,063	5,751
		LDBF costs				4,371	4,371	3,004
	Church running expenses							
		Heating and lighting	2,538				2,538	4,446
		Insurance	3,607				3,607	3,817
		Other costs	2,230	95	20	1,205	3,550	9,796
	Church maintenance		4,197		58,080		62,277	8,838
	Upkeep of Services		815				815	274
	Printing and other costs of magazine		2,033				2,033	3,584
	Church Hall, workshop and club activity (note 11)			17,627			17,627	38,995
	Curate's house			1,949			1,949	1,604
	Salaries/wages		5,763				5,763	5,478
			153,487	19,756	58,100	5,576	236,919	211,391
3(b) Fundraising trading costs								
		Cost of fetes and other events	61				61	256
			61				61	256
3(c) Governance costs								
		Accountancy	3,323				3,323	3,270
			3,323	0	0	0	3,323	3,270
Total Resources Expended			156,871	19,756	58,100	5,576	240,303	214,917

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
Holy Trinity Formby
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2020

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4a	STAFF COSTS	2019	2019
		£	£
	Wages and Salaries	5,763	5,748
	Social Security Costs	0	0
		<u>5,763</u>	<u>5,748</u>

During the year the PCC employed one administrative staff member.

4b **PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS**

A small and immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to his services as chairman of the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

5 **FIXED ASSETS**

5(a)	Tangible fixed assets	Freehold Land & Buildings £	Total £
	Actual/deemed cost		
	Church Club	180,821	180,821
	Tennis Courts	32,500	32,500
	Hall	415,893	415,893
	Workshop	131,477	131,477
	Curate's House	63,607	63,607
	Net Book Value At 31st December 2020	<u>824,098</u>	<u>824,098</u>

The freehold land and buildings comprise the curate's house at Hampton Road, Formby, the Parish Hall, Workshop, Church Club, and Sports Club. These assets are stated at cost. There is no revaluation policy in place.

5(b)	Investment Assets	2020 £	2019 £
	Investments in CBF		
	Market value at 1st January 2020	2,282	2,032
	Disposals		(91)
	Revaluation gain/(loss)	149	341
	Market value at 31st December 2020	<u>2,431</u>	<u>2,282</u>

The market value at 31st December 2020 represents investments for:

Endowment funds	<u>2,431</u>	<u>2,282</u>
	<u>2,431</u>	<u>2,282</u>

6	DEBTORS	2020 £	2019 £
	Tax recoverable	5,163	2,060
	Prepayments and Accrued Income	1,540	5,073
	Parish Hall, Workshop and Clubs	1,944	3,319
		<u>8,647</u>	<u>10,472</u>

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7	LIABILITIES	2020	2019
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year		
	Trade creditors	112	3,620
	Accruals	652	793
	Other creditors	4,032	4,336
	Parish Hall/Workshop/Clubs	1,250	2,477
		6,078	11,218

8	FUNDS		
	The Restricted Funds consist of the Youth Fund only. The vision fund is partly restricted and partly designated.		
	The Unrestricted Funds comprise: General only.		
	The Designated Funds comprise: Redgate, Book of Remembrance, Parish Hall, Workshop, Lounge Clubs, Messy Church and Curates House		
	The Endowment Funds comprise the Rainford and Repair funds		
	CBF Investment and deposit account balances 31st December 2020	Deposit	Investment
		£	£
	Endowment		
	Rainford	2,315	2,166
	Repair	116	116
	Total	2,431	2,282

9	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Vision (Restricted/designated)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2020
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Tangible fixed assets	624,097					624,097
	Investment fixed assets					2,431	2,431
	Current Assets	7,325	30,256	1,499	13,730		51,792
	Liabilities						
	Amounts falling due within one year	(2,481)	(1,250)		(2,345)		(5,076)
		628,941	37,862	1,499	11,385	2,431	682,245

Fund Balance

Balances 31st December 2020

Designated Funds

	£
Redgate	700
Book of Remembrance	2,476
Lounge	301
Parish Hall, Workshop and clubs	15,891
Messy Church	-
Curate House	18,726
	37,862

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10 ANALYSIS OF RESTRICTED FUNDS AND VISION FUND (PART RESTRICTED/PART DESIGNATED)

	Poppy Gift £	2020 Legacy Youth fund £	(Designated/ Restricted) Car Park £	Youth Fund £	PCC Fees £	Total 2020 £
Income						
Other	1205	2000	2,550		4,371	10,126
Interest			2			
Total income			<u>2,552</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,371</u>	<u>8,923</u>
Expenditure						
Other expenditure	1205		58,100		4,371	63,676
Total Expenditure			<u>58,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,371</u>	<u>62,471</u>
Net movement in funds	-	2000	(55,548)		-	- 53,548
Transfers between funds						
Funds brought forward at 1st January 2020	-		57,047	9,385	-	66,432
Funds carried forward at 31st December 2020	-	<u>2000</u>	<u>1,499</u>	<u>9,385</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,884</u>

The brought forward balance in respect of the Car Park fund was the balance on the completed Vision project.

11 ANALYSIS OF HALL, WORKSHOP AND CLUB FUNDS

	Hall £	Workshop £	Holiday Club £	Trinity Fellowship £	Breakfast Club £	Little Tiddlers £	Cupps & Chat £	Total £
Income	6,932	3,401		472	140	279	421	10,745
Expenditure	12,011	3,718		1,244	90	151	412	17,627
Net surplus/(deficit)	(5,079)	(318)	0	(772)	50	128	9	(5,882)
Fund balance at 1st January 2020	15,367	5,034	227	772	111	1,005	57	22,573
Fund balance at 31st December 2020	<u>9,356</u>	<u>4,716</u>	<u>227</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>161</u>	<u>1,133</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>15,681</u>

12 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, and with the Statement of Recommended Practice (Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 15th July 2014, and with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2005.

Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: the charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).
Legacies	Legacies are included in the SoFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met
Tax reliefs on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

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12 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.
Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are valued at cost.
Investments	Fixed asset investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end.
Debtors	Debtors are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity Formby

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1131722

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2020.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

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

I 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.

Signed:

Michael Chambers

Date:

10th May 2021

Name:

Michael R. Chambers

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCMA

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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