

Holy Trinity Church Formby Annual Report for 2021

May 2022

I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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From the beginning of 2021, the following personnel have served as PCC members for the whole of the reporting period unless stated otherwise:

Vicar	Revd Mark Stanford
Churchwardens	Mrs Jan Outram Ms Jenny Hays
Deanery Synod Representatives	Mr John Paton (Former Reader-in Charge, Redgate) The Late Dr Garth Raybould (Reader) until Aug 2021 Mrs Val Skinner
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)
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	Mrs Jean Raybould – until May 2021 Mr Peter Hitchcock – from June 2021

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 Nick Stark

Independent Examiner Mr Michael Chambers

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. 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

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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>

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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
		151,565	17,381	2,861	171,807	236,919
3(b) Fundraising trading costs						
	Cost of fetes and other events				-	61
					-	61
3(c) Governance costs						
	Accountancy	3,709			3,709	3,323
		3,709	0	0	3,709	3,323
Total Resources Expended		155,274	17,381	2,861	175,516	240,303

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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	2,262
	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.

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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 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):

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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.

<p>21/2/2009</p> <p>KAREN JARR</p> <p>WANT, BA HUNT</p> <p>2 LITTES CUP FORWARD METER 100 4.5144L</p>
