

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH MARGATE

ANNUAL REPORT AND SUMMARISED ACCOUNTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

**For the year ended
31st December, 2024**

INCUMBENT:

Interregnum from 1st January, 2024 – 31st August 2024

Rev'd Mark Nelson from 1st September, 2024

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PCC Members 2024

Vicar (Chair)	Rev'd Mark Nelson (from 01/09/2024)
Churchwarden	Michael Jarvis (from APCM 2017)
Deputy Churchwarden	Jackie Tuppen (from June 2023)
Deanery Synod Representatives	
Wendy Brown	from May 2023
Vacant	
Vacant	
Elected members of PCC	
Lisa Adkins	from May 2022 for 3 years
Nick Burring	from May 2023 for 3 years
Denise Burring	from May 2024 for 3 years
Norman Chester	from May 2024 for 3 years
Paul Harrison	from May 2022 for 3 years
David Leah	from May 2023 for 3 years
Suzanne Lundie	from May 2022 for 3 years
Heather Scott	from May 2024 for 3 years
Julie Thurman – Newell	from May 2022 for 3 years
Jackie Tuppen	from May 2023 for 3 years
Coopted members of PCC	
Ann Friedlos	from May 2024
Officers in attendance	
Deborah Porter	Treasurer
Sally Posnett	PCC Secretary



**Agenda for the Annual Meeting Of The Parishioners
Monday 12th May, 2025 at 7.00 pm in Holy Trinity Church Margate**

Item	
1	Opening Prayer
2	Review of Minutes from Tuesday 21 st May, 2024
3	Election of Churchwardens – 2 to serve for 1 year



**Agenda for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Monday 12th May, 2025 at 7.10 pm in Holy Trinity Church Margate**

Item	
1	Opening Prayer
2	Acceptance of the electoral roll
3	Annual Report from PCC a) Activities b) Safeguarding assurances
4	Finance Report
5	Fabric Report
6	Deanery Synod Report
7	Elections a) New PCC members b) Deanery Synod Representatives
8	AOB
9	Closing Prayer
10	PCC to meet after to elect officers



**Agenda for the additional PCC meeting following the APCM
held on Monday 12th May, 2025 to elect PCC officers for 2025/26.**

Item	
1	Welcome
2	Apologies
3	Approval of previous minutes – Tuesday 21 st May, 2024
4	Matters Arising
5	Appointment of Officers
6	Safeguarding
7	AOB
8	Closing prayer

Trinity

Holy Trinity Church Margate HTM

John 14: 6

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Tuesday 21st May, 2024 at 7.30 pm in Holy Trinity Church Margate

1	Vestry meeting for election of Churchwardens – 2 to serve for 1 year Michael Jarvis will continue in the role for another year. There were no other nominations.
2	Opening Prayer Michael Jarvis welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ann Friedlos read Jeremiah Chapter 29 verses 10 – 15 and lead the group with an opening prayer. Michael Jarvis (Chair/Churchwarden) and 24 members were present. There were 8 apologies received. Sally Posnett (PCC Secretary) took the minutes for the meeting.
3	Minutes from Tuesday 23rd May, 2023 These were accepted as a fair representation of the meeting.
4	Acceptance of the electoral roll 2023 Electoral Roll now stands at 129. Sally Posnett will continue as the Electoral Roll officer.
5	Election of PCC members – 3 to serve for 3 years There were three vacancies for PCC being 3 for three years. There were five nominations received: Denise Burring, Norman Chester, Jennifer Knight, Keith Knight and Heather Scott. Denise Burring, Norman Chester and Heather Scott were voted onto the PCC for 3 years. Mike thanked all those who had served on PCC.
6	Election of Deanery Synod Representatives (2 vacant) Wendy Brown will continue to represent HTM at the Deanery Synod.
7	Reports Mike thanked everyone who submitted reports for 2023. People were given the opportunity to read the reports. No questions were asked. MJ highlighted some key areas from the summarised accounts: There was an increase in income from 2022 to 2023 in hall hire and through fundraising. However, expenses have increased as bills have gone up and to staff costings due to the increase in hours in the caretaking staff. The deficit has increased but it is hoped that there will be less fabric work taking place as the roofs were replaced at a cost of over £18,000 as well as the memorial garden costing more than expected. David Leah highlighted that there were a couple of errors on the accounts. MJ would go back to the accountants to get these rectified and then would sign them off.
8	Churchwarden's Review of the Year MJ shared his report over the activities that have taken place at HTM throughout 2023. No questions were asked.
9	Closing Prayer MJ lit a candle in memory of those who have passed during the last year. AF thanked MJ for his work throughout the last year and closed the meeting in prayer.

	<p>Grace was shared.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 19:45</p>
10	<p>PCC to meet after to elect officers</p> <p>The PCC met after the meeting</p> <p>Please see:</p> <p><i>'Minutes of the additional meeting held on Tuesday 21st May 2024 to elect PCC officers for 2024/25.'</i></p>

Trinity

Holy Trinity Church Margate HTM

John 14: 6

Minutes of the additional PCC meeting following the APCM held on Tuesday 21st May, 2024 to elect PCC officers for 2024/25.

Present	Lisa Adkins, Wendy Brown, Denise Burring, Nick Burring, Ann Friedlos, Paul Harrison, Michael Jarvis, David Leah, Suzanne Lundie, Sally Posnett, Julie Thurman-Newell and Jackie Tuppen.												
Apologies	Apologies were received by Norman Chester and Heather Scott												
The following agreed to serve as officers for 2024/25:	<table><tr><td>Hon. PCC Treasurer</td><td>Deborah Porter</td></tr><tr><td>Hon. PCC Secretary</td><td>Sally Posnett</td></tr><tr><td>Electoral Roll Officer</td><td>Sally Posnett</td></tr><tr><td>Safeguarding Officer</td><td>Denise Burring</td></tr><tr><td>Church DBS Officer</td><td>Kaye Nightingale</td></tr><tr><td>Health and Safety Officer</td><td>Nick Burring</td></tr></table> <p>It was unanimously agreed to coopt Ann Friedlos on to the PCC in her role as Licensed Lay Minister.</p> <p>The Standing Committee will consist of Michael Jarvis, Deborah Porter, Ann Friedlos and Suzanne Lundie.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed that we engage the services of Dudley Gore and Co. Ramsgate to be our Independent Examiner for 2024.</p>	Hon. PCC Treasurer	Deborah Porter	Hon. PCC Secretary	Sally Posnett	Electoral Roll Officer	Sally Posnett	Safeguarding Officer	Denise Burring	Church DBS Officer	Kaye Nightingale	Health and Safety Officer	Nick Burring
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Church DBS Officer	Kaye Nightingale												
Health and Safety Officer	Nick Burring												
Date of next PCC meeting:	Tuesday 18 th June, 2024 at 7:30pm. The meeting closed in prayer.												

Priest In Charge Report – Rev'd Mark Nelson

Thank you for taking time to read through this update. I am deeply grateful to God and to the many people who have made the life of Holy Trinity Margate possible over 2024.

It has been an exciting period since I began and as a community we have been brave to follow our collective belief that Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. There is an amazing sense that God is on the move here and we are all excited for what the fruit of this will be.

Some highlights since September include:

Our two Sunday congregations continue to grow, both numerically and in the diversity of their respective traditions. To gauge a small snapshot, in 2024, the 8.30am has grown from an average quarterly attendance of 15 to now 28, and the 10.30am from 66 to 136 over the same period. This represents growth of 103% across the two services. Notably perhaps, this period also highlights in the second half of the year growth among young people from 5 – 26 by December 2024.

Since the Autumn we have launched a number of new initiatives: Forming a sister church partnership with St Paul's Cliftonville, under the banner of Margate Church, whilst over time beginning to see shared resources and personnel bringing growth and life across Margate.

Kids and Youth Church was launched at the end of September now being resourced on a weekly basis by volunteers. The Youth Bible Study also runs weekly to give young people opportunity to shape their faith in community. We also confirmed 3 of our youth at the Cathedral in November with Bishop Rose.

In December a communal rhythm for prayer, worship and devotion began on Monday nights in the Chapel called 'Presence' and this has become the heartbeat of everything we do as a Church.

As we look ahead, there is a great sense of all that God will continue to do as we seek to be a Church for the people of Thanet.

PCC Report 2024

The PCC met 10 times in 2024 plus the APCM and a short meeting following to appoint PCC officers.

During the meeting, the areas for discussion include finance (including parish share and monthly expenditure) with a finance report shared from the treasurer.

In addition to this, reports are received at some of the meetings from the sub-committees and from the Dementia Services and Parish Nurse.

January

The PCC agreed:

That the full parish share would be paid over 12 months.

That PCC would continue to support the following missions:

Ripple Effect / ACTs / Still Waters / Mission Guatemala / Thanet Foodbank / Mother's Union AFIA.

Margaret Edwards would increase her hours from 15 – 20 hours per week.

The Safeguarding and Gritting policies were approved.

February

The PCC discussed quotes on some essential maintenance work to be carried out in church due to damp.

It was agreed that for the remainder of the Interregnum that Rev'd Sue Woan would lead a communion service 1st Sunday of the month at 8:30am as well as 10:00.

Jackie Tuppen would continue to lead the 8:30am on the 3rd Sunday of the month with a spoken word service.

March

The PCC agreed that:

Jodie Eastland could carry out the essential painting of the North wall in church.

To purchase an ice cream freezer for the café.

The collections basket would be reintroduced alongside the use of a 'Sum Up' machine.

April

The PCC discussed that the 5 yearly electrical testing needed to be carried out as a matter of urgency.

The Fire Safety policy was agreed.

May

The APCM took place on Tuesday 21st May.

June

The PCC agreed the following:

Updated Terms of Reference

That Jackie Tuppen would act as Deputy Churchwarden

July

The PCC agreed the following:

A tree in the memorial garden to be removed due to safety issues.

Holy Trinity Church will be receiving money from the National Church over the next 5 years as part of becoming a 'resourcing church'. Part of this money will be used for a new sound and vision system in the church. However, the funding for this does not cover a replacement carpet. Therefore, it was agreed that the congregation would fundraise for the replacement carpet in the church. Any shortfall would be covered by the church's reserves.

August

No meeting took place.

September

The Rev'd Mark Nelson was licensed on 31st August.

Therefore, the PCC met for an extraordinary meeting on Saturday 7th September for Mark to share his vision and how the funding for National Church would be used in Margate over the next 5 years.

It was agreed by the PCC that the 10:00 am service would be moved to 10:30am which would give an opportunity for hospitality to happen between the two morning services for both congregations from 29th September.

During the PCC's meeting on 24th September Mark reiterated how the funding from National Church would work. It was also discussed the breakdown of the reintroduction of Kids & Youth from 29th September with a team of volunteers.

October

Rev'd Mark Nelson reflected on the month and reported that the Sunday volunteer team had grown serving on kids and youth, hospitality, welcome and worship.

The service attendance and number of regular givers have grown throughout the month too.

Alpha would be launched in January 2025.

The PCC agreed to fund replacing the kitchen in Sunshine preschool.

November

The PCC agreed that from the next APCM (May 2025) that there will be a change in the functions to how the previous subcommittees operate and the number of PCC meetings would reduce from monthly to quarterly.

Ann Friedlos (in her role as LLM) would oversee how pastoral support is monitored.

The budget for 2025 was presented to the PCC which was agreed.

It was decided that the mission partners for 2025 would be:

Mission Guatemala, Still Waters, Mothers' Union, Ripple Effect and Thanet Food Link.

The PCC agreed to introduce a 'Neighbourhood Fund' which is a discretionary fund to support members of the church community who may be in need.

The Eucharist Assistants list was agreed.

It was announced that Margaret Edwards (Parish Nurse) would be leaving in December to take on a full-time role at the hospice.

It was announced that Bekah Spencer (Worship Pastor) would offer a Monday evening service (known as Presence) in the chapel.

December

No meeting took place.

Bible Study Group – Suzanne Lundie

This is a fortnightly meeting to delve deeper into the Bible. A place to ask questions and share together the influences and the faith from the greatest book ever written. We finished studying Mark, which proved successful and a grounding for looking deeper into the New Testament. The group are now looking in depth at Acts and the journeys of Paul, which is proving a fascinating account and something the group are enjoying. Learning more about the roots of Christianity. We have 11 approx. souls of various ages and on their own journeys of faith eager to seek more. The opportunity to learn and grow together in faith is a blessing in itself.

Book Gem – Kaye Nightingale

We have continued to meet monthly and our attendance is between 9-12. We enjoy lively discussions on the books we have read. We enjoyed “A Single Thread” where we learnt about embroidery on the kneelers in Winchester Cathedral.

“The Phone Box At The Edge Of The World” took us to Japan to discover different ways of expressing grief.

“Miss Garnet’s Angel” took us on walks through the alleys of Venice.

Through “The Kite Runner” we journeyed to Afghanistan and understood a little of the injustices of women's lives.

“The Salt Path” took us on a long walk along the coast of Devon and Cornwall, watch out for the film at the end of the month!

“All The Light We Cannot See” made us think about the limitation of blindness.

One session we all brought a book we had enjoyed and talked about that, some brought books from their childhood e.g. “The Secret Garden” and others brought books that had made them think differently e.g. “Some Other Rainbow” about John Mc Carthy’s time as a hostage in Lebanon.

Here are some comments from the members:

I really enjoy book club. I started last summer, so I am fairly new. The books Kaye chooses are the complete opposite of what I have been reading, and I enjoy the discussion we have on the monthly book, as everybody has different views.

So glad I joined the book club. Have not read on a regular basis for a long time. Even though I am dyslexic, when reading it doesn't matter if I have trouble spelling or pronouncing the words as I do still understand the sentence. I really enjoy reading again.

As an avid reader I've normally shied away from Book Clubs as I wasn't keen to read books not of my choosing. It's been a revelation. I've followed an eccentric old lady walking amongst penguins in Antarctica, learnt of emotive love on opposite sides of the partition of Cyprus, read about an elderly spinster discovering Venice and falling deeply in love for the first time and a riveting but disturbing story of lives lived during the Biafran War.

CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other) – Christine Reeves

CAMEO has continued to meet every Tuesday at 10am. We started the year with a New Years Lunch at the indoor Bowls centre. During the year we have had talks from Rev'd Sue Woan, Ann Friedlos and Rev'd Mark Nelson and held our Easter and Christmas services in the chapel.

We have had talks from Martha's Trust, Guide Dogs, KSS Air Ambulance, Leprosy Mission, Theatre Royal. Dover Coastguards, and Stroke Assessment. We also learnt about digital safety and were entertained by the Greyhound Buskers.

We have also had Chair Based Exercises, and Quizzes which helped us keep our bodies and minds active.

We ended the year with a Christmas Lunch at Lester's.

We look forward to 2025, if you want to meet new friends, new members are always welcome.

Dementia Services – Julie Thurman – Newell

From January 2024 the dementia services added an extra session on a Tuesday morning which meant that some members could now stay all day or have the option for a morning or an afternoon session.

Cogs continues to thrive with Wednesday Cogs having 12 members and Thursday Cogs, 10.

In February our parish nurse started Sit and stay fit on a Tuesday morning.

In March our website went live thanks to 'Broad Biz' for doing this free of charge.

We held a dementia event in July in the form of a summer ball. This was well attended.

During the year we have had the pleasure of Laura from Every Sing and Tara come along to our groups and entertain the various groups.

I have also gone to the 'Living Well' group monthly and speak about our groups.

We had the pleasure of the Greyhound Buskers come along in December.

We were donated £258.00 from the Art group.

We had a lovely carol service in the church with Bekah we invited the EKIDS coffee morning along too it was well attended.

During the year we have received some donations from funerals of members that have sadly passed away.

During our activity sessions we have made crafts in line with the time of the year, e.g. Easter, Saint days and other important dates; in the spring making daffodils and displays for our activity board and at Christmas making cards etc.

The drop-in sessions on the 1st Friday of every month have also been a good source of networking. We have had a steady flow of people through the doors to support. The admiral nurse attends this alongside the Nurse prescriber, Social prescribers, EKIDS, G4s the dementia nurses from the hospital and the dementia & me co-ordinators.

The plan for going forward is to continue to keep the groups at capacity.

This would not be possible without the amazing volunteers that I have.

Friendship Group – Suzanne Lundie

This popular Thursday morning group has been enjoyed for the past 5 years. Starting in a small form to build friendships after the pandemic. In 2024 the group enjoyed speakers from various local organisations, music provided from a professional singer and the Greyhound Buskers, quizzes and togetherness. They enjoyed a cream tea for their annual outing at the Walpole Bay Hotel.

Sadly, in December, Margaret Edwards, the Parish Nurse and founder of the Friendship Group left to continue her passion in palliative care. A big thank you and farewell was given to her for all she'd achieved in our community, church and bonding friends together as this group has proved.

This group ended 2024 with joyful sounds of dancing, laughing and embracing the joy of friendship and a new vision for 2025.

Girlguiding at Holy Trinity 2024 – Jackie Hermitage

During 2024, we have continued to run three units, seeing approximately 70 girls a week between the ages of 4 and 14 years. All units continue to have waiting lists.



We have welcomed 2 more unit helpers, one with Rainbows and one with Guides. Two more young women have decided to stay and become young Leaders after completing their D of E commitments which is very welcome.

At the beginning of the year, all units worked on the 'Be Well' theme badge. The Rainbows completed the Fruit and Veg interest badge and learnt about First Aid and being aware of dangers in the home. The Brownies continued to develop their knowledge of First Aid but also looked at Mindfulness. The Guides looked at communication skills including understanding emojis.

In the summer term, we aimed to be outside, and this continued into the first part of the autumn term. The Rainbows loved following tracks and trails and learning about animal footprints and camouflage. They also completed their Aviation badge.

The brownies found out about Zero Waste for an interest badge and enjoyed helping their local community by doing a litter pick, organised by a parent. They were shocked to see how much rubbish they collected but proud to have helped. They also looked at the solar system as the evenings got darker.

The Guides too, were outdoors and went on Penny Hikes and explored their local area. There was a sports event at the end of term with the Guides organising and running the races and activities for the Brownies.

Several girls from Brownies and Guides plus some leaders were involved in the local Gang Show. This was enjoyed by many friends and family members.

The Guides and Brownies attended the Remembrance Day Parade and we presented the Guide standard for the first time in many years.

All units had the opportunity for an overnight experience. The Brownies went to Revolution and completed the climbing walls there and tried some traversing. The Rainbows completed a Teddy Bears challenge at their sleepover and although the weather wasn't great, we still had a special picnic. It's always amazing the even our youngest girls feel confident enough to attend.

The Guide sleepover was held just before Christmas with a theme based on the film 'Elf'. There was lots of fun – and some strange food combinations! As with all sleepovers, not much sleep happens...

We spent the second half of the autumn term looking at Chocolate – a very popular topic. We looked at the origins of chocolate as well as Fair Trade. We had planned a visit to watch Charlie and the Chocolate Factory in Ramsgate and felt we should do our 'research' first. We had a wonderful time, and it was a first theatre trip for many.

Next year, we hope to join some events outside our locality help more in our community.

We feel fortunate to have a welcoming and safe place to meet. Thank you, Holy Trinity, for supporting us. We would also like to thank the families of the girls we work with for their continued support. The leaders continue to be inspired by the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides and enjoy spending time with them.

Home Groups – Rosemary Griffiths, Ian and Rachel Copeland

At the moment there are two homegroups one of which meets on a Tuesday evening and the other on Wednesday afternoons.

The Tuesday group meets fortnightly between 7.30 and 9pm. We begin with hot drinks, cake and chat on arrival and then turn to study and prayer from 8pm onwards. Since the last ACPM, we have been pleased to welcome a couple of new members into the group.

We have studied the character of the Christian from the Sermon on the Mount, the Parables of Jesus and some studies based on Daniel. We explored the first half of the book of Daniel, alongside Chris Hodges' book and DVD series 'The Daniel Dilemma'. By popular demand, we have decided to continue with the second half of the book of Daniel, looking at Daniel's dreams. We have found it powerful reading this book aloud in whole chapters.

The Wednesday group of eight members meets fortnightly between 2.30 and 4pm. Our meeting starts with tea/coffee, chat, catch up and laughter before we sing together. A different member of the group leads the study each week and our discussions are always lively with all members participating. We use the Lifebuilder series as a guide for our time together and have studied Christian Community (focussing on belonging, using our gifts, recognising our differences, supporting each other and so much more) and an Advent study series entitled the Coming of the Saviour. We always end our meetings with an extended time of open prayer starting with silence and then thanks for so many answered prayers. We then share prayer requests for friends, family, our church, the world and ourselves.

Both groups support one another other during the week keeping in touch by WhatsApp/text etc. Regular social times are also enjoyed. These have included a pancake evening on Shrove Tuesday, a summer buffet and Sunday lunches during the year.

Holy Trinity Mother's Union Branch Report for 2023 – Wendy Brown

Holy Trinity Mothers' Union had 21 members in 2024 over two groups. The Tuesday Afternoon Group meet on the first Tuesday Afternoon in each month. The Evening Group for members who are working during the day meet approximately every six weeks.

The Tuesday Afternoon Group has had a number of speakers. Roy Nightingale joined us to discuss a book which discusses faith. We had a presentation with slides showing pictures of St Peters in days gone by. Ann Friedlos took us through from Easter to the Ascension. Rev Emma Pennington, Mother's Union Chaplin introduced us to 'Women of the Bible'. Danielle, our Trustee for Overseas talked to us about her recent Pilgrimage in Spain. Matt Brinkley from The London City Mission gave us a presentation on the work of the Mission giving us a greater understanding of the diversity in the City. Valerie, one of our members taught us some day-to-day sign language and later in the year we signed Christmas Carols.

Our Evening Members met with members of The Kent2 Fostering Team early in the year and discussed a Project which would help young people with Foster Families. They met at the Allotment later in the year to present the above with Rucksacks (see The Rucksack Project overleaf). They met again to discuss 'Hazel's Walk' the second walk to raise funds in memory of her late mum and Mother's Union member, Rita. They arranged and manned stalls with their daughters at the Church Summer Fair, our Annual Garden Party which was held at Grapevine Cottage and later in the year at the Church Christmas Fair.

All fundraising events – The Garden Party; Christmas Fair; Knitted Chicks at Easter; the Cake Stall at the Church Summer Fair; a raffle which we held at Grapevine Cottage to celebrate Mary Sumner Day in August and donations from Valerie's walking group raised a total of £1005.53. 'Hazel's Walk' raised £950 for AFIA and the Rucksacks making a total of £1955.53.

We put together 'Dried Grass Arrangements' for the congregation on Mothering Sunday. We provided and served the food for the Trinity Toddlers Christmas Party.

We organised Christmas Gifts for Sevenscore and Woodchurch Mental Health Units at QEQM, Copperfield's Assisted Living Accommodation in Ramsgate and families staying with Oasis Women's Refuge.

Our members met for the Annual Wave of Prayer on the 18th March. The Branch participated in Baptisms earlier in the year. We met on the first Wednesday in the month for MU prayers in the Church. Some members arranged Prayers for the monthly MU Cathedral Prayer Time. We made a display using Oasis Domestic Abuse Service Posters and Information on where to get help. This was accompanied by the Red Chair and was situated in the Reception Area of the Church and Centre. In December we attended the MU Advent Service at the Cathedral.

Mothers' Union Branch members volunteer in the Café throughout the week so come along for a coffee or tea and a chat. Several members arranged the Prayer Service in St Mary's Chapel on Wednesday Mornings.

THE RUCKSACKS PROJECT

We invited the Kent2 Fostering Team to talk to our Evening Members in February. We learned a lot about their work with the young people who join families. Through the discussion that followed we identified a need for both the young people joining a family but also leaving on their 18th birthday whether they had left Full Time Education or not. Some children join a family without being able to take anything familiar with them. Likewise, an 18 year old leaving a family to be supported by their Local Authority might not have anything tangible to call their own. Therefore, with the agreement with Fostering Team and Canterbury Archdeaconry we are providing Rucksacks filled with some Personal Items to give them a start. These can also include Young People under the age of 16 who arrive alone as refugees. We have provided four Rucksacks this year and have another two when the Team identify a need. This is an ongoing project for which we continue to raise funds.

Trinity Toddlers – Kay Nightingale

Another happy year! We are now a team of four leaders which helps especially in getting the hall ready and clearing away at the end of the session. Generally, we welcome 12-14 families each week but there are constantly new ones coming along. The children enjoy free play for an hour, then after tidying up we gather for a time of singing followed by refreshments and finish with a time of playing with the balls and hoops.

At Christmas the Mothers Union group provided a wonderful spread after which we listened to the Christmas story and had a visit from Father Christmas. We have generally tried to introduce a few Christian songs to our repertoire as we want our families to know that Christian values are important to us. We did have one very special visitor when we celebrated Tommy's first birthday which was a lovely surprise!



Finance & Fabric Report – Debbie Porter

Holy Trinity Margate continued to manage its financial commitment and obligations whilst still in interregnum, building and supporting the growth of the Church and the centre together with extending the services and activities to the wider community.

Upon the appointment of the new Vicar, Rev'd Mark Nelson in September, we have received grants from The Church Revitalisation Trust and the National Church to support the programme further in its commitment to the growth of The Margate Church.

Our Parish Share for 2024 was £74,763.73 which was paid in full within 12 months, (The Parish Share for 2025 is £81,976.42).

Standing orders and free will offering remains to play an important contribution to our income, enabling us to fulfil our commitments of paying the Parish Share, employee's salaries and utility bills.

Hall Rentals / Lettings / Café

Combined income from the above amounted to £107,109 less expenses. We are continuing to see many existing and new organisations benefiting from our hospitality and duty of care in maintaining our facilities, health and safety procedures and creating a safe, relaxing environment for staff, volunteers and clients. Occupancy rates for the rooms are very good and, in some cases, fully booked. Members of the Deaf and hearing community hold weekly meetings in the café as do the Knit and Natter group both of which are very well attended. Although Thanet Safe Haven moved to new premises at the Queen Elizabeth Queen Mother Hospital last year, we now have the pleasure of accommodating the NHS Pulmonary Department, which makes a significant contribution to our rental income and plays an important role in the community, helping those with lung and respiratory problems.

Maintenance Programme

At the end of December approximately £43,556 has been spent on repairing and maintaining the centre and the church fabric structure, including additional repairs carried out for the Sunshine Pre-School Nursery.

The Maintenance for 2024 (which is the summary of the PCC Fabric Report):

Organ Tuning - £615

Piano Tuning - £160

Servicing the fire alarms for the centre and church (new alarm bell installed) - £118

Annual servicing of the CCTV equipment, Intruder alarm system replacement pad - £124

Lightening Protection Testing on church tower - £171

Upgrade internet connections and repairs to the computers - £814

Quarterly (£300) clean out of church roofs - £1,200

New lock and keys for main front door entrance - £228

Service boilers and issue of Gas Safety Certificates - £450

Electrical Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) for the centre and church and complete remedial work after the EICR for the nursery - £2,500

Replacement taps and syphon of toilets, repairs to heaters - £2,135

Maintenance service contract for internal lift - £870

Painting of the north interior wall in church and ceiling repairs - £335

Repairs to nursery (installation of new kitchen and appliances) - £5,764

Additional engraving to brass plaque (Roll of Honour – Vicars) - £140

Removal of heavily leaning poplar tree - £900

Painting exterior wooden window frames and structures outside the centre and repainting external drainpipes around the building - £250

In 2024, we also purchased the following equipment:

Mini fridge for café area and (Walls Vista 12LED Chest Ice Cream Freezer) - £659

Nord 580 Key Stage Piano - £2,389

I wish to express my grateful thanks to our caretakers, staff and volunteers who have undertaken decorating, cleaning and gardening duties throughout the year.

Accountants

As in the previous three years we have engaged the services of Dudley Gore and Co. 50 Queen Street, Ramsgate, Kent to examine the accounts.

Parish Nursing

Grants were received from Colyer Ferguson and Maurice and Hilda Laing Trust of £15,000.00 and £5,000.00 respectfully in 2021. Unfortunately, the Parish Nurse left our employment in December 2024.

Mission

In 2024 The PCC agreed to make a financial contribution of £3,600.00, split between six charities in support of their mission work. The six charities are as follows with £600.00 being allocated to each one.

Thanet Food Bank

Mission Guatemala

Still Waters

Mothers' Union Diocese of Canterbury (AFIA)

Ripple Effect (formally known as Send a Cow)

ACTS (Active Christianity in Thanet Schools)

Deanery Synod – Wendy Brown

The first Deanery Synod for the 2024 met at St Saviours Church in Westgate on Thursday 14th March. The evening began with a service of 'Intentional Silence'. Following a period of quiet there was reading from 1Kings 19 11-15; Music – Sound of Silence; Psalm 131; Reflection and Prayer.

Rev Matt Hodder, Deanery Champion for Children and Young People, said that he had received Surveys from most churches and had had meetings to start to form a plan for the future.

David Tate, Deanery Eco-Champion, said that work is progressing but we need to go further. Some churches have Silver and Bronze Awards. We discussed recycling. Has each Church got an Eco-Champion.

Judith, Lay Chair, gave an update on the Deanery Plan which we went through and agreed.

We finished with the Grace.

We met again on Thursday 4th July at St Peter's. Rev Matt Hodder conducted a short Service followed by time in quiet prayer.

We split into Cluster Groups - Margate, Ramsgate, Birchington and Sea Marsh to discuss the following: -

- 1 What is bringing you joy
- 2 What challenges are you facing
- 3 Where are the areas of growth
- 4 What does your wider parish community need prayer for at this time
- 5 Who or what are you thankful for
- 6 What is the one thing you would ask God to help you with

Feedback was given as follows: - Growth through Church and School Activities (not translating into church services) but shows we are reaching out. Increased Baptisms. Uniformed organisations linked to churches. St Johns has four AA groups that meet in their Community Centre. Holy Trinity Resource Centre. Toddler Groups and Messy Church. Holy Trinity Broadstairs have Young People coming forward for Confirmation.

All Clusters have challenges - buildings, finance, lack of response from the Diocese and a lack of resources with a plea for volunteers. Ramsgate raised the question of Mental Health and how can we deal with this.

Finally, all areas need prayer – thanks for what we have and guidance on where we are going.

Philip Musundi, the Area Dean closed with The Grace.

The final Synod for the year met on Thursday 14th November. The topic for the evening was Wellbeing and Resilience led by Joanna Young of Wildgeese Leadership.

Joanna is a former Chief Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police. She used the experience, skills and qualifications she had gained working in this high-pressure environment to train as a Wellbeing Coach.

She helps others to achieve more in their working/personal life by identifying their Kayler Working Styles (Active or Passive, Prefer Working with Others or Working Alone etc). By identifying our styles, we can better understand who we are and therefore become more resilient.

Churchwarden's Review of the Year – Michael Jarvis

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH MARGATE		
SUMMARISED ACCOUNTS FOR 2024		
	£ nearest thousand	
1) For our day to day "operational" activities		
	2024	2023
The money came from:		
Freewill Offerings	54	50
Service Collections	5	4
Tax Refunds	10	13
Halls Lease & Fundraising	107	128
Bequests & Support (Dividends)	6	7
Other Income (Donations - Church Trust Receipts)	177	0
Others including (Dementia Services, Fees, Sundry Receipts & Cobb)	41	30
TOTAL	400	232
What we spend money on:		
Parish Share (Vicar, Curate, Stipends, Pension & Housing)	75	72
Clergy Working Expenses	1	0.5
Church Maintenance (Cleaning, Utilities, Furniture & Fabric, Insurance	73	60
Parish Administration (Office Expenses, Salaries)	153	99
Missionary Giving	4	0
Cost of Worship Services (CCLI, Flowers, Lord's Table)	1	1
Music & Production	11	0
General Expenses, Events, Christian Literature, Youth Ministry	17	1
Diocesan Fees Paid	1	0.5
Depreciation	30	30
TOTAL	366	264
Therefore:		
At the end of 2024 we had a Surplus/Deficit of	34	-32
2) For our more special purpose activities:		
a) Church Repairs Fund		
- At the start of the year we had available	0	0
- During the year we spent	0	0
- At the end of the year we have in hand	0	0
b) Other small projects		
St Mary's Chapel Fund	0	0
Community Garden	0	0.5
3) At 31st December the Church owned:	2024	2023
Cash in Bank	248	177
Amounts still to be collected	2	4
Amounts that the church still has to pay	-10	-5
Amount remaining	240	176

CHARITY NUMBER 1131733

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
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HOLY TRINITY, MARGATE**

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

INCUMBENT:

Interregnum from 1st January, 2024 – 31st August 2024

Rev'd Mark Nelson from 1st September, 2024

DUDLEY GORE & CO.
50 QUEEN STREET
RAMSGATE
KENT
CT11 9EE

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Administrative Information

Holy Trinity Church is located in the town of Margate and within the Deanery of Thanet. It is part of the Diocese of Canterbury. The correspondence address is St. Mary's Avenue, Margate, Kent, CT9 3TN
Churches with an income of more than £100,000 are now directed by law to register with the Charities Commission. Our Charities Commission number is 1131733.

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

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2024 until the date this report was approved are:

Vicar (Chair)	Rev'd Mark Nelson (from 01/09/2024)	
Churchwarden	Michael Jarvis	(from APCM 2017)
Deputy Churchwarden	Jackie Tuppen	(from June 2023)

Deanery Synod Representatives

Wendy James (From May 2023)

Two positions currently vacant

Elected members of PCC

Nick Burring	(From May 2023 for 3 years)
Norman Chester	(From May 2024 for 1 year)
Denise Burring	(From May 2024 for 3 years)
Heather Scott	(From May 2024 for 3 years)
Suzanne Lundie	(From May 2022 for 3 years)
Paul Harrison	(From May 2022 for 3 years)
Lisa Adkins	(From May 2022 for 3 years)
Julie Thurman-Newell	(From May 2022 for 3 years)
David Leah	(From May 2023 for 3 years)
Jackie Tuppen	(From May 2023 for 3 years)

Co-opted members of PCC

Ann Friedlos	(From May 2024)
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Officers in Attendance

Sally Posnett (PCC Secretary)
Deborah Porter (Treasurer)

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024 (CONT)

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31st December 2024. The trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the Charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charity governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective January 2015) as amended by Update Bulletin 1 (effective January 2015)

Structure, Governance and Management

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

The PCC met 10 times in 2024 plus the APCM and a short meeting following to appoint PCC officers. During the meeting, the areas for discussion include finance (including parish share and monthly expenditure) with a finance report shared from the treasurer. In addition to this, reports are received at some of the meetings from the subcommittees and from the Dementia Services and Parish Nurse.

Objectives and Activities

Holy Trinity PCC is responsible, with the incumbent, for promoting the mission of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity Margate in the Diocese of Canterbury. It has maintenance and day to day running responsibilities for all the church buildings in the parish of Holy Trinity Church. Northdown Hall is under a Tenancy at Will agreement with Sunshine pre-school and the Diocese of Canterbury.

Achievements and Performance

Church Attendance

The USA for the 36 weeks was 82 (interregnum).

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We also had 4 baptisms, 1 wedding, 5 Funerals and 2 memorial services.

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PCC Financial Review for 2024

Holy Trinity Margate continued to manage its financial commitment and obligations whilst still in interregnum, building and supporting the growth of the Church and the centre together with extending the services and activities to the wider community.

Upon the appointment of the new Vicar, Revd Mark Nelson in September, we have received grants from The Church Revitalisation Trust and the National Church to support the programme further in its commitment to the growth of The Margate Church.

Our Parish Share for 2024 was £74,763.73 which was paid in full within 12 months, (The Parish Share for 2025 is £81,976.42).

Standing orders and free will offering remains to play an important contribution to our income, enabling us to fulfil our commitments of paying the Parish Share, employee's salaries and utility bills.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024 (CONT)

Hall Rentals / Lettings/ Cafe

Combined income from the above amounted to £107,109 less expenses. We are continuing to see many existing and new organisations benefiting from our hospitality and duty of care in maintaining our facilities, health and safety procedures and creating a safe, relaxing environment for staff, volunteers and clients. Occupancy rates for the rooms are very good and, in some cases, fully booked. Members of the Deaf and hearing community hold weekly meetings in the café as do the Knit and Natter group both of which are very well attended. Although Thanet Safe Haven moved to new premises at the Queen Elizabeth Queen Mother Hospital last year, we now have the pleasure of accommodating the NHS Pulmonary Department, which makes a significant contribution to our rental income and plays an important role in the community, helping those with lung and respiratory problems.

Maintenance Programme

At the end of December approximately £43,556 has been spent on repairing and maintaining the centre and the church fabric structure, including additional repairs carried out for the Sunshine Pre-School Nursery.

The Maintenance for 2024 (which is the summary of the PCC Fabric Report):

Organ Tuning - £615

Piano Tuning - £160

Servicing the fire alarms for the centre and church (new alarm bell installed) - £118

Annual servicing of the CCTV equipment, Intruder alarm system replacement pad - £124

Lightening Protection Testing on church tower - £171

Upgrade internet connections and repairs to the computers - £814

Quarterly (£300) clean out of church roofs - £1,200

New lock and keys for main front door entrance - £228

Service boilers and issue of Gas Safety Certificates - £450

Electrical Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) for the centre and church and complete remedial work after the EICR for the nursery - £2,500

Replacement taps and syphon of toilets, repairs to heaters - £2,135

Maintenance service contract for internal lift - £870

Painting of the north interior wall in church and ceiling repairs - £335

Repairs to nursery (installation of new kitchen and appliances) - £5,764

Additional engraving to brass plaque (Roll of Honour – Vicars) - £140

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Removal of heavily leaning poplar tree - £900

Painting exterior wooden window frames and structures outside the centre and repainting external drain pipes around the building - £250

In 2024, we also purchased the following equipment:

Mini fridge for café area and (Walls Vista 12LED Chest Ice Cream Freezer) - £659

Nord 580 Key Stage Piano - £2,389

I wish to express my grateful thanks to our caretakers, staff and volunteers who have undertaken decorating, cleaning and gardening duties throughout the year.

Accountants

We have engaged the services of Dudley Gore, 50 Queen Street Ramsgate to examine the accounts.

Parish Nursing

Grants were received from Colyer Ferguson and Maurice and Hilda Laing Trust of £15,000.00 and £5,000.00 respectfully in 2021. Unfortunately, the Parish Nurse left our employment in December 2024.

Missions

In 2024 The PCC agreed to make a financial contribution of £3,600.00, split between six charities in support of their mission work. The six charities are as follows with £600.00 being allocated to each one.

Thanet Food Bank

Mission Guatemala

Still Waters

Mothers' Union Diocese of Canterbury (AFIA)

Ripple Effect (formally known as Send a Cow)

ACTS (Active Christianity in Thanet Schools)

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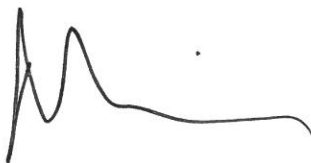
Reserves Policy

The Parochial Church Council's policy is to hold most of its limited reserves in interest bearing cash deposits whilst retaining minimal balance in the current account.

Small investments are held in the Restricted Funds.

The Cobb Lectureship Fund is held in the Investment Fund of the Church of England Board of Finance.

APPROVED BY THE PCC
SIGNED ON THEIR BEHALF



Michael Jarvis (Churchwarden)

Date: 12 May 2025

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report to the PCC on my examination of Holy Trinity Church, Margate (the Church) for the year ended 31st December 2024.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 (the Regulations) and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

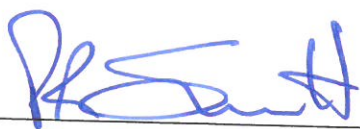
I report in respect of my examination of the PCC's accounts carried out under the Regulations and section 145 of the Act, and in carrying out the examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Church as required by section 130 of the Act;
or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.



PETER R SMITH
ICPA [Fellow], ACPA
Dudley Gore & Co
50 Queen Street
Ramsgate, Kent
CT11 9EE

Date: 12th May 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

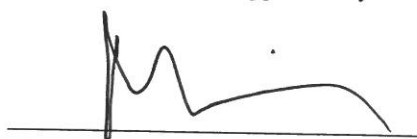
		UNRESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	RESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	ENDOWMENT FUND 2024 £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
INCOMING AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Charitable activities						
Voluntary income	2	107,875	-	-	107,875	91,534
Activities for generating funds	3	107,109	-	-	107,109	128,760
Income from UK investments						
Dividends & interest from investments		1,520	3,713	-	5,233	4,867
Church activities	4	2,729	-	-	2,729	6,973
Other income (Donations)		177,368	-	-	177,368	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		396,601	3,713	-	400,314	232,134
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Charitable activities						
Church activities						
The Ministry	5a	92,006	-	-	92,006	73,289
The Church	5b	72,880	-	-	72,880	59,507
The Services		-	-	-	-	-
Other expenses	5c	152,789	17,507	30,000	200,296	131,443
Governance costs	6	672	-	-	672	648
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		318,347	17,507	30,000	365,854	264,887
NET INCOMING/[OUTGOING] RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		78,254	(13,794)	(30,000)	34,460	(32,753)
Transfers between funds		(7,062)	7,062	-	-	-
NET INCOME/[EXPENDITURE] AFTER TRANSFERS		71,192	(6,732)	(30,000)	34,460	(32,753)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		155,091	21,052	990,000	1,166,143	1,198,896
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	226,283	14,320	960,000	1,200,603	1,166,143

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	NOTE	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	11	960,000	990,000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	2,303	4,112
Cash at bank and in hand		248,599	177,444
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		250,902	181,556
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	10,299	5,413
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		240,603	176,143
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NET ASSETS		1,200,603	1,166,143
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FUNDS			
Endowment funds		960,000	990,000
Restricted funds	15	14,320	21,052
General funds	15	226,283	155,091
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TOTAL FUNDS		1,200,603	1,166,143
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These accounts were approved by the Trustees on 12 May 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Michael Jarvis (Churchwarden)

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a] Accounting Convention

The financial statement of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Financial Reporting Standard 102 – reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements as permitted by FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland:

- the requirement of section 7 Statement of Cash Flows

b] Expenditure

All expenditure is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably.

The PCC's policy has for some time been to give 10% of its incoming resources from donors and other voluntary sources to missionary undertakings at home and overseas. Accordingly this expenditure is provided in the same period that the income is received so as to ensure the expenditure is matched with the appropriate income, even though it does not represent a legally enforceable liability.

The Diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid.

Charitable activities are costs associated with achieving the Church's aims. Governing costs represent the running costs of being a charity, such as the independent examiner's fee.

c] Income

Income is generally recognised on a receivable basis, where the amount is reasonably certain and where there is adequate certainty of receipt. Income is not deferred.

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable after Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Gifts through the Give As You Earn (GAYE) scheme are recognised when the gift is deducted from the donor's salary.

Legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Rental income from the letting of the church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

The investment income arising from the endowment fund is restricted.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024 (CONT.)

d] Funds

General accumulated funds are unrestricted funds available to the Church for its general purposes and include funds designated by the Church for a particular purpose; the use of which remains at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or by the specific terms of the appeal under which the funds are raised.

Permanent endowment funds are restricted funds where the trustees do not have authority to convert the capital into income or other capital.

e] Fixed assets

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the Church inventory which can be inspected at any reasonable time. For inalienable property acquired prior to 1st January 2000, there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic lives (initially 4 years) on a straight line basis.

Depreciation of freehold land and buildings commenced at a rate of 2% per annum on a straight line basis.

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £2,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	RESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
Service collections	4,554	-	4,554	3,561
Freewill offerings and GAYE	53,621	-	53,621	50,437
Gift Aid tax refunds	10,610	-	10,610	13,040
Bequests and Legacies	-	-	-	-
Community Garden	-	-	-	500
Parish Nurse	238	-	238	21
Colyer Ferguson Trust	-	-	-	-
Donations	7,462	-	7,462	1,773
Other Income	-	-	-	90
The Maurice & Hilda Laing Trust	-	-	-	-
Dementia Services	31,390	-	31,390	22,112
	<hr/> 107,875	<hr/> -	<hr/> 107,875	<hr/> 91,534
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3. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	RESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
Hire of Halls	89,320	-	89,320	111,901
Other fundraising	17,789	-	17,789	16,859
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	107,109	-	107,109	128,760
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4. CHURCH ACTIVITIES

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	RESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
Fees	1,136	-	1,136	1,173
Sunday Coffee Morning	1,239	-	1,239	692
Fundraising events	354	-	354	4,404
Wedding fee	-	-	-	704
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	2,729	-	2,729	6,973
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5. CHURCH ACTIVITIES

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	RESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
a The Ministry				
Donations to Missionary Giving	3,600	-	3,600	-
Parish Contribution for Vicar & Curate Stipend	74,764	-	74,764	71,571
Vicar Costs	946	-	946	469
Curate Costs	370	-	370	-
Fees paid	-	-	-	88
Lord's table	975	-	975	-
Music and productions	11,351	-	11,351	1,161
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	92,006	-	92,006	73,289
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5. CHURCH ACTIVITIES (CONT.)

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	RESTRICTED FUNDS 2024 £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
b The Church				
Cleaning and Insurance	9,828	-	9,828	8,992
Light, Heat and Water	19,496	-	19,496	16,112
Fund Raising	-	-	-	23
Maintenance	43,556	-	43,556	34,380
	<hr/> 72,880	-	72,880	<hr/> 59,507

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		ENDOWMENT FUNDS		TOTAL	TOTAL		
	2024	£	2024	£	2024	£	2023	£
c Other Expenses								
Salaries	129,427		17,507		-		146,934	91,236
Youth Ministry	3,696		-		-		3,696	-
Bank Charges	702		-		-		702	731
Depreciation	-		-		30,000		30,000	30,000
Parish Administration	5,994		-		-		5,994	5,058
General Expenses	12,970		-		-		12,970	4,418
	152,789		17,507		30,000		200,296	131,443

6. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL	TOTAL
	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examiner's fee	672	672	648
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	672	672	648

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7. TRUSTEE'S REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Reverend Clifford Stocking was appointed as the Church vicar from 30 January 2017. During his tenure he receives a stipend from the Diocese and lives in accommodation paid for by the Diocese. Usually trustees are not allowed to receive a salary. However, the Charity Commission have made a dispensation for licensed clergy to receive a stipend and housing. Reimbursement of expenses have been made to some trustees. The details are as follows:

	No. of Trustees paid	2024 £	No. of Trustees paid	2023 £
Mileage and travelling	1	160	1	165
Miscellaneous	2	786	1	304
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		946		469
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8. EMPLOYEES REMUNERATION

During the year the church employed the equivalent of 3 full time staff and 3 staff working under 30 hours a week.

The total cost of these employees was:

	2024 £	2023 £
Gross wages	135,519	90,103
Employer's NI	4,133	-
Employer's pension	6,121	1,133
Training	1,161	-
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	146,934	91,236
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In addition the Diocese paid a stipend to a full time vicar who worked in the parish. Each PCC makes a voluntary payment to the Diocese, part of which is to help defray the costs of the clergy.

Accounting regulations require confirmation that none of the employees earned more than £60,000.

9. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S FEE

The accounts include an accrual of £672 (2023 £648) payable to the independent examiner, £336 (2023 £324) of which relates to accountancy and £336 (2023 £324) to the examination of the accounts and accounting records.

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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	ENDOWMENT	TOTAL
Income and Endowments from Charitable Activities				
Voluntary income	91,034	500	-	91,534
Activities for generating funds	128,760	-	-	128,760
Income from Investments	1,279	3,588	-	4,867
Church activities	6,973	-	-	6,973
Other income	-	-	-	-
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	228,046	4,088	-	232,134
Expenditure on Charitable Activities				
Church Activities				
The Ministry	73,289	-	-	73,289
The Church	59,007	500	-	59,507
The Services	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	88,457	12,986	30,000	131,443
Governance costs	648	-	-	648
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Total	221,401	13,486	30,000	264,887
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Net Income/(Expenditure)	6,645	(9,398)	(30,000)	(32,753)
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
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Net Income/(Expenditure) after transfers	6,645	(9,398)	(30,000)	(32,753)
Balance brought forward	148,446	30,450	1,020,000	1,198,896
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Balance carried forward	155,091	21,052	990,000	1,166,143
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11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold land and buildings £
DEEMED COST	
At 1/1/2024 and 31/12/2024	1,500,000
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DEPRECIATION	
At 1/1/2024	510,000
Charge for the year	30,000
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At 31/12/2024	540,000
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31/12/2024	960,000
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At 31/12/2023	990,000
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The charity has taken advantage of an exemption as permitted by FRS102 to use the previous valuation under GAAP as deemed cost of the property.

12. DEBTORS	2024 £	2023 £
Gift Aid	-	-
Other debtors and prepayments	2,303	4,112
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	2,303	4,112
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13. CREDITORS

	2024 £	2023 £
Due in less than one year:		
Sundry Creditors	10,299	5,413
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	10,299	5,413
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14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

TOTAL 2024

	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	ENDOWMENT	TOTAL
Tangible Assets	-	-	960,000	960,000
Net Current Assets	226,283	14,320	-	240,603
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Total	226,283	14,320	960,000	1,200,603
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TOTAL 2023

	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	ENDOWMENT	TOTAL
Tangible Assets	-	-	990,000	990,000
Net Current Assets	155,091	21,052	-	176,143
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Total	155,091	21,052	990,000	1,166,143
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15. FUNDS

TOTAL 2024	AS AT 1/1/2024	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	TRANSFERS	AS AT 31/12/2024
Unrestricted general fund	155,091	396,601	(318,347)	(7,062)	226,283
Restricted funds:					
St Mary's Chapel Fund					
Cobb Lectureship	10,607	3,713			14,320
The Maurice & Hilda Laing Trust					
Colyer Ferguson	10,445		(17,507)	7,062	-
Communal Garden Fund					-
Total restricted funds	21,052	3,713	(17,507)	7,062	14,320
Permanent Endowment Fund:					
Properties	990,000		(30,000)		960,000
Total funds	1,166,143	400,314	(365,854)		1,200,603

TOTAL 2023	AS AT 1/1/2023	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	TRANSFERS	AS AT 31/12/2023
Unrestricted general fund	148,446	228,046	(221,401)	-	155,091
Restricted funds:					
St Mary's Chapel Fund					
Cobb Lectureship	7,019	3,588			10,607
The Maurice & Hilda Laing Trust					
Colyer Ferguson	23,431		(12,986)		10,445
Communal Garden Fund		500	(500)		
Total restricted funds	30,450	4,088	(13,486)		21,052
Permanent Endowment Fund:					
Properties	1,020,000		(30,000)		990,000
Total funds	1,198,896	232,134	(264,887)		1,166,143

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RESTRICTED FUNDS

COBB LECTURESHIP

An historic fund set up in the 19th Century to provide finance for the appointed "Cobb Lecturer". The terms of such a lecturer are now not clear but the PCC attempt to interpret this by applying the funds to defray the costs of specific ministry areas within the life of the Church. The PCC took the decision to transfer any unspent balance on the fund at the end of the year to general reserves.

COLYER FERGUSON

The Colyer Ferguson Trust grant was applied for and awarded in 2019. This was provided for the setting up and funding for the provision of a Parish Nurse for the benefit of the local community.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Buildings

The Endowment Fund represents the value of the buildings made available for use by the Church at no cost to the PCC.