

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST ALBAN, BROADHEATH

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Details

Other names	ST ALBAN'S PCC, BROADHEATH
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Status	Registered
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Legal form	Previously excepted
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Registered	2009-10-12
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Register	View on the Charity Commission register
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Activities

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

Activities: Public worship, provision of social care and support, promulgation of Christian faith. Area is Broadheath, Altrincham and support for other charities covers nationally and abroad.

Classification

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

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£116,869	£116,887	-	-
2023-12-31	£87,015	£96,632	-	-
2022-12-31	£81,869	£91,621	-	-
2021-12-31	£99,507	£83,082	-	-
2020-12-31	£91,730	£82,324	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Daud Gill	Chair	2018-10-23
ERIC PRINCE		
Esme Angela Hammer		
Helen steel		2024-06-24
PAT SALTHOUSE		2012-07-12
PETER ANDREW JOHNSON		
RACHEL BRADLEY		
Rosalind Prescott		2014-04-06
Sally Cunliffe		2018-04-29

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PARISH OF ST ALBAN'S, BROADHEATH

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

AGENDA ITEM 3 – ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT

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New members (in the Parish) have been added

Member has died

John D Palmer

Electoral Roll Officer

AGENDA ITEM 4 – REPORTS FROM THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

4.1 CHURCHWARDENS – Attached

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4.1 CHURCH WARDENS' REPORT MAY 2024 – MAY 2025

The church hasn't needed any major structural work during the past year. Buddleia growing on the roof continues to cause leaking and needs removing.

There have been a few ongoing problems with the heating system due mainly to the age of the boilers which have been serviced.

The font heater has been repaired.

The heating in the church hall has been serviced and the hoses changed to comply with current legislation.

AV System

The AV system continues to work well. We are grateful to Martin Odenrode, Rob Thomason and James Cunliffe for their input in the services which greatly enhances the worship.

Quinquennial Inspection

This was carried out in February 2023 and while there are no major concerns although there are some ongoing issues that remain outstanding.

Guttering

The gutters and gulleys were cleared in December and will need doing again shortly. Regular cleaning has prevented a repeat of the previous problem of water ingress in the Children's Chapel, caused by the accumulation of debris in the gulleys and gutters.

Grounds

Martin our gardener has continued to maintain the church grounds which look neat and tidy. He is working through the list of additional jobs which he was given. Further work is still required on some of the remaining trees, some of which have preservation orders.

Car Park

The car park has been improved by filling in the larger holes and attempting to level it. It obviously needs further maintenance but the cost of doing so is prohibitive due to our current financial situation.

There is also a problem with the carpark being used by our neighbours without any consideration for church users despite attempts to request that they do not park on Sundays and on other occasions.

There are so many who have given their time, energy and prayers to support the ministry of the church that it is not possible to name everyone. However, thanks go to The Welcome Team, who fulfil an essential role in greeting visitors and regulars alike and to Vivienne Walton and those who help with serving coffee. I am grateful to all who have supported me during the past year, in particular Eileen Dixon, Peter Johnson and Esme Hammer.

Ros Prescott

4.2. PCC SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Parochial Church Council has met on seven occasions since the Annual Parochial Church Meeting last May, the meetings were held in Church.

A variety of subjects have been discussed. In particular, our financial situation with concern over the increasing Parish share, and energy prices; reports from the small team appointed to think about the future of our buildings; youth work; safeguarding.

Safeguarding training and DBS checks are essential for all PCC members. It also required for all PCC members to do the Basic and Foundation levels of safeguarding training followed by the session on awareness of domestic abuse.

Our services are taking place in Church but continue to be offered on Zoom which is much appreciated by all who cannot attend in person. Members of the Nigerian Church are using the Church Hall on Sunday morning led by the Revd. Dr. Christian Obichukwu.

Mrs. Sarah Thomason is organizing the Sunday club and Toddler group. Youth Worker – Alex Stewart left in June 2023; we have been looking for a Youth Worker for our youth activities, unfortunately no funding to run the group currently.

Hopefully we can have some funding and organize some activities for our local youth in the future.

This year Christmas services as follows, Gifts for BOAZ, Children's Nativity with donkey, Carol Service, Candle service & Holy communion at Mid night, Christmas morning Holy communion.

Curry nights –two were held in vicar's place this year.

Pakistan Trip to Sialkot was great, St Alban's church will give a continuing support to Sialkot.

Harvest gifts were donated to BOAZ.

In summer, there was a road improvement for church car park.

Thank you for everyone's support in making these events happen.

The PCC has complied with the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

For us, it is a sad news to lose two valuable members , Ms C Edwards, and Revd T Ryan.

Three members of the PCC are due to retire this year. In addition, there is one further vacancy, making a total of four. There is also a vacancy for the second church Warden.

Cindy Gan

4.4 Deanery Synod

4.5 ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Children's and Young People' Ministry

Toddler Group Report April 2025

The Toddlers group is made up of 5 volunteers (Sarah, Dianne, Meg, Mo and Georgina) and takes place every Tuesday at 10.30-12 noon. We keep term time in line with

Broadheath Primary School so local parents can easily follow the pattern and we don't get the older siblings attending. We have 2 regular child minders attending.

Each week begins with a free play session where the volunteers chat to families and play with children building relationships with the community. We have a craft table that Stamford Brook Preschool resource and run, this is in line with our planning. I send the planning over each half term. This cohort of parents are really keen to get involved with the craft.

This is followed by refreshments for parents and children. At 11.40 the parents and children help tidy away the toys and get ready for a story and singing time. The story time is set structure 'See and Know', this is planned half termly and delivered each week consistently, beginning with a welcome song, then a planned Bible story/theme from the Bible such as Creation and then finishing with praise and Nursery Rhymes. The use of the mic really helps with the noise level in the hall. It can get noisy! I am also using the large screen to publicise the Messy Church events and enhance the story/song time.

The parent WhatsApp group is available for all, and I send out reminders, links to church, dates etc. Parents opt into this if they wish. It's proven a really good use of communication with the parents.

We have a large group of regular families that attend and newcomers visit frequently, numbers are fairly consistent. We will continue to encourage them to visit the church celebrations and the Sunday club.

Some families came at Christmas to Messy Christmas. This was a planned event with a variety of craft tables. We have a time of worship, song that we had learnt at Toddlers and refreshments at the end. Some post toddler families also came back to visit the event. We hope to build on the Messy church events and continue to provide a small service at the end.

The prayer tree corner continues to be a part of the Toddlers, with topical children's Bible stories, leaflets and dates for upcoming services. It also provides an opportunity to ask for prayer anonymously by using the notelets and hanging a request on the tree.

The group are supportive of each other and there is a real mix of people within the group. It's a real blessing to be a part of.

Sarah Thomason

Sunday Club Update April 2025

This year there has been a shift in the way things work, due to the age change in the children attending Sunday Club. Our current group of children are around 11 years and

under, with the majority being under the age of 7 years. This makes the planning a little simpler, in that we don't have to try and cover a huge age range, but it does mean the attention span of the children is a lot shorter. A short story, activity, craft, worship and prayer are plenty. The younger members of the group (under 4 years) will normally dip in and out of the activities and play with the toys in the room with parents present.

The leaders continue to plan each week using the scripture union resources Bubbles and Splash. I create the rota which is being planned 1/2 months at a time due to low numbers of volunteers. We have also had Wing support the children in creating a Chinese New Year craft activity. Two DBS adults are always present, if an adult is absent, children are kept at the table at the back of church to comply with the safeguarding policy.

During the summer I planned a week of summer activities, including a walk, trip to Heaton park with a bee workshop and candle rolling, film day and a yoga session. This was advertised as usual and with Broadheath Primary School. Only one person signed up, so the event had to be cancelled. This year we are planning to work together with Michelle Moses from 'Hello Buddy' and work together to host a joint Holiday club over 2 days. We will plan and run the days together.

AAW services are still being developed and I am planning a small activity within each AAW to involve and engage the children. Our activity at the back of church will usually link to the main theme of the service. Due to the younger age of the children in Sunday club, we have decided that until the children are older, they will not do the readings or prayers. They will be involved in other ways, such as activities, worship and drama. I will continue to support the AAW sessions in my role.

The candlelit service at Christmas saw a lot of families visiting and they were all given a bag of activities to take away. They all had a note from St. Alban's wishing them a Merry Christmas and instructions for the craft. The hope being they have a little bit of church at home, creating connections. We also had a table of different craft activities for children to take part in and take away with them during the services. The craft table was at the front of church so that any visiting families can see their children from their seats.

Referring back to the shift in age groups in Sunday Club, I have felt that I am being guided to shift my focus on to the Toddler group and do more outreach with this group. My contract is being developed and adapted to reflect these changes. I will still lead Sunday club, plan the rota, but while the group is smaller my role will have a Toddler based focus, as this group is growing. The Sunday club lead will be shared out with the other leaders.

Messy Christmas was a success and we saw many families from church and Toddlers attend. It was busy and lots of fun! I would like to develop this further in the hope that more families attend and our outreach grows, ensuring the link between Toddler and

church becomes more fluid. Messy Easter is on the horizon and we are also having the donkey attend too. There will be a craft session, then a time of worship together using the songs we have been learning at Toddlers. There will be a lego Easter story, finishing with a prayer and chocolate! Each child will go home with an Easter story book. Please keep this event in your prayers

I have been on Faith in Action network meeting, which brings together different faiths and communities. We had time to hear about different charity work going on in Trafford/Manchester and I have made contact with Dan Shelston from Trafford local care organisation and Suzanne Kelly from Life church. I think this could possibly be a great link to being a hub for families in the future.

I have attended the CoE leadership Safeguarding course.

Next steps:

To continue to develop Sunday club and AAW

To grow what we have

To develop intergenerational activities

Sarah Thomason

Finance Team and Planned Giving

The Finance Team meets regularly to review the church's finances and its members are the Vicar (Daud), Church Treasurer (Peter Johnson), Sally Cunliffe, Eileen Dixon. Beth Cooke relinquished the role of treasurer in 2024.

Unfortunately, Clare Edwards who had been part of the team died in early 2025.

We introduced contactless and card payments to the Toddler group, Community Café and general services this year using a small device and a CollecTin donation station. Hopefully the use of this will grow. We received a grant for some young people's activities in 2024 but the holiday club that was planned did not happen so this money is waiting to be spent on other related things. We checked the employment status of our cleaners and confirmed they are not employees.

Sarah Thomason our families' and children's worker is the only employee. Major expenditure was on removing a large horse chestnut tree in the church grounds, improving the car park and boiler repairs.

Thank you to all who have continued to support the mission and life of St Alban's Church over this year by your generous giving. Regular giving is very helpful whether by standing order or numbered envelopes.

Over the last few years we have lost a number of regular givers so if you would like to support St Alban's please speak to me. Please consider whether you can join the planned giving scheme or increase your giving.

We have continued to pay a reduced amount to the Diocese for the parish share as our regular outgoings have continued to exceed our income. The parish share is the amount of money that Chester asks us to contribute to the overall running of the Diocese.

The Gift Aid tax reclaim was a significant help again this year. If you are a tax payer and would like to take advantage of this tax efficient way of giving, please ask me.

Peter Johnson

Ministry Team

Members of the team. Daud Gill, Christian Obichukwu, Peter Johnson, Ros Prescott, Esme Hammer, Alan Paulley, Sarah Thomason, Rachel Bradley.

The Ministry team meets regularly to plan, review and develop the regular church services and to plan special events. It provides support and oversight for the House groups, The Alpha courses and The young people's work.

Our regular Sunday service continues at 10:30am. We have had 2 sermon series on the book of James and The Acts of the Apostles. On other occasions we have followed the Lectionary readings. We have had special services during Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Pentecost. Occasionally the services are led by lay leaders.

The services are still available on Zoom for those who are unable to attend church. We are thankful to the AV team of Martin Odenrode, Rob Thomason and

James Cunliffe for all that they do. The 9am communion service continues at present on the first Sunday of the month. All age worship once a month is an opportunity for our younger members to get involved.

The Alpha course in September was run at St George's church in Altrincham along with ourselves and Christ Church Timperley. A Cantonese Alpha was run at the vicarage during the past year.

There are two House groups which meet regularly on a Tuesday evening and a Thursday morning. They meet to study the Bible together, pray for and support each other. If you would like to know more about them please ask Daud, Alan, Meg or Rachel.

The Children's and Young people's ministry will have a separate update but we are very thankful to Sarah and her team for all that they do with our children and young people.

Christian looks after The Nigerian Chaplaincy which meet in the hall early Sunday mornings. Daud is a chaplain at Trafford college and Peter a chaplain to the Sea Cadets. Daud also has input with some volunteers at Broadheath primary school and we are grateful to them for this.

Experience Christmas and Easter takes place in the church with around 300 children from Broadheath primary school hearing the Easter and Christmas stories.

There are many folks involved in the service on a Sunday. Including the Welcome team, readers, intercessors, The AV team, the tea and coffee team and the young folk's team as well as those leading and preaching. We are very thankful for you all and grateful for your commitment and support.

Rachel Bradley

On behalf of the Ministry Team.

Prayer Team

Prayer Team Members: Sandra Fairclough, Daud Gill, Darlene Harrison, Gillian Shepherd, Rita Wickens, Cecilia Williams

Between April 2024 and March 2025 the team has been able to meet each Monday from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. for prayer via Zoom. We would like to thank all those people who have contacted us with requests for prayer. All requests are regarded as confidential and are confined to the group. We also include other urgent needs concerning the work, events and activities of the church, as well as local, national and international situations as appropriate.

Members of the Prayer Team are happy to pray in church with anyone who requests prayer.

Any prayer requests should be given to Daud (0161 928 4820; daudgill@hotmail.co.uk) or to another person within the team.

We would appreciate more feedback on situations for which prayer has been requested and thank those people who do keep us updated. It does encourage us to hear of an outcome or to have an update.

Thank you.

Gillian Shepherd

St Alban's Community Café

St Alban's Community Café is open every Wednesday morning between 10am and 12 midday in the Church hall on Lindsell Road. We serve a small menu of drinks and snacks at very affordable prices.

We seek to offer a relaxed place to meet and share God's love with our local community. We are especially keen to reach out to folk who live locally who may be isolated or lonely. There is always a listening ear at The Café.

We have been delighted to have seen a growth in new folk attending regularly.

We have a number of clients and carers from Ordinary Lifestyles which is an organisation that supports adults with learning disability who attend regularly.

We enjoyed singing carols at Christmas time and are very thankful to Andy Dodd for arranging a Brass band to accompany this. It made our celebration very meaningful.

We would love you to help us increase our numbers so please invite your family, friends or neighbours along.

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement.

The Café Team.

St Alban's Church Broadheath

Accounts 1 January - 31 December 2024

This report reflects the church accounts of St Alban's Broadheath from 1 January - 31 December 2024.

The following assets are recognised but not valued in the balance sheet:

- audio visual system, general office equipment, kitchen equipment, music equipment, movable church and hall furnishings which are held by the church wardens and would need a faculty for their disposal.

The PCC leases a photocopier rather than owns one.

Items are shown to the nearest £ so there may be some rounding errors. The figures behind these are kept to 2 decimal places.

Account balances

	31/12/2024		31/12/2023
	£		£
Lloyds Bank current account	19134		13176
CCLA general account	10429		9904
CCLA BFM account	29		28
Church hall account	0		5434
Take 5 account	0		1073
Petty cash	40		36
Total	29633		29651

Increase in total balances	-18	-9613
(Negative indicates decrease)		

Receipts and Payments 2024

	2024 Receipts			2023 Receipts	
	£	£		£	£
	Unrestricted	Restricted		Unrestricted	Restricted
Planned giving	42229			40721	
Cash collections	4191			2551	
Donations	2607	2520		3589	948
Legacies	10000			0	
Sunday refreshments	453			361	
Toddler group subscriptions	908			724	
St Alban's Community Café	1574			1027	
Trafford YFC room rental	1740			1740	
Car park rental	3725			0	
HMRC tax refund	10986			12735	
Fees from weddings/funerals etc	1930			2221	
Grants		530			
Miscellaneous	3677			1627	
Hall hire - regular bookings	27345			16965	
Hall hire - one-off bookings	1928			1661	
CCLA account interest added	527			308	
Total receipts	113819	3050		86231	948
Grand total receipts	116869			87179	
	2024 Payments			2023 Payments	
Parish share contribution	59336			51780	
Salaries, NI and payroll fees	2887			3973	
Staff expenses (inc council tax and water)	2496			2778	
<u>Church running costs</u>					
Church gas	4978			7211	
Church electricity	4402			1041	
Broadband	849			908	
Church insurance	3982			3734	
Service consumables	849			912	
Payments out of petty cash	131			93	

Church cleaning	1759			1563	
Church maintenance and consumables	2081			1318	
Gardening and grounds maintenance	2925			2950	
Children's work	171			207	
Music licence	248			231	
Photocopier lease	674			664	
Major spending on church building and grounds	7328			2140	
Miscellaneous payments	298	755		972	
<u>Church hall (cost of trading)</u>					
Hall gas	3479			3278	
Hall electricity	1531			3168	
Hall water	286			294	
Hall cleaning and caretaking	2743			2153	
Hall waste removal	406			545	
Hall insurance	1913			2325	
Hall window cleaning	350			350	
Hall maintenance and consumables	1216			894	
Major spending on hall building and grounds	1410			0	
<u>Other costs</u>					
Donation to mission partner		2200			400
Other payments from restricted funds		0			602
Fees paid to diocese for weddings/funerals etc	2224			0	
Bank charges	280			309	
Refunds/repayments	2700			0	
Total payments	113932	2955		95790	1002
Grand total payments	116887			96792	
Excess receipts over payments	-113	95		-9559	-54
Total excess receipts over payments	-18			-9613	

General fund	28037		24707	
Vicar's discretionary fund		0		299
Mission fund		611		1388
Sialkot collection		0		0
Grant from Changing Lives Together		530		0
Fabric fund (undesignated fund)		0		34
Alpha (undesignated fund)		0		552
Tithe (undesignated fund)		0		875
Special collections		454		1796
Total	28037	1595	24707	4944
Grand total	29633		29651	

Description of funds

Grant (restricted)

Changing Lives Together grant 2024 1/7/24	530
Less expenditure	0
Balance at 31/12/24	530

Sialkot collection (restricted)

Opening balance 1/1/24	0
Donations and fund raising	1423
Transfer from Mission fund	777
Gift to Sialkot mission	-2200
Closing balance at 31/12/24	0

Special collections (restricted)

Held at 1/1/24 (Boaz Trust October 2023)	110
Children's Society (Christmas Eve service 2023 and 2024)	324
Open Doors (donation Feb 2024)	20
Special collections held at 31/12/24	454

Collection for June Nixon (restricted)

Opening balance	0
Donations	755
Gift made to June	-755
Closing balance at 31/12/24	0

Mission Fund (designated)

Opening balance 1/1/24	1388
Transfer to Sialkot fund	-777

Closing balance at 31/12/24	611
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Petty cash

Opening balance 1/1/24	36
Additions made from cash collections	135
Expenses (refreshments)	-131
Closing balance at 31/12/24	40

Notes for 2024 accounts

Church hall bank account (HSBC) and Take 5 bank account (Lloyds Bank) were closed in 2024 and the balances transferred to the main Lloyds Bank account. The Take 5 cafe was renamed "St Alban's Community cafe" prior to 2024.

Vicar's discretionary fund, fabric fund, Alpha and tithe fund have been undesignated by the PCC (17/2/25) due to their being unused for several years. Monies have been paid out for appropriate items in 2022, 2023 and 2024 but were taken from general funds. The Mission fund has been retained.

A collection was made for the Sialkot diocese, visited in 2024. This was transferred via the vicar's personal account for reasons of discretion. Bank transfer and receipt details are available.

The 2023 collections for Christmas Eve in 2023 was not paid out to Children's Society and for Boaz Trust in October 2023. These have been corrected in the 2024 accounts and paid out in 2025 along with other special collections in 2024.

All receipts made using the SumUp system are shown nett of commission. In 2024 there were £790 of gross receipts using this method with £10.31 commission giving a nett of £779.69 with an average commission of 1.3%. It is shown this way is because monies are received only after commission is deducted.

The refund of £2700 was paid to Manchester University NHS Trust caused by an overpayment by them for the use of the church hall.

A high level of fees were paid to the diocese as 2023's fees had not been paid.

Church electricity shows a very high figure due to an error by Octopus corrected during the year. The refund is shown under "Miscellaneous receipts".

New gas and electricity contracts have been signed for 3 years for supply to church and hall.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
PCC of St Alban's Broadheath

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2024

Charity no
(if any) 1132079

Set out on pages

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Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

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

Signed: KC Chambers

Date: 15/4/25

Name: KEWAN GHISHOLM CHAMBERS

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.

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The church building hasn't needed any major structural work during the past year but there have been some problems which have had to be addressed. Water ingress in the Children's Chapel was resolved by Peter Johnson clearing the gulley between the roof and the north transept where water was overflowing above the guttering. The heating system has failed on a few occasions, necessitating for services to be transferred to the church hall. Work has been carried out on the boilers which are now working properly.

AV System

The outdated AV system has been replaced and is functioning well. We are grateful to Martin Odenrode, Rob Thomason and James Cunliffe for their work in installing the new system. This is working well and has made a positive impact on the services.

Internal Lighting

There are no concerns about the lighting.

Quinquennial Inspection

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Ros Prescott

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The Parochial Church Council has met on seven occasions since the Annual Parochial Church Meeting last May, the meetings were held in Church.

A variety of subjects have been discussed. In particular, our financial situation with concern over the increasing Parish share, and energy prices; reports from the small team appointed to think about the future of our buildings; youth work; safeguarding.

Safeguarding training and DBS checks are essential for all PCC members. It also required for all PCC members to do the Basic and Foundation levels of safeguarding training followed by the session on awareness of domestic abuse.

Our services are taking place in Church but continue to be offered on Zoom which is much appreciated by all who cannot attend in person. Members of the Nigerian Church are using the Church building on Sunday afternoons led by the Revd. Dr. Christian Obichukwu.

In April there was a 50th celebration for Revd. Dr. Christian Obichukwu.

Mrs. Sarah Thomason is organizing the Sunday club and Toddler group. Youth Worker – Alex Stewart left in June; we have been looking for a Youth Worker for our youth activities. Miss R Prescott and Ms. C Gan have been caretaking the Impact group with support from Revd. D Gill.

This year Christmas services as follows, Gifts for BOAZ, Children's Nativity with donkey, Carol Service, Candle service & Holy communion at Mid night, Christmas morning Holy communion.

Easter activities we had this year, Ash Wednesday, Leap of lent, prayer walks (praying at Church due to the bad weather), Leap of lent – local walk especially walking with our special guest – Trafford Mayor. Movies night with families, Palm Sunday with the donkey, Easter Sunday with Nigerian Choir.

A community barbeque was again held in August.

Harvest gifts were donated to BOAZ.

Thank you for everyone's support to make these events happen.

The PCC has complied with the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Three members of the PCC are due to retire this year. In addition, there are two further vacancies, making a total of five. There is also a vacancy for the second church Warden.

Cindy Gan

4.4 Deanery Synod May 2022 – May 2023

4.5 ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Children's and Young People' Ministry

Toddler Group

The Toddlers group is made up of 5 volunteers (Sarah, Dianne, Meg, Mo and Georgina) and takes place every Tuesday at 10.30-12 noon. We keep term time in line with Broadheath Primary School so local parents can easily follow the pattern and we don't get the older siblings attending. We also have two Mum's that are volunteering to help set up and put toys away.

Each week begins with a free play session where the volunteers chat to families and play with children building relationships with the community. We have a craft table that Stamford Brook Preschool resource and run, this is in line with the planning. I send the planning over each half term. This is followed by refreshments for parents and children. At 11.40 the parents and children help tidy away the toys and get ready for a story and singing time. The story time is scheme of work called 'See and Know', this is planned half termly and delivered each week consistently, beginning with a welcome song, then a planned Bible story/theme from the Bible

such as Creation and then finishing with praise and Nursery Rhymes. The use of the mic really helps with the noise level in the hall.

The parent WhatsApp group is available for all, and I send out reminders, links to church, dates etc. Parents opt into this if they wish. It's proven a really good use of communication with the parents.

We have a large group of regular families that attend and newcomers visit frequently, numbers are fairly consistent. We will continue to encourage them to visit the church celebrations and the Sunday club.

Some families came at Christmas and four families came for Palm Sunday who have not previously been to St. Alban's, so it's been lovely to welcome them. I provided activity bags for different ages, plus playdough for those that were not feeling craft ready! Families were keen to take part and especially enjoyed meeting Pascal the donkey. Just before Easter Sarah took the Toddlers group over to the church for a quick Easter reflection and an Easter Egg hunt, this provided an opportunity to come into the building and not feel any pressure. Parents engaged and looked around. A lot of parents were worried about the children touching cushions, bibles etc. We encouraged them to relax and have a look round, hopefully building the idea that church is for everyone. We are going to continue to advertise family services in toddlers, bring the group into church once each term just to visit the space and have fun.

The prayer tree corner continues to be a part of the Toddlers, with topical children's Bible stories, leaflets and dates for upcoming services. It also provides an opportunity to ask for prayer anonymously by using the notelets and hanging a request on the tree. If Daud is present, he will use them to pray over, or Meg takes them to the prayer group. This needs plugging again as it's very quiet at the moment!

The group are supportive of each other and there is a real mix of people within the group. It's a real blessing to be a part of.

Sarah Thomason

Sunday Club Update April 2023

This year really feels like things are beginning to come together, even though we have a steady struggle of not enough volunteers. However, our mantra this year is 'What we can do, not what we can't do!'

The leaders continue to plan each week using the scripture union resources Bubbles, Splash and Xtream. I create the rota which is being planned 2 months at a time due to low numbers of volunteers. Two adults are always present, if an adult is absent, children are either kept at the table at the back of church or a parent is asked to support. We have also had Wing support the children's group by running an art session in the Easter celebrations, this gave a different angle for the group, and it was lovely to see them engaging in a different way.

During the summer I planned a week of summer activities. They were well attended except for the last one that was at the Imperial War Museum, the weather was glorious that day and I think people had chosen to stay outside instead!

The children enjoy the range of activities and engage with the different elements including bible study and reflection. It enables cross over activities between the large age gaps (however this is still a big challenge for the group). The older children (10 years plus) are accessing Youth Alpha and it's really encouraging to see their response to this. This is on the last Sunday of the month in the church hall. The younger children have access to the Sunday club room and have simple activity planned for one adult and a parent.

Numbers have increased and we are beginning to see some of the toddler families come over to church at Christmas and Easter. This means we have a younger average age group when this happens, so I have two activity bags for different ages. We have regular attendees and some new faces too.

AAW services are still a bit sticky and we've not yet quite found the right way of doing this. Families have been asked to take the readings and prayers, encouraging the whole family, rather than just the child, but we need to think about further engaging the children and families in this service. Bags have been created for the children at Christmas and Easter. They contain Christian craft activities/colouring and word searches. They enjoy activities at the table when we stay in the service, but it means they are not actively involved in the service itself. However, the other side of this is, parents and families that are new to church find this less intimidating for first time visits. So, we need a balance. Perhaps at Easter and Christmas it's better to give activity bags that they can support, and then build up to the 'All age worship' involvement.

The candlelit service at Christmas saw a lot of families visiting and they were all given a bag of activities to take away, with a little note from St. Alban's. The hope being they have a little bit of church at home, and we create those connections. The service involved the children, (pass the parcel) and families seemed to enjoy the service.

The 'leap of lent' walk brought different ages together and it was lovely to have time after to see everyone together.

Next steps: Continue to work with the ministry team on AAW

Sarah Thomason

Young People – Impact Youth Report

Alex Stewart, the Youth Worker resigned and left in June 2023.

Revd. Daud Gill, together with Cindy Gan and Ros Prescott have kept the group ticking over. The numbers of children have fluctuated throughout the year.

We held a successful Christmas party in December with 12 children and several parents. Food was provided by Cindy Gan, and games were organised by Revd. D Gill and Miss Prescott.

We are hoping to be able appoint a new Youth Leader in the near future if resources are available.

Ros Prescott

Finance Team and Planned Giving

The Finance Team meets regularly to review the church's finances and its members are the Vicar, Church Treasurer, a warden, June Nixon and Peter Johnson. Beth Cooke took over the role of Church Treasurer and we thank her for this.

Thank you to all who have continued to support the mission and life of St Alban's Church over this year by your generous giving. Regular giving is very helpful whether by standing order or numbered envelopes.

Over the last few years we have lost a number of regular givers so if you would like to support St Alban's please speak to me. Please consider whether you can join the planned giving scheme or increase your giving.

We have continued to pay a reduced amount to the Diocese for the parish share as our regular outgoings have continued to exceed our income. The parish share is the amount of money that Chester asks us to contribute to the overall running of the Diocese.

Part of the grant we received from the All Churches Trust in 2022 was for improved visual display screens which were fitted in 2023 and made a big difference to the visibility of the words, songs and videos. The Gift Aid tax reclaim was a significant help again this year. If you are a tax payer and would like to take advantage of this tax efficient way of giving, please ask me.

Peter Johnson

Ministry Team

Prayer Team

St Alban's Community Café

St Alban's Community Café is open every Wednesday morning from 10am to 12 midday in the Church hall on Lindsell Road.

We seek to offer a relaxed place to meet and to share God's love with our local community. We serve a small menu of drinks and snacks at very affordable prices.

We are delighted to see our numbers growing with new folk regularly attending the cafe. We also have a number of clients and staff from Ordinary Lifestyles. An organisation that supports adults with learning disabilities coming regularly.

We enjoyed being involved in a Christmas activity and singing Christmas carols together and offer the opportunity for prayer as appropriate. We were very encouraged when some folk from the café attended The Alpha course in September.

We would love you to help us increase our numbers so please invite your family, friends and neighbours to come along.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement.

The Café Team.

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CCLA Building for mission	27.02	27.54
Church Hall Account	5,474.26	5,469.26
Petty Cash	23.41	23.41
Total Assets	38,195.40	28,478.52

Represented by:

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Unrestricted		
• General Fund	28,478.52	38,195.40
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• Mission	1,388	1,388
• Tithe	875	875
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Restricted		
• Alpha	552	552
• Special Collections	1,796	1,796

Balance Sheets

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	£	£
Total Income	87,014.96	124,906.68
	£	£
Total	87,014.96	124,906.68
Expenditures		
Advertising/Promotional	174.09	50.89
Computer Costs	2,140.02	0.00
Insurances	6,059.31	5,508.33
Office/General Administrative Expenses	17,660.53	19,205.13
Other Professional Services	65,875.13	73,289.17
Phone Costs	745.45	646.78
Printing, Postage and Stationery	693.54	264.00
Raising funds	1,002.00	94.08
Uncategorised Expense	2,281.90	2,728.22
	£	£
Total Expenditures	96,631.97	101,786.60
	-£	£
Net Operating Income	9,617.01	23,120.08
Other Expenditures		
Reconciliation Discrepancies	136.40	45.47
	£	£
Total Other Expenditures	136.40	45.47
	-£	-£
Net Other Income	136.40	45.47
	-£	£
Net Income/(Expenditure)	9,753.41	23,074.61

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Giving		
• Gift Aid Standing Orders	37,056	42,156
• Numbered Envelope Scheme	3,375	3,180
• Cash Collections	2835.69	1,705.38
• Gift Days	0	0
• One off Gift Aid Donations	1,228.03	1108.68
• Donations/Appeals	978	877.95
• Tax Refund on Gift Aid	12,735.40	12,691.07
• Legacies	2,700	1,000
• One off Grants	0	985.77
• Other Funds Generated	388.37	1512.01
Church Activities		
• Fees for special services	2,221	2,193
• Church Use of Hall	0	0
Other Trading Activities		
• Rent for Hall Upper Room (TY4C)	1,740	1,740
• Regular Hall Bookings	16,955	10,031.50
• Hall Party Bookings	772.50	642.50
• Toddler Group	797.19	453.36
• Take 5 Café	1,065.63	740.14
• Car Park Rental	0	1,950
Insurance Claims	0	0
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• Vicarage Phone/Broadband	745.45	579.43

• Contribution to Youth Worker Wage	1,698	6,049.43
• Childrens Worker Wage	2,184.20	728
• Hall Caretaker Wage	2,130.19	1,903.28
• Church Cleaner Wage	1,540	1,290
• Expenses Paid to Staff and Volunteers	3,578.80	981.69
• Clergy tax	136.80	-
Buildings Running Costs		
• Insurance	6,059.31	5,508.33
• Utilities Gas	9,199.49	3,613.55
• Utilities Electricity	7,211	2859.77
• Utilities Water	573.39	910.99
• Commercial Waste Removal	544.54	66.75
• Cleaning Supplies	335.04	233.16
• Grounds Maintenance	2,950	3,075
• Plumbing/Heating Maintenance and Repairs	915.00	3125.18
• Surveys	0	2,400
• Other Repairs	561.50	0
• Window Cleaning	375	400
Services		
• Organist Costs	0	380
• Music Costs	380.99	220
• Service Consumables and Resources	489.74	157.71
• Miscellaneous	0	0
Fees to Diocese		
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Charitable Giving		
• Missionary Societies	400	0
• Relief Organisations	0	0
• Home Missionary	0	0
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Administration		
• Bank Charges	273.88	0
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PARISH OF ST ALBAN'S, BROADHEATH

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Notice is given of a Meeting of Parishioners, at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, on Sunday, 14 May 2023, in St Alban's Church, and on Zoom, starting at 12 noon.

A warm invitation is given to everybody to our Annual Meeting, although only those on the Electoral Roll are entitled to vote in the elections. We look forward to a time together which will inform and encourage us all.

AGENDA

A. MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

1. Minutes of previous year's meeting
2. Election of Churchwardens

B. ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the previous year's meeting
3. Electoral Roll Report
4. Reports from the Parochial Church Council:
 - 4.1. Churchwardens
 - 4.2. Secretary
 - 4.3. Treasurer
 - 4.4. Deanery Synod
 - 4.5. Additional Reports
5. Safeguarding Policy
6. Elections:
 - 6.1. Members of the Parochial Church Council
 - 6.2. Deanery Synod Representatives
7. Appointment of Independent Examiner
8. Vicar's Address

ST ALBAN'S CHURCH, BROADHEATH

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY, 15 MAY 2022 IN CHURCH AND ON ZOOM

The Vicar chaired the meeting in the presence of 30 parishioners (in church and via Zoom). He opened in prayer.

A. MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

1. Minutes of Previous Year's Meeting

It was proposed by Mr Jarvis, seconded by Ms Widdicombe and agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of 16 May 2021 be accepted and signed as a true record.

2. Election of Churchwardens

Two nominations had been received – Mrs Esme Hammer and Miss Ros Prescott. They had both been proposed and seconded and were duly elected.

B. ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Apologies for Absence

No apologies for absence had been received.

2. Minutes of the Previous Year's Meeting

It was proposed by Mr Palmer, seconded by Mr Ingham and agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of 16 May 2021 be accepted and signed as a true record.

3. Electoral Roll Report

Mr Palmer had revised the Electoral Roll. There are now 86 members, 47 reside in the parish and 39 outside the parish boundaries. The Roll reopens at the end of this meeting for anyone who is eligible and wishes to be added. Mr Palmer was thanked for his work maintaining our Electoral Roll.

4. Reports from the Parochial Church Council

4.1. Churchwarden

Mrs Hammer presented the Warden's report. She drew attention to the fact that the Quinquennial Inspection of the Church was due later in the year which might result in considerable costs for any work required to be done. She mentioned that although it is no longer a requirement for Sidespeople to be appointed at the APCM, it would be good to have a Welcome Team to greet people.

4.2. PCC Secretary

Mrs Nixon presented the PCC Secretary's report. This gave an overview of the proceedings of the PCC meetings and of various church activities. It had been good to see the reopening of the Toddler Group and the Café, to see children in church for the Christingle and the Experience Easter event, and to celebrate the 21st anniversary of the completion of the Church extension and the re-ordering of the Church.

4.3. PCC Treasurer

Mr Jarvis presented the accounts for the year ending 31 December 2021. The figures contained a comparison with the previous year. However, it was difficult to compare two unusual years with the buildings being closed for parts of 2020 and 2021. Our income showed an increase of around £7,500 with expenditure staying approximately the same. Legacies of £8,000 were received and we were paying a reduced amount of parish share. Mr Jarvis pointed out that we have two ageing buildings to maintain and we face increased costs, particularly the utility bills, and a Quinquennial Inspection of the church later in the year, with jobs still outstanding from the previous Quinquennial Inspection. We were very grateful to all who give generously but we must look to increasing our income and the best way was by increasing the numbers in our congregation. It was also noted that we had failed to tithe our income for the past few years.

4.4. Deanery Synod

Mrs Hammer presented the Deanery Synod report. This outlined the purpose of Deanery Synods and a summary of the meetings held over the past year. She commented that there was a lot of information on the Diocesan website.

4.5. Additional Reports

The Vicar expressed his appreciation to all those who had provided these reports and he suggested that if anyone had any questions or comments about them, they speak to the various people who had provided them.

The Vicar thanked Mrs Hammer and Mrs Nixon for their work over the last year and for the presentation of the formal reports required at this meeting, and Mr Jarvis for looking after our accounts over the last year.

It was proposed by Mr Johnson, seconded by Mrs Bradley and agreed that the reports from the Churchwarden, PCC Secretary and Deanery Synod representative be accepted and also that the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 be accepted and approved.

5. Safeguarding Policy

Mrs Nixon read out the Safeguarding Policy as it is a requirement that this be done at each Annual Meeting. There is a copy on the notice board at the back of church. She commented that safeguarding is the responsibility of each one of us, not just the Safeguarding Officers. Awareness training is available via the Diocesan website. Any safeguarding concerns should be discussed with our Safeguarding Officers - Mrs Nixon and Miss Prescott.

6. Elections

6.1. Members of the Parochial Church Council

One nomination had been received – Mrs S E Cooke. She had been proposed and seconded and was duly elected.

6.2. Deanery Synod Representatives

There were no nominations for the one remaining vacancy.

7. Appointment of Independent Examiner

This will be discussed at the next meeting of the Parochial Church Council.

8. Vicar's Address

The Vicar praised God for all He had done for us at St Alban's to enable us to carry out His ministry in Broadheath over the year despite the challenges that we had to face following the Pandemic. In addition, he thanked everyone for their fellowship and appreciated all who had supported him over the past year.

He was grateful that we had been able to organise various activities: the re-opening of the Toddler Group and the Café, a successful barbeque was held, which the Archdeacon came along to, we held a Christingle service in church led by Bishop Sam, we celebrated the 21st anniversary of the completion of the church extension and reordering of the church, attended by Bishop Mark, and children from two local primary schools attended our Experience Easter event.

In September 2019 the PCC held an Away Day and came up with priorities – youth work, church plant/presence at community events, preparation of a welcome pack. In addition, other growth areas could be teaching and discipleship, prayer, gifts of the Holy Spirit. Despite the pandemic slowing down the work, these priorities remained and progress had been made. The Vicar reminded the meeting of the story of the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well in John, chapter 4. Jesus spoke to the woman about the gift of living water. We too can draw upon that living water. The Vicar encouraged the congregation to draw close to Jesus, who is always faithful.

The meeting closed with prayer.

PARISH OF ST ALBAN'S, BROADHEATH
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

AGENDA ITEM 3 - ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT

The Electoral Roll has been revised this April. This year there are 79 members on the Roll, this time comprised of 47 (59.6%) members resident in the Parish and 32 (40.53%) members resident outside the Parish boundaries.

Since the last Electoral Roll was produced in 2022

1 new member (in the Parish) has been added
4 members have died
5 members have moved away

John D Palmer
Electoral Roll Officer

AGENDA ITEM 4 - REPORTS FROM THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

4.1. CHURCHWARDENS - Attached

4.2. PCC SECRETARY - Attached

4.3. PCC TREASURER - ACCOUNTS - See separate sheets

4.4.. DEANERY SYNOD - Attached

4.5. ADDITIONAL REPORTS - Attached

4.1. CHURCH WARDENS' REPORT MAY 2022-MAY 2023

BUILDINGS

Thankfully, the church building has required no major structural work during the past year to keep it weatherproof and upright. However, there have been some issues which have needed addressing.

AV System

As the AV system is aged and in urgent need of an upgrade an application has been submitted to the Diocesan Advisory Board for permission to remove the existing screens and projectors and to install a replacement system. We are grateful to Martin Odenrode for his expertise in drawing up the plans and estimating the costing for the proposed upgrade. The cost will be covered by part of a grant we received from All Churches Trust.

Internal Lighting

Changing defunct bulbs in the high-level lighting presents a challenge in terms of access, and with several needing replacing in the west end of the church Daud and a team of willing assistants and appropriate equipment put aside any fear of heights and installed LED bulbs.

This has made a great improvement in terms of lighting and, we hope, in terms of energy saving.

Quinquennial Inspection

Our architect, Mark Pearce, conducted the QI in February. Although we have yet to receive his full report, he has informed us that he found no major issues to be resolved urgently.

Guttering

Gutters had their annual clearing in February.

GROUNDS

Our gardener, Martin, has continued to maintain the grassed area, hedging and borders. There continues to be some concern over the size of some of the trees, most of which have tree preservation orders on them. Research into approved maintenance of them is ongoing.

The deteriorating state of the car park remains a major problem, especially in wet weather. Unfortunately, given the state of our finances, it is proving difficult to find an affordable effective solution.

There are so many people in this church family who give their time, energy and prayer that it is impossible to name everyone. To you all, we give our heartfelt thanks.

Esme Hammer
Ros Prescott

4.2. PCC SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Parochial Church Council has met on six occasions since the Annual Parochial Church Meeting last May, initially the meetings were via Zoom but are now being held in church.

A variety of subjects has been discussed. In particular, our financial situation with concern over the increasing energy prices; reports from the small team appointed to think about the future of our buildings; youth work; safeguarding.

The PCC had a talk from Sean Augustin, Assistant Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser, about pastoral visiting. At present, pastoral visiting in our parish is being undertaken by the Clergy only until a trained Pastoral Team is in place.

A letter was received from the Bishop of Birkenhead concerning safeguarding training and DBS checks. It is now a requirement for those serving on the PCC to have an enhanced DBS check and also for all PCC members to do the Basic and Foundation levels of safeguarding training followed by the session on awareness of domestic abuse.

Our services are taking place in Church but continue to be offered on Zoom which is much appreciated by all who cannot attend in person. Members of the Nigerian Church are using the Church building on Sunday afternoons led by the Revd Christian Obichukwu.

This year has been a year of hello and goodbye to our clergy. The Revd Tom Ryan joined us in July for three years as a curate-in-training. After his first service, we held a welcome lunch in the Church Hall. In January, it was sad to say goodbye to the Revd Lisa Redfern as she left to become Associate Minister at St Paul's Church in Sale. Again, after her final service, we held a farewell lunch and presented her with a cheque and gifts.

The Vicar took a sabbatical between 1 September and 30 November 2022. In his absence, we were very grateful to our Clergy and to our Reader for covering all our services and for the additional work they took on. Thanks are also due to Mr Eric Prince for chairing the PCC in the Vicar's absence and to others who helped in so many ways.

We appointed an additional paid children's worker – Mrs Sarah Thomason – and she is undertaking the Sunday morning work with Sunday Club. Alex Stewart continues to do five hours work with us, three hours in Broadheath Primary School and two hours with the Sunday evening Impact Group.

A special service was held in June to mark the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee and also the end of Thy Kingdom Come, with tea, coffee and cake served after the service. We marked the death of the late Queen Elizabeth II with a special service, a book of condolence was available for people to sign and the church open for prayer.

At Christmas, it was good to be able to hold Christingle services in church for approximately 300 children from Broadheath Primary School. At Easter, we again hosted an Experience Easter event, again inviting children from Broadheath Primary School to this. Thank you to all who helped out with these events because without their help it would not be possible to hold them.

A community barbeque was again held in August. The Salvation Army received the donated toys from our Toy Service, where our guest speaker was Major John Bishton from the Salvation Army.

The PCC has complied with the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Three members of the PCC are due to retire this year. In addition, there are two further vacancies, making a total of five. There are three vacancies for Deanery Synod representatives.

June Nixon, PCC Secretary

4.4. PROCEEDINGS OF BOWDON DEANERY SYNOD MAY 2022-2023

Deaneries are small geographical divisions of the Diocese, within which parishes are grouped under the care of a Rural Dean. The Deanery Synod consists of all clergy licensed within the deanery, plus elected lay members from each of its parishes. It meets three times a year with the aim of listening to and supporting each other in mission, fostering a sense of community among parishes and generally to promote in the Deanery the whole mission of the Church of England, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

St. Alban's is entitled to elect three members for a three-year term. Currently they are Rachel Bradley, Esme Hammer and Chinyere Obichukwu. Elections are due to take place at this year's APCM.

There have been three meetings during the past 12 months:

24th May 2022 at St. Margaret's, Dunham

Rev. Beverley Jameson, Diocesan Ecumenical Officer, spoke of the highlights and challenges involved in joining with other denominations to promote a Christian presence within the Diocese of Chester.

6th October 2022 at St. Mary's, Partington

Rev. Timothy Hupfield, Diocesan Healing Adviser, gave an overview of his approach to the role. He explained his definition of healing as: "Moving towards the wholeness of all things and between all things – achieved through God, by God, with God."

18th January 2023 at St. Mary Magdalene, Ashton-on-Mersey

Bishop Sam addressed the meeting, reflecting on the season of Epiphany and the gifts for the infant Jesus – what God gives in abundance lasts for eternity. Like the wise men we are to lay down our riches and recognise where our true treasure lies.

Other issues discussed during the year included Everyday Faith updates – the initiative which seeks to encourage Christians to live out their faith Monday to Saturday in the places they find themselves and with the people they meet; the progress of the Diocesan Vision and Strategy 'Casting the Net'; and the requirements regarding obligatory safeguarding training for all PCC members and others who work with children and vulnerable adults.

Clergy and lay changes and appointments:

Rural Dean – Revd. Clair Jaquiss' term of office ended in November. Revd. Andrew Knight was appointed to succeed her in November, with Revd. Daud Gill as assistant rural dean.

St. Mary Bowdon - Revd. Ian Rumsey, retired in July

St. Alban, Broadheath – Revd. Tom Ryan, joined as curate in training from July

St. Mary Partington - Revd Lucy Brewster, formerly curate there, is now Director of Foxhill

St. George Altrincham - Revd. Claire Corley was inducted in September

St. Paul's, Sale - Revd. Lisa Redfern appointed Associate Minister from February

Lay Chair – having been appointed lay chair of Diocesan Synod, Julie Withers stood down as lay chair of Deanery Synod. Esme Hammer was appointed in her place.

N.B. There is much more information on news of events, courses, retreats etc. throughout the Diocese on its website. The twice monthly Diocesan bulletin is also a useful source and there are details on how to join its mailing list on the website.

Esme Hammer

4.5. ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Children's and Young People's Ministry

Toddler Group

The Toddlers group is made up of 6 volunteers (Sarah, Dianne, Meg, Helen, Georgina and Daud) and takes place every Tuesday at 10.30-12 noon. We keep term time in line with Broadheath Primary School so local parents can easily follow the pattern and we don't get the older siblings attending. There are several regular families now attending each week, some parents, and some grandparents.

Each week begins with a free play session where the volunteers chat to families and play with children building relationships with the community. We have a craft table that Stamford Brook Preschool resource and run, this is in line with the planning. Sarah sends the planning over each half term. This is followed by refreshments for parents and children. At 11.30 the parents and children help tidy away the toys and get ready for a story and singing time. The story time is scheme of work called 'See and Know', this is planned half termly and delivered each week consistently, beginning with a welcome song, then a planned Bible story/theme from the Bible such as Creation and then finishing with praise and Nursery Rhymes. Sarah leads this session. The use of the mic really helps with the noise level in the hall.

This year Sarah has set up a parent WhatsApp group, to send out reminders etc. Parents opt into this if they wish.

We have a large group of regular families that attend and newcomers visit frequently, numbers are fairly consistent now. Due to volunteers on maternity leave, we asked the parents if they could help with the set up and pack down for the group. We have a regular couple that support us every week. We hope that this continues. It has been lovely to develop relationships with the new families and the community. We intend to nurture these further and begin

encouraging them into church family activities and services. We have a new grandparent and granddaughter attending church and they are now coming along to Toddlers regularly now too.

At Christmas 22, a few of the toddler families came to the Nativity church service. Sarah provided a craft area and activities for different age groups. Families were keen to take part and enjoyed the participation in the service. Over Easter we had other Toddler families attend and a craft area and activities were provided. Bags were also made up and provided for children to take away with them to complete over Holy Week. In Summer 22 we ran a Toddlers session in the church due to the heat in the hall. The church provided a cool and calm environment, and everyone had a lot of fun! Just before Easter Sarah took the Toddlers group over to the church for the Easter Egg hunt, this provided another opportunity to come into the building and not feel any pressure. Parents engaged and looked around and asked about the building. We are going to continue to advertise family services in toddlers, bring the group into church once each term just to visit the space and have fun.

Sarah has created a prayer tree corner with topical children's Bible stories, leaflets and dates for upcoming services. It also provides an opportunity to ask for prayer anonymously by using the notelets and hanging a request on the tree. If Daud is present he will use them to pray for, or Meg takes them to the prayer group.

The group are supportive of each other and there is a real mix of people within the group. It's a real blessing to be a part of.

Sarah Thomason

Sunday Club Update April 23

The leaders are planning each week using the scripture union resources Bubbles, Splash and Xstream. I create the rota for each term, and planning out the sessions covered so there is a theme and flow through the sessions. Children enjoy the range of activities and engage with the different elements. It enables cross over activities between the large age gaps (however this is still a big challenge for the group). Numbers are beginning to increase. We are beginning to see regular attendance of some families again. Two adults are always present, if an adult is absent, children are either kept at the table at the back of church or a parent is asked to support.

AAW services are seeing more attendance, and families have been asked to take the readings and prayers, encouraging the whole family, rather than just the child. I feel the children feel more supported, and part of something with their family. The children have been seated in front of the font, but as our numbers have increased we will move to the front left. It gives a sense of being involved in the service, without being in the way, but still being seen and involved.

We are really short on volunteers at the moment, so it's a lot to ask of the current volunteers. During half term I am attending other churches to develop my own spirituality. It's also a great opportunity to see how other churches run their children's groups. We have links between Toddlers and Sunday club too. We are hoping to see this grow.

Sarah Thomason

Young People - Impact Youth Report

In the summer of 2022, we ran multiple trips out. We did:

Breakfast and Games: but no children attended

Pitch and Putt: 2 children attended

Mini Golf: 3 children

Rock climbing: 3 children

Litter Picking: 5 children

Bowling: 7 children

The aim of this was to increase numbers for the next academic year. We kept contact with the parents to promote Impact on Sunday nights as we connected with five children we had never seen before outside of school. We also went into classes at school and sent flyers to parents to promote Impact several times. However, numbers remained inconsistent even while relationships in the school grew.

Following the Christmas of 2022 there was a meeting where the volunteers and I aimed to make Impact a much more structured space for the youth rather than a drop-in session. This included: group games, structured discussion using trusted resources and having young people help with tidy up.

On the weeks we have run since returning, there has always been a session. This is an improvement on last year when a few sessions were cancelled due to no attendance. The average attendance this year has been 4 (excluding junior leaders it is 3). On 26/2 where there was only 1 child, the child was keen to be there even with no other children and enjoyed the entire session. The same thing occurred on 19/3 with a child who was new to Impact. Every session has included discussions around faith and allowed children to ask questions or for guidance and advice. We have used the free NUA resource (A faith-based video session that prompts discussion time) to facilitate this.

With regards to work in school, the teaching that has happened at Broadheath Primary, which is a multi-faith school, has been less explicit. Aside from assemblies the only teaching I can give is more by way of delivering information rather than nurturing personal faith in school. But it has been well received by the young people and engagement seems to be growing. My aim is to continue to support the least, the last and the lost in school providing support pastorally to empower these young people to grow.

Looking at the overview of Impact the situation has improved, although minorly in numbers and average attendance but majorly in structure and teaching. The missing part from the last term has been the desired increased number rather than the small one last term. While seemingly minimal this is still an improvement from last year which saw much more regular non attended sessions. Also, when you consider many youth groups across the country are reporting decline, this is better than the situation nationally. At CPAS training it was said that having access to any youth post-COVID puts you in the minority of 16,000 CofE churches. Along with this I have been humbled by every volunteer at Impact in their enthusiasm to teach the Good News to the children.

The aim this summer is to provide one large, planned event to impact the young people more and provide those memory making moments that I'm sure many still have from their youth. We are currently investigating the viability of a one

day residential in the church hall. Discussion is also happening on how to step-up church partnership and gain even more space to share the Christian faith with children.

We will continue to invest more effort to continue trips and events each half term to build the experience young people are having and reaffirming the positive attitude towards Christians and church led groups. We are also actively encouraging young people to invite friends to join us and will continue to do so as peer to peer advertising is incredibly effective with the age groups we have.

Alex Stewart

Finance Team and Planned Giving

The Finance Team meets regularly to review the church's finances and its members are the Vicar, Church Treasurer, a warden, June Nixon and Peter Johnson. Beth Cooke has taken over the role of Church Treasurer and we thank her for this and for the work she has put in this year.

Thank you to all who have continued to support the mission and life of St Alban's Church over this year by your generous giving. Regular giving is very helpful whether by standing order or numbered envelopes. It is very important that the income increases as we are gradually using up our reserves. Please consider whether you can join the planned giving scheme or increase your giving.

We have continued to pay a reduced amount to the Diocese for the parish share as our regular outgoings have continued to exceed our income. The parish share is the amount of money that Chester asks us to contribute to the overall running of the Diocese. Our funds have reduced this year and this has been exacerbated by fuel price increases and the loss of several generous regular givers. There are still outstanding actions to be done from the last 5-yearly building inspection and a new report was commissioned in 2023. Cash collections have increased since the church started meeting again in person after lockdowns.

The grant from All Churches Trust was received and along with other donations we were able to fund a youth worker in 2021 and this continued into 2022. Part of the grant was for improved visual display screens which we anticipate will be fitted in 2023.

The Gift Aid tax reclaim was a significant help again this year. If you are a tax payer and would like to take advantage of this tax efficient way of giving, please ask Peter Johnson.

Peter Johnson

Ministry Team

During 2022 the Ministry team met regularly to plan, review and develop the church's gathered worship as a congregation and in small groups to support each other through the week. Daud Gill, Tom Ryan, Esme Hammer, Rachel Bradley, Christian Obichukwu, Alan Paulley and Peter Johnson are the team members. Our aim is to make connections between the Sunday worship and the wider worship of the church body. Lisa Redfern left the church in early 2023 to take up a new post in St Paul's in Sale and we will miss her gentle discernment in the team. We welcomed Tom into the team and appreciate his input and enthusiasm for new things after he was ordained as curate at Chester cathedral.

In services we run Zoom for those who are unable to be there in person. We are grateful to the AV team of Martin Odenrode, Rob Thomason and James Cunliffe who work very hard to allow this to happen. There is a 9am communion service on the first Sunday of the month. We held a number of special services as well like Christmas, Easter and Pentecost. Peter was part of the organising group for the diocesan Lay Conference which was held in 2022, delayed from 2020 and Esme attended for our parish.

In 2022 we had a sermon series in 1 Peter and this was linked in with the small groups and one on prayer and then the character of God. Daud took a sabbatical from September to the end of November and we were grateful for all those who helped to keep the services running. A social BBQ was held in the church grounds during the summer.

Daud and Alex continued their work in schools, taking some assemblies. Alex helps some individual children. Daud is chaplain at Trafford College. Peter is chaplain to the Sea Cadets.

If anyone would like to help by contributing to services you will always be welcome and we hope that gifts of service and leadership develop within St Alban's congregation. Please talk to one of us. There are opportunities and challenges ahead for our whole-life worship, gathered and scattered.

Peter Johnson

Prayer Team

Prayer Team Members: Sandra Fairclough, Daud Gill, Darlene Harrison, Tom Ryan, Gillian Shepherd, Rita Wickens, Cecilia Williams

Between April 2022 and March 2023 the team has been able to meet each Monday from 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm for prayer via Zoom. We would like to thank all those people who have contacted us with requests for prayer. All requests are regarded as confidential and are confined to the group. We also include other urgent needs concerning the work, events and activities of the church, as well as local, national and international situations as appropriate.

Members of the Prayer Team are happy to pray in church with anyone who requests prayer.

Any prayer requests should be given to Daud (0161 928 4820; daudgill@hotmail.co.uk) or to another person within the team.

We would appreciate more feedback on situations for which prayer has been requested and thank those people who do keep us updated. It does encourage us to hear of an outcome or to have an update. Thank you.

Gillian Shepherd

St Alban's Community Cafe

St Alban's Community Café is open every Wednesday morning from 10am to 12midday in the Church Hall on Lindsell Road.

We seek to offer a relaxed place to meet and to share God's love with our local community. We serve a small menu of drinks and snacks at very affordable prices.

Since we have reopened following Covid we are delighted to see our numbers growing with new folk regularly attending the cafe. We also have a number of clients and staff from Ordinary Lifestyles, an organisation that supports adults with learning disabilities, coming regularly.

We have shared some Lent and Easter activities at the Café and offer the opportunity for prayer as appropriate.

If you know anyone who would like to come for a drink and a chat please encourage them.

We would love to see you there.

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement.

The Cafe Team

St Albans Church January 2022 – December 2022

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The following assets are recognised but not valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities

1. Sound system, multi-media projection system, general office equipment, laptop computer, portable projector and moveable church furnishings which are held by the Church Wardens on special trust for the PCC and require a faculty for their disposal
2. The PCC currently lease a photocopier and this is represented within the accounts. The photocopier remains property of the company whom it is leased from and therefore not an asset of St Albans Church.

	Assets 1 st January 2022	Assets 31 st December 2022
General Fund	32,045.56	23,074.61
CCLA	9,479.78	9,596.10
CCLA Building for mission	26.67	27.02
Church Hall Account	5,139.26	5,474.26
Petty Cash	23.41	23.41
Total Assets	46,714.68	38,195.40

	Total Funds 2022	Previous Year Total
Receipts		
• Giving	64,108.18	82,249
• Church Activities	2,193	2,490
• Other Trading Activities	15,567.50	8,140
• Investments	0	4,049
• Other Receipts	0	2,578
Total Receipts	81,868.68	99,507
Payments		
• Staff Costs	65,096.09	52,678
• Church Buildings	25,348.93	11,448
• Services	757.71	411
• Church Activities		13,184
• Administration	418	1,849
• Charitable Giving		2,099
• Fees to Diocese	0	1,411
Total Payments	91,620.73	83,082
Excess of Receipts over Payments	-9,752.05	+16,424

Net Movement in Funds 2022: -£8519.28

All assets 1st January 2022: £46,714.68

All assets 31st December 2022: £38,196.40

Represented by:

	2022	2021
Unrestricted		
• General Fund	38,196.40	43,324
Designated		
• Fabric	34	34
• Mission	1,388	1,388
• Tithe	875	875
• Vicars Discretionary Fund	299	299
Restricted		
• Alpha	552	552
• Special Collections	1,796	1,796

Balance Sheets

	2022	2021
Book Stall Bank	0	312
Lloyds Current Account	23,074.61	32,045.56
Church Hall Bank Account	5,474.26	5,139.26
Take 5 Café Bank Account	0	1,072
Toddlers Account	0	0
CCLA Account General	9,596.10	9,479.78
CCLA Account Deposit	27.02	26.67
Petty Cash	23.41	23.41
Total Current Assets	38,195.40	48,098.68

Income by type

Income	Total 2022	Total 2021
Giving		
• Gift Aid Standing Orders	42,156	43,341
• Numbered Envelope Scheme	3,180	3,402
• Cash Collections	1,705.38	1,386
• Gift Days	0	0
• One off Gift Aid Donations	1108.68	75
• Donations/Appeals	877.95	6,683
• Tax Refund on Gift Aid	12,691.07	13,335
• Legacies	1,000	8,000
• One off Grants	985.77	4,100

• Other Funds Generated	1512.01	1.925
Church Activities		
• Fees for special services	2,193	2,490
• Church Use of Hall	0	0
Other Trading Activities		
• Rent for Hall Upper Room (TY4C)	1,740	1,595
• Regular Hall Bookings	10,031.50	6,263
• Hall Party Bookings	642.50	0
• Toddler Group	453.36	30
• Take 5 Café	750.14	180
• Car Park Rental	1,950	4.045
Insurance Claims	0	2,225
Other Income (unspecified sources)	0	432
Totals	81,868.68	99,507

Expenditure By Type

Expenditure	Total 2022	Total 2021
Staff Costs		
• Parish Share	51,780	50,206
• Vicarage Council Tax	1,784.26	1,712
• Vicarage	579.43	228
• Phone/Broadband		
• Contribution to Youth Worker Wage	6,049.43	1,782
• Childrens Worker Wage	728	0
• Hall Caretaker Wage	1,903.28	1,553
• Church Cleaner Wage	1,290	1,714
• Expenses Paid to Staff and Volunteers	981.69	942
Buildings Running Costs		
• Insurance	5,508.33	5,302
• Utilities Gas	3613.55	3,098
• Utilities Electricity	2859.77	3,426
• Utilities Water	910.99	545
• Commercial Waste Removal	66.75	0
• Cleaning Supplies	233.16	194
• Grounds Maintenance	3.075	2,455
• Plumbing/Heating Maintenance and Repairs	3125.18	2,877
• Surveys	2,400	0
• Other Repairs	0	2,475

• Window Cleaning	400	0
Services		
• Organist Costs	380	120
• Music Costs	220	212
• Service Consumables and Resources	157.71	305
• Miscellaneous	0	79
Fees to Diocese		
• Wedding and funeral fees	0	1,411
Charitable Giving		
• Missionary Societies	0	1,454
• Relief Organisations	0	25
• Home Missionary	0	570
• Secular Charities	0	50
Administration		
• Bank Charges	0	217
• Church Phone	0	31
• Admin Expenses	0	31
• Other		366
Other		
• Organ Servicing	190	0
• Photocopier Rental	228	0
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Lloyds Current Account	23,074.61	32,045.56
Church Hall Bank Account	5,474.26	5,139.26
Take 5 Café Bank Account	0	1,072
Toddlers Account	0	0
CCLA Account General	9,596.10	9,479.78
CCLA Account Deposit	27.02	26.67
Petty Cash	23.41	23.41
Total Current Assets	38,195.40	48,098.68

Income by type

Income	Total 2022	Total 2021
Giving		
• Gift Aid Standing Orders	42,156	43,341
• Numbered Envelope Scheme	3,180	3,402
• Cash Collections	1,705.38	1,386
• Gift Days	0	0
• One off Gift Aid Donations	1108.68	75
• Donations/Appeals	877.95	6,683
• Tax Refund on Gift Aid	12,691.07	13,335
• Legacies	1,000	8,000
• One off Grants	985.77	4,100

• Other Funds Generated	1512.01	1.925
Church Activities		
• Fees for special services	2,193	2,490
• Church Use of Hall	0	0
Other Trading Activities		
• Rent for Hall Upper Room (TY4C)	1,740	1,595
• Regular Hall Bookings	10,031.50	6,263
• Hall Party Bookings	642.50	0
• Toddler Group	453.36	30
• Take 5 Café	750.14	180
• Car Park Rental	1,950	4.045
Insurance Claims	0	2,225
Other Income (unspecified sources)	0	432
Totals	81,868.68	99,507

Expenditure By Type

Expenditure	Total 2022	Total 2021
Staff Costs		
• Parish Share	51,780	50,206
• Vicarage Council Tax	1,784.26	1,712
• Vicarage	579.43	228
• Phone/Broadband		
• Contribution to Youth Worker Wage	6,049.43	1,782
• Childrens Worker Wage	728	0
• Hall Caretaker Wage	1,903.28	1,553
• Church Cleaner Wage	1,290	1,714
• Expenses Paid to Staff and Volunteers	981.69	942
Buildings Running Costs		
• Insurance	5,508.33	5,302
• Utilities Gas	3613.55	3,098
• Utilities Electricity	2859.77	3,426
• Utilities Water	910.99	545
• Commercial Waste Removal	66.75	0
• Cleaning Supplies	233.16	194
• Grounds Maintenance	3.075	2,455
• Plumbing/Heating Maintenance and Repairs	3125.18	2,877
• Surveys	2,400	0
• Other Repairs	0	2,475

• Window Cleaning	400	0
Services		
• Organist Costs	380	120
• Music Costs	220	212
• Service Consumables and Resources	157.71	305
• Miscellaneous	0	79
Fees to Diocese		
• Wedding and funeral fees	0	1,411
Charitable Giving		
• Missionary Societies	0	1,454
• Relief Organisations	0	25
• Home Missionary	0	570
• Secular Charities	0	50
Administration		
• Bank Charges	0	217
• Church Phone	0	31
• Admin Expenses	0	31
• Other		366
Other		
• Organ Servicing	190	0
• Photocopier Rental	228	0
• Accumulated one off costs (accounted for in invoices)	3,156.20	0
	91,620.73	83,082

Accounts

PARISH OF ST ALBAN'S, BROADHEATH

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

AGENDA ITEM 3 - ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT

The electoral roll has been revised this April. This year there are 86 members on the roll, this time comprised of 47(54.7%) members resident in the Parish and 39 (45.3%) members resident outside the Parish boundaries.

Since the last electoral roll was produced in 2021

- 1 new member (outside the Parish) has been added.
- 4 members have died
- 4 members have moved away

John D Palmer
Electoral Roll Officer

AGENDA ITEM 4 - REPORTS FROM THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

4.1. CHURCHWARDENS - Attached

4.2. PCC SECRETARY - Attached

4.3. PCC TREASURER - ACCOUNTS - See separate sheets

4.4.. DEANERY SYNOD - Attached

4.5. ADDITIONAL REPORTS - Attached

4.1. CHURCH WARDEN'S REPORT MAY 2021/2022

Church Buildings

It is with some relief that I can report that the church building itself seems to be reasonably sound in structure but needless to say the need for ongoing inspection and maintenance is imperative. We are due our next quinquennial inspection of the building later in 2022 so we'll be waiting with bated breath the results from our architect Mark Pearce, once he has completed it.

At the end of last year the gutters were cleared and copious amounts of vegetation removed from the roof, at a cost of £2,600. As previously agreed by the PCC this work will be done on at least a yearly basis in late autumn/winter to guard against leaks and general deterioration.

Several cracked and broken small windowpanes were repaired earlier this year, one of which was assumed to be the entry point for the feathered intruder which visited us at one Sunday service and which made a grand tour of the roof space before leaving via the official exit.

There are patches of damp appearing on the inner walls of the outer office which will need investigating to find the cause.

A start has been made on sorting out the Sunday Club room which, largely due to the suspension of children's groups during the last two years, had become cluttered and somewhat unsuitable an area for pre-school children to enjoy during Sunday services. Plans are afoot to make this a much more welcoming space for this age group and their parents/carers.

Similarly, there are plans to make the south transept area a space for quiet reflection or to browse the bookshelves.

Now we are able to meet together again on Sunday mornings the PCC has agreed that it would be helpful to set up a 'welcome team'. With similar duties to sides people, the emphasis would be on greeting folk on arrival and generally being on hand to help the wardens where necessary. It is hoped to start 'recruitment' soon.

Grounds

Our gardener Martin continues to make good progress, efficiently pruning trees and shrubs, cutting grass, and planting bulbs which have been a delight to see this spring. Discussions are ongoing over the best way to repair parts of the boundary hedge and the maintenance of the larger trees, some of which have tree preservation orders. For example, the large beech could become a problem overhanging the pavement on the main road.

Thanks

In conclusion, I'd like to say how grateful I have been to all who have offered and given help, especially to June, Eileen and Ros as deputy wardens. Despite their many other commitments their support throughout the year has been invaluable.

Many thanks too, to Daud for his leadership, and to him and all the ministry team for the spiritual guidance and commitment given to the church family and community of St. Alban's.

Esme Hammer

4.2. PCC SECRETARY'S REPORT

Since the Annual Parochial Church Meeting last May, the Parochial Church Council has met on six occasions, mainly via Zoom.

The discussions have been varied and included our financial situation, particularly with the increase in energy prices. We continued to think about the future of our buildings, and a small team has been appointed to take this forward and advice has been received from our Church architect. The PCC agreed to hold a Living in Love and Faith course. A small group was appointed to consider Clergy Well-Being.

Our Sunday services are taking place in Church and also via Zoom to help reach out to those who are unable to get to Church. We were able to resume our usual pre-Covid services both at Christmas and Easter in Church and also via Zoom. One change that was made at Christmas was to have a Christingle service and we were delighted to welcome Bishop Sam, Bishop of Stockport, to this. It was good to see a number of visitors to this service. It has been decided to hold a monthly Holy Communion service (Common Worship) at 9.00 am on the first Sunday of the month. We welcomed the Bishop of Sialkot in February to preach at our Sunday morning service. Members of the Nigerian Church are using the Church building on Sunday afternoons led by the Revd Christian Obichukwu.

There was an awareness that the lack of a Sunday notice sheet might mean that people are not fully up-to-date with what is happening at St Alban's and a Spring Newsletter was compiled by Mrs Bradley and very well received. Future Newsletters will be provided.

With the lifting of Covid restrictions, our Wednesday morning café was able to re-open in September and our Toddler Group re-commence. A big thank you is due to all those willing to take on responsibility for the groups.

It was good to welcome children from both Broadheath Primary School and Park Road Academy to our Experience Easter event. We were also able to involve children from Broadheath Primary School in the Christingle, some in church and others in school.

A successful application to All Churches Trust for a grant towards the cost of a youth worker was made and Alex Stewart started in September. He works with the children on a Sunday morning and has started a group on Sunday evenings and is building up relations with Broadheath Primary School.

2021 was the 21st anniversary of the completion of the extension and reordering of the church. To celebrate this we had an Afternoon Tea followed by a Thanksgiving Service. We were joined by the Bishop of Chester, Bishop Mark, by the Revd John Beaney, Vicar at the time of the work, and Geoff Worsley, our church architect at that time. It was good to hear their memories of the project.

The PCC has complied with the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Two members are due to retire from the PCC this year. There is still one vacancy for a Deanery Synod representative.

June Nixon, PCC Secretary

4.4. PROCEEDINGS OF BOWDON DEANERY SYNOD MAY 2021-2022

Deaneries are small geographical divisions of the Diocese, within which parishes are grouped under the care of an Area Dean. Each deanery is governed by a deanery synod. It consists of all clergy licensed to a benefice within the deanery, plus elected lay members from its parishes. Its functions include:

- To consider matters concerning the Church of England and to make provision for such matters in relation to their Deanery, and to consider and express their opinion on any other matters of religious or public interest;
- To bring together the views of the parishes of the Deanery on common issues to discuss and formulate policies, to foster a sense of community among those parishes, and generally to promote in the Deanery the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical;
- To consider the business of the Diocesan Synod, and to sound parochial opinion whenever they are required or consider it appropriate to do so;
- To raise such matters as the Deanery Synod consider appropriate with the Diocesan Synod.

There have been 2 meetings of Bowdon Deanery Synod since May 2021:

12th October 2021 at Holy Cross, Timperley: Revd. Nikki Eastwood, chair of Chester Diocese Advisory Group for the Living in Love and Faith (LLF) initiative addressed synod. She gave an overview of the purpose of LLF which has been developed by the Church of England to provide resources for Christian teaching and learning about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. She encouraged all parishes to take part in the course and emphasised that this is not a “one-off” project but will hopefully open the way for ongoing discussion and contemplation of the issues raised.

This was also the first synod for the newly appointed clergy Revd. Catherine Cleghorn (St. Martin's, Ashton-on-Mersey) and Aled Seago (St. Margaret's Dunham). Revd. Rebecca Mathew had recently been appointed vicar of St. Paul's, Sale.

19th January 2022 at St. Anne's, Sale: Bishop Mark had been invited to address the meeting. He spoke of his vision for the Diocese, encouraging parishes to recognise the importance of reaching out to their communities and the responsibility we all have as Christians to be effective everyday disciples in an era where church attendance has declined, and Christianity appears to have lost its relevance to many. He stressed the need to consider how churches can adapt to find new ways of spreading the gospel. His address was followed by a question and answer session.

Further business included an update from parishes who were in the process of doing, or had completed the LLF course; and a reminder of the importance of safeguarding training for both clergy and lay church members. Details of online training could be found on the Diocesan website.

Revd. Stephen Dunton had been appointed vicar of Timperley parish. No date had as yet been set for his institution and induction.

N.B. There is much more information on news of events, courses, retreats etc. throughout the Diocese on its website. The twice monthly Diocesan bulletin is also a useful source and there are details on how to join its mailing list on the website. I would encourage those who have not yet researched it to do so.

Esme Hammer

4.5. ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Report for 2021/22 Parish APCM – Curate - Self Supporting Minister

I have put together these few words to update the Parish and outline how ministry has been carried out in the changing and challenging circumstances of 2021 to 2022.

Over the Autumn of 2021 we watched the rate of Covid cases attentively, eagerly hoping we could resume our home group. Unfortunately, that was not possible, but in January, it was possible to lead Baptism Preparation with three families in the Church. These were informal sessions which I led with material I designed myself. At the time of writing, I am working with two families, one preparing for baptism and the other for a Thanksgiving service.

In February I facilitated the Living in Love and Faith Course. Participants have fed back to the national church. I found it moving and challenging to study the LLF course materials and it has already had an impact on my thought and ministry.

Throughout the year I engaged with Theological Studies in Nazarene Theological College. Assignments included translations and exegesis of sections of 1 John, 1 and 2 Peter and now, I am preparing for a Residential on Theology and Ecology in June 2022.

I was delighted that in March a new monthly service of Holy Communion at 9 am was added. Holy Communion is an essential part of ministry and Christian life and I hope that we together may support this service. Resuming live music in church in recent months was a great encouragement and it is great to see the worship team taking shape and practice going on throughout the week. Learning new songs and getting them right takes time, practice, good teamwork and communication and it is all about discipleship.

Over the last six months I also helped cover some services in Timperley. This included their Christmas service of Nine Lessons and Carols, which was good experience for me, and hopefully helped a neighbouring parish during a vacancy.

I have taken part in the Clergy Wellbeing discussions and completed Safeguarding Leadership Training that the Church of England asks me to do as part of ongoing professional development. It is a blessing and a privilege to serve at St Alban's and I give thanks whenever I think of our congregation.

Lisa Redfern

Children's and Young People's Ministry

Toddler Group

The Toddlers group is made up of 7 volunteers (Sarah, Alex, Dianne, Mildred, Helen, Georgina and Daud) and takes place every Tuesday at 10.30-12 noon. The group opened up after lock-down, and to begin with was only a couple of families. There were minimal toys out, so they could be managed and cleaned. Anees and Sarah lead the sessions, with Anees taking charge of week-to-week decisions etc. Gradually over the next weeks and months the number has

begun to grow through word of mouth. There are several regular families now attending each week, some parents and some grandparents.

Each week begins with a free play session where the volunteers chat to families and play with children building relationships with the community. This is followed by refreshments, and a craft activity (initially planned and resourced by Sarah and Anees). At 11.30 the parents and children help tidy away the toys and get ready for a story and singing time. The story time is scheme of work called 'See and Know', this is planned half termly and delivered each week consistently, beginning with a welcome song, then a planned Bible story/theme from the Bible such as Creation and then finishing with praise and Nursery Rhymes.

Anees is now working at St. Mary's in Sale so Sarah plans and manages the Toddlers group with the support from Daud and the volunteers. Sarah has visited St. Mary's with Alex to observe the different ways Toddler groups are run, and further opportunities for observing how the 'See and know' scheme are currently being planned, so that we as a team continue to move forward and support families.

Alex (St. Alban's Youth Worker) has also joined our team this academic year. Alex greets families as they arrive and has made all the volunteers a name badge with their role printed, so it is clear who the volunteers are to the families. Alex also supports the sound, so that the sound system, microphone and you tube praise songs can be played each week during the story and song time.

We now also have community links with Stamford Brook Pre School, who each week come to Toddlers for an hour to provide and deliver the craft for the session, free of charge and linked with our weekly theme. They have also provided us with links to replace (free of charge) some of the Toddlers equipment that needs updating.

It has been lovely to develop relationships with the new families and the community. We intend to nurture these further and begin encouraging them into church family activities and services.

Sarah Thomason

Young People

St Alban's Sunday school has been doing Kick Academy which marries sport with the bible. Impact is seeing numbers increase after a slow start last year. We are seeing 6-10 young people most weeks now.

The link with college has built a relationship with the students and staff to say we care and God loves you! One girl between our first and second trip said she wasn't really going to church and now when she sees us she is saying how much she's been enjoying her local church and singing in worship.

The partnership with Broadheath Primary has allowed us to share the messages of Christingle and Easter with over 200 students. The highlight has been going into school each week recognised by all the students as the "giant orange" or "dress up church guy" and already have that lead into a conversation with them. Another would be when I first came in I took on a young lad in year 3 and his teacher said he struggles so much with maths so I showed him some easy ways of doing things and the teacher was so ecstatic the next week telling me how much his maths have improved.

God works through us through ways we don't expect and reaching primary school children was never my experience but seeing the improvements in them this year has been so rewarding I thank God I've had the opportunity to be his Ambassador in the school and community here at Broadheath!

Alex Stewart

Finance Team and Planned Giving

The Finance Team meets regularly to review the church's finances and its members are the Vicar, Church Treasurer, June Nixon and Peter Johnson. Eileen Dixon has kindly agreed to help by looking after the church and hall utility bills. 2021 was a year when we had to manage the finances slightly differently which made it busier than usual for some members of the team.

Thank you to all who have continued to support the mission and life of St Alban's Church over this year by your generous giving. We have continued to pay a reduced amount to the Diocese for the parish share. This is the amount of money that Chester asks us to contribute to the overall running of the Diocese. As a result of this change our funds have continued to be stable but increases in fuel prices are going to be challenging in 2022 as for all of us. There are still outstanding actions to be done from the last 5-yearly building inspection and this is going to come round again soon.

Lockdown meant significantly lower income from cash and collections but some people have taken up standing orders which really helps.

The grant from All Churches Trust was received and along with other donations we were able to fund a youth worker in 2021.

The Gift Aid tax reclaim was a significant help again this year. If you are a tax payer and would like to take advantage of this tax efficient way of giving, please ask Peter Johnson.

Peter Johnson

Ministry Team

During 2021 The Ministry team was formed by combining the Worship Team and the Discipleship Team. We meet regularly to plan, review and develop the church's gathered worship as a congregation and in small groups to support each other through the week. Daud Gill, Lisa Redfern, Esme Hammer, Rachel Bradley, Christian Obichukwu, Alex Stewart and Peter Johnson are the team members. The reason for doing this was to make a better connection between the Sunday worship and the wider worship of the church body and is still being developed.

We continued with meeting in church when we were able to restart this and we run Zoom for those who are unable to be there in person. Sometimes this does pose technical challenges. We continue to be grateful to the AV team of Martin Odenrode, Rob Thomason and James Cunliffe who work very hard to allow this to happen. A new 9am service on the first Sunday of the month was started, replacing the previous 8am BCP. We held Christmas services with few restrictions which was a real blessing.

In 2021 we had a sermon series in the gospel of Mark early in the year and then later, on Nehemiah which was also the theme for the small groups. We had a Curry night with the Bishop of Sialkot beaming in and updating us on the

situation there. This year our Lent course had a creation-care theme as we reflected on what caring for the world with a Christian view means. After Easter we followed Tom Wright's *Surprised by Hope* videos and book. Lisa ran a group looking at the Living in Love a Faith material. A social BBQ was held in the church grounds during the summer.

Daud and Alex continued their work in schools, taking some assemblies and Alex helps some individual children and Trafford College where Daud is Chaplain. Peter is Chaplain to the Sea Cadets who started meeting in person again and he was part of the diocesan team preparing the Chester Lay Conference for 2022. We will welcome Tom Ryan in 2022 as a curate in training and look forward to his ministry among us.

If anyone would like to help by contributing to services you will always be welcome and we hope that gifts of service and leadership develop within St Alban's congregation. Please talk to one of us. There are opportunities and challenges ahead for our whole-life worship, gathered and scattered.

Peter Johnson

Prayer Team

Members: Sandra Fairclough, Daud Gill, Darlene Harrison, Gillian Shepherd, Rita Wickens, Cecilia Williams

Between April 2021 and March 2022 the team has been able to meet each Monday from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. for prayer via Zoom. We would like to thank all those people who have contacted us with requests for prayer. All requests are regarded as confidential and are confined to the group. We also include other urgent needs concerning the work, events and activities of the church, as well as local, national and international situations as appropriate. Prayer ministry in the church had to be suspended during the pandemic, but members of the Prayer Team are available to pray in church with anyone who requests prayer.

Any prayer requests should be given to Daud (0161 928 4820; daudgill@hotmail.co.uk) or to another person within the team.

We would appreciate more feedback on situations for which prayer has been requested and thank those people who do keep us updated. It does encourage us to hear of an outcome or to have an update.

Thank you.

Gillian Shepherd

St Albans Community Cafe

The Cafe reopened in September 2021 and we have been delighted to see many of our regular customers returning and to welcome new customers to the Cafe.

The Cafe is in the Church Hall on Wednesday mornings from 10 am to 12 midday.

It is a friendly welcoming space and we would love to see you there.

Please invite your family, friends and neighbours.

The Cafe Team

St Albans Parish Church

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31st December 2021

• Introduction

These Financial Statements have been prepared in line with guidance from The Church Of England and the relevant legislation and guidance provided by the Charities Commission.

Notes:

1. The Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payment basis
2. The following assets are recognized but not valued in the Statement of assets and Liabilities

Sound system, multi-media projection system, general office equipment, laptop computer, portable projector and moveable church furnishings which are held by the Church Wardens on special trust for the PCC and require a faculty for their disposal.

3. The PCC has no current lease commitments for any equipment.

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Giving	82,249	—	—	—	82,249	74,741
Church Activities	2,490	—	—	—	2,490	1,228
Other trading activities	8,140	—	—	—	8,140	11,471
Investments	4,049	—	—	—	4,049	1,015
Other receipts	2,578	—	—	—	2,578	3,275
Total receipts	99,507	—	—	—	99,507	91,730
Payments						
Staff Costs	52,678	—	—	—	52,678	55,206
Church Buildings	11,448	—	—	—	11,448	13,651
Services	411	—	—	—	411	382
Outreach	—	—	—	—	—	—
Church Activities	13,184	—	—	—	13,184	10,925
Administration	1,849	—	—	—	1,849	878
Charitable Giving	2,099	—	—	—	2,099	980
Fees to Diocese	1,411	—	—	—	1,411	299
Total payments	83,082	—	—	—	83,082	82,324
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—	—
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains / losses	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406
Net movement in funds	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406
All assets at 01 January 2021	26,899	2,597	2,349	—	31,845	22,439
All assets at 31 December 2021	43,324	2,597	2,349	—	48,270	31,845
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	43,324	—	—	—	43,324	26,899
Designated						
Building for Mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
Church Hall Refurbishment	—	0	—	—	0	0

Fabric	—	34	—	—	34	34
Mission	—	1,388	—	—	1,388	1,388
Sri Lanka	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tithe	—	875	—	—	875	875
Vicar's discretionary fund	—	299	—	—	299	299
Restricted						
Alpha	—	—	552	—	552	552
Special collections	—	—	1,796	—	1,796	1,796
Sri Lanka3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Endowment						
Capital Recoupment Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—

Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
Current assets			
6405	Book Stall bank	312	379
6406	Book stall cash	—	51
6501	Lloyds current account	32,045	14,314
6502	Church Hall Bank Account	5,319	5,216
6503	Take 5 Bank	1,072	1,072
6504	Toddlers Bank	—	1,020
6505	Toddlers cash	—	15
6507	Take 5 cash	—	38
6510	CCLA (CBF) deposit account (General)	9,470	9,466
6511	CCLA (CBF) deposit account (Capital reco	26	26
6520	Church of England Investment Fund	—	—
6590	Petty Cash	23	244
	Total Current assets	48,270	31,845
Reserves			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	16,424	—
Z01	Starting balances	31,845	31,845
	Total Reserves	48,270	31,845
	Represented by funds		
	Unrestricted	43,324	26,899
	Designated	2,597	2,597
	Restricted	2,349	2,349
	Endowment	—	—
	Total	48,270	31,845

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Book Stall bank -	312	—	—	—	312	379
Book stall cash -	—	—	—	—	—	51
Lloyds current account -	27,133	2,563	2,349	—	32,045	14,314
Church Hall Bank Account -	5,319	—	—	—	5,319	5,216
Take 5 Bank -	1,072	—	—	—	1,072	1,072
Toddlers Bank -	—	—	—	—	—	1,020
Toddlers cash -	—	—	—	—	—	15
Take 5 cash -	—	—	—	—	—	38
CCLA (CBF) deposit account (General) -	9,470	—	—	—	9,470	9,466
CCLA (CBF) deposit account (Capital reco -	(7)	34	—	—	26	26
Petty Cash -	23	—	—	—	23	244
Totals	43,324	2,597	2,349	—	48,270	31,845

Grand total	43,324	2,597	2,349	—	48,270	31,845
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Fund movement by type

		Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Alpha - Alpha							
Restricted		552	—	—	—	—	552
Sub-total for Alpha		552	—	—	—	—	552
BFM - Building for Mission							
Designated		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for BFM		—	—	—	—	—	—
CapRecoup - Capital Recoupment F							
Endowment		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for CapRecoup		—	—	—	—	—	—
Cont - Vicar's discretionar							
Designated		299	—	—	—	—	299
Sub-total for Cont		299	—	—	—	—	299
Fabric - Fabric							
Designated		34	—	—	—	—	34
Sub-total for Fabric		34	—	—	—	—	34
HallRefurb - Church Hall Refurbis							
Designated		0	—	—	—	—	0
Sub-total for HallRefurb		0	—	—	—	—	0
Mission - Mission							
Designated		1,388	—	—	—	—	1,388
Sub-total for Mission		1,388	—	—	—	—	1,388
Special - Special collections							
Restricted		1,796	—	—	—	—	1,796
Sub-total for Special		1,796	—	—	—	—	1,796
SriLanka - Sri Lanka3							
Restricted		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for SriLanka		—	—	—	—	—	—
SriLnka - Sri Lanka							
Designated		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for SriLnka		—	—	—	—	—	—
Tithe - Tithe							
Designated		875	—	—	—	—	875
Sub-total for Tithe		875	—	—	—	—	875
General - General fund							
Unrestricted		26,899	99,507	83,082	—	—	43,324
Sub-total for General		26,899	99,507	83,082	—	—	43,324
Grand total		31,845	99,507	83,082	—	—	48,270

Analysis of receipts and payments

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS						
Giving						
0101 - Gift Aid - Standing orders	43,341	—	—	—	43,341	43,543
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	3,402	—	—	—	3,402	6,061
0201 - Other planned giving	—	—	—	—	—	—
0301 - Cash collections	1,386	—	—	—	1,386	3,649
0401 - Regular gift days	—	—	—	—	—	—
0410 - Giving through church boxes	—	—	—	—	—	—
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	75	—	—	—	75	1,850
0510 - Gifts of quoted securities	—	—	—	—	—	—
0550 - Donations appeals etc	6,683	—	—	—	6,683	295
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	13,335	—	—	—	13,335	13,114
0701 - Legacies	8,000	—	—	—	8,000	700
0801 - Recurring grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	4,100	—	—	—	4,100	2,000
0901 - Other funds generated	1,925	—	—	—	1,925	3,528
Total	82,249	—	—	—	82,249	74,741
Church Activities						
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1230 - Church hall use - Church groups	—	—	—	—	—	—
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Other trading activities						
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1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	131	—	—	—	131	122
1240 - Church hall lettings	6,263	—	—	—	6,263	8,852
1241 - Upper room rental - Trafford YFC	1,595	—	—	—	1,595	1,740
1243 - Church Hall - Parties	—	—	—	—	—	—
1244 - Upper Room Rental - electricity	—	—	—	—	—	—
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	—	—	—	—	—	—
1260 - Parish magazine sales	—	—	—	—	—	—
1270 - Take 5 Cafe	180	—	—	—	180	244
1280 - Toddlers Group	(30)	—	—	—	(30)	200
1281 - Toddlers Group - registration fees	—	—	—	—	—	311
1282 - Toddlers Group - Other income	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	8,140	—	—	—	8,140	11,471
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—
1020 - Bank and building society interest	4	—	—	—	4	40
1021 - Investment income	—	—	—	—	—	—
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	4,045	—	—	—	4,045	975
Total	4,049	—	—	—	4,049	1,015

Other receipts

1242 - Church Hall - sundry receipts	—	—	—	—	—	350
1290 - Car Park Rental	—	—	—	—	—	2,925
1310 - Insurance claims	2,225	—	—	—	2,225	—
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	—	—	—	—	—	—
1400 - Reimbursement of fees for visiting speak	—	—	—	—	—	—
1500 - Contra entries	353	—	—	—	353	—
Total	2,578	—	—	—	2,578	3,275
INCOME TOTAL	99,507	—	—	—	99,507	91,730

EXPENDITURE

Staff Costs

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	—	—	—	—	—	—
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	—	—	—	—	—	—
1740 - Investment management costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
1910 - Parish Share	50,206	—	—	—	50,206	52,624
2001 - Contribution to cost of YFC intern	—	—	—	—	—	—
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	531	—	—	—	531	403
2102 - Vicarage redecoration	—	—	—	—	—	—
2120 - Vicarage Council tax	1,712	—	—	—	1,712	2,178
2130 - Housing costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	—	—	—	—	—	—
2145 - Parsonage - water	—	—	—	—	—	—
2150 - Vicar's telephone	228	—	—	—	228	—
Total	52,678	—	—	—	52,678	55,206

Church Buildings

1901 - Stipends quota	—	—	—	—	—	—
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	—	—	—	—	—	—
2170 - Education	—	—	—	—	—	—
2201 - Parish training and mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
2301 - Church running - insurance	1,501	—	—	—	1,501	3,358
2330 - Church maintenance	1,714	—	—	—	1,714	866
2331 - Church running - Cleaning	70	—	—	—	70	894
2332 - Church running - supplies	241	—	—	—	241	279
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	2,455	—	—	—	2,455	1,720
2401 - Church running - electric	631	—	—	—	631	4,569
2410 - Church running - gas	1,975	—	—	—	1,975	1,215
2420 - Church running - water	383	—	—	—	383	563
2430 - Church running - oil	—	—	—	—	—	—
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	—	—	—	—	—	—
2450 - Church equipment	—	—	—	—	—	132
2501 - Magazine expenses	—	—	—	—	—	52
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	2,475	—	—	—	2,475	—
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	—	—	—	—	—	—
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	—

2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	—	—	—	—	—	—
2901 - New building parsonage house	—	—	—	—	—	—
2910 - New building house for curate	—	—	—	—	—	—
2920 - New building Church	—	—	—	—	—	—
2930 - New building Hall	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	11,448	—	—	—	11,448	13,651

Services

2320 - Organ / piano tuning	—	—	—	—	—	—
2340 - Service consumables	64	—	—	—	64	178
2370 - Visiting preachers	—	—	—	—	—	—
2371 - Organist	120	—	—	—	120	—
2372 - Music	212	—	—	—	212	204
3000 - Contra entries	15	—	—	—	15	—
Total	411	—	—	—	411	382

Outreach

2502 - Leaflets (Christmas and Easter)	—	—	—	—	—	—
2503 - Website	—	—	—	—	—	—
2504 - Alpha	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—

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1730 - Outreach events	—	—	—	—	—	—
2510 - Bookstall costs	249	—	—	—	249	—
2511 - Take 5 Cafe	162	—	—	—	162	—
2512 - Toddlers group	—	—	—	—	—	200
2513 - Sunday Club expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
2514 - Youth Worker	1,782	—	—	—	1,782	—
2520 - Hall running - oil	—	—	—	—	—	—
2530 - Hall running - electricity	2,795	—	—	—	2,795	1,286
2540 - Hall running - gas	1,123	—	—	—	1,123	3,552
2550 - Hall running - insurance	3,801	—	—	—	3,801	1,937
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	1,163	—	—	—	1,163	759
2570 - Hall running - telephone	263	—	—	—	263	150
2580 - Hall running - water	162	—	—	—	162	130
2590 - Hall running - heating and lighting	—	—	—	—	—	—
2591 - Hall running - caretaker	136	—	—	—	136	35
2592 - Hall running - cleaning	1,417	—	—	—	1,417	2,184
2593 - Hall equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—
2594 - Hall running - supplies	124	—	—	—	124	688
2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	—	—	—	—	—	—
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	—	—	—	—	—	—
2830 - Hall + interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	13,184	—	—	—	13,184	10,925

Administration

1741 - Bank Charges	217	—	—	—	217	243
2310 - Church office - telephone	31	—	—	—	31	383
2360 - Administration	31	—	—	—	31	52
2361 - Photocopier lease	—	—	—	—	—	153
2362 - Sundry Expenses	1,568	—	—	—	1,568	45
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1,849	—	—	—	1,849	878

Charitable Giving

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	1,454	—	—	—	1,454	940
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	25	—	—	—	25	—
1850 - Home mission	570	—	—	—	570	—
1851 - Contingency fund	—	—	—	—	—	—
1870 - Secular charities	50	—	—	—	50	40
Total	2,099	—	—	—	2,099	980

Fees to Diocese

1520 - Wedding and Funeral Fees to Diocese	1,411	—	—	—	1,411	299
Total	1,411	—	—	—	1,411	299
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	83,082	—	—	—	83,082	82,324
GRAND TOTAL	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406

- **Conclusion**
- **These accounts represent a true and accurate record of the Financial activities of St Albans Parish Church Broadheath.**
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- **This report dated: 25th April 2022**

St Albans Parish Church

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31st December 2021

• Introduction

These Financial Statements have been prepared in line with guidance from The Church Of England and the relevant legislation and guidance provided by the Charities Commission.

Notes:

1. The Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payment basis
2. The following assets are recognized but not valued in the Statement of assets and Liabilities

Sound system, multi-media projection system, general office equipment, laptop computer, portable projector and moveable church furnishings which are held by the Church Wardens on special trust for the PCC and require a faculty for their disposal.

3. The PCC has no current lease commitments for any equipment.

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Giving	82,249	—	—	—	82,249	74,741
Church Activities	2,490	—	—	—	2,490	1,228
Other trading activities	8,140	—	—	—	8,140	11,471
Investments	4,049	—	—	—	4,049	1,015
Other receipts	2,578	—	—	—	2,578	3,275
Total receipts	99,507	—	—	—	99,507	91,730
Payments						
Staff Costs	52,678	—	—	—	52,678	55,206
Church Buildings	11,448	—	—	—	11,448	13,651
Services	411	—	—	—	411	382
Outreach	—	—	—	—	—	—
Church Activities	13,184	—	—	—	13,184	10,925
Administration	1,849	—	—	—	1,849	878
Charitable Giving	2,099	—	—	—	2,099	980
Fees to Diocese	1,411	—	—	—	1,411	299
Total payments	83,082	—	—	—	83,082	82,324
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—	—
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains / losses	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406
Net movement in funds	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406
All assets at 01 January 2021	26,899	2,597	2,349	—	31,845	22,439
All assets at 31 December 2021	43,324	2,597	2,349	—	48,270	31,845
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	43,324	—	—	—	43,324	26,899
Designated						
Building for Mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
Church Hall Refurbishment	—	0	—	—	0	0

Fabric	—	34	—	—	34	34
Mission	—	1,388	—	—	1,388	1,388
Sri Lanka	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tithe	—	875	—	—	875	875
Vicar's discretionary fund	—	299	—	—	299	299
Restricted						
Alpha	—	—	552	—	552	552
Special collections	—	—	1,796	—	1,796	1,796
Sri Lanka3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Endowment						
Capital Recoupment Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—

Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
Current assets			
6405	Book Stall bank	312	379
6406	Book stall cash	—	51
6501	Lloyds current account	32,045	14,314
6502	Church Hall Bank Account	5,319	5,216
6503	Take 5 Bank	1,072	1,072
6504	Toddlers Bank	—	1,020
6505	Toddlers cash	—	15
6507	Take 5 cash	—	38
6510	CCLA (CBF) deposit account (General)	9,470	9,466
6511	CCLA (CBF) deposit account (Capital reco	26	26
6520	Church of England Investment Fund	—	—
6590	Petty Cash	23	244
	Total Current assets	48,270	31,845
Reserves			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	16,424	—
Z01	Starting balances	31,845	31,845
	Total Reserves	48,270	31,845
	Represented by funds		
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	Designated	2,597	2,597
	Restricted	2,349	2,349
	Endowment	—	—
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Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Book Stall bank -	312	—	—	—	312	379
Book stall cash -	—	—	—	—	—	51
Lloyds current account -	27,133	2,563	2,349	—	32,045	14,314
Church Hall Bank Account -	5,319	—	—	—	5,319	5,216
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Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
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Sub-total for Alpha	552	—	—	—	—	552
BFM - Building for Mission Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for BFM	—	—	—	—	—	—
CapRecoup - Capital Recoupment F Endowment	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for CapRecoup	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cont - Vicar's discretionar Designated	299	—	—	—	—	299
Sub-total for Cont	299	—	—	—	—	299
Fabric - Fabric Designated	34	—	—	—	—	34
Sub-total for Fabric	34	—	—	—	—	34
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Sub-total for HallRefurb	0	—	—	—	—	0
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Sub-total for Mission	1,388	—	—	—	—	1,388
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Sub-total for Special	1,796	—	—	—	—	1,796
SriLanka - Sri Lanka3 Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for SriLanka	—	—	—	—	—	—
SriLnka - Sri Lanka Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for SriLnka	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tithe - Tithe Designated	875	—	—	—	—	875
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2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	—	—	—	—	—	—
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	—	—	—	—	—	—
2830 - Hall + interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	13,184	—	—	—	13,184	10,925

Administration

1741 - Bank Charges	217	—	—	—	217	243
2310 - Church office - telephone	31	—	—	—	31	383
2360 - Administration	31	—	—	—	31	52
2361 - Photocopier lease	—	—	—	—	—	153
2362 - Sundry Expenses	1,568	—	—	—	1,568	45
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1,849	—	—	—	1,849	878

Charitable Giving

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	1,454	—	—	—	1,454	940
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	25	—	—	—	25	—
1850 - Home mission	570	—	—	—	570	—
1851 - Contingency fund	—	—	—	—	—	—
1870 - Secular charities	50	—	—	—	50	40
Total	2,099	—	—	—	2,099	980

Fees to Diocese

1520 - Wedding and Funeral Fees to Diocese	1,411	—	—	—	1,411	299
Total	1,411	—	—	—	1,411	299
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	83,082	—	—	—	83,082	82,324
GRAND TOTAL	16,424	—	—	—	16,424	9,406

- **Conclusion**
- **These accounts represent a true and accurate record of the Financial activities of St Albans Parish Church Broadheath.**
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- **This report dated: 25th April 2022**

Accounts

PARISH OF ST ALBAN'S, BROADHEATH
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

AGENDA ITEM 3 - ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT

The electoral roll has been revised this April. This year there are 93 members on the roll, this time comprised of 53 (57.0%) members resident in the Parish and 40 (43.0%) members resident outside the Parish boundaries.

Since the last electoral roll was produced in 2020

1 new member (in the Parish) has been added
1 member has died

John D Palmer
Electoral Roll Officer

AGENDA ITEM 4 - REPORTS FROM THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

4.1. CHURCHWARDENS - Attached

4.2. PCC SECRETARY - Attached

4.3. PCC TREASURER - ACCOUNTS - See separate sheets

4.4. REPORTS OF CHURCH ORGANISATIONS AND ACTIVITIES - Attached

There are fewer reports this year as the Pandemic has resulted in a number of our organisations being unable to meet since March 2020.

4.1. CHURCH WARDEN'S REPORT MARCH 2020/2021

There can be no denying that due to the Covid pandemic the past 12 months or so have been a particularly challenging time for all, globally and nationally. There is so much one could say in reflection on these times. However, the purpose of this report is to focus on the care and management of the church building and grounds and, especially this year, to ensure a safe place for worship and gathering appropriate to the restrictions to which we have necessarily been subjected.

Church Building

Having had a year or two without any need for major repair work, towards the end of 2020 there was a major leak of rainwater through the roof at the north east end of the church. The firm of T. Jones was employed to repair the roof in that area and on inspection of further areas also attended to tile damage on the south east end. They also cleared the guttering.

The work to clear the old boiler room of asbestos is still outstanding. There is no general access to the room, but it is necessary to address the problem before too long.

In order to be able to open the church once restrictions allowed, care was taken with positioning seating, hand sanitisers and masks, and signage to ensure social distancing and other requirements (i.e. 'hands, face and space'). It was disappointing to close again for Sunday Worship just after Christmas until Palm Sunday but thankfully it was possible to continue to open for private prayer on Thursday mornings.

Church Grounds

The church grounds continue to be both a blessing and a challenge in that they offer a burgeoning green space in a built-up area, with lots of potential to encourage wildlife, but as mentioned in previous years keeping them in good order is time consuming and labour intensive. The gardener has cut the grass regularly and has trimmed back and tidied hedges etc. We could employ him to do more but it would be good if we, as a congregation, again took up the challenge of sharing with each other the care and enhancement of this valuable asset for the enjoyment of all.

In conclusion, as the sole nominee for the role of church warden at the last APCM, I have to stress how grateful I have been to June Nixon and Eileen Dixon as deputies. Despite their many other commitments their support throughout the year has been invaluable. To them I offer my sincerest and deepest thanks.

As we hope and pray that it will not be too long before we are able to return to meeting together in person, I am sure that I speak for all when I say how appreciative we have been of the technology which has enabled us to continue to gather in worship, albeit virtually, with especial thanks to Daud for his leadership in having the vision to make it possible and for his spiritual guidance and commitment throughout to the church family and community of St. Alban's.

Esme Hammer

4.2. PCC SECRETARY'S REPORT

The PCC has met via Zoom over the last year and since the last report was prepared, in April 2020, there have been six meetings.

The PCC has continued to discuss our finances and agreed to close down the Hall, Toddler Group, Take 5 and Bookstall accounts, transfer the funds into the Church account and operate everything from this account. We have begun to think about our church buildings and their use together with our vision for our mission and ministry post-COVID. Amongst other things, the PCC considered how to involve the children and young people during the Pandemic, and also how to offer Holy Communion during the virtual services.

It was possible to re-open the church between September and December when services were held both in Church and via Zoom. After a further closure early in the New Year, we re-opened on Palm Sunday, again offering services both in Church and virtually

It was a real joy to welcome the new Bishop of Chester, the Rt Revd Mark Tanner, to our Harvest Festival service in October. It has also been good to be joined by various guest preachers, via Zoom, including Major Dawn Lacey of the Salvation Army at our Toy Service.

As we were unable to have the usual Candle Service on Christmas Eve, it was replaced with an outdoor Nativity/Carol Service. This was well attended and appreciated by all who were there.

The use of Zoom has enabled various church activities to continue: Team meetings, Morning Prayer, House Groups, the Lent course. Our Vicar arranged a curry evening in March in aid of our overseas link, the Diocese of Sialkot, and invited the Bishop of Sialkot to speak. Well over £1000 was raised. The breakout groups at the end of our Sunday services have been appreciated as a way of keeping in touch with each other.

We lost one of our long-standing members last November, when very sadly Beryl Kelly died. Beryl had served on the PCC for well over 40 years and, as well as a member of the PCC, she was involved in numerous things at St Alban's. She was a member of the Mothers' Union, leader of the Wives' Group, a Sunday School teacher, a member of the church choir and later the music group, one of the founder members of the Take 5 team, and was always present at various church meetings and events. Whenever a cake was needed for a special occasion, Beryl was asked to provide it and there was always a good supply of delicious cakes at Take 5. Beryl will be very much missed.

Thank you to our Vicar for all he has done during the Pandemic to keep in touch with the congregation and for ensuring the continuation of our services, in church when we were able, and on Zoom. Also special thanks to the members of the AV team operating what is a complex system providing the services in church and on Zoom and for all the time they have given up to help out.

There are three members due to retire from the PCC this year. There is still one vacancy for a Deanery Synod representative.

June Nixon, PCC Secretary

4.4. REPORTS OF CHURCH ORGANISATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Children's Ministry

Since the Church closed in March 2020, much of the Children's ministry moved online to breakout groups which took part whilst the main Sunday service took place online. This provision for the children has enabled them to stay connected with each other, with the Church and stay connected to Biblical teaching. On average, 15 children from our Church family attended, and this included 1 or 2 new children, which has been a real encouragement to me.

Teaching has taken place in the form of reading Bible stories, or watching them animated on YouTube. The children have participated in craft activities, they have shared prayers together, and enjoyed singing and dancing along to worship songs from within their own homes.

In October, we celebrated our Harvest service, and at this point we were able to be back in Church. Bishop Mark and his wife Lindsay visited us that Sunday, and our children took part in a small activity illuminating the word HARVEST and sharing some thoughts around the words Share, Have and Rest.

At Christmas, the children joined together and did an online nativity performance which was broadcast on Facebook, and when Church was open on Christmas Eve, the children performed it outdoors. Both events were great fun and the children were very eager to take part.

Moving into 2021, the children led All Age Worship online in January. The teaching of the service was based on Mark 5:21-43, and the theme focussed on Fear, Compassion and Action, delving into what Mark teaches us about Jesus.

In March, moving back into Church, the children took part in the Palm Sunday service, reading the Gospel and praying intercession prayers. They read out their version of the Palm Sunday story with huge enthusiasm and joy.

To conclude, it has been a delight and privilege to bond with, and to teach the children in our Church family. They are always willing and available to participate in and deliver God's word, and I have truly enjoyed ministering to them during the past year.

Psalm 127:3 Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a real blessing (GNT)

Anees Gill

Discipleship Team

The Discipleship Team has continued to meet on zoom.

The Tuesday evening group meets weekly on Zoom and all are welcome. A link is sent out each week.

In the Autumn of 2020 we completed an on-line Alpha course. It worked out well. However, we would prefer to resume a face to face Alpha this autumn depending on Covid restrictions.

During Lent 2021 we used a USPG study called "For Such a Time as This" looking at Ecological justice. We hope that we will be able to take ideas shared from this forward as a PCC and church.

At present on a Tuesday we are studying 'Surprised by Hope' by Tom Wright.

The Thursday group are also continuing to meet on Zoom.

We are looking forward to taking part in Thy Kingdom Come. ... The Archbishops' call to prayer from 12th May to 23rd May 2021.

If you would like more information about any of these activities, please speak to me.

Rachel Bradley

Finance Team and Planned Giving

The Finance Team meets regularly to review the church's finances and its members are the Vicar, Church Treasurer (John Jarvis), June Nixon and Peter Johnson. Eileen Dixon has kindly agreed to help by looking after the church and hall utility bills. After a lot of delays caused by supplier companies going into liquidation and bill disputes, June and John have finally been able to settle the issue of our outstanding balance.

Thank you to all who have continued to support the mission and life of St Alban's Church over this year by your generous giving. For most of 2020 we have paid a reduced amount to the Diocese for the parish share and this has continued into 2021. This is the amount of money that Chester asks us to contribute to the overall running of the Diocese. As a result of this change our funds have more or less maintained their balance as outgoings have reduced along with income due to the pandemic. There are still outstanding actions to be done from the last 5-yearly building inspection as well.

Thank you to all who increased their regular giving or became a regular giver for the first time as a result of the appeal we made to the congregation. Lockdown has meant significantly lower income from cash and collections but some people have taken up standing orders which really helps.

John Jarvis stated at the end of 2019 that he would like to step down as Church Treasurer to take up a different role and we asked the congregation if there was anyone who would like to take that role up. We had some interest although this was paused during 2020 but we hope that this transfer will be able to happen in 2021.

Daud applied for a grant from All Churches Trust to help fund a youth worker and upgrade the AV system. About 25% of the applied-for amount was granted and we are in the process of deciding how to use this and how to fill the "funding gap".

The Gift Aid tax reclaim was well over £13,000 this year. If you are a tax payer and would like to take advantage of this tax efficient way of giving, please ask Peter Johnson.

Peter Johnson

Prayer Team

Members: Jean Bailey, Sandra Fairclough, Daud Gill, Alan Harrison, Darlene Harrison, Gillian Shepherd, Rita Wickens, Cecilia Williams

Between April 2020 and March 2021, in spite of lockdowns, the team has been able to meet each Monday from 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm for prayer via Zoom. We would like to thank all those people who have contacted us with requests for prayer. All requests are regarded as confidential and are confined to the group.

We also include other urgent needs concerning the work, events and activities of the church, as well as local, national and international situations as appropriate.

Prayer ministry in the church has had to be suspended during the pandemic.

Any prayer requests should be given to Daud (0161 928 4820; daudgill@hotmail.co.uk) or to another person within the team.

We would appreciate feedback on situations for which prayer has been requested and thank those people who do keep us updated. It does encourage us to hear of an outcome or to have an update. Thank you.

Gillian Shepherd

Worship Team

The Worship team meets regularly to plan, review and develop the church's gathered worship to support the congregation through the week. Daud Gill, Darlene Harrison, Lisa Redfern, Esme Hammer, Rachel Bradley and Peter Johnson are the team members.

The pandemic dramatically changed our services in 2020. We started the year as normal but very quickly after the first lockdown started we started using Zoom, which enabled us to have live worship remotely, although technically it was a challenge at times. Many thanks to Daud for moving so quickly on this. When private prayer in church was allowed, the church was opened on a Thursday and Sunday morning.

Daud, the wardens and June are owed a great deal of thanks for getting the church in a fit state when we were allowed to meet again in person. There was a lot to do, meeting the requirements for cleaning, assessing the maximum number of people, booking arrangements and clearing chairs. We were indebted to the AV team of Martin Odenrode, Rob Thomason and James Cunliffe who worked very hard to allow blended worship with church and homes on Zoom being part of a live service together.

Bishop Mark visited St Alban's in October 2020 which was great as it was one of the first parish church services he had led since becoming Bishop of Chester. We were able to have a socially distanced Christmas Eve service with donkey in attendance, outside in the church grounds. Preaching generally followed the lectionary in 2020, but had a series covering Mark's gospel, leading up to Easter 2021. We were able to have a series of reflections from members of the congregation on Facebook, every day of Advent. It was very encouraging to have contributions from so many different members of the congregation.

This year the monthly BCP service at 8 am on the first Sunday of the month was suspended. and the once a month evening gathering on the last Sunday of the month continued. Morning Prayer on Thursday is on zoom and at church with the church open for private prayer.

If anyone would like to help by contributing to services you would always be welcome and we hope that gifts of service and leadership develop within St Alban's congregation. Please talk to one of us. As the restrictions reduce there are opportunities and challenges ahead for our gathered worship.

Peter Johnson

**St Albans Parish Church
Broadheath**

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31st December 2020

- **Introduction**

These Financial Statements have been prepared in line with guidance from The Church Of England and the relevant legislation and guidance provided by the Charities Commission.

Notes:

1. The Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payment basis
2. The following assets are recognized but not valued in the Statement of assets and Liabilities

Sound system, multi-media projection system, general office equipment, laptop computer, portable projector and moveable church furnishings which are held by the Church Wardens on special trust for the PCC and require a faculty for their disposal.

3. The PCC has no current lease commitments for any equipment.

Receipts and Payments Account

		Total funds	Prior year funds
Alpha - Alpha (Restricted)			
Payments			
Church Activities			
1730 - Outreach events		—	403
<i>Total Church Activities</i>		—	403
Total Payments		—	403
Excess of Receipts over Payments		—	(403)
Brought forward balance		552	955
Carried forward balance		552	552
BFM - Building for Mission (Designated)			
Brought forward balance		—	—
Carried forward balance		—	—
CapRecoup - Capital Recoupment Fund (Endowment)			
Brought forward balance		—	—
Carried forward balance		—	—
Cont - Vicar's discretionary fund (Designated)			
Brought forward balance		299	299
Carried forward balance		299	299
Fabric - Fabric (Designated)			
Brought forward balance		34	34
Carried forward balance		34	34

HallRefurb - Church Hall Refurbishment (Designated)

Brought forward balance	0	0
Carried forward balance	0	0

Mission - Mission (Designated)**Payments**

Church Activities

1730 - Outreach events	—	736
<i>Total Church Activities</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>736</i>

Total Payments

Excess of Receipts over Payments	—	(736)
Brought forward balance	1,388	2,124
Carried forward balance	1,388	1,388

Special - Special collections (Restricted)**Receipts**

Giving

0301 - Cash collections	—	302
0550 - Donations appeals etc	—	156
<i>Total Giving</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>458</i>

Total Receipts

Excess of Receipts over Payments	—	458
Brought forward balance	1,796	1,337
Carried forward balance	1,796	1,796

SriLanka - Sri Lanka3 (Restricted)

Brought forward balance	—	—
Carried forward balance	—	—

SriLnka - Sri Lanka (Designated)

Brought forward balance	—	—
Carried forward balance	—	—

Tithe - Tithe (Designated)**Payments**

Charitable Giving

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	—	1,400
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	—	800
1850 - Home mission	—	4,500
1870 - Secular charities	—	700
<i>Total Charitable Giving</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>7,400</i>

Total Payments

Excess of Receipts over Payments	—	(7,400)
Brought forward balance	875	8,275
Carried forward balance	875	875

General - General fund (Unrestricted)

Receipts

Giving

0101 - Gift Aid - Standing orders	43,543	37,870
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	6,061	9,602
0301 - Cash collections	3,649	8,536
0401 - Regular gift days	—	320
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	1,850	1,000
0550 - Donations appeals etc	295	1,251
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	13,114	13,076
0701 - Legacies	700	—
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	2,000	—
0901 - Other funds generated	3,528	49
Total Giving	74,741	71,707

Church Activities

1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	1,228	3,403
1230 - Church hall use - Church groups	—	920
Total Church Activities	1,228	4,323

Other trading activities

1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	122	6
1240 - Church hall lettings	8,852	12,197
1241 - Upper room rental - Trafford YFC	1,740	1,860
1270 - Take 5 Cafe	244	473
1280 - Toddlers Group	200	—
1281 - Toddlers Group - registration fees	311	1,525
1282 - Toddlers Group - Other income	—	66
Total Other trading activities	11,471	16,128

Investments

1020 - Bank and building society interest	40	79
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	975	—
Total Investments	1,015	79

Other receipts

1242 - Church Hall - sundry receipts	350	113
1290 - Car Park Rental	2,925	2,925
1400 - Reimbursement of fees for visiting speak	—	247
1500 - Contra entries	—	(25)
Total Other receipts	3,275	3,260

Total Receipts

91,730 95,499

Payments

Staff Costs

1910 - Parish Share	52,624	65,974
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	403	863
2120 - Vicarage Council tax	2,178	1,167
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	—	14
Total Staff Costs	55,206	68,019

Church Buildings

2301 - Church running - insurance	3,358	3,290
2330 - Church maintenance	866	1,893
2331 - Church running - Cleaning	894	780
2332 - Church running - supplies	279	37
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	1,720	1,360
2401 - Church running - electric	4,569	3,648
2410 - Church running - gas	1,215	1,450
2420 - Church running - water	563	220
2450 - Church equipment	132	28
2501 - Magazine expenses	52	42
Total Church Buildings	13,651	12,752

Services

2320 - Organ / piano tuning	—	300
2340 - Service consumables	178	311
2371 - Organist	—	180
2372 - Music	204	198
<i>Total Services</i>	<i>382</i>	<i>989</i>
Outreach		
2502 - Leaflets (Christmas and Easter)	—	140
<i>Total Outreach</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>140</i>
Church Activities		
1730 - Outreach events	—	50
2510 - Bookstall costs	—	68
2511 - Take 5 Cafe	—	26
2512 - Toddlers group	200	1,368
2513 - Sunday Club expenses	—	50
2530 - Hall running - electricity	1,286	901
2540 - Hall running - gas	3,552	1,357
2550 - Hall running - insurance	1,937	1,948
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	759	674
2570 - Hall running - telephone	150	62
2580 - Hall running - water	130	—
2591 - Hall running - caretaker	35	165
2592 - Hall running - cleaning	2,184	1,630
2594 - Hall running - supplies	688	245
<i>Total Church Activities</i>	<i>10,925</i>	<i>8,549</i>
Administration		
1741 - Bank Charges	243	476
2310 - Church office - telephone	383	863
2360 - Administration	52	281
2361 - Photocopier lease	153	514
2362 - Sundry Expenses	45	413
<i>Total Administration</i>	<i>878</i>	<i>2,550</i>
Charitable Giving		
1801 - Giving to missionary societies	940	1,930
1850 - Home mission	—	375
1870 - Secular charities	40	100
<i>Total Charitable Giving</i>	<i>980</i>	<i>2,406</i>
Fees to Diocese		
1520 - Wedding and Funeral Fees to Diocese	299	1,310
<i>Total Fees to Diocese</i>	<i>299</i>	<i>1,310</i>
Total Payments	82,324	96,718
Excess of Receipts over Payments	9,406	(1,218)
Brought forward balance	17,492	18,711
Carried forward balance	26,899	17,492

Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
Current assets			
6405	Book Stall bank	379	264
6406	Book stall cash	51	43
6501	Lloyds current account	14,314	2,957
6502	Church Hall Bank Account	5,216	7,685
6503	Take 5 Bank	1,072	828
6504	Toddlers Bank	1,020	908

6505	Toddlers cash	15	15
6507	Take 5 cash	38	38
6510	CCLA (CBF) deposit account (General)	9,466	9,426
6511	CCLA (CBF) deposit account (Capital reco	26	26
6520	Church of England Investment Fund	—	—
6590	Petty Cash	244	244
	Total Current assets	31,845	22,439
Reserves			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	9,406	—
Z01	Starting balances	22,439	22,439
	Total Reserves	31,845	22,439
Represented by funds			
	Unrestricted	26,899	17,492
	Designated	2,597	2,597
	Restricted	2,349	2,349
	Endowment	—	—
	Total	31,845	22,439

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Book Stall bank -	379	—	—	—	379	264
Book stall cash -	51	—	—	—	51	43
Lloyds current account -	9,402	2,563	2,349	—	14,314	2,957
Church Hall Bank Account -	5,216	—	—	—	5,216	7,685
Take 5 Bank -	1,072	—	—	—	1,072	828
Toddlers Bank -	1,020	—	—	—	1,020	908
Toddlers cash -	15	—	—	—	15	15
Take 5 cash -	38	—	—	—	38	38
CCLA (CBF) deposit account (General) -	9,466	—	—	—	9,466	9,426
CCLA (CBF) deposit account (Capital reco -	(7)	34	—	—	26	26
Petty Cash -	244	—	—	—	244	244
Totals	26,899	2,597	2,349	—	31,845	22,439
Grand total	26,899	2,597	2,349	—	31,845	22,439

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Alpha - Alpha						
Restricted	552	—	—	—	—	552
Sub-total for Alpha	552	—	—	—	—	552
BFM - Building for Mission						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for BFM	—	—	—	—	—	—
CapRecoup - Capital Recoupment F						
Endowment	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for CapRecoup	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cont - Vicar's discretionar						
Designated	299	—	—	—	—	299
Sub-total for Cont	299	—	—	—	—	299
Fabric - Fabric						
Designated	34	—	—	—	—	34
Sub-total for Fabric	34	—	—	—	—	34
HallRefurb - Church Hall Refurbis						

Designated		0	—	—	—	—	0
Sub-total for HallRefurb		0	—	—	—	—	0
Mission - Mission							
Designated		1,388	—	—	—	—	1,388
Sub-total for Mission		1,388	—	—	—	—	1,388
Special - Special collections							
Restricted		1,796	—	—	—	—	1,796
Sub-total for Special		1,796	—	—	—	—	1,796
SriLanka - Sri Lanka3							
Restricted		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for SriLanka		—	—	—	—	—	—
SriLnka - Sri Lanka							
Designated		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for SriLnka		—	—	—	—	—	—
Tithe - Tithe							
Designated		875	—	—	—	—	875
Sub-total for Tithe		875	—	—	—	—	875
General - General fund							
Unrestricted		17,492	91,730	82,324	—	—	26,899
Sub-total for General		17,492	91,730	82,324	—	—	26,899
Grand total		22,439	91,730	82,324	—	—	31,845

Analysis of receipts and payments

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year

INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS

Giving

0101 - Gift Aid - Standing orders	43,543	—	—	—	43,543	37,870
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	6,061	—	—	—	6,061	9,602
0201 - Other planned giving	—	—	—	—	—	—
0301 - Cash collections	3,649	—	—	—	3,649	8,838
0401 - Regular gift days	—	—	—	—	—	320
0410 - Giving through church boxes	—	—	—	—	—	—
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	1,850	—	—	—	1,850	1,000
0510 - Gifts of quoted securities	—	—	—	—	—	—
0550 - Donations appeals etc	295	—	—	—	295	1,408
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	13,114	—	—	—	13,114	13,076
0701 - Legacies	700	—	—	—	700	—
0801 - Recurring grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	2,000	—	—	—	2,000	—
0901 - Other funds generated	3,528	—	—	—	3,528	49
Total	74,741	—	—	—	74,741	72,166

Church Activities

1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	1,228	—	—	—	1,228	3,403
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	—	—	—	—	—	—
1230 - Church hall use - Church groups	—	—	—	—	—	920
Total	1,228	—	—	—	1,228	4,323

Other trading activities

0910 - Rummage sales etc	—	—	—	—	—	—
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	122	—	—	—	122	6
1240 - Church hall lettings	8,852	—	—	—	8,852	12,197
1241 - Upper room rental - Trafford YFC	1,740	—	—	—	1,740	1,860
1243 - Church Hall - Parties	—	—	—	—	—	—
1244 - Upper Room Rental - electricity	—	—	—	—	—	—
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	—	—	—	—	—	—
1260 - Parish magazine sales	—	—	—	—	—	—
1270 - Take 5 Cafe	244	—	—	—	244	473
1280 - Toddlers Group	200	—	—	—	200	—
1281 - Toddlers Group - registration fees	311	—	—	—	311	1,525
1282 - Toddlers Group - Other income	—	—	—	—	—	66
Total	11,471	—	—	—	11,471	16,128

Investments

1001 - Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—
1020 - Bank and building society interest	40	—	—	—	40	79
1021 - Investment income	—	—	—	—	—	—
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	975	—	—	—	975	—
Total	1,015	—	—	—	1,015	79

Other receipts

1242 - Church Hall - sundry receipts	350	—	—	—	350	113
1290 - Car Park Rental	2,925	—	—	—	2,925	2,925
1310 - Insurance claims	—	—	—	—	—	—
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	—	—	—	—	—	—
1400 - Reimbursement of fees for visiting speak	—	—	—	—	—	247
1500 - Contra entries	—	—	—	—	—	(25)
Total	3,275	—	—	—	3,275	3,260
INCOME TOTAL	91,730	—	—	—	91,730	95,958

EXPENDITURE**Staff Costs**

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	—	—	—	—	—	—
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	—	—	—	—	—	—
1740 - Investment management costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
1910 - Parish Share	52,624	—	—	—	52,624	65,974
2001 - Contribution to cost of YFC intern	—	—	—	—	—	—
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	403	—	—	—	403	863
2102 - Vicarage redecoration	—	—	—	—	—	—
2120 - Vicarage Council tax	2,178	—	—	—	2,178	1,167
2130 - Housing costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	—	—	—	—	—	14
2145 - Parsonage - water	—	—	—	—	—	—
2150 - Vicar's telephone	—	—	—	—	—	—

Total	55,206	—	—	—	55,206	68,019
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Church Buildings

1901 - Stipends quota	—	—	—	—	—	—
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	—	—	—	—	—	—
2170 - Education	—	—	—	—	—	—
2201 - Parish training and mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,358	—	—	—	3,358	3,290
2330 - Church maintenance	866	—	—	—	866	1,893
2331 - Church running - Cleaning	894	—	—	—	894	780
2332 - Church running - supplies	279	—	—	—	279	37
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	1,720	—	—	—	1,720	1,360
2401 - Church running - electric	4,569	—	—	—	4,569	3,648
2410 - Church running - gas	1,215	—	—	—	1,215	1,450
2420 - Church running - water	563	—	—	—	563	220
2430 - Church running - oil	—	—	—	—	—	—
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	—	—	—	—	—	—
2450 - Church equipment	132	—	—	—	132	28
2501 - Magazine expenses	52	—	—	—	52	42
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	—	—	—	—	—	—
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	—	—	—	—	—	—
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	—
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	—	—	—	—	—	—
2901 - New building parsonage house	—	—	—	—	—	—
2910 - New building house for curate	—	—	—	—	—	—
2920 - New building Church	—	—	—	—	—	—
2930 - New building Hall	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	13,651	—	—	—	13,651	12,752

Services

2320 - Organ / piano tuning	—	—	—	—	—	300
2340 - Service consumables	178	—	—	—	178	311
2370 - Visiting preachers	—	—	—	—	—	—
2371 - Organist	—	—	—	—	—	180
2372 - Music	204	—	—	—	204	198
3000 - Contra entries	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	382	—	—	—	382	989

Outreach

2502 - Leaflets (Christmas and Easter)	—	—	—	—	—	140
2503 - Website	—	—	—	—	—	—
2504 - Alpha	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	140

Church Activities

1730 - Outreach events	—	—	—	—	—	1,190
2510 - Bookstall costs	—	—	—	—	—	68
2511 - Take 5 Cafe	—	—	—	—	—	26
2512 - Toddlers group	200	—	—	—	200	1,368
2513 - Sunday Club expenses	—	—	—	—	—	50
2514 - Youth Worker	—	—	—	—	—	—
2520 - Hall running - oil	—	—	—	—	—	—
2530 - Hall running - electricity	1,286	—	—	—	1,286	901
2540 - Hall running - gas	3,552	—	—	—	3,552	1,357

2550 - Hall running - insurance	1,937	—	—	—	1,937	1,948
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	759	—	—	—	759	674
2570 - Hall running - telephone	150	—	—	—	150	62
2580 - Hall running - water	130	—	—	—	130	—
2590 - Hall running - heating and lighting	—	—	—	—	—	—
2591 - Hall running - caretaker	35	—	—	—	35	165
2592 - Hall running - cleaning	2,184	—	—	—	2,184	1,630
2593 - Hall equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—
2594 - Hall running - supplies	688	—	—	—	688	245
2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	—	—	—	—	—	—
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	—	—	—	—	—	—
2830 - Hall + interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	10,925	—	—	—	10,925	9,689

Administration

1741 - Bank Charges	243	—	—	—	243	476
2310 - Church office - telephone	383	—	—	—	383	863
2360 - Administration	52	—	—	—	52	281
2361 - Photocopier lease	153	—	—	—	153	514
2362 - Sundry Expenses	45	—	—	—	45	413
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	878	—	—	—	878	2,550

Charitable Giving

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	940	—	—	—	940	3,330
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	—	—	—	—	—	800
1850 - Home mission	—	—	—	—	—	4,875
1851 - Contingency fund	—	—	—	—	—	—
1870 - Secular charities	40	—	—	—	40	800
Total	980	—	—	—	980	9,806

Fees to Diocese

1520 - Wedding and Funeral Fees to Diocese	299	—	—	—	299	1,310
Total	299	—	—	—	299	1,310
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	82,324	—	—	—	82,324	105,258

GRAND TOTAL	9,406	—	—	—	9,406	(9,299)
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- **Conclusion**

- **These accounts represent a true and accurate record of the Financial activities of St Albans Parish Church Broadheath.**

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- **This report dated: 15th April 2021**

ST ALBAN'S PARISH CHURCH, BROADHEATH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Independent Examiner's report to the PCC of St Alban's Parish Church, Broadheath

I report on the accounts of St Alban's Parish Church, Broadheath for the year ended 31 December 2020 set out in the "End of Year Financial Statements".

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

The PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The PPC consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. Examine the accounts in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and under section 145(1) (a) of the 2011 Act.
2. To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5) of the 2011 Act); and
3. To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as members of the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view'.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination that give me cause to believe that in any material respect the PCC has not met the requirements to ensure that:

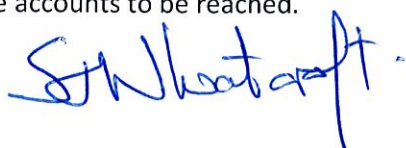
1. proper accounting records were kept (in accordance with sections 130 and 131 of the Act); and
2. accounts were prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act.

In carrying out my examination I noted the following :

- The assets have increased by £6,200 in the year, which is approximately 28% from last year.
- A recent survey of the buildings has reported the need for some major works to be undertaken in the near future. The balance of these works could amount to approx. £34,000, and are the responsibility of the PCC.
- Assuming the building works are spread over the next say, 4 years, there will be a funding requirement of £8,500 for each of the next 4 years to cover this expenditure.
- Despite the increase in the assets in the year, the funding requirement for the repairs of £8,500 per year going forward, suggests that there is a significant funding problem which may become worse over the next several years.
- This position has only slightly improved since last year, so I would suggest that there is a thorough and urgent review of expenditure and funding measures in order to mitigate this issue.

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

Signed and dated:



15/4/21

Name : Stephen Wheatcroft