

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARK, BREDBURY

England & Wales - Charity number 1132326

Details

Other names ST. MARKS, BREDBURY PCC

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2009-10-26

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: All activities relate to the life and ministry of the Anglican church.

Classification

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

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£174,049	£132,055	-	-
2023-12-31	£218,457	£130,379	-	-
2022-12-31	£121,818	£99,895	-	-
2021-12-31	£85,073	£89,069	-	-
2020-12-31	£113,957	£126,381	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Bull		2010-09-05
CHRISTINE WRENN		2015-04-26
Eric Green		2024-05-12
JOHN MCNEIL		2024-05-12
Leslie Cope		2021-04-25
Marina Berry		2023-04-30
Richard Hall		2020-10-11
Simon Owen		2018-04-30
Susan Pocock		2024-05-12
TREVOR WILLIAMS		2024-05-12
Victoria Howe		2018-04-30

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Accounts



THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

OF

ST MARK'S, BREDBURY

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2024

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parish of St Mark's Bredbury, Diocese of Chester (Church of England)

Church Office

St Mark's Church Hall, Redhouse Lane, Bredbury, Stockport SK6 1BX Tel: 0161 4306617

Bankers

Lloyds Bank, 60/62 Merseyway Shopping Centre, Stockport SK1 1PL

Independent Examiner for the accounts

Julie Howard, 38 Crosland Edge, Helme, Holmfirth HD9 5RS

Legal officer

The Diocesan Registrar, Church House 5500 Daresbury Park, Daresbury, Warrington, WA4 4GE

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and as a charity is registered with the Charity Commission; charity number 1132326. The PCC has no other charities under its control.

The PCC pays Parish Share, at a level set by the Diocesan Synod, to the Chester Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd (Registered Charity) to provide the stipends for the clergy, support other parishes in the diocese, pay for vicarage repairs, pay for the central work of the Chester Diocese and the national work of the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council - (PCC)

These are either ex-officio or elected according to Church Representation rules at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The Churchwardens are chosen by the Vicar and those present at a Meeting of Parishioners, held immediately before the APCM.

Vicar: Revd Andy Bull (Chair)

Churchwardens: John McNeil
Les Cope

Elected members: Marina Berry
Victoria Cope
Eric Green
Richard Hall (Secretary)
Simon Owen
Sue Pocock
Trevor Williams
Christine Wrenn (Treasurer)

The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church of England Representation Rules.

- Members are elected for a term of three years after which they may not stand for re-election for one year.

- Members elected to fill casual vacancies may stand for re-election for a further term of three years at the end of their two or one year term.
- Deanery Synod members are elected for a three-year term and may stand for re-election immediately. However, in line with the updated 2020 Church Representation Rules, the 2020 APCM voted that henceforth, individuals may not serve for more than two successive terms on Deanery Synod.
- The PCC may co-opt up to two more electoral roll members if they wish to.

Standing Committee

This sub-committee is required by church law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings. This is composed of the clergy licensed to the parish, the churchwardens and treasurer, and the PCC secretary, appointed at the first meeting of the PCC following the APCM.

Safeguarding

The PCC oversees safeguarding in the life of the church, along with the church's designated Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Kevin McKeown and the deputy Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Julie Green. The PCC conducts an annual review of all its procedures, and each year approves amended safeguarding policies for work amongst children and adults. All leaders in children's and youth groups have undergone DBS checks and have signed confidential Declarations of Criminal Offences prior to taking on leadership roles. Safer recruitment procedures are carried out with regards to volunteers working with adults, in line with the church's policies.

Contact details for our Safeguarding Co-ordinator along with the Diocesan Vulnerability and Safeguarding Officer are displayed prominently in the church premises. If there are any matters of concern to you, please contact them. As always, our aim is that all of the children, young people, and adults who have contact with the church should be kept safe from harm, and to this end, the most important factor that we can all contribute is to maintain a culture of informed vigilance.

Health and Safety

The PCC has delegated responsibility for Health and Safety to the churchwardens, who makes regular reports to the PCC.

Aims of the Church

The official aim of the PCC is to "cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical". (PCC (Powers) Measure 1956).

Trustees' Annual Report

1. Introduction

There has been a worshipping community meeting in St Mark's Church ever since it was built in 1849, but in recent years things have been especially growing. Our youth and kids' work has developed; we've been joined by people who had given up on God and church but have since rediscovered faith and community; we've welcomed new people who are brand new to faith; and we've welcomed people who have no faith in Jesus, but simply enjoy being part of the life of St Mark's. Alongside this, all sorts of new ministries have begun from within the church family that seek to be a blessing to our wider community.

The journey so far has been a lot of fun – and we believe the best is yet to come. The vision of St Mark's Church is simple: to see God loved, the Church alive, and society transformed.

Loving God: We believe that God changes lives, and we long to see others come to know that life-changing friendship with Jesus.

The Church Alive: Healthy things grow. We want to see a church that is alive, thriving, and growing – a place where people of all ages find belonging and purpose.

Society Transformed: We seek to prioritise those who are marginalised within society, creating safe spaces where people are known, loved, and valued.

This past year, we've seen that vision come alive across every part of church life. People have deepened their faith, served others generously, and shared hope with our local community in new and creative ways.

2. Highlights from the Year

It's been another year of growth, community and hope at St Mark's as we've seen people take steps of faith, serve their neighbours, and find belonging.

175th Anniversary Celebrations

October was a significant month in the life of St Mark's as we celebrated 175 years of worship and witness. Over the celebration weekend, more than 400 people came through the doors to enjoy historic tours, bell ringing, crafts, a treasure hunt and quiz, refreshments and a prayer zone. The atmosphere was one of joy, gratitude and community.

On the Sunday, we re-enacted the laying of the first stone, worshipped with a specially formed choir, and gave thanks for God's goodness and faithfulness through the generations. The evening gathering was a powerful time of worship and prayer, with a deep sense of God's presence and a fresh expectancy for the future. It was a weekend that reminded us that the same God who has been faithful for 175 years is still at work among us today.

Growth Groups

Our Growth Groups have continued to be at the heart of church life – small gatherings where people open the Bible, pray, and share life together. Many have joined a group this year, finding encouragement, friendship and spiritual depth as they've grown in faith.

Schools Work

Every Friday, the children from St Mark's School, along with some parents, come to church for their weekly Collective Worship – a joyful connection between church and school life. At Easter, we again hosted a full week of visits where each class experienced an interactive retelling of the Easter story – always one of the most memorable weeks of our year!

Alpha

Alpha continues to be one of the easiest ways for people to explore life, faith and meaning. In the spring term, around 20 people completed the ten-week course – some regulars, others brand new to church. It's been inspiring to see faith come alive around the dinner table and in honest conversation.

Drop-In Café

Our new Tuesday Drop-In Café has become a warm and welcoming space where anyone can grab a soup or a brew and chat to others. We're passionate not only about serving tasty refreshments, but also about creating a community where all are welcome and know that they are loved, seen and belong. As well as the free refreshments, there are games and activities for all ages. The café runs every Tuesday, 2:30–4:30pm, and continues to be a simple but powerful way of connecting with our local community.

CAP Life Skills

We've continued to run CAP Life Skills courses – eight-week programmes that help people gain confidence, learn practical budgeting and cooking skills, and build supportive friendships. Lives have been changed through simple acts of kindness, community and empowerment.

Foodbank

Our Foodbank continues to respond to growing local need. Open every Tuesday, it provides emergency food and support to individuals and families in crisis. Behind the scenes, an incredible volunteer team keeps it all running with care, compassion and dignity.

Prayer

Prayer has remained central to all we do. Our weekly Monday Morning Prayers have become a steady rhythm of hope and worship. During *Thy Kingdom Come*, we transformed a space into a community prayer room – a creative, peaceful environment open for anyone to encounter God.

Graveyard Gang

Our “Graveyard Gang” has continued to be very active this year. Meeting every Monday and Tuesday, this faithful team keeps our church grounds beautiful and has become a genuine community of care. Increasingly, the group has extended its reach by responding to practical needs in the wider community too.

Toddler Group – Minis at St Mark’s

Every Thursday morning during term time, our hall is full of energy and laughter as 30–35 children and their carers gather for “Minis.” With crafts, play, songs and refreshments, it’s become a safe and joyful space for families to connect and grow.

Youth and Children’s Ministry

This year has seen huge progress in our youth and children’s work. We now have four Sunday groups running for ages 0–18, plus a midweek kids’ club for the wider community. A major step forward was the recruitment of James and Meg as our Children and Youth Workers, joining the team in a job-share capacity. Their energy, creativity and care have already begun to shape this ministry for the future, and we’re excited about all that’s to come as we invest in the next generation.

Seniors Ministry

“Primetime” has gathered regularly to bring together those in their retirement years for fun, friendship and community. It continues to be a valued space for connection and pastoral care.

Community Hall Use

Our church hall remains a vital community resource, hosting both regular and one-off bookings. These not only support our church’s income but also strengthen our role as a welcoming hub for the wider community.

3. Occasional Offices

In 2023, it was a privilege to walk alongside many at key life moments:

- **Baptisms:** 22
- **Weddings:** 4
- **Funerals:** 27
- **Interment of Ashes:** 8

Each service represented a chance to celebrate, comfort, and share the love of Christ in real and tangible ways.

4. Looking Ahead

As we look to the year ahead, we're full of faith and expectation. With our new youth and children's team in place, a growing culture of prayer, and deepening community relationships, we sense that God is preparing us for more. Our heart remains to see God loved, the Church alive, and society transformed – here in our community and beyond.

I am so grateful for the church members at St Mark's who have done so much to contribute to another amazing year.

The trustees' report was approved by the PCC on 20th March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andy Bull". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'A' and 'B'.

Andy Bull
Vicar



Report to the trustees

Charity Name
St Marks Parochial Church Council

On accounts for the year
ended

December 2024
Charity no (if any) 1132326

Set out on pages

1 - 1, 1 - 1, 1 - 2, 1 - 1, 1 - 3 As attached to this report (8 pages)
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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

Responsibilities and basis
of report

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

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

Independent examiner's
statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (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: Julie Howard

Date: 18.6.25

Name: Julie Howard

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

AAT.

Address: 35 Crossfield Lodge, Helme, H09 5RS

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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1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts					
Donations and legacies	136,920.15	9,037.33	-	145,957.48	207,281.14
Income from charitable activities	10,211.52	720.00	-	10,931.52	10,059.15
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	7,254.87	-	-	7,254.87	1,116.78
Other income	9,905.86	-	-	9,905.86	-
Total income	164,292.40	9,757.33	-	174,049.73	218,457.07
Payments					
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	100,856.35	712.99	-	101,569.34	127,697.31
Other expenditure	28,907.93	1,578.39	-	30,486.32	2,682.27
Total expenditure	129,764.28	2,291.38	-	132,055.66	130,379.58
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	34,528.12	7,465.95	-	41,994.07	88,077.49
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	69,740.58	117,584.44	26.45	187,351.47	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	(95,645.25)	(91,674.77)	(31.45)	(187,351.47)	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	22.00	(22.00)	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	8,645.45	33,353.62	(5.00)	41,994.07	88,077.49
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	223,850.00	10,197.83	5.00	234,052.83	145,975.34
Total funds carried forward	232,495.45	43,551.45	-	276,046.90	234,052.83

1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023

Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Fixed assets		
30101: Parish Hall	200,000.00	200,000.00
Total Fixed assets	200,000.00	200,000.00
Current assets		
30201: Current Account/Lloyds TSB	10,396.96	55,012.54
30202: HMRC	9,738.60	24,127.58
30203: CBF Investment Account	175,231.56	75,718.31
30206: Petty Cash	510.52	510.19
6505: Bank deposit account	10.05	-
6510: CLOSED CCLACLOSED account	-	-
Total Current assets	195,887.69	155,368.62
Liabilities		
6699: Agency collections	3,535.55	5,010.55
Z04: Accounts Payable	116,305.24	116,305.24
Total Liabilities	119,840.79	121,315.79
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	276,046.90	234,052.83
Reserves		
Excess/(deficit) to date	41,994.07	88,077.49
Z01: Starting balances	234,052.83	145,975.34
Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets	-	-
Total Reserves	276,046.90	234,052.83

Represented by Funds		
General (Unrestricted)	229,813.42	193,687.76
Designated	2,682.03	30,162.24
Restricted	43,551.45	10,197.83
Endowment	-	5.00
Total	276,046.90	234,052.83

1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Standing Order to bank - Gift Aided	32,614.00	-	-	-	32,614.00	39,201.00
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	4,846.27	-	-	-	4,846.27	5,230.22
0201 - standing orders to bank - not gift aided	4,093.50	-	1,034.00	-	5,127.50	87.50
0301 - Loose plate collections	4,330.61	-	-	-	4,330.61	4,776.38
0303 - Other funds generated	465.08	-	-	-	465.08	3,216.16
0304 - Christians Against Poverty	-	-	600.00	-	600.00	-
0305 - Organ Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
0306 - Care of Church Yard	-	-	-	-	-	-
0307 - Restoration Fund	-	-	500.00	-	500.00	100.00
0308 - Willatts Charity	9,166.63	-	833.33	-	9,999.96	6,666.64
0309 - Rock Solid	-	-	-	-	-	-
0310 - Parish Hall	6,445.00	1,067.50	800.00	-	8,312.50	-
0311 - Church Boiler	-	-	-	-	-	-
0313 - Food Bank	200.00	-	870.00	-	1,070.00	50.00
0314 - Church Reordering Project	-	-	-	-	-	-
0315 - Friends of + Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	-	-
0316 - Other Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
0317 - Votive Candles Etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
0318 - Hall Donations & Gift Aid	50.00	-	1,900.00	-	1,950.00	-
0410 - Giving through church boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	14,932.70	-	-	-	14,932.70	28,023.60
0550 - Donations appeals etc	460.00	-	-	-	460.00	5,959.09
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	-	27,381.11
0701 - Legacies	48,939.66	-	-	-	48,939.66	49,933.33
0801 - Recurring grants	-	-	-	-	-	4,603.32
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	4,932.20	-	2,500.00	-	7,432.20	19,247.29
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	-	-	-	-	-	4,858.00
1240 - Church hall lettings - fund raising	3,982.00	395.00	-	-	4,377.00	7,947.50
Donations and legacies Totals	135,457.65	1,462.50	9,037.33	-	145,957.48	207,281.14
Income from charitable activities						
0302 - Income Collected by Sum up Machine	1,815.77	-	-	-	1,815.77	-
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	5,757.45	-	-	-	5,757.45	10,059.15
1102 - Funeral + Church Yard Fees	760.00	-	720.00	-	1,480.00	-
1103 - Additional Church Yard Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
1104 - Memorial Pathway	1,878.30	-	-	-	1,878.30	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	10,211.52	-	720.00	-	10,931.52	10,059.15
Other trading activities						
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1260 - Parish magazine sales	-	-	-	-	-	-

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
Other trading activities Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	7,254.87	-	-	-	7,254.87	1,116.78
Investments Totals	7,254.87	-	-	-	7,254.87	1,116.78
Other income						
0312 - Other Income	289.33	-	-	-	289.33	-
0401 - Community Workers Fund	6,689.45	-	-	-	6,689.45	-
0502 - One-Off Donation NOT giftaided	215.00	-	-	-	215.00	-
1030 - Memorial Tablets	-	-	-	-	-	-
1031 - Memorial Tablet Carriage	-	-	-	-	-	-
1032 - Memorial Tablet Letters	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Social Action Funds NEW2024	2,712.08	-	-	-	2,712.08	-
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	-
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income Totals	9,905.86	-	-	-	9,905.86	-
Receipts Grand totals	162,829.90	1,462.50	9,757.33	-	174,049.73	218,457.07

Payments

Raising funds

1750 - Memorial Pathway Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Raising funds Totals

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Expenditure on charitable activities

1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	-	(1,204.33)
1850 - Home mission	65.00	-	-	-	65.00	-
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	63,600.00	-	-	-	63,600.00	60,000.00
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	712.99	-	712.99	9,010.89
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	-	-	-	-	-	468.75
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	-	-	-	-	-	12,696.78
2120 - Council tax	-	-	-	-	-	1,287.12
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	3,791.39	-	-	-	3,791.39	4,573.62
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	-	-	-	-	-	-
2145 - Parsonage - water	-	-	-	-	-	-
2150 - Vicar's telephone	356.00	-	-	-	356.00	104.00
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	-	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	4,557.93	-	-	-	4,557.93	4,150.73
2310 - Church office - telephone	659.11	-	-	-	659.11	356.56
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	-	-	-	-	-	-
2330 - Church maintenance	5,969.49	-	-	-	5,969.49	6,225.86
2331 - Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	-
2340 - Upkeep of services	-	-	-	-	-	841.57
2360 - Administration	2,955.31	-	-	-	2,955.31	3,857.86
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	-
2401 - Church running - electric	1,874.90	-	-	-	1,874.90	4,155.16
2410 - Church running - gas	2,506.01	-	-	-	2,506.01	1,550.24

						Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
2420 - Church running - water	-	-	-	-	-	126.00	
2430 - Church running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2501 - Magazine expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2510 - Bookstall costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2520 - Hall running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2530 - Hall running - electricity	2,263.88	-	-	-	2,263.88	811.33	
2540 - Hall running - gas	4,802.14	-	-	-	4,802.14	8,655.67	
2550 - Hall running - insurance	2,465.51	-	-	-	2,465.51	2,075.58	
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	3,532.22	-	-	-	3,532.22	3,934.70	
2570 - Hall running - telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2580 - Hall running - water	1,457.46	-	-	-	1,457.46	1,869.30	
2590 - Hall running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	529.92	
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	1,620.00	
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2830 - Hall + 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	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	100,856.35	-	712.99	-	101,569.34	127,697.31	
Other expenditure							
1701 - Cap Subscriptions	480.00	-	240.00	-	720.00	60.00	
1710 - HMRC Shipley	2,897.64	-	-	-	2,897.64	-	
1720 - Staff Pension Costs	1,782.50	-	-	-	1,782.50	-	
1730 - Sum Up Fees	28.06	-	-	-	28.06	-	
1740 - Salary Payments	18,305.98	-	963.39	-	19,269.37	-	
1801 - Service Expenses	1,036.93	-	-	-	1,036.93	2,622.27	
1851 - Other Mission 10% Tithe	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1870 - Memorial Pathway Expenses	1,838.40	-	-	-	1,838.40	-	
1871 - Inscription for tablet costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2170 - Transforming Lives for Good	600.00	-	375.00	-	975.00	-	
2332 - General Expenditure	1,938.42	-	-	-	1,938.42	-	
2350 - CAP Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other expenditure Totals	28,907.93	-	1,578.39	-	30,486.32	2,682.27	
Payments Grand totals	129,764.28	-	2,291.38	-	132,055.66	130,379.58	

Accounts



THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

OF

ST MARK'S, BREDBURY

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2023

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parish of St Mark's Bredbury, Diocese of Chester (Church of England)

Church Office

St Mark's Church Hall, Redhouse Lane, Bredbury, Stockport SK6 1BX Tel: 0161 4306617

Bankers

Lloyds Bank, 60/62 Merseyway Shopping Centre, Stockport SK1 1PL

Independent Examiner for the accounts

Julie Howard, 38 Crosland Edge, Helme, Holmfirth HD9 5RS

Legal officer

The Diocesan Registrar, Church House 5500 Daresbury Park, Daresbury, Warrington, WA4 4GE

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and as a charity is registered with the Charity Commission; charity number 1132326. The PCC has no other charities under its control.

The PCC pays Parish Share, at a level set by the Diocesan Synod, to the Chester Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd (Registered Charity) to provide the stipends for the clergy, support other parishes in the diocese, pay for vicarage repairs, pay for the central work of the Chester Diocese and the national work of the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council - (PCC)

These are either ex-officio or elected according to Church Representation rules at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The Churchwardens are chosen by the Vicar and those present at a Meeting of Parishioners, held immediately before the APCM.

Vicar: Revd Andy Bull (Chair)

Churchwardens: John McNeil
Les Cope

<i>Elected members:</i>	Marina Berry	2023-2026
	Dave Brotherton (Deanery Synod Rep)	2022-2025
	Victoria Cope	2021-2024
	Harry Davies (Deanery Synod Rep)	2021-2024
	Amanda Dawson	2022-2025
	Eric Green	2023-2026
	Richard Hall (Secretary)	2023-2026
	Kate Hughes	2021-2024
	Rachel Kanes	2021-2024
	Simon Owen	2021-2024
	Sadena Piroozfar	2021-2024
	Harold Rothwell	2021-2024
	Christine Wrenn (Treasurer)	2023-2026

The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church of England Representation Rules.

- Members are elected for a term of three years after which they may not stand for re-election for one year.
- Members elected to fill casual vacancies may stand for re-election for a further term of three years at the end of their two or one year term.
- Deanery Synod members are elected for a three-year term and may stand for re-election immediately. However, in line with the updated 2020 Church Representation Rules, the 2020 APCM voted that henceforth, individuals may not serve for more than two successive terms on Deanery Synod.
- The PCC may co-opt up to two more electoral roll members if they wish to.

Standing Committee

This sub-committee is required by church law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings. This is composed of the clergy licensed to the parish, the churchwardens and treasurer, and the PCC secretary, appointed at the first meeting of the PCC following the APCM.

Safeguarding

The PCC oversees safeguarding in the life of the church, along with the church's designated Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Kevin McKeown and the deputy Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Julie Green. The PCC conducts an annual review of all its procedures, and each year approves amended safeguarding policies for work amongst children and adults. All leaders in children's and youth groups have undergone DBS checks and have signed confidential Declarations of Criminal Offences prior to taking on leadership roles. Safer recruitment procedures are carried out with regards to volunteers working with adults, in line with the church's policies.

Contact details for our Safeguarding Co-ordinator along with the Diocesan Vulnerability and Safeguarding Officer are displayed prominently in the church premises. If there are any matters of concern to you, please contact them. As always, our aim is that all of the children, young people, and adults who have contact with the church should be kept safe from harm, and to this end, the most important factor that we can all contribute is to maintain a culture of informed vigilance.

Health and Safety

The PCC has delegated responsibility for Health and Safety to the churchwardens, who makes regular reports to the PCC.

Aims of the Church

The official aim of the PCC is to "cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical". (PCC (Powers) Measure 1956).

St Mark's Church vision is centred around the following three areas:

Loving God: We aim to be a church where people are pursuing a wholehearted relationship with God, devoted to a life of worship and prayer, applying the Bible to their daily lives, and responding to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Sharing Life: We want to be a welcoming, generous and loving community, where people encourage and support one another.

Growing Faith: We seek to be a church that connects people with Jesus. By being missional and adventurous we will try to create as many opportunities as possible for people to encounter God.

As we look back at 2023 at St Mark's, we are again thankful to God for all that he has done in us and through us.

In this last year we've strongly focussed on what it is to be a disciple of Jesus. We have studied together Paul's letter to the Philippians and learnt what Paul says about being a disciple. We've also focussed again on the early church in Acts and been inspired to keep 4 things central:

1. Meeting the needs that we see before us through our social action ministries
- eg. CAP / Foodbank / Communi-Tea
2. Making and nurturing disciples (evangelism and discipleship)
3. Praying
4. Developing leaders

Highlights from the period under review include:

- Growth Groups – Many at St Mark's have joined one of our Growth Groups that meet throughout the week to study the Bible together, pray, and share life.
- Schools work – Each Friday morning St Mark's school comes over to the church for their weekly assembly. Once again there was also a schools week leading up to Easter where during the course of a week each class came over to the church to engage in an interactive re-telling of the Easter story.
- Alpha – Alpha creates space for people to bring their friends for a conversation about faith, life and God. During the autumn, 20 people completed our 10-week Alpha course. Some were from the church community and some were new.
- Communi-Tea – For the second year running we ran Communi-Tea every Tuesday evening for 20 weeks during the winter months. It's a free hot meal in a warm environment for anyone in our community; a safe place where people

have built friendships and enjoyed conversation over a hot meal, along with a few fun activities too. Many people came from the local community during the 4 months that it ran, peaking at about 80 adults and children.

- CAP Life Skills – Once again we ran more of our 8-week Life Skills courses this year. Life Skills is a friendly group that gives people the confidence and decision-making skills they need to survive life on a low income. Members have learnt lots of practical skills, and have become part of a loving, supportive community.
- Foodbank – Our weekly Foodbank ministry continued to keep up with the need for emergency food provision for local people. It opened for two hours each Tuesday and was made possible by a large team of volunteers.
- Prayer – The church community has gathered to pray regularly throughout the year, perhaps most notably every Monday morning at 9:30am for Morning Prayers. In May, we joined Thy Kingdom Come global prayer movement for a week of prayer in a prayer room that we created for local community use.
- Graveyard gang – Each Monday and Tuesday morning this team has continued to gather in the churchyard to keep on top of the maintenance of the church grounds. It has grown in numbers and has become a supportive community for a number of new members. The team have also begun to respond to practical needs in the community too.
- Toddler Group – this group, called *Minis at St Mark's*, runs on Thursdays during term time, 10:00am-11:30am. We usually welcome between thirty to thirty five children at each session. We have a varied collection of good quality toys for children to play with and craft activities & refreshments are included.
- Youth & children – Our work with young people has developed thanks to our amazing volunteer teams. There is now provision on Sunday mornings in 4 separate groups for children from 0-18 years and a midweek kids club for the local community and their families. We have received an unexpected legacy that the PCC decided should be used to recruit a children and youth worker. We are currently in the process of advertising.
- Seniors – Primetime has gathered regularly to gather those in retirement years for activities.
- We continued to maintain regular and one-off hall bookings to complement our income as a church and offer a welcome space for the community.

Occasional Offices

In 2023, we conducted the following occasional offices:

- Baptisms: 28
- Weddings: 3
- Funerals: 32
- Interment of Ashes: 6

I am so grateful for the church members at St Mark's who have done so much to contribute to another amazing year.

The trustees' report was approved by the PCC on 20th March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andy Bull". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Andy Bull
Vicar



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
St Marks Parochial Church Council

**On accounts for the year
ended**

December 2023
Charity no (If any) 1132326

Set out on pages

1 - 1, 1 - 1, 1 - 2, 1 - 1, 1 - 3 As attached to this report (8 pages)
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~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: Julie Howard

Date: 22.10.24

Name: JULIE HOWARD

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

AAT.

Address:

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HELMARTH HD9 5RS

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.

1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023

Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2023	As at 31/12/2022
Fixed assets		
30101: Parish Hall	200,000.00	200,000.00
Total Fixed assets	200,000.00	200,000.00
Current assets		
30201: Current Account/Lloyds TSB	55,012.54	21,463.13
30202: HMRC	24,127.58	9,738.60
30203: CBF Investment Account	75,718.31	34,601.52
30206: Petty Cash	510.19	515.97
6510: CCLA (CBF) deposit account	-	-
Total Current assets	155,368.62	66,319.23
Liabilities		
6699: Agency collections	5,010.55	4,038.65
Z04: Accounts Payable	116,305.24	116,305.24
Total Liabilities	121,315.79	120,343.89
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	234,052.83	145,975.34
Reserves		
Excess/(deficit) to date	88,077.49	-
Z01: Starting balances	145,975.34	145,975.34
Total Reserves	234,052.83	145,975.34

Represented by Funds		
General (Unrestricted)	193,687.76	118,795.00
Designated	30,162.24	27,055.24
Restricted	10,197.83	120.10
Endowment	5.00	5.00
Total	234,052.83	145,975.34

1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023

Trial balance

Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Nominal code	Class	Opening balance	Debit	Credit	Closing balance
0101: Standing Order to bank - Gift Aided	Income	-	-	39,201.00	(39,201.00)
0110: Gift Aid - Envelopes	Income	-	-	5,230.22	(5,230.22)
0201: standing orders to bank - not gift aided	Income	-	-	87.50	(87.50)
0301: Loose plate collections	Income	-	-	4,776.38	(4,776.38)
0303: Other funds generated	Income	-	-	3,216.16	(3,216.16)
0307: Restoration Fund	Income	-	-	100.00	(100.00)
0308: Willatts Charity	Income	-	-	6,666.64	(6,666.64)
0313: Food Bank	Income	-	-	50.00	(50.00)
0501: One-off Gift Aid gifts	Income	-	-	28,023.60	(28,023.60)
0550: Donations appeals etc	Income	-	-	5,959.09	(5,959.09)
0601: Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	Income	-	-	27,381.11	(27,381.11)
0701: Legacies	Income	-	-	49,933.33	(49,933.33)
0801: Recurring grants	Income	-	-	4,603.32	(4,603.32)
08A1: Non-recurring one-off grants	Income	-	-	19,247.29	(19,247.29)
1020: Bank and building society interest	Income	-	-	1,116.78	(1,116.78)
1101: Fees for weddings and funerals	Income	-	-	10,059.15	(10,059.15)
1230: Church hall lettings - objectives	Income	-	-	4,858.00	(4,858.00)
1240: Church hall lettings - fund raising	Income	-	-	7,947.50	(7,947.50)
1701: Cap Subscriptions	Expenditure	-	60.00	-	60.00
1801: Service Expenses	Expenditure	-	2,622.27	-	2,622.27
1830: Giving - relief and development agencies	Expenditure	-	400.00	1,604.33	(1,204.33)
1910: Ministry parish share etc	Expenditure	-	60,000.00	-	60,000.00
2001: Assistant staff costs	Expenditure	-	9,010.89	-	9,010.89
2050: Salary of parish administrator	Expenditure	-	468.75	-	468.75
2101: Working expenses of incumbent	Expenditure	-	12,696.78	-	12,696.78
2120: Council tax	Expenditure	-	1,287.12	-	1,287.12
2130: Parsonage house expenses	Expenditure	-	5,923.62	1,350.00	4,573.62
2150: Vicar's telephone	Expenditure	-	104.00	-	104.00
2301: Church running - insurance	Expenditure	-	4,150.73	-	4,150.73
2310: Church office - telephone	Expenditure	-	356.56	-	356.56
2330: Church maintenance	Expenditure	-	6,225.86	-	6,225.86
2340: Upkeep of services	Expenditure	-	841.57	-	841.57
2360: Administration	Expenditure	-	3,857.86	-	3,857.86
2401: Church running - electric	Expenditure	-	4,155.16	-	4,155.16
2410: Church running - gas	Expenditure	-	1,550.24	-	1,550.24
2420: Church running - water	Expenditure	-	126.00	-	126.00
2530: Hall running - electricity	Expenditure	-	811.33	-	811.33
2540: Hall running - gas	Expenditure	-	8,655.67	-	8,655.67
2550: Hall running - insurance	Expenditure	-	2,075.58	-	2,075.58
2560: Hall running - maintenance	Expenditure	-	3,934.70	-	3,934.70
2580: Hall running - water	Expenditure	-	1,869.30	-	1,869.30
2590: Hall running - heating and lighting	Expenditure	-	529.92	-	529.92
2710: Church major repairs - installation	Expenditure	-	1,620.00	-	1,620.00
30101: Parish Hall	Fixed Asset	200,000.00	-	-	200,000.00
30201: Current Account/Lloyds TSB	Current Asset	21,463.13	210,014.29	176,464.88	55,012.54
30202: HMRC	Current Asset	9,738.60	14,388.98	-	24,127.58
30203: CBF Investment Account	Current Asset	34,601.53	41,116.78	-	75,718.31
30206: Petty Cash	Current Asset	515.97	215.97	221.75	510.15
6510: CCLA (CBF) deposit account	Current Asset	-	40,000.00	40,000.00	-
6699: Agency collections	Liability	(4,038.65)	2,915.00	3,886.90	(5,010.55)
Z01: Starting balances	Reserve	(145,975.34)	-	-	(145,975.34)
Z04: Accounts Payable	Liability	(116,305.24)	-	-	(116,305.24)
Totals		-	441,984.93	441,984.93	-
Totals incorporating opening balances		-	485,748.20	485,748.20	-

1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023
Monthly Income / Expenditure totals - Details
As at: 31 December 2023

Nominal code	Jan_23	Feb_23	Mar_23	Apr_23	May_23	Jun_23	Jul_23	Aug_23	Sep_23	Oct_23	Nov_23	Dec_23	Code total
Income													
0101: Standing Order to bank - Gift Aided	3,379.00	3,384.00	3,419.00	3,489.00	3,265.00	3,031.00	3,665.00	3,577.00	2,965.50	2,952.50	3,067.50	2,996.50	39,201.00
0110: Gift Aid - Envelopes	223.32	457.64	431.50	722.80	348.33	343.22	294.91	549.70	497.74	445.80	315.18	600.08	5,230.22
0201: standing orders to bank - not gift aided	-	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	-	-	-	-	87.50
0301: Loose plate collections	304.13	320.17	452.95	553.82	454.41	277.69	308.39	306.59	392.93	240.93	339.51	824.86	4,776.38
0303: Other funds generated	-	-	552.00	-	-	-	-	20.00	69.17	118.32	268.85	2,187.82	3,216.16
0307: Restoration Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00	100.00
0308: Willatts Charity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0313: Food Bank	833.33	833.33	833.33	833.33	833.33	-	1,666.66	833.33	-	-	-	-	6,666.64
0501: One-off Gift Aid gifts	303.00	91.00	700.00	164.00	115.00	80.00	50.00	-	128.10	26,102.00	109.00	181.50	28,023.60
0550: Donations appeals etc	1,052.33	91.38	891.38	500.00	1,000.00	1,924.00	500.00	-	-	-	-	-	5,959.09
0601: Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,381.11	27,381.11
0701: Legacies	-	-	-	28,533.33	-	-	-	21,400.00	-	-	-	-	49,933.33
0801: Recurring grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.00	883.33	833.33	903.33	1,933.33	4,603.32
08A1: Non-recurring one-off grants	-	6,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	6,000.00	-	-	7,247.29	-	19,247.29
1020: Bank and building society interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1101: Fees for weddings and funerals	688.00	1,192.00	322.05	1,643.00	667.00	326.00	820.00	1,762.25	-	666.35	1,454.50	518.00	10,059.15
1230: Church hall lettings - objectives	-	-	-	-	250.00	-	-	12.00	827.00	557.00	2,367.00	845.00	4,856.00
1240: Church hall lettings - fund raising	354.50	1,042.00	2,972.00	512.00	162.00	2,463.00	227.00	215.00	-	-	-	-	7,947.50
Income totals	7,137.61	13,424.02	10,586.71	36,963.78	7,107.57	8,457.41	7,564.46	34,738.37	5,753.77	31,916.23	16,072.16	38,734.98	218,457.07
Expenditure													
1701: Cap Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-	60.00	-	-	-	-	-	60.00
1801: Service Expenses	2,035.77	234.00	234.00	-	58.50	-	-	60.00	-	-	-	-	2,622.27
1830: Giving - relief and development agencies	(1,124.33)	(10.00)	(10.00)	(10.00)	(10.00)	30.00	(70.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(1,204.33)
1910: Ministry parish share etc	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	10,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	60,000.00
2001: Assistant staff costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,520.96	2,810.53	1,622.75	1,756.45	1,300.20	9,010.89
2050: Salary of parish administrator	-	-	-	-	-	-	468.75	-	-	-	-	-	468.75
2101: Working expenses of incumbent	1,926.54	1,299.81	2,103.14	3,154.26	1,407.31	1,377.51	1,428.21	-	-	-	-	-	12,696.78
2120: Council tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,287.12	-	-	-	-	-	1,287.12
2130: Parsonage house expenses	673.92	(588.08)	1,182.92	274.24	912.61	(8.57)	341.43	341.43	341.43	419.43	341.43	341.43	4,573.62
2150: Vicar's telephone	26.00	26.00	26.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26.00	-	104.00
2301: Church running - insurance	-	-	415.09	415.08	415.08	415.08	415.08	415.08	415.08	415.08	415.08	415.00	4,150.73
2310: Church office - telephone	47.99	47.99	51.58	-	104.50	52.25	52.25	-	-	-	-	-	356.56
2330: Church maintenance	175.00	895.80	2,080.92	175.00	425.00	175.00	244.14	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	1,345.00	6,225.86
2340: Upkeep of services	-	-	-	144.00	281.00	-	-	-	-	6.50	375.07	35.00	841.57
2360: Administration	373.76	97.81	24.55	13.80	27.66	1,374.66	236.08	66.75	258.37	370.47	882.84	131.11	3,857.86
2401: Church running - electric	1,105.24	-	933.79	519.38	484.15	-	419.84	174.70	93.62	117.87	-	306.57	4,155.16
2410: Church running - gas	541.23	-	-	-	-	-	-	180.33	186.49	179.70	180.66	281.83	1,550.24
2420: Church running - water	63.00	63.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	126.00

Month	Jan_23	Feb_23	Mar_23	Apr_23	May_23	Jun_23	Jul_23	Aug_23	Sep_23	Oct_23	Nov_23	Dec_23	Code total
2530: Hall running - electricity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	811.33
2540: Hall running - gas	981.48	1,506.23	1,290.21	1,248.60	1,233.04	679.07	376.13	-	172.03	198.11	-	441.19	8,655.67
2550: Hall running - insurance	-	-	207.55	207.55	207.56	207.55	207.55	-	207.53	200.90	406.58	525.90	2,075.58
2560: Hall running - maintenance	215.00	300.40	791.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	245.00	215.00	515.00	578.30	215.00	215.00	3,934.70
2580: Hall running - water	73.62	73.62	73.62	73.62	73.62	73.62	237.93	237.93	237.93	237.93	237.93	237.93	1,869.30
2590: Hall running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	529.92	-	-	-	-	529.92
2710: Church major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,620.00	-	-	-	1,620.00
Expenditure totals	12,114.22	8,946.58	14,414.37	6,430.53	15,835.02	9,591.17	10,949.51	9,124.65	12,240.56	9,729.59	10,219.59	10,783.79	130,379.58

Balance (income - expenditure) 88,077.49

1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	199,171.77	8,109.37	-	207,281.14	112,348.0
Income from charitable activities	7,999.15	2,060.00	-	10,059.15	9,106.1
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	1,116.78	-	-	1,116.78	364.8
Other income	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	208,287.70	10,169.37	-	218,457.07	121,818.9
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	1,492.2
Expenditure on charitable activities	127,605.67	91.64	-	127,697.31	94,305.6
Other expenditure	2,682.27	-	-	2,682.27	-
Total expenditure	130,287.94	91.64	-	130,379.58	95,797.9
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	77,999.76	10,077.73	-	88,077.49	26,021.0
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	77,999.76	10,077.73	-	88,077.49	26,021.0
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	145,850.24	120.10	5.00	145,975.34	119,954.2
Total funds carried forward	223,850.00	10,197.83	5.00	234,052.83	145,975.3

1102 Bredbury St Marks 2023

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Standing Order to bank - Gift Aided	39,201.00	-	-	-	39,201.00	36,560.90
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	5,230.22	-	-	-	5,230.22	4,999.43
0201 - standing orders to bank - not gift aided	87.50	-	-	-	87.50	3,444.00
0301 - Loose plate collections	4,776.38	-	-	-	4,776.38	4,903.57
0303 - Other funds generated	2,776.16	-	440.00	-	3,216.16	10.00
0304 - Christians Against Poverty	-	-	-	-	-	999.90
0305 - Organ Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
0306 - Care of Church Yard	-	-	-	-	-	1,235.00
0307 - Restoration Fund	-	-	100.00	-	100.00	1,180.10
0308 - Willatts Charity	6,666.64	-	-	-	6,666.64	2,499.90
0309 - Rock Solid	-	-	-	-	-	2,067.50
0310 - Parish Hall	-	-	-	-	-	1,750.00
0311 - Church Boiler	-	-	-	-	-	200.00
0313 - Food Bank	-	-	50.00	-	50.00	652.60
0314 - Church Reordering Project	-	-	-	-	-	3,350.00
0315 - Friends of + Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	-	1,087.00
0316 - Other Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-	-	2,031.00
0317 - Votive Candles Etc	-	-	-	-	-	79.00
0318 - Hall Donations & Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	-	150.00
0410 - Giving through church boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	28,023.60	-	-	-	28,023.60	3,342.57
0550 - Donations appeals etc	4,369.71	-	1,589.38	-	5,959.09	12,734.67
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	27,381.11	-	-	-	27,381.11	12,012.03
0701 - Legacies	49,933.33	-	-	-	49,933.33	-
0801 - Recurring grants	1,833.33	100.00	2,669.99	-	4,603.32	-
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	15,987.29	-	3,260.00	-	19,247.29	1,089.54
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	969.00	3,889.00	-	-	4,858.00	-
1240 - Church hall lettings - fund raising	7,947.50	-	-	-	7,947.50	15,969.00
Donations and legacies Totals	195,182.77	3,989.00	8,109.37	-	207,281.14	112,348.04
Income from charitable activities						
0302 - Income Collected by Sum up Machine	-	-	-	-	-	-
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	7,999.15	-	2,060.00	-	10,059.15	1,920.00
1102 - Funeral + Church Yard Fees	-	-	-	-	-	4,585.00
1103 - Additional Church Yard Income	-	-	-	-	-	480.00
1104 - Memorial Pathway	-	-	-	-	-	2,121.15
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	7,999.15	-	2,060.00	-	10,059.15	9,106.15
Other trading activities						
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1260 - Parish magazine sales	-	-	-	-	-	-

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Other trading activities Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	1,116.78	-	-	-	1,116.78	364.80
Investments Totals	1,116.78	-	-	-	1,116.78	364.80
Other income						
0312 - Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
0401 - Community Workers Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
1030 - Memorial Tablets	-	-	-	-	-	-
1031 - Memorial Tablet Carriage	-	-	-	-	-	-
1032 - Memorial Tablet Letters	-	-	-	-	-	-
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	-
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income and endowments Grand totals	204,298.70	3,989.00	10,169.37	-	218,457.07	121,818.99

Expenditure on:

Raising funds

1750 - Memorial Pathway Costs	-	-	-	-	-	1,492.25
Raising funds Totals	-	-	-	-	-	1,492.25

Expenditure on charitable activities

1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	(1,204.33)	-	-	-	(1,204.33)	-
1850 - Home mission	-	-	-	-	-	554.00
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	60,000.00	-	-	-	60,000.00	57,300.00
2001 - Assistant staff costs	9,010.89	-	-	-	9,010.89	-
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	468.75	-	-	-	468.75	-
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	12,696.78	-	-	-	12,696.78	1,400.80
2120 - Council tax	1,287.12	-	-	-	1,287.12	-
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	4,573.62	-	-	-	4,573.62	8,239.56
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	-	-	-	-	-	-
2145 - Parsonage - water	-	-	-	-	-	-
2150 - Vicar's telephone	104.00	-	-	-	104.00	-
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	-	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	4,150.73	-	-	-	4,150.73	4,433.61
2310 - Church office - telephone	356.56	-	-	-	356.56	1,173.31
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	-	-	-	-	-	-
2330 - Church maintenance	6,156.72	-	69.14	-	6,225.86	2,030.37
2331 - Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	2,574.40
2340 - Upkeep of services	841.57	-	-	-	841.57	1,378.60
2380 - Administration	3,655.36	180.00	22.50	-	3,857.86	1,281.02
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	-
2401 - Church running - electric	4,155.16	-	-	-	4,155.16	1,017.79
2410 - Church running - gas	1,550.24	-	-	-	1,550.24	1,531.44
2420 - Church running - water	126.00	-	-	-	126.00	-
2430 - Church running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-
2501 - Magazine expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2510 - Bookstall costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2520 - Hall running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-
2530 - Hall running - electricity	811.33	-	-	-	811.33	1,388.19
2540 - Hall running - gas	8,655.67	-	-	-	8,655.67	2,874.28
2550 - Hall running - insurance	2,075.58	-	-	-	2,075.58	1,916.28
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	3,934.70	-	-	-	3,934.70	3,459.44
2570 - Hall running - telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-
2580 - Hall running - water	1,869.30	-	-	-	1,869.30	836.58
2590 - Hall running - heating and lighting	529.92	-	-	-	529.92	-
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	-
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	1,620.00	-	-	-	1,620.00	-
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	-	-
2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	916.00
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	-
2830 - Hall + 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	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	127,425.67	180.00	91.64	-	127,697.31	94,305.67
Other expenditure						
1701 - Cap Subscriptions	60.00	-	-	-	60.00	-
1710 - HMRC Shipley	-	-	-	-	-	-
1720 - Staff Pension Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1730 - Sum Up Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
1740 - Salary Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
1801 - Service Expenses	1,920.27	702.00	-	-	2,622.27	-
1851 - Other Mission 10% Tithe	-	-	-	-	-	4,098.00
1870 - Tablet Purchase for Funerals	-	-	-	-	-	-
1871 - Inscription for tablet costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2170 - Transforming Lives for Good	-	-	-	-	-	-
2350 - CAP Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other expenditure Totals	1,980.27	702.00	-	-	2,682.27	4,098.00
Expenditure Grand totals	129,405.94	882.00	91.64	-	130,379.58	99,895.92

Accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

OF

ST MARK'S, BREDBURY

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2022

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parish of St Mark's Bredbury, Diocese of Chester (Church of England)

Church Office

St Mark's Church Hall, Redhouse Lane, Bredbury, Stockport SK6 1BX Tel: 0161 4306617

Bankers

Lloyds Bank, 60/62 Merseyway Shopping Centre, Stockport SK1 1PL

Independent Examiner for the accounts

Julie Howard, 38 Crosland Edge, Helme, Holmfirth HD9 5RS

Legal officer

The Diocesan Registrar, Church House 5500 Daresbury Park, Daresbury, Warrington, WA4 4GE

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and as a charity is registered with the Charity Commission; charity number 1132326. The PCC has no other charities under its control.

The PCC pays Parish Share, at a level set by the Diocesan Synod, to the Chester Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd (Registered Charity) to provide the stipends for the clergy, support other parishes in the diocese, pay for vicarage repairs, pay for the central work of the Chester Diocese and the national work of the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council - (PCC)

These are either ex-officio or elected according to Church Representation rules at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The Churchwardens are chosen by the Vicar and those present at a Meeting of Parishioners, held immediately before the APCM.

Vicar: Revd Andy Bull (Chair)
Curate: Revd Martin Makin
Reader: Ruth Bull (Deanery Synod Rep)

Churchwardens: John McNeil
Les Cope

Elected members:

Dave Brotherton (Deanery Synod Rep)	2022-2025
Victoria Cope	2021-2024
Harry Davies (Deanery Synod Rep)	2021-2024
Amanda Dawson	2022-2025
Richard Hall (Secretary)	2020-2023
Kate Hughes	2021-2024
Rachel Kanes	2021-2024
Naana Kufuor	2020-2023
Simon Owen	2021-2024
Sadena Piroozfar	2021-2024
Harold Rothwell	2021-2024
Christine Wrenn (Treasurer)	2020-2023

The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church of England Representation Rules.

- Members are elected for a term of three years after which they may not stand for re-election for one year.
- Members elected to fill casual vacancies may stand for re-election for a further term of three years at the end of their two or one year term.
- Deanery Synod members are elected for a three-year term and may stand for re-election immediately. However, in line with the updated 2020 Church Representation Rules, the 2020 APCM voted that henceforth, individuals may not serve for more than two successive terms on Deanery Synod.
- The PCC may co-opt up to two more electoral roll members if they wish to.

Standing Committee

This sub-committee is required by church law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings. This is composed of the clergy licensed to the parish, the churchwardens and treasurer, and the PCC secretary, appointed at the first meeting of the PCC following the APCM.

Safeguarding

The PCC oversees safeguarding in the life of the church, along with the church's designated Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Kevin McKeown and the deputy Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Julie Green. The PCC conducts an annual review of all its procedures, and each year approves amended safeguarding policies for work amongst children and adults. All leaders in children's and youth groups have undergone DBS checks and have signed confidential Declarations of Criminal Offences prior to taking on leadership roles. Safer recruitment procedures are carried out with regards to volunteers working with adults, in line with the church's policies.

Contact details for our Safeguarding Co-ordinator along with the Diocesan Vulnerability and Safeguarding Officer are displayed prominently in the church premises. If there are any matters of concern to you, please contact them. As always, our aim is that all of the children, young people, and adults who have contact with the church should be kept safe from harm, and to this end, the most important factor that we can all contribute is to maintain a culture of informed vigilance.

Health and Safety

The PCC has delegated responsibility for Health and Safety to the churchwardens, who makes regular reports to the PCC.

Aims of the Church

The official aim of the PCC is to "cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical". (PCC (Powers) Measure 1956).

St Mark's Church vision is centred around the following three areas:

Loving God: We aim to be a church where people are pursuing a wholehearted relationship with God, devoted to a life of worship and prayer, applying the Bible to their daily lives, and responding to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Sharing Life: We want to be a welcoming, generous and loving community, where people encourage and support one another.

Growing Faith: We seek to be a church that connects people with Jesus. By being missional and adventurous we will try to create as many opportunities as possible for people to encounter God.

As we look back at 2022 at St Mark's, we are again thankful to God for all that he has done in us and through us.

Highlights from the period under review include:

- Communities – Many at St Mark's are part of one of our small communities that meet throughout the week to study the Bible together, pray, and share life.
- Schools work – Each Friday morning St Mark's school comes over to the church for their weekly assembly. There was also a schools week leading up to Easter where during the course of a week each class came over to the church to engage in an interactive re-telling of the Easter story.
- Alpha – During the autumn, some 25 people completed our 10-week Alpha course. Some were from the church community and some were new.
- Communi-Tea – In response to rising fuel and food costs we ran Communi-Tea every Tuesday evening for 20 weeks during the winter months. It's a free hot meal in a warm environment for anyone in our community; a safe place where people have built friendships and enjoyed conversation over a hot meal, along with a few fun activities too.
- CAP Life Skills – It was great to complete more of our 8-week Life Skills courses this year. Life Skills is a friendly group that gives people the confidence and decision-making skills they need to survive life on a low income. Members have learnt lots of practical skills, and have become part of a loving, supportive community.
- Foodbank – Our Foodbank ministry continued with the team now back up to full strength, and managed to keep up with the need for emergency food provision for local people.
- Prayer – The church community has gathered to pray regularly throughout the year, perhaps most notably every Monday morning at 9:30am for Morning Prayers.

- Graveyard gang – Each Monday and Tuesday morning this team has continued to gather in the churchyard to keep on top of the maintenance of the church grounds. It has grown in numbers and has become a supportive community for a number of new members. The team have also begun to respond to practical needs in the community too.
- Toddler Group – this group, called *Minis at St Mark's*, runs on Thursdays during term time, 10:00am-11:30am. We usually welcome between thirty to thirty five children at each session. We have a varied collection of good quality toys for children to play with and craft activities & refreshments are included.
- Youth & children – Our work with young people was re-launched with some amazing volunteer teams. There is now provision on Sunday mornings in 4 separate groups for children from 0-18 years and a midweek kids club for the local community and their families.
- Seniors – Primetime has gathered regularly to gather those in retirement years for activities.
- We continued to maintain regular and one-off hall bookings to complement our income as a church and offer a welcome space for the community.

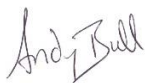
Occasional Offices

In 2022, we conducted the following occasional offices:

- Baptisms: 25
- Weddings: 4
- Funerals: 30
- Interment of Ashes: 8

I am so grateful for the church members at St Mark's who have done so much to contribute to another amazing year.

The trustees' report was approved by the PCC on 16th March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Andy Bull
Vicar

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARKS, REDHOUSE LANE, BREDBURY, STOCKPORT - 1102

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Marks, Redhouse Lane Bredbury, Stockport, for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 3(3) of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those Accounts in accordance with the terms of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

Name Julie Howard

Address 38 Crossroads Edge, Helms, Humberth

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SRS

Signature Julie Howard Date 19.6.23

St.Marks Church

Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
Fixed assets		
30101: Parish Hall	200,000.00	200,000.00
Total Fixed assets	200,000.00	200,000.00
Current assets		
30201: Current A/C Lloyds/TSB	21,463.13	13,275.63
30202: HRMC	9,738.60	7,843.20
30203: CBF Investment Account	34,601.53	24,236.73
30204: TSB Deposit Account	—	—
30206: Petty Cash	515.97	518.60
Z05: Accounts Receivable	—	—
Total Current assets	66,319.23	45,874.16
Liabilities		
6699: Agency collections	2,284.45	3,762.45
Z04: Accounts Payable	118,059.44	118,059.44
Total Liabilities	120,343.89	121,821.89
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	145,975.34	124,052.27
Reserves		
Excess / (deficit) to date	21,923.07	—
Z01: Starting balances	124,052.27	124,052.27
Total Reserves	145,975.34	124,052.27

Represented by Funds		
Unrestricted	118,795.00	117,076.95
Designated	27,055.24	20,544.07
Restricted	120.10	(13,568.75)
Endowment	5.00	—
Total	145,975.34	124,052.27

St.Marks Church

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds A1						
Voluntary income A1a						
10102 - Standing Orders (Gift Aid)	36,555	—	5	—	36,560	38,542
10103 - Standing Orders (no Gift Aid)	3,444	—	—	—	3,444	5,228
10104 - Envelopes 1-40 (Gift Aid)	4,999	—	—	—	4,999	—
10106 - Tax Reclaimed (unrestricted)	12,012	—	—	—	12,012	6,962
10107 - Collection Plate at services	4,903	—	—	—	4,903	5,679
10108 - Collections Weddings/Funerals	128	—	—	—	128	—
10109 - Misc donations no Gift Aid	12,606	—	—	—	12,606	1,371
10110 - Unplanned Gift Aid Income	3,342	—	—	—	3,342	4,576
10206 - Other Fundraising	10	—	—	—	10	—
10602 - Hall Donations + Gift Aid	—	137	12	—	150	150
10603 - Hall Donations no Gift Aid	—	—	—	—	—	400
10801 - Christians against Poverty	—	—	999	—	999	1,850
10803 - Perpetual Care of Churchyard	—	—	1,235	—	1,235	1,620
10804 - Restoration Fund	—	—	1,180	—	1,180	—
10805 - Willatts Charity	833	—	1,666	—	2,499	—
10808 - Rock Solid	—	—	2,067	—	2,067	—
10809 - Parish Hall	750	—	1,000	—	1,750	—
10814 - Other restricted donations	150	—	1,881	—	2,031	—
10818 - Grants (restricted fund)	—	—	1,089	—	1,089	—
10826 - Church Boiler	200	—	—	—	200	—
10829 - Food Bank	—	—	652	—	652	120
10831 - Church Reordering Project	—	—	3,350	—	3,350	—
11832 - Friends + gift aid	10	—	1,072	5	1,087	1,127
Voluntary income A1a Sub-totals	79,945	137	16,212	5	96,300	67,626
Activities for generating funds A1b						
10111 - Votive Candles etc	79	—	—	—	79	—
10601 - Hall Rents	—	15,969	—	—	15,969	8,559
Activities for generating funds A1b Sub-totals	79	15,969	—	—	16,048	8,559
Investment income A1c						
10114 - Interest	364	—	—	—	364	12
Investment income A1c Sub-totals	364	—	—	—	364	12
Incoming resources from generated funds A1 Totals	80,389	16,106	16,212	5	112,712	76,198

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2						
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2						
10302 - Wedding Fees PCC	1,920	—	—	—	1,920	92
10303 - Funeral + Churchyard Fees PCC	4,585	—	—	—	4,585	6,012
10304 - additional Churchyard Income	480	—	—	—	480	600
10501 - Memorial Pathway	2,121	—	—	—	2,121	2,171
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2 Sub-totals	9,106	—	—	—	9,106	8,875
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2 Totals	9,106	—	—	—	9,106	8,875
Incoming resources Grand totals	89,495	16,106	16,212	5	121,818	85,073

Resources used

Costs of generating funds B1

Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold etc B1b

20501 - Memorial Pathway	1,492	—	—	—	1,492	1,720
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold etc B1b Sub-totals	1,492	—	—	—	1,492	1,720

Costs of generating funds B1 Totals	1,492	—	—	—	1,492	1,720
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Charitable activities B2

Charitable activities B2

20101 - Parish Share	57,300	—	—	—	57,300	56,400
20102 - Deanery Contribution	64	—	—	—	64	30
20103 - Vicar's Expenses	1,154	—	—	—	1,154	26
20104 - Curate's Expenses	246	—	—	—	246	—
20106 - Vicarage Expenses	3,357	—	—	—	3,357	3,250
20107 - Curate's house expenses	4,882	—	—	—	4,882	4,746
20122 - Rock Solid & Youth Work	—	—	554	—	554	—
20201 - Worship Band	—	—	—	—	—	300
20203 - Chancel Supplies	169	—	—	—	169	30
20205 - Other items for services	563	—	—	—	563	359
20301 - Church Repairs	1,113	—	917	—	2,030	—
20302 - Insurance	4,433	—	—	—	4,433	4,192
20304 - Misc Church Building expenses	2,574	—	—	—	2,574	1,926
20305 - Church Utilities	2,549	—	—	—	2,549	1,249
20402 - Office Supplies	35	—	—	—	35	431
20403 - Servicing of Office Equipment	—	—	—	—	—	156
20405 - Phone & Internet	1,173	—	—	—	1,173	946
20406 - Bank charges	294	—	—	—	294	113

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
20407 - Other Admin	886	—	—	—	886	708
20601 - Hall Insurance	—	1,916	—	—	1,916	1,796
20602 - Hall Gas	—	2,874	—	—	2,874	1,625
20603 - Hall Electric	—	1,388	—	—	1,388	906
20604 - Hall Water	—	836	—	—	836	113
20605 - Hall Cleaner	—	2,580	—	—	2,580	2,403
20608 - Hall heating service & repairs	485	—	—	—	485	—
20609 - Hall electrical cert.& repairs	183	—	—	—	183	—
20611 - Hall repairs	916	—	—	—	916	—
20613 - Hall miscellaneous	645	—	—	—	645	—
20614 - Hall Kitchen	210	—	—	—	210	131
20713 - other mission	3,046	—	1,052	—	4,098	5,354
20806 - Flowers	—	—	—	—	—	150
Charitable activities B2 Sub-totals	86,285	9,595	2,523	—	98,403	87,349
Charitable activities B2 Totals	86,285	9,595	2,523	—	98,403	87,349
Resources used Grand totals	87,777	9,595	2,523	—	99,895	89,069

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St.Marks Church
Monthly Income / Expenditure totals - Details
As at: 31 December 2022

Nominal code	Jan_22	Feb_22	Mar_22	Apr_22	May_22	Jun_22	Jul_22	Aug_22	Sep_22	Oct_22	Nov_22	Dec_22	Code total
Income													
10102 (Standing Orders (Gift Aid))	3,070.50	3,043.70	3,094.15	2,967.20	3,221.21	2,976.34	2,977.80	3,051.00	2,946.00	3,021.00	2,966.00	3,226.00	36,560.90
10103 (Standing Orders (no Gift Aid))	197.00	292.00	357.00	302.00	332.00	297.00	292.00	132.00	272.00	322.00	342.00	307.00	3,444.00
10104 (Envelopes 1-40 (Gift Aid))	—	316.76	602.82	510.76	710.47	187.63	475.18	543.89	542.08	414.60	381.12	314.12	4,999.43
10106 (Tax Reclaimed (unrestricted))	(7,843.20)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10,116.63	—	—	9,738.60	12,012.03
10107 (Collection Plate at services)	472.10	293.56	273.29	1,126.86	577.65	96.50	299.57	398.68	465.30	286.30	295.46	318.30	4,903.57
10108 (Collections Weddings/Funerals)	—	—	—	—	128.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	128.00
10109 (Misc donations no Gift Aid)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12,606.67	—	—	—	12,606.67
10110 (Unplanned Gift Aid Income)	457.97	295.00	93.00	191.00	571.00	75.00	397.00	61.00	297.00	264.00	58.00	582.60	3,342.57
10111 (Votive Candles etc)	—	79.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	79.00
10114 (Interest)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	364.80	364.80
10206 (Other Fundraising)	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.00	—	—	—	—	—	10.00
10302 (Wedding Fees PCC)	—	—	48.00	—	978.00	292.00	292.00	310.00	—	—	—	—	1,920.00
10303 (Funeral + Churchyard Fees PCC)	277.00	327.00	416.00	106.00	872.00	1,102.00	299.00	175.00	206.00	520.00	192.00	93.00	4,585.00
10304 (additional Churchyard Income)	60.00	—	—	—	120.00	180.00	—	—	—	60.00	60.00	—	480.00
10501 (Memorial Pathway)	—	—	383.75	—	717.55	479.05	—	—	—	158.90	381.90	—	2,121.15
10601 (Hall Rents)	2,952.00	952.00	1,802.00	1,312.00	842.00	1,297.00	142.00	542.00	342.00	392.00	4,802.00	592.00	15,969.00
10602 (Hall Donations + Gift Aid)	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	150.00
10801 (Christians against Poverty)	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	999.96
10803 (Perpetual Care of Churchyard)	95.00	180.00	60.00	60.00	360.00	180.00	60.00	—	—	120.00	60.00	60.00	1,235.00
10804 (Restoration Fund)	200.00	100.00	100.00	—	150.00	—	143.20	83.47	114.84	118.39	64.25	106.03	1,180.18
10805 (Willatts Charity)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	833.33	1,666.66	2,499.99
10808 (Rock Solid)	—	—	2,067.55	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,067.55
10809 (Parish Hall)	—	—	—	—	—	1,000.00	—	750.00	—	—	—	—	1,750.00
10814 (Other restricted donations)	—	—	150.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,881.00	2,031.00
10818 (Grants (restricted fund))	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,089.54	1,089.54
10826 (Church Boiler)	—	—	—	—	200.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	200.00
10829 (Food Bank)	211.70	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	310.95	652.65
10831 (Church Reordering Project)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,350.00	—	3,350.00
11832 (Friends + gift aid)	91.00	91.00	86.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	1,087.00

St.Marks Church
Trial balance
Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Nominal code	Class	Opening balance	Debit	Credit	Closing balance
10102 - Standing Orders (Gift Aid)	Income	—	—	36,560.90	(36,560.90)
10103 - Standing Orders (no Gift Aid)	Income	—	—	3,444.00	(3,444.00)
10104 - Envelopes 1-40 (Gift Aid)	Income	—	—	4,999.43	(4,999.43)
10106 - Tax Reclaimed (unrestricted)	Income	—	7,843.20	19,855.23	(12,012.03)
10107 - Collection Plate at services	Income	—	—	4,903.57	(4,903.57)
10108 - Collections Weddings/Funerals	Income	—	—	128.00	(128.00)
10109 - Misc donations no Gift Aid	Income	—	—	12,606.67	(12,606.67)
10110 - Unplanned Gift Aid Income	Income	—	—	3,342.57	(3,342.57)
10111 - Votive Candles etc	Income	—	—	79.00	(79.00)
10114 - Interest	Income	—	—	364.80	(364.80)
10206 - Other Fundraising	Income	—	—	10.00	(10.00)
10302 - Wedding Fees PCC	Income	—	—	1,920.00	(1,920.00)
10303 - Funeral + Churchyard Fees PCC	Income	—	—	4,585.00	(4,585.00)
10304 - additional Churchyard Income	Income	—	—	480.00	(480.00)
10501 - Memorial Pathway	Income	—	—	2,121.15	(2,121.15)
10601 - Hall Rents	Income	—	—	15,969.00	(15,969.00)
10602 - Hall Donations + Gift Aid	Income	—	—	150.00	(150.00)
10801 - Christians against Poverty	Income	—	—	999.96	(999.96)
10803 - Perpetual Care of Churchyard	Income	—	—	1,235.00	(1,235.00)
10804 - Restoration Fund	Income	—	—	1,180.18	(1,180.18)
10805 - Willatts Charity	Income	—	—	2,499.99	(2,499.99)
10808 - Rock Solid	Income	—	—	2,067.55	(2,067.55)
10809 - Parish Hall	Income	—	—	1,750.00	(1,750.00)
10814 - Other restricted donations	Income	—	—	2,031.00	(2,031.00)
10818 - Grants (restricted fund)	Income	—	—	1,089.54	(1,089.54)
10826 - Church Boiler	Income	—	—	200.00	(200.00)
10829 - Food Bank	Income	—	—	652.65	(652.65)
10831 - Church Reordering Project	Income	—	—	3,350.00	(3,350.00)
11832 - Friends + gift aid	Income	—	—	1,087.00	(1,087.00)
20101 - Parish Share	Expenditure	—	57,300.00	—	57,300.00
20102 - Deanery Contribution	Expenditure	—	64.00	—	64.00
20103 - Vicar's Expenses	Expenditure	—	1,154.63	—	1,154.63
20104 - Curate's Expenses	Expenditure	—	246.17	—	246.17
20106 - Vicarage Expenses	Expenditure	—	3,357.54	—	3,357.54
20107 - Curate's house expenses	Expenditure	—	4,882.02	—	4,882.02
20122 - Rock Solid & Youth Work	Expenditure	—	554.00	—	554.00
20203 - Chancel Supplies	Expenditure	—	169.55	—	169.55
20205 - Other items for services	Expenditure	—	563.37	—	563.37
20301 - Church Repairs	Expenditure	—	2,030.37	—	2,030.37
20302 - Insurance	Expenditure	—	4,433.61	—	4,433.61
20304 - Misc Church Building expenses	Expenditure	—	2,574.40	—	2,574.40
20305 - Church Utilities	Expenditure	—	2,549.23	—	2,549.23
20402 - Office Supplies	Expenditure	—	35.47	—	35.47
20405 - Phone & Internet	Expenditure	—	1,173.31	—	1,173.31
20406 - Bank charges	Expenditure	—	294.57	—	294.57
20407 - Other Admin	Expenditure	—	886.98	—	886.98
20501 - Memorial Pathway	Expenditure	—	1,492.25	—	1,492.25
20601 - Hall Insurance	Expenditure	—	1,916.28	—	1,916.28
20602 - Hall Gas	Expenditure	—	2,874.28	—	2,874.28
20603 - Hall Electric	Expenditure	—	1,388.19	—	1,388.19
20604 - Hall Water	Expenditure	—	836.58	—	836.58
20605 - Hall Cleaner	Expenditure	—	2,580.00	—	2,580.00
20608 - Hall heating service & repairs	Expenditure	—	485.52	—	485.52

Nominal code	Class	Opening balance	Debit	Credit	Closing balance
20609 - Hall electrical cert.& repairs	Expenditure	—	183.60	—	183.60
20611 - Hall repairs	Expenditure	—	916.00	—	916.00
20613 - Hall miscellaneous	Expenditure	—	645.68	—	645.68
20614 - Hall Kitchen	Expenditure	—	210.32	—	210.32
20713 - other mission	Expenditure	—	4,098.00	—	4,098.00
30101 - Parish Hall	Fixed assets	200,000.00	—	—	200,000.00
30201 - Current A/C Lloyds/TSB	Current assets	13,275.63	126,474.66	118,287.16	21,463.13
30202 - HRMC	Current assets	7,843.20	9,738.60	7,843.20	9,738.60
30203 - CBF Investment Account	Current assets	24,236.73	10,364.80	—	34,601.53
30206 - Petty Cash	Current assets	518.60	208.24	210.87	515.97
6699 - Agency collections	Liabilities	(3,762.45)	8,183.00	6,705.00	(2,284.45)
Starting balance	Reserves	(124,052.27)	—	—	(124,052.27)
Z04 - Accounts Payable	Liabilities	(118,059.44)	—	—	(118,059.44)
Totals		—	262,708.42	262,708.42	—

Totals incorporating opening balances	366,215.15	366,215.15
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St.Marks Church
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds A1					
Voluntary income A1a	80,083	16,212	5	96,300	67,626
Activities for generating funds A1b	16,048	—	—	16,048	8,559
Investment income A1c	364	—	—	364	12
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2	9,106	—	—	9,106	8,875
Total incoming resources	105,601	16,212	5	121,818	85,073
Resources used					
Costs of generating funds B1					
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold etc B1b	1,492	—	—	1,492	1,720
Charitable activities B2	95,880	2,523	—	98,403	87,349
Total resources used	97,372	2,523	—	99,895	89,069
Net incoming / outgoing resources before transfer	8,229	13,688	5	21,923	(3,995)
Transfers					
Net incoming / outgoing before other gains / losses	8,229	13,688	5	21,923	(3,995)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Net movement in funds	8,229	13,688	5	21,923	(3,995)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	137,621	(13,568)	—	124,052	128,047
Total funds carried forward	145,850	120	5	145,975	124,052
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General fund	118,795	—	—	118,795	117,076
Designated					
CAP Christians Against poverty	(234)	—	—	(234)	(234)
Mission 10% Reserve	1,057	—	—	1,057	1,057
Missions and Charities Fund	2,677	—	—	2,677	2,677
Parish Hall	23,554	—	—	23,554	17,043
Restricted					
Friends of St.Marks	—	5,236	—	5,236	5,077
Agency collection	—	22	—	22	22
Bells Maintenance and repair	—	142	—	142	142
CAP Christians Against poverty	—	(7,812)	—	(7,812)	(7,760)
Children's Church / Sunday Club	—	300	—	300	300
Christmas Food Fund	—	109	—	109	109
Church Reordering	—	1,532	—	1,532	(1,817)
Churchyard upkeep and repairs	—	5,478	—	5,478	4,243
Clock Maintenance and repair	—	758	—	758	758
Flag fund	—	18	—	18	18
Flower Fund	—	48	—	48	48
Food Bank	—	1,074	—	1,074	422
Miscellaneous Restricted!!!	—	10,126	—	10,126	7,156

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	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Mission 10% Reserve	—	(1,176)	—	(1,176)	(1,176)
Mr Willats Charity	—	1,666	—	1,666	—
Organ repairs and restoration	—	152	—	152	152
Parish Hall	—	(5,034)	—	(5,034)	(6,046)
Pew Bibles	—	1	—	1	1
Restoration Fund	—	(16,994)	—	(16,994)	(18,174)
Rock Solid Club	—	1,521	—	1,521	7
Tower Repair Fund	—	881	—	881	881
Youth Mission Support Fund	—	2,066	—	2,066	2,066
Endowment					
Friends of St.Marks	—	—	5	5	—

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Accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

OF

ST MARK'S, BREDBURY

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2021

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parish of St Mark's Bredbury, Diocese of Chester (Church of England)

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and as a charity is registered with the Charity Commission; charity number 1132326. The PCC has no other charities under its control.

The PCC pays Parish Share, at a level set by the Diocesan Synod, to the Chester Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd (Registered Charity) to provide the stipends for the clergy, support other parishes in the diocese, pay for vicarage repairs, pay for the central work of the Chester Diocese and the national work of the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council - (PCC)

These are either ex-officio or elected according to Church Representation rules at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The Churchwardens are chosen by the Vicar and those present at a Meeting of Parishioners, held immediately before the APCM.

Vicar: Revd Andy Bull (Chair)
Curate: Revd Martin Makin
Reader: Ruth Bull (Deanery Synod Rep)

Churchwardens: Dave Brotherton (Deanery Synod Rep)
Les Cope

Elected members:

Victoria Cope	2021-2024
Harry Davies (Deanery Synod Rep)	2021-2024
Richard Hall (Secretary)	2020-2023
Kate Hughes	2021-2024
Rachel Kanes	2021-2024
Naana Kufuor	2020-2023
Simon Owen	2021-2024
Sadena Piroozfar	2021-2024
Harold Rothwell	2021-2024
Shirley van Olffen	2019-2022
Christine Wrenn (Treasurer)	2020-2023

The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church of England Representation Rules.

- Members are elected for a term of three years after which they may not stand for re-election for one year.
- Members elected to fill casual vacancies may stand for re-election for a further term of three years at the end of their two or one year term.
- Deanery Synod members are elected for a three-year term and may stand for re-election immediately. However, in line with the updated 2020 Church Representation Rules, the 2020 APCM voted that henceforth, individuals may not serve for more than two successive terms on Deanery Synod.
- The PCC may co-opt up to two more electoral roll members if they wish to.

Standing Committee

This sub-committee is required by church law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings. This is composed of the clergy licensed to the parish, the churchwardens and treasurer, and the PCC secretary, appointed at the first meeting of the PCC following the APCM.

Safeguarding

The PCC oversees safeguarding in the life of the church, along with the church's designated Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Kevin McKeown. The PCC conducts an annual review of all its procedures, and each year approves amended safeguarding policies for work amongst children and adults. All leaders in children's and youth groups have undergone DBS checks and have signed confidential Declarations of Criminal Offences prior to taking on leadership roles. Safer recruitment procedures are carried out with regards to volunteers working with adults, in line with the church's policies.

Contact details for our Safeguarding Co-ordinator along with the Diocesan Vulnerability and Safeguarding Officer are displayed prominently in the church premises. If there are any matters of concern to you, please contact them. As always, our aim is that all of the children, young people, and adults who have contact with the church should be kept safe from harm, and to this end, the most important factor that we can all contribute is to maintain a culture of informed vigilance.

Health and Safety

The PCC has delegated responsibility for Health and Safety to the churchwardens, who makes regular reports to the PCC.

Aims of the Church

The official aim of the PCC is to "cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical". (PCC (Powers) Measure 1956).

St Mark's Church vision is centred around the following three areas:

Loving God: We aim to be a church where people are pursuing a wholehearted relationship with God, devoted to a life of worship and prayer, applying the Bible to their daily lives, and responding to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Sharing Life: We want to be a welcoming, generous and loving community, where people encourage and support one another.

Growing Faith: We seek to be a church that connects people with Jesus. By being missional and adventurous we will try to create as many opportunities as possible for people to encounter God.

COVID continued to impact St Mark's into 2021 with many of the church's activities remaining online for the first half of 2021. However, as restrictions lifted we were able to do more in person services, gatherings and events. Highlights from the period under review include:

- In another year of change and restriction, our Sunday services remained at the heart of our engagement. Up until July 2021 our church building was open each Sunday morning to screen our pre-recorded online Sunday services. Initially booking was required so that we could adequately socially distance. Our online Sunday services have provided the opportunity for many newer people to contribute in our services through Bible readings, prayers, testimonies, etc. From July onwards we have been meeting back in the church building for our services.
- A new vicar! – Andy was officially inducted as the vicar of St Mark's on Wednesday 13th January. Up until this point he had been the priest-in-charge. The short service was led by the new bishop of Chester, Mark Tanner and archdeacon Ian Bishop preached. Attendance had to be very small because of Covid-19 but a few photos were taken!
- Schools work – We have really missed welcoming St Mark's school to our church building every Friday morning for a short worship service, and our regular visits to Woodley school to lead assemblies. However, we found a solution — online school assemblies! On Friday mornings, each classroom at St Mark's school broadcasts simultaneously a pre-recorded assembly.
- Alpha – During the autumn, some 35 people completed our 10-week Alpha. It was nice to be able to run the course in-person again and it seemed to be a positive experience for all who attended.
- CAP Life Skills – It was great to complete our Life Skills course in person in September. Despite the restrictions we enjoyed a strong sense of community.

Members have learnt lots of practical skills, built a loving/supportive community and experienced God's presence & goodness.

- Foodbank – Our Foodbank ministry continued with a smaller team and managed to keep up with the need for emergency food provision for local people.
- Christmas – This year our Messy Church Christingle took place in person and the church was full after a long time of being empty! We also brought some Christmas joy and light to our local communities with an Advent trail! The trail was made up of 10 scenes (mainly in church members' windows), each illustrating a part of the Christmas story and route maps were supplied online. Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services were very busy once again, with children participating in our Christmas Eve nativity in a brilliant re-telling of the nativity story.
- Lent & Easter – On Shrove Tuesday we had a fun gathering on zoom, flipping pancakes, and having a Bible story. It was great to see some of our younger church family gather together for this unique occasion. Then on Ash Wednesday we began our 6-week zoom Lent series in which focusing on some spiritual disciplines. Despite the strangeness of not being able to gather physically, it was wonderful to celebrate communion together online as part of this first session. Easter week was marked online with a Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday services.
- Muddy Church – As we weren't able to meet for Messy Church much of 2021, we continued with Muddy Church instead. Participating in Muddy Church is an opportunity for people to wander and wonder about God in a fun and engaging way to explore and enjoy nature by following a trail with a map.
- Prayer – The church community has gathered to pray more than ever before over the last year. In addition to the Monday and Friday morning zoom prayer meetings, there have been a couple of Prayer Weeks and various Prayer Nights. St Mark's Church building has also been open for quiet individual prayer on Tuesdays and Fridays, 10:00-11:30am.
- Small groups – Last year we launched our new online small groups which have been meeting over zoom on Wednesday evenings. The format is to worship with some songs before studying a Bible passage together using questions which have been sent out during the days prior to the evening. This year these have slowly transitioned to meet in person again.
- Graveyard gang – Towards the end of 2020 the Graveyard Gang was established. Each Monday and Tuesday morning this team has continued to gather in the churchyard to keep on top of the maintenance of the church grounds.

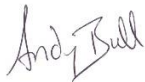
Occasional Offices

Many of our ordinary services such as baptisms and weddings were interrupted by the pandemic restrictions. In 2020, we conducted the following 'occasional' offices:

- Baptisms: 14
- Weddings: 4
- Funerals: 28
- Interment of Ashes: 6

I have never been more grateful for the church members at St Mark's, who have done so much to support one another throughout another challenging year.

The trustees' report was approved by the PCC on 17th March 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Andy Bull
Vicar

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE
ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARKS, REDHOUSE LANE, BREDBURY,
STOCKPORT - 1102**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Marks, Redhouse Lane Bredbury, Stockport, for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 3(3) of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those Accounts in accordance with the terms of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

Name JUE HOWARD

Address 3X CRASHAD GROVE, HELME, HULMBETH HOSK

Signature J Howard Date 27.4.22

St.Marks Church
Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2021	As at 31/12/2020
Fixed assets		
30101: Parish Hall	200,000.00	200,000.00
Total Fixed assets	200,000.00	200,000.00
Current assets		
30201: Current A/C Lloyds/TSB	13,275.63	14,657.92
30202: HRMC	7,843.20	7,843.20
30203: CBF Investment Account	24,236.73	24,224.11
30204: TSB Deposit Account	—	—
30206: Petty Cash	518.60	530.80
Z05: Accounts Receivable	—	—
Total Current assets	45,874.16	47,256.03
Liabilities		
6699: Agency collections	3,762.45	1,148.70
Z04: Accounts Payable	118,059.44	118,059.44
Total Liabilities	121,821.89	119,208.14
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	124,052.27	128,047.89
Reserves		
Excess / (deficit) to date	(3,995.62)	—
Z01: Starting balances	128,047.89	128,047.89
Total Reserves	124,052.27	128,047.89

Represented by Funds		
Unrestricted	117,076.95	123,861.57
Designated	20,544.07	18,514.19
Restricted	(13,568.75)	(14,327.87)
Endowment	—	—
Total	124,052.27	128,047.89

St.Marks Church

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds A1						
Voluntary income A1a						
10102 - Standing Orders (Gift Aid)	38,542	—	—	—	38,542	33,910
10103 - Standing Orders (no Gift Aid)	5,228	—	—	—	5,228	1,600
10104 - Envelopes 1-40 (Gift Aid)	—	—	—	—	—	4,514
10105 - Envelopes 41-130 (no Gift Aid)	—	—	—	—	—	30
10106 - Tax Reclaimed (unrestricted)	6,962	—	—	—	6,962	25,866
10107 - Collection Plate at services	5,679	—	—	—	5,679	2,287
10109 - Misc donations no Gift Aid	1,371	—	—	—	1,371	2,190
10110 - Unplanned Gift Aid Income	4,576	—	—	—	4,576	4,836
10112 - Legacies - General Fund	—	—	—	—	—	500
10206 - Other Fundraising	—	—	—	—	—	977
10602 - Hall Donations + Gift Aid	—	150	—	—	150	150
10603 - Hall Donations no Gift Aid	—	400	—	—	400	1,000
10801 - Christians against Poverty	166	—	1,683	—	1,850	1,000
10803 - Perpetual Care of Churchyard	—	—	1,620	—	1,620	480
10804 - Restoration Fund	—	—	—	—	—	369
10823 - Tower Repair Fund	—	—	—	—	—	8,806
10829 - Food Bank	15	—	105	—	120	22
10831 - Church Reordering Project	—	—	—	—	—	12,230
11832 - Friends + gift aid	126	—	1,001	—	1,127	1,098
Voluntary income A1a Sub-totals	62,667	550	4,409	—	67,626	101,869
Activities for generating funds A1b						
10111 - Votive Candles etc	—	—	—	—	—	47
10203 - Christmas Fair	—	—	—	—	—	1,137
10601 - Hall Rents	—	8,559	—	—	8,559	3,279
Activities for generating funds A1b Sub-totals	—	8,559	—	—	8,559	4,463
Investment income A1c						
10114 - Interest	12	—	—	—	12	102
Investment income A1c Sub-totals	12	—	—	—	12	102
Incoming resources from generated funds A1 Totals	62,679	9,109	4,409	—	76,198	106,435

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2						
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2						
10302 - Wedding Fees PCC	92	—	—	—	92	857
10303 - Funeral + Churchyard Fees PCC	6,012	—	—	—	6,012	2,803
10304 - additional Churchyard Income	600	—	—	—	600	420
10501 - Memorial Pathway	2,171	—	—	—	2,171	3,441
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2 Sub-totals	8,875	—	—	—	8,875	7,521
Incoming resources from charitable activities A2 Totals	8,875	—	—	—	8,875	7,521
Incoming resources Grand totals	71,555	9,109	4,409	—	85,073	113,957

Resources used

Costs of generating funds B1

Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold etc B1b

20501 - Memorial Pathway	1,720	—	—	—	1,720	2,687
20502 - Magazine	—	—	—	—	—	26
20504 - Cost of fundraising activities	—	—	—	—	—	244

Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold etc B1b Sub-totals

1,720	—	—	—	1,720	2,957
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Costs of generating funds B1 Totals

1,720	—	—	—	1,720	2,957
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Charitable activities B2

Charitable activities B2

20101 - Parish Share	56,400	—	—	—	56,400	51,701
20102 - Deanery Contribution	30	—	—	—	30	—
20103 - Vicar's Expenses	26	—	—	—	26	104
20104 - Curate's Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	1,186
20106 - Vicarage Expenses	3,250	—	—	—	3,250	3,484
20107 - Curate's house expenses	4,746	—	—	—	4,746	1,135
20201 - Worship Band	300	—	—	—	300	—
20203 - Chancel Supplies	30	—	—	—	30	—
20205 - Other items for services	359	—	—	—	359	636
20301 - Church Repairs	—	—	—	—	—	259
20302 - Insurance	4,192	—	—	—	4,192	3,776
20304 - Misc Church Building expenses	1,926	—	—	—	1,926	15,738
20305 - Church Utilities	1,249	—	—	—	1,249	1,737
20402 - Office Supplies	431	—	—	—	431	190
20403 - Servicing of Office Equipment	156	—	—	—	156	—
20405 - Phone & Internet	946	—	—	—	946	795

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
20406 - Bank charges	113	—	—	—	113	272
20407 - Other Admin	708	—	—	—	708	212
20601 - Hall Insurance	—	1,796	—	—	1,796	1,618
20602 - Hall Gas	—	1,625	—	—	1,625	1,863
20603 - Hall Electric	—	906	—	—	906	851
20604 - Hall Water	—	113	—	—	113	174
20605 - Hall Cleaner	—	2,403	—	—	2,403	2,055
20613 - Hall miscellaneous	—	—	—	—	—	49
20614 - Hall Kitchen	131	—	—	—	131	—
20713 - other mission	1,470	234	3,650	—	5,354	3,768
20804 - Restoration Fund	—	—	—	—	—	29,557
20806 - Flowers	150	—	—	—	150	—
20814 - Other restricted expenditure	—	—	—	—	—	1,628
20823 - Tower Repairs	—	—	—	—	—	624
Charitable activities B2 Sub-totals	76,619	7,079	3,650	—	87,349	123,423
Charitable activities B2 Totals	76,619	7,079	3,650	—	87,349	123,423
Resources used Grand totals	78,340	7,079	3,650	—	89,069	126,381

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

St.Marks Church

Monthly Income / Expenditure totals - Details
As at: 31 December 2021

Nominal code	Jan_21	Feb_21	Mar_21	Apr_21	May_21	Jun_21	Jul_21	Aug_21	Sep_21	Oct_21	Nov_21	Dec_21	Code total
Income													
10102 (Standing Orders (Gift Aid))	3,080.00	3,304.70	3,567.97	3,310.00	3,666.40	3,386.70	3,125.00	3,109.00	3,275.00	2,856.10	2,951.20	2,910.70	38,542.77
10103 (Standing Orders (no Gift Aid))	542.00	372.00	341.00	332.00	367.00	387.00	367.00	507.00	557.00	377.00	632.00	447.00	5,228.00
10106 (Tax Reclaimed (unrestricted))	—	—	—	2,000.00	—	—	4,962.15	—	—	—	—	—	6,962.15
10107 (Collection Plate - at services)	—	—	—	—	156.00	654.23	449.65	603.17	762.22	963.42	791.97	1,298.60	5,679.26
10109 (Misc donations - no Gift Aid)	—	—	122.09	—	128.92	—	—	—	1,000.00	—	120.00	—	1,371.01
10110 (Unplanned Gift Aid Income)	—	440.00	50.00	750.00	1,000.00	85.00	580.00	156.45	237.90	211.45	343.35	722.09	4,576.24
10114 (Interest)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.62	12.62
10302 (Wedding Fees PCC)	—	—	—	—	—	—	92.00	—	—	—	—	—	92.00
10303 (Funeral + Churchyard Fees PCC)	92.00	580.00	840.00	437.00	397.00	318.00	701.00	186.00	1,095.00	127.00	558.00	681.00	6,012.00
10304 (additional Churchyard Income)	—	—	—	120.00	—	—	—	60.00	120.00	—	180.00	120.00	600.00
10501 (Memorial Pathway)	—	—	124.90	417.05	—	—	—	376.35	460.55	—	347.10	445.75	2,171.70
10601 (Hall Rents)	12.00	12.00	12.00	562.00	362.00	342.00	1,432.00	132.00	3,482.00	267.00	1,712.00	232.00	8,569.00
10602 (Hall Donations + Gift Aid)	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	160.00
10603 (Hall Donations no Gift Aid)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	400.00	400.00
10801 (Christians against Poverty)	83.37	83.33	83.33	933.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	83.33	1,860.00
10803 (Perpetual Care of Churchyard)	—	240.00	240.00	120.00	60.00	120.00	60.00	60.00	180.00	60.00	180.00	300.00	1,620.00
10829 (Food Bank)	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	120.00
11832 (Friends + gift aid)	91.00	91.00	126.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	1,127.00
Income totals	3,922.87	5,146.63	5,529.79	9,094.88	6,334.15	5,489.76	11,965.63	5,386.80	11,366.60	5,058.80	8,012.45	7,766.59	85,073.75
Expenditure													
20101 (Parish Share)	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	56,400.00
20102 (Deanery Contribution)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30.00	30.00
20103 (Vicar's Expenses)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26.00	26.00
20106 (Vicarage Expenses)	305.18	62.18	62.18	306.10	314.33	314.33	314.33	314.33	314.33	314.33	314.33	314.33	3,260.28
20107 (Curate's house expenses)	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	395.57	4,745.84
20201 (Worship Band)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	300.00	300.00
20203 (Chancel Supplies)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30.84	—	30.84
20205 (Other items for services)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	40.90	—	318.74	359.64

Nominal code	Jan_21	Feb_21	Mar_21	Apr_21	May_21	Jun_21	Jul_21	Aug_21	Sep_21	Oct_21	Nov_21	Dec_21	Code total
20302 (Insurance)	419.21	419.24	419.21	419.21	419.21	419.21	419.21	419.21	419.21	419.21	—	—	4,192.13
20304 (Misc Church Building expenses)	117.00	117.00	117.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	1,926.00
20305 (Church Utilities)	102.53	96.18	79.01	81.78	76.45	90.29	70.05	78.88	82.28	83.67	197.84	210.49	1,249.45
20402 (Office Supplies)	—	—	13.00	—	—	71.22	—	—	—	302.74	7.92	36.98	431.86
20403 (Servicing of Office Equipment)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	156.00	—	—	166.00
20405 (Phone & internet)	36.60	184.25	117.34	36.58	36.54	215.70	39.78	91.96	39.76	39.85	65.88	42.48	946.72
20406 (Bank charges)	9.61	24.00	13.98	13.90	11.25	25.35	7.00	20.25	20.35	(90.10)	35.41	22.81	113.81
20407 (Other Admin)	—	75.00	191.33	—	—	—	—	323.32	—	—	—	119.00	708.66
20501 (Memorial Pathway)	—	—	106.00	284.50	—	—	77.50	251.50	360.55	312.50	—	327.58	1,720.13
20601 (Hall Insurance)	179.65	179.65	179.65	179.65	179.65	179.65	179.65	179.65	179.65	179.65	—	—	1,796.60
20602 (Hall Gas)	135.25	145.60	133.99	141.90	136.32	162.32	96.25	97.76	99.42	99.74	136.49	240.57	1,625.61
20603 (Hall Electric)	66.41	50.03	47.24	55.16	64.46	70.08	81.33	79.82	90.48	72.72	102.79	126.37	906.89
20604 (Hall Water)	16.16	16.16	16.16	16.16	16.16	16.16	16.16	—	—	—	—	—	113.12
20605 (Hall Cleaner)	156.00	156.00	156.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	2,403.00
20614 (Hall Kitchen)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	131.68	—	131.68
20713 (other mission)	60.00	294.00	528.00	294.00	410.00	1,904.22	294.00	294.00	294.00	60.00	528.00	394.00	5,354.22
20806 (Flowers)	—	—	150.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	150.00
Expenditure totals	6,699.17	6,914.86	7,425.66	7,314.51	7,149.94	8,954.10	7,080.83	7,636.25	7,385.60	7,476.78	7,036.75	7,994.92	89,069.37

Balance (income - expenditure) (3,995.62)

St.Marks Church
Trial balance
Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

Nominal code	Class	Opening balance	Debit	Credit	Closing balance
10102 - Standing Orders (Gift Aid)	Income	—	—	38,542.77	(38,542.77)
10103 - Standing Orders (no Gift Aid)	Income	—	—	5,228.00	(5,228.00)
10106 - Tax Reclaimed (unrestricted)	Income	—	—	6,962.15	(6,962.15)
10107 - Collection Plate at services	Income	—	—	5,679.26	(5,679.26)
10109 - Misc donations no Gift Aid	Income	—	—	1,371.01	(1,371.01)
10110 - Unplanned Gift Aid Income	Income	—	—	4,576.24	(4,576.24)
10114 - Interest	Income	—	—	12.62	(12.62)
10302 - Wedding Fees PCC	Income	—	—	92.00	(92.00)
10303 - Funeral + Churchyard Fees PCC	Income	—	—	6,012.00	(6,012.00)
10304 - additional Churchyard Income	Income	—	—	600.00	(600.00)
10501 - Memorial Pathway	Income	—	—	2,171.70	(2,171.70)
10601 - Hall Rents	Income	—	—	8,559.00	(8,559.00)
10602 - Hall Donations + Gift Aid	Income	—	—	150.00	(150.00)
10603 - Hall Donations no Gift Aid	Income	—	—	400.00	(400.00)
10801 - Christians against Poverty	Income	—	—	1,850.00	(1,850.00)
10803 - Perpetual Care of Churchyard	Income	—	—	1,620.00	(1,620.00)
10829 - Food Bank	Income	—	—	120.00	(120.00)
11832 - Friends + gift aid	Income	—	—	1,127.00	(1,127.00)
20101 - Parish Share	Expenditure	—	56,400.00	—	56,400.00
20102 - Deanery Contribution	Expenditure	—	30.00	—	30.00
20103 - Vicar's Expenses	Expenditure	—	26.00	—	26.00
20106 - Vicarage Expenses	Expenditure	—	3,250.28	—	3,250.28
20107 - Curate's house expenses	Expenditure	—	4,746.84	—	4,746.84
20201 - Worship Band	Expenditure	—	300.00	—	300.00
20203 - Chancel Supplies	Expenditure	—	30.84	—	30.84
20205 - Other items for services	Expenditure	—	359.64	—	359.64
20302 - Insurance	Expenditure	—	4,192.13	—	4,192.13
20304 - Misc Church Building expenses	Expenditure	—	1,926.00	—	1,926.00
20305 - Church Utilities	Expenditure	—	1,249.45	—	1,249.45
20402 - Office Supplies	Expenditure	—	431.86	—	431.86
20403 - Servicing of Office Equipment	Expenditure	—	156.00	—	156.00
20405 - Phone & Internet	Expenditure	—	946.72	—	946.72
20406 - Bank charges	Expenditure	—	113.81	—	113.81
20407 - Other Admin	Expenditure	—	708.65	—	708.65
20501 - Memorial Pathway	Expenditure	—	1,720.13	—	1,720.13
20601 - Hall Insurance	Expenditure	—	1,796.50	—	1,796.50
20602 - Hall Gas	Expenditure	—	1,625.61	—	1,625.61
20603 - Hall Electric	Expenditure	—	906.89	—	906.89
20604 - Hall Water	Expenditure	—	113.12	—	113.12
20605 - Hall Cleaner	Expenditure	—	2,403.00	—	2,403.00
20614 - Hall Kitchen	Expenditure	—	131.68	—	131.68
20713 - other mission	Expenditure	—	5,354.22	—	5,354.22
20806 - Flowers	Expenditure	—	150.00	—	150.00
30101 - Parish Hall	Fixed assets	200,000.00	—	—	200,000.00
30201 - Current A/C Lloyds/TSB	Current assets	14,657.92	92,709.56	94,091.85	13,275.63
30202 - HRMC	Current assets	7,843.20	—	—	7,843.20
30203 - CBF Investment Account	Current assets	24,224.11	12.62	—	24,236.73
30206 - Petty Cash	Current assets	530.80	113.48	125.68	518.60
6699 - Agency collections	Liabilities	(1,148.70)	4,909.00	7,522.75	(3,762.45)
Starting balance	Reserves	(128,047.89)	—	—	(128,047.89)

Nominal code	Class	Opening balance	Debit	Credit	Closing balance
Z04 - Accounts Payable	Liabilities	(118,059.44)	—	—	(118,059.44)
Totals		—	186,814.03	186,814.03	—
Totals incorporating opening balances			334,943.53	334,943.53	

Accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

OF

ST MARK'S, BREDBURY

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2020

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parish of St Mark's Bredbury, Diocese of Chester (Church of England)

Church Office

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Independent Examiner for the accounts

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Legal officer

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARK'S BREDBURY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and as a charity is registered with the Charity Commission; charity number 1132326. The PCC has no other charities under its control.

The PCC pays Parish Share, at a level set by the Diocesan Synod, to the Chester Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd (Registered Charity) to provide the stipends for the clergy, support other parishes in the diocese, pay for vicarage repairs, pay for the central work of the Chester Diocese and the national work of the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council - (PCC)

These are either ex-officio or elected according to Church Representation rules at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The Churchwardens are chosen by the Vicar and those present at a Meeting of Parishioners, held immediately before the APCM.

Vicar: Revd Andy Bull (Chair)

Curate: Revd Martin Makin

Churchwardens: Dave Brotherton (Deanery Synod Rep)
Les Cope

Elected members: Ruth Bull (Deanery Synod Rep)
Victoria Cope
Harry Davies (Deanery Synod Rep)
Richard Hall (Secretary)
Kate Hughes
Rachel Kanes
Naana Kufuor
Simon Owen
Sadena Piroozfar
Harold Rothwell
Shirley van Olffen
Christine Wrenn (Treasurer)

The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church of England Representation Rules.

- Members are elected for a term of three years after which they may not stand for re-election for one year.
- Members elected to fill casual vacancies may stand for re-election for a further term of three years at the end of their two or one year term.
- Deanery Synod members are elected for a three-year term and may stand for re-election immediately. However, in line with the updated 2020 Church Representation Rules, the 2020 APCM voted that henceforth, individuals may not serve for more than two successive terms on Deanery Synod.
- The PCC may co-opt up to two more electoral roll members if they wish to.

Standing Committee

This sub-committee is required by church law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings. This is composed of the clergy licensed to the parish, the churchwardens and treasurer, and the PCC secretary, appointed at the first meeting of the PCC following the APCM.

Safeguarding

The PCC oversees safeguarding in the life of the church, along with the church's designated Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Kevin McKeown. The PCC conducts an annual review of all its procedures, and each year approves amended safeguarding policies for work amongst children and adults. All leaders in children's and youth groups have undergone DBS checks and have signed confidential Declarations of Criminal Offences prior to taking on leadership roles. Safer recruitment procedures are carried out with regards to volunteers working with adults, in line with the church's policies.

Contact details for our Safeguarding Co-ordinator along with the Diocesan Vulnerability and Safeguarding Officer are displayed prominently in the church premises. If there are any matters of concern to you, please contact them. As always, our aim is that all of the children, young people, and adults who have contact with the church should be kept safe from harm, and to this end, the most important factor that we can all contribute is to maintain a culture of informed vigilance.

Health and Safety

The PCC has delegated responsibility for Health and Safety to the churchwardens, who makes regular reports to the PCC.

Aims of the Church

The official aim of the PCC is to "cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical". (PCC (Powers) Measure 1956).

St Mark's Church vision is centred around the following three areas:

Loving God: We aim to be a church where people are pursuing a wholehearted relationship with God, devoted to a life of worship and prayer, applying the Bible to their daily lives, and responding to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Sharing Life: We want to be a welcoming, generous and loving community, where people encourage and support one another.

Growing Faith: We seek to be a church that connects people with Jesus. By being missional and adventurous we will try to create as many opportunities as possible for people to encounter God.

Attendance

In this most unusual of years, our last 'normal' Sunday without limits on attendance was 15th March, before government restrictions were brought in to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic. National lockdown and the closure of public worship came into force from mid-March to early July 2020, and then again in November. At the points where public worship was permitted, strict social distancing remained in force, limiting our seating capacity at St Mark's to 40 on a pre-booked basis only. However, from the first Sunday of the March lockdown, we began to broadcast our pre-recorded church services on Facebook. Throughout the 15 months of our online services there was an average of over 600 views per service. Although some of these 'views' may only represent a few seconds of watch time, others may represent a whole family group watching for the whole duration. As a result, in 2020 we have no accurate way to measure attendance at St Mark's Church, but we do know from comments received that many new people have joined us online, including: seekers and enquirers exploring the Christian faith from the security of their home; friends and family of church members; people who have been previously prevented from attending in person through ill health; former church members who have moved away, but retain an active interest in the life of the church; and curious visitors from further afield. As a result, we have been able to reach many more people in 2020 through online worship than we would have done in a normal year.

Main developments in 2020

When 2020 began, none of us had any idea of what lay ahead.

The year began brightly at St Mark's with the celebration of the completion of the church building refurbishment project on 2nd February. Also, in addition to our regular church ministries and activities, a 'Faith in Films' group had been launched, many were gathering weekly for 'Soup and Study' as we were working through 1 Peter together on Wednesday lunchtimes, the Bible Course was running weekly with many people in attendance, and a Bible storytelling group had been newly formed. Church life was running at full pelt, but then everything changed. On Monday 16th March, the Prime Minister announced new measures to combat the spread of Covid19 including the immediate closure of non-essential gatherings.

We had already met for Messy Church on Saturday 14th March and had sensed a growing nervousness from people as we gathered. Then as the team gathered for Rock Solid on the night of the Prime Minister's announcement we realised we couldn't safely run this ministry, and had to turn families away as they arrived. By Sunday 22nd, public worship was also closed, and we broadcast our first online service on Facebook. By Monday 23rd March, we were into our first national lockdown.

For us at St Mark's Church, this has been a year of sustained loss but also extraordinary creativity and new life. The sense of loss has been profound. We've lost the chance to gather together, hug and shake hands, mingle and drink coffee and tea together. We've lost our ability to gather for sung worship, sit together with friends, and for our children and young people to go to their groups. We've lost our ability to plan and take holidays, work in our usual ways, go to the shops without wearing masks, and visit loved ones. We've lost liberties we all used to take for granted. Some have lost employment. Children and young people have lost out on their education and formative life experiences. And as the death toll from coronavirus has mounted, we've all lost friends and family and church members. Despite these losses, the response at St Mark's Church has been one of extraordinary creativity, and I want to thank all those who have worked so hard to find new ways to keep church life going, and care for our church members during this difficult time.

Worship Services: With the sudden closure of public worship in mid-March, we moved to online worship the following Sunday. We are so grateful to all those who contributed so creatively to these services.

Zoom: Many of the church community discovered a new way of connecting, through Zoom. For the first six weeks after 23rd March we met online each day for Morning Prayer and 'St Mark's @ Seven' (a short evening service and catch up). The zoom schedule then lightened a little but we made sure there was at least one thing to log on for each day. During the year we ran online the Prayer Course, an Alpha Course, a Fruitfulness on the Frontline course, had some half nights of prayer, and engaged in the Church of England's month of prayer in November.

Open Church: Once it became permissible, we opened the church for private prayer twice a week.

Pastoral care: Alongside the development of 'virtual fellowship' on zoom, many at St Mark's have been involved in reaching out to others to extend pastoral care during these difficult times. Many have been ringing up church members throughout the year, concentrating particularly on those known to us who are particularly isolated. We've also delivered our monthly bulletin to all on the mailing list, along with some extra goodies at certain times throughout the year.

CAP Life Skills: Kate did a wonderful job of delivering the course online and a good number of people signed up.

Foodbank: Our Foodbank ministry continued with a smaller team and managed to keep up with the need for emergency food provision for local people.

Curate: In July we welcomed (virtually, of course!) Revd Martin Makin and his family to St Mark's. Martin will do his curacy with us.

Occasional Offices

Many of our ordinary services such as baptisms and weddings were interrupted by the pandemic restrictions. In 2020, we conducted the following 'occasional' offices:

- Baptisms: 3
- Weddings: 0
- Funerals: 31
- Interment of Ashes: 8

I have never been more grateful for the church members at St Mark's, who have done so much to support one another throughout this very challenging year.

The trustees' report was approved by the PCC on 18th March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



Andy Bull
Vicar

St.Marks Church

Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2020	As at 31/12/2019
Fixed assets		
30101: Parish Hall	200,000.00	200,000.00
Total Fixed assets	200,000.00	200,000.00
Current assets		
30201: Current A/C Lloyds/TSB	14,657.92	20,930.95
30202: HRMC	7,843.20	7,843.20
30203: CBF Investment Account	24,224.11	24,121.69
30204: TSB Deposit Account	—	—
30206: Petty Cash	530.80	540.13
Z05: Accounts Receivable	—	5,394.51
Total Current assets	47,256.03	58,830.48
Liabilities		
6699: Agency collections	1,148.70	299.00
Z04: Accounts Payable	118,059.44	118,059.44
Total Liabilities	119,208.14	118,358.44
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	128,047.89	140,472.04
Reserves		
Excess / (deficit) to date	(12,424.15)	—
Z01: Starting balances	140,472.04	140,472.04
Total Reserves	128,047.89	140,472.04

Represented by Funds		
Unrestricted	124,731.89	110,016.92
Designated	18,330.19	20,080.70
Restricted	(15,014.19)	10,374.42
Endowment	—	—
Total	128,047.89	140,472.04

St.Marks Church

Analysis of receipts and payments
Selected period: 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
Receipts from generated funds A1						
Voluntary income A1a						
10102 - Standing Orders (Gift Aid)	33,910	—	—	—	33,910	31,353
10103 - Standing Orders (no Gift Aid)	1,600	—	—	—	1,600	1,464
10104 - Envelopes 1-40 (Gift Aid)	4,514	—	—	—	4,514	9,618
10105 - Envelopes 41-130 (no Gift Aid)	30	—	—	—	30	—
10106 - Tax Reclaimed (unrestricted)	25,866	—	—	—	25,866	—
10107 - Collection Plate at services	2,287	—	—	—	2,287	6,464
10109 - Misc donations no Gift Aid	2,190	—	—	—	2,190	27
10110 - Unplanned Gift Aid Income	4,836	—	—	—	4,836	3,361
10112 - Legacies - General Fund	500	—	—	—	500	—
10204 - Floodlighting (with Gift Aid)	—	—	—	—	—	30
10206 - Other Fundraising	977	—	—	—	977	89
10602 - Hall Donations + Gift Aid	—	150	—	—	150	150
10603 - Hall Donations no Gift Aid	—	—	1,000	—	1,000	3,000
10801 - Christians against Poverty	333	—	666	—	1,000	1,000
10802 - Organ Fund	—	—	—	—	—	500
10803 - Perpetual Care of Churchyard	—	—	480	—	480	660
10804 - Restoration Fund	—	—	369	—	369	13,656
10806 - Flowers	—	—	—	—	—	25
10809 - Parish Hall	—	—	—	—	—	5,500
10818 - Grants (restricted fund)	—	—	—	—	—	13,200
10823 - Tower Repair Fund	881	—	7,925	—	8,806	20
10829 - Food Bank	—	—	22	—	22	—
10831 - Church Reordering Project	—	—	12,230	—	12,230	948
10832 - Friends no gift aid	—	—	—	—	—	90
11831 - Church Reordering Project + GA	—	—	—	—	—	9,669
11832 - Friends + gift aid	—	—	1,098	—	1,098	1,086
Voluntary income A1a Sub-totals	77,927	150	23,792	—	101,869	101,913
Activities for generating funds A1b						
10111 - Votive Candles etc	47	—	—	—	47	281
10203 - Christmas Fair	1,137	—	—	—	1,137	1,465
10601 - Hall Rents	—	3,279	—	—	3,279	6,684
Activities for generating funds A1b Sub-totals	1,184	3,279	—	—	4,463	8,430
Investment income A1c						
10114 - Interest	102	—	—	—	102	302
Investment income A1c Sub-totals	102	—	—	—	102	302

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Receipts from generated funds A1 Totals	79,214	3,429	23,792	—	106,435	110,645
Receipts from charitable activities A2						
Receipts from charitable activities A2						
10302 - Wedding Fees PCC	857	—	—	—	857	535
10303 - Funeral + Churchyard Fees PCC	2,803	—	—	—	2,803	3,430
10304 - additional Churchyard Income	420	—	—	—	420	575
10501 - Memorial Pathway	3,441	—	—	—	3,441	1,971
10502 - Magazine	—	—	—	—	—	140
Receipts from charitable activities A2 Sub-totals	7,521	—	—	—	7,521	6,652
Receipts from charitable activities A2 Totals	7,521	—	—	—	7,521	6,652
Other receipts A3						
Other receipts A3						
10709 - Childrens Society	—	—	—	—	—	45
Other receipts A3 Sub-totals	—	—	—	—	—	45
Other receipts A3 Totals	—	—	—	—	—	45
Receipts Grand totals	86,736	3,429	23,792	—	113,957	117,342

Payments

Costs of generating funds B1

Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold etc B1b

20501 - Memorial Pathway	2,687	—	—	—	2,687	1,251
20502 - Magazine	26	—	—	—	26	100
20504 - Cost of fundraising activities	—	—	244	—	244	—
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold etc B1b Sub-totals	2,713	—	244	—	2,957	1,351

Costs of generating funds B1 Totals	2,713	—	244	—	2,957	1,351
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Charitable activities B2

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Charitable activities B2						
20101 - Parish Share	51,701	—	—	—	51,701	43,849
20102 - Deanery Contribution	—	—	—	—	—	60
20103 - Vicar's Expenses	104	—	—	—	104	185
20104 - Curate's Expenses	1,186	—	—	—	1,186	—
20106 - Vicarage Expenses	3,484	—	—	—	3,484	3,371
20107 - Curate's house expenses	1,135	—	—	—	1,135	5,459
20151 - Miscellaneous Ministry costs	—	—	—	—	—	180
20202 - Organist	—	—	—	—	—	500
20203 - Chancel Supplies	—	—	—	—	—	45
20205 - Other items for services	636	—	—	—	636	671
20301 - Church Repairs	259	—	—	—	259	—
20302 - Insurance	3,776	—	—	—	3,776	3,828
20304 - Misc Church Building expenses	1,853	—	13,885	—	15,738	2,046
20305 - Church Utilities	1,737	—	—	—	1,737	1,654
20307 - Churchyard Wages	—	—	—	—	—	1,075
20308 - Churchyard Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	358
20402 - Office Supplies	190	—	—	—	190	164
20403 - Servicing of Office Equipment	—	—	—	—	—	47
20405 - Phone & Internet	795	—	—	—	795	755
20406 - Bank charges	272	—	—	—	272	419
20407 - Other Admin	212	—	—	—	212	110
20601 - Hall Insurance	1,618	—	—	—	1,618	1,640
20602 - Hall Gas	—	1,863	—	—	1,863	2,018
20603 - Hall Electric	—	851	—	—	851	1,180
20604 - Hall Water	—	174	—	—	174	668
20605 - Hall Cleaner	—	2,055	—	—	2,055	2,138
20606 - Hall cleaning materials	—	—	—	—	—	105
20609 - Hall electrical cert.& repairs	—	—	—	—	—	116
20611 - Hall repairs	—	—	—	—	—	17,698
20613 - Hall miscellaneous	49	—	—	—	49	—
20713 - other mission	294	234	3,240	—	3,768	2,280
20804 - Restoration Fund	—	—	29,557	—	29,557	35,600
20814 - Other restricted expenditure	—	—	1,628	—	1,628	—
20823 - Tower Repairs	—	—	624	—	624	—
Charitable activities B2 Sub-totals	69,307	5,179	48,936	—	123,423	128,230
Charitable activities B2 Totals	69,307	5,179	48,936	—	123,423	128,230
Payments Grand totals	72,021	5,179	49,180	—	126,381	129,582

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE
ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARKS, REDHOUSE LANE, BREDBURY,
STOCKPORT - 1102**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Marks, Redhouse Lane Bredbury, Stockport, for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 3(3) of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those Accounts in accordance with the terms of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

Name.....Julie Howard.....

Address38 Crosland Edge, Helme, Holmfirth, HD9 5RS.....

Signature..........Date.....28.03.2021...