

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF RICHMOND WITH HUDSWELL

England & Wales · Charity number 1132585

Details

Other names RICHMOND WITH HUDSWELL PCC

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2009-11-07

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: The PCC is the governing body of Richmond with Hudswell parish - St Mary's, Richmond (N Yorkshire) and St Michael and all Angels, Hudswell village. With the clergy, we are responsible for church work in the parish: providing regular public worship, evangelism, pastoral, educational, cultural and social work and maintaining church buildings, and collaboration with other Christians in Richmond.

Classification

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

Geography

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

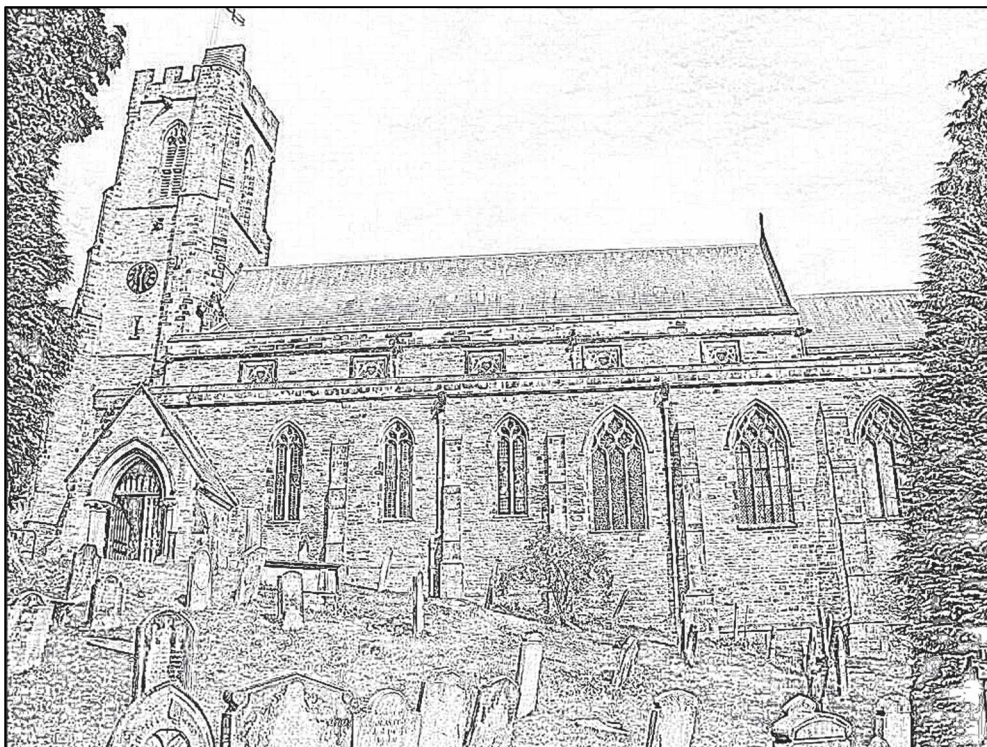
Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£250,628	£266,746	-	-
2023-12-31	£154,416	£138,423	-	-
2022-12-31	£131,387	£128,235	-	-
2021-12-31	£152,200	£148,571	-	-
2020-12-31	£134,686	£149,603	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
REV'D CANON MARTIN FLETCHER	Chair	2018-04-26
Anne Clarke		2025-05-18
Carole McCormack		2025-05-18
Colin Erwin Hicks		2022-05-08
DAVID NICHOLAS FRANKTON		
Dr Peter Trewby		2017-03-26
Elizabeth Sands		2026-05-17
Hannah Rafferty		2026-05-17
Judith McLeod		2026-05-17
Kelly Greener		2026-05-17
Linda Curran		2025-05-18
Paul Perry		2026-05-17
Rev Lorna Heatley		2025-05-18
Rev Martin Clarke		2026-05-17
Sally Boddy		2026-05-17
Stuart Rowan		2022-05-08
Susan Wendy Pritchard		2023-05-07

Accounts



St Mary's Church, Richmond with
St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell

Annual Report 2024

For the Period January to December 2024

Registered Charity 1132585

Aims and purposes

St Mary's Church, Richmond with St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent, the Reverend Canon Martin Fletcher, in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical to the people of the town of Richmond and the village of Hudswell. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Mary's Church, Richmond and Hudswell churchyard.

The Wider Church

The United Benefice of Richmond with Hudswell and Downholme and Marske is in the episcopal area of Ripon under the Bishop of Ripon, The Right Reverend Anna Eltringham within the Diocese of Leeds.

Objectives and Activities

Worship in the churches has continued and developed, based on regular, mainly eucharistic services with the addition of non-eucharistic services particularly directed to all ages from young to old. Retired, visiting and Licensed Lay Ministers provide a major contribution to our services.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and particularly the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church of St Mary's Richmond.

Achievements and performance

Worship and prayer

We continue to welcome all who wish to attend our regular services. This includes Sundays, major feast days and some weekdays. On Sundays the 8am Holy Communion continues to use the Book of Common Prayer (1662) pattern. On the first Sunday in the month we have our 'informal' non-eucharistic Morning Worship which is inclusive of all ages whilst during the rest of the month we have our eucharistic Parish Communion at 10am. We also offer Fun-Key Church, Café Church and Choral Evensong.

We have regular mid-week Communion Services each Wednesday at St Mary's and Thursday at Holy Trinity Chapel. Morning Prayer takes place at 8.30am every Tuesday to Friday at St Mary's.

Many of our services and occasional offices are live streamed and available online via YouTube and Zoom or by telephone for those who prefer this method thus opening up our worship to a wider audience around the world as well as to those who are unable to attend our services in person.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life; in marriage, public vows are exchanged with God's blessing; through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life that is now complete in this world and commend the person into God's keeping. During 2024 we celebrated 6 baptisms, 3 weddings and held 12 funerals. We also provided ministers for 4 funerals and cremations outside the parish.

The Rector's involvement in the community includes being trustee of various local charities, acting as Chaplain to Richmond Town Mayor, the Company of Fellmongers, the Company of Mercers, Grocers and Haberdashers, the Richmond branch of the Royal British Legion and to the Green Howards Association.

We keep the church open for visitors and for private prayer during daylight hours and there is a votive candle stand for those who wish to light a prayer candle.

St Michael and All Angels' Church, Hudswell was formally closed following resolution of access across a privately owned field. The vision is that the church will become a hostel for walkers and cyclists visiting the Yorkshire Dales.

Fabric and Churchwardens' Report

Fabric Report

Diocesan faculty and planning permission secured for a step free access path to the south door with an external rest bench.

The work was satisfactorily carried out on time between October and December 2024 thanks to principal contractor Staley Stonework. Funding was from a variety of sources including the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, the Lottery Fund, the Friends of St Mary's, other grant-giving bodies and local donations.

During this time the south door was closed and, with the help of volunteer guides, principal access was changed to the North door. Access is now again through the south door.

As part of the project, a small accessible car park was created in a section of the Rector's garden. This area has been leased from the Diocese by the PCC for a five year term.

The unused Norman font was moved from inside the church to the south entrance of church with associated brass plaque describing its origin.

The marginally overdue Quinquennial inspection has been arranged for January 2025

Continued work on wilding an area of the graveyard in association with Buglife.

Lightning conductor inspection carried out.

Electrical installation report together with minor repairs.

Portable appliance testing carried out.

Bells inspected by Taylors foundry.

Fire inspection and fire extinguisher maintenance carried out.

Removal of Ivy and unblocking of Southeast downpipe.

Ongoing issues with central heating leaking. Leak testing and repair planned for 2025.

Churchwardens Report

We welcomed our new curate Rev'd Lorna Heatley in November and said a fond farewell to our previous curate Paul Sunderland and his wife Jeanette as they moved to Kirkbymoorside.

We continue to ensure the church is open every day to welcome visitors for worship, prayer, or those interested in local history and ancestry.

We provide volunteer welcomers for services.

A locally organised song squad for children takes place on Monday evenings and Fun Key church takes place once a month. This is in addition to regular Sunday services, café church and a weekly service in Holy Trinity Chapel in the marketplace.

Friends of Saint Mary's church arrange concerts in the church building including Blues in the Pews evenings. The church also hosts school concerts, military carol services and the like. As the largest "open access" community space in Richmond, the church is pleased to host many other community events and concerts including Swaledale Festival, Station Singers and Richmondshire Choral Society concerts throughout the year.

The Church hosts the Green Howard's Chapel which we maintain.

The church hosts the town's Remembrance Day, Civic services and Green Howard's Day services. On many occasions, including Christmas services, the church is full, often with standing room only.

We are very fortunate in having a number of retired clergy and one lay preacher who are able to share the load with the Rector and Curate. Our Church Warden Emeritus is invaluable in the day-to-day running of the church, this especially so in the absence of a verger team.

We have an audiovisual system used during most services enabling us to upload services to YouTube and make them available on Zoom as well as enabling us to project services onto the drop-down chancel screen. This enhances our outreach and allows for more flexible services. Careful attention is paid to children's safeguarding issues when recording.

David Frankton
Wendy Pritchard
Peter Trewby

Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Team meet every 6 weeks to consider those who may need pastoral support and who would be best placed to provide that support. Pastoral care is undertaken in many ways across the church and our community: practical assistance from The Happy Bodgers, bereavement support through After The Cards and individual prayer support via the Prayer Circle and pew sheet, listening, visiting and home communion. The team has also supported the annual All Souls-tide Service of Light which is much appreciated by those who attend. We regularly review the support we provide to ensure it always meets pastoral needs.

Education

The links with the CofE Primary School, Trinity Academy Richmond, and the joint CofE and Roman Catholic Secondary School, St Francis Xavier School (SFX), continue to flourish. The Rector sits on the local governing body of each school and members of our congregation are foundation governors at both of the schools.

At SFX we have continued to work closely with the school chaplaincy co-ordinator, and we have seen pupils increasingly involved in the creating and planning of activities and whole school worship. We have welcomed pupils to services in St Mary's and the Rector and Curate are regular visitors to the school. It has been delightful to watch the children grow in their own personal faith and follow the ethos of the school.

We conduct collective worship at the Primary School every Tuesday and the school community is welcomed at St Mary's for special services and visits throughout the year.

Mission and Evangelism

The mission of the church is in part provided through the regular worship and work of the clergy and laity of the parish including the PCC.

Support for the activities of the church elsewhere include support for the Children's Society through an annual Christingle service. The monthly 'Charity of the Month' voluntary retiring collection continued successfully throughout 2024 to support both British and international charities.

Representatives of the Church are trustees of local Charity Trusts and are members of the local Town Council.

Ecumenical Relationships

The formal organisation Churches Together in Richmond was wound up some years ago, although most of the joint activities within the Christian communities in Richmond have continued much as previously.

Activities in 2024 included a shared meal in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and a Good Friday Walk of Witness.

Richmond Churches continued to provide food contributions for the StoreHouse foodbank.

Other Groups and Organisations

A Thursday morning Toddlers Group continues to meet in the Methodist Church Hall catering for children up to 5 years old and their adult carers. Refreshments and a warm welcome are provided by a team from Richmond Methodist Church and St Mary's.

The Mothers Union continues as an active integral part of parish life with various events including (as The Belles of St Mary's) providing refreshments for parish events. Primulas are distributed on Mothering Sunday. We supported all the Mothers Union appeals, donated to the warm Hub at the Methodist Church (including members volunteering regularly) and the Colburn village hub. Christmas and Easter gifts were given to residents at the Beacon.

A book group has been set up and meets monthly to study various Christian books. Poetry and Puds meets monthly to reflect on a wide variety of poetry, with the bonus of puddings.

The Ladies group meets on the last Friday of each month at the Morro Lounge in Richmond Market Place. "After the Cards" meets on the first Wednesday of the month also in the Morro Lounge to provide support for bereaved people.

The regulars of the "Yarns" knitting group continue to meet at The Restaurant at Greyfriars, on Flints Terrace, Richmond on Friday mornings and welcome occasional visitors.

A Men's Group has been established and meets on the evening of the first Thursday of the month in the Town Hall pub in Richmond Market Place.

Community Links

Within the broader community, concerts and other events were held during the year in St Mary's by Richmond Choral Society, the Station Singers, the Swaledale Festival, Reeth Brass Band, The Richmond Books and Boots Festival, Richmond School, Trinity Academy Primary School and the Band of the Royal Armoured Corps.

Safeguarding

There were no safeguarding issues to report.

Safeguarding has been actively adhered to for many years, in line with Diocesan guidelines. Efforts are made to ensure that all taking part in, and particularly those organising, church activities are aware of their responsibilities and trained appropriately. Actions include featuring safeguarding on the home page of the church website, making information on appropriate contacts for anyone needing support more readily available, recording the roles undertaken by members of the congregation and identifying who has had safeguarding training and at what level, and/or DBS clearance. A team headed by the Safeguarding Officer keep track of all relevant information via the Diocesan Safeguarding Dashboard and report to the PCC on a regular basis.

Financial review

Our annual accounts have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments method.

This report illustrates our financial position at our year-end 31st December 2024:

Total receipts	£ 250,628
Total payments	£ 266,746
Our total financial assets at the end of the year were	£ 109,393
Comprising	
HSBC bank accounts	£ 26,233
Deposit Fund held with CCLA	£ 10,000
Investment Fund shares held with CCLA	£ 73,160

Receipts

The church's day-to-day running costs could not be met without those people who give financially on a regular basis. We would like to express our thanks to those who continue to support us in this way as regular planned giving helps parishes with their financial stability. The £58,892 received in 2024 represented 49% of the amount being received into the church's General Fund.

Planned giving receipts were lower than in 2023 but this was due to us sadly losing several donors who gave by bank standing order. However, the number of donors giving via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) rose from only four at the beginning of the year to nineteen by the end of the year, a response in part to a Stewardship Sunday presentation in October. As was said at the presentation, it would be greatly advantageous to our Treasurer if more of our regular donors, as well as any new donors, would consider joining the PGS.

Designated income amounted to £124,261, the majority being funds received into our Access 4 All Fund. Thanks go to Peter Trewby who succeeded in acquiring eight grants totalling just over a hundred thousand pounds to go towards the cost of installing step-free access to St Mary's as well as a new car park.

Payments

This year the Diocesan Parish Share Request was £96,422 (1.2% higher than in 2023) and the PCC were able to make a contribution of £77,138, but this only represented 80% of the total. The Parish Share Request is our contribution to funding clergy stipends, housing and pensions and the resources to maintain ministry and mission across the Diocese of Leeds.

Outcome

The net result for the year was a (negative) excess of receipts over payments (i.e. a deficit) of £4,666 on unrestricted funds. Major contributors to this deficit were a £1,400 increase in electricity costs and a £5,800 increase in gas costs. Having taken out new contracts in 2025 it's anticipated that these costs will decrease.

Designated Funds also saw a deficit, amounting to £12,972. However, almost all of this was the balance of payments experienced by our Access 4 All Fund.

Restricted funds saw an excess of receipts over payments (i.e. a surplus) of £1,520.

Including bank and deposit balances, the unrestricted funds available at the end of 2024 were £36,233, a decrease of 30%. The value of investments (in restricted and unrestricted funds) increased by £1,637 (2.2%) as compared with the end of 2023.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy (in line with Diocesan recommendations) to aim to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds that equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. This is equivalent to £25,000. The cash balance of £26,449 held in unrestricted funds at the year-end met these aims.

Deanery Synod Report

Synod acts as an intermediary between the Parochial Church Councils of each parish in its Deanery and the Synod of the Diocese as a whole. The Rector, three lay members of the PCC, and a lay Diocesan Synod representative are members of Richmond Deanery Synod which covers the most northerly part of the Diocese taking in mainly Swaledale and the area to the East towards the A19 south of the River Tees.

During 2024 Synod met in February, June and October.

Electoral Roll

All who regularly attend our services or are members of our congregations are encouraged to be registered on the Electoral Roll of the parish and take part in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to stand for election to the PCC.

Following the production of a new Electoral Roll there are now 135 parishioners on the Roll, of whom 22 are not resident within the parish.

There have been 22 new entries and 36 removals as they are either deceased, have moved away or have not re-registered.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all volunteers who make our church the place of peace and rest that it is. They demonstrate their realisation of the importance of the sustainability of the mission and ministry of the church within the communities of Richmond and Hudswell.

Structure, governance and management

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2022) and is registered with the Charity Commission, registered number 1132585. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the Incumbent, Assistant Curate, Licensed Lay Ministers, two Churchwardens, three members of Deanery Synod and laity members elected by those who are on the Electoral Roll of the church. There may also be co-opted members. Members of the PCC are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

Given the wide range of responsibilities in a benefice of this size, the PCC has a number of sub-committees/teams which look after particular areas. These sub-committees which include finance, fabric, worship, charitable-giving, fundraising, communications and pastoral are all responsible to the PCC and report regularly on what has been discussed at their meetings. They make recommendations to the PCC for decision and action and confirm completion of actions previously authorised by the PCC.

Administrative information

St Mary's Church is the parish church of the town of Richmond and is situated on Station Road, Richmond. The now closed St Michael and All Angels' Church was the parish church of the village of Hudswell and is situated back from Hudswell Lane, towards the western end of the village. The parish also includes Holy Trinity Chapel in Richmond Market Place (originally part of a Chapel of Ease within the bailey of Richmond Castle). The United Parish is part of a larger benefice, which also includes the Parish of Downholme and Marske having the churches of St Michael and All Angels, Downholme and St Edmund, Marske, the benefice being part of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England.

Parochial Church Council (PCC)

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

Ex-Officio Members

Rector

Reverend Canon Martin Fletcher

Assistant Curate

Reverend Paul Sunderland (until February 2024)

Reverend Lorna Heatley (from June 2024)

Churchwardens

Wendy Pritchard

Peter Trewby

Synod Representatives

Colin Hicks (Deanery)

Ian Short (Diocesan, until July 2024)

Susan Welch (Deanery)

Elected members

John Challis (until APCM 2024)

Linda Curran (from APCM 2024)

Reuben Digan (co-opted July 2024)

Sharon Digan

David Frankton (from APCM 2024)

Pamela Holland (co-opted until APCM 2024)

Alan Judge (co-opted until APCM 2024)

Carole McCormack (from APCM 2024)

John McCormack (until APCM 2024)

Annette Richardson

Stuart Rowan

Susan Scrafton (until APCM 2024)

Isobel Short (from APCM 2024 for 2 years)

Stephanie Williamson

Officers

Paul Carnell (Treasurer)

Colin Hicks (PCC Secretary)

Alan Judge (Electoral Roll Officer)

Pamela Holland (Safeguarding Officer, until November 2024)

Jan Beeton (Safeguarding Officer, from November 2024)



Trustees Annual Report Approval

Approved by the PCC on 28 April 2025
and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Canon Martin Fletcher

Martin Fletcher

Appendix 1

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Receipts and Payments accounts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
RECEIPTS						
Voluntary Receipts:						
Planned giving	1a	58,892	-	-	58,892	62,616
Collections at Services	1b	8,273	479	2,494	11,246	12,394
All other giving/voluntary receipts	1c	21,678	117,766	1,000	140,444	37,526
Gift Aid recovered	1d	14,938	1,250	-	16,188	16,204
		<u>103,781</u>	<u>119,494</u>	<u>3,494</u>	<u>226,769</u>	<u>128,740</u>
Activities for generating funds	1e	10,204	1,014	-	11,218	10,449
Investment income		2,594	3,753	-	6,347	2,363
Church activities	1f	4,474	-	1,820	6,294	10,264
Other Receipts		-	-	-	-	2,600
Total receipts		<u>121,053</u>	<u>124,261</u>	<u>5,314</u>	<u>250,628</u>	<u>154,416</u>
PAYMENTS						
Church activities:						
Diocesan parish contribution		77,138	-	-	77,138	81,000
Clergy and staffing costs	2a	8,860	-	-	8,860	9,520
Church running expenses	2b	32,882	-	-	32,882	26,974
Church repairs & maintenance	2c	2,559	1,290	1,268	5,118	6,621
Mission giving and donations		64	-	2,526	2,589	367
		<u>121,502</u>	<u>1,290</u>	<u>3,794</u>	<u>126,586</u>	<u>124,482</u>
Cost of generating funds	2d	2,751	-	-	2,751	3,832
New work to the church	2e	-	135,943	-	135,943	8,190
Other payments	2f	1,465	-	-	1,465	1,919
Total payments		<u>125,719</u>	<u>137,233</u>	<u>3,794</u>	<u>266,746</u>	<u>138,423</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		(4,666)	(12,972)	1,520	(16,118)	15,993
Transfers between funds		5,520	(4,000)	(1,520)	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January		<u>25,595</u>	<u>26,756</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>52,351</u>	<u>36,358</u>
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December		<u>26,449</u>	<u>9,784</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>36,233</u>	<u>52,351</u>

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
Cash Funds					
HSBC current account	18,553	4,714	-	23,267	12,452
HSBC Deposit account	-	2,966	-	2,966	39,899
CBF Deposit Fund	7,897	2,103	-	10,000	-
	<u>26,449</u>	<u>9,783</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>36,233</u>	<u>52,351</u>
Investment Assets					
Investment Fund shares at market value	62,786	-	10,374	73,160	71,523
	<u>62,786</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,374</u>	<u>73,160</u>	<u>71,523</u>
Total financial assets	89,235	9,783	10,374	109,393	123,874

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

The movements in Designated and Restricted funds during the year were:

	Bal b/fwd	Transfers	Receipts	Payments	Bal c/fwd
Designated					
Anne Simpson Legacy Fund	8,470	-	-	(1,290)	7,180
Access For All Fund	18,286	(4,000)	123,761	(135,943)	2,103
Christmas Lunch Fund	-	-	500	0	500
	<u>26,756</u>	<u>- 4,000</u>	<u>124,261</u>	<u>(137,233)</u>	<u>9,783</u>
Restricted					
Bell Fund	1,000	-	-	(396)	604
Fabric Fund	(35)	-	-	-	(35)
Fun-Key Church	300	-	-	-	300
Youth Church Fund	0	(1,000)	1,000	-	-
Organ Fund	8,678	-	1,260	(656)	9,281
Choristers Fund	1,195	-	-	-	1,195
Audio-Visual Fund	(641)	-	560	-	(81)
Boiler Appeal Fund	(793)	-	-	(216)	(1,009)
Charity of the Month	150	-	2,494	(2,526)	119
	<u>9,852</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>5,314</u>	<u>(3,794)</u>	<u>10,374</u>

Anne Simpson Legacy Fund	Payment: a new lawnmower to be used at Hudswell churchyard
Access For All Fund	Receipts: £102,350 in Grants (<i>please see page 'Further Analysis of Receipts and Payments (1)'</i>); £2,887 Gift-Aid; £1,014 Station Singers Christmas Concert; £2,092 CBF Deposit Fund interest; £2,000 Company of Fellmongers Court £479 funeral collections; £12,939 donations Payments: £5,190 architects; £624 archaeologists; £2,460 work on memorials £2,418 solicitors; £16,481 work on path; £108,770 new car park Transfers: £5,000 return of match-funding to General Fund; £1,000 from Youth Church Fund
Bell Fund	Payment: servicing the bell
Youth Church Fund	Transfer: to Access4All fund with the permission of the donor
Organ Fund	Receipts: use of organ fees included within funeral, wedding & hire fees Payments: annual tuning & maintenance
Audio-Visual Fund	Receipts: live streaming fees
Boiler Appeal Fund	Payment: for repairs
Charity of the Month	Receipts: £125 Talking Newspaper (Jan); £491 UNCHR (Feb); £234 Mothers' Union (Mar); £121 Just The Job (Apr); £458 Christian Aid (May); £143 USPG (Jun); £232 Homestart (Jul); £106 Marie Curie (Aug); £144 Dementia Forward (Sep); £172 Citizens Advice (Oct); £169 Darlington Women's Refuge (Nov); £99 Christian Mission Society (Dec) Payments: to all charities save for CMS which was sent in January 2025

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (1)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
1a Planned Giving					
Standing Orders	44,854	-	-	44,854	51,763
Numbered Giving Envelopes	-	-	-	-	695
CAF Standing Orders	4,800	-	-	4,800	4,800
via The Parish Giving Scheme	9,238	-	-	9,238	5,358
	<u>58,892</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,892</u>	<u>62,616</u>
1b Collections at Services					
Regular Services	4,262	-	-	4,262	3,382
Holy Trinity	484	-	-	484	412
Contactless via the Goodplate	966	-	-	966	1,235
Wedding Collections	235	-	-	235	105
Funeral Collections	2,038	479	-	2,517	4,378
Baptism Collections	108	-	-	108	233
Other Services	179	-	2,494	2,673	2,649
	<u>8,273</u>	<u>479</u>	<u>2,494</u>	<u>11,246</u>	<u>12,394</u>
1c All Other Giving/Voluntary Receipts					
General Donations	18,325	-	1,000	19,325	14,528
Yellow giving envelopes	620	-	-	620	677
Website Donations	519	-	-	519	655
Contactless via GoodBox device	1,614	-	-	1,614	2,011
Bequests	-	-	-	-	5,008
Darnbrough Trust Grant	-	-	-	-	1,000
National Lottery Fund Grant	-	20,000	-	20,000	-
North Yorkshire Council Grants	-	51,950	-	51,950	-
Benefact Trust Grant	-	7,900	-	7,900	2,500
Garfield Weston Grant	-	10,000	-	10,000	-
Jack Brunton Trust Grant	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
Zedra Trust Grant	-	3,000	-	3,000	-
Leeds DBF Grants	600	5,500	-	6,100	3,000
Beatrice Laing Trust Grant	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
Donations to Step-free Access Fund	-	14,916	-	14,916	8,146
Donation to Christmas Lunch Fund	-	500	-	500	-
	<u>21,678</u>	<u>117,766</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>140,444</u>	<u>37,526</u>
1d Gift-Aid Recovered					
Directly from HMRC Charities	12,629	1,250	-	13,879	14,818
via The Parish Giving Scheme	2,309	-	-	2,309	1,340
Via church website	-	-	-	-	46
	<u>14,938</u>	<u>1,250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,188</u>	<u>16,204</u>
1e Activities for Generating Funds					
Parish Magazine	4,824	-	-	4,824	4,594
Hire of St. Mary's	2,252	-	-	2,252	2,400
200 Club	2,110	-	-	2,110	2,150
Other Fund-Raising	1,018	1,014	-	2,032	1,305
	<u>10,204</u>	<u>1,014</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,218</u>	<u>10,449</u>
1f Church Activities					
Funeral Fees	3,014	-	-	3,014	6,639
Wedding Fees	1,032	-	-	1,032	414
Monument Fees	428	-	-	428	466
Use of Organ Fees (to Organ Fund)	-	-	1,260	1,260	2,175
Use of Live Streaming (to AV Fund)	-	-	560	560	570
	<u>4,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,820</u>	<u>6,294</u>	<u>10,264</u>

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (2)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
2a Clergy and Staffing Costs					
Rector's expenses	1,418	-	-	1,418	1,188
Curate's expenses	307	-	-	307	1,526
Administrator's salary	5,815	-	-	5,815	5,606
Treasurer's fees	1,320	-	-	1,320	1,200
	<u>8,860</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,860</u>	<u>9,520</u>
2b Church running expenses					
Church building running expenses	17,386	-	-	17,386	12,100
Upkeep of services	1,481	-	-	1,481	3,516
Hudswell Churchyard	55	-	-	55	21
Organists & Choirmaster	9,400	-	-	9,400	8,110
Music costs	2,237	-	-	2,237	25
Other church running expenses	2,322	-	-	2,322	3,202
	<u>32,882</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,882</u>	<u>26,973</u>
2c Church repairs and maintenance					
Repairs to roof after lead theft	-	-	-	-	2,850
Inspection of fire equipment	148	-	-	148	199
Roof maintenance	1,024	-	-	1,024	400
Bell service	-	-	396	396	-
Gutter maintenance	200	-	-	200	-
Lighting works	376	-	-	376	-
Lighning Protection	162	-	-	162	-
Electrical Inspection & Certificate, PAT testing	470	-	-	470	-
New lawnmower for Hudswell Churchyard	-	1,290	-	1,290	-
Boiler repairs	180	-	216	396	2,478
Tuning & repairs to the organ	-	-	656	656	694
	<u>2,559</u>	<u>1,290</u>	<u>1,268</u>	<u>5,118</u>	<u>6,621</u>
2d Cost of generating funds					
Parish magazine	2,185	-	-	2,185	3,129
200 Club	500	-	-	500	600
Hire of Town Hall	-	-	-	-	20
Contactless transaction fees	66	-	-	66	83
	<u>2,751</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,751</u>	<u>3,832</u>
2e New work to the church					
External floodlights	-	-	-	-	2,186
Access for All project costs	-	90,945	-	90,945	204
New car park project costs	-	44,998	-	44,998	-
Roof alarm	-	-	-	-	3,600
Installing Defibrillator	-	-	-	-	2,200
	<u>-</u>	<u>135,943</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>135,943</u>	<u>8,190</u>
2f Other payments					
Zoom subscription	-	-	-	-	144
New church laptop (with Darnbrough Trust grant)	-	-	-	-	1,010
Other Sundry expense	634	-	-	634	665
Graveyard mapping	306	-	-	306	-
Coach to Kirbymoorside	525	-	-	525	-
Brass plaque	-	-	-	-	100
	<u>1,465</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,465</u>	<u>1,919</u>

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

**Independent examiner's report to the members on the unaudited financial statements of
St Mary's Church, Richmond
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my
attention in connection with the examination which 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.

Signed :



Mr Alistair McLean
Dairy Cottage
48 Hurgill Road
Richmond
North Yorkshire
DL10 4SZ

Date : 20th March 2025

Appendix 2

Rector's Report

The PCC's plans for 2024 were to consolidate our objectives set at the 2023 PCC Away Day, namely to:

- grow spiritually (by expanding our range of services and home groups)
- extend our community engagement (through greater involvement in community events)
- improve our viability (through numerical growth and by developing the use of St Mary's as an events venue).

Our plans to grow included attracting more young families to church life. This involved offering a more inclusive all-age service on first Sundays, with something for children at the 10am service on the other Sundays as well; a re-launch of Fun-Key Church and a wider range of youth activities; plus both extending our schools outreach and developing our young singers.

All this in turn required us to strengthen our lay leadership and publicity, and to improve access to the church – mindful of the fact that solid growth is not something which can take place instantly, but rather needs careful planting and patient nurture. However, having said a fond farewell to Paul and Jeanette Sunderland in the February, as we eagerly awaited the arrival of Lorna Heatley in the June we were afforded us the opportunity to develop our lay leadership rather more quickly than might otherwise have been the case. In particular, it was heartening to see so many individuals and teams step forward to plan and to lead our monthly all-age service, Morning Worship. This is but one example of the way our 'core team' is growing: as we continue to attract newcomers, new people are becoming involved in all aspects of church life.

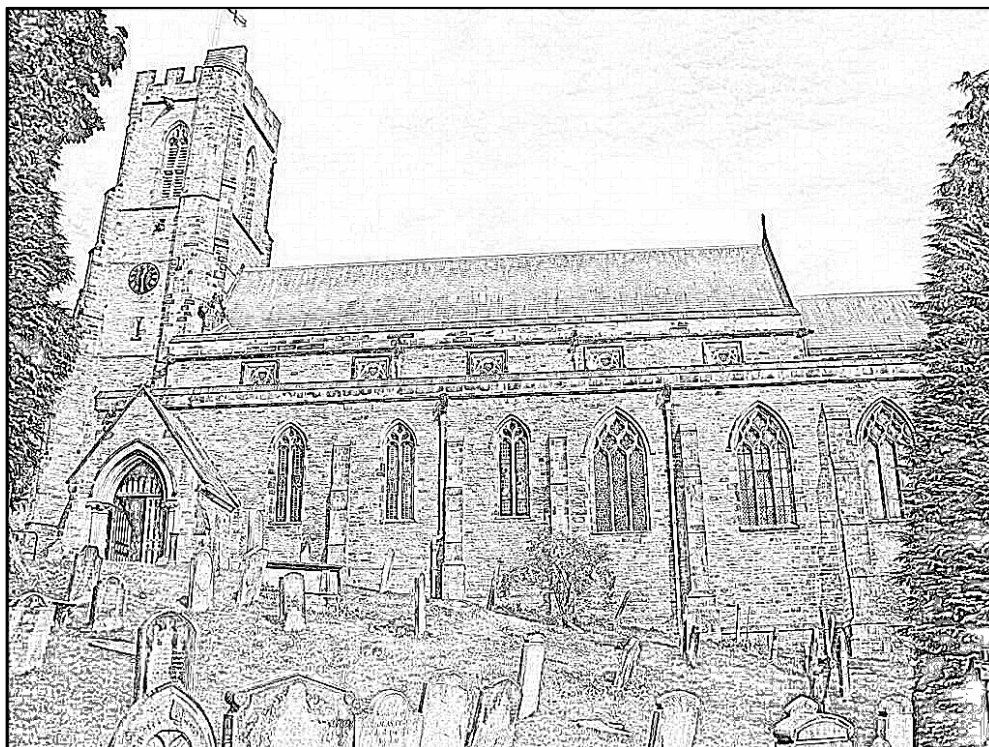
Other highlights are the huge success of Friends' events, which have both firmly established St Mary's in the life of the wider community and helped improve our financial footing, and the completion of our step-free access project which now truly gives *Access for All*. This has been complemented by Lorna's presence amongst us: she quickly established herself across all aspects of church life, bringing with her an impressive skill-set. This includes a natural ability to relate to people of all ages, and through Lorna's media and IT expertise our publicity and outreach has been developed greatly.

As we look back over 2024, we are thankful for the progress we have made, and I am grateful to you for the part you have played. Whether serving 'up front' or supporting behind the scenes, whether active in the community or carefully supporting us prayerfully and financially, thank you for what you do.

Our PCC will be meeting for another Away Day in May 2025, when short-term plans will be made within the setting out of a long-term vision. Please be praying for our representatives on the PCC – and please let them know where you feel God is calling our church to be in the months and years to come.

Martin Fletcher
Rector

Accounts



St Mary's Church, Richmond with
St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell

Annual Report 2024

For the Period January to December 2023

Aims and purposes

St Mary's Church, Richmond with St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent, the Reverend Canon Martin Fletcher, in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical to the people of the town of Richmond and the village of Hudswell. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Mary's Church, Richmond and Hudswell churchyard.

The Wider Church

The United Benefice of Richmond with Hudswell and Downholme and Marske is in the episcopal area of Ripon under the Bishop of Ripon, The Right Reverend Anna Eltringham within the Diocese of Leeds.

Objectives and Activities

Worship in the churches has continued and developed, based on regular, mainly eucharistic services with the addition of non-eucharistic services particularly directed to all ages from young to old. Retired, visiting and Licensed Lay Ministers provide a major contribution to our services.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and particularly the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church of St Mary's Richmond.

Achievements and performance

Worship and prayer

We continue to welcome all who wish to attend our regular services. This includes Sundays, major feast days and some weekdays. On Sundays the 8am Holy Communion continues to use the Book of Common Prayer (1662) pattern. On the first Sunday in the month we have our 'informal' non-eucharistic Morning Worship which is inclusive of all ages whilst during the rest of the month we have our eucharistic Parish Communion at 10am. We also offer Fun-Key Church, Café Church and Choral Evensong.

We have regular mid-week Communion Services each Wednesday at St Mary's and Thursday at Holy Trinity Chapel. Morning Prayer takes place at 8.30am every Tuesday to Friday at St Mary's.

Many of our services and occasional offices are live streamed and available online via YouTube and Zoom or by telephone for those who prefer this method thus opening up our worship to a wider audience around the world as well as to those who are unable to attend our services in person.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life; in marriage, public vows are exchanged with God's blessing; through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life that is now complete in this world and commend the person into God's keeping. During 2023 we celebrated 10 baptisms, 1 wedding and held 25 funerals. We also provided ministers for 20 funerals and cremations outside the parish.

The Rector's involvement in the community includes being trustee of various local charities, acting as Chaplain to Richmond Town Mayor, the Company of Fellmongers, the Company of Mercers, Grocers and Haberdashers, the Richmond branch of the Royal British Legion and to the Green Howards Association.

We keep the church open for visitors and for private prayer during daylight hours and there is a votive candle stand for those who wish to light a prayer candle.

St Michael and All Angels' Church, Hudswell was formally closed following resolution of access across a privately owned field. The vision is that the church will become a hostel for walkers and cyclists visiting the Yorkshire Dales.

Fabric and Churchwardens' Report

Significant events during the year:

- Replacement of pressure management system in the boiler room to cope with continuing leakage from central heating system. The site of the central heating leakage has not been identified. Chris Upton, our boiler advisor, suggests living with it for the moment until it gets worse and declares itself.
- Theft of lead flashing from roof. Lead flashing replaced and roof alarm installed.
- Gutters and gullies cleared. Ivy cut back from south-east corner of the church and the associated downpipe unblocked.
- Downpipe in Holy Trinity Church unblocked.
- With the help of the scouts, volunteers, Mark Walling and John Gill, two areas to the north of the church have been rotavated and planted with seed and bulbs. Results disappointing to date but it is early days. Rachel Richards from Buglife is championing the cause and will liaise with local schools.
- Planning permission obtained and noticeboard now installed on Station Road wall by the south entrance. It has been a great success. Thank you, Andy Lovell.
- Original church noticeboard on Station Road refurbished by John Challis now with the correct details of the Rector. Refurbishment of noticeboard on Church Wynd in progress.
- Faculty approved for step free access to the south door including relocation of ancient memorial stones. Ongoing discussions with the Diocese regarding the accessible car park in the Rectory Garden. Fundraising in progress.
- Suggestion that we move the stone font sitting in front of the north aisle pews to a more visible position outside the south door as part of the rearrangements there. Jane Hatcher informs us that it was retrieved from the churchyard in 1890 where it had been used to catch water from a spring. Jan Beaton suggested we plant it with mediaeval flowers and herbs to point to and reflect on its heritage. Minuted PCC approval would be required to move it.
- Satisfactory fire inspection, save for pointing out the need for more regular recordings of smoke alarm tests.

- Satisfactory Portable Appliance Testing and safety testing of the entire electrical circuitry apart from minor work needed to the lights in the organ loft and boiler room and the switch in the disabled access toilet and the need to record monthly testing of the emergency lighting. The repairs have been booked in.
- Quinquennial Inspection due in the next 12 months. Awaiting the date from our Diocesan approved architect.
- The entire carpet has been cleaned. Thank you, Friends, for paying for this.
- The mammoth task of updating the Terrier register of church assets is virtually complete thanks to Wendy.

David Frankton's extraordinary work for St Mary's, both visible and behind-the-scenes continues unabated. We have so many reasons to be thankful to him.

The Churchwardens would also like to express their gratitude to the team of welcomers and stewards, as well as to those on the church closing rota, the coffee rota, the servers' rota, the readers and intercessors, the choir and organists and those on the AV rota. Also, to those involved with cleaning the church. We are very grateful to Leonard Scrafton who has taken on the cleaning of the Green Howards Chapel as well as Holy Trinity Chapel. There are so many others who give their time and energy to the church and all are much appreciated, but additional volunteers are always welcome.

This year we have paid a fond farewell to our Assistant Curate Paul Sunderland and his wife Jeanette and wish them well in Kirkbymoorside and look forward to welcoming our new Assistant Curate Lorna Heatley in June 2024. Thank you to our Rector Martin, our retired Ministers, Lay Readers, FunKey organisers and others for taking on Paul's roles so ably and willingly in this interim period.

Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Team meet every 6 weeks to consider those who may need pastoral support and who would be best placed to provide that support. Pastoral care is undertaken in many ways across the church and our community: practical assistance from The Happy Bodgers, bereavement support through After The Cards and individual prayer support via the Prayer Circle and pew sheet, listening, visiting and home communion. The team has also supported the annual All Souls-tide Service of Light which is much appreciated by those who attend. We regularly review the support we provide to ensure it always meets pastoral needs.

Education

The links with the CofE Primary School, Trinity Academy Richmond, and the joint CofE and Roman Catholic Secondary School, St Francis Xavier School (SFX), continue to flourish. The Rector sits on the local governing body of each school and members of our congregation are foundation governors at both of the schools.

At SFX we have continued to work closely with the school chaplaincy co-ordinator, and we have seen pupils increasingly involved in the creating and planning of activities and whole school worship. We have welcomed pupils to services in St Mary's and the Rector and Curate are regular visitors to the school. It has been delightful to watch the children grow in their own personal faith and follow the ethos of the school.

We conduct collective worship at the Primary School every Tuesday and the school community is welcomed at St Mary's for special services and visits throughout the year.

Mission and Evangelism

The mission of the church is in part provided through the regular worship and work of the clergy and laity of the parish including the PCC.

Support for the activities of the church elsewhere include support for the Children's Society through an annual Christingle service. The monthly 'Charity of the Month' voluntary retiring collection continued successfully throughout 2023 to support both British and international charities.

Representatives of the Church are trustees of local Charity Trusts and are members of the local Town Council.

Ecumenical Relationships

The formal organisation Churches Together in Richmond was wound up some years ago, although most of the joint activities within the Christian communities in Richmond have continued much as previously.

Activities in 2023 included a shared meal in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and a Good Friday Walk of Witness.

Richmond Churches continued to provide food contributions for the StoreHouse foodbank.

Other Groups and Organisations

A Thursday morning Toddlers Group continues to meet in the Methodist Church Hall catering for children up to 5 years old and their adult carers. Refreshments and a warm welcome are provided by a team from Richmond Methodist Church and St Mary's.

The Mothers Union continues as an active integral part of parish life with various events including (as The Belles of St Mary's) providing refreshments for parish events. Primulas are distributed on Mothering Sunday. We supported all the Mothers Union appeals, donated to the warm Hub at the Methodist Church (including members volunteering regularly) and the Colburn village hub. Christmas and Easter gifts were given to residents at the Beacon.

A book group has been set up and meets monthly to study various Christian books. Poetry and Puds meets monthly to reflect on a wide variety of poetry, with the bonus of puddings.

The Ladies group meets on the last Friday of each month at the Morro Lounge in Richmond Market Place. "After the Cards" meets on the first Wednesday of the month also in the Morro Lounge to provide support for bereaved people.

The regulars of the "Yarns" knitting group continue to meet at The Restaurant at Greyfriars, on Flints Terrace, Richmond on Friday mornings and welcome occasional visitors.

A Men's Group has been established and meets on the evening of the first Thursday of the month in the Town Hall pub in Richmond Market Place.

Community Links

Within the broader community, concerts and other events were held during the year in St Mary's by Richmond Choral Society, the Station Singers, the Swaledale Festival, Reeth Brass Band, The Richmond Books and Boots Festival, Richmond School, Trinity Academy Primary School and the Band of the Royal Armoured Corps.

Safeguarding

There were no safeguarding issues to report.

Safeguarding has been actively adhered to for many years, in line with Diocesan guidelines. Efforts are made to ensure that all taking part in, and particularly those organising, church activities are aware of their responsibilities and trained appropriately. Actions include featuring safeguarding on the home page of the church website, making information on appropriate contacts for anyone needing support more readily available, recording the roles undertaken by members of the congregation and identifying who has had safeguarding training and at what level, and/or DBS clearance. A team headed by the Safeguarding Officer keep track of all relevant information via the Diocesan Safeguarding Dashboard and report to the PCC on a regular basis.

Financial review

Our annual accounts have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments method.

This report illustrates our financial position at our year-end 31st December 2023:

Total receipts	£ 154,416
Total payments	£ 138,423
Our total financial assets at the end of the year were	£ 123,874
Comprising	
HSBC bank accounts	£ 52,351
Investment Fund shares held with CCLA	£ 71,523

Receipts

The church's day-to-day running costs could not be met without those people who give financially on a regular basis. We would like to express our thanks to those who continue to support us in this way as regular planned giving helps parishes with their financial stability. The £62,616 received in 2023 represented 50% of the amount being received into the church's General Fund.

Planned giving via bank standing order and charity accounts decreased slightly in 2023, but this was due to the greater utilisation of the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). In fact, during 2023 the number of donors giving via this system doubled. It would be advantageous to the Treasurer if more of our regular donors, as well as any new donors, would consider joining the PGS.

Restricted income amounted to £13,344, the majority being funds received into our Fabric Fund in relation to both the installation of a defibrillator and the theft of lead from the church roof.

Payments

This year the Diocesan Parish Share Request was £95,280 (1.9% lower than in 2022) and the PCC were able to make a contribution of £81,000, but this only represented 85% of the total. The Parish Share Request is our contribution to funding clergy stipends, housing and pensions and the resources to maintain ministry and mission across the Diocese of Leeds.

Outcome

The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments (i.e. a surplus) of £17,203 on unrestricted funds. However, £13,490 of this was received into our Designated Step-free Access Fund. On restricted funds there was an excess of payments over receipts (i.e. a deficit) of £1,210.

Including bank and deposit balances, the unrestricted funds available at the end of 2023 was £52,531, an increase of 9.5%. The value of investments (in restricted and unrestricted funds) increased by £6,198 (9.4%) as compared with the end of 2022.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy (in line with Diocesan recommendations) to aim to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds that equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. This is equivalent to £25,000. The cash balance of £52,531 held in unrestricted funds at the year-end more than adequately meets these aims.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all volunteers who make our church the place of peace and rest that it is. They demonstrate their realisation of the importance of the sustainability of the mission and ministry of the church within the communities of Richmond and Hudswell.

Deanery Synod Report

Synod acts as an intermediary between the Parochial Church Councils of each parish in its Deanery and the Synod of the Diocese as a whole. The Rector, three lay members of the PCC, and a lay Diocesan Synod representative are members of Richmond Deanery Synod which covers the most northerly part of the Diocese taking in mainly Swaledale and the area to the East towards the A19 south of the River Tees.

During 2023 Synod met in February, June and October.

Structure, governance and management

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2022) and is registered with the Charity Commission, registered number 1132585. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the Incumbent, Assistant Curate, Licensed Lay Ministers, two Churchwardens, three members of Deanery Synod and laity members elected by those who are on the Electoral Roll of the church. There may also be co-opted members. Members of the PCC are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

Given the wide range of responsibilities in a benefice of this size, the PCC has a number of sub-committees/teams which look after particular areas. These sub-committees which include finance, fabric, worship, charitable-giving, fundraising, communications and pastoral are all responsible to the PCC and report regularly on what has been discussed at their meetings. They make recommendations to the PCC for decision and action and confirm completion of actions previously authorised by the PCC.

Administrative information

St Mary's Church is the parish church of the town of Richmond and is situated on Station Road, Richmond. The now closed St Michael and All Angels' Church was the parish church of the village of Hudswell and is situated back from Hudswell Lane, towards the western end of the village. The parish also includes Holy Trinity Chapel in Richmond Market Place (originally part of a Chapel of Ease within the bailey of Richmond Castle). The United Parish is part of a larger benefice, which also includes the Parish of Downholme and Marske having the churches of St Michael and All Angels, Downholme and St Edmund, Marske, the benefice being part of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1st January 2023 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex-Officio Members

Rector

Reverend Canon Martin Fletcher

Assistant Curate

Reverend Paul Sunderland (until February 2024)

Licensed Lay Minister

Scott Lunn (until June 2023)

Churchwardens

Wendy Pritchard (from APCM 2023)

Peter Trewby

Synod Representatives

Colin Hicks (Deanery)

Jonathan Roberts (Deanery, until APCM 2023)

Ian Short (Diocesan, until APCM 2024)

Susan Welch (Deanery)

Elected members

John Challis (until APCM 2024)

Linda Curran (from APCM 2024)

Reuben Digan (co-opted July 2024)

Sharon Digan (from APCM 2023)

David Frankton (until APCM 2023, from APCM 2024)

Pamela Holland (until APCM 2023) (co-opted as Safeguarding Officer May 2023)

Alan Judge (co-opted May 2023, until APCM 2024)

Andy Lovell (until APCM 2023)

Carol McCormack (from APCM 2024)

John McCormack (until 2024)

Annette Richardson

Stuart Rowan

Susan Scafton (until APCM 2024)

Isobel Short (from APCM 2024)

Anna Warren (resigned September 2023)

Stephanie Williamson (from APCM 2023)

Officers

Paul Carnell (Treasurer)

Colin Hicks (PCC Secretary)

Electoral Roll

All who regularly attend our services or are members of our congregations are encouraged to be registered on the Electoral Roll of the parish and take part in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to stand for election to the PCC.

There are currently 146 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, of whom 18 are not resident within the parish.

Trustees Annual Report Approval

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Martin Fletcher'.

Approved by the PCC on 18/09/2024

and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Canon Martin Fletcher

Appendix 1

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Receipts and Payments accounts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts:					
Planned giving	1a	62,616	-	62,616	65,441
Collections at Services	1b	11,707	686	12,394	10,364
All other giving/voluntary receipts	1c	30,776	6,750	37,526	20,563
Gift Aid recovered	1d	15,642	563	16,204	17,735
		<u>120,741</u>	<u>7,999</u>	<u>128,740</u>	<u>114,103</u>
Activities for generating funds	1e	10,449	-	10,449	6,945
Investment income		2,363	-	2,363	1,984
Church activities	1f	7,519	2,745	10,264	8,355
Other Receipts		-	2,600	2,600	-
Total receipts		<u>141,072</u>	<u>13,344</u>	<u>154,416</u>	<u>131,387</u>
PAYMENTS					
Church activities:					
Diocesan parish contribution		81,000	-	81,000	82,600
Clergy and staffing costs	2a	9,520	-	9,520	8,752
Church running expenses	2b	24,659	2,315	26,974	23,873
Church repairs & maintenance	2c	649	5,972	6,621	1,731
Mission giving and donations		-	367	367	991
		<u>115,828</u>	<u>8,654</u>	<u>124,482</u>	<u>117,947</u>
Cost of generating funds	2d	3,832	-	3,832	5,591
New work to the church	2e	2,390	5,800	8,190	1,332
Other payments	2f	1,819	100	1,919	3,365
Total payments		<u>123,869</u>	<u>14,554</u>	<u>138,423</u>	<u>128,235</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		17,203	(1,210)	15,993	3,152
Transfers between funds		(1,210)	1,210	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January		<u>36,358</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>36,358</u>	<u>33,206</u>
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December		<u>52,351</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>52,351</u>	<u>36,358</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
Cash Funds				
HSBC current account	12,452	-	12,452	10,412
HSBC Deposit account	39,899	-	39,899	25,947
	<u>52,351</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,351</u>	<u>36,358</u>
Investment Assets				
Investment Fund shares at market value	61,670	9,853	71,523	65,325
	<u>61,670</u>	<u>9,853</u>	<u>71,523</u>	<u>65,325</u>
Total financial assets	<u>114,021</u>	<u>9,853</u>	<u>123,874</u>	<u>101,683</u>
Liabilities				
Outstanding Diocesan Parish contribution	-	-	14,280	14,559
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,280</u>	<u>14,559</u>

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

The movements in Designated and Restricted funds during the year were:

	Bal b/fwd	Transfers	Receipts	Payments	Bal c/fwd
<u>Designated</u>					
Anne Simpson Legacy Fund	9,656	-	1,000	(2,186)	8,470
Energy Grant	1,900	-	-	(1,900)	-
Step-Free Access Fund	-	5,000	13,490	(204)	18,286
	<u>11,556</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>14,490</u>	<u>(4,290)</u>	<u>26,756</u>
<u>Restricted</u>					
Bell Fund	1,100	-	-	(100)	1,000
Fabric Fund	703	-	7,913	(8,650)	(35)
Fun-Key Church	402	-	-	(102)	300
Youth Church Fund	208	-	-	(208)	-
Organ Fund	7,147	-	2,175	(644)	8,678
Choristers Fund	1,195	-	-	-	1,195
Audio-Visual Fund	624	-	740	(2,005)	(641)
Boiler Appeal Fund	(315)	-	2,000	(2,478)	(793)
Charity of the Month	0	-	516	(367)	150
	<u>11,062</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>13,344</u>	<u>(14,554)</u>	<u>9,853</u>

<u>Anne Simpson Legacy Fund</u>	Receipt: Grant from North Yorkshire Council Payments: £2,046 installing floodlights; £140 metal cages to protect floodlights
<u>Energy Grant</u>	Payments: £1,362 Gas; £538 Electricity
<u>Step-Free Church Access Fund</u>	Receipts: £5,000 Bequest from the estate of Joseph Donald Hornsby, £1,692 from Mayoral Fund; £6,000 from the Friends of St Mary's £343 David Waldie Memorial collection; £490 donations Payment: Archaeology survey Transfer: As agreed by Richmond Parochial Church Council for match-funding purposes

<u>Bell Fund</u>	Payment: Brass plaque
<u>Fabric Fund</u>	Receipts: £2,250 donation towards defibrillator; £562 Gift-Aid on same £2,500 from Benefact Trust; £2,600 Insurance claim Payments: £2,200 Defibrillator; £3,600 installation of roof alarm; £2,850 repairs to lead
<u>Fun-Key Church</u>	Payments: various small items
<u>Youth Church Fund</u>	Payment: Song Squad (another £142 from General Fund)
<u>Organ Fund</u>	Receipts: use of organ fees included within funeral, wedding & hire fees Payments: tuning and rectifying faults
<u>Audio-Visual Fund</u>	Receipts: live streaming fees Payments: organist's speakers, new microphones & upgrading the system
<u>Boiler Appeal Fund</u>	Receipt: church Building Grant from the Diocese Payments: for repairs
<u>Charity of the Month</u>	Receipts: £83 Mothers' Union (Mar); £107 Refugee Action (Jul); £72 Dementia Forward (Sep) £105 for D'ton Women's Refuge (Nov); £150 for USPG (other alternate months) Payments: to all charities save for USPG which was sent in January 2024

Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (1)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
1a Planned Giving				
Standing Orders	51,763	-	51,763	55,257
Numbered Giving Envelopes	695	-	695	1,263
CAF Standing Orders	4,800	-	4,800	4,800
via The Parish Giving Scheme	5,358	-	5,358	4,121
	<u>62,616</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62,616</u>	<u>65,441</u>
1b Collections at Services				
Regular Sunday Services	3,382	-	3,382	2,996
Holy Trinity	412	-	412	252
Contactless via the Goodplate	1,235	-	1,235	737
Wedding Collections	105	-	105	272
Funeral Collections	4,378	-	4,378	2,859
Baptism Collections	233	-	233	498
Other Services	1,963	686	2,649	2,280
Charity of the Month	-	-	-	471
	<u>11,707</u>	<u>686</u>	<u>12,394</u>	<u>10,364</u>
1c All Other Giving/Voluntary Receipts				
General Donations	12,278	2,250	14,528	15,837
Yellow giving envelopes	677	-	677	702
Website Donations	655	-	655	238
Contactless via GoodBox device	2,011	-	2,011	1,366
Bequests	5,008	-	5,008	508
Darnbrough Trust Grant (administration)	1,000	-	1,000	1,900
Benefact Trust Grant (roof alarm)	-	2,500	2,500	-
Leeds DBF Building Grants	1,000	2,000	3,000	-
Donations to Step-free Access Fund	8,146	-	8,146	11
	<u>30,776</u>	<u>6,750</u>	<u>37,526</u>	<u>20,563</u>
1d Gift-Aid Recovered				
Directly from HMRC Charities	14,256	563	14,818	16,705
via The Parish Giving Scheme	1,340	-	1,340	1,030
Via church website	46	-	46	-
	<u>15,642</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>16,204</u>	<u>17,735</u>
1e Activities for Generating Funds				
Parish Magazine	4,594	-	4,594	2,672
Hire of St. Mary's	2,400	-	2,400	2,165
200 Club	2,150	-	2,150	1,822
Other Fund-Raising	1,305	-	1,305	286
	<u>10,449</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,449</u>	<u>6,945</u>
1f Church Activities				
Funeral Fees	6,639	-	6,639	5,003
Wedding Fees	414	-	414	1,247
Monument Fees	466	-	466	-
Use of Organ Fees (to Organ Fund)	-	2,745	2,745	2,105
	<u>7,519</u>	<u>2,745</u>	<u>10,264</u>	<u>8,355</u>

Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (2)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
2a Clergy and Staffing Costs				
Rector's expenses	1,188	-	1,188	1,130
Curate's expenses	1,526	-	1,526	1,320
Administrator's salary	5,606	-	5,606	5,102
Treasurer's fees	1,200	-	1,200	1,200
	<u>9,520</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,520</u>	<u>8,752</u>
2b Church running expenses				
Church building running expenses	12,100	-	12,100	11,757
Upkeep of services	1,514	2,005	3,519	2,104
Hudswell Churchyard	21	-	21	25
Organists & Choirmaster	8,110	-	8,110	8,170
Music costs	25	-	25	35
Other church running expenses	2,892	310	3,202	1,782
	<u>24,659</u>	<u>2,315</u>	<u>26,973</u>	<u>23,873</u>
2c Church repairs and maintenance				
Repairs to roof after lead theft	-	2,850	2,850	-
Inspection of fire equipment	199	-	199	147
Roof maintenance	400	-	400	-
Boiler repairs	-	2,478	2,478	480
Tuning & repairs to the organ	50	644	694	912
Various small items	-	-	-	192
	<u>649</u>	<u>5,972</u>	<u>6,621</u>	<u>1,731</u>
2d Cost of generating funds				
Parish magazine	3,129	-	3,129	4,932
200 Club	600	-	600	600
Hire of Town Hall	20	-	20	-
Contactless transaction fees	83	-	83	59
	<u>3,832</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,832</u>	<u>5,591</u>
2e New work to the church				
External floodlights	2,186	-	2,186	-
Step-free access costs	204	-	204	1,332
Roof alarm	-	3,600	3,600	-
Installing Defibrillator	-	2,200	2,200	-
	<u>2,390</u>	<u>5,800</u>	<u>8,190</u>	<u>1,332</u>
2f Other payments				
Annual Zoom subscription	144	-	144	144
New church laptop (with Darnbrough Trust grant)	1,010	-	1,010	263
Other Sundry expense	665	-	665	282
Moving AV equipment	-	-	-	2,676
Brass plaque	-	100	100	-
	<u>1,819</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>1,919</u>	<u>3,365</u>

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

Independent examiner's report to the members on the unaudited financial statements of St Mary's Church, Richmond for the year ended 31 December 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the PCC") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

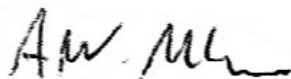
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which 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.

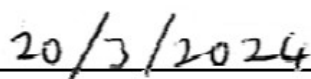
I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed :

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Mr Alistair McLean
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Date :

A handwritten date in black ink, '20/3/2024'.

Appendix 2

Rectors Report

The PCC's plans in 2023 were for us to:

- grow spiritually (by expanding our range of services and home groups)
- extend our community engagement (through greater involvement in community events)
- improve our viability (through numerical growth and by developing the use of St Mary's as an events venue).

Our plans to grow included attracting more young families to church life. This involved offering a more inclusive all-age service on first Sundays, with something for children at the 10am service on the other Sundays as well; a re-launch of Fun-Key Church and a wider range of youth activities; plus extending our schools outreach and developing our young singers.

All this required us in turn to strengthen our lay leadership and publicity, and to improve access to the church. And the fact that solid growth is not something which can take place instantly, but rather needs careful planting and patient nurture, is symbolised by the bulbs we see flowering in the porch. They were planted back in November at our Parish Retreat Day, when we tuned in to God's plans for us and through us.

As we look back over the last year, we are thankful for the progress we have made. As 'branches', connected to each other as well as to 'the vine' to whom we belong, I would like to thank you for the part you have played through your giving of time, talents, and financial support. There are many people involved in church life, whether 'up front', serving on our various rotas, or active in the community, or carefully supporting us prayerfully and financially. I would like to thank you all.

In doing so, I must mention a few names, amongst them our Ministry Team: Paul (who with Jeanette we greatly miss as they now follow God's plans for them in Kirkbymoorside), Bishop John, Martin Clarke, Pauline Shepherd, Stewart Ridley, and Paul Perry; our Pastoral Assistants: Jennifer Patrick, Sharon Digan, with 'new recruits' Sharon O'Connor, Jan Jack and Graham Pearson; our Parish Administrator and Director of Music, Colin with his teams of musicians and singers; our Tower Captain, Susan Welch and her band; our Magazine Editor, John McCormack (a worthy successor to Jim Jack) and the editing team; the creative Friends of St Mary's committee, ably led by Peter and Jim; Judith Clarke and her team of flower arrangers. Thank you, one and all.

Special mention goes to our Churchwardens, Peter and Wendy, as well as our Churchwarden Emeritus, David, who is also our Sacristan, our Treasurer Paul Carnell, and Safeguarding Officer Pamela Holland. They all do far more than we realise.



I could mention many others whose involvement is also key, whether as members of our church family over many years or who have joined us more recently. In thanking you all, I would like to single out Jennifer Patrick who sadly for us will be moving away to be closer to her family.

Finally, this Eastertide it is good and right to affirm our faith that 'all who have died in the love of Christ will share in his resurrection'. So we give thanks for the lives of our brothers and sisters in Christ gone before us, amongst them, Tony Dykes, Sheila Harrisson, Malcolm Tooze, Graham Merlane, and Peter Ward. Their examples of faith, love and service live on as an inspiration to us all.

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Trustees Annual Report for 2022 (January 1 to December 31, 2022)

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary's Church, Richmond with St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell

Aim and Purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Richmond with Hudswell has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rector of Richmond, in promoting the ecclesiastical parish and the whole mission of the Church, liturgical, evangelistic, pastoral, social and ecumenical to the people of the town of Richmond and the village of Hudswell.

The Wider Church

The Parish of Richmond and Hudswell is part of the diocese of Leeds with Rt Rev Nicholas Baines as the Diocesan Bishop of Leeds. The parish, which is in the episcopal area of Ripon under the Bishop of Ripon, Rt Rev Dr Helen-Ann Hartley, has continued to operate at local level particularly through Deanery Synod and Clergy Chapter.

Objectives and Activities

Our vision is to be a people and a place where love works.

Activities

The worship of the churches has continued and developed, based on regular mainly eucharistic worship of the churches with the addition of non-eucharistic services particularly directed to all ages from young to old. Within our worship, retired and visiting clergy together with our team of Readers provided a major contribution.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of the parish communities. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

Consistent with the Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the specific guidance for the advancement of religion, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of the parish communities through worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus; and contributing to the provision of pastoral care for people living in or visiting the parish.

Achievements and Performance

Worship and Prayer

We continue to welcome all who wish to attend at our regular services. The regular worship of the churches in the parish and benefice continued in the established pattern, which has been re-established following Covid restrictions. This includes services on all Sundays and major feast days and some weekdays. On Sundays, the 8am Eucharist continues to use the Book of Common Prayer (1662) pattern, the 10am Eucharist mainly using the Common Worship pattern in modern language, with (in most months) an all age Eucharist on the third Sunday. All age non-eucharistic worship in "Fun-Key Church" has continued to prosper. Directed particularly (but not exclusively) for those with little previous contact with church, Fun-Key Church is held on Sunday afternoons once a month and is a significant part of our regular pattern of services. Choral

Evensong on 2nd Sundays has continued and developed with the church choir and on occasion other singers.

The wider range of additional church services has continued with Free To Be, an occasional informal Sunday evening contemplative event concluding with Eucharist or Compline and Café Church, an informal meeting with refreshments, a speaker and discussion, concluding with Compline.

St Mary's Church is the Parish Church of Richmond and we continued the positive relationship between the church and the local civic community, particularly as represented by the town council. As part of this, St Mary's Church again hosted a civic service to welcome the Mayor of Richmond and a St George's Day service by the Fellmongers. The church was also opened for a relay of the funeral service of the late Queen Elizabeth II.

The Chapel of the, now disbanded, Green Howards (formerly the 2nd Battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment) is in St Mary's Church and they are included in a brief act of remembrance before the start of the main service each Sunday. The military connection was maintained by St Mary's hosting a Remembrance Day parade service including army representatives of units based at Catterick Garrison and the annual Green Howards Association service.

The Rector's involvement in the community includes being trustee of various local charities, acting as chaplain to Richmond Town Mayor, the leader of Richmondshire District Council, the Company of Fellmongers, the Company of Mercers, Grocers and Haberdashers, the Richmond Branch of the Royal British Legion and to the Green Howards Association.

St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell was formally closed following resolution of the right of access across a privately owned field. Negotiations were ongoing to sell the building and land (but not the churchyard) between the Church Commissioners and the Hudswell Community Charity.

The regular worship of the Church continues to be greatly enhanced by the church choir, and the *ad hoc* choir, on third Sundays, at the "Worship for All", all provided by volunteers. The "Worship for All" all age Eucharist continues following the pattern introduced in 2016.

As well as our regular worship and other community services, we enable our communities to celebrate and thank God at milestones through life. In Baptism we thank God for the gift of life and welcome new members into the church, in weddings, public vows are exchanged with God's blessing in the establishment of new families, and in funeral services family and friends express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and commend the person to God's keeping. During 2022 we celebrated 16 Baptisms, and 4 Weddings and held 25 Funerals in church and provided ministers for 12 funerals and cremations outside the parish.

We keep the Churches open for visitors and for private prayer during daylight hours and a votive candle stand has been provided to help this.

Buildings and Fabric

In relation to the heating system, the faulty lock to boiler room has been replaced, the boiler was serviced and corroded and fractured radiator piping replaced. More generally in the church building, the fire extinguishers were subject to an annual service, the gutters were inspected and cleared. Also the organ was serviced and tuned. We continue to transmit the principal services by Zoom and YouTube and more of the AV controls moved to the back of the church.

Richmond Deanery Synod

The Rector, three lay members of the PCC, and a lay diocesan synod representative are members of Richmond Deanery Synod (which covers the most northerly part of the diocese - mainly Swaledale and the area to the East towards the A19 south of the River Tees). Deanery Synod is the lowest of the tiers of Synodical Government of the Church of England and provides for direct representation of parishes in Synodical Government.

During 2022 Synod met in February, June and October.

The February 2022 meeting considered membership of the Deanery Standing and Mission and Pastoral Committee, with the main business was a presentation and then discussion of the Diocesan Strategy for churches to become carbon net zero by 2030 'Saving Creation' including 6 steps to Carbon Zero including a Toolkit via the Diocesan website for churches to help to achieve net carbon zero.

The main item at the June meeting was a presentation from Bishop Helen-Ann followed by discussion. The Bishop's presentation emphasised the importance of two key things - the Incarnation and the Kingdom of God, particularly in a rural context. The commissioning phrases 'will you persevere' and 'will you proclaim' in Confirmation and Licensing services which remind us of our calling. She also reminded us that the last couple of years have shown that we can adapt and learn about each other. Adaptability is the key to living our lives according to the Gospel. How we live now gives a key to the future – we should 'Be a good ancestor' and not pass on traumas of the present to the future.

The October Synod covered a variety of topics including matters arising during emergence from Covid restrictions, the proportion of share payments for the year to date across the Diocese and Deanery, follow up on the Saving Creation presentation at the February synod, finding a successor to Steve Jackson as Synod lay chair, updates on business at Diocesan and General Synods and discussion around "sharing the common cup".

In 2022 there were no issues requiring specific referral for general discussion at the PCC.

Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Team met every 6 weeks to consider those who need pastoral support and who will provide that support. Pastoral care takes place in many ways across the church and into our community e.g. with practical assistance from The Happy Bodgers, bereavement support through After The Cards and individually, prayer support via the Prayer Circle and pew sheet, listening, visiting and home communion. The team has supported the Service of Light which has been appreciated by those who attend. We review how the support we provide is as good and as helpful as it can be.

Education

The links with the CofE Primary School, Trinity Academy Richmond, and the joint CofE and Roman Catholic Secondary School, St Francis Xavier School (SFX), continue to flourish. The Rector sits on the local governing body of each school and members of our congregation are foundation governors at both of the schools.

At SFX we have continued to work closely with the school chaplaincy co-ordinator and we have seen the pupils increasingly involved in the creating and planning of activities and whole school worship. We have welcomed the pupils to services in St Mary's and the rector and curate are regular visitors to the school. The Diocese of Leeds part funds the school chaplain at SFX. It has been a delight to witness the children growing in their personal faith and owning the ethos of the school.

At the Primary school, we conduct collective worship in school every Tuesday and the school community is welcomed at St Mary's for special services and for visits throughout the year as appropriate. Since the last Ofsted report, the school is on a journey to substantial improvement but this has been a year of considerable leadership changes. We have continued to give support, and are looking forward to the next year when there will be greater stability and the opportunity for more rapid progress. The school is part of the Dales Academy Trust, a CofE Trust whose Members include the Bishop of Leeds and the Bishop of Whitby.

Mission and Evangelism

The mission of the Church is in part provided through the regular worship and work of the clergy and laity of the parish including the PCC.

Support for the activities of the Church elsewhere include providing distributors and collectors for the Christian Aid week collection around Richmond; the provision of Lent and Advent boxes to encourage support for, usually Church organised, charities and support for the Children's Society, including a Christingle service.

The monthly 'Charity of the month' voluntary retiring collection was continued successfully throughout 2022 raising about £500 (plus Gift Aid tax refunds) to support both British and international charities.

The Church, through the clergy, provide chaplaincy services to the local Police, and (as noted above) a local primary school. Representatives of the Church are trustees of local Charity Trusts and are members of the local councils, Town and District.

Ecumenical Relationships

The formal organisation Christians Together in Richmond was wound up some years ago, although most of the joint activities within the Christian communities in Richmond continued much as previously. Activities in 2022 included: Study of the Christian faith included well attended Lent Courses in various locations. There were Holy Week prayers in Holy Trinity and the Walk of Witness on Good Friday, following the Cross from the church in Newbiggin, around the Market Place, finishing outside Holy Trinity for the moving illustration of the nailing of the cross.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity included an Agape Meal and a united service in St Mary's. Richmond Churches continued to provide food contributions for the StoreHouse foodbank.

Other Groups and Organisations

The activities of most of the other Groups and Organisations associated with St Mary's were suspended or very limited during the previous two years. For most such groups activities have begun again after the Covid restrictions were completely lifted, though some groups deferred restarting until 2023.

A Thursday morning Toddlers Group continues to meet in the Methodist Church Halls catering for pre-school children and their adult carers. Refreshments and a warm welcome are provided by a team from Richmond Methodist Church and St Mary's.

The Mothers Union continued as an active integral part of parish life with various events including (as The Belles of St Mary's) providing refreshments for parish events. After restrictions were lifted we had a belated Christmas party. Primulas were distributed on Mothering Sunday. We supported all the Mothers Union appeals, donated to the warm Hub at the Methodist Church (including members volunteering regularly) and the Colburn village hub. Christmas and Easter gifts were given to residents at the Beacon. The diocesan president and members of Catterick MU came to our Advent service in Church. Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth was patron of the MU and the branch put a Condolence book beside her portrait in church after she died.

The Bellringers continued to support worship, regularly ringing, usually with all 8 bells, before the main Sunday service and also for other services including a number of quarter peals for evensong. Notable events included ringing for H M The Queen's Platinum Jubilee and then later after the Queen's death and before her funeral. For the latter, the bells were fully muffled, with the help of muffles borrowed from the Barton ringers, a tea-towel and a glove! None of us had rung fully muffled bells before as these are only used after the death of a monarch.

A book group has been set up and meets monthly to study various christian books.

Poetry and Puds meets monthly to reflect on a wide variety of poetry, with a bonus of puddings.

The group "After the Cards" meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month now in the Morro Lounge in Richmond Market Place to provide support for bereaved people.

The Ladies group meets on the last Friday of each month at the Morro Lounge in Richmond Market Place.

The Knit2gether Group, which has renamed itself “Yarns” has enjoyed another year of meetings at The Restaurant at Greyfriars, on Flints Terrace, Richmond on Friday mornings with a regular attendance of about 10, plus occasional visitors.

A Men's Group has been established and meets on the evening of the first Thursday of the month in the Castle Tavern in Richmond Market Place.

The role of the Community and Fundraising Group has now been taken over by the Friends of St Mary's.

Community Links

In addition to the links included above, within the broader community, concerts and other events were held in St Mary's by Richmond Choral Society, the Station Singers, the Swaledale Festival, Reeth Brass Band, The Richmond Books and Boots Festival, Richmond School, Trinity Academy Primary School and the Band of the Royal Armoured Corps.

Historically, the Rector and churchwardens served as trustees of the Thompson's Hospital Charity which has now been fully closed.

Safeguarding

Within the church family, safeguarding has been actively pursued for many years, in line with Diocesan guidelines. Efforts are made to ensure that all taking part in, and particularly those organising, church activities are aware of their responsibilities and trained appropriately. Actions include featuring safeguarding on the home page of the church website; making information on appropriate contacts for anyone needing support more readily available; recording the roles undertaken by members of the congregation and identifying who has had safeguarding training and at what level, and/or DBS clearance. A team headed by the Safeguarding Officer keep track of all the relevant information via the Parish Dashboard (a Diocesan initiative) and report to the PCC regularly.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £128800 with restricted income being £2587.

Planned giving (including through envelopes, bankers orders and donations made using charity accounts) was £65441, 1.3% higher than in 2021, non-planned giving through collections was £9894, 7.8% higher than in 2021. Income Tax recovered through Gift Aid was £17735, a reduction of 1.1% on 2021. Income Tax refunds now include some Gift Aid recovery from cash collections.

The main item of expenditure was (as usual) Diocesan Share. Assessed share was £95497 (the same as 2021) of which £82600 was paid, £12897 less than 2021 and representing a lesser payment and shortfall of 13.5%. Parish Share provides the main part of the income to the Diocesan budget, in which the main expenditure is on the provision of stipends, pension contributions and housing for the clergy of the Diocese. Parishes in the Diocese contribute Share roughly in proportion to the number of the Adult Worshipping Community and an assessment (from government statistics) of the economic standing of the general community.

The net result for the year is that there was an excess of receipts over payments (i.e. a surplus) of £5186 on unrestricted funds. On restricted funds there was an excess of payments over receipts (i.e. a deficit) of £2034.

Including bank and deposit balances the balance of unrestricted funds available at the end of 2022 was £36358 an increase of £3152 (9.5%). The value of investments (in restricted and unrestricted funds) decreased by £7746 (10.65%) as compared with the end of the previous year.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy (in line with Diocesan recommendations) to aim to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds approximately equal to three months unrestricted payments corresponding to

about £30000, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of £90620 held in unrestricted funds at the year end formally meets this target.

The balance of £703 in the Fabric (restricted) fund is retained to cover the cost of repairs and maintenance of the church building.

Investments are generally held in Church of England Funds.

Volunteers

The role of the parish church would be significantly reduced but for the many volunteers (about 100 individuals many with multiple voluntary roles), who regard their contribution as their witness of faith. They demonstrate their realisation of the importance of the sustainability of the mission and witness of the Church within the communities of Richmond and Hudswell. Apart from the Rector key posts on the PCC were staffed by volunteers including Lay Vice chair, Churchwardens, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary and Team Leaders. In worship, volunteers assist in many ways, notably Readers, musicians, servers, lesson readers and intercessors. Our worship and other activities are supported by voluntary cleaners, caterers and gardeners.

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (the Rector of Richmond), the churchwardens, the readers, three members of Deanery Synod elected in 2020 (for 3 year terms) further lay members elected for three year terms by respective Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs). There may also be co-opted members.

All who regularly attend our services or are members of our congregations are encouraged to be registered on the electoral roll of the parish and to take part in the Annual Church Meeting and to stand for election to the PCC. As of the APCM there were 163 people on the electoral roll – an increase of 4 from the reported figure for 2021.

The PCC members are responsible for taking decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The full PCC met for ordinary meetings on 6 occasions in 2022.

Given the wide range of responsibilities in a benefice of this size, the PCC has a number of committees/teams which look after particular areas. These committees, which include Finance, Estate, Worship, Charitable Giving, Fund Raising, Communications and Pastoral teams, are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it regularly at PCC meetings on what has been discussed, make recommendations to the PCC for decision and action, and confirm completion of actions previously authorised by the PCC.

Administrative Information

St Mary's Church Richmond is the parish church of the town of Richmond and is situated on Station Road, Richmond. The now closed St Michael and All Angels' church was the parish church of the village of Hudswell and is situated back from Hudswell Lane, towards the western end of the village. The parish also includes Holy Trinity chapel in Richmond Market Place (originally part of a chapel of ease within the bailey of Richmond Castle). The united parish is part of a larger benefice, which also includes the parish of Downholme and Marske having the churches of St Michael and All Angels, Downholme and St Edmund, Marske, which benefice is part of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules as amended up to 1 January 2020) and is registered charity No 1132585.

The PCC members who served during 2022 are:

Ex Officio Members

Rector: Rev Martin Fletcher (Chairman)

Assistant Curate:

Rev Paul Sunderland

Readers: Scott Lunn

Elected Members

Churchwardens for St Mary's Richmond

Peter Trewby (re-elected at AVM in April 2022 - also PCC Lay Vice Chair)

Jan Jack (re-elected at AVM in April 2022)

Members of Deanery Synod:

Jonathan Roberts (re-elected at APCM in November 2020)

Susan Welch (re-elected at APCM in November 2020)

Colin Hicks (from APCM in May 2022 for 1 year)

Ian Short (from election to Diocesan Synod in May 2021)

Other elected lay members:

Jan Beeton

John Challis

David Frankton

Pamela Holland

Andy Lovell

Sharon McCormack

Wendy Pritchard

Susan Scrafton

Christine Stedman

John McCormack (from APCM in May 2022)

Anna Warren (from APCM in May 2022)

Annette Richardson (from APCM in May 2022)

Stuart Rowan (from APCM in May 2022)

Officers:

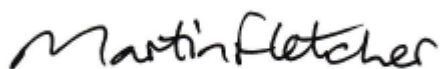
Paul Carnell

Treasurer (but not a PCC member)

Colin Hicks

PCC Secretary

Approved by the PCC on 15 November 2023 and signed on their behalf by Rev Martin Fletcher (PCC Chair)



Rev Martin Fletcher

**St. Mary's, Richmond
with
St. Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell
Parochial Church Council**

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

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Summary

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £
RECEIPTS			
Voluntary Receipts	113,621	482	114,103
Activities for generating funds	6,945	-	6,945
Investment income	1,984	-	1,984
Church activities	6,250	2,105	8,355
Other Receipts	-	-	-
Total receipts	128,800	2,587	131,387
PAYMENTS			
Diocesan parish contribution	82,600	-	82,600
Clergy and staffing costs	8,752	-	8,752
Church running expenses	23,812	61	23,873
Church repairs & maintenance	339	1,392	1,731
Mission giving and donations	500	491	991
Cost of generating funds	5,591	-	5,591
New work to the church	1,332	-	1,332
Other payments	689	2,676	3,365
Total payments	123,614	4,621	128,235
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	5,186	(2,034)	3,152

Approved by the PCC on 15th March 2023 and signed on their behalf.



The Reverend Martin Fletcher - Rector



Mr Paul Carnell - Treasurer

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Receipts and Payments accounts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts:					
Planned giving	1a	65,441	-	65,441	64,594
Collections at Services	1b	9,894	471	10,364	9,784
All other giving/voluntary receipts	1c	20,552	11	20,563	40,659
Gift Aid recovered	1d	17,735	-	17,735	17,940
		<u>113,621</u>	<u>482</u>	<u>114,103</u>	<u>132,977</u>
Activities for generating funds	1e	6,945	-	6,945	7,033
Investment income		1,984	-	1,984	2,062
Church activities	1f	6,250	2,105	8,355	8,215
Other Receipts		-	-	-	1,914
Total receipts		<u>128,800</u>	<u>2,587</u>	<u>131,387</u>	<u>152,200</u>
PAYMENTS					
Church activities:					
Diocesan parish contribution		82,600	-	82,600	95,497
Clergy and staffing costs	2a	8,752	-	8,752	8,214
Church running expenses	2b	23,812	61	23,873	22,309
Church repairs & maintenance	2c	339	1,392	1,731	6,904
Mission giving and donations		500	491	991	934
		<u>116,002</u>	<u>1,945</u>	<u>117,947</u>	<u>133,858</u>
Cost of generating funds	2d	5,591	-	5,591	3,426
New work to the church		1,332	-	1,332	0
Other payments	2e	689	2,676	3,365	11,287
Total payments		<u>123,614</u>	<u>4,621</u>	<u>128,235</u>	<u>148,571</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		5,186	(2,034)	3,152	3,629
Transfers between funds		(2,034)	2,034	-	-
Exceptional item - sale of shares		-	-	-	8,000
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January		<u>33,206</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>33,206</u>	<u>21,577</u>
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December		<u>36,358</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>36,358</u>	<u>33,206</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
Cash Funds				
HSBC current account	10,412	-	10,412	12,359
HSBC Deposit account	25,947	-	25,947	20,847
	<u>36,358</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,358</u>	<u>33,206</u>
Investment Assets				
Investment Fund shares at market value	54,262	11,063	65,325	73,071
	<u>54,262</u>	<u>11,063</u>	<u>65,325</u>	<u>73,071</u>
Total financial assets	<u>90,620</u>	<u>11,063</u>	<u>101,683</u>	<u>106,277</u>
Liabilities				
Outstanding Diocesan Parish contribution	-	-	14,559	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,559</u>	<u>-</u>

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

The movements in Designated and Restricted funds during the year were:

	Bal b/fwd	Transfers	Receipts	Payments	Bal c/fwd
<u>Designated</u>					
Anne Simpson Legacy Fund	10,988	-	-	(1,332)	9,656
Energy Grant	-	-	1,900	-	1,900
	<u>10,988</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,900</u>	<u>(1,332)</u>	<u>11,556</u>
<u>Restricted</u>					
Bell Fund	1,100	-	-	-	1,100
Fabric Fund	703	-	-	-	703
Fun-Key Church	431	-	-	(29)	402
Youth Church Fund	208	-	-	-	208
Organ Fund	5,954	-	2,105	(912)	7,147
Choristers Fund	1,227	-	-	(33)	1,195
Audio-Visual Fund	3,300	-	-	(2,676)	624
Boiler Appeal Fund	154	-	11	(480)	(315)
Charity of the Month	21	-	471	(491)	0
	<u>13,097</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,587</u>	<u>(4,621)</u>	<u>11,063</u>

Anne Simpson Fund Payments: £180 Architects, arranging quotations & commissioning survey
£1,152 Topographical survey for disabled access

Energy Grant Receipt: Originating from Church Commissioners, to help with energy costs

Fun-Key Church Payments: Various small items

Organ Fund Receipts: Twenty-four use of organ fees included within wedding and funeral fees
Payments: Two visits to tune and attend to faults

Choristers Fund Payment: Purchase of Head Chorister's medal

Audio-Visual Fund Payments: £2,662 moving equipment to rear of church; £15 wireless numeric keypad

Boiler Appeal Fund Receipts: General donation
Payment: Checking poor circulation

Charity of the Month Collected for: USPG; Macmillan Nurses; Just The Job; Dementia Forward; Refugee Action;
Women's Refuge Darlington

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Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (1)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
1a Planned Giving				
Standing Orders	55,257	-	55,257	55,332
Numbered Giving Envelopes	1,263	-	1,263	1,513
CAF Standing Orders	4,800	-	4,800	4,800
via The Parish Giving Scheme	4,121	-	4,121	2,950
	<u>65,441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>65,441</u>	<u>64,594</u>
1b Collections at Services				
Regular Sunday Services	2,996	-	2,996	1,766
Fun-Key Church	-	-	-	5
Holy Trinity	252	-	252	709
Contactless via the Goodplate	737	-	737	1,737
Wedding Collections	272	-	272	145
Funeral Collections	2,859	-	2,859	3,905
Baptism Collections	498	-	498	153
Other Services	2,280	-	2,280	760
Charity of the Month	-	471	471	604
	<u>9,894</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>10,364</u>	<u>9,784</u>
1c All Other Giving/Voluntary Receipts				
General Donations	15,837	-	15,837	10,210
Appeal to help pay Parish Share Request	-	-	-	5,050
Yellow giving envelopes	702	-	702	1,463
Website Donations	238	-	238	1,676
Contactless via GoodBox device	1,366	-	1,366	809
Bequests	508	-	508	11,988
Energy Grant	1,900	-	1,900	-
Grant to Bells Fund	-	-	-	4,474
Donations to Boiler Appeal	-	11	11	2,698
Donations to Audio-Visual Fund	-	-	-	320
Hudswell costs reimbursed by Diocese	-	-	-	1,970
	<u>20,552</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>20,563</u>	<u>40,659</u>
1d Gift-Aid Recovered				
Directly from HMRC Charities	16,705	-	16,705	17,202
via The Parish Giving Scheme	1,030	-	1,030	738
	<u>17,735</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,735</u>	<u>17,940</u>
1e Activities for Generating Funds				
Parish Magazine	2,672	-	2,672	4,133
Hire of St. Mary's	2,165	-	2,165	969
Sales (cards and mugs)	-	-	-	14
200 Club	1,822	-	1,822	1,705
Other Fund-Raising	286	-	286	212
	<u>6,945</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,945</u>	<u>7,033</u>
1f Church Activities				
Funeral Fees	5,003	-	5,003	5,788
Wedding Fees	1,247	-	1,247	662
Use of Organ Fees (to Organ Fund)	-	2,105	2,105	1,765
	<u>6,250</u>	<u>2,105</u>	<u>8,355</u>	<u>8,215</u>

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Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (2)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
2a Clergy and Staffing Costs				
Rector's expenses	1,130	-	1,130	1,151
Curate's expenses	1,320	-	1,320	1,000
Administrator's salary	5,102	-	5,102	5,065
Treasurer's fees	1,200	-	1,200	998
	<u>8,752</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,752</u>	<u>8,214</u>
2b Church running expenses				
Church building running expenses	11,696	61	11,757	13,097
Upkeep of services	2,104	-	2,104	1,192
Hudswell Churchyard	25	-	25	-
Organists & Choirmaster	8,170	-	8,170	7,405
Music costs	35	-	35	-
Service fees occasional	-	-	-	-
Other church running expenses	1,782	-	1,782	615
	<u>23,812</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>23,873</u>	<u>22,309</u>
2c Church repairs and maintenance				
Plumbing repairs	-	-	-	288
Inspection of fire equipment	147	-	147	-
Boiler repairs	-	480	480	5,154
Repairs to Rectory wall	-	-	-	1,434
Various small items	192	-	192	28
Organ repairs	-	912	912	-
	<u>339</u>	<u>1,392</u>	<u>1,731</u>	<u>6,904</u>
2d Cost of generating funds				
Parish magazine	4,932	-	4,932	2,641
200 Club	600	-	600	700
Hire of Town Hall	-	-	-	20
Contactless transaction fees	59	-	59	65
	<u>5,591</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,591</u>	<u>3,426</u>
2e Other payments				
Bell exhibition	-	-	-	7,579
Re-Ordering feasibility study	-	-	-	1,842
Return of duplicate Diocesan reimbursement	-	-	-	1,279
Annual Zoom subscription	144	-	144	-
Planning application for floodlighting	263	-	263	-
Other Sundry expense	282	-	282	588
Moving AV equipment	-	2,676	2,676	-
	<u>689</u>	<u>2,676</u>	<u>3,365</u>	<u>11,287</u>

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

Independent examiner's report to the members on the unaudited financial statements of St Mary's Church, Richmond for the year ended 31 December 2022

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and Section 144 of the Act do not apply.

It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed :



Mr Alistair McLean
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Date :



Accounts

Trustees Annual Report for 2021 (January 1 to December 31, 2021)

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary's Church, Richmond with St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell

Aim and Purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Richmond with Hudswell is responsible for co-operating with the incumbent, the Rector of Richmond, in promoting the ecclesiastical parish and the whole mission of the Church, liturgical, evangelistic, pastoral, social and ecumenical to the people of the town of Richmond and the village of Hudswell.

The Wider Church

The Parish of Richmond and Hudswell is part of the diocese of Leeds with Rt Rev Nicholas Baines as the Diocesan Bishop of Leeds. The parish, which is in the episcopal area of Ripon under the Bishop of Ripon, Rt Rev Dr Helen-Ann Hartley, has continued to operate at local level particularly through Deanery Synod and Clergy Chapter.

Objectives and Activities

Our vision is to be a people and a place where love works.

Activities

The worship of the churches has continued and developed, based on regular mainly Eucharistic worship of the churches with the addition of non-eucharistic services particularly directed to all ages from young to old. Within our worship, retired and visiting clergy together with our team of Readers provided a major contribution.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of the parish communities. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

Consistent with the Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the specific guidance for the advancement of religion, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of the parish communities through worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus; and contributing to the provision of pastoral care for people living in or visiting the parish.

Achievements and Performance

Worship and Prayer

We continue to welcome all who wish to attend at our regular services. The regular worship of the churches in the parish and benefice continued in the established pattern, including services on all Sundays and major feast days and some weekdays. The normal pattern is that on Sundays, the 8am Eucharist continues to use the Book of Common Prayer (1662) pattern, the 10am Eucharist mainly using the Common Worship pattern in modern language, with (in most months) an all age Eucharist on the third Sunday. On the second Sunday Choral Evensong is held at 18:30 with the church choir and on occasion other singers. On the fourth Sunday of the month there is all age non-eucharistic worship in "Fun-Key Church". Directed particularly (but not exclusively) for those with little previous contact with church, Fun-Key Church is held on Sunday afternoons. Other occasional church services include Free To Be, an occasional informal Sunday evening contemplative event concluding with Eucharist or Compline and Café Church, an informal meeting with refreshments, a speaker and discussion, concluding with Compline.

This normal pattern was disrupted during 2020 by the Covid-19 restrictions and during 2021 a major feature has been the evolution of services continuing the progress started in 2020. The church has remain open for private prayer during the daytime and major services in have continued in "blended" form (difficulties with the online parts of the operation notwithstanding). The nightly Zoom Compline service started during the first Covid lockdown has continued with a mix of regular and occasional participants.

St Mary's Church is the Parish Church of Richmond and we continued the positive relationship between the church and the local community, particularly as represented by the town council. With the pandemic restrictions the usual civic service to welcome the Mayor of Richmond and St George's Day service by the Fellmongers did not take place.

The Chapel of the, now disbanded, Green Howards (formerly the 2nd Battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment) is in St Mary's Church and they are included in a brief act of remembrance before the start of the main service each Sunday. The military connection is maintained by St Mary's normally hosting a Remembrance Day parade service including army representatives of units based at Catterick Garrison in 2021 the 'Parade Service' was a live-stream of a service involving a small number of representative people gathered in the church. The annual Green Howards Association service also did not take place.

The Rector's involvement in the community includes being trustee of various local charities, acting as chaplain to Richmond Town Mayor, the leader of Richmondshire District Council, the Company of Fellmongers, the Company of Mercers, Grocers and Haberdashers and to the Green Howards Association.

As well as our regular worship and other community services, we enable our communities to celebrate and thank God at milestones through life. In Baptism we thank God for the gift of life and welcome new members into the church, in weddings, public vows are exchanged with God's blessing in the establishment of new families, and in funeral services family and friends express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and commend the person to God's keeping. During 2021 we celebrated 6 Baptisms, and 4 Weddings and held 28 Funerals in church with 12 funeral services elsewhere led by a member of our ministry team.

Buildings and Fabric

The heating system is now functioning adequately . The partially blocked heat exchangers from two of the boilers were mechanically drilled out. The third boiler's exchanger leaks but as two boilers are just sufficient so repair of this is on hold. Leaking underfloor heating pipes adjacent to the Green Howard's Chapel were replaced. A low pressure hot water heat curtain paid for by the Friends was been installed over the South door.

A leaking lead/copper joint in the clergy vestry was repaired and the Church Wynd stopcock to the clergy vestry tap was replaced.

Attempted thefts from the wall safe and candle safe have been less of a problem this year although minor incidents relating to teenagers in the church persist.

We continue to transmit the principal services by Zoom and YouTube. The AV controls have been moved to the back of the church and an additional camera has been installed overlooking the organ console.

Provisional plans for a major two story alteration to the North aisle to include meeting rooms, kitchen area and Chapel have been prepared and displayed in the church. Progress is delayed because alternative office space may be available.

The Hudswell bell is now installed in St Andrews Church in Calstock, Cornwall.

No mouse infestations were detected this year and a brief visitation from pigeons was successfully dealt with.

Richmond Deanery Synod

The Rector and three lay members of the PCC are members of Richmond Deanery Synod and a further lay member is now on Deanery Synod ex officio as a member of Diocesan Synod. The Deanery Synod covers the most northerly part of the diocese - mainly Swaledale and the area to the East towards the A19 south of the River Tees. The Rector has continued as Area Dean for the Richmond Deanery. Deanery Synod is the lowest of the tiers of Synodical Government of the Church of England and provides for direct representation of parishes in Synodical Government.

During 2021 Synod met as in February, May and October with meetings conducted on Zoom.

At the February meeting the Bishop Helen-Ann of Ripon was present. It was noted that Rev David Bartlett will be installed on 11 March as priest-in-charge of the Wiske benefice. Bishop Helen-Ann spoke about the work of the Mission and Pastoral Committee which is mostly confidential in nature but deals with appointments of clergy and similar matters. The Bishop also gave a short presentation on "Living in Love and Faith" and advised that we learn more from the website. Also there is a new self-paced course on 'Mission in a rural context', with details on the Digital Learning Platform.

The May meeting included reports on meetings of Diocesan and General Synods. At the General Synod meeting in April, safeguarding and International religious freedom, the clergy discipline measure and clergy diversity were discussed. The last diocesan synod meeting was combined with a diocesan board of finance meeting and it was noted that the diocese broke even financially in 2020. Emergence from lockdown was discussed and the need for the Diocesan Strategy to be restarted noted.

A video presentation from Theo Sheridan-Watts a development worker from Wellsprings Together was shown. Wellsprings Together aim to be an additional resource adding capacity and expertise to local efforts and work, primarily by helping with Project Development, Facilitated Reflection and Research to enhance community engagement.

At the October meeting progress on filling vacancies in the Lower Teesdale and East Dore Street Benefices was noted.

Deanery courses on "Living in Love and Faith" start this month with Deanery courses by Zoom and in person. The aim is to enable churches to participate in learning and praying together to discern ways forward on matters of identity, sexuality, relationships, and marriage.

The treasurer noted that difficulties were experienced with the Deanery bank accounts and ways of resolving this were discussed

Some matters were raised at meetings over the year. These included discussion on the appointment of Disability Officers (which the Diocese recommend each parish has) with the appointment of two such officers to parishes over the year and consideration of whether a Disability Officer with Deanery with responsibility would be a good idea.

A Deanery Facebook page was set up and advice on adding items to the Facebook page were given. Use of the page grew, initially slowly, over the year and by the October meeting there were at least forty-four regular visitors with more clergy posting.

A survey of Charitable Trusts was undertaken, particularly to establish who can add to the pool of people to act as Trustees and to encourage people to request help from various trusts. The issue of mismatch between need and stated aims of charities was discussed, with the responsibility of trustees to work out how to update aims and confirm changes with the Charity Commission.

During the year there were elections to Diocesan Synod, with two lay candidates, Steve Jackson and Ian Short, who were elected (one lay place remains open). Rev Martin Fletcher and Rev Lindsay Southern were elected to the house of clergy filling the 2 seats available.

In 2021 there were no issues requiring specific referral for general discussion at the PCC.

Pastoral Care

Historically, the Pastoral Team met quarterly. Pastoral care takes place in many ways across the church and into our community e.g. with practical assistance from The Happy Bodgers, bereavement support through After The Cards and individually, prayer support via the Prayer Circle and pew sheet, listening, visiting and home communion. From the autumn of 2020 the revised pastoral support structure involving a number of group leaders with the role of actively maintaining contact with their group from the wider congregation and acting as contacts for the general community and advising the ministry team, particularly through the Curate, of needs that became apparent, has operated.

Education

The links with Trinity Academy Richmond (the CofE Primary school), and St Francis Xavier School continue to grow. Work during the year was dominated by the continuing effects of the pandemic and the need to support pupils and staff over a very difficult period.

The Rector (from his Induction) is a Foundation Governor of SFX and of Trinity Academy Richmond and other PCC members and members of St Mary's congregation are also governors at these two schools.

Mission and Evangelism

The mission of the Church is in part provided through the regular worship and work of the clergy and laity of the parish including the PCC. Support for the activities of the Church elsewhere was more restricted than usual, with the Christian Aid week collection being cancelled. The monthly 'Charity of the month' voluntary retiring collection was continued, but continued on a more restricted basis than in earlier years with about £600 being raised and disbursed to support both British and international charities.

The Church, through the clergy, provide chaplaincy services to the local Police, and (as noted above) a local primary school. Representatives of the Church are trustees of local Charity Trusts and are members of the local councils, Town and District.

Ecumenical Relationships

The formal organisation Christians Together in Richmond was wound up some years ago, although most joint activities in the Richmond Christian communities continued much as before. Activities in 2020 were heavily constrained by pandemic restrictions. Covid restrictions meant that in 2021 Lent groups met in church or online using Zoom.

Richmond Churches continued to provide food contributions for the StoreHouse foodbank.

Other Groups and Organisations

The activities of the other groups and organisations were heavily limited by Covid restrictions and taking appropriate care only to restart when safe as the restrictions were lifted. This particularly applies to the Bible study, "Knit2gether", the Toddlers and Little Rainbows groups, the Bodgers, and St Mary's Women's Fellowship, did not meet. The "After the Cards" bereavement support maintained contact by phone.

Throughout the year the Mothers Union has tried to keep in contact with all members, though our Christmas party was put off until September! We provided in advance a vigil box for Operation London Bridge to consist of condolence book, framed photograph of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II (MU Patron), candle, and pens. Primulas were provided Mothering Sunday to all Churches in our Parish and Benefice. Support was provided to AFIA (Away from it all) holiday caravan at Filey, to Overseas missions, Make a Mothers Day and Summer of Hope. We have enrolled five new Members and a reaffirming member from another

Diocese. As in previous years, we attended all baptisms and give a card and book of bible stories to each candidate and further provided refreshments following a confirmation service.

The Bellringers returned to support worship, before the main Sunday service and for some other services.

Community Links

In 2021, community events including concerts in church restarted with performances as part of the Swaledale Festival and by the Station Singers and Fourum.

The Rector and churchwardens serve as trustees of the Thompson's Hospital Charity which is in the process of being closed down.

Safeguarding

Within the church family, safeguarding has been actively pursued for many years, in line with Diocesan guidelines.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £137492, including a bequest of £10988, 22.4% higher than in 2020. Restricted income was to £14708, 34.3% less than in 2020 (mainly following completion of the AV project).

Planned giving (including through envelopes, bankers orders, donations made using charity accounts and via the Parish Giving Scheme) was £64594, 5.3% higher than in 2020 and non-planned giving through collections was £9180, 81.7% higher than 2020 - showing a significant recovery following the Covid lockdowns of 2020. Income Tax recovered through Gift Aid was £17940 (including some from cash collections under the GASDS scheme), a reduction of 18.9% on 2020. Income Tax refunds now include some Gift Aid recovery from cash collections.

The main item of expenditure was (as usual) Diocesan Share. The the assessed amount of Share for 2021 was £95497 - the same as for 2020. Parish Share provides the main part of the income to the Diocesan budget, in which the main expenditure is on the provision of stipends, pension contributions, training and housing for the clergy of the Diocese. Parishes in the Diocese contribute Share roughly in proportion to the number of the Adult Worshipping Community and an assessment (from government statistics) of the economic standing of the general community. In the event we decided to sell investments to the value of £8000 to help pay share. This together with the response to a specific request for funds to pay share enabled payment of Share for 2021 in full.

The overall result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments of £7904 on unrestricted funds. On restricted funds there was an excess of payments over receipts of £4275.

Including bank and deposit balances the balance of unrestricted funds at the end of 2021 was £93181 an increase of £17952 (23.9%) (largely from the bequest mentioned above). At the end of the year, the value of investments (in restricted and unrestricted funds) was £73071, an increase of £2176 (3.1%) as compared with the end of 2020 even after the sale of investments to support Share payment.

Reserves Policy

In line with Diocesan guidelines, it is PCC policy to aim to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds approximately equal to three months unrestricted payments corresponding to about £35000, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of £93181 held in unrestricted funds at the year end formally meets this target. On a day to day

basis, the PCC tries to maintain cash balance of about £25000 to enable direct payment of incoming bills.

The balance of £703 in the Fabric (restricted) fund is retained to help cover the cost of repairs and maintenance of the church building.

Investments are generally held in Church of England Funds.

Volunteers

The role of the parish church would be significantly reduced but for the many volunteers (about 100 individuals many with multiple voluntary roles), who regard their contribution as their witness of faith. They demonstrate their realisation of the importance of the sustainability of the mission and witness of the Church within the communities of Richmond and Hudswell. Apart from the Rector and Curate every key post on the PCC was staffed by volunteers including Lay Vice chair, Churchwardens, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary and Team Leaders. In worship, volunteers assist in many ways, notably Readers, musicians, servers, lesson readers and intercessors. Our worship and other activities are supported by voluntary cleaners, caterers and gardeners.

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (the Rector of Richmond), the churchwardens of the two churches, the readers, three members of Deanery Synod elected in 2020 (for 3 year terms) further lay members elected for three year terms by respective Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs). There may also be co-opted members.

All who regularly attend our services or are members of our congregations are encouraged to be registered on the electoral roll of the parish and to take part in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and to stand for election to the PCC.

As of the APCM there were 159 people on the electoral roll - an increase of 18 from the reported figure for 2020.

The PCC members are responsible for taking decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The full PCC met for ordinary meetings on 6 occasions in 2021 with an average attendance of 15 members.

Given the wide range of responsibilities in a benefice of this size, the PCC has a number of committees/teams which look after particular areas. These committees, which include Finance, Estate, Worship, Charitable Giving, Fund Raising, Communications and Pastoral teams, are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it regularly at PCC meetings on what has been discussed, make recommendations to the PCC for decision and action, and confirm completion of actions previously authorised by the PCC.

Administrative Information

St Mary's Church Richmond is the parish church of the town of Richmond and is situated on Station Road, Richmond. St Michael and All Angels' church was the parish church of the village of Hudswell and is situated back from Hudswell Lane, towards the western end of the village. Worship was suspended in 2016 and the church is now closed. The parish also includes Holy Trinity chapel in Richmond Market Place (originally part of a chapel of ease within the bailey of Richmond Castle). The united parish is part of a larger benefice, which also includes the parish of Downholme and Marske having the churches of St Michael and All Angels, Downholme and St Edmund, Marske, which benefice is part of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020 Edition) and is registered charity No 1132585.

The PCC members who served during 2021 are:

Ex Officio Members

Rector: Rev Martin Fletcher (Chairman)

Assistant Curate:

Rev Paul Sunderland

Readers: Scott Lunn

Elected Members

Churchwardens for St Mary's Richmond

Peter Trewby (re-elected at AVM in April 2021)

Jan Jack (re-elected at AVM in April 2021)

Members of Deanery Synod:

Jonathan Roberts (re-elected at APCM in November 2020)

Susan Welch (re-elected at APCM in November 2020)

Claire Murray (to resignation in May 2021)

Ian Short (from election to Diocesan Synod in May 2021)

Other elected lay members:

Jan Beeton

John Challis (from APCM in April 2021)

Margaret Clayson (to APCM in April 2021)

David Frankton

Sheila Harrisson (to APCM in April 2021)

Pamela Holland (from APCM in November 2020)

Andy Lovell (from APCM in November 2020)

Sharon McCormack

Wendy Pritchard

Leonard Scrafton (to APCM in April 2021)

Susan Scrafton (from APCM in April 2021)

Christine Stedman

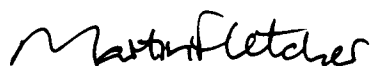
Officers:

Paul Carnell Treasurer (but not a PCC member)

Colin Hicks)PCC Secretary

Sharon McCormack)

Approved by the PCC on 12 October 2022 and signed on their behalf by Rev Martin Fletcher
(PCC Chair)



Rev Martin Fletcher

**St. Mary's, Richmond
with
St. Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell
Parochial Church Council**

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2021**

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

Summary

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £
RECEIPTS			
Voluntary Receipts	122,088	10,889	132,977
Activities for generating funds	6,893	140	7,033
Investment income	2,062	-	2,062
Church activities	6,450	1,765	8,215
Other Receipts	-	1,914	1,914
Total receipts	137,492	14,708	152,200
PAYMENTS			
Diocesan parish contribution	95,497	-	95,497
Clergy and staffing costs	8,214	-	8,214
Church running expenses	21,218	1,091	22,309
Church repairs & maintenance	316	6,588	6,904
Mission giving and donations	329	604	934
Cost of generating funds	3,426	-	3,426
Other payments	588	10,699	11,287
Total payments	129,589	18,983	148,571
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	7,904	(4,275)	3,629

Approved by the PCC on 16th March 2022 and signed on their behalf.


 The Reverend Martin Fletcher - Rector


 Mr Paul Carnell - Treasurer

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Independent examiner's report to the members on the unaudited financial statements of St Mary's Church, Richmond for the year ended 31 December 2021

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and Section 144 of the Act do not apply.

It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

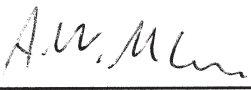
Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

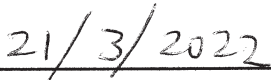
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed : 

Mr Alistair McLean
Dairy Cottage
48 Hurgill Road
Richmond
North Yorkshire
DL10 4SZ

Date : 

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Receipts and Payments accounts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts:					
Planned giving	1a	64,594	-	64,594	61,315
Collections at Services	1b	9,180	604	9,784	5,565
All other giving/voluntary receipts	1c	30,996	9,662	40,659	32,131
Gift Aid recovered	1d	17,317	623	17,940	22,124
		<u>122,088</u>	<u>10,889</u>	<u>132,977</u>	<u>121,136</u>
Activities for generating funds	1e	6,893	140	7,033	6,792
Investment income		2,062	-	2,062	2,009
Church activities	1f	6,450	1,765	8,215	4,619
Other Receipts	1g	-	1,914	1,914	130
Total receipts		<u>137,492</u>	<u>14,708</u>	<u>152,200</u>	<u>134,686</u>
PAYMENTS					
Church activities:					
Diocesan parish contribution		95,497	-	95,497	66,848
Clergy and staffing costs	2a	8,214	-	8,214	9,347
Church running expenses	2b	21,218	1,091	22,309	27,313
Church repairs & maintenance	2c	316	6,588	6,904	13,165
Mission giving and donations		329	604	934	647
		<u>125,574</u>	<u>8,283</u>	<u>133,858</u>	<u>117,319</u>
Cost of generating funds	2d	3,426	-	3,426	3,678
New work to the church		-	-	-	27,899
Other payments	2e	588	10,699	11,287	706
Total payments		<u>129,589</u>	<u>18,983</u>	<u>148,571</u>	<u>149,603</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		7,904	(4,275)	3,629	(14,917)
Transfers between funds		(4,275)	4,275	-	-
Exceptional item - sale of shares		8,000	-	8,000	-
Balance of funds held for third parties		-	-	-	512
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January		<u>21,577</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21,577</u>	<u>35,982</u>
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December		<u>33,206</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>33,206</u>	<u>21,577</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
Cash Funds				
HSBC current account	12,359	-	12,359	11,117
HSBC Deposit account	20,847	-	20,847	10,460
	<u>33,206</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,206</u>	<u>21,577</u>
Investment Assets				
Investment Fund shares at market value	59,974	13,097	73,071	70,895
	<u>59,974</u>	<u>13,097</u>	<u>73,071</u>	<u>70,895</u>
Total financial assets	<u>93,181</u>	<u>13,097</u>	<u>106,277</u>	<u>92,472</u>
Liabilities				
Outstanding Diocesan Parish contribution	-	-	0	28,649
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>28,649</u>

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

The movements in Designated and Restricted funds during the year were:

	Bal b/fwd	Transfers	Receipts	Payments	Bal c/fwd
<u>Designated</u>					
Anne Simpson Legacy Fund	-	10,988	-	-	10,988
	<u>0</u>	<u>10,988</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,988</u>

<u>Restricted</u>					
Bell Fund	4,205	-	4,474	(7,579)	1,100
Fabric Fund	2,794	-	1,184	(3,276)	703
Fun-Key Church	431	-	-	-	431
Youth Church Fund	208	-	-	-	208
Organ Fund	4,189	-	1,765	-	5,954
Choristers Fund	977	-	250	-	1,227
Audio-Visual Fund	2,820	-	480	-	3,300
Boiler Appeal Fund	2,057	-	3,251	(5,154)	154
Hudswell Church (fund now closed)	(459)	129	2,700	(2,370)	0
Charity of the Month	21	-	604	(604)	21
	<u>17,244</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>14,708</u>	<u>(18,983)</u>	<u>13,097</u>

<u>Bell Fund</u>	Receipts: final portion of Heritage Lottery Fund grant for Bell Exhibition Payments: Bell Exhibition costs
<u>Fabric Fund</u>	Receipts: Insurance claim, damage to Rectory wall Payments: £1,434 Rectory wall repair; £1,842 to architects for Re-Ordering feasibility study
<u>Organ Fund</u>	Receipts: Use of organ fees from wedding and funeral fees
<u>Choristers Fund</u>	Receipts: £200 donation plus £50 Gift-Aid
<u>Audio-Visual Fund</u>	Receipts: £320 donations; £160 Gift-Aid
<u>Boiler Appeal Fund</u>	Receipts: £2,698 donations; £383 gift-aid; £140 Concert proceeds Payments: Various repairs
<u>Hudswell Church</u>	Receipts: £1,970 duplicate reimbursement from LDBF; £32 electricity refund; £698 insurance refund Payments: £56 electricity; £1,017 insurance; £18 upkeep of churchyard £1,279 return of duplicate reimbursement with final costs deducted
<u>Charity of the Month</u>	Collected for: USPG; Alzheimer's Society; Homestart; MacMillan Nurses; The Samaritans; Women's Refuge Darlington

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Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (1)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
1a Planned Giving				
Standing Orders	55,332	-	55,332	55,544
Numbered Giving Envelopes	1,513	-	1,513	1,571
CAF Standing Orders	4,800	-	4,800	4,200
via The Parish Giving Scheme	2,950	-	2,950	-
	<u>64,594</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,594</u>	<u>61,315</u>
1b Collections at Services				
Regular Sunday Services	1,766	-	1,766	2,375
Fun-Key Church	5	-	5	-
Holy Trinity	709	-	709	210
Contactless via the Goodplate	1,737	-	1,737	224
Wedding Collections	145	-	145	-
Funeral Collections	3,905	-	3,905	1,758
Baptism Collections	153	-	153	116
Other Services	760	-	760	369
Charity of the Month	-	604	604	514
	<u>9,180</u>	<u>604</u>	<u>9,784</u>	<u>5,565</u>
1c All Other Giving/Voluntary Receipts				
General Donations	10,010	200	10,210	11,632
Appeal to help pay Parish Share Request	5,050	-	5,050	-
Yellow giving envelopes	1,463	-	1,463	1,151
Website Donations	1,676	-	1,676	1,183
Contactless via GoodBox device	809	-	809	270
Bequests	11,988	-	11,988	8
Grant to Bells Fund	-	4,474	4,474	-
Donations to Boiler Appeal	-	2,698	2,698	3,544
Donations to Audio-Visual Fund	-	320	320	521
Grants to Boiler Appeal Fund (reclaimed VAT)	-	-	-	1,175
Grants to Organ Blower Fund	-	-	-	1,232
Grants to Audio-Visual Fund	-	-	-	5,756
Hudswell costs reimbursed by Diocese	-	1,970	1,970	5,659
	<u>30,996</u>	<u>9,662</u>	<u>40,659</u>	<u>32,131</u>
1d Gift-Aid Recovered				
Directly from HMRC Charities	16,580	623	17,202	22,124
via The Parish Giving Scheme	738	-	738	-
	<u>17,317</u>	<u>623</u>	<u>17,940</u>	<u>22,124</u>
1e Activities for Generating Funds				
Parish Magazine	4,133	-	4,133	3,474
Hire of St. Mary's	969	-	969	1,020
Sales (cards and mugs)	14	-	14	-
200 Club	1,705	-	1,705	1,220
Concerts	72	140	212	428
Jane Hatcher's book	-	-	-	58
Schiehallion Horn Trio Concert	-	-	-	593
	<u>6,893</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>7,033</u>	<u>6,792</u>
1f Church Activities				
Funeral Fees	5,788	-	5,788	3,405
Wedding Fees	662	-	662	794
Use of Organ Fees (to Organ Fund)	-	1,765	1,765	420
	<u>6,450</u>	<u>1,765</u>	<u>8,215</u>	<u>4,619</u>
1g Other Receipts				
Hudswell Church electricity & insurance refunds	-	730	730	-
Insurance claim, Rectory wall	-	1,184	1,184	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,914</u>	<u>1,914</u>	<u>-</u>

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Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (2)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
2a Clergy and Staffing Costs				
Curate's expenses	1,151	-	1,151	687
Vicar's expenses	1,000	-	1,000	1,459
Administrator's salary	5,065	-	5,065	6,240
Treasurer's fees	998	-	998	960
	<u>8,214</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,214</u>	<u>9,347</u>
2b Church running expenses				
Church building running expenses	12,006	1,091	13,097	16,747
Upkeep of services	1,192	-	1,192	1,252
Organists & Choirmaster	7,405	-	7,405	7,480
Music costs	-	-	-	75
Service fees occasional	-	-	-	120
Other church running expenses	615	-	615	1,639
	<u>21,218</u>	<u>1,091</u>	<u>22,309</u>	<u>27,313</u>
2c Church repairs and maintenance				
Plumbing repairs	288	-	288	1,609
Inspection of fire equipment	-	-	-	110
Boiler repairs	-	5,154	5,154	4,646
Repairs to Rectory wall	-	1,434	1,434	-
Various small items	28	-	28	79
Acoustic screen in tower	-	-	-	851
Stone & slate repairs, weathervane refurbishment	-	-	-	2,298
Organ repairs	-	-	-	3,433
Lightning protection	-	-	-	138
	<u>316</u>	<u>6,588</u>	<u>6,904</u>	<u>13,165</u>
2d Cost of generating funds				
Church cards	-	-	-	84
Parish magazine	2,641	-	2,641	1,885
200 Club	700	-	700	500
Hire of Town Hall	20	-	20	-
Contactless transaction fees	65	-	65	43
Purchase of GBx Core device	-	-	-	416
Schiehallion Horn trio concert	-	-	-	750
	<u>3,426</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,426</u>	<u>3,678</u>
2e Other payments				
Bell exhibition	-	7,579	7,579	-
Re-Ordering feasibility study	-	1,842	1,842	-
Return of duplicate Diocesan reimbursement	-	1,279	1,279	-
Sundry expense	588	-	588	706
	<u>588</u>	<u>10,699</u>	<u>11,287</u>	<u>706</u>

Accounts

Trustees Annual Report for 2020 (January 1 to December 31, 2020)

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary's Church, Richmond with St Michael and All Angels Church, Hudswell

Aim and Purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Richmond with Hudswell is responsible for co-operating with the incumbent, the Rector of Richmond, in promoting the ecclesiastical parish and the whole mission of the Church, liturgical, evangelistic, pastoral, social and ecumenical to the people of the town of Richmond and the village of Hudswell.

The Wider Church

The Parish of Richmond and Hudswell is part of the diocese of Leeds with Rt Rev Nicholas Baines as the Diocesan Bishop of Leeds. The parish, which is in the episcopal area of Ripon under the Bishop of Ripon, Rt Rev Dr Helen-Ann Hartley, has continued to operate at local level particularly through Deanery Synod and Clergy Chapter.

Objectives and Activities

Our vision is to be a people and a place where love works.

Activities

The worship of the churches has continued and developed, based on regular mainly eucharistic worship of the churches with the addition of non-eucharistic services particularly directed to all ages from young to old. Within our worship, retired and visiting clergy together with our team of Readers provided a major contribution.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of the parish communities. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

Consistent with the Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the specific guidance for the advancement of religion, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of the parish communities through worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus; and contributing to the provision of pastoral care for people living in or visiting the parish.

Achievements and Performance

Worship and Prayer

We continue to welcome all who wish to attend at our regular services. The regular worship of the churches in the parish and benefice continued in the established pattern, including services on all Sundays and major feast days and some weekdays. The normal pattern is that on Sundays, the 8am Eucharist continues to use the Book of Common Prayer (1662) pattern, the 10am Eucharist mainly using the Common Worship pattern in modern language, with (in most months) an all age Eucharist on the third Sunday. On the second Sunday Choral Evensong is held at 18:30 with the church choir and on occasion other singers. On the fourth Sunday of the month there is all age non-eucharistic worship in "Fun-Key Church". Directed particularly (but not exclusively) for those with little previous contact with church, Fun-Key Church is held on Sunday afternoons. Other occasional church services include Free To Be, an occasional informal Sunday evening contemplative event concluding with Eucharist or Compline and Café Church, an informal meeting with refreshments, a speaker and discussion, concluding with Compline.

This normal pattern was disrupted by the Covid-19 lockdown starting in late March. All services in the church ceased during the strictest phase of lockdown restrictions. Sunday services continued, initially at 10:00 am on Sundays by Zoom with the priest broadcasting a celebration of the Eucharist from home. An addition to our services was a nightly Compline service by Zoom, which over the months widened to become a Deanery service and has as a regular member an anglican priest from near Greenwich.

As lockdown restrictions eased, the church was re-opened for private prayer and services in church were restarted, initially with just the celebrant and key lay people present to operate communications by Zoom and YouTube, with lay congregation returning over the following months. Church services continued to be "blended" - in person and circulated by Zoom and on YouTube throughout the remainder of the year.

St Mary's Church is the Parish Church of Richmond and we continued the positive relationship between the church and the local community, particularly as represented by the town council. With the pandemic restrictions the usual civic service to welcome the Mayor of Richmond and St George's Day service by the Fellmongers did not take place in 2020.

The Chapel of the, now disbanded, Green Howards (formerly the 2nd Battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment) is in St Mary's Church and they are included in a brief act of remembrance before the start of the main service each Sunday. The military connection is maintained by St Mary's normally hosting a Remembrance Day parade service including army representatives of units based at Catterick Garrison and the annual Green Howards Association service. Because of the pandemic restrictions this did not happen in 2020.

The Rector's involvement in the community includes being trustee of various local charities, acting as chaplain to Richmond Town Mayor, the leader of Richmondshire District Council, the Company of Fellmongers and to the Green Howards Association.

St Michael and All Angels Church has now formally been closed and proposals for the Diocese to sell to building for use as social housing are under way.

As well as our regular worship and other community services, we enable our communities to celebrate and thank God at milestones through life. In Baptism we thank God for the gift of life and welcome new members into the church, in weddings, public vows are exchanged with God's blessing in the establishment of new families, and in funeral services family and friends express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and commend the person to God's keeping. During 2020, even though such events were limited because of pandemic restrictions, we celebrated 2 Baptisms, and 1 Weddings and held 58 Funerals.

Once the strictest level of lockdown was lifted, the Church was opened for Covid-safe private prayer so far as possible during daylight hours, even before services in church were resumed.

Buildings and Fabric

The Quinquennial Review in 2019 had noted that work on gutter and roof maintenance and pointing were required. An investigation on repointing over the East window was carried out. Following the problems to the heating system caused by pipe corrosion, further remedial work on the boiler system has been carried out.

A CCTV has been installed and has been effective in reducing petty theft.

The new AV system was successfully installed and is in use, particularly effectively in relaying services from the church to members of the congregation by Zoom and YouTube.

Other matters included that a mouse infestation was dealt with; repairs to the organ were carried out and that the weathervane was regilded and refixed.

Matters identified for future action included work on the guttering, flagpole and lightning conductor (a quotation for an annual inspection of the gutters will be sought); work is needed

to repair some pointing and to provide an apron on the West window (at an estimated cost of £2200); the roof over the South Porch needed repair; and the font hood and pulley system should be checked to ensure safety.

Steps to make St Mary's church as Covid-safe as practical included, providing signage on Covid-safe attendance; sanitizer stations; a box of masks (if people forgot their own); and a signing in system to assist Track and Trace if required.

For St Michael and All Angels Hudswell, the church windows were repaired and a process to move the bell from the church (then in St Mary's) to Cranstone were put in hand.

Richmond Deanery Synod

The Rector and three lay members of the PCC are members of Richmond Deanery Synod (which covers the most northerly part of the diocese - mainly Swaledale and the area to the East towards the A19 south of the River Tees). The Rector has continued as Area Dean for the Richmond Deanery. Deanery Synod is the lowest of the tiers of Synodical Government of the Church of England and provides for direct representation of parishes in Synodical Government.

During 2020 Synod met as usual in February, but Covid restrictions caused the cancellation of the June meeting and the October meeting was held by Zoom.

At the February meeting (before the first Covid lockdown) the Area Dean reported that lay and clergy representation on Synod will be reviewed after elections due this year; that there are vacancies in the East Dere Street and Wiske benefices; and that appointing Chalice Assistants has been simplified.

Given that "we seem to be running to stand still" the Area Dean suggested that we use 2020 for Consolidation. The Diocesan Strategy is the outcome of much effort (sometimes seeming to go backwards) and Bishop Helen-Ann asks us to take on the Strategy and adapt it to our context. Using this year for Synod to discern the focus for the future seems sensible.

The idea of a deanery pilgrimage possibly for 2021 was seen as a good idea and the Standing committee will bring proposals forward.

The October meeting took place on Zoom and the Area Dean noted that the vacancy for the Wiske benefice has given three applicants and that East Dere Street had been advertised with a closing date later in the month. The Lower Teesdale Court case yielded a not guilty verdict but the incumbent was still suspended pending review by the Diocesan Safeguarding Office.

A report on the Diocesan Synod noted largely technical business on budgets and similar issues and included a report back from the General Synod one day Zoom meeting to deal with essential business and amend rules to enable votes on Zoom for things like budgets.

The experience of various churches during the lockdown and post lockdown periods was expressed - some found Zoom or similar useful, others did not. The payment of Share was a particular concern.

The Area Dean suggested we might be able to share with each other better through a deanery web site. Comments includes that the web site is kept simple with links to other social media and that a web site would need someone maintain it

In 2020 there were no issues requiring specific referral for general discussion at the PCC.

Pastoral Care

Historically, the Pastoral Team met quarterly. Pastoral care takes place in many ways across the church and into our community e.g. with practical assistance from The Happy Bodgers, bereavement support through After The Cards and individually, prayer support via the Prayer Circle and pew sheet, listening, visiting and home communion. During lockdown, pastoral care was enhanced to ensure contact with the congregation and wider community to ensure

that help could be effectively provided with the restrictions of lockdown. In the Autumn, a revised structure was put in place with a number of group leaders having the role of actively maintaining contact with their group from the wider congregation and acting as contacts for the general community and advising the ministry team, particularly through the Curate, of needs that became apparent.

Education

The links with the CofE Primary school, now re-named as Trinity Academy Richmond, and St Francis Xavier School continue to grow. Work during the year was dominated by the effects of the pandemic and the need to support pupils and staff over a very difficult period.

The Diocese of Leeds part funds the school chaplain, Rachel Ross Russell at SFX. The Rector (from his Induction) is a Foundation Governor of SFX and of Trinity Academy Richmond and other PCC members and members of St Mary's congregation are also governors at these two schools.

Mission and Evangelism

The mission of the Church is in part provided through the regular worship and work of the clergy and laity of the parish including the PCC. Support for the activities of the Church elsewhere was more restricted than usual, with the Christian Aid week collection being cancelled. The monthly 'Charity of the month' voluntary retiring collection was continued, but on a much more restricted basis than usual with only about £500 being raised and disbursed to support both British and international charities. Members of the Congregation were, however, encouraged to give directly to each supported charity through its own website.

The Church, through the clergy, provide chaplaincy services to the local Police, and (as noted above) a local primary school. Representatives of the Church are trustees of local Charity Trusts and are members of the local councils, Town and District.

Ecumenical Relationships

The formal organisation Christians Together in Richmond was wound up some years ago, although most joint activities in the Richmond Christian communities continued much as before. Activities in 2020 were heavily constrained by pandemic restrictions. Lent groups were started, but curtailed by the first lockdown, though efforts to continue the study groups online using Zoom were modestly successful.

Richmond Churches continued to provide food contributions for the StoreHouse foodbank.

Other Groups and Organisations

For practical purposes, the other groups and organisations ceased to actively meet once lockdown came into effect. This particularly applies to the Bible study, "After the Cards", "Knit2gether", Monday morning Toddlers and Little Rainbows groups, the Mothers Union (after it's new year meeting in January) and St Mary's Women's Fellowship. Despite Coronavirus restrictions many of the groups sought to maintain contact by telephone.

When the pandemic restrictions were lifted the Bellringers returned to support worship, initially with as few as 4 bells, before the main Sunday service and for some other services. A Community and Fundraising Group continued, but with very restricted activities.

Community Links

The usual concerts and other events held in St Mary's church did not happen in 2020 because of pandemic restrictions.

The Rector and churchwardens serve as trustees of the Thompson's Hospital Charity which is in the process of being closed down.

Safeguarding

Within the church family, safeguarding has been actively pursued for many years, in line with Diocesan guidelines. The Covid pandemic largely prevented further enhancement of the training of church members on safeguarding.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £112307. Restricted income amounted to £22380.

Planned giving (including through envelopes, bankers orders and donations made using charity accounts) was £61315, 5.7% higher than in 2019, non-planned giving through collections was £5052, 69% lower than in 2019. Income Tax recovered through Gift Aid was £22124 (including some from cash collections under the GASDS scheme), an increase of 69% on 2019. Income Tax refunds now include some Gift Aid recovery from cash collections.

The main item of expenditure was (as usual) Diocesan Share. The impact of the pandemic on our funds meant that we were unable to pay Share in full. In the event £66848 was paid representing 70% of the assessed amount of £95497 which was 5.2% (£4680) higher than in 2019. Parish Share provides the main part of the income to the Diocesan budget, in which the main expenditure is on the provision of stipends, pension contributions, training and housing for the clergy of the Diocese. Parishes in the Diocese contribute Share roughly in proportion to the number of the Adult Worshipping Community and an assessment (from government statistics) of the economic standing of the general community.

The net result for the year is that, mainly because of the partial payment of Share, there was, largely because of the underpayment of Parish Share of £28649 an excess of receipts over payments of £7908 on unrestricted funds (allowing for the Share underpayment equivalent to a deficit of £20741). On restricted funds there was an excess of payments over receipts of £22825 (mainly completion of payment for the AV system).

Including bank and deposit balances the balance of unrestricted funds at the end of 2020 was £75229 a nominal increase of £9400 (14.2%) (but excluding the underpayment of Share. By the end of the year, the value of investments (in restricted and unrestricted funds) was £70895, an increase of £4430 (6.7%) as compared with the end of 2019.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to aim to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds approximately equal to three months unrestricted payments corresponding to about £30000, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of £75229 held in unrestricted funds at the year end formally meets this target. On a day to day basis, the PCC tries to maintain cash balance of about £25000 to enable direct payment of incoming bills. A deliberate decision was made not to immediately liquidate longer term investment assets to maintain liquid funds because of the (hoped temporary) substantial reduction in investment values at the start of the pandemic.

The balance of £2794 in the Fabric (restricted) fund is retained to cover the cost of repairs and maintenance of the church building.

Investments are generally held in Church of England Funds.

Volunteers

The role of the parish church would be significantly reduced but for the many volunteers (about 100 individuals many with multiple voluntary roles), who regard their contribution as their witness of faith. They demonstrate their realisation of the importance of the sustainability of the mission and witness of the Church within the communities of Richmond and Hudswell. Apart from the Rector and Curate every key post on the PCC was staffed by volunteers including Lay Vice chair, Churchwardens, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary and

Team Leaders. In worship, volunteers assist in many ways, notably Readers, musicians, servers, lesson readers and intercessors. Our worship and other activities are supported by voluntary cleaners, caterers and gardeners.

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (the Rector of Richmond), the churchwardens of the two churches, the readers, three members of Deanery Synod elected in 2020 (for 3 year terms) further lay members elected for three year terms by respective Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs). There may also be co-opted members.

All who regularly attend our services or are members of our congregations are encouraged to be registered on the electoral roll of the parish and to take part in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and to stand for election to the PCC. Exceptionally, in view of the Coronavirus lockdown and subsequent restrictions, the Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM) - to elect Churchwardens - and APCM were delayed, as provided by an Instrument under Section 10 of the Churchwardens Measure and Rule 78 of the Church Representation Rules signed by the Bishop of Leeds, and held in "blended" form from St Mary's church (with a Zoom relay) on 15 November 2020.

As of the APCM there were 141 people on the electoral roll - a reduction of 2 from the reported figure for 2019, 18 of whom lived outside the parish.

The PCC members are responsible for taking decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The full PCC met for ordinary meetings on 6 occasions in 2020 (2 in person and 4 by Zoom) with an average attendance of 15 members.

Given the wide range of responsibilities in a benefice of this size, the PCC has a number of committees/teams which look after particular areas. These committees, which include Finance, Estate, Worship, Charitable Giving, Fund Raising, Communications and Pastoral teams, are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it regularly at PCC meetings on what has been discussed, make recommendations to the PCC for decision and action, and confirm completion of actions previously authorised by the PCC.

Administrative Information

St Mary's Church Richmond is the parish church of the town of Richmond and is situated on Station Road, Richmond. St Michael and All Angels' church was the parish church of the village of Hudswell and is situated back from Hudswell Lane, towards the western end of the village. Worship was suspended in 2016 and the church is now closed. The parish also includes Holy Trinity chapel in Richmond Market Place (originally part of a chapel of ease within the bailey of Richmond Castle). The united parish is part of a larger benefice, which also includes the parish of Downholme and Marske having the churches of St Michael and All Angels, Downholme and St Edmund, Marske, which benefice is part of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules as amended up to 1 January 2020) and is registered charity No 1132585.

The PCC members who served during 2020 are:

Ex Officio Members

Rector: Rev Martin Fletcher (Chairman)

Assistant Curate:

Rev Paul Sunderland (from Appointment in July 2020)

Readers: Scott Lunn

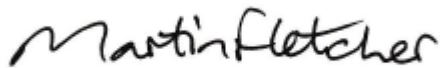
Gillian Lunn (also PCC Lay Vice Chair until November 2020)

Elected Members

Churchwardens for St Mary's Richmond

David Frankton	(to AVM in November 2020)
Peter Trewby	(re-elected at AVM in November 2020)
Jan Jack	(elected at AVM in November 2020)
Members of Deanery Synod:	
Jonathan Roberts	(re-elected at APCM in November 2020)
Susan Welch	(re-elected at APCM in November 2020)
Claire Murray	(re-elected at APCM in November 2020)
Other elected lay members:	
Jan Beton	
Margaret Clayson	
David Frankton	(from APCM in November 2020)
Sheila Harrisson	
Pamela Holland	(from APCM in November 2020)
Sarah Love	(to APCM in November 2020)
Andy Lovell	(from APCM in November 2020)
Alastair Lunn	(to APCM in November 2020)
Sharon McCormack	
Jennifer Patrick	(to APCM in November 2020)
Wendy Pritchard	
Leonard Scrafton	
Christine Stedman	
Officers:	
Paul Carnell	Treasurer (but not a PCC member)
Sharon McCormack	PCC Secretary

Approved by the PCC on 16 September 2020 and signed on their behalf by Rev Martin Fletcher (PCC Chair)



Rev Martin Fletcher

**St. Mary's, Richmond
with
St. Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell
Parochial Church Council**

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

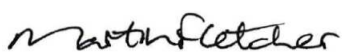
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Summary

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £
RECEIPTS			
Voluntary Receipts	99,769	21,366	121,136
Activities for generating funds	6,199	593	6,792
Investment income	2,009	-	2,009
Church activities	4,199	420	4,619
Other Receipts	130	-	130
Total receipts	112,307	22,380	134,686
PAYMENTS			
Diocesan parish contribution	66,848	-	66,848
Clergy and staffing costs	9,347	-	9,347
Church running expenses	22,756	4,557	27,313
Church repairs & maintenance	1,714	11,451	13,165
Mission giving and donations	100	547	647
Cost of generating funds	2,928	750	3,678
Quinquennial costs	-	-	-
New building work to the church	-	27,899	27,899
Other payments	706	-	706
Total payments	104,399	45,204	149,603
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	7,908	(22,825)	(14,917)

Approved by the PCC on 17th March 2020 and signed on their behalf.



The Reverend Martin Fletcher - Rector



Mr Paul Carnell - Treasurer

St Mary's, Richmond, with St Michael's and All Angels, Hudswell PCC

Independent examiner's report to the members on the unaudited financial statements of St Mary's Church, Richmond for the year ended 31 December 2020

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2020 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and Section 144 of the Act do not apply.

It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

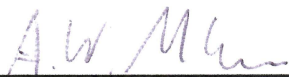
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

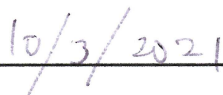
- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed :



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Date :



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Receipts and Payments accounts

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £
RECEIPTS							
Voluntary Receipts:							
Planned giving	1a	61,315	-	61,315	58,001	-	58,001
Collections at Services	1b	5,052	514	5,565	16,227	2,570	18,797
All other giving/voluntary receipts	1c	12,540	19,591	32,131	7,672	27,935	35,607
Gift Aid recovered		20,862	1,262	22,124	13,061	323	13,384
		<u>99,769</u>	<u>21,366</u>	<u>121,136</u>	<u>94,961</u>	<u>30,828</u>	<u>125,789</u>
Activities for generating funds	1d	6,199	593	6,792	14,656	242	14,898
Investment income		2,009	-	2,009	1,962	-	1,962
Church activities	1e	4,199	420	4,619	9,870	3,310	13,180
Other Receipts		<u>130</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total receipts		<u>112,307</u>	<u>22,380</u>	<u>134,686</u>	<u>121,450</u>	<u>34,380</u>	<u>155,829</u>
PAYMENTS							
Church activities:							
Diocesan parish contribution		66,848	-	66,848	90,817	-	90,817
Clergy and staffing costs	2a	9,347	-	9,347	9,255	-	9,255
Church running expenses	2b	22,756	4,557	27,313	25,686	4,047	29,733
Church repairs & maintenance	2c	1,714	11,451	13,165	3,444	3,817	7,261
Mission giving and donations		100	547	647	-	2,570	2,570
		<u>100,765</u>	<u>16,555</u>	<u>117,319</u>	<u>129,202</u>	<u>10,434</u>	<u>139,636</u>
Cost of generating funds	2d	2,928	750	3,678	1,904	-	1,904
Quinquennial Costs		-	-	-	1,176	-	1,176
New work to the church	2e	-	27,899	27,899	-	7,323	7,323
Other payments		<u>706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>706</u>	<u>556</u>	<u>469</u>	<u>1,025</u>
Total payments		<u>104,399</u>	<u>45,204</u>	<u>149,603</u>	<u>132,838</u>	<u>18,226</u>	<u>151,064</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		7,908	(22,825)	(14,917)	(11,388)	16,153	4,765
Transfers between funds		(6,671)	6,671	-	-	-	-
Balance of funds held for third parties		512	-	512	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January		<u>19,829</u>	<u>16,153</u>	<u>35,982</u>	<u>31,217</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>31,217</u>
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December		<u>21,577</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21,577</u>	<u>19,829</u>	<u>16,153</u>	<u>35,982</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Cash Funds				
HSBC current account	11,117	-	11,117	18,243
Debtors	-	-	-	0
Creditors	-	-	-	(2,355)
Uncleared cheques	-	-	-	(530)
HSBC Deposit account	10,460	-	10,460	20,253
Cash in hand	-	-	-	372
	<u>21,577</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,577</u>	<u>35,982</u>
Investment Assets				
Investment Fund shares at market value	53,652	17,243	70,895	66,465
	<u>75,229</u>	<u>17,243</u>	<u>92,472</u>	<u>102,447</u>
Total financial assets				
	<u>75,229</u>	<u>17,243</u>	<u>92,472</u>	<u>102,447</u>
Liabilities				
Outstanding Diocesan Parish contribution	28,649	-	28,649	-

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

The movements in restricted funds during the year were:

	Bal b/fwd	Transfer from Unrestricted	Transfer to Unrestricted	Receipts	Payments	Bal c/fwd
Bell Fund	4,964	-	-	92	(851)	4,205
Fabric Fund	4,342	-	-	750	(2,298)	2,794
Fun-Key Church	941	-	-	-	(510)	431
Youth Church Fund	200	-	-	8	-	208
Organ Fund	5,092	-	-	3,280	(4,183)	4,189
Choristers Fund	917	-	-	60	-	977
Toilet-Twinning Fund	54	-	-	-	(54)	0
Audio-Visual Fund	24,313	-	-	6,407	(27,899)	2,820
Boiler Appeal Fund	1,317	-	-	5,610	(4,869)	2,057
Hudswell Church	(2,072)	-	-	5,659	(4,046)	(459)
Charity of the Month	-	-	-	514	(493)	21
	<u>40,069</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>22,380</u>	<u>(45,204)</u>	<u>17,243</u>

Bell Fund

Receipt: gift-aid on 2019 donation towards flagpole repair

Payment: works to acoustic screen in bell tower

Fabric Fund

Receipts: £600 donation for refurbishment of weathervane plus £150 Gift-aid claimed on the donation

Payment: stone & slate repairs, refurbishment of weathervane

Fun-Key Church

Payments: £399 for laptop, mouse & cables for AV system; £111 various small items

Youth Church

Receipt: ash donation

Organ Fund

Receipts: £750 performer costs (Schiehallion Horn Trio concert) donated by businesses; £593 proceeds of the concert; £150 grant from Skinners; £1,082 reclaimed VAT on repairs; £285 donations; £420 'use of organ' fees
Payments: £750 performer fees (Schiehallion Horn Trio concert); £3,433 repairs

Choristers Fund

Receipt: Donation in return for an old pedalboard acquired from Colin Hicks

Toilet Twinning Fund

Payment: Sent to twin with a Latrine in Ramba, South Dolo, Indonesia (Fund now closed)

Audio-Visual Fund

Receipts: Grants: £2,500 from Garfield Weston Foundation; £1,625 from the Co-op; £980 from Richmondshire District Council; £651 from Leeds Diocese, Covid Emergence Grant (for new laptop). £521 donation;
£130 Gift-aid on donation

Payments: please refer to note 2e

Boiler Appeal Fund

Receipts: £4,720 donations; £890 gift-aid claimed on eligible donations

Payments: £2,981 converting system from open-vented to sealed; £1,888 repairs

Hudswell Church

Receipts: three reimbursements from 'Closed Churches' department of Leeds Diocese

Payments: £111 electricity; £3,786 insurance; £138 maintenance; £11 upkeep of churchyard

Charity of the Month

Collected for: Butterwick Hospice, USPG, Family Help, Homestart

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Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (1)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £
Receipts						
1a Planned Giving						
Standing Orders	55,544	-	55,544	51,404	-	51,404
Numbered Giving Envelopes	1,571	-	1,571	2,997	-	2,997
CAF Standing Orders	4,200	-	4,200	3,600	-	3,600
	<u>61,315</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61,315</u>	<u>58,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,001</u>
1b Collections at Services						
Regular Sunday Services	2,375	-	2,375	6,058	-	6,058
Fun-Key Church	-	-	-	116	-	116
Holy Trinity	210	-	210	898	-	898
Contactless via the Goodplate	224	-	224	339	-	339
Wedding Collections	-	-	-	339	-	339
Funeral Collections	1,758	-	1,758	5,926	-	5,926
Baptism Collections	116	-	116	334	-	334
Other Services	369	-	369	2,217	-	2,217
Charity of the Month	-	514	514	-	2,570	2,570
	<u>5,052</u>	<u>514</u>	<u>5,565</u>	<u>16,227</u>	<u>2,570</u>	<u>18,797</u>
1c All Other Giving/Voluntary Receipts						
General Donations	9,929	1,703	11,632	5,358	225	5,583
Yellow giving envelopes	1,151	-	1,151	2,315	-	2,315
Website Donations	1,183	-	1,183	-	-	-
Contactless via GoodBox device	270	-	270	-	-	-
Bequests	8	-	8	-	-	-
Donations to Toilet-Twinning Fund	-	-	-	-	54	54
Donations to Bells Fund	-	-	-	-	567	567
Donations to Boiler Appeal	-	3,544	3,544	-	1,317	1,317
Donation to Choir Fund	-	-	-	-	400	400
Donations to Audio-Visual Fund	-	521	521	-	1,740	1,740
Grants to Boiler Appeal Fund (reclaimed VAT)	-	1,175	1,175	-	-	-
Grants to Organ Blower Fund	-	1,232	1,232	-	-	-
Grants to Audio-Visual Fund	-	5,756	5,756	-	22,250	22,250
Hudswell costs reimbursed by Diocese	-	5,659	5,659	-	1,382	1,382
	<u>12,540</u>	<u>19,591</u>	<u>32,131</u>	<u>7,672</u>	<u>27,935</u>	<u>35,607</u>
1d Activities for Generating Funds						
Parish Magazine	3,474	-	3,474	2,766	-	2,766
Hire of St. Mary's	1,020	-	1,020	2,811	-	2,811
SumUp & MyDonate	-	-	-	35	-	35
Coffee mornings	-	-	-	1,912	-	1,912
Sales (cards and mugs)	-	-	-	474	-	474
Catering by Belles	-	-	-	110	-	110
200 Club	1,220	-	1,220	1,850	-	1,850
Concerts	428	-	428	2,207	242	2,449
Plant & Produce Festival	-	-	-	1,704	-	1,704
Wine-tasting evening	-	-	-	490	-	490
Jane Hatcher's book	58	-	58	-	-	-
Schiehallion Horn Trio Concert	-	593	593	-	-	-
Other events	-	-	-	298	-	298
	<u>6,199</u>	<u>593</u>	<u>6,792</u>	<u>14,656</u>	<u>242</u>	<u>14,898</u>
1e Church Activities						
Funeral Fees	3,405	-	3,405	8,008	400	8,408
Wedding Fees	794	-	794	1,862	-	1,862
Use of Organ Fees (to Organ Fund)	-	420	420	-	2,910	2,910
	<u>4,199</u>	<u>420</u>	<u>4,619</u>	<u>9,870</u>	<u>3,310</u>	<u>13,180</u>

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Further analysis of Receipts and Payments (2)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £
2a Clergy and Staffing Costs						
Curate's expenses	687	-	687	558	-	558
Vicar's expenses	1,459	-	1,459	1,917	-	1,917
Administrator's salary	6,240	-	6,240	6,240	-	6,240
Treasurer's fees	960	-	960	540	-	540
	<u>9,347</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,347</u>	<u>9,255</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,255</u>
2b Church running expenses						
Church building running expenses	12,190	4,557	16,747	12,491	4,047	16,539
Upkeep of services	1,252	-	1,252	1,974	-	1,974
Organists & Choirmaster	7,480	-	7,480	7,120	-	7,120
Music costs	75	-	75	898	-	898
Service fees occasional	120	-	120	500	-	500
Other church running expenses	1,639	-	1,639	2,702	-	2,702
	<u>22,756</u>	<u>4,557</u>	<u>27,313</u>	<u>25,686</u>	<u>4,047</u>	<u>29,733</u>
2c Church repairs and maintenance						
Plumbing repairs	-	1,609	1,609	1,299	-	1,299
Inspection of fire equipment	110	-	110	673	-	673
Boiler repairs	1,386	3,260	4,646	1,390	-	1,390
Various small items	79	-	79	82	-	82
Acoustic screen in tower	-	851	851	-	-	-
Flagpole repair	-	-	-	-	757	757
Stone & slate repairs, weathervane refurbishment	-	2,298	2,298	-	-	-
Organ repairs	-	3,433	3,433	-	3,060	3,060
Lightning protection	138	-	138	-	-	-
	<u>1,714</u>	<u>11,451</u>	<u>13,165</u>	<u>3,444</u>	<u>3,817</u>	<u>7,261</u>
2d Cost of generating funds						
Church cards	84	-	84	151	-	151
Parish magazine	1,885	-	1,885	1,083	-	1,083
200 Club	500	-	500	550	-	550
Hire of Town Hall	-	-	-	120	-	120
Contactless transaction fees	43	-	43	-	-	-
Purchase of GBx Core device	416	-	416	-	-	-
Schiehallion Horn trio concert	-	750	750	-	-	-
	<u>2,928</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>3,678</u>	<u>1,904</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,904</u>
2e New work to the church (Audio-Visual system)						
Scaffolding for installation	-	834	834	-	-	-
New electrical sockets	-	1,293	1,293	-	-	-
Installation	-	23,129	23,129	-	-	-
Upgrade	-	1,992	1,992	-	-	-
New laptop (from Covid Emergence Grant)	-	651	651	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>27,899</u>	<u>27,899</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>