

St Mary's Spring Grove

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The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary's Church Spring Grove

Charity Registration Number: 1132866

Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31 December 2021

St Mary's Church Spring Grove Parochial Church Council

Registered with The Charity Commission on 21st November 2009¹ as
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Parish Church:

St Mary's Church Spring Grove
in the Hounslow Deanery of the Kensington Episcopal Area
Diocese of London

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The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish of St Mary's Spring Grove, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The main church building and halls are located at St Mary's Church, Osterley Road, and there is a small mission church at St Luke's, Kingsley Road. The Annual Report and Accounts covers the PCC's financial year January 2021 to December 2021.

¹From October 2008, Parochial Church Councils with a gross income of over £100,000 were required to register separately with the Charity Commission.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARY'S SPRING GROVE

ANNUAL REPORT

Membership of the PCC

The membership is partly ex-officio and partly elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with Church Representation Rules. The membership in the year January – December 2021 was as follows:

Vicar/Chair of PCC	Revd Elis Matthews*
Churchwardens	Andrew Bellis* (since 2019) Steve Joyce* (until APCM 2021) Sharrion Llewellyn (since 2021)
Readers/Licenced Lay Ministers	Linda Joyce (St Luke's Committee) John Blake Nick Munn
Diocesan Synod (21-24)	Sheila Matthews
Deanery Synod (20-23)	Margaret Cave Barbara Green* (PCC Treasurer) Sally Martin-Brown* (Deputy Warden)
PCC	Daphne Bellis (19-22) Carl Bryce (20-23) John Collis (21-24) (St Luke's Committee) Nicola Collis (21-24) Margaret Krowicki (St Luke's) (21-24) Keeley Quartey (21-24) Caroline Sloley (20-23) Jessica Sobryan* (20-23) (PCC Secretary) Denise Toye (*co-opted) (19-22) Phil Toye (20-23)

*Members of the Standing Committee

The following appointments were made by the PCC:

Safeguarding Officer: Zosia Thackray. DBS Evidence Checker: Lesley Taberner.
Junior Church Administrator: Heidi Munn Children's Champion: Jane Bennett.
Champion for Vulnerable People: Sandra McLaren.
Electoral Roll Officer: Marian Taylor. Independent Examiner: Rhona Barton
Co-opted to the Standing Committee: Lesley Taberner, Denise Toye

CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them."

Matthew 18:20

It was a very subdued start to the year with our worship only online. This, however, did offer opportunities to explore new ways of worshiping. Under our mission action plan, we were able to do a weekly focus on our values of creativity, curiosity, hospitality, authenticity and generosity. However, online services did have one drawback as some of the congregation could not access them.

Despite this and the continued concerns about the effects of the pandemic on our health and way of life, there was much to celebrate at St Mary's and St Luke's in 2021.

Regarding our worship, one of the highlights was being able to sing in church again from August 2021, a significant step towards returning to normality. We were also fortunate to be offered the opportunity to retain Fi Budden as our curate for the next three years from Summer 2022 when she will be ordained as a deacon. We thank her for her work as our ordinand at Luke's and we look forward to the exciting opportunities curacy will bring.

In September 2021, we introduced a new pattern of services, with sung communion at the 10am service on the first and third Sundays. This has provided an opportunity for different styles of worship on the other Sundays. These services have been enhanced by our new AV system, which was installed in April, the culmination of a major project for us.

We were also delighted to welcome Bishop Graham who conducted our confirmation service in September.

As part of our mission action plan, we have welcomed some young people from Great Oaks College who are cleaning the church regularly as part of their development and preparation for working life. Alongside this, at Luke's Fi Budden has led the Roots and Shoots project while Denise Toye has led the planning for the clothing bank. Part of this has been the redecoration of Kenny's Room.

During the early part of 2021 we took the chance to plan the modernisation of our facilities and office equipment. As result we have so far replaced the Millennium Hall kitchen (led by Richard and Barbara Green) and introduced ChurchSuite (Phil Toye). These plans will continue into 2022 but will require significant fundraising to deliver.

The past year has seen much movement in the congregation with some people leaving and others joining. As we return to worship in person, we would like to engage more people in the work of the church and to build up our rota of welcomers, readers, servers, intercessions, hospitality/refreshments, flower arrangers and many other roles.

We must thank our parish assistant Helen Hawes (now retired) for her skill and hard work in the church office during 2021. Our thanks too to Neil Hawes, who retired at the end of 2021, for his many years of dedication as church organist and choir master.

The following reports give a short summary of life at St Mary's and St Luke over a challenging year. They are a testament to the faith, generosity and hard work of many people. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the life of our parish.

Sharrion Llewellyn and Andrew Bellis

Churchwardens

VICAR'S REPORT

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he placed his right hand on me, saying, 'Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last,'¹⁸ and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive for ever and ever.

Revelation 1.17-18

I have learned that I'm much better in a time of panic than a season of patience. I have learned that decisions forced upon you are easier to take than those that demand individual discernment are to make. Over the course of 2021, I've come to appreciate the one-on-one intimacy of walking with the One who was dead and is alive for ever, who places His right hand on me and tells me not to be afraid.

Knowing Jesus is faithful is the only lens through which I can tell the story of 2021 and end up hopeful. Together as family, as church, we have had to adapt and experience disappointment and revise our plans and try very hard to choose love over fear. It has not been easy. We have done our best. Jesus is faithful.

There of course have been ups and downs, and you'll forgive me if I focus too much on the ups. Holding the weddings of Claire and Michael, Rachel and Tyrone and Caroline and Darren after the postponement of them in 2020 was a great joy. We also welcomed Elisiwa and Anand (my first bilingual wedding!) just before the year ended. St Mary's is a wonderful place to get married (I should know... Sheila and I got married here in 2005!)

Having seen the installation of a new AV system at St Mary's, we are now able to worship in a greater variety of ways, including by livestreaming services to anywhere in the world. Funerals that occurred when travel restrictions were still in place were obvious witnesses to the benefits. I conducted 12 funerals in total, three of which took place in the church. It was a great privilege to celebrate the lives of Rev Marion Warman, Wendy Archer and Margaret Krowicki, who were known to so many of us at St Mary's and St Luke's.

The ongoing uncertainty certainly affected our numbers when it came to baptism, but the christenings of Megan, Otylie and Henry in the second half of the year were a sign of recovery and new life emerging. If you're reading this having welcomed a new child into your family, and feel like you've missed out on baptism because of the pandemic, get in touch. It's never too late, as Shashi's baptism proved! Shashi was confirmed by the Bishop of London at St Paul's cathedral the week after her baptism at St Mary's. Bishop Graham came to St Mary's in September for a service of baptism and confirmation – deep joy!

We love the church seasons, as a Lent course on prayer and an online Advent series showed.

Amid uncertainty surrounding Covid restrictions, availability of team and what kind of congregation we'd have when in-person worship returned, it has been a blessing to have Fi, our ordinand, Sharrion and Andy, our churchwardens and a committed team of lay ministers, as dependable support. I was also encouraged by how the Junior Church team rallied round to resume in person sessions in the autumn, with an innovative approach. At my weakest moments, I tend to revert to 'lone ranger' mode, but this year underlined how much better we are when we do life together.

I took on the role of Acting Area Dean across the middle months of the year, as the previous Area Dean stood down whilst Bishop Graham was on study leave. The Area Dean acts as a point of communication between the Archdeacon and the clergy, and a source of support (not necessarily experience!) when dilemmas arise. Before handing on the reins to Martine Osborne, I got to chair a meeting of the Deanery Synod, which I did from my laptop in the chancel at St Mary's, on my own in the church while everyone else joined on Zoom. Yet another surreal ministry 'first' to add to the list.

I was invited to become a governor at The Green School for Boys, and to represent Bishop Graham at the Green School Trust AGM. There are good opportunities for mission and ministry with several of our local schools, with whom we enjoy good relationship. This is an area of ministry I'd like to develop in future years. Whenever I spend time in the company of young people, I glimpse a hopeful future – this was evident when we took 12 young people to the Kensington Area Youth Activity Day in May. Youth Hub at St Mary's was able to resume in person too.

I began my report with a quote from Revelation. I'm mindful that in the revelation of St John, the wild imagery is interspersed with singing, and the prevention of singing in church was a low point of the pandemic, with restrictions remaining in place (indoors, at least) through Easter 2021. We took a cautious and careful approach to reintroducing singing, and I'm grateful for the attention to detail taken by Neil, and the patience shown by members of the church choir. Neil retired at the end of 2021, with Helen departing her role as Parish Assistant in the first quarter of 2022. They leave with my gratitude, and they leave behind big (metaphorical) shoes to fill ... but that is a story to be told in future annual reports!

We seek to be a singing church, using our creativity to the glory of God; we seek to be an authentic Christian community, committed to one another in sickness and in health; we seek to be a church that welcomes everyone and encourages the curiosity of young and old; we seek to be a generous church, that cares for creation, gives without expectation of receiving and prays for the needs of the world. We seek to open the doors of our church to our community as we open the doors of our hearts to Jesus, echoing the hymn of praise we read in Revelation:

*'To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might
for ever and ever!'*

Revelation 5.13

Rev Elis Matthews

ORDINAND'S REPORT

A strange time to be an ordinand, is how I'd describe much of 2021. Beset with lockdowns and the general unease on what we could, should or shouldn't be doing in the months that followed, as well as navigating online study, was certainly a challenge. The lockdown experience was one of meeting people online - not my favourite way to get to know parishioners! However, from the summer onwards, I had the pleasure of being involved with services over at St Luke's on a regular basis, and one of the highlights from this time was singing in the garden with the worshippers at St Luke's. I have fond memories of the joy on Margaret Krowicki's sunlit face whilst singing 'Shine Jesus Shine' complete with a floral backdrop. It seemed to be our very own little Eden!

Once we were able to get back in church, and away from the more informal online services, I was also challenged by the difference in worship style to my previous church. I have found this experience invaluable, however. I have learnt to love written liturgy and have become more aware of the power and creativity of the spoken word under the supervision of Rev Elis.

My natural inclination towards community projects has been nourished by the setting up of Roots & Shoots and the Clothing Bank at St Luke's. Both of which have enabled us to get to know our wider context and to be an outward facing community that can 'be' and 'witness to' the presence of God in that particular corner of Hounslow. I have also loved being part of the passionate and creative group that forms St Mary's Eco-Team.

The challenge of preaching more frequently, over at St Luke's, has encouraged me to draw on the depth of my theological studies, which have constituted half of my time during training. During this particular year, I have been able to write assignments on subjects as varied as: liturgy and worship; the role of the eucharist in the life and mission of the church; a research paper on mission and evangelism in context; whether Paul was a universalist and how this would shape the preaching of lamentations; an exploration of the various models of the atonement; a look at the doctrine of marriage; church leadership for the 21st century; and the role of the Holy Spirit in Acts. I have also had the pleasure of taking an exam in New Testament Greek. These are just some of the areas that have been studied over the course of this year.

But back to St Mary's and St Luke's.....

I have felt very warmly welcomed by all not least Rev Elis. I may not know everyone yet, but those I have met have been encouraging, supportive, patient and loving!

I am so grateful that I can stay in the Parish of St Mary's with St Luke's for my curacy, and look forward to ministering, learning, and journeying alongside you all.

Fi Budden

JUNIOR CHURCH AT ST MARY'S OSTERLEY IN 2021

by Heidi Munn, Junior Church Administrator



We started 2021 unable to resume in-person Junior Church. A small but dedicated team of leaders kept contact with the children in our church family through emails, monthly virtual Junior Church on Zoom and (when allowed) in-person family/all-age services. It was great to connect with children in our church virtually but it was far from ideal - the family/all-age services proved more popular with children, families and leaders.

Over the summer in 2021 work started to prayerfully consider how to re-launch in-person Junior Church in the autumn. The vision became for all children over 3 to meet together safely with different activities on offer to ensure something for children who prefer to engage with God's word through crafts and those who prefer more active games.

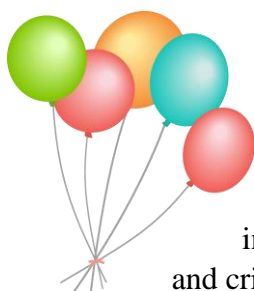


Another significant change was to use ChurchSuite to provide a paperless means of registering children for sessions. Thanks to those who helped provide a TV screen in the Richardson Room it was also possible to use multimedia presentations to tell the Bible story in each session. Holy Communion is also brought into the session helping children and leaders to feel more connected to the main service.



Huge thanks to the brilliant team of 12 existing volunteers who committed to re-build in-person Junior Church. Much work was done to update DBS and safeguarding training and to learn how to use ChurchSuite before the first session in September 2021. Junior Church is offered on most 1st and 3rd Sundays.

The team chose the theme of "Re-building" for the autumn term and great sessions were held looking at stories about how God re-built People, the World and Hope and we loved singing about: The Wise Man Who Built His House Upon The Rock! Seeing children happily engaging in faith issues, and keen to return for more, has been a great joy.



In Autumn 2021 attendance per session varied from 13 to 27 children with 46 children in total having attended at least one Junior Church session. We ended the term with a fabulous Christmas Party that included balloons, Christmas card matching and crib-making!



ROOTS 'N' SHOOTS @ ST LUKE'S

Roots and Shoots held its first session on 27th April 2001. It grew out of a seed of an idea, following a chance meeting with a local resident who was fascinated by our fig tree, and came to fruition following a meeting with representatives from Cultivate London. The fledgling project benefitted from a gardening practitioner from Salopian Gardens, Hounslow, who was funded by Cultivate London to help lead sessions at St Luke's from this first session through to October 21. When the project started, much of the garden at St Luke's was a mass of nettles and brambles, although the main lawn and beds had been lovingly tended by the faithful of St Luke's, with additional help from a small team at St Mary's.



The gardening project has given the space in front of St Luke's a new lease of life, and has provided the opportunity for many 'chats over the garden fence' with people as they walk up and down Kingsley Road in Hounslow East. During early autumn, the garden welcomed two non-St Luke's volunteers, who have become unofficial Roots and Shoots leaders! The garden has also welcomed students from Great Oaks College; a college that supports students with special educational needs.

During the warmer months, we had a succession of local residents popping into the garden to have a tour and a chat, something we know helps combat isolation and improves wellbeing, and we hope to do more of this during 2022.

We received a grant of £500, from Hounslow's, Your Neighbourhood Fund, which has been used towards clearing the garden space, as well as purchasing new plants and soil. In addition, a local estate agent, based in Kingsley Road, kindly donated £100 and some large ceramic plant pots for use by Roots and Shoots.



Our plans for 2022 and beyond:

- Increase our regular volunteers, to include more local residents
- Provide some activities for children during the school holidays, as we often have families joining us.
- Develop the garden space to include more areas for people to sit and enjoy the peace – and beg, borrow or.... garden furniture, a shed, new trellis etc.
- Develop a 'grow your own' area – focusing on fruit and vegetables.
- Continue trying to fund-raise for garden works and equipment needed.



SAFEGUARDING REPORT

At the June PCC meeting, St Mary's PCC agreed and adopted the Diocese of London Safeguarding Policy and Statement on Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults. This states:

- Every person has a value and dignity, which comes directly from the creation of people in God's image. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.
- We commit ourselves to nurture, protect and safeguard all our members, particularly children, young people and vulnerable adults.
- We recognise that safeguarding is the responsibility of the whole church.
- We undertake to exercise proper care in the selection, appointment, training and support of those working with children or vulnerable adults.
- We will respond without delay to concerns or allegations that a child or vulnerable adult may have been harmed, co-operating fully in any investigation.
- We will challenge any abuse of power by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care to anyone who has suffered abuse.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, in relation to having due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

JUMP FOR JOY

Jump for Joy restarted weekly on Thursday mornings in September 2021 to provide a space for parents and carers to bring their pre-school babies and children.

The team provides a warm welcome and refreshments for adults and a story, craft and snack for little ones. Much fun has been had, many songs about Jesus sung and children that have had little opportunity to socialise have been seen to grow. Ten different families attended, mostly families not otherwise connected to the church.

The term ended with a very special Crib Service in church which was attended by 12 children and helpers from a local nursery. Jump for joy continues to be a blessing to many and a great way to introduce people to our church.

If you would like to be part of the team that supports this important ministry do contact Elis!

Heidi Munn and Nicola Collis

While Jump for Joy is our church outreach to parents and carers with pre-schoolers, the Millennium Hall continues to be used by St Mary's Playgroup during term time. We received this report from Playgroup Supervisor, Liz Leonard.

PLAYGROUP REPORT

Playgroup was closed when the country was put into the first lockdown. The hall was closed, and we all had to stay at home. I was very pleased when the Government allowed the Early Years sector to open up again on 1st June 2020 and to stay open. The staff were anxious to return to playgroup as were more than half of our parents/children. We were even unable to say goodbye to the children that did not return as they then moved on to other settings.

We had to put in place rigorous Health & Safety requirements from Hounslow Early Years, the Pre-School Learning Alliance, the DfE and St. Mary's PCC, and after a lot of emailing and Policy making by Joanne, we did re-open on 1st June with around 10 children attending per day. We were still able to access all the 3- and 4-Year-old funding even though not all the children were attending, so we were lucky that we could pay the bills!! Slowly the children attending increased just before the Summer break. In September the number of children attending was still low and understandably new parents were reluctant to enrol their children as we were not allowed to let parents visit us and a new routine of taking children in at the door had to be in place. We were now in a bubble, taking temperatures on a daily basis, steaming and cleaning everything in sight!

We could not invite parents to the Christmas Party or have face to face parents evening or even have the parents in to help settle their children. It was a challenge for all concerned.

This past academic year has been better, still low on children but definitely picking up. Things are looking up now as we look forward to celebrating the Platinum Jubilee with a party for the children and going into the Church to see the Easter Garden. We are able to have a face to face parents evening and the new children and their parents are welcome in the setting.

Liz and the Team

St Mary's Playgroup is a charity independent of the church (registered charity number 1042164) and was rated outstanding by Ofsted in 2015-16

DEANERY SYNOD REPORT

St Mary's is represented on Hounslow Deanery Synod by Elis as a clergy member and Barbara, Sally and Margaret as elected lay members. Following her election to London Diocesan Synod, Sheila Matthews is an ex officio member of Deanery Synod.

The synod met only three times in 2021, but with three different chairs. Rev Sarah Guinness (Parish of Brentford) chaired the March meeting on Zoom, but then stood down as Area Dean at Easter, which meant Elis chaired the June Zoom meeting (from St Mary's) as Acting Area Dean, before Rev Martine Osborne (St Michaels, Elmwood Road) was appointed as the new Area Dean and chaired the October meeting in person at her church.

Synod heard presentations on a variety of social and missional issues. These were introduced by Alison Tsang, head of Compassionate Communities in March, and then we heard about

mental health and anxiety from Will Van der Hart, modern slavery from the Clewer Initiative, debt counselling from Crosslight, and creation care from Rev Derek Winterburn.

A new lay chair, Simon Surtees, was elected at the October meeting.

DIOCESAN SYNOD REPORT

I was elected to the Diocesan Synod in July 2021. The first meeting of the Synod was in December, and was mainly an introduction to the Diocesan Vision to 2030. You can read more about the London Vision – For every Londoner to encounter the love of God in Christ – at london.anglican.org. Bishop Sarah presided at Communion. A number who attended caught Covid, reminding us that the pandemic was far from over.

Sheila Matthews

ECO CHURCH REPORT

St Mary's Eco Team took shape (although always room for more!) in early 2021, comprising individuals who have interest and drive into improving how the wider St Mary's and St Luke's impacts on the environment today and in the future.

The team first met in May to consider a large questionnaire provided by A Rocha, an international network of environmental organizations with Christian ethos. Questions range over many areas from how we, collectively as a church, consider and promote the environment, in worship, actions, publicity, attitudes and consumption. Not just how much electricity and gas we use but also how we travel, shop and live. How we recycle. It also covers buildings and grounds.

By the end of 2021, having provided one service based on the environment and holding a community forum evening with outside speakers and in the presence of our MP, we feel we have established an initial awareness of many environmental aspects through displays in church, a major one of which, the "Eco Angel", survives into 2022. Outside, we have the start of a more sympathetic grounds management regime. Look out for more events and information in 2022, and take part and take action where you can.

We hope to obtain the Eco Church Bronze Award in 2022. It isn't about badges (although badges are nice!), it is about how long term, we treat where we live.

"In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the Earth....."

That's THE Earth, not one of a few. Let's see about looking after it.

Richard Green on behalf of the Eco Team

PASTORAL CARE TEAM REPORT

Pastoral care is part of what it means to be St Mary's. We want to be a church that reaches out to help people, both those who belong to the church and those within the parish and wider afield. Lots of people in our church visit those who are ill or housebound: showing something of the love and compassion of the God we serve.

During the Covid Pandemic, when it was unsafe to meet people directly, many people at the church found other ways to support people, such as with practical things such as shopping, regular phone calls and walks. Some of this support has continued after the Covid restrictions eased.

During the year we as a church have been involved in lots of activities to help others, such as:

- Lunchbox – a monthly lunch and get together for anyone living in the parish whatever their age
- Foodbank – many people have contributed faithfully to providing food and other basics for those within our borough who struggle financially.
- Clothing bank – a new activity based at St Luke's and supported by the London Borough of Hounslow. Many individuals have used the service.
- Hounslow Shelter project. Many people at St Mary's contribute time, money and food to join with other local churches to provide shelter for people who are living without accommodation. Following the Covid restrictions it is no longer possible to provide overnight accommodation but the local churches are planning to provide a nutritious evening meal one evening a week.
- The Bereavement Journey – a six week programme to help those coming to terms with loss and bereavement. Early in the year we ran an online course and it is hoped to run a further one later in the year.
- Welcome team who make sure everyone is greeted when they come to a service at the church.

The Pastoral Care Team are involved in:

- Visiting people who are housebound or in particular need of someone to talk to
- Taking home communion to those who are housebound.
- Visiting people who have recently being bereaved.

The members of the team have undertaken safeguarding training and have a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check

If you'd like to get involved in pastoral care, either as part of the team or the teams supporting the clothing/food bank or the shelter project, or if you know someone we should consider visiting, please contact us at the Parish Office via parishoffice@stmaryosterley.org.uk or 020 8569 7312

Sheila McKinley

ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT

Summary following revision of roll – 30 April 2022

Church	Residents	Non-residents	Membership	Joined since 2021 APCM	Removed since 2021 APCM
	Total	Total	Total		
St Luke's	8	10	18	2	2
St Mary's	110	83	193	4	5
Total	118	93	211	6	7

Total membership in 2021 = 212

Total membership in 2022 = 211

This annual report is to be read in conjunction with the Treasurer's Report, Independent Examiner's Report and Annual Accounts, which have been published as a separate document and can be found on the [St Mary's website](#).

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St
Mary Spring Grove**

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 2021

Financial Overview of the Accounts for 2021

The Covid 19 Epidemic continued to have a significant impact on the finances of St Mary's during 2021. The total income for the year 2021 was £156,236, a fall of £12,369 when compared to 2020 which was bolstered by the receipt of two significant legacies that year. Expenditure in 2021 totaled £227,454 compared with £144,382 in 2020; the increase being mainly due to the purchase and installation of a new AV system in St Mary's Church and work on the Millennium Hall.

Income

Income from planned giving, plate and electronic reader collections at both St Mary's and St Luke's was further impacted by the necessary restrictions placed on church opening and on numbers worshipping; £73,893 was given this way in 2021 compared to £77,518 in 2020. Other donations to both St Mary's and St Luke's totaled £1,648 and a further £981 was received from the estate of the late Lesley Hopkins.

Income from St Mary's hall rentals recovered somewhat to £42,473 compared with £34,164 in 2020. Rental of the Boys Brigade Hut at St Luke's for the storage of scenery by St Faith's Players contributed £2,100. A Gift Day and other fundraising events raised £8,583 (plus gift aid) for the AV System plus a further £1,072 for general funds at St Mary's. At St Luke's £1,036 was raised for the new Roots & Shoots and Clothing Bank projects combined. Tax recoverable was £18,301 compared with £19,695 in 2020.

Expenditure

Our Common Fund contribution for the year of £91,000 was paid in full. Charitable giving in 2021 by St Mary's & St Luke's totaled £7,423, a slight increase on 2020.

The AV system and video streaming equipment cost £66,726 plus some additional associated electrical infrastructure costs, most of the cost was covered by designated reserves and additional fundraising (see above). Other significant expenditure was incurred by the necessary replacement of the cooker, fridge/freezer and extractor system in the Millennium Hall kitchen and the sanding and polishing of the main hall floor plus other maintenance which altogether totaled £12,837

Restricted and Designated Funds

Of total reserves held at 31 December 2021 £3,946 is held as restricted funds; and £180,327 as designated funds (£100,000 Ministry Housing, £40,000 Emergency Running Costs Reserve £30,000 for church repairs and £10,000 for hall repairs).

Assets (Balance Sheet)

Our current assets (cash) as at 31 December 2021 were £234,454, the figure for 31 December 2020 was £300,735. Our liabilities as at 31 December were £10,813. The figure at 31 December 2020 was £5,875.91.

The total value of our assets as at 31 December 2021 was £2,273,931, this includes £70,290 for the AV system and Millennium Hall cooker listed as new fixed assets. The figure at 31 December 2020 was £2,274,859 Therefore our total assets have reduced by £928.

Barbara C Green MBE.

Treasurer, St Mary Spring Grove.

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income	102,696	—	—	102,696	124,628
Activities for generating funds	1,183	—	—	1,183	155
Investment income	53	—	—	53	303
Incoming resources from charitable activities	50,553	—	—	50,553	41,663
Other incoming resources	1,750	—	—	1,750	1,855
Total incoming resources	156,236	—	—	156,236	168,605
Resources used					
Cost of generating funds	28	—	—	28	—
Cost of generating voluntary income	202,962	275	—	203,238	123,694
Charitable activities	7,423	—	—	7,423	7,100
Governance costs	234	—	—	234	306
Other resources used	16,530	—	—	16,530	13,281
Total resources used	227,178	275	—	227,454	144,382
Net incoming / outgoing resources before transfer	(70,941)	(275)	—	(71,217)	24,223
Transfers					
Gross transfers between funds - in	146,500	—	—	146,500	36,438
Gross transfers between funds - out	(146,500)	—	—	(146,500)	(36,438)
Net incoming / outgoing before other gains / losses	(70,941)	(275)	—	(71,217)	24,223
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	741,205
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	70,290	—	—	70,290	—
Net movement in funds	(651)	(275)	—	(927)	765,428
Total funds brought forward	290,636	4,222	1,980,000	2,274,859	1,509,430
Total funds carried forward	289,985	3,946	1,980,000	2,273,931	2,274,859
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General fund	109,658	—	—	109,658	196,447
Designated					
AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEM	327	—	—	327	54,189
Church General Repairs	30,000	—	—	30,000	30,000
Hall General Repairs	10,000	—	—	10,000	10,000
Ministry Housing	100,000	—	—	100,000	—
Three Month Emergency Running Costs Reserve	40,000	—	—	40,000	—
Restricted					
Church Chancel Lighting	—	2,440	—	2,440	2,716
Church Repairs	—	1,235	—	1,235	1,235
Missions Abroad	—	164	—	164	164
Vestry Hall Heaters	—	107	—	107	107
Endowment					
HALLS VALUATION	—	—	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000

Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	70,290	—
Heritage assets	1,980,000	1,980,000
	2,050,290	1,980,000
Current assets		
Debtors	6,482	6,368
Cash at bank and in hand	227,971	294,366
	234,454	300,735
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	9,778	4,841
Provision for liabilities and charges due within one year	1,034	1,034
	10,813	5,875
Net current assets less current liabilities	223,641	294,859
Total assets less current liabilities	2,273,931	2,274,859
Total net assets less liabilities	2,273,931	2,274,859
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	109,658	196,447
Designated		
AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEM	327	54,189
Ministry Housing	100,000	—
Three Month Emergency Running Costs Reserve	40,000	—
Church General Repairs	30,000	30,000
Hall General Repairs	10,000	10,000
Restricted		
Church Repairs	1,235	1,235
Church Chancel Lighting	2,440	2,716
Missions Abroad	164	164
Vestry Hall Heaters	107	107
Endowment		
HALLS VALUATION	1,980,000	1,980,000
Funds of the church	2,273,931	2,274,859

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Fixed assets						
Millenium Hall Insurance Valuation	—	—	—	1,540,000	1,540,000	1,540,000
Centenary Hall Insurance Valuation	—	—	—	440,000	440,000	440,000
Fixed Assets OB	—	—	—	—	—	—
Millennium Hall Cooker	3,563	—	—	—	3,563	—
Audio Visual & Streaming System - Church	66,726	—	—	—	66,726	—
Colour Photocopier	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fixed Assets St Lukes Chairs	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fixed Asset Hall Heater	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fixed Asset Church Bells	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fixed Assets Chancel Lighting	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fixed Asset Depreciation	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	70,290	—	—	1,980,000	2,050,290	1,980,000
Current assets - Current assets						
Bank Barclays Community 50709573	13,714	372	3,094	—	17,181	26,299
Bank Barclays Community 50709581	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bank Barclays Premium 70709603	45	(45)	—	—	0	53,482
CCLA (CBF) Deposit 623342001D	(27,652)	30,000	4,467	—	6,814	6,811
Bank CafCash 00008015	22,788	—	—	—	22,788	27,691
Bank CafGold 000086709	60,334	10,000	203	—	70,537	70,530
Bank CafPlat 00303991	102,887	—	—	—	102,887	102,877
Bank Barclays St Lukes Current 20795496	4,583	—	—	—	4,583	4,216
Bank Barclays St Lukes Premium 90794783	2,459	—	—	—	2,459	2,458
Cash in hand	719	—	—	—	719	—
Debtors	4,808	—	—	—	4,808	5,277
Other Debtors	—	—	—	—	—	—
Accounts Receivable	1,674	—	—	—	1,674	1,090
Totals	186,362	40,327	7,764	—	234,454	300,735
Liabilities - Liabilities						
Creditors	7,676	—	60	—	7,736	3,613
Deposits for Weddings or Hall Rentals	50	—	—	—	50	428
Loan from Area Finance	—	—	—	—	—	—
Holding Account - Bells	—	—	—	—	—	—
Holding Account - Chancel Lighting	(3,000)	—	3,000	—	—	—
Holding Account Christianity Explored	1,034	—	—	—	1,034	1,034
Holding Account 20-20 Vision	—	—	—	—	—	—
Holding Account - Ministry Housing	100,000	(100,000)	—	—	—	—
Three Month Running Costs Reserve	40,000	(40,000)	—	—	—	—
Agency collections	—	—	778	—	778	735
Accounts Payable	1,213	—	—	—	1,213	64
Totals	146,975	(140,000)	3,838	—	10,813	5,875
Grand total	109,658	180,327	3,946	1,980,000	2,273,931	2,274,859

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
AVSYSTEM - AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEM						
Designated	54,189	8,583	68,945	6,500	—	327
Sub-total for AVSYSTEM	54,189	8,583	68,945	6,500	—	327
HALLS - HALLS VALUATION						
Endowment	1,980,000	—	—	—	—	1,980,000
Sub-total for HALLS	1,980,000	—	—	—	—	1,980,000
MINHOUSING - Ministry Housing						
Designated	—	—	—	100,000	—	100,000
Sub-total for MINHOUSING	—	—	—	100,000	—	100,000
RUNCOST - Three Month Emergenc						
Designated	—	—	—	40,000	—	40,000
Sub-total for RUNCOST	—	—	—	40,000	—	40,000
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	196,447	147,653	158,233	(146,500)	70,290	109,658
Sub-total for General	196,447	147,653	158,233	(146,500)	70,290	109,658
CHREPAIRS - Church General Repai						
Designated	30,000	—	—	—	—	30,000
Sub-total for CHREPAIRS	30,000	—	—	—	—	30,000
CHRESREPAI - Church Repairs						
Restricted	1,235	—	—	—	—	1,235
Sub-total for CHRESREPAI	1,235	—	—	—	—	1,235
CHCHANCEL - Church Chancel Light						
Restricted	2,716	—	275	—	—	2,440
Sub-total for CHCHANCEL	2,716	—	275	—	—	2,440
MISSIONS - Missions Abroad						
Restricted	164	—	—	—	—	164
Sub-total for MISSIONS	164	—	—	—	—	164
VESTRY - Vestry Hall Heaters						
Restricted	107	—	—	—	—	107
Sub-total for VESTRY	107	—	—	—	—	107
HALREPAIRS - Hall General Repairs						
Designated	10,000	—	—	—	—	10,000
Sub-total for HALREPAIRS	10,000	—	—	—	—	10,000
Grand total	2,274,859	156,236	227,454	—	70,290	2,273,931

Analysis of income and expenditure

Incoming resources from generated funds - Voluntary income

						Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
0101C - Planned Giving Bank	63,185	—	—	—	63,185	64,276	
0110C - Planned Giving Envelopes	1,630	—	—	—	1,630	3,276	
0115C - Planned Giving Other	231	—	—	—	231	423	
0301C - Collections Sunday Services	1,065	—	—	—	1,065	521	
0305C - Planned Giving Gift Aid	361	—	—	—	361	1,988	
0310C - Collections other Services	176	—	—	—	176	25	
0315C - Collections Weddings Baptisms and Funerals	30	—	—	—	30	50	
0320L - Collections St Lukes	2,037	—	—	—	2,037	1,235	
0325C - Collections by Card Reader/Online	5,178	—	—	—	5,178	5,724	
0505C - Gift Day	—	7,641	—	—	7,641	—	
0550C - Donations Church	1,377	—	—	—	1,377	1,659	
0556L - Donations St Lukes	—	—	—	—	—	29	
0601C - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	18,301	—	—	—	18,301	19,695	
0703C - Legacies	981	—	—	—	981	24,850	
0805C - Non Recurring or one off Grants	500	—	—	—	500	875	
Total	95,055	7,641	—	—	102,696	124,628	

Incoming resources from generated funds - Activities for generating funds

						Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
0910C - Fundraising Catering and Coffee	146	—	—	—	146	125	
0915L - Funds St Lukes Coffee Mornings	—	—	—	—	—	30	
0916L - Fundraising St Lukes Other	1,036	—	—	—	1,036	—	
Total	1,183	—	—	—	1,183	155	

Incoming resources from generated funds - Investment income

						Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
1005C - Bank Interest Barclays	32	—	—	—	32	82	
1015H - Bank Interest CafGold	7	—	—	—	7	56	
1020C - Bank Interest CBF	3	—	—	—	3	28	
1025L - Bank Interest St Lukes	0	—	—	—	0	1	
1035H - Bank Interest CafPlat	10	—	—	—	10	133	
Total	53	—	—	—	53	303	

Incoming resources from charitable activities

						Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
0903C - Children's Income	65	—	—	—	65	—	
0904C - Donations - Lunchbox & Toybox	60	—	—	—	60	289	
0908C - Fundraising - Other	1,077	942	—	—	2,020	1,440	
1103C - PCC Statutory W&F Fees	2,122	—	—	—	2,122	471	

1202C - Use of Church W & F	210	—	—	—	210	70
1205C - Ministers W&F Expenses	186	—	—	—	186	45
1215H - Hall Rentals	42,473	—	—	—	42,473	34,164
1217L - St Lukes Rentals	2,100	—	—	—	2,100	2,100
1230C - Funds Use of Copiers	210	—	—	—	210	70
1240C - Funds Organ Lessons Practice	—	—	—	—	—	70
1245C - Church Use	726	—	—	—	726	667
1250C - Newsletter advertising	380	—	—	—	380	2,260
1260C - Hymn Books/Prayer Books	—	—	—	—	—	15
Total	49,610	942	—	—	50,553	41,663

Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
1315H - Income from FITS refund	1,500	—	—	—	1,500	1,805
1317H - Contra Deposits Hall Rentals	100	—	—	—	100	—
1319C - Contra Deposits Church Weddings	150	—	—	—	150	50
Total	1,750	—	—	—	1,750	1,855

Cost of generating funds

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
1705C - Fundraising & Event Costs	28	—	—	—	28	—
Total	28	—	—	—	28	—

Cost of generating funds - Cost of generating voluntary income

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
1901C - Common Fund	91,000	—	—	—	91,000	91,000
2001C - Cost of Organist	2,880	—	—	—	2,880	1,920
2005C - Cost of Other Organist	60	—	—	—	60	60
2105C - Clergy Expenses	1,497	—	—	—	1,497	1,173
2205C - Cost of Junior Church & Youth Resource	43	—	—	—	43	272
2301C - Upkeep of St Marys church and grounds	2,308	68,945	275	—	71,529	4,276
2301L - Upkeep of St Lukes church and grounds	556	—	—	—	556	56
2310C - Cost of Upkeep St Lukes	127	—	—	—	127	143
2315C - St Marys Church Insurance	5,376	—	—	—	5,376	5,375
2317L - St Lukes Insurance	662	—	—	—	662	—
2318C - Sanctuary Purchases for Service	195	—	—	—	195	120
2361C - Resources Card Reader Charges	122	—	—	—	122	142
2395C - Cost of Catering & Coffee	500	—	—	—	500	465
2401C - Cost of Church Gas	2,679	—	—	—	2,679	1,765
2405C - Cost of Church Electricity	901	—	—	—	901	1,130
2407L - Cost of St Lukes Electricity	431	—	—	—	431	414
2415H - Cost of Hall Electricity	3,058	—	—	—	3,058	3,430
2420H - Cost of Church, Hall & Vicarage Water	1,883	—	—	—	1,883	1,240

2425L - Cost of St Lukes Water	116	—	—	—	116	87
2501C - Cost of Newsletter	400	—	—	—	400	2,227
2503C - St Mary's Outreach (Lunchbox etc)	40	—	—	—	40	321
2504L - St Luke's Outreach Projects	164	—	—	—	164	—
2505H - Hall Fire and Intruder Alarm	2,035	—	—	—	2,035	2,862
2510H - Hall Insurance	2,400	—	—	—	2,400	2,400
2515H - Hall Maintenance	7,414	—	—	—	7,414	1,521
2520H - Hall Cleaner Caretaker	749	—	—	—	749	506
2521H - Waste Removal	636	—	—	—	636	614
2525H - Hall Sundry Fixtures	5,423	—	—	—	5,423	—
2540H - Contra Deposits Hall Rent Refunds	100	—	—	—	100	—
2545H - Cost of Hall Sundry Costs	251	—	—	—	251	165
Total	134,016	68,945	275	—	203,238	123,694

Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
1801C - Charitable Act Ministry Giving	7,383	—	—	—	7,383	7,190
1805L - Charitable Activities St Lukes	40	—	—	—	40	(90)
Total	7,423	—	—	—	7,423	7,100

Governance costs

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
2020C - Resources Pay Roll Costs	234	—	—	—	234	306
Total	234	—	—	—	234	306

Other resources used

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
1701C - Resources Stewardship	—	—	—	—	—	155
2010C - Resources Parish Administrator	6,357	—	—	—	6,357	5,693
2015C - TAX & NIC	2,072	—	—	—	2,072	1,800
2147C - Contra Deposits Church Wedding Used	—	—	—	—	—	428
2330C - Resources Church Telephone & Broadband	565	—	—	—	565	608
2335C - Resources Church Sundry Costs	1,511	—	—	—	1,511	1,219
2337L - Resources St Lukes Sundry Costs	105	—	—	—	105	(6)
2340C - Resources Copyright Licence	364	—	—	—	364	729
2345C - Resources Teaching Materials	143	—	—	—	143	—
2355C - Resources Church Stationery	297	—	—	—	297	572
2360C - Resources Church Bank Charges	204	—	—	—	204	316
2365C - Resources ICT	3,590	—	—	—	3,590	767

2370C - Organ/Piano Tuning	695	—	—	—	695	270
2380C - Resources Flowers for church	250	—	—	—	250	250
2385C - Cost of Service Books & Music	115	—	—	—	115	—
2393C - Resources Copiers	161	—	—	—	161	414
2555H - Cost of Hall Bank Charges	96	—	—	—	96	60
Total	16,530	—	—	—	16,530	13,281

NOTES TO, AND FORMING PART OF, THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

For the year ended 31 December 2021

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, they have been prepared under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Status and Going Concern: St Mary Spring Grove PCC is a public benefit entity and there are no material uncertainties about the church's ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming resources: The accounts are prepared on the accruals basis of accounting: income is recognised when receivable, except for donations of all kinds that are recognised when received; income tax recoverable is recognised in the same year as the donation. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over provided that the terms of the grant do not impose future performance related conditions on the PCC. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended: Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share (see Common Fund) is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is recognised when it is payable and is accounted for including Value Added Tax.

Funds: Unrestricted general funds represent funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Unrestricted designated funds include funds which are not restricted but have been designated by the PCC for a specific purpose. Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund unless otherwise agreed by the donor.

Endowment funds are represented by the valuation of the Millennium Hall.

Liabilities: Liabilities are recognised where there is an obligation to transfer economic benefits. The liability recognised is the amount that the Church anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as an advance payment for goods or services it must provide. A provision for a liability is recognised only when: there is a present obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event; it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit, usually in the form of cash, will be required in settlement; and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. The provision will be measured at the best estimate of the settlement amount.

Tangible assets and depreciation: Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with Section 10 of the Charities Act 2011.

However, the PCC is responsible for ensuring that church buildings are adequately insured. Although the valuations of St Mary's church and St Luke's buildings do not feature in these accounts (see assets above), they are currently insured for the sum of £14.15 million and £2.9 million respectively. Other buildings are also adequately insured.

Costs associated with the maintenance or improvement of such assets will be written off in the year they are incurred. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired. For other assets depreciation will be provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives. Movable church furnishings and possessions are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected at any reasonable time.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
St MARY'S SPRING GROVE

On accounts for the year
ended

2021

Charity no
(if any)

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Chartered Institute of Management Accountants.

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.

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

Signed:

R Barton

Date:

28/02/2022

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.