



PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR 2021

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

All Saints' Church is part of the Diocese of Blackburn within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity that is registered with the Charities Commission No. 1132970.

Current PCC members (trustees) who have served in 2021 until the date this report was prepared are:

Incumbent	Rev N. Buttery	Chairman
Curate	Rev S. Griffiths	From July 2021
Wardens	Mr J. McIntosh	Vice Chairman
	Mr K Massey	
General Synod Representative:		
	Dr L. Oliver	From October 2021, PCC prior
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	Mr T. Sutcliffe-Campo	Secretary
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	Dr K. Stewart	
	Mrs H. Tween	Minute Secretary
	Rev C. Young	

During the course of 2021; Mr S. Boyall (Lay Representative for Blackburn Diocese on General Synod) left All Saints Preston to serve at St. Andrews Ashton thereby ceasing his ex-officio membership. Mr Robert Holdsworth concluded his time on the PCC in April 2021 and Mr E. Xuereb resigned in September after he also left the church family to join St Saviours' Bamberbridge.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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

All Saints' Church committees are as follows:

The PCC operates through a number of committees which meet between full meetings of the PCC.

Standing Committee and Finance Committee

The Standing Committee is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between meetings, subject to any direction given by the council. It includes the finance committee as a small group who can make dynamic financial decisions on behalf of the PCC if required. They also oversee budget planning and financial reviews.

Building Committee

Attends to matters relating to the stewardship of plant, such as Church and Hall buildings and fabric and redevelopment schemes.

Mission Committee

Develops All Saints' strategy for the support of mission including the distribution of allotted mission giving amongst chosen mission partners.

Outreach Committee

Develops All Saints' strategy for evangelism and the planning of events to aid this.

Worship Committee

Attends to matters relating to Church services and worship.

Children and Youth Work Committee

Oversees the children and youth work activities

Responsibilities:

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and Hall premises.

THE CHURCH

Church Attendance:

The average weekly attendance, calculated in October 2021 was 181, 40 of whom were under 16. This number does remain reduced due to the pandemic and people unable to attend physically either due to vulnerabilities or illness. The services continue to be livestreamed and members of the church family, both at home and abroad are able to join virtually, approximately 10 households make regular use of this in the morning. The evening service is attended by 60 people on average and live streaming that enables about 15 households who are also unable to join us physically in the building.

The Church Electoral Roll:

	2020	2021
Resident	9	9
Non-Resident	126	134
Total:	135	143

REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2021

The PCC has met on 6 occasions, the average attendance for these meeting has been approximately 89%.

As with 2020, 2021 has continued to be throughout with the ongoing challenges posed by the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic. We continue to monitor and fully apply Government and Diocesan guidance on how to facilitate church services and other activities. This guidance and our practices are kept in near constant review by Mrs Debs Macaulay to whom the PCC owe a substantial debt of gratitude.

We have also been delighted to report that many of our groups have been able to return to meeting in person: The Brew; our Toddler group, Growth Groups; our weekly small groups, Globe Café; for international students and Student Group all returned to meeting in person. Our first CAMEO Luncheon Club since before the pandemic was held December 2021 and was very well attended. It has also been possible to restart an organised evangelistic outreach in our parish. This has consisted mostly in monthly coffee mornings held at All Saints and carol singing at Christmas. Please see below for specific ministry reports.

We are also delighted to welcome our new curate Rev. Simon Griffiths who began his ministry and training with us this year. Simon has taken on particular responsibility for our evangelistic outreach to International Students and also shares the responsibilities of leading services, preaching and public prayer.

Thomas Sutcliffe-Campo
PCC Secretary

VICAR'S REPORT 2021

The past year has seen our church family face some big struggles, but also experience God's great grace. As our nation continued to navigate the pandemic, 2021 saw us seek to encourage one another in tricky times, seeking to trust the Lord through it all. As the year progressed, we were able to unlock a little bit- we restarted our evening services at the start of the year, and during the summer and autumn we were able to tentatively lay on a few events- Life Stories in June, evangelistic events in the Autumn, and the restart of physical small groups in September.

We have been blessed as a church as we have studied together Nehemiah, Colossians, and Acts. In our evening services we were able to do two topical series based on the book "Gentle and Lowly" in the Spring, followed by a series on the Lord's Prayer. In the summer we studied 1 Samuel and Acts, followed by 1 Thessalonians and Zephaniah.

Through all the ups and downs of the last year, God has been faithful. We have seen his word be just what we need to keep us going. His Spirit has enabled us to have the strength to endure. His gospel message has transformed lives and we've had the joy of seeing some profess faith and baptised, and others encouraged on in their faith. We've experienced sadness too. But in those sad times, God has kept us united and loving one another.

I'm very thankful to God for our church family- for all who serve us so diligently and sacrificially, for the love and care shown, and the desire to hear God's life changing word taught each week.

Nathan Buttery
Vicar

REPORT ON WOMEN'S MINISTRY

As we look back over another year of life together at All Saints, we can give thanks to God for His sustaining love and grace through what has been a difficult time for many of us. Ongoing restrictions because of the pandemic have limited some of our usual activities, however we have been thankful for more freedoms this year than the previous year. It has done our hearts good to meet on many occasions and to know the blessing of fellowship with our sisters in Christ.

Meeting physically in Bible studies groups and for prayer has been such a blessing after many months of isolation and restrictions. The Wednesday morning Women's Growth Groups have continued to study passages in line with Sunday morning services.

We were finally able to meet physically for a women's breakfast in November and we enjoyed the Vicar's helpful teaching on Ecclesiastes as we considered God's perspective on life and eternity. These were helpful truths to discuss with one another over breakfast and picked up on what many of us learned a couple of years ago on our women's weekend away.

We had a great evening at the end of November for our pre-Christmas outreach event for women. This year Anna Parkinson skilfully led us through the process of Christmas wreath making and it was a joy to see over half of the room filled with those who are not part of our church family. It was good to see many of these faces again at various events in the run up to Christmas. Please continue to pray for opportunities to share Christ with our unbelieving friends and family members.

We were sad to miss another women's weekend away last summer due to the restrictions, however we eagerly anticipate the opportunity in this coming year!

Please join with me in giving thanks to God for His sustaining grace over this past year. Pray that women in our church family continue to grow and flourish, and serve whole-heartedly amongst our church family, trusting the Lord to work all things for our good and for His glory.

Hannah Fox
Women's Worker

REPORT ON GROWTH GROUPS

Our Growth Groups have been an ongoing source of encouragement and opportunity for growth over this past year. We have continued to follow the Sunday morning sermon series' each term, studying Nehemiah, Colossians and Acts throughout 2021. It has been good to study a variety of Bible genres in our groups, and Nehemiah seemed particularly timely as we reconsidered together what it means to be part of God's people and his church after 9 months of being physically separated.

Last term, our studies in Acts prompted us to prayerfully consider our priorities and the role that each of us has in God's mission plan to reach the world with the gospel. It was a helpful reminder, and timely, that we have such good news in Jesus, and that He empowers us to speak of Jesus to others. Our groups have provided opportunities to share openly and honestly with one another, and to know love and prayer support.

Please continue to pray for our Growth Groups, especially for unity in Christ and self-sacrificial love for one another. Pray for wisdom and grace for those who prepare and lead us faithfully each week. Pray that each of us would be increasingly committed to our groups and that we all continue to grow in our knowledge and love of Jesus together in the coming year.

Nathan Buttery

REPORT ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY

THE BREW:

The All Saints baby and toddler group that runs every Thursday morning during term time from 10:00 – 11:30. We aim to provide a welcoming environment for families from the local area and church family to get to know each other and enjoy being together and for the children come to play and have fun. However from January to March last year we were not able to meet in person due to the pandemic, so we met on Zoom each week for a story time and singing time. It was really encouraging to see how well the children responded to each other, listened to the stories and enjoyed singing the songs. We looked at some Old Testament Stories and learnt the phrase 'God is our Father who loves his children very much.'

After Easter we were able to meet in person in the building, which was terrific. We couldn't serve refreshments, but it was a joy to be able to meet together, to chat, for the children to play and have story time and singing time. We looked at different parables that Jesus told and learnt the phrase 'Jesus teaches us that God loves us very much'. It was sad to say goodbye to our large cohort of children who were due to start school in September as we have loved having them as part of the Brew for four years. We are thankful to God for all the work Rhianne Githaiga did in setting up, preparing craft and leading the singing for us each week.

It was lovely to resume meeting again in the Autumn term where we were able to serve refreshments, a highlight being the homemade cakes! We looked at different miracles Jesus did and thought how 'Jesus's words and actions show us he is God.' We have enjoyed welcoming new families each week, and getting to know regular families better. The children have loved the craft activities and we are grateful for the great space we have to enable to children to play with a wide range of toys. A high point at the end of each term is the lunch that we enjoy together after the last session.

I am very grateful for the hard work Rita Howell, Cynthia Knox, Becky Bedford and Amy Griffiths do each week in helping me set up and enabling the Brew to run smoothly. A big thank you to Rachel McIntosh for her willingness and gifts in leading the singing each week. Thank you too to all those who help set up the Brew after meetings. We thank God for his kindness to us in so many ways and continue to pray we'd honour him in reaching out to families with the good news of the gospel. It was fantastic to see some families coming along to the Christmas services and hearing the good news of Jesus. We pray that many would come to know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

Debbie Buttery

SEEKERS:

In September 2020 all of our previous seekers group started 'big school' so they moved into adventurers. This year we regularly have 9 children in seekers, mostly aged 3 at the moment. They have all settled in really well and enjoy listening to Bible stories, doing a craft to help them remember the story and then spending some time playing. We work through the Bible from the beginning and have just enjoyed doing the Christmas story. The children enjoyed being sheep in the nativity production, although not too keen on actually giving away the candy canes!

Sarah Slater

JUNIOR CHURCH:

Junior Church is made up of Adventurers years Reception to Year 2 and Discoverers Year 3 to 6. At the moment we have 38 children in total. Adventurers has completely changed as there are a large number of children who have just started school, it is clear that all children have been affected by lockdown restrictions, particularly regarding socialising with each other.

We continue to mostly use Mustard Seed /TNT for our teaching material. Last summer we looked at Matthew and Kingdom Living, looking at how to live for Jesus if they love Him. We also had a 'Book Week' to coincide with the 10ofthose.com visit to All Saints in July. In the autumn we looked at Genesis and Jonah, before heading into the King of Christmas. We held our first 'Light Party' on Halloween. It was good to see the children enjoy doing a Christmas presentation properly after a 2-year break, and we performed the 'King of Christmas' song also.

We continue to have termly training and have been encouraged by some new leaders joining the team. We are aiming to finalise our inclusion policy this term. Please pray for children's hearts to be ready to learn the good news and for the leaders to be able to present the gospel in a clear and engaging way.

Debs Macaulay

PATHFINDERS:

Pathfinders (years 7-9) followed the morning sermon series'; Nehemiah, Colossians and Acts 9-17. We hope that such a deliberate decision has encouraged our families to talk about and discuss what the Lord has been teaching us as we study the same books together. This has also helped us as leaders of Pathfinders, to push our applications and encourage our young people to talk with their families, to chew over what they have learnt and to seek to apply biblical truths to their lives. We pray that there might be great gospel fruit through this, especially with the recent series in Acts, that repeatedly challenged us all on how we live for Christ, witness to the good news of the Gospel and how we respond to the mission of the church. We are greatly looking forward to seeing how the Lord might use this in the coming term as we work through some of the Passion for Life content.

Pathfinders this year has seen quite a bit of change as we said goodbye to a number of our young people as they moved into year 10 of school while also welcoming a number of new Pathfinders as they started secondary school. In addition to this, Matt Middleton has taken on responsibility of leading the Pathfinders team after Steve and Lucy Boyall left for St Andrews, Ashton in May. It has been a great encouragement to see our young people engage with God's word, as they grapple with how to live faithfully in all aspects of life.

I have also found great encouragement in seeing our Pathfinder leaders grow in a love for the Lord Jesus that flows out into a care and concern for all our members. Our leaders have grown in their understanding of the

gospel and the way in which they can bring glorious gospel truths to bare in the lives of our children and young people. Praise God!

Matthew Middleton

TEENAGE CELL GROUP:

We have had a great year looking at the books of Nehemiah and Acts together. We also went through the Christianity Explored course, they really enjoyed looking at who Jesus is, why did he come, and what does it mean to follow Him. This year we also continued to cover a few thematic studies, these were the Christian perspective on Sex & Relationships and Angels & Demons, both of which seemed very helpful for those who attended.

In God's grace we were still able to meet during lockdown over Zoom which enabled us to still be in contact although we couldn't physically be together. We were also grateful that as restrictions started to ease we could meet back in the building which was a real privilege and a great joy.

In amongst all the Bible studies we have also had lots of fun playing old favourite games like Sardines and Mafia along with learning some new ones! The reinstatement of the Pool and Air Hockey tables have also been a big hit, there have also been some social events this year; a summer BBQ, countryside walk and bonfire and most recently a trip Ice Skating in Lancaster.

Overall we have all been greatly encouraged by the growth we have seen amongst the youth this year and the way the group is welcoming and friendly to all that come along. It has been a great joy for Joel, Sarah and myself to be part of the team leading it.

Rob Davis

REPORT PRAYER MEETINGS

CENTRAL PRAYER MEETING:

It has been a highlight each month to meet for our Central Prayer Meetings this year, and since September we have been able to return to the church building with a group 'zooming in' to pray as well. This has been especially useful for those who are unable to come out physically in the evenings. We have met on the first Wednesday evening of each month, enjoying time in God's word and in prayer.

Throughout 2021, we considered the different 'roles' of Jesus. Several men from our church family have taken us through these each month, taking a verse to unpack and consider before we launch into prayer. Our times of prayer have continued to focus on all aspects of the life of our church family. We receive regular updates on the different ministries in our church family and also from those who we partner with across the world. Our ChurchBuilder prayer function has continued to be useful to many, providing a daily prayer email to use each day.

It is a joy to pray with a cross-section of our church family each month and it is one of the times when we most obviously partner together as a church family. I encourage everyone who is part of our All Saints church family to join us each month, either in the building or online.

Hannah Fox

SATURDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING:

During 2021, a small group from the church family has continued to pray each Saturday at 9pm for an hour. A number of meetings have taken place on Zoom since the pandemic began, but the group continues to meet physically at church on the first Saturday of the month. The format of these meetings consists of reading a Psalm together and then committing the work of the Lord at All Saints to the Lord in prayer. Typically the Sunday services, specific needs in the church family and gospel causes on a local and global scale are prayed for. It's always a real encouragement when members of the church family join the group.

Jonathan McIntosh

REPORT ON STUDENTS' MINISTRY

For the first six months of 2021, student ministry, like much else, was conducted on Zoom. Whilst we greatly missed meeting in person, we were very encouraged that the majority of our students regularly Zoomed in on Thursday nights. We enjoyed studying the Lord's Prayer and Colossians together. We also had a 'Student Weekend at Home' (in place of our usual weekend away!), where we tackled some Bible-reading tips and tools: e.g. how to read the Bible in context. In the summer, we said goodbye to a few students who had been with us for several years. This is always sad, but it was great to hear how they were all planning to continue serving the Lord in their new places. Since September (the new academic year), we have been able once again to meet in person, which has been brilliant. We have been able to welcome a few new students to our group and have also had a couple of non-Christian enquirers with us.

We are thankful for many things. The Lord has provided for and sustained us and our students, particularly over the lockdowns. We are thrilled to see increasing maturity and Christlikeness as our students grow in their love of the Lord and his word. We have also had the joy of seeing a student becoming a Christian, and a couple of them being baptised or renewing their vows. We are conscious of much answered prayer.

We continue to pray for growth in godliness for us all, and for further fruit for the gospel amongst non-Christian students. We are also conscious that the Student Group is slightly smaller than in previous years, and that several students are in their final year, so we are praying for new students to join us next academic year. We are very thankful for your continued prayers.

Chris Young
Assistant Minister

REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' MINISTRY

As a team we have been very thankful to get our regular Globe evenings up and running again this academic year, following the challenges brought about by restrictions earlier in the year.

International welcome week in late September brought lots of flyering and social media ahead of our Afternoon Tea, and we were greatly encouraged when our first student arrived (in typical Japanese fashion, about 10 minutes early!), followed by a good number of others, for tea, cake and games.

The weekly focus of our internationals' work is our regular Tuesday evening "Globe" café ministry— where we play games/do activities together and have a dedicated time for discussion around tables on a particular issue — typically addressing issues of culture, attitudes, faith and ethics. Where appropriate, these co-ordinate with the British "cultural" calendar, and there are always ways for team members to speak the gospel into conversations around tables, for example on issues such as hope, truth, family, community, good/evil. Typically, we will have 20-25 students on a Tuesday evening.

Our regular Christmas markets trip to Manchester was sadly de-railed (!) by train cancellations, but other events in the lead up to Christmas were far more positive; we had a lunch and walk around Preston and had about 40 downstairs in church for Christmas dinner, with an opportunity for me to share the gospel — and a handful of our students joined us for afternoon tea and our Christmas carol service on 12th December.

The Globe "team" has grown during the term and it has been a real joy to see them serving and loving our students week by week. As we look forward to the new year, we're seeking to continue to build relationships and share our lives and faith with our students, and we're praying that the Lord would be at work to soften many hearts to the gospel.

Simon Griffiths
Curate

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

It has been a real joy to continue our Christianity Explored course on Zoom throughout the pandemic. Each term we have had several guests join in, often from further afield. The format on Zoom has enabled some folk to join who would otherwise not have been able to, and good discussions have taken place. Please pray on for fruit from these courses.

We were glad to have had the opportunity to run another 'Life Stories' event in the church building back in June. It was a super event with two of our church family members and a guest sharing their stories of how God has worked in and through them throughout particular times in their lives.

We were also able to run a Quiz Night back in October. Many folk turned up, much fun was had and I was able to share the hope of Jesus in an uncertain world.

Christmas was another obvious opportunity to share the gospel with those from our city and in our parish. We were able to run two carol services in December, both live-streamed for those who couldn't join in person. We had a wonderful CAMEO lunch for older folk with carols and the Christmas message clearly explained. We saw families come along to both The Brew Christmas party and to the Crib Service on Christmas Eve. It was great to see so many different faces in the building again, and a more 'normal' feel to the Christmas season after a strange year last year. We were once again able to host the Lancashire Police Carol Service with a bumper turn out, and another opportunity to speak of Christ.

We focussed our parish carol singing and mince pie delivery in areas where we have existing contacts. It was a great evening and our parish team had some good conversations on doorsteps. With lots of help from church family we were able to flyer the parish, inviting people along to Christmas events.

The women's evangelistic wreath-making event in November also saw around 30 guests and hear something of the Christmas message. It was such an encouragement to see so many of our church family serving at this, and many other events, partnering in evangelism together, for God's glory.

We look forward to 2022 and the many opportunities that we are planning to reach out with the gospel. Please pray for the Evangelism Committee as they think through opportunities in the coming months.

Nathan Buttery

REPORT ON PARISH MINISTRY

With Covid-19 regulations beginning to relax through 2021, we were presented with a great opportunity to reach out into the parish and seek to re-establish and build new relationships with those who live in and around our church. With much of the formalised ministry to our parish having finished in 2019, the end of 2021 presented us with an opportunity to think anew of how we might engage with our parish and seek to love them and witness to the glorious news of the gospel.

As a result, a monthly prayer meeting began in May as we sought to bring before the Lord our desire to reach our parish with the gospel, while seeking wisdom to know how best to do this. From September, we started a monthly 'tea and coffee morning' seeking to get to know people in our parish. We also began door-knocking as a way of introducing the new parish team and offering invitations to various church events and our tea and coffee morning. Despite the start of this ministry being small at times, with only have 3 or 4 folk coming along to our tea and coffee mornings across the four months at the end of 2021, we have received some great encouragements this year.

We saw Suzanne be baptised on 21st November, who came to us at All Saints through our previous ministry ChaTea. Many of us were greatly encouraged to see how the Lord has worked in her life. Christmas time also

presented us with opportunities to reach out to our parish as we went carol singing; and we were warmly received as we chatted on doorsteps and gave out mince pies and gift bags.

Overall, our outreach has shown small signs of gospel fruit, as we have reconnected with those we lost touch with during Covid, and through door-knocking and carol singing we were encouraged with the way people engaged and were willing to talk. All this has led to a few people coming to church whether during the week or on a Sunday. We pray, and entrust to the Lord, that such initial signs of relational warmth will continue to grow as we seek to love and walk alongside those in our parish.

Matthew Middleton
Ministry Assistant

REPORT ON CAMEO

For most of 2020 we were unable to run our monthly Cameo lunches due to Covid, but it continued to be a great opportunity to send out monthly letters to more than 80 people who regularly attend. These letters usually had some gospel content as many of our attendees don't attend our church. When we returned to our lunches several of our members said that they were really glad to be back but would really miss our monthly letters!

In November we were able to hold our first lunch of the year which was attended by about 46 people and we enjoyed an after dinner talk from Chris Young. In December we were able to hold our Christmas lunch for more than 70 people. We enjoyed singing carols and hearing a Christmas message from Nathan. We have been very thankful for some new helpers who have joined us to serve at our lunches.

We have been very sad to hear of the deaths of some of our members over the last year, and Jean and I have been able to represent Cameo and All Saints at some funerals. We have been particularly sad at the loss of some of our dear friends who were part of Cameo and also part of our church family. We mourn the loss of Josie Kingsley, Gordon Jones and Amanda Jones, but we rejoice that they are now with their Lord and Saviour. We have been very thankful for the way that Amanda has served in Cameo over the past few years and she will be sadly missed.

We have been able to hold Cameo Bible study in person for the past few months and we have been studying Acts and Paul's first missionary journey. The numbers have been quite low but we have continued to send out the studies to those who are not ready to come back yet.

Sarah Slater

REPORT ON MISSION PARTNERS

We continue to give thanks to God for the partnership we enjoy with our Mission Partners, scattered across the world. It has been good to study Acts together as a church family this year, and to be reminded that the gospel is powerful is for all people. We have been reminded through Acts of the importance of gospel partnership and the part that we play in global ministry, through prayer, finance and encouragement.

We have most locally continued our partnership with St. Andrew's Church, Ashton and have enjoyed mutual encouragement and support. Our partnership with St. Andrew's Church has continued now for 10 years, beginning when James Nash became Vicar there in 2011. We are so thankful for ongoing news of evangelism and discipleship in Ashton, and despite the sadness of Steve and Lucy Boyall and the family moving last May, it is wonderful to see the Lord working through them as they get stuck into church family life at St. Andrews!

Our partnership with St. Silas Church, Glasgow has continued, and we must continue to pray for this church family which is growing, by God's grace. It has been encouraging to hear from Martin Ayers of the growth

happening at St. Silas and for the new members of staff they have been able to employ for new areas of ministry.

We love hearing of all that the Lord is doing in and through our church family members Colin and Alison Dudgeon, serving in Laos. It was good to see Colin and Alison last year during their return in lockdown, but we are thrilled with them that they are back on their mission field and that God is using them in such obvious ways – both through their local projects and healthcare, and also through their witness and encouragement to the local church.

We have been prayerfully and financially supporting projects in Pakistan through The Pakistan Project, seeking to care and support many suffering groups of people in that country, this year including Afghan refugees. The Project workers are sharing the good news of Jesus despite opposition and persecution. Pray for many people in Pakistan to come to trust in Jesus.

Stephen Baggot serving in the Sahara Desert in Niger is always an encouragement as we hear of his commitment and hard work to the people there. We must continue to pray for Stephen as he battles many practical obstacles each day as well the challenge of intense heat!

David and Eti Zadok continue their ministry in Israel. Give thanks for the encouragements we've heard from them this year and for those who have come to trust in Jesus the Messiah. Pray for them as they seek to share Christ in what is often a hostile environment.

We give thanks with Thorsten and Kerstin Prill, serving with Edinburgh Bible College, for many answered prayers over this past year. It has been good also to partner with them in prayer and finance as they have sought to support and encourage pastors in Namibia throughout this very difficult year.

Terry and Wilma Flannigan, serving the Lord with 'Child Evangelism Fellowship' continue their involvement in translation and publication of resources equipping children's leaders across the world in their ministries. It has been a joy knowing that Terry and Wilma have 'joined' our church family for online services during this past year, each Sunday morning.

Finally, our formal partnership with Andy and Esther Porter in the U.S. ended this past year, however many individuals in our church family continue to support them in their ministry at Compass Aviation.

The Mission Committee have recently reviewed our partnership with our Mission partners and have been prayerfully considering how we can be even more effective in supporting and encouraging them in the coming year. We look forward to ongoing partnership with existing partners and making new partners elsewhere.

Nathan Buttery

REPORT ON SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding continues to be a priority for us as a church family as we seek to love one another and look after one another well in the Gospel. The PCC have remained abreast of the publications and recommendations coming from the National Church and our Diocese with regard to this. In September we set up a small taskforce to consider all of these recommendations and ensuring that our policies, procedures and adherence of them is complete. In due course that team will reconduct the Safeguarding Audit to ensure we are in line with not just the legal requirements, but working to best practice. I am thankful for the many in our church family who seek to ensure we safely deliver ministry and share the gospel protecting everyone, especially the most vulnerable from harm. Whilst the Diocese Safeguarding Advisors have been contacted during the course of 2021 for advice with some certain circumstances, there has not been a need to report any incidents or matters to them.

Angela Biden
Parish Safeguarding Officer

REPORT ON FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS

Jude verse 25 says this: *To the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.*

We thank God for his gracious provision of church buildings and facilities that enable us to hold meetings and events for the proclamation of the good news about Jesus Christ in order to honour and glorify the God that we serve. The wardens would like to thank all those who have used their practical gifts to serve the Lord Jesus and the church family by investing time and energy in the upkeep and maintenance of church facilities during 2021. Special mention goes to Richard Ready and Debs Macaulay for all of their practical and administrative work in progressing church maintenance and building improvement activities.

During 2021 a new projector has been installed in the main part of church to enhance the clarity of the main screen during services, after the previous projector became unserviceable. Major works to the church office were completed in early 2021, which included: redecoration, a new carpet and a new boiler and radiator system. A thorough Fire Risk Assessment of the church building was completed during 2021 and a number of associated actions have been completed, with further work to reduce the overall fire risk scheduled for completion in 2022. A number of the high-level lights in the main part of church have been replaced with LED units which are more energy efficient.

Routine maintenance of the fire alarm system, fire extinguishers, gas boilers and other items is in-hand.

Finally, we can inform you all that the church's ornaments, plate and vessels are intact and in good order.

Keith Massey and Jonathan McIntosh
Church Wardens

REPORT ON DEANERY SYNOD

Due to the pandemic and various other constraining issues, the synod has only been able to meet once in 2021. It met on the 1st July at St Mary's Ribbleson, where Archdeacon David introduced himself as the new Archdeacon for our area. He had not to that point had an opportunity to introduce himself physically to the deanery. He explained how he had come to faith, and what his vision for the deanery is.

A meeting for the 19th October was postponed due to the elections for Area Dean not having been completed.

Nathan Buttery

REPORT ON GENERAL SYNOD

The General Synod is the national assembly of the Church of England and is made up of just under 500 people, with bishops, clergy and laity represented. I have been elected to serve on the General Synod as one of the lay representatives from the Diocese of Blackburn for a term of 5 years, and the first meeting of the new Quinquennium happened in November 2021. This was a short meeting mainly made up of official business of the opening of the new Synod and a chance for all of the new members (of which around 60% of Synod is this time) to get to grips with how a typical group of sessions is run. I would very much value your prayers as I attend Synod meetings, to hold fast to biblical truths, to have courage and boldness to speak faithfully in debates and for Synod to make decisions that are in line with God's will as revealed in His word.

Laura Oliver
Lay-representative for Blackburn Diocese

FINANCIAL REPORT

At the end of another difficult year we have much to be thankful to God for in His provision to us through our finances. The final balance on church funds (at 31st December 2021) is £150,535, of this £1,955 is held in restricted funds. This is exceedingly healthy and will ensure our ability to continue delivering ministry in the years ahead.

In 2021 there was an excess of £10,662 in our income over our expenditure and our income for 2021 was £260,806 which is an increase from 2020 of approximately 3%. This is explained entirely by the receipt of a very generous legacy from the late Dr Doreen Milns (over £60,000 in total), and we remain exceedingly thankful for her, and to the Lord for her love of our church family shown in this way.

INCOME

In fact, our Gift-aided and other planned giving was 5% lower than in 2020, a number of our church family left All Saints to serve in other churches and this reduction is partially explained by that, others reduced their giving to changes in their personal circumstances. The cash collections from services increased and returned to the pre-pandemic level, they were 84% higher than in 2020 as we enjoyed being able to be in the building every week. There were no activities held with a primary aim of generating funds. Income from our investments was £643 in total, interest from the Skipton Building Society reflects the current low interest rates and was just £37.16 (0.05%). Other receipts from church activities included weddings and funerals, book sales and ministry and outreach events, church/hall lettings, and photocopier costs, it totalled £2,547. This is still significantly reduced due to a lack of events such as weekends away.

EXPENDITURE

Our total spends were £250,144. This is a 9% increase on 2020. The Diocesan Quota, staff wages and expenses are the main items of expenditure as well as the 10% of our income (based on the previous year) which the church endeavours to donate to our Mission Partners, this is higher than that as 10% of the legacy gift was designated for mission, it was held in a restricted fund and then distributed above our usual commitments. Costs have increased as we have seen a return to a number of activities compared to the longer lockdowns of 2020.

There is a challenge to us as a church family to collectively increase our giving to cover our month on month ministry costs. It is undoubtable that our expenditure will increase in 2022 with costs of numerous things increasing, some significantly. Partnership Sunday held in January 2022 highlighted the situation and this need. We pray on for people to partner financially with All Saints in response to the grace we know from a generous God, we endeavour to rely fully on the Lord for all we need.

Angela Biden
Treasurer

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

INCOME	B.D REF	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2021	2020
Voluntary income	1 to 8	244,720	11,939	256,659	246,228
Activities for generating funds	9	-	-	-	-
Income from investments	10	643	-	643	974
Receipts from church activities	11 & 12	2,130	417	2,547	4,436
Other non-recurring income	13	957	-	957	972
TOTAL INCOME		248,450	12,356	260,806	252,610
EXPENDITURE	B.D REF	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2021	2020
Mission giving and donations	18	22,313	6,079	28,392	18,744
Church activities	19 to 28	209,306	10,619	219,925	207,079
Governance costs	26	1,827	-	1,827	3,223
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		233,446	16,698	250,144	229,046
		UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2021	2020
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		15,004	-4,342	10,662	23,564
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		-	-	-	-
Balance brought forward 01/01/2021		133,576	6,297	139,873	
Balances carried forward 31/12/2021		148,580	1,955	150,535	

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	NOTE	2021	2020
FIXED ASSETS			
Property and other assets	4(i)	-	-
Investment assets	4(ii)	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS			
Short term deposits	4(iii)	74,359	74,322
Cash in banks		71,471	48,677
Other Debtors		6,492	18,265
		152,322	141,264
LIABILITIES			
Amounts falling due within one year	4(iv)	1,787	1,391
NET ASSETS		150,535	139,873
TOTAL FUNDS			
	Unrestricted	148,580	133,576
	Restricted	1,955	6,297
		150,535	139,873

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on the

and signed on its behalf by:-

Rev N Buttery
Chairman

Miss A Biden
Treasurer

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. INCOME	B.D REF	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2021	2020
<i>Voluntary income</i>					
Gift-Aided planned giving	1	143,322		143,322	147,099
Other planned giving	2	21,302		21,302	25,890
Collections at services	3	3,938		3,938	2,134
Sundry donations	4 & 5		7,460	7,460	405
"Postbox" donations	4 & 5			-	11,425
Tax recovered through Gift Aid	6	35,847		35,847	40,775
Legacies	7	40,312	4,479	44,791	16,000
Grants	8			-	2,500
TOTAL VOLUNTARY INCOME		244,720	11,939	256,659	246,228
<i>Activities for generating funds</i>					
Church/Hall lettings	9	-	-	-	-
Photocopier income	9	-	-	-	-
Other	9	-	-	-	-
<i>Income from investments</i>					
Dividends & gross interest	10	618		618	949
Ground rent - Trinity Fold	10	25		25	25
TOTAL INVESTMENT INCOME		643		643	974
<i>Receipts from church activities</i>					
Fees - weddings & funerals	11	1,004		1,004	201
Book sales	12	171		171	130
CAMEO	12		417	417	295
Other inc Lettings	12	955		955	3,811
TOTAL ACTIVITY INCOME		2,130	417	2,547	4,437
<i>Other non-recurring income</i>					
Insurance claims	13	-		-	947
Sale of fixed assets	13	422		422	
Profit on sale of stock	13	-			
Church renovations	13	-			
Printing	13	535		535	25
TOTAL		957	-	957	972
TOTAL INCOME		248,450	12,356	260,806	252,611

The following notes explain the subdivisions and sum costs of specific items:

- 1 Gift-Aided planned giving:** These are regular weekly/monthly gifts, subject to gift aid claims, where declarations are held by the donors. It also includes any one-off gift aid donations.
- 2 Other planned giving:** These are regular monthly gifts by standing order by persons who cannot or who chose not to gift aid their donations.
- 3 Collections at services:** These are weekly cash donations made during the Sunday services.

- 4 & 5 Special Collections:** Special Collection money goes through the accounts but All Saints PCC is not the intended recipient. In 2021 these collections were for the Covid hardship fund supporting members of the church family financially impacted by the pandemic. None of these donations were subject to gift aid claims.
- 6 Recovered Gift Aid Tax:** This is money from HMRC as per the Gift Aid Scheme. Two claims were submitted in 2021; one for July - December 2020 and the second for January-October 2021.
- 7 Legacies:** A generous legacy has been received in 2021. There were some stipulations on how the money was spent, it was held in restricted fund but has now been distributed.
- 8 One of Grants:** No grants were applied for or received.
- 9 Activities from generating funds:** This heading shows income from sources not directly part of religious activities. In 2021 this is Nil.
- 10 Income from Investments:** The amount is made up of interest received from the Skipton Building Society and dividends from the St. Thomas Hall Church Investment Fund. It should include the ground rent received annually for Trinity Fold, however this has still not been received for 2020 or 2021.
- 11 & 12 Receipts from Church activities:** This category is designed to highlight the Church's income from its religious activities. £594 from men's & women's ministries. £97 from Student Work and £263 from Children and Youth activities. All significantly lower than pre-pandemic income. It also includes income from the bookstall although this is non-profit making.
- 13 Other non-recurring income:** Totalled £957. This including printing services for the NWP and the trade in of a replaced computer.

2. EXPENDITURE	B.D REF	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2021	2020
Mission Giving and Donations	18	22,313	6,079	28,392	18,744
<i>Church activities</i>					
Diocesan quota	19	65,405		65,405	60,936
Staff wage costs	20	81,387		81,387	73,811
Clergy expenses	21	1,120		1,120	663
Vicarage/Staff house costs	21	14,448		14,448	12,334
Staff expenses	21	14,159	2,500	16,659	15,902
Parish Support costs	22	622	7,078	7,700	11,623
Ministry & Outreach	22	3,194	1,041	4,235	4,772
Children & Youth	22	1,807		1,807	1,096
Church & Hall running costs	23	18,786		18,786	14,751
Church & Hall Utility costs	24	3,800		3,800	4,416
Bookstall	25	656		656	156
Church & Hall Maintenance	27/28	3,922		3,922	6,621
Major repairs/replacements	28			-	-
TOTAL ACTIVITY EXPENSES		209,306	10,619	219,925	207,081

<i>Governance costs</i>					
Audit fee	26	900		900	900
Payroll fee	26	538		538	517
PCC Costs	26	193		193	1,806
Staff	26	196		196	
TOTAL GOVERNANCE COSTS		1,827	-	1,827	3,223
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		233,446	16,698	250,144	229,048

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Charities Act (referred to below as “the Act”) now governs the way in which the Church Accounts are kept and analysed and for them to be independently examined.

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, and SORP (FRS102), using the Accruals basis.

All the All Saints funds are now grouped together on the Statements and shown as Unrestricted and Restricted funds in accordance with the Act.

The money in established and the money given. An unrestricted fund can be spent for any legitimate purpose, the restricted funds can only be spent for the purpose for which the fund was given. The categorisation has been endorsed by the PCC, at the end of 2021 these were:

Fund	Opening Balance from 2020	Income	Expenditure	Closing Balance for 2021
CAMEO	799	417	1041	175
CAMPS	903	0	0	903
PARISH C & Y WORK	144	0	0	144
MINISTRY TRAINEES	2500	0	2500	0
D. MILNS LEGACY	1600	4479	6079	0
HARDSHIP FUND	351	7460	7078	733
TOTAL	6,297	12,356	16,697	1,955

RESERVES POLICY

It is the PCC policy to invest our funds in non-risk deposit accounts that will give the current market return. A full review of the reserves policy is due in 2022 however the interim policy is for the All Saints PCC to hold in reserve:

2 months general running costs including our existing financial commitment to others.	37400
3 months staff wages	20346
A reserve for redundancies to cover the statutory costs for the 4 current employees plus additional funds for the PCC to consider their responsibility to these individuals	15000
There are ongoing and maintenance costs in the upkeep of the building	10000
TOTAL RESERVES	£ 82,746

At present the held funds do exceed our policy and the PCC will consider how this money can be spent in accordance with its mission, the 2022 budget is at a deficit of £40,000.

4. BALANCE SHEET

(i) Property Assets

Interest in property consists of Church building, Parochial Hall, Vicarage and land at Trinity Fold. All movable church furnishings are fully written down in the year of purchase.

(ii) Investment Assets

The market value of investments as at 31 December 2021 was as follows:

Endowment Assets: 1/3rd share of St. Thomas Hall – Church Investment Fund.

978 shares cost £3,944.43 valued at 31 December 2021 £4.03 per share. Market Value Shareholding £22,872.19

This capital cannot be sold.

(iii) Income

All income is recognised once the church has entitlement to the funds, it is probable the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

The gift aid debtor reflects the claim outstanding relating to donations received in the year 2021 it has been claimed up to 31st October 2021 and therefore is only two months outstanding. The interest from dividends and the payment for the ground rent by Community Gateway remains outstanding at time of submission from both 2020 and 2021. Assurance has been given that this will be paid as a matter of urgency.

	ASSETS	Recorded in 2020 Accounts	2021
6	Gift Aid Reclaim	17,676	5,861
10	Interest from Dividends	562	581
10	Ground rent - Trinity Fold	25	50
11	Weddings & Funerals	2	0
	TOTAL DEBTORS	18,265	6,492

Current Assets – Investments and Cash	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
General	142,088	1955	143,875
Debtors	6,492		6,467
Total Funds	148,580	1955	150,535

(iv) Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as a legal or constructive obligation committing the church to that expenditure. It is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement and the amounts of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been clarified under headings that aggregate the cost relating to the category. The only debts are for diocesan fees, utilities, and governance costs.

	LIABILITIES	Recorded in 2020 Accounts	2021
19	Q4 2021 DBF Fees	0	244
24	Gas: Church & Hall	116	172

24	Gas: Entrance	24	36
24	Electricity	180	267
24	Water	40	33
26	James Todd Payroll	131	136
26	McDade Roberts Audit	900	900
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,391	1,787

Liabilities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Amounts falling due within one year	1,787		1,787

EXPENDITURE: The following notes fully explain the subdivisions and costs of each specific item

18. MISSION PARTNERS AND DONATIONS		
	Assisting Children (CEF)	2,856
	Crosslinks - Prills	4,000
	Crosslinks - General Fund	500
	Christian Witness to Israel	3,919
	Sahara Desert Mission	5,000
	Leadership & Medical Ministries SE Asia	6,022
	Compass Aviation	1,950
	North West Partnership	500
	Asia Link - Pakistan Project	1,000
	True Freedom Trust	1,000
	Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship	45
	Evangelical Alliance	200
	Others	1,400
	TOTAL	28,392
19. DIOCESAN QUOTA	TOTAL	65,405
20. STAFF WAGES		
	Assistant Minister	27,818
	Women's Worker	28,873
	Office Manager	8,087
	Ministry Assistant	20,690
	International Student Worker	113
	National Insurance Adjustments	- 4,194
	TOTAL	81,387
21. CLERGY EXPENSES		
	Vicar: Rev Nathan Buttery	894
	Curate: Rev Simon Griffiths	226
	TOTAL	1120
21. VICARAGE COSTS		
	Council Tax	3,457
	Water	520
	TOTAL	3,977
21. CURATE HOUSE COSTS		
	Council Tax	1,533
	Water	486

	TOTAL	2,019
21. STAFF HOUSE	Rent	6,600
	Council Tax	1,383
	Water	469
	TOTAL	8,452
21. STAFF EXPENSES	Assistant Minister	154
	Women's Worker	9,758
	Administrator	15
	Ministry Assistant	1,375
	Ministry Trainees	5,357
	TOTAL	16,659
22. PARISH SUPPORT COSTS	Urban Parish	
	Women	
	Data Protection	
	Safeguarding	405
	Treasurer	22
	C & Y	
	Music	195
	Hardship Fund	7,078
	TOTAL	7,700
22. MINISTRY		
Men's Ministry	Events	-
	Breakfasts	44
	Weekend Away	150
	TOTAL	194
Women's Ministry	Events	49
	Breakfasts	60
	Weekend Away	
	Training	
	Support	270
	TOTAL	379
Student Ministry	Food	217
	Resources	83
	Weekend Away	526
	Events	
	Training	
	Student Bursaries	
	Freshers Week	373
	Evangelism	
	Retreats	
	TOTAL	1,199
International Students	Food	243
	Books & Tracts	6
	Welcome Week	61
	Globe	69
	Outings	

	On Campus Work	
	TOTAL	379
Welcome Meals	TOTAL	8
CAMEO	TOTAL	1,041
22. OUTREACH		
Evangelistic Courses	Food	
	Materials	136
	Evang Training Course	
	TOTAL	136
Quiz Nights	Food	300
	Speakers	
	Venue	50
	TOTAL	350
Other Events	Evangelistic Events	62
Book Table	Books & Tracts	14
	Resources	62
	Total	76
Christmas Events	Carol Service	75
	Publicity	
	Evang. Event	313
	Tracts	23
	Total	411
	MINISTRY & OUTREACH TOTAL	4,235
22. CHILDREN & YOUTH	Creche	
	Junior Church	755
	The Brew	988
	Teenage Cell Group	64
	Holiday Club	
	TOTAL	1,807
23. CHURCH & HALL RUNNING COSTS		
	Covid 19	130
	Insurance	3665
	Telephone/broadband	571
	Ground rent	800
	Church Builder Database	680
	CCLI - performance licence	1080
	31:8 DBS Fees	78
	Data Protection fees	35
	Website	33
	Bibles	0
	Photocopier	411
	Stationery & Postage	1168
	Small electrical items	850
	Technical & Music Equipment	5683
	Organ	0
	Building & Kitchen Materials	637

	Keys	129
	Furniture	36
	Food & Drink	755
	Cleaning materials	183
	Piano tuning	0
	First Aid Kits	0
	Communion wine & cups	464
	Baptism - Pool hire & Certificates	111
	Materials for Services	0
	Heating system maintenance	275
	Alarm & fire extinguishers	876
	PACT Tests	136
	Displays	0
	Dishwasher	0
	Oven	0
	Gardening	0
	TOTAL	18786
24. CHURCH & HALL UTILITIES	Gas: Church & Hall	1771
	Entrance	256
	Electric	1649
	Water	124
	TOTAL	3800
25. BOOKSTALL	Bible Notes	
	General Books	
	Student Books	
	Lent Books	
	Advent Books	
	Growth Group	656
	TOTAL	656
26. GOVERNANCE COSTS	Audit fee	900
	Payroll costs	538
PCC Costs:	Training	0
	Away Day	0
	Gifts	177
	Admin	16
	Job Adverts	
	Staff	196
	TOTAL	1827
27 & 28 MAJOR REPAIRS & DECORATIONS		
27	Church	3117
28	Hall	805
	QI	0
	TOTAL	3922

Independent Examiners report to the PCC All Saints Church Preston

I report to the PCC members on my examination of the accounts of the charity 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 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (accounts and reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of the 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.



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