

THE RECTORIAL BENEFICE OF BASSALEG



ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS Year ended 31st December 2022

On behalf of the Parochial Church Council

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Christopher Stone - Chairman

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ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Rectorial Benefice of Bassaleg, consisting of the churches of St Basil Bassaleg, St John the Baptist Rogerstone and St Anne High Cross, is in the Deanery of Bassaleg and the Diocese of Monmouth in the Church in Wales.

Rector The Revd Christopher Stone
The Vicarage, 1 Church View, Bassaleg, Newport, NP10 8ND

Independent Auditor Mr S R Johns F.C.A., 21 St Andrews Crescent, Cardiff, CF10 3DB

Bankers The Co-operative Bank plc, 1 Balloon Street, Manchester, M60 4EP

It is the responsibility of both the Parochial Church Council and the Incumbent to work together and to co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the parish for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the parish.

Membership

During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Incumbent	The Rev'd Christopher Stone
Assistant Curate	The Rev'd Bronwen Summers
Associate Priest	The Rev'd David Waters

Churchwardens
Ashley Rogers
Lee Bartlett

Sub-Wardens
Rosemary Kennedy
Gail Peacock

Co-opted Members	
Sheryll Jeffreys	<i>Secretary</i>
Ashley Rogers	<i>Buildings Officer</i>
Helen Antonelli	<i>Treasurer</i>
Kay Rogers	<i>Gift Aid Secretary</i>
Helen Carey	<i>Safeguarding Officer</i>

Elected Members
St Basil
Suzanne Potts
Jeff Taylor
John Kennedy
Anne Wright
Michael Meredith

St John
Heather Smith
Paul Nicholls
Jenny Barton
Margaret Hayes

St Anne
Sarah Mulcahy
Sally Mlewa
Jill Williams
Jane Harvey

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Rectorial Benefice of Bassaleg for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out on the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of Parochial Church Council and the Examiner

The members of the Parochial Church Council are responsible for preparing the Financial Statements. You consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is required

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Parochial Church Council and a comparison of the Financial Statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the Financial Statements and seeking explanations from you as Parochial Church Council members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

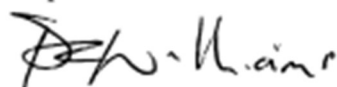
- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act,

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent Examiner



P C Williams F.C.A.
Chartered Accountant
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13 April 2023

TREASURER'S REPORT

I have set out below a brief summary of our financial position for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Statement of Financial Activities

Before taking into account the movement on our shares (as noted below), we are unfortunately showing a deficit for the year of £60k. This deficit compares to a deficit in the previous year of £23k.

The deficit of £60k consists of a deficit of £69k on our general fund (which reflects our normal day to day expenditure) and a surplus of £9k on our fabric and development fund (representing interest received during the year).

There are several reasons for our large deficit in 2022. Offertories and gift aid thereon have not returned to pre Covid levels and in addition, we still have reduced congregations. Although we did carry out some good fundraising activities in 2022, we did not have a Gift Day. In previous years we have had letting income from St John's Hall, St Anne's Hall and St Anne's House but this has been minimal in 2022 as the halls were not in operation and St Anne's House was vacant. Expenditure was also incurred on St Anne's House in relation to the roof and on maintenance in order to be in a position to relet it. In respect of our Parish Share, the rebate that was previously applied to allow for the impact of the pandemic is no longer given and therefore our payments have increased. It is clear that we cannot continue to operate at these levels of income and expenditure. The new Tredegar Park Ministry Area of which we are part will operate from 1 January 2023 and finances for the new Ministry Area as a whole will need to be reviewed.

The Parish of Bassaleg is a beneficiary of some funds held in trust by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales. The value of these funds has decreased by £50k over the course of the year. We receive interest on these funds (as mentioned above) but our access to the capital is restricted. As a parish, we have no control over the value of these units and they can move upwards as well as downwards.

Our total net movement in funds therefore consists of the deficit of £60k on our general fund and the decrease in value of our investments of £50k to give a net decrease of £110k.

Balance Sheet

The balance sheet for the parish is shown on page 5 of these accounts and summarises the assets which we hold as at 31 December 2022. These consist of bank accounts and the Church in Wales funds mentioned above. The balance in the parish bank accounts has decreased by the £60k deficit noted above from £76k to £16k.

The three parish churches, their contents, the churchyards and the halls at St John's and St Anne's are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales and do not form part of the assets of the Parish. We do however own St Basil's Hall, Bassaleg and St Anne's House, Rogerstone.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Designated Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Endowments Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary Income						
Planned giving & church collections	55,771	-	-	-	55,771	56,342
Tax refunds	10,791	-	-	-	10,791	11,808
Donations	1,190	15	-	-	1,205	2,523
Gift day (including gift aid)	-	-	-	-	-	6,364
Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
For the world-wide church	1,467	-	-	-	1,467	458
Generated Funds						
Money-raising	4,807	150	-	-	4,957	516
Hall/property	3,463	-	-	-	3,463	2,165
Investment Income	16	8,490	-	-	8,506	8,103
Church Activities						
Fees	5,315	-	-	-	5,315	3,970
	82,820	8,655	-	-	91,475	92,249
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Cost of generating funds						
Mission donations	(1,467)	-	-	-	(1,467)	(458)
Parish share	(88,906)	-	-	-	(88,906)	(62,757)
Maintenance of churches	(21,010)	-	-	-	(21,010)	(11,069)
Maintenance of services	(5,603)	-	-	-	(5,603)	(4,102)
Parochial expenses of clerics	(10,420)	-	-	-	(10,420)	(8,262)
General parish expenses	(3,598)	(22)	-	-	(3,620)	(21,938)
Maintenance of halls/property	(20,691)	-	-	-	(20,691)	(6,454)
Capital expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
	(151,695)	(22)	-	-	(151,717)	(115,040)
NET INCOMING RESOURCES	(68,875)	8,633	-	-	(60,242)	(22,791)
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	-	-	-	(50,187)	(50,187)	45,635
Transfer between Funds	31,022	(31,022)	-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	£(37,853)	£(22,389)	-	£(50,187)	£(110,429)	£22,844
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:						
Total Funds brought forward 1 Jan 2022	37,853	37,921	308	478,227	£554,309	£531,565
Total Funds carried forward 31 Dec 2022	£0	£15,532	£308	£428,040	£443,880	£554,309

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Designated Funds 2022 £	Restrict ed Funds 2022 £	Endowmen t Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021 £
FIXED ASSETS						
Investments	-	-	-	428,040	428,040	478,227
CURRENT ASSETS						
Cash & bank balances	-	15,532	308	-	15,840	76,082
CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS	-	15,532	308	-	15,840	76,082
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	-	15,532	308	428,040	443,880	554,309
CREDITORS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL NET ASSETS	£0	£15,532	£308	£428,040	£443,880	£554,309
Capital funds						
Permanent endowments	-	-	-	428,040	428,040	478,227
Income funds						
Restricted	-	-	308	-	308	308
Unrestricted: Ordinary	-	-	-	-	-	37,853
Designated	-	15,532	-	-	15,532	37,921
TOTAL FUNDS	£0	£15,532	£308	£428,040	£443,880	£554,309

In addition to the above funds, the Rectorial Benefice of Bassaleg owns St.Basil's Church Hall, Bassaleg and St. Anne's House, Rogerstone.

The benefices of Maesglas and St John The Baptist, Newport will merge with the Rectorial Benefice of Bassaleg to form the new Rectorial Benefice to be known as Tredegar Park Ministry Area and this will be in operation from 1 January 2023.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. Accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The historical cost convention is used except for the valuation of certain fixed assets, whose valuation is detailed in note 1(a) below. The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted. The principal accounting policies are applied consistently.

(a) Assets

Fixed assets

Churches, churchyards and vicarages are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales and such property forms no part of the assets of the Parish. Moveable church contents are inalienable property and require a faculty for disposal. Many are historic for which no reliable cost or valuation bases exist. They are not recognised on the Balance Sheet nor listed, to prevent increased risk of theft and vandalism. Expenditure on churches (including contents), churchyards and vicarages is written off when incurred. Routine additions and replacements to church hall contents are charged to current expenditure.

Investment assets

These are stated at mid-market values on the balance sheet date.

(b) Funds

Unrestricted funds

These are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Designated funds

These are sums set aside out of general funds for specific designated purposes. They can be transferred back to unrestricted funds at any time.

Restricted

These represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the 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.

Endowment funds

These are funds the capital of which must be maintained: only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

(c) Incoming resources

These are all accounted for gross. Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised as soon as the amounts are claimable. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Investment income is accrued for and where the PCC has not invested separately for each fund, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis. All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

(d) Outgoing resources

The parish share is paid regularly and is included in expenditure for the year to which it relates. Unrestricted fund grants (including donations to missions) are recognised when determined by the PCC. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred.

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2. Parish of Bassaleg Unrestricted Funds

	Total 2022	Total 2021
INCOME	£	£
Offertories	55,771	56,342
Tax refunds	10,791	11,808
Donations	1,190	2,523
Gift day (including gift aid)	-	6,364
Mission collections (note 4)	1,467	458
Money raising	4,807	516
Property income	311	1,500
Hall income	3,152	665
Investment income	16	-
Church fees	3,505	2,105
Churchyard fees	1,810	1,865
Total Income	82,820	84,146
EXPENDITURE		
Mission donations (note 5)	(1,467)	(458)
Parish share	(88,906)	(62,757)
Maintenance of churches:		
Heat, light & water	(7,937)	(3,105)
Insurance	(3,901)	(3,754)
Cleaning, repairs & servicing	(9,172)	(4,210)
Maintenance of services:		
Music	(4,852)	(3,386)
Other expenses	(751)	(716)
Parochial expenses of clerics	(10,420)	(8,262)
General parish expenses	(3,598)	(6,344)
Churchyard expenditure	(9,288)	(15,270)
Hall and other property expenditure	(11,403)	(6,454)
Capital expenditure	0	0
Total Expenditure	(151,695)	(114,716)
Surplus/(shortfall) for year	£(68,875)	£(30,570)

Please note that the comparative figures stated for 2021 include Unrestricted Funds and the Churchyard Fund in order to compare like with like.

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3. Charity Accounts

Taylor Charity

	Total 2022	Total 2021
Balance carried forward	<u>£308</u>	<u>£308</u>

Note: The capital of this fund is not expendable.

4. Money-raising events

	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£
Candles	65	-
Rotary Club raffle	1,142	-
JustGiving campaign	-	101
Jam jar 20p collections	460	415
Christmas Tree festival 2022	2,995	-
Other funds generated	145	-
Total	<u>£4,807</u>	<u>£516</u>

5. Parish of Bassaleg mission donations

	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£
Ukraine donation	550	-
Christian Aid	917	458
Total	<u>£1,467</u>	<u>£458</u>

6. Fixed asset investments

	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£
Market value at 1 January	478,227	432,592
Net gains/(losses) on revaluation	<u>(50,187)</u>	<u>45,635</u>
Market value at 31 December	<u>£428,040</u>	<u>£478,227</u>

This investment relates to 204,257 Church in Wales Common Investment Fund Shares. Interest is received on these shares but access to the capital of the funds is restricted.

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7. Movement on funds

	Balance 1 Jan 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfer between funds	Balance 31 Dec 2022
	£	£	£		£
Unrestricted funds					
Parish of Bassaleg General Account	37,853	82,820	(151,695)	31,022	-
St. Basil's Church Hall	-	-	-	-	-
St. John's Church Hall	-	-	-	-	-
St. Anne's Church Hall	-	-	-	-	-
Total	£37,853	£82,281	£(151,695)	£31,022	£0
Designated funds					
Fabric & Development Fund	30,973	8,490	-	(23,931)	15,532
St. Basil's Bell Fund	6,948	165	(22)	(7,091)	-
Total	£37,921	£8,655	£(22)	£(31,022)	£0
Restricted funds					
Churchyard Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Charity Funds	308	-	-	-	308
Total	£308	£0	£0	£0	£308
Endowment funds					
Church in Wales CIF shares	478,227	-	(50,187)	-	428,040
Total	£478,227	£0	(50,187)	-	£428,040

During 2022, the Church Hall funds were amalgamated with the General Account and were extinguished during the year.

The St Basil's Bell Fund was also extinguished by the year end and the Churchyard Fund was extinguished at the previous year end.