

Parish of Yeovil with Kingston Pitney

Annual Report of St John the Baptist Church for the Year ended 31st December 2020

At the time of collating this report in April 2021 we are still experiencing the effects of Covid 19, an especially virulent disease which has swept the world. The United Kingdom has been in lockdown three times during the past year, as have many other countries in the world, meaning that we have been obliged to isolate in our own homes, allowed out to shop and exercise only. The church has been partially closed, only permitting a maximum of 50 in the building at a time, whilst services have been relayed online; we have not been permitted to visit or meet up with family members or friends, and the only means of contact we have had is by telephone or email, whilst church meetings have been held on Zoom: all this to prevent the spread of the virus, to protect ourselves, each other and the NHS. Several of the reports that follow do mention these conditions at the time of their writing, even though the reports actually record the business of St John's until December 2020.

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Administrative Information

St John's Church is situated in the centre of Yeovil and has a daughter church, St Andrew's, which is about one mile from the centre. They are part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: Church Street, Yeovil, Somerset BA20 1HE. This report covers the activities of St John's church and of the Parish. St Andrew's Church has produced its own report covering its own domestic issues. The Parochial Church Council is registered under the Charity Commission, registration number 1134345.

The PCC comprises members from both churches with the Incumbent, Readers, Wardens and elected representatives to the Deanery Synod. The following members have served on the PCC during the last year.

Incumbent	Revd James Dudley-Smith	Chairman
Associate Minister	Revd Ben Graham (from April 2020)	
Representatives on Deanery Synod	Edward Armitstead Rob Dean Kate Scorer Phil Juggins Beth Farrington	St Andrew's
Member of General Synod	Jam Cary	
Wardens	Rob Dean	St John's
Deputy Wardens	Jennifer Matthew/Calum McFarlane David Maynard-Griffin	St Andrew's
Elected Members	Chris Frazer Lin Hann Mary Irwin Caroline Jeeves Phil Juggins Iain Maitland James Maitland Tom Oaks David Matthew Tim Osborn Keith Ovenden Tim Thurgood Helen Truett Anne Wicks Kath Upton (Parish Administrator)	
Co-opted Members	St John's Janet Dean Secretary John Brookes Treasurer	

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 join the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC at the time of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. They have prime responsibility for managing the affairs of the church. St Andrew's Church has its own Church Council (DCC).

Objectives and Activities

St John's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, Revd James Dudley-Smith, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has responsibility for St John's Schoolrooms and St Andrew's Church Hall.

Achievements and Performance

This report covers the activities of St John's Church. St Andrew's Church produces its own report.

- 2020 has been an unusual year because of Covid restrictions but James Dudley-Smith found various ways to continue his steadfast leadership.
- We were delighted to welcome our new Associate Minister, Ben Graham, and his family to the Parish at Easter 2020, an unusual time to arrive during a pandemic when the church was unable to meet in person. We grew to know him during the year in our filmed online services.
- The Church Wardens are to be particularly commended for their perseverance during a very tricky year.
- The financial affairs of the church are as good as can be expected in such unusual circumstances.
- Congregations at our services were unable to meet in person for most of the year because of Covid restrictions. The church was closed for several months and no-one was permitted to enter. The Rector pre-recorded services from his home for the 10.30 slot on Sunday and we soon became used to watching on YouTube from the comfort of our homes. Towards the end of the year, the church was permitted to open but for a very limited number of attendees: people were required to sign-in, sit in alternate rows and wear face masks during the services. No singing allowed!
- Tuesday morning communion carried on with no pre-booking necessary but with similar precautions taken.
- A monthly service in the afternoon was held at St John's for families with children.
- The Gone Fishing Café was unable to meet for most of the year because of pandemic restrictions.
- Youth activities continued but via Zoom.
- Holiday Club in the summer was pre-recorded and shown online for 30 minutes each day.
- First Wednesday prayers continued but on Zoom.
- The Music Group continued to meet online to record new songs, thanks to the efforts of Keith Ovenden and Tim Osborn.
- Most fellowship groups continued to meet but via Zoom.
- Tiny Toes, for mums and babies, and Footprints, for mums and toddlers, were unable to meet after the first lockdown in March onwards.
- Christians Against Poverty continues to provide a vital service for increasing numbers of people having problems with unmanageable debt. Meeting in person with clients has obviously proved difficult this year but ways have been found either online or by telephone.
- The Tech Team, led by David Matthew, are to be greatly commended for their continuing work and dedication in managing to bring the services into our homes each week.

There is, therefore, still a tremendous amount going on in the life of the Church despite Covid and we are indeed blessed by the number of people willing to get involved.

Janet Dean
PCC Secretary

Report on PCC Meetings

The PCC met on only three occasions during the year, the latter two of which were held on Zoom, and these were generally well attended. The minutes of all PCC Meetings can be viewed on the St John's parish website.

Apart from the routine business of finance, services and fabric matters, much of which is covered in other sections of this annual report, the following items were discussed.

- The continued burden of paying the Parish Share
- The future reordering of the church
- The appointment of a Minister for Children and Youth
- Mission giving
- Data protection
- Safeguarding
- The fabric of St John's and the repairs to various areas of the roof
- The importance of on-going mission and evangelism
- The cost of upkeep and possible future refurbishment of the Harrison and Harrison organ
- The future shape of admin provision in the parish

Janet Dean
PCC Secretary

St John's Wardens' Report

With what became known as 'lockdown one', St John's closed its doors to worshippers for the first time since the 2008 reordering on 23 March 2020. Initially no-one was permitted into the building including our clergy: seventeen services were broadcast on You Tube and largely pre-recorded. Worshippers were finally allowed to return to church on 12 July 2020 with limited numbers, social distancing, face coverings and no singing.

There was no Remembrance Day Service and most of the Christmas services for schools and other organizations were also cancelled. Except for First Wednesday Prayers, and various friendship and fellowship groups who met online, all our other activities which involved meeting face-to-face tragically had to cease.

In some ways the on-line services have been extremely successful with an average of 130-140 'devices' tuned in 'live' with another 450-500 viewings on catch-up during the week, including people in Australia, Canada and from local churches who had no live services or on-line. Our innovative and adaptable 'tech' team and the music group have been fantastic and have supported James' ability to lead services and for us all to worship superbly. We are extremely grateful to them all.

In April 2020 we welcomed Ben Graham as Associate Minister and Chaplain to Yeovil College. He moved to Yeovil with his wife Abi and their three delightful boys. They arrived just as Lockdown 1 started and have had a most unusual first year with us: to date they have not seen the church operating as we would wish. Despite the turmoil they have quickly become fully integrated into the life of the church.

There are several things of concern as we review 2020: what will the church be like as we edge towards the end of severe restrictions? How do we help nervous members feel safe in church? How do we expand and serve and glorify the Lord?

Looking forward, John Brookes will complete his term as Treasurer in April 2022 and we continue to pray that a volunteer will come forward to shadow him towards the end of this year and to relieve him of his duties which have been so willingly and expertly conducted over recent years.

Rob Dean, Churchwarden

St John's Sidespersons Report

'You will not fear

the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.' Psalm 91: 5-6

I used this passage to introduce last year's annual report and, as I then completed an extra half a year of wardening, apparently I qualify to do this one as well...and it is still an applicable passage although the pestilence has stopped stalking with such vengeance. And so, onwards with the report.

Our amazing, generous and welcoming sidespeople did sterling work, faithfully and well throughout January to mid-March. At which point we decided they were all so fabulous that we would give them an extended holiday for the rest of the year. I'm sure everyone would agree that they deserved the break.

Extended, unexpected breaks aside, I would like to thank, on behalf of the church, all our Saturday stewards and sidespeople for their ongoing commitment, and we very much look forward to seeing you at the door once again in coming months.

And anyone who is interested in joining this merry band of fearless folk, please do speak to our churchwardens or email them...offers always gladly welcomed.

Jennifer Matthew, Churchwarden (retired)

Report on the Electoral Roll

Following the 2021 revision of the electoral roll for St John's, the total on the roll currently stands at 172. Several of those who died during the year had not kept up membership on the electoral roll.

With a recent revision for late 2020 APCM names removed for 2021 are:

Caroline and Edward Armitstead

Fenella Birch

Colin & Jean Reston

Diane Taylor

Kath Upton, Church Secretary

St John's Finance Report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020

The statutory accounts of St John's also include the accounts of St Andrew's however this report just covers the activities of St John's. A separate report covering St Andrew's follows the St John's report. The accounts consist of three different sorts of funds. The General Fund which can be spent at the discretion of the PCC and mostly covers the day-to-day running costs of the church. There are Designated Funds where money is set aside for specific purposes such as the Schoolrooms and the Fabric Fund and Restricted Funds which can only be spent for the purposes for which they were set up such as the Peter Wakely Community Fund and the Christians Against Poverty Fund.

The General Fund

We set an ambitious budget for 2020 requiring an increase in our income of 5.7% but still taking £13,500 from the Peter Wakely Community Fund. Fortunately, our expenditure was £6,797 above budget but we

still took £13,500 from the Peter Wakely Community Fund. In the event, we ended with a deficit of £6,644.

The transfer from the Peter Wakely Community Fund meant that we had a deficit of £6,644 and our General Reserve reduced to £23,737. Overall the total income was £211,819 excluding special charitable collections which are paid out in their entirety. This is a decrease of 1.00%. Expenditure on a similar basis was £231,936 an increase of 1.4%. Our biggest expense was the Parish Share of £144,992 which took (60.1%) of our income. Compared with this the actual costs of running the church, excluding money given to Missions and Charities, were £66,616 an increase of (1.8%) and are relatively modest. In 2020 we continued to support our Missionary links and other good causes by giving away £20,355 which was 10% of our income from collections. This is in addition to Special Service Collections which amounted to £9,161. At the end of 2020 we are left with a general reserve balance of £23,737 which represents under two month's expenditure.

Designated Funds

The Schoolrooms had a deficit of £4,513. The rent received of £2,530 was £3,043 less than in 2019. The main reason for the deficit was the pandemic which restricted our lettings. Operating costs were £7,190, were higher than in 2019. The end of year balance was £2,842 and we continue to renegotiate the lease.

The two Fabric Funds have been combined in the accounts. The total income was £2,280 and included a repayment of VAT amounting to £182. Expenditure amounted to £5,860 and included work identified at the last quinquennial survey £1,439 and £2,845 architect's fees in connection with the proposed reordering of the interior of the church. There was a decrease in the value of the underlying investments of £3,227. The combined balance at the end of the year amounted to £58,918.

The Youth Development Fund had income from interest of £86 and donations of £16,830. The balance at the end of the year amounted to £43,284. There were only very small movements on the other designated funds.

Restricted Funds

There are four funds categorised as restricted:

The Restoration Fund.

Work on the tower restoration was completed in April 2015 at a total cost of nearly £300,000. Apart from interest received of £51 there were no other movements. The balance at the end of the year amounted to £13,431

Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

The fund raises and spends money in support of the Yeovil CAP Debt Centre, managed by Steve Hart. A total of £33,328 was given and raised to support this ministry. It also included £2,773 gift aid tax reclaimed. The expenditure, comprising the monthly salaries of the manager and debt coach, a monthly payment to CAP HQ, and other operating expenses, amounted to £37,545. There was a deficit in the year of £4,217 and the balance carried forward to next year was £30,346.

The Peter Wakely Community Fund. This fund was set up with the proceeds of the legacy received from Peter Wakely amounting to £189,655. The £180,000 received in 2015 is invested in a unit trust administered by CCLA on behalf of the Church Commissioners. During the year we sold shares amounting to £13,703 and £13,500 was transferred to the General Fund. At the year end the amount invested in shares was revalued and they had grown by £28,008 compared with the cost of the original investment of £144,096 but the value is subject to the ups and downs of the stock market. We have transferred a total of £55,706 to the General Fund over 6 years and £10,000 has been paid to St Andrew's towards their kitchen refurbishment.

The Tom Setter Belfry Fund

The fund paid for the enhancement of the bells largely completed in 2014. However, in 2018 work was started on the repair of the clock in the tower. Donations of £250 were received in the year and

expenditure incurred on the clock amounted to £3,281. The balance carried forward is £14,588. Work on the clock was mostly completed in 2018 but there remains a small amount of work still to do in 2021 and further work to do on the bells.

The Balance Sheet

The balance sheet shows where are total funds of £471,330 are invested. Most of this is accounted for by designated or restricted funds with a relatively modest £23,737 represented by the General Fund. A total of £329,690 is invested in unit trusts administered by CCLA on behalf of the Church Commissioners, £67,937 is on deposit with CCLA, £69,398 is in three current accounts with NatWest bank, which pay interest, and £6,000 in National Savings.

Our 2021 Budget, James Dudley-Smith, our rector, has spoken about the challenge that we face in 2021 when we need to increase our income. The PCC have interviewed and appointed a person to manage our young people and the person appointed is due to start at the beginning of May. The Parish Share which we have to pay to the Diocese is increased to £148,625 and based upon an estimated 240 church members works out at nearly £12 per person per week or £50 per month before we meet any of the costs of running our church estimated at £7 per person per week. The challenge we all face in 2021 is to review our level of giving, commit to regular giving preferably by standing order directly to the church's bank account or through the envelope scheme, and to make sure that the church can reclaim as much tax as possible on our giving by signing a gift aid form. Last year we reclaimed £34,296 tax and could not have managed without it.

Whilst regular planned giving out of income meets our day-to-day running costs a legacy gives us the opportunity to give to the church out of our estate for specific purposes without reducing our income and is always welcome. We received a legacy of £250 in 2019. However, the largest legacy that we have received in the last few years is £189,895 from Peter Wakely. We have produced a leaflet about legacies and a copy is available by the door in St John's. If you are considering leaving a legacy to the church, please discuss this with the treasurer or a warden who will advise you on the specific needs of the church.

John Brookes -Treasurer of St John's

Gift Aid Report

Thank you that your generous giving to the work of the church continued wonderfully through 2020. During periods of lock-down, it was more difficult to continue giving by the envelope scheme or in the donations box in church. Some of you switched to bank standing order, while others saved their contributions until they could be physically delivered.

The number of those adding Gift Aid to their donations continued to increase through the year. Thanks to all who have completed a Gift Aid declaration, we were able to reclaim over £40,000 from the government. This represents an enormous help to our church finances.

If you are a UK taxpayer and have not yet added Gift Aid to your church giving, please contact me or the Church Treasurer, John Brookes, to find out how you can boost your donations at no extra cost.

Alan Irwin

St John's Fabric Report and Statement 2020

The 'Fabric Committee' is a sub-committee of the PCC which normally meets regularly to coordinate and report on the state of the church fabric and to monitor the planned regular maintenance and repairs and other work stipulated in the Quinquennial Survey of 2017. Having met five times in 2019, in 2020 the committee met only twice, on 20th January and 16th March. There were no further meetings, due to the pandemic, but the Fabric Plan was updated on 27th November to reflect progress made on tasks during the year.

The church is generally in good material condition. However, there are two areas requiring particular attention, to be addressed with significant packages of work in the near future. At the beginning of 2020, the storms of February resulted in damp finding its way inside the building in a number of places, but most notably in the Edwardian Vestry and the South Turret Tower.

The resulting Vestry roof repairs including increasing provision for rainwater drainage will probably cost in the region of £10K, while repairs to the South Turret roof support and re-leading will require scaffolding and the cost is expected to be between £10K and £15K. A Faculty from the Diocese for both repairs has been approved. Church architects Benjamin and Beauchamp have gone out to tender to four companies who have expressed an interest, with responses due in April 2021.

Necessary maintenance and repair work on the building was continued through 2020, including significant activities as follows:

- A repair of the main organ coupler touchbox repair was completed by Harrison & Harrison in January/February.
- A temporary roof leadwork repair above the Trinity Chapel was upgraded with a permanent repair (in February 2021).
- Scheduled electrical system testing was completed in July, while scheduled gas boiler checks revealed an exhaust fault, repaired in November.
- Following a spate of lead thefts from church roofs locally in 2019, Smartwater was applied to the roof leadwork in September and a quotation report for a roof alarm has been drafted.

A complete (2 yearly) review of the church Health and Safety policy documents was carried out in November, including incorporation of a new file of Covid risk assessments. Aside from the latter, changes were minor and it is proposed that the document suite is uploaded to the website to facilitate review by those required to read it.

Thanks to all who have still taken care of our building during this unusual year!

Phil Juggins (Fabric Committee Chair)

Bell Ringers Report

At the beginning of the year a Bell Hanger from the Loughborough firm of John Taylor, assisted by a few volunteer local ringers, removed the clappers from bells number 9,10,11 and 12. They were taken to the foundry for, what we hope will be, improvements. A few weeks later they were re-installed by the same people. Some of the clappers with fittings weigh up to 50kg, having to be lugged up and down 100 steps! For obvious reasons we have been unable to test them out fully. Only once, on Friday 13th March, were we able to hear all twelve bells again when some ringing friends of ours came to try them out. We do not have enough of our own ringers to ring them all. That is something which needs putting right. We would like more of our church family to come forward and learn to ring and follow the lead of one young lady, Davina Bakum. She asked to learn bell ringing as part of her Duke of Edinburgh Award activities and has already taken part on Sunday mornings.

A quick learner, I was able to take her to a Diocesan-wide Young Ringers Practice at Ditchat at the end of February. With other youngsters she did not know, and a new tower, but 8 superb bells, she was unfazed and did extremely well. I hope our new Youth Minister will take the hint and see that there are lots of opportunities for activities “up in the tower” to interest youngsters helping to keep them connected to the Church.

That was one bright moment in a year when for most of the time we were denied access to the tower. Ringing rooms are generally not well ventilated, close contact with other ringers, especially those needing

supervision, one's hands touching the same ropes as others, means that resumption of normal ringing will likely be one of the last activities to be allowed as restrictions on gatherings are lifted.

Ringers generally are a resourceful lot. Virtual ringing "platforms" have been invented (the most widely used is called RingingRoom devised by a couple in the USA) together with Zoom they enable groups of ringers (often in different continents!) to ring together using a tap on the spacebar instead of pulling a rope! Hitherto non-ringers have learned the basics of change ringing without the need to be able to ring a real bell! Only those taking part can hear the results of their efforts, so they don't upset the neighbours. Many local ringers have been using these devices.

Handbells have come into their own too, and three people in a family, or other bubble, ringing two bells each, can simulate 6 real bells. There is a set of 13 handbells in our tower, waiting to be used.

Between the first and second lockdowns and at Christmas, there was a window of opportunity when we followed guidance that provided no more than six people were in the ringing room, wearing masks and "sanitised", keeping 2m distance, necessitating the ringing of every other bell (the ropes are often less than 1m apart), each ringer to ring the same bell only, and for no longer than 15 minutes! Having twelve bells allowed us to select and ring just 4 or 5 bells in a sequence that was not as disappointing as it could have been. You might have thought that with so many constraints it would be hard to get ringers up the tower; but no, many were keen to make sure they could still do it, as muscles can get unused to pulling! And they were missing the fellowship.

A single bell was tolled on Remembrance Sunday for ten minutes leading up to 11am.

After about twenty years ringing with us, Jean and Colin Reston, will have moved away by January 2021 to be nearer some of their family. They learned to ring with us and were most regular turning up every Sunday morning, and helping with jobs up the tower. We shall miss them, but hope their move will be a happy one and that they join another church and tower in due course. Volunteers, please to fill this large gap in our team!

Thanks are due to Annette Organ, assistant tower captain, and to all the ringers who have supported what ringing we have been able to do.

The Clock has worked well during the year and, after a request from a nearby resident, it has been set up so as not to strike during the night. It is now owned by the Church, and really needs a volunteer to look after it. For years, I have been doing this and am the only person who fully (I hope) understands it. Occasionally it needs adjusting to be right on time and on the change-over from GMT to BST. Lately I have been showing Les Whittle, who lives conveniently close to the church, what has to be done. It is a health and safety requirement that no one should work in the tower alone, so thanks to him as well.

Roger Fox, Tower Captain

SJYA

St John's Young Adults (SJYA) is a social group for young adults in the church and is held on the third Wednesday of the month. The group has approximately twelve active members and new attendees have joined over the last year.

Since the start of lockdown in March 2020 we have continued to meet as a group though the frequency of meetings has reduced. We are continuing to communicate with all members via the SJYA Facebook group even when face to face meetings are not possible. Some meetings have been held in person whilst others have taken place online via Zoom. We have had a pizza night, arranged a walk, met for an online games night, and went for drinks at one of the pubs in town. We also encourage attendees to participate in other church events such as the monthly prayer meeting, after church coffee and quiz nights.

Looking forward, we hope that the group will be able to begin meeting in person again on a regular basis once the restrictions have eased.

Calum and Emma McFarlane

Friday Night Youth

We have continued to meet in a variety of ways during 2020. During the lockdowns we have utilised Zoom and have met to study the Bible together. We have looked at Big Bible Truths, Esther, A Bible Overview, Christianity Explored for Youth and Joshua. We were able to meet in person for a short time, during the easing of lockdown. We were sad to have to cancel our Youth Weekend Away in Spring 2020 and hope to be able to get away again at some point in the future! We have an outstanding team of committed and wonderful leaders - Tim Osborn, Hannah Peace, Chris Frazer, Judith Brookes and Sarah Kinnerly.

James Maitland

Junior Church Annual Report

Although 2020 was a very strange year and we were unable to meet as usual for most of it, Junior Church continued in various forms over the twelve months.

In January we began the year discovering what the Kingdom of Heaven is like through five parables that Jesus told in Matthew. We were three quarters of the way through our series exploring the Passion from Palm Sunday to Easter morning in Luke's Gospel when all churches were closed and we were unable to meet together. Thankfully as our materials were online, I was able to email the final lesson home for parents to go through with their children.

After Easter I sent a questionnaire to parents to see how families were faring and asked how we could best serve them during lockdown. It was helpful to see that families needed a range of resources to use in different ways throughout the week as not everyone was engaging with the service on a Sunday morning.

As a result, we arranged a few new things. Firstly, we began a Junior Church Zoom chat for fifteen minutes before each Sunday service. The Zoom chat was a way for the children to keep in touch with their friends, share their news and ask for prayer. It has had enduring appeal and has continued throughout the various lockdowns on weeks when we do not meet in person. I am very grateful to Judith Brookes for faithfully co-ordinating this and setting it up week after week.

Secondly, we filmed Sunday school lessons which the children could watch with their families anytime they liked. These explored the Early Church and the spread of the good news about Jesus in Acts 1-14.

Thirdly, Ben Graham provided weekly worksheets to accompany the Sunday morning services and Becky Dudley-Smith put together related craft activities for the children to do at home.

By the autumn we were determined to meet in person and so began to offer an all-age service for families on the second Sunday of each month, and a FAB (Fun and Bible) Time for the children on the fourth Sunday of each month. We were thankful that we had enough space for each group to meet separately which allowed us to comply with the COVID regulations. We began the academic year by looking at the life of Jacob, and then discovered the king of Christmas and celebrated Jesus, the rescuer, by looking at Matthew.

Sadly, the rules changed once again and everything had to stop in the November lockdown but we managed to meet once online via Zoom, and in December our all-age services resumed.

It was hard to know how many children we made contact with during this time, but we had about 20 regulars and welcomed a couple of new families to Junior Church.

Once again there was a small change of personnel, and we were very sad to lose Pete and Rebecca Howarth at the end of the summer when they moved away, and also Calum McFarlane in November as he stepped down to take up Church Warden responsibilities. Thankfully James and Doreen Maitland have been a great addition to the team, joining us after the summer, and Ben Graham has been an enormous help with our all-age services in particular.

2020 was a trying year, but I am extremely grateful to all of our leaders and helpers who were so flexible and willing to try different ways of reaching the children at St. John's with the good news of Jesus, which has been more important than ever in the last twelve months. Many thanks too to all the parents for bearing with us during this time and supporting the work in so many ways.

Melissa Cary

Tiny Toes Report 2021

This group normally meets on a Thursday morning, during school terms, in the Schoolrooms between 10.00 and 11.15am. Groups of this type have not been permitted since the beginning of lockdown in March 2020, however there is now hope that it will be possible to reopen in the near future.

The group is designed for parents with babies under about 1 year, so those who were attending prior to lockdown will not return. It will therefore be starting from scratch but there is a clear need for this service to the community. Almost all of the parents attending in the past have had no prior regular church connection, so it is also a wonderful means of connecting them with St John's.

Ann Thurgood

Footprints Report

This last year, during the lockdown, we have produced a weekly video for footprints on our Facebook page. These have included a craft, song and Bible story. We also produced a craft bag for families to use over Christmas. We met in person between the two lockdowns in a COVID secure environment.

We are very much looking forward to meeting again in person in 2021 and currently have fifteen families registered.

Doreen Maitland

St John's & St Andrew's Holiday Club

Holiday Club Aims to teach children about God using the bible in a meaningful and fun format accessible for children aged 5-11yrs.

In January last year I was asked to lead the planning for our church holiday club in the summer. I found this prospect very exciting after a ten-year break from the role.

The team (Sally Chandler, Jon and Helen Peace, Hannah Peace, Jonathan & Claire Coulson) met on Zoom in mid-April and decided to resurrect "Going Bananas" a *Scripture Union Holiday Club* which we did last in 1998. At subsequent online meetings we put the plans together in the hope of better times in July. However, by the end of May it had become quite clear that we would not be able to run the club in church due to the pandemic restrictions.

Consequently we felt that we had to change direction and the team made a swift decision to shelve our plans for “Going Bananas” and to put together a new plan for an online club to run for the July week in a livestream format. To this end, we co-opted David & Jennifer Matthew onto the team who were able to lend their technical expertise to the venture.

The theme of “**Everyday Heroes**” was decided upon. Each day would spotlight a bible hero using the Saddleback Kids videos as a starting point. The Heroes for God chosen were Jonah, Josiah, Rahab, Josephat and Jesus.

The daily You Tube livestream included wide cast of people and puppets in a mix of short video clips including:

- Puppet presenter duo of Rick Twitty and Doris Sheep at the podium. *Jon and Helen Peace*.
- The song “Jesus is My Superhero” was performed by the youth band under the musical direction of *Becky Dudley-Smith* with our on camera actioneers *Emelia Smith and Eleanor Blake*
- Wake & Shake exercise video with *Hannah Peace* and Jonathan Coulson
- Grandma and Tyler on Zoom - *Mary and Alex Irwin*
- Messy Games with the young leaders *organised by Jennifer Mathew*
- Bob’s Joke of the Day starring *Bob Banfield*
- ‘Who’s at the Door Drama’ featuring the heroes for God, starring *Harry Dudley-Smith, Abi Graham, George Beverly, Jam Carey* and including *Ben Graham as an increasingly soaked Jonah!*
- A summing up and prayer from Jon Peace & his puppet sidekick Billy.

The following Sunday livestream service was also part of the week. All in all, the club was put together with speed, seemed to fall into place with ease and we very much felt led and blessed by God. Each day there were between 230 and 400 viewings of the club on YouTube with 444 on the Sunday service.

This year we are dusting off “Going Bananas” and it will be running (God willing) in St John’s from Monday 26th - Friday 30th July. Please pray for the planning and the week of the club.

Roz Chatwin

Pastoral Care Report

Regardless of COVID-19, it has been a difficult year for many in our church family, involving bereavement and loss, illness, isolation, loneliness, family difficulties and mental health struggles.

We have had to adapt our pastoral response in our churches due to the constraints imposed by lockdown, so no face-to-face visits of folk in their homes, hospital or care homes. There have been new and creative ways of providing care and support and Christian nurture in this time of social distancing, including shopping, pharmacy trips, making meals, Zoom meetings, prayers over the phone/internet, in parks, on walks and on street corners and doorsteps, keeping in touch using the phone, WhatsApp messages, text, email, even good old-fashioned letter writing!

John 13: 34-35 : ***“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”***

The central vision of The Pastoral Care Co-ordinator ‘is to support and develop the Christian pastoral care of our congregations, enabling all to care for each, in different kinds of need, working alongside a team of volunteers’.

The pastoral team: Beth Farrington, Jenny Jones, Phil Jiggins, Chris Salberg, Jenny Salberg, Ann Thurgood and Heather Voizey. Thank you to each one for your amazing service to God and to the church family. I am delighted to report that the commitment and love shown by this team has had far-reaching

consequences to so many people, for which we, as church families at St John's and St Andrew's, are all grateful. We have met regularly on Zoom across the year. From February to April 2021 I have helped to run a Lay Pastoral Assistants Course in partnership with Rev Ruth Chapman and others from St James' Church. Four members of our church family have attended on Zoom, and we hope to be increasing the team as soon as the course is completed.

Fellowship Groups

We are immensely grateful to fellowship group leaders and members who have continued through the challenges of this year to meet on Zoom or who have distributed Bible study notes and kept in touch and prayed through a network of phone conversations, some groups doing this weekly. It has been wonderful to see the Bible being studied 'together' in the most creative of ways and the amazing benefits, encouragements and joys that have come to those involved. If you would like to join a group – do get in touch with me.

2 Peter 3:18 *Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to him be glory both now and for ever! Amen.*

Gone Fishing Café:

This café opened in the Autumn of 2021 with Covid rules and risk assessments and was then forced to shut at the end of November due to further lockdown restrictions. We are hoping to open again as soon as groups of six are permitted to meet indoors for hospitality. We are aiming to start up again on Thursday 20th May. It is a great joy to work together as one family in this with so many people involved in different ways. Roll on May 20th!

Events

Events = 0, bags delivered =100! We have sorely missed our shared lunches, Easter breakfasts, suppers and much more. Instead, we have brought provisions to the doorstep – gifts in bags. These have been delivered over the course of the year, starting with a 'staycation' bag replacing the Holiday at Home event at St Andrew's. At Christmas-time, our elderly folk who missed out on 'Festive Fun' received a Christmas goodie bag with a book of Advent Readings, Rudolph biscuit and chocolates. Before February half term, our families who have coped so well with the challenges of working from home and home schooling received a delicious home-made cake and a Bible game and some treats, and recently those who live alone received some Easter goodies. Staying connected and showing our love for one another ... it has been a joy to organise these and my thanks to those involved with helping who have given time and energy and enthusiasm to these small tokens which demonstrate our mutual commitment to one another. Much appreciation was shown for these gifts. One summarised it this way: *'the messages have been really lovely and it underlines once again that a gesture doesn't have to be large, complicated or expensive in order to be meaningful, caring and greatly appreciated by the recipient'*.

Caring for the Carers: This group has met occasionally on Zoom this year, with the aim of supporting one another in the role of care-givers: those who look after relatives – both near and far. By God's grace, this group has flourished with invaluable times of sharing together the highs and lows of caring, special times of praying together, lifting our concerns, decision making and difficulties to the Lord.

How great is his care for us as he asks us to bring all our cares to him (1 Peter 5:7)

We have lost some dear church family members this year, and since reporting in April 2020: Jean Mills, Maureen Poulton, David Preston, Joy Maidment, Eileen Gallop, Tony Jay, May Connor and Margaret Akerman. We have said a warm 'hello' to baby Lucas (son of Matt and Emma Handcock) and supported them with meals and care in the early days of having a new baby in the home. We look forward to hearing of more babies in the next AGM report!

I started the report stating 'Regardless of COVID-19, it has been a difficult year for many in our church family, involving bereavement and loss, illness, isolation, loneliness, family difficulties and mental health struggles'. I finish by ending with my thanks to you all. The heartbeat of Christian witness is that we love and care for one another (back to John 13: *that all may know that you are my disciples*). The impact of

isolation and loneliness over the past year cannot be underestimated and into that mix throw in all the problems of life. With that in mind, I thank God for you all, brothers, sisters, friends who have taken time to respond to the needs of others in our church family in loving, practical, prayerful and kind ways. We are one body ... part of the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. (1 Corinthians 12)

May we seek to serve the Lord for the good of others with his compassion over the coming year.

Helen Peace, Pastoral Care Co-ordinator

Parish Prayer Chain

Thirteen people from St John's and St Andrew's make up the Parish Prayer Chain, who are willing to provide prayer support for the specific needs of church family members as and when they arise. All requests are dealt with in a sensitive manner. Prayers are offered to the Lord in faith and we leave both people and different situations in His loving care.

If you have a request for prayer, perhaps for yourself or a loved one, who is undergoing surgery or has an emergency of some sort, then you can contact me (Helen Peace) and I will set the Parish Prayer Chain in motion, and the people on it will pass the message along the chain and pray for your situation, bringing it to the Lord and asking for His help and strength. The request needs to be made in a short concise way, enabling those on the chain to pass the message on without losing or adding information or distorting the original message.

Each request made is treated confidentially within the boundaries of the prayer chain, and there is no 'follow-up' or further contact with you to find out the outcome. The person on the prayer chain contacts and informs the next person on the list and so it goes on until it reaches the beginning again.

Philippians reminds us ***"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God"***.

Helen Peace

Fellowship Groups

Our amazing Fellowship Group leaders have done a very fine job of keeping in touch with group members, working through phone calls, Zoom meetings, doorstep conversations, and whatever they could do, to continue the work of the groups in helping members to grow as disciples of Jesus, even through a pandemic year. And of course it's not just the leaders, but every group member plays a part in helping one another along, as we seek to grow through the study of God's word, in prayer, and in fellowship together, knowing Jesus and make him known.

Bible Studies in Luke and in Habakkuk have generally been well received. The latter were prepared at a time when we thought groups might be meeting in person again, which turned out not to be the case. And to study an Old Testament prophet during a lockdown period is no mean feat! Well done to all who stuck with it. The message of the prophet was certainly relevant.

Thanks to Helen Peace who does a great job of placing people into groups, and to Kath Upton who copies or emails the study material, and to Ben Graham who has written all the bits I didn't write!

We have needed our groups more than ever. Thank you again to all who have tried so hard, in different ways, to care for others and keep them going with Christ.

James Dudley-Smith

Genesis Report

I am thankful to God that a number of us have still been able to meet together fortnightly over Zoom, delving into His word and praying together.

We have finished a series on the letter to Hebrews considering the supreme greatness of Jesus Christ and are being challenged through Paul's letter to Titus to live Godly lives in the light of the gospel.

I am grateful to all those who have participated.

Becky Dudley-Smith

TCP (*Tea, coffee, croissants and prayer*)

This informal fellowship group for ladies has now been meeting online for a whole year, on the fourth Saturday of each month at 10.30 am.

We have had good attendance (up to 12) ladies present from St John's, St Andrew's and St Peter's, and have very much enjoyed seeing one another: we all agree that it has kept us connected with our Christian sisters through a difficult year. We have shared our concerns, also much laughter and been able to chat about a huge range of subjects which has given us the opportunity to support one another with encouragement and prayer. It is very much hoped that we can get together again in the autumn.

All ladies are more than welcome to contact me and join us in this prayer based fellowship.

Roz Chatwin

Crafty Ladies (Craft Fellowship)

This is not exclusively a group for ladies but, appears to have evolved as such. The group has about ten members, who are not all members from our church family.

In better times we have met fortnightly on Thursday evenings in the schoolrooms. Sometimes people come just come for a cuppa, the relaxed atmosphere and a lot of laughter.

To date, we have made the banners which hang on the nave pillars and the Christmas banners that are displayed through December. We also stitched the hangings for the music group's stands and we had just begun a harvest design when we went into lockdown.

I am not sure when we will be able to meet again but, anyone is most welcome to join us. All the materials are supplied and there is simply no level of skill required, just the ability to thread a needle, enthusiasm and a sense of humour. It would be lovely to have some new members join us when we are able to get together.

Roz Chatwin

Zoom Coffee Mornings

In normal times some ladies from church would meet for coffee at the Brassiere in Bond Street and the table in the window would be reserved for us each Friday at 11am. Our numbers would vary from week to week but it would usually be between 4 and 10. When we went into the first lockdown and were no longer able to meet, we went online and a Zoom link would be sent out for each Friday for coffee at 11 online.

When restrictions were eased in the summer we used to meet each Friday at Ninesprings with our fold-up chairs and takeaway drinks and we would sit to chat in our socially distanced groups. When the weather became too cold for this, and subsequently the latest lockdown, we went back to our Zoom call each week.

Jenny Salberg, Roz Chatwin and I have met as a Prayer Triplet for several years. When we had to stop meeting in person in March last year we started to meet weekly on a WhatsApp video call to pray. In April at one of our prayer times we discussed the possibility of doing another Zoom coffee for other ladies in our churches as we felt it would be a good way to help people to keep connected and we came up with the plan of inviting six or seven others to join us each week. The first task was to compile a list of ladies to invite and we did this together with the help of our Parish Directory. Initially we decided on Tuesday at 10.30am but in October we decided to change it to Wednesday. I took on the admin role to organise the meetings each week and send out the invitations. Changing circumstances means the list fluctuates in numbers able to join but currently there are about fifty on it.

The Wednesday Zoom coffee morning has run most weeks since the beginning of last May. We have had a lot of positive feedback from ladies attending: it has helped people to keep in contact and to get to know people better and in some cases to meet people for the first time. It has helped to inform our prayers. Like many others I had never heard of Zoom before 2020 but I thank God for it.

The Zoom Coffee Morning is open to all ladies. If you would like to go on the list to be invited from time to time please contact me: gilovenden@hotmail.com

Gil Ovenden

Men's and Women's Breakfasts

Sadly we were unable to hold any breakfasts in 2020. Historically, these were organized by Edward and Caroline Armitstead respectively. They have sadly now moved away from the area, so we shall be looking for new people to organize these popular social events.

Music Group

2020 for the Music Group has been a year of learning, not only about how to cope with the trials of living with COVID but also about ourselves as individuals who help lead worship, and how we develop in a virtual environment as a worship group.

We started the year trying to get to grips with recording music virtually in our own homes, and bring all of the individual tracks together to make a video that was not only worthy but also helpful to people singing and worshipping at home. This has required a lot of hard work and commitment from everyone involved. One of the main drivers has been to try things out and not be afraid of getting it wrong! The tech team have been brilliant throughout and their learning curve has been equally challenging but they have done an amazing job to live-stream all of our services, helping edit videos and getting the sound right.

We have tried to vary the material and we have also learned new songs and gradually introduced them over the weeks. Keith has also written two songs which have been featured as pre-songs before the service and Hannah and Tim have also recorded a couple of covers.

We have a weekly meeting on Zoom on a Monday night to replace our normal live rehearsal where we have shared our experiences and learned from each other the best way to record, hold music, smile at the camera, play an instrument and a host of other factors that can impact the end recording! Mostly we have got it right, often after many attempts! The message that Jesus gave to the disciples when they couldn't

catch fish of “throw your nets over the other side” has rung true for us: we have simply kept on trying and not given in and it has served us well.

We have enjoyed meeting socially online as well and we have been blessed with new members, namely Chris Pavey, Abi Graham, Charlotte Blake and recently Harry D-S has recorded his drums for an Easter hymn!

God has answered our prayers in so many ways, inspiring and guiding us to go the extra mile in our service to him, to go deeper in our relationship with him and to trust and lean on him throughout. We have entered 2021 with hope that the lessons we have learned as a music group, can be carried forward as we re-commit ourselves to service for our Lord.

Keith Ovenden

Floral Group Report

As the UK was placed into lockdown before Easter 2020 we had no Easter services to decorate for. We were not able to hold our AGM in 2020 or 2021 as we were not permitted to gather in groups.

Restrictions had been lifted by July/August, so when we were asked to do some arrangements for Katie Irwin's wedding on 1st August, Roz Chatwin, Maggie Butler and I were able to oblige in a colour scheme of rose pink, peach and white.

We were able to decorate for Harvest in October, Remembrance Sunday in November and carried on as per our rota until the start of Lent this year as St John's continued to hold services online and with a limited booked-in congregation.

I have been able to create a rota until Lent 2022 with difficulty as I have lost four ladies from my list, one having moved away and three due to various health issues. The question arises, does St John's wish to continue having a Floral Group? I proposed to arrange a belated AGM at the end of September when we need to elect new officers and committee. We will be looking for new people to join the team and I will be standing down as chairperson next year.

Mary Brooks

St John's Model Railway Group

The group continues to keep in touch via Zoom once a month and using WhatsApp. A small amount of actual modelling has taken place over the year including a number of people making up some card building kits which has proved an enjoyable diversion for some during lockdown. Membership is very informal but remains roughly at the ten to fifteen mark. We would welcome any newcomers, either to the Zoom meetings, or in person as and when we are able to start meeting together properly again.

Tim Neville and Terry Bush

Friends of St John's Report, 2020

Since being established in 1994, The Friends of St John's have raised more than £91,000 for the upkeep and improvement of the church fabric, seeking to draw support from the wider town community as well as the church membership.

Our plans for fund-raising events for 2020 were overtaken by the impact of the pandemic, with the resultant need for social distancing. Committee meetings were held in February (in person!) and September (by Zoom) and an Annual Report issued in June, in lieu of an Annual General Meeting.

Anticipated fund-raising events in September (a bookstall on Super Saturday) and November (the Swan Theatre play "Handbagged") did not take place. Typically at least one third of the Friends' income comes from events, the rest from personal donations. The Autumn newsletter was circulated widely, including to all at St John's (on the 'Sixes and Sevens' circulation), including an update on key repairs required on the church building (to the Vestry and South Turret roofs), confirming the cancellation of the fund-raising events and providing an opportunity for donations. A brief description of the Friends of St John's was also provided, as many newer church members might not be aware of what the charity is / does.

Income – Our net income for 2020 was £1,543.56, thanks to generous donations. When this is compared with the income for 2019 (£3,235.30), an indication of the impact of the pandemic on fund-raising events can be seen.

Grants – No grants were made to St John's in 2020, but funds at the close of the year stood at £10,313.93, so we are well-placed to assist with the cost of some of the key repairs on the building that are coming up.

Newsletter – In 2020 we produced two issues of our newsletter, in Spring and Autumn. These newsletters normally aim to provide news of events and of specific needs regarding the maintenance of the fabric of the church. If you do not already receive these and would like to, please contact the Friends by email at friends@sjyeovil.org.uk

Future Events – It is currently not possible to confirm when it will be viable to re-start fund-raising events. However, our ideas for the immediate future include but are not limited to: A Quiz – this may be our first event of 2021; a stall at Super Saturday (Sept 2021); a Brass Band Concert; the postponed Swan Theatre play – all when such events can be held and well-supported.

Committee - We have a small committee to run the Friends, and new helpers are always welcome but we have a particular urgent need at this time. Our treasurer John Brookes is retiring from the role this year, after many years of faithful service (15 years as treasurer, with 11 of those as chairman as well!), latterly as church treasurer too! We owe a great debt of thanks to John for his faithful and fruitful service over all those years. This does mean that a new treasurer is required for the Friends, from June 2021, if the work is to continue.

Many thanks to all our patient supporters and committee members!

Phil Juggins (Chair)

Bookstall

The bookstall has been largely closed during 2020. We did hold a Remote Christmas bookstore over Christmas and sold dozens of resources. We hope to return to a more regular bookstall moving forward.

James Maitland

Yeovil College Chaplaincy Report

This year has had its fair share of difficulties and opportunities.

Chaplaincy work is based on relationships and getting to know people on a near empty campus has been frustrating and difficult. Yet there have been new and varied opportunities:

- Pastoral care for struggling students - I've had opportunities to put a lot of time into 1-1 care. During the year this has been a mixture of face to face meetings and chats online.
- Christian Union – One of my big aims is to meet with and encourage Christian students. It's been a joy to meet some of them. The Christian Union has had one committed member, with others coming occasionally.
- Enrichment Classes – I've been running a college enrichment class, which is an extra-curricular class. I offered a Healthy Debating Class. We have discussed various topics as well as looking into presentation and listening skills.

Ben Graham

Deanery Synod

Because of Covid, the Synod only managed to meet once during 2020 and that was at St Andrew's Church Hall on 3rd March, just before the first lockdown.

The newly appointed Deanery Accompanier, David Maggs, was introduced to the meeting. His official title is Team Leader for Mission, and he will be responsible to the Yeovil Deanery as a point of contact and facilitator within the Diocese. He has already attended a meeting of the DMPG and will in future attend some of our deanery synod meetings.

We received a progress report from the Pioneer Minister in the Deanery, Farhad Chermahini, who moved to Yeovil with his wife and young family ready to start work in late May/early June. This is a five-year project in the first instance and the hope is that further funding will be found to maintain the role for a further five years. Fr David Anderson spoke of the need for a pioneer within the parish of St Michael's, Yeovil, which is a disadvantaged area with a lot of new housing and young people who need to be reached.

Rob Dean

Yeovil CAP Debt Centre Report - 2020

The period from April to the end of 2020 has not been easy and has been a testing time for all 3 debt coaches (Mary, Anne Charlotte, and myself) who have adapted very well to some new CAP processes in how we operate and contact our clients – appointment phone calls rather than visits. Not meeting clients in their homes has brought its challenges particularly in getting hold of paperwork at the second appointment, but we've adjusted very well to our new system of collecting paperwork via electronic means, where paperwork can be uploaded to a link by the client or the debt coach; something new and we hope will continue.

Across the UK network of 284 debt centres, the number of clients has decreased – centres normally booked up are now at a much-reduced capacity, often going from month to month rather than booked up 2 or 3 months ahead, like we used to be. For the Yeovil Debt Centre, we have continued to be busy with new clients, though rarely operating at 100% capacity. We have 36 clients on our books, 13 still going through the client setup phase, 3 looking at insolvency, and 20 repaying their debts, which means we've been able to continue building relationships, with opportunities to share the gospel.

We've continued to bring transformation into the lives of those reaching out for help from the local community. Whilst there were five responses to Jesus in 2019, with client events, in 2020 we have seen four responses to Jesus, with no client events; in 2020, fewer centres in the UK have seen client responses to Jesus.

In 2020 we saw nine households go debt free and it was wonderful news in October 2020, that we were able to celebrate our 100th household going debt free. We would like to thank Rev James Dudley-Smith and the church family of St John's for their dedication and commitment to keeping God's heart for the poor at the very centre of St John's ministry.

With two of CAP's eight core values being generosity and compassion, we have often responded to cries for practical help, especially when it comes to putting food on the table; fresh food shops have been added to food parcels from the Lord's Larder. Several low-cost cars have also been purchased for clients and we appreciate those who have been involved.

We're keen to link all clients with a befriender, and though that hasn't been easy during the pandemic, we have about 20 befrienders from different congregations, some of whom have carried out an excellent job in staying connected with clients – we couldn't do our job properly without our amazing group of befrienders.

The Christmas Hampers were made up by items from the Lord's Larder and what the coaches bought with the hamper appeal totalling £1.7K; the Yeovil Town FC Independent Supporters Association donated £670, Yeovil Radio Cabs £150, and the rest from generous donations from supporters. Thank you if you made a donation. It was sad that we were unable to have our annual Christmas Tea and the usual invite of clients to the Carol Service.

We have relied so much on the Lord's Larder in 2020, especially from March to June, where we delivered 63 food parcels to our CAP families. We thank and Praise the Lord for this incredible community ministry, helping people in desperate situations. We can't see people go without food on the table, especially when parents often go without to feed their children.

In addition to 50 monthly financial givers via standing order, without whom we couldn't budget each year, in 2020 we've not been able to have our normal fundraising events and yet David Upton continues to raise funds via his Art for CAP Facebook page. St James & St Peters have nominated our CAP centre as one of their mission partners, committed to giving financially, amongst other things, over the next few years. Steve has stepped down from working three days per week to two days, which has brought savings on our expenditure.

We continue to find favour with the Western Gazette editor who so kindly publishes our press releases. We are thankful for his support and we believe God has given us a voice that many in 'this space' don't have, so we want to embrace every opportunity to impact those the Lord sends our way.

Jennifer Matthew spearheads the leadership of the CAP Management Committee, with Jill Martin and Alan Guy (Margaret Hamilton stepped down at the end of the year). As I write this report, Gill Brookes has agreed to join this committee.

We have an excellent team of debt coaches – Mary, Anne Charlotte, and myself – and I would like to give Mary and Anne Charlotte the praise they deserve, especially during those very difficult times when they have to dig deep and continue to bring the Lord's blessing into very chaotic situations, for some of the most desperate, isolated, and vulnerable members of our community.

We continue to seek people who will support this community transforming work, and you can do this in the following ways; receive a 3-weekly update; become a befriender where you can support clients on their debt and faith journey; pray for the debt coaches on their appointments; and support the work financially. If you want to find out more about this work, please contact Steve or Mary on stevehart@capuk.org and maryirwin@capuk.org respectively.

Even though we've only been able to have contact with our clients via the phone, we continue to make the most of every opportunity to pray with people and share the love of Jesus.

On a personal note, all of 2020 has been a journey of healing from my prostate cancer, and I'm so pleased to say that following my surgery at Southmead hospital in June, there is now no sign of cancer in my body. Praise the Lord! As I write this report, Anne Charlotte will very soon be having a hip replacement operation in Exeter.

Finally, the church family in St John's continues to show their amazing support and commitment to prayer and financial giving. It continues to be a pleasure and a privilege to serve and work with the St John's church family, in what can only be described as a life transforming ministry, where there is ALWAYS HOPE! Thank you, St John's, for your dedication to serving the poor and helping to lift them out of poverty.

Our mission continues to be **'save the lost, serve the poor, with the church, across the nation'** and our new CEO Paula Stringer will never compromise this as she brings a new culture and rhythm to how we operate in CAP, so our work in helping the poor is fit for the future.

Steve Hart
Yeovil CAP Debt Centre Manager

The Lord's Larder Report 2020

In 2020 the Lord's Larder Food Bank faced an unexpected and unprecedented challenge in the Covid pandemic and subsequent "lockdowns". As vulnerable members of our community lost income due to furlough or redundancy, demand for food parcels rose significantly in March 2020. Many faced weeks with no, or reduced income due to Universal Credit delays. We experienced a threefold increase in requests immediately and on one day before Easter we had to prepare 42 parcels. At the same time, many of our loyal volunteers had to withdraw as they were asked to self-isolate at home.

We are delighted to report that throughout the year, no parcel request has been declined. A new team of younger and fitter volunteers came forward to cover the gap – including furloughed teachers and students sent home from school and university, and volunteers from churches in Yeovil, we were able to use of a much larger hall where we were able to store food stocks and spread out work stations to safe distances. Our local community rapidly responded with food donations. Families, churches, businesses, local communities and villages, and supermarkets have all sustained a high volume of donations throughout the year. We should make special mention of Morrison's supermarket who not only brought us increased donations from their customers, who they encouraged to donate in a variety of innovative ways, but their head office also arranged weekly pallet deliveries of useful items during the most difficult periods. Financial donations also increased significantly which have helped us meet the extra costs.

The number of food items given out amounted to 148,519, compared to 90,943 the previous year. We were able to assist a total of 1,539 families including 4,670 adults and 3,530 children.

We are so grateful to all the individuals, communities, shops and businesses and churches in our community that have not just given but have sustained their giving through this difficult time. We could not do what we do without this selfless generosity!

The Lord's Larder Community Fund has also been able to provide funds for the needy due to generous financial giving. It was able to provide a total of £6,258 worth of grants to meet local needs, almost triple what we were able to provide last year. We are pleased to be able to offer flexibility in terms of what we will fund. Sometimes small sums of money to meet unusual needs can make a real difference in the lives of individuals and families.

We would like to thank St John's for their loyal support over many years, especially over the ups and downs of last year, thank you.

Mat Callaghan
Operations Manager Yeovil Christian Support Trust

PCC of St JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH YEOVIL

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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PCC of St John the Baptist Church Yeovil is a Registered Charity No. 1134345

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The PCC of St John The Baptist Church Yeovil.

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 2 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees 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 needed. The charity is preparing accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

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 charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently 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 next statement.

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 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.

C H Howes

Name: Mr Craig Howes

Relevant professional qualification or body: ICAEW

Address: 22 Watercombe Heights, Yeovil, Somerset, BA20 2TA

Date: 5.04.2021

PCC of St JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH YEOVIL

Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year to December 31st 2020

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2019
Note		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources									
Incoming resources from donors	2a	253,430	17,274	33,464	304,168	242,294	34,068	57,027	333,389
Other Voluntary incoming resources	2b	1,500	400	0	1,900	1,750	648	0	2,398
Income from charitable & ancillary trading	2c	5,154	2,822	520	8,496	11,744	6,962	223	18,929
Other ordinary incoming resources	2d	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
Income from investments	2e	345	1,837	13,906	16,088	417	2,205	284	2,906
Total Incoming Resources		260,429	22,333	47,890	330,651	256,205	43,983	57,534	357,722
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Grant from Feeofees transferred to Schoolrooms Fund		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fund-raising & publicity	3c	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Church management & administration	3d	40,878	60	3,281	44,219	46,855	743	0	47,598
Total Resources Used		268,274	18,281	54,326	340,881	261,853	37,825	53,843	353,521
Net Incoming/ (Outgoing) Resources		(7,845)	4,052	(6,436)	(10,229)	(5,648)	6,158	3,691	4,201
Gains & Losses on Investments									0
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Equipment Replacement Reserve			1,237		1,237		837		837
Bell Ringers' Investment Fund			16		16		16		16
Restoration Fund				13,380	13,380			13,307	13,307
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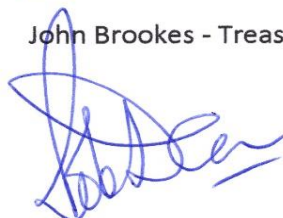
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Balance Sheet as at December 31st 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	1 (iv)	0	0
Investment Assets	1 (v)	329,690	294,020
		<u>329,690</u>	<u>294,020</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock		0	0
Debtors & Prepayments	5	17,461	14,481
Short Term Deposits & Bonds		74,636	48,208
Cash at Bank & in hand		86,778	75,021
		<u>178,875</u>	<u>137,710</u>
LIABILITIES			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(15,757)	(10,565)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>163,118</u>	<u>127,145</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>492,808</u>	<u>421,165</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted		41,813	52,232
Designated		107,283	91,476
Restricted		340,311	277,457
		<u>489,408</u>	<u>421,165</u>



John Brookes - Treasurer



Rob Dean - Church Warden

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Cash Flow Statement

For the Year to December 31st 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Reconciliation of Net (Outgoing) / Incoming Resources to net Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
Net (outgoing) / incoming resources before gains on investment assets	(10,229)	1,889
Investment Income	(16,085)	(2,927)
Net cash (outflow) from operating activities	<u>(26,314)</u>	<u>(1,038)</u>
Cash Flow Statement		
Net cash (outflow) from operating activities	(26,314)	(1,038)
Movements on Debtors	(2,980)	(1,337)
Movements on Creditors	5,127	9,030
Sale of Investments	13,705	27,668
Returns on investments	<u>16,085</u>	<u>2,927</u>
Cash Flow/ Decrease in Cash	<u>5,622</u>	<u>37,250</u>
Net Funds at 1st January 2019	123,229	128,935
Net Funds at 31st December 2020	<u>161,414</u>	<u>166,185</u>
	<u>38,185</u>	<u>37,250</u>

NOTES to the Financial Statements

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Financial statements of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) have been prepared in accordance with Church Accounting Regulations, on the accrual basis, except as stated below. (Para. iii)

The accounts for 2020 show that total Income is £330,651 and Total expenditure is (£340,881)

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the PCC.

School Rooms Fund
Office Equipment Reserve Fund
Organ Fund
Fabric & Fabric Investment Funds
Youth Minister Investment Fund
Bell Ringers' Investment Fund
Flower Guild Fund

Restoration Fund
Tom Setter Belfry Fund
Christians Against Poverty
Peter Wakely Community Fund

The PCC's financial policy is to invest the bulk of its liquid assets with the Church Commissioners (CCLA). Operating funds are retained in NatWest Bank current a/cs.

All material items of income and expenditure are accounted for on an accruals basis, regardless of their not having been received or paid during the year.

The church is believed not to own any significant fixed assets, particularly the church building or clergy residences, at 31st December 2020

Any fixed assets acquired by the P.C.C. which the PCC is then free to dispose of at a future date, without faculty, and where the original cost exceeds £1,000 (One Thousand Pounds), are reviewed for capitalisation and depreciation over the useful economical life of those assets as determined by the Finance Committee.

Both the decision to Capitalise an asset and the resultant depreciation policy is determined by the Finance Committee.

No assets of this type were capitalised by the PCC during the period under review.

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2 INCOMING RESOURCES		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total Funds	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total Funds
Funds		Funds	Funds	Funds	2020	Funds	Funds	Funds	2019
2a	Incoming resources from donors	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	Planned giving:								
	Net amounts (incl. Gift Aided giving)	172,217	0	0	172,217	166,023	0	0	338,240
	Income Tax recoverable	38,378	0	33	38,411	37,223	0	0	75,633
	Collections for charitable purposes	10,078	0	0	10,078	4,342	0	0	14,420
	All other Collections	11,887	0	0	11,887	13,533	0	0	25,420
	Grants Received Restoration	3,738	0	0	3,738	0	0	0	3,738
	Grants Received Restoration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual Gift Aid Income (In Fabric	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	17
	Restoration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Schoolrooms	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	50
	Youth Minister	0	28	0	28	0	0	0	28
	Floral Group	0	30	0	30	0	546	0	576
	General	1,275	0	0	1,275	4,864	0	0	6,139
	Christians Against Poverty	0	0	33,181	33,181	0	0	44,527	77,708
	Sundry donations General	2,357	0	0	2,357	4,780	0	0	7,137
	Fabric	0	386	0	386	0	13,455	0	13,841
	Youth Minister	0	16,830	0	16,830	0	20,000	0	36,830
	Peter Wakely Lagacy	13,500	0	0	13,500	11,529	0	0	25,029
	Schoolrooms transfer from Fabric Ir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Organ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Office Equipment Reserve	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Tom Setter Belfry	0	0	250	250	0	0	0	250
		253,430	17,274	33,464	304,168	242,294	34,068	44,527	625,057
2b	Other Voluntary incoming resources								
	Legacy - General Fund	0	0	0	0	250	0	0	250
	Fundraising Flower Guild	0	0	0	0	0	248	0	248
	Transfers from General Fund	0	400	0	400	0	400	0	800
	Costs Recovered from St.Andrews	1,500	0	0	1,500	1,500	0	0	3,000
		1,500	400	0	1,900	1,750	648	0	4,298
2c	Income from charitable & ancillary trading								
	Magazine advertisements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sale of Guide Books Fabric	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	19
	Church Hall Lettings	2,952	2,530	0	5,482	4,887	5,573	0	15,942
	Fees and Church Lettings	2,202	0	0	2,202	6,838	0	0	9,040
	VAT repaid	0	292	520	812	0	1,389	223	2,424
		5,154	2,822	520	8,496	11,744	6,962	223	27,425
2d	Other ordinary incoming resources								
	Insurance Claims Fabric	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
		0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
2e	Income from investments								
	General Fund	345	0	0	345	417	0	0	762
	Schoolrooms	0	38	0	38	0	51	0	89
	Organ Fund	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	5
	Fabric Fund	0	1,711	0	1,711	0	2,108	0	3,819
	Ringer Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Christians Against Poverty	0	0	146	146	0	0	205	351
	Tom Setter Belfry Fund	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
	Restoration Fund	0	0	51	51	0	0	73	124
	Peter Wakely Community Fund	0	0	4	4	0	0	6	10
	Peter Wakely Community Fund -Sale of Shares	0	0	13,703	13,703	0	0	0	0
	Youth Development Investment Fund	0	86	0	86	0	39	0	125
	Flower Guild Investment Fund	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	4
		345	1,837	13,906	16,088	417	2,205	284	5,291
	Gains & Losses on Investments								
2f	- Realised	0	1,939	6,471	8,410	0	1,939	1,754	12,103
	- Unrealised	0	(1,939)	21,537	19,598	0	5,926	48,583	74,107
		0	0	28,008	28,008	0	7,865	50,337	86,210
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	260,429	22,333	75,898	358,659	256,205	51,848	95,371	748,380

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3. RESOURCES USED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
3a. Grants								
Missionary & Charitable Giving (Special Collns.)	9,161	0	0	9,161	4,563	0	0	4,563
Transfer to Organ Maintemce	0	766	0	766	0	0	0	0
Transfer of grant from Restoration Appeal to Schoolrooms	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
External Donations from Church funds	20,790	0	0	20,790	23,351	0	0	23,351
	29,951	766	0	30,717	27,914	0	0	27,914
3b. Activities directly related to the work of the church								
Ministry:								
Diocesan Quota	165,086	0	0	165,086	160,003	0	0	160,003
Clergy Expenses	5,487	0	0	5,487	7,361	0	0	7,361
Clergy Housing	102	0	0	102	102	0	0	102
Pastoral Care Coordinator costs	0	0	13,500	13,500	0	0	11,529	11,529
Derease in value of investment	0	3,227	0	3,227	0	0	0	0
Church Running Costs :								
Power/Light/Heat	6,844	0	0	6,844	7,202	0	0	7,202
Telephone	548	0	0	548	585	0	0	585
Insurance	4,600	0	0	4,600	4,548	0	0	4,548
Repairs & Maintenance	5,887	0	0	5,887	2,886	0	0	2,886
Major Works Fabric	0	6,683	0	6,683	0	24,495	0	24,495
Interview Expenses	0	355	0	355	0	0	2,673	2,673
Altar Requisites	149	0	0	149	354	0	0	354
Costs of Choir & Music	6,370	0	0	6,370	805	0	0	805
C.A.P Activity								
Expenses of project	0	0	37,545	37,545	0	0	39,641	39,641
Parish Room & Sunday School Costs :								
Purchase of furniture	0	0	0	0	0	1,209	0	1,209
Youth Work	628	0	0	628	1,123	0	0	1,123
Other Costs	1,744	7,190	0	8,934	2,116	11,378	0	13,494
	197,445	17,455	51,045	265,945	187,084	37,082	53,843	278,010
3c Fund-raising & publicity								
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3d Church management & administration								
Church Office expenses & magazine	3,302	0	0	3,302	4,319	0	0	4,319
Tom Setter Belfry Fund	0	0	3,281	3,281				
Wages & Fees (Organist & Verger & Administrator)	36,041	0	0	36,041	37,484	0	0	37,484
Printing & Stationery	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	80
Books etc (inc. Hymn Books)	112	0	0	112	63	0	0	63
Sundries	1,423	60	0	1,483	4,909	743	0	5,652
	40,878	60	3,281	44,219	46,855	743	0	47,598
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	268,274	18,281	54,326	340,881	261,853	37,825	53,843	353,521

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NOTES to the Financial Statements

For the Year to December 31st 2020

4. STAFF COSTS	2020		2019	
	£		£	
Wages and Salaries				
Organist (Sub-Contract Position)	2,460		4,128	
Verger/Facilities Manager	13,497		12,726	
Cleaner (Schoolrooms) - Sub Contract	2,496		2,392	
CAP Centre Manager	10,933		12,794	
CAP Centre Money Coach	9,252		8,120	
Pastoral Care Coordinator	12,210		11,261	
Parish Administrator	7,102	57,950	6,838	58,259

During the year the P.C.C. employed :-

Verger/Facilities Manager	Full time	1	1
Manager - CAP Centre	2 days p.w	1	1
Money Coach - CAP Centre	3 days p.w.	1	1
Parish Administrator	Part time	1	1
Pastoral Care Coordinator	3 days p.w.	1	1

The P.C.C. also used the services of the following Sub-Contractors:-

Organist - St John's and St Andrew's	2	2
Cleaner (Parish room)	1	1

5. DEBTORS

Debtors also including prepayments and accrued in	£		£	
General Fund	15,921		12,554	
Restoration Fund	6		1,100	
Schoolrooms	782		750	
Christians Against Poverty	692		0	
Tom Setter Belfry Fund	33		0	
Peter Wakely Community Fund	0		0	
Fabric	6		6	
Contra Peter Wakely Legacy transfer included in cre	33	17,472	0	14,410

6. CREDITORS

Creditors also relate to accrued expenses & unallocated suspense balances

General Fund	11,817		6,166	
Schoolrooms	3,874		725	
Tom Setter Belfry Fund	0	15,691	0	

7. ANALYSIS of NET ASSETS by FUND

	as at:- 31st December 2020				as at:- 31st December 2019				
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Consol Adj.	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets & Investments	0	47,897	281,793	329,690	0	57,932	226,982	0	284,914
Current Assets	53,631	63,259	58,518	175,409	63,068	32,001	48,267	0	143,336
Current Liabilities	(11,818)	(3,874)	0	(15,692)	(6,163)	(725)	0	0	(6,888)
	41,813	107,282	340,311	489,406	56,905	89,208	275,249	0	421,362

PCC of St JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH YEOVIL

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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Note: The full Annual Report for 2020 including a finance report is available separately and will be filed together with these accounts with the Charity Commission

PCC of St John the Baptist Church Yeovil is a Registered Charity No. 1134345

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The PCC of St John The Baptist Church Yeovil.

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 2 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees 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 needed. The charity is preparing accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

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 charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently 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 next statement.

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 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.

C H Howes

Name: Mr Craig Howes

Relevant professional qualification or body: ICAEW

Address: 22 Watercombe Heights, Yeovil, Somerset, BA20 2TA

Date: 5.04.2021

PCC of St JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH YEOVIL

Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year to December 31st 2020

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2019
Note		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources									
Incoming resources from donors	2a	253,430	17,274	33,464	304,168	242,294	34,068	57,027	333,389
Other Voluntary incoming resources	2b	1,500	400	0	1,900	1,750	648	0	2,398
Income from charitable & ancillary trading	2c	5,154	2,822	520	8,496	11,744	6,962	223	18,929
Other ordinary incoming resources	2d	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
Income from investments	2e	345	1,837	13,906	16,088	417	2,205	284	2,906
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Grant from Feeofees transferred to Schoolrooms Fund		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fund-raising & publicity	3c	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Church management & administration	3d	40,878	60	3,281	44,219	46,855	743	0	47,598
Total Resources Used		268,274	18,281	54,326	340,881	261,853	37,825	53,843	353,521
Net Incoming/ (Outgoing) Resources		(7,845)	4,052	(6,436)	(10,229)	(5,648)	6,158	3,691	4,201
Gains & Losses on Investments									0
- Realised	2f	0	0	6,471	6,471	0	1,754	1,939	3,693
- Unrealised		0	0	15,066	15,066	0	6,111	48,398	54,509
Net Movement in Funds		(7,845)	4,052	15,101	11,308	(5,648)	14,023	54,028	62,403
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Flower Guild Investment Fund					0		460		460
Youth Development Investment Fund			26,695		26,695		7,865		7,865
Equipment Replacement Reserve			1,237		1,237		837		837
Bell Ringers' Investment Fund			16		16		16		16
Restoration Fund				13,380	13,380			13,307	13,307
Tom Setter Belfry Fund				17,065	17,065			7,015	7,015
Peter Wakely Community Fund				253,729	253,729			225,454	225,454
Christians Against Poverty Fund				34,563	34,563			29,472	29,472
Total Brought Fwd. Balance		51,256	169,164	318,737	518,280	56,904	89,208	275,248	394,835
Balances carried forward at 31st December 2020									
General Fund - St John's		23,735			23,735	30,379			30,379
General Fund - St Andrew's		18,078			18,078	20,877			
Organ Fund			1		1		766		766
School Rooms Fund (Gross)			2,842		2,842		7,355		7,355
Fabric Fund			58,917		58,917		66,547		66,547
Flower Guild Investment Fund			585		585		614		614
Youth Development Investment Fund			43,284		43,284		26,695		26,695
Equipment Replacement Reserve			1,637		1,637		1,237		1,237
Bell Ringers' Investment Fund			16		16		16		16
Restoration Fund				13,431	13,431			13,380	13,380
Tom Setter Belfry Fund				14,588	14,588			17,065	17,065
Peter Wakely Community Fund				281,946	281,946			264,269	264,269
Christians Against Poverty Fund				30,346	30,346			34,563	34,563
Total Carried Forward Balance		41,813	107,283	340,311	489,408	51,256	103,230	329,276	462,885

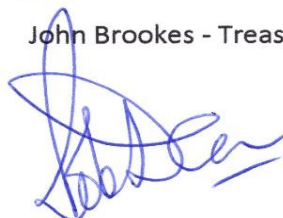
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Balance Sheet as at December 31st 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	1 (iv)	0	0
Investment Assets	1 (v)	329,690	294,020
		<u>329,690</u>	<u>294,020</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock		0	0
Debtors & Prepayments	5	17,461	14,481
Short Term Deposits & Bonds		74,636	48,208
Cash at Bank & in hand		86,778	75,021
		<u>178,875</u>	<u>137,710</u>
LIABILITIES			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(15,757)	(10,565)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>163,118</u>	<u>127,145</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>492,808</u>	<u>421,165</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted		41,813	52,232
Designated		107,283	91,476
Restricted		340,311	277,457
		<u>489,408</u>	<u>421,165</u>



John Brookes - Treasurer



Rob Dean - Church Warden

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Cash Flow Statement

For the Year to December 31st 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Reconciliation of Net (Outgoing) / Incoming Resources to net Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
Net (outgoing) / incoming resources before gains on investment assets	(10,229)	1,889
Investment Income	(16,085)	(2,927)
Net cash (outflow) from operating activities	<u>(26,314)</u>	<u>(1,038)</u>
Cash Flow Statement		
Net cash (outflow) from operating activities	(26,314)	(1,038)
Movements on Debtors	(2,980)	(1,337)
Movements on Creditors	5,127	9,030
Sale of Investments	13,705	27,668
Returns on investments	<u>16,085</u>	<u>2,927</u>
Cash Flow/ Decrease in Cash	<u>5,622</u>	<u>37,250</u>
Net Funds at 1st January 2019	123,229	128,935
Net Funds at 31st December 2020	<u>161,414</u>	<u>166,185</u>
	<u>38,185</u>	<u>37,250</u>

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NOTES to the Financial Statements

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

i) Format of Accounts

The Financial statements of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) have been prepared in accordance with Church Accounting Regulations, on the accrual basis, except as stated below.(Para. iii)

The accounts include transactions, assets and liabilities for which the St. John the Baptist PCC can be held responsible. They include the figures for St. Andrews church.

The accounts for 2020 show that total Income is £330,651
and Total expenditure is (£340,881)

ii) Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the PCC.

The following funds are categorised as 'Designated Funds' within the terms of the Act.

School Rooms Fund
Office Equipment Reserve Fund
Organ Fund
Fabric & Fabric Investment Funds
Youth Minister Investment Fund
Bell Ringers' Investment Fund
Flower Guild Fund

The following funds are categorised as 'Reserved Funds' within the terms of the Act.

Restoration Fund
Tom Setter Belfry Fund
Christians Against Poverty
Peter Wakely Community Fund

Placement of Funds

The PCC's financial policy is to invest the bulk of its liquid assets with the Church Commissioners (CCLA). Operating funds are retained in NatWest Bank current a/cs.

iii) A full analysis of Investment placement is shown in the Balance Sheet (Funds Statement).

All material items of income and expenditure are accounted for on an accruals basis, regardless of their not having been received or paid during the year.

iv) Tangible Fixed assets

The church is believed not to own any significant fixed assets, particularly the church building or clergy residences, at 31st December 2020

Any fixed assets acquired by the P.C.C. which the PCC is then free to dispose of at a future date, without faculty, and where the original cost exceeds £1,000 (One Thousand Pounds), are reviewed for capitalisation and depreciation over the useful economical life of those assets as determined by the Finance Committee.

Both the decision to Capitalise an asset and the resultant depreciation policy is determined by the Finance Committee.

No assets of this type were capitalised by the PCC during the period under review.

v) Fixed asset investments

	Cost	Cost	Value at 31st Dec 20
	£	£	£
Investments are held in the following funds			
Peter Wakely Community Fund - CBF Church of England Investment Funds accumulation shares		151,871	292,332
Fabric Investment Fund - CBF Church of England Investment Funds Income Shares		36,519	50,205

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2 INCOMING RESOURCES		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total Funds	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total Funds
Funds		Funds	Funds	Funds	2020	Funds	Funds	Funds	2019
2a	Incoming resources from donors	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	Planned giving:								
	Net amounts (incl. Gift Aided giving)	172,217	0	0	172,217	166,023	0	0	338,240
	Income Tax recoverable	38,378	0	33	38,411	37,223	0	0	75,633
	Collections for charitable purposes	10,078	0	0	10,078	4,342	0	0	14,420
	All other Collections	11,887	0	0	11,887	13,533	0	0	25,420
	Grants Received Restoration	3,738	0	0	3,738	0	0	0	3,738
	Grants Received Restoration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual Gift Aid Income (In Fabric	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	17
	Restoration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Schoolrooms	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	50
	Youth Minister	0	28	0	28	0	0	0	28
	Floral Group	0	30	0	30	0	546	0	576
	General	1,275	0	0	1,275	4,864	0	0	6,139
	Christians Against Poverty	0	0	33,181	33,181	0	0	44,527	77,708
	Sundry donations General	2,357	0	0	2,357	4,780	0	0	7,137
	Fabric	0	386	0	386	0	13,455	0	13,841
	Youth Minister	0	16,830	0	16,830	0	20,000	0	36,830
	Peter Wakely Lagacy	13,500	0	0	13,500	11,529	0	0	25,029
	Schoolrooms transfer from Fabric Ir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Organ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Office Equipment Reserve	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Tom Setter Belfry	0	0	250	250	0	0	0	250
		253,430	17,274	33,464	304,168	242,294	34,068	44,527	625,057
2b	Other Voluntary incoming resources								
	Legacy - General Fund	0	0	0	0	250	0	0	250
	Fundraising Flower Guild	0	0	0	0	0	248	0	248
	Transfers from General Fund	0	400	0	400	0	400	0	800
	Costs Recovered from St.Andrews	1,500	0	0	1,500	1,500	0	0	3,000
		1,500	400	0	1,900	1,750	648	0	4,298
2c	Income from charitable & ancillary trading								
	Magazine advertisements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sale of Guide Books Fabric	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	19
	Church Hall Lettings	2,952	2,530	0	5,482	4,887	5,573	0	15,942
	Fees and Church Lettings	2,202	0	0	2,202	6,838	0	0	9,040
	VAT repaid	0	292	520	812	0	1,389	223	2,424
		5,154	2,822	520	8,496	11,744	6,962	223	27,425
2d	Other ordinary incoming resources								
	Insurance Claims Fabric	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
		0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
2e	Income from investments								
	General Fund	345	0	0	345	417	0	0	762
	Schoolrooms	0	38	0	38	0	51	0	89
	Organ Fund	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	5
	Fabric Fund	0	1,711	0	1,711	0	2,108	0	3,819
	Ringer Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Christians Against Poverty	0	0	146	146	0	0	205	351
	Tom Setter Belfry Fund	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
	Restoration Fund	0	0	51	51	0	0	73	124
	Peter Wakely Community Fund	0	0	4	4	0	0	6	10
	Peter Wakely Community Fund -Sale of Shares	0	0	13,703	13,703	0	0	0	0
	Youth Development Investment Fund	0	86	0	86	0	39	0	125
	Flower Guild Investment Fund	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	4
		345	1,837	13,906	16,088	417	2,205	284	5,291
	Gains & Losses on Investments								
2f	- Realised	0	1,939	6,471	8,410	0	1,939	1,754	12,103
	- Unrealised	0	(1,939)	21,537	19,598	0	5,926	48,583	74,107
		0	0	28,008	28,008	0	7,865	50,337	86,210
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	260,429	22,333	75,898	358,659	256,205	51,848	95,371	748,380

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3. RESOURCES USED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
3a. Grants								
Missionary & Charitable Giving (Special Collns.)	9,161	0	0	9,161	4,563	0	0	4,563
Transfer to Organ Maintemce	0	766	0	766	0	0	0	0
Transfer of grant from Restoration Appeal to Schoolrooms	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
External Donations from Church funds	20,790	0	0	20,790	23,351	0	0	23,351
	29,951	766	0	30,717	27,914	0	0	27,914
3b. Activities directly related to the work of the church								
Ministry:								
Diocesan Quota	165,086	0	0	165,086	160,003	0	0	160,003
Clergy Expenses	5,487	0	0	5,487	7,361	0	0	7,361
Clergy Housing	102	0	0	102	102	0	0	102
Pastoral Care Coordinator costs	0	0	13,500	13,500	0	0	11,529	11,529
Derease in value of investment	0	3,227	0	3,227	0	0	0	0
Church Running Costs :								
Power/Light/Heat	6,844	0	0	6,844	7,202	0	0	7,202
Telephone	548	0	0	548	585	0	0	585
Insurance	4,600	0	0	4,600	4,548	0	0	4,548
Repairs & Maintenance	5,887	0	0	5,887	2,886	0	0	2,886
Major Works Fabric	0	6,683	0	6,683	0	24,495	0	24,495
Interview Expenses	0	355	0	355	0	0	2,673	2,673
Altar Requisites	149	0	0	149	354	0	0	354
Costs of Choir & Music	6,370	0	0	6,370	805	0	0	805
C.A.P Activity								
Expenses of project	0	0	37,545	37,545	0	0	39,641	39,641
Parish Room & Sunday School Costs :								
Purchase of furniture	0	0	0	0	0	1,209	0	1,209
Youth Work	628	0	0	628	1,123	0	0	1,123
Other Costs	1,744	7,190	0	8,934	2,116	11,378	0	13,494
	197,445	17,455	51,045	265,945	187,084	37,082	53,843	278,010
3c Fund-raising & publicity								
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3d Church management & administration								
Church Office expenses & magazine	3,302	0	0	3,302	4,319	0	0	4,319
Tom Setter Belfry Fund	0	0	3,281	3,281				
Wages & Fees (Organist & Verger & Administrator)	36,041	0	0	36,041	37,484	0	0	37,484
Printing & Stationery	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	80
Books etc (inc. Hymn Books)	112	0	0	112	63	0	0	63
Sundries	1,423	60	0	1,483	4,909	743	0	5,652
	40,878	60	3,281	44,219	46,855	743	0	47,598
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	268,274	18,281	54,326	340,881	261,853	37,825	53,843	353,521

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4. STAFF COSTS	2020		2019	
	£		£	
Wages and Salaries				
Organist (Sub-Contract Position)	2,460		4,128	
Verger/Facilities Manager	13,497		12,726	
Cleaner (Schoolrooms) - Sub Contract	2,496		2,392	
CAP Centre Manager	10,933		12,794	
CAP Centre Money Coach	9,252		8,120	
Pastoral Care Coordinator	12,210		11,261	
Parish Administrator	7,102	57,950	6,838	58,259

During the year the P.C.C. employed :-

Verger/Facilities Manager	Full time	1	1
Manager - CAP Centre	2 days p.w	1	1
Money Coach - CAP Centre	3 days p.w.	1	1
Parish Administrator	Part time	1	1
Pastoral Care Coordinator	3 days p.w.	1	1

The P.C.C. also used the services of the following Sub-Contractors:-

Organist - St John's and St Andrew's	2	2
Cleaner (Parish room)	1	1

5. DEBTORS

Debtors also including prepayments and accrued in	£		£	
General Fund	15,921		12,554	
Restoration Fund	6		1,100	
Schoolrooms	782		750	
Christians Against Poverty	692		0	
Tom Setter Belfry Fund	33		0	
Peter Wakely Community Fund	0		0	
Fabric	6		6	
Contra Peter Wakely Legacy transfer included in cre	33	17,472	0	14,410

6. CREDITORS

Creditors also relate to accrued expenses & unallocated suspense balances

General Fund	11,817		6,166	
Schoolrooms	3,874		725	
Tom Setter Belfry Fund	0	15,691	0	

7. ANALYSIS of NET ASSETS by FUND

	as at:- 31st December 2020				as at:- 31st December 2019				
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Consol Adj.	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets & Investments	0	47,897	281,793	329,690	0	57,932	226,982	0	284,914
Current Assets	53,631	63,259	58,518	175,409	63,068	32,001	48,267	0	143,336
Current Liabilities	(11,818)	(3,874)	0	(15,692)	(6,163)	(725)	0	0	(6,888)
	41,813	107,282	340,311	489,406	56,905	89,208	275,249	0	421,362