

*The Annual Report
of the
Barry Ministry Area Council
for 2023*



BARRY
Ministry Area

BARRY MINISTRY AREA
ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING
SUNDAY, 7 APRIL, 2024 at 10.00
ST MARY'S CHURCH

AGENDA

1. Prayers
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Chairperson's introduction.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting (page 10).
5. Parish Reports:
Area Reports
Electoral Roll
Accounts
6. Reports of Deanery & Diocesan Conferences
7. Elections:
Church Warden
Ministry Area Councillors
Sides persons
8. Appointment of Auditor

Introduction by Reverend Canon Zoë King

In this report you will read the bare bones of our Ministry Area over the last year. Unfortunately, what you will not read is the hard work and endeavours of so many people, you won't hear the laughter, the sharing of the gospel, the kindness and challenges we have faced. Reading the report is important so you know what is going on, looking past it and engaging with the Ministry Area in prayer, mission and action is also very important.

We have seen some changes over the last year Fr Dan took shared parental leave and then when he returned we said good to Rev'd Emma as she finished her curacy and took up her new role as Bishop's Chaplain. We were also glad to welcome Fr Robert Evans to our retired clergy family alongside Fr Chris and Fr Edward who are much valued for their fellowship and assistance in the Ministry area as well as my colleagues Fr Robert and Fr Dan and Jan for making sure we all know what is going on!

We must offer grateful thanks to Helena as she steps down from being Lay Chair and Chris Chaulk from being MA Warden, their hard work and dedication is beyond compare and we have much to be grateful for.

Times are tough financially both inside and outside the church and our treasurers Ann and Martin Evans and Keith do us proud in how they make sure everything run smoothly, and we do have to face things head on, but we also have a lot to celebrate we are working much more together and making sure we communicate much better.

Finally, thank you. Thank you for your prayers and hard work. Our buildings could all fall down tomorrow but we as a church would remain, we have a mission to fulfil so here's to another year of doing all we can for the kingdom.

All Saints' Report by Reverend Canon Zoë King

All Saints has had a busy year, the choir went to St David's to sing and are preparing to sing in Exeter cathedral as well as adding to our worship. We have had a huge number of baptisms, and many thanks to the Mothers Union for their support there. During advent we had approximately 4000 people come through the doors, with school concerts, the Carol Service for the bereaved, the St John's Ambulance Carol service. We also hosted the RNLI carol service and also then in March we were thrilled to receive their standard to stand proud in the St Baruc's Chapel.

In the year we were lucky to have the clock fixed for us by Steve Dutfield and its lovely to see it working. The sign has been changed and updated and our grateful thanks goes to David Hop for that. The Soup ladies go from strength to strength in

all their charitable endeavours. We are blessed with a wide range of volunteers who read, lead intercessions, clean, make tea and coffee and keep the show on the road. We are also thrilled that we will be offering digital giving very shortly.

During the past year we have said a fond farewell to the following:

Gill Margaret Davies, Peter Treadwell, Suzanne Bradbury, Sarah Davies, June Donovan, Michael Walnycki and Norma Canon and then very sadly in early 2024 we lost a stalwart in Mary Cule.

We thank God for their Christian witness and pray they may rest in peace.

All Saints Church Choir by James Bull, B.Mus.

The Choir's main focus is to lead and enhance the worship of the congregation of All Saints' Barry. This is supplemented by the Choir singing Anthems at the Eucharist Services. Their repertoire has increased greatly over the last year and they enjoy singing Mozart Eucharist settings occasionally now.

The musical settings at the Eucharist are fully congregational (the current settings being Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne and the Missa Simplex by Malcolm Archer, which alternate), and there is a good mix of hymns, psalms and worship songs sung, so that every age range can be represented. At Mission Area Services the music is always completely different to reflect the fact that this is a mission area service and not linked to a particular church.

The choir is always appreciated by members of the congregation

I also want to publically thank Miss Mary Williams, Mr Lindsay Gray and Mr David Thomas for playing at services, weddings and funerals in my absence. Their support is very much noted and appreciated. I would also like to thank every individual choir member who gives up their time and talent willingly as a volunteer to sing and lead the worship to Almighty God and in addition help me run choir social events, fundraising events or supports me in putting on concerts, this extends to people outside the choir as well!!

We had a very successful trip to St Davids' Cathedral where we were joined by members of Peterston-super-Ely Church Choir and our music was greatly appreciated and praised by the now new Bishop of St David's.

We are already looking forward to the challenges and maintaining the high standard of music which we have become used to at All Saints' Parish Church throughout the forthcoming year

Mothers' Union by Anita Hop

We currently have fifty-two members.

We have enjoyed speakers giving talks on many interesting and varied topics. We held a very successful Coffee Morning and a 'Coronation Special' which was a lovely afternoon with the hall decked in red, white and blue. Our last meeting before the summer recess was a tasty Fish/Chicken and Chip lunch. In November we had an 'Autumn Lunch' in the Glamorgan Suite at Barry College, three courses and cocktails on arrival, it was superb and enjoyed by all. Our 'Christmas Cheer' afternoon on 14th December brought our autumn programme to a close and put us all in a festive mood.

Our main project this year has been the 'Fish and Chip' jumpers and hats, so called because many babies in Africa are sent home from hospital wrapped in newspaper to keep them warm. The project has been going very well and we are grateful to all our members and friends who have provided wool and been busy knitting these.

In September there was a wonderful service of Thanksgiving and Banner Festival in Llandaff Cathedral to celebrate 130 years of Mothers' Union in the Llandaff Diocese. Bishop Mary gave the sermon and our Worldwide President Sheran Harper gave an address. Our banner was carried in a huge procession of banners from branches and deaneries across the Llandaff Diocese.

Deanery and Diocesan events have included the Deanery Festival, Deanery Advent Service, Diocesan Annual Council and Diocesan Advent Carol Service. In January we took part in the annual 'Wave of Prayer' service. We have 4 million members worldwide and the 'Wave of Prayer' visits every branch in 84 countries.

Our meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 2pm in All Saints' Church Hall and we extend a warm welcome to all who would like to join us.

Chaplaincy by Reverend Canon Zoë King

We are incredibly blessed with a group of dedicated visitors. However, we are always looking for more and making sure that we are visiting everyone that need us. If you are interested in becoming a member of the chaplaincy team please speak to one of the clergy and also if you think someone needs a visit.

Churches of the Blessed Virgin Mary & St Dyfan and St Teilo Reports by Fr Dan Barnes-Davies, SCP

Merthyr Dyfan

No one knew at the beginning of 2023 that it would be a year of great change and renewal for the Church of Saints Dyfan and Teilo. When I took Shared Parental Leave over the summer, Fr Robert 'translated' across from Merthyr Dyfan to cover St Cadoc's and St Mary's for me, and the Reverend Emma Ackland became Curate-in-Charge of Merthyr Dyfan. While the congregation thanked Robert for his 21 years with them, it wasn't quite farewell, since he remains a Vicar in the MA. I am very thankful to Emma for so capably leading Team MD to a number of great successes in her short time in charge. The highlight of the year was surely taking part in the Llandaff—Monmouth 'Churches Unlocked' festival in June. Over the course of a week, and with a great deal of support from the diocesan team, MA members and Oak Field school, Rev'd Emma and Team MD welcomed over 400 people to our previously-underestimated church. The two Saturday open days were very well-attended, by adults, children and dogs alike. Children from Oak Field were enthusiastic tour guides, which is just one small glimpse of the excellent relationship we have built with the school. Canon Zoë led a contemplative service on the first Sunday evening, and we all gathered in the churchyard for an open-air Ministry Area service with Barry Brass Band on the second Sunday morning, the Feast of St Barnabas. Though I was on leave at the time, Miriam and I were at a few of these wonderful events, and had great fun seeing the church and the community embrace. For months afterwards, the rainbow ribbons on the porch gate stood as a powerful symbol of how well-loved this church is by her community; and a reminder to us all how important that relationship is.

Less obviously fun, but just as hard work and just as important, the new heating and lighting systems were installed, which make a huge difference to our ability to welcome people into their church. Since I became Vicar at Merthyr Dyfan in November, I have been very encouraged by members' enthusiasm for engaging with their local community. This was exemplified not least in our Christmas Eve carol service, which — thanks in no small part to Wendy and the team's advertising — saw over 120 people cram into their church, to share in the joy of Christ's incarnation. It's in the spirit of that incarnational joy that I look forward to working together in the coming years, to meet the local community where they are and show them the all-welcoming love of Christ.

Have you heard the saying of Dyfan the Martyr? "God is superior to ill foreboding."
Trech Duw na drwg ddarogan.

St Mary's

Many of our usual activities returned, with the customary aplomb, this year — such as the silent auction, Shrove Tuesday pancake party and quiz, Harvest supper and quiz, and Breakfast with Santa — we've also built on this legacy with new events.

While I was on leave during the summer, the Coronation was an excellent opportunity to welcome people into the building, which we did, both in our own fish and chip supper and in the Town Mayor's tea. Meanwhile, behind the scenes, our subwarden, Susan Borges, has steadily pushed forward several necessary building maintenance tasks, the most obvious of which was the renewal of the high-level lighting. More than half of the old bulbs had gone, so we took the opportunity to replace them with modern LED bulbs which look the same but consume much less energy. This is great news for our planet and MA finances! This is just one example of what I and the team undertake to keep St Mary's welcoming to our community, and especially to the many groups and events which book in with us, regularly and as one-offs, every year.

Children and young people have been something of a theme at St Mary's this year. They are the fastest-growing group in our Sunday congregation, and for this reason, Sunday school resumed in March — thanks to Rebecca Dyer and Caroline Dodd and their team. I look forward to discussing how to expand and enhance this ministry during the MAC's vision and strategy planning. Our relationship with Holton Primary School has gone from strength to strength this year, with the gardening club coming to us weekly, and their ongoing involvement in the Peace Garden. They were one of several schools and community groups who took part in the 'wellbeing' themed art exhibition for the garden project over the summer. At the end of April, I was personally thrilled with the hospitality St Mary's and the whole MA offered for my daughter Miriam's baptism. Besides our own friends and relations, and our MA family, we were able to invite Miriam's friends from baby groups into the church. I was so glad that we could show so many local people such a lovely welcome that day, and we will remember it, with sincere thanks, for a very long time.

I would like to thank Fr Robert for covering my shared parental leave and Fr Chris for the assistance he gave; Helena for chairing the garden project; Susan for assisting her, alongside her many duties as subwarden and sacristan; and all the members at St Mary's. Diolch yn fawr, pawb!

St Cadoc's Church by Fr Robert Parrish

In May last year I assumed responsibility for both St Cadoc's and St Mary's, as Fr Dan began his parental leave. In October, when Fr Dan returned from leave, it was decided that I should continue at St Cadoc's, and that Fr Dan should be responsible for Merthyr Dyfan church in addition to St Mary's.

I have been very fortunate to have the support of a dedicated team of clergy and laity at St Cadoc's. Fr Chris is a dedicated priest, tireless visitor of the sick, and an extremely practical person. On most Sundays now Fr Chris, Fr Robert Evans, and

myself concelebrate, and we take it in turns to preach. It has been a joy to welcome Fr Evans and his wife Andrea to the congregation.

We are fortunate to have dedicated warden Rowena Hughes in our congregation. I would also like to thank Jan Braddon, our sacristan, Gerry Bushen our server, Shirley Powell our vergier, and Kay Charles our musical accompanist. Nothing is too much trouble for our team at St Cadoc's.

I would also like to thank Susan Borges for all the support she gave me during my six months at St Mary's.

During the last year at St Cadoc's, a very successful Summer Fayre was held. Our thanks once again to Barry Brass Band for providing the music. Over £1000.00 was raised by the Fayre.

The toilet was finally signed off after cistern was repaired. When the toilet window was vandalised, it was repaired by Fr Chris and Brian Hughes free of charge.

When cracks appeared in the church footpath, Fr Chris met the builders who surveyed the damage. It appears that the cracks have been caused by tree roots. The affected patch was repaired by Brian Hughes using Crack Repair Compound, costing a mere £21.95! Thank you to Brian for all the help he freely gives to St Cadoc's.

Damp ingressing down the Chancel/Nave wall is causing us concern, but it will be tackled this year.

Shortly before Christmas most of the pupils of Cadoxton school were welcomed to St Cadoc's church to hear the Christmas story, and they returned on 22nd March to hear the Easter story.

I would like to thank the people of St Cadoc's for the warm welcome they have given me as their new priest.

Electoral Roll

There are 162 people listed on the Electoral Roll

**The Barry Ministry is in the Vale Deanery
and the Diocese of Llandaff in the Church in Wales.**

Team Lead: Reverend Canon Zoë King

Team Vicar: Fr Robert Parrish

Team Vicar: Fr Daniel Barnes-Davies

Curate: Reverend Emma Ackland (Left November 2023)

Reader Emeritus: Mr Peter Atkins

Architect– Alwyn Jones, 5 Cardiff Road, Taffs Well Cardiff & Morgan Horowsky, Castle Street Abergavenny.

Bankers: HSBC, Penarth

The Barry Ministry Area is part of the Diocese of Llandaff within the Church in Wales. The Church in Wales is a province within the Anglican Communion and, as such, exists to advance the Christian religion through worldwide mission. The object of the Ministry Area Council (MAC) is to ensure that the Life and Work of the Church within the Parish helps to fulfil that mission, both locally and more widely.

The MAC is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedure and powers are regulated by the Constitution of the Church in Wales, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body, set up under Section 13 (1) of the Welsh Church Act 1914. Elections are held at an Annual Vestry Meeting, which must take place on or before 30th April. All persons whose names are entered on the Electoral Roll are entitled to vote and stand for election. Before assuming office, every member of the Council must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Representative Body of the Church in Wales holds the land and property of the Church in Wales including All Saints, St. Cadoc's, St. Mary's & Merthyr Dyfan Church buildings, its contents and the Churchyard. The Representative Body is an Exempt Charity and was set up under Section 13 (2) of the Welsh Church Act 1914. It acts on behalf of the Province in paying the stipends of full time clergy; and administrators of the Church in Wales scheme of Covenanted giving and recovers tax on behalf of parishes.

The MAC is responsible *inter alia* for promoting the mission of the Church, the parochial budget and all expenditure there under, the care and maintenance of the

Church fabric and all of the Churchyard, and for action on any other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution. The Council is also the normal channel of communication between the parishioners and the Bishop of the Diocese.

Membership.

During the year the following persons served as members of the Ministry Area Council:

<u>Team Leader:</u>	The Reverend Canon Zoë King
Team Vicar:	The Reverend Robert Parrish
Team Vicar:	The Reverend Daniel Barnes-Davies
Curate:	The Reverend Emma Ackland (until November 2023)
Lay Chair:	Mrs Helena Coombes
Honorary Treasurer:	Mr Martin Evans
Honorary Secretary:	Mrs Mary Morris
Rector's Warden:	Mrs Rowena Hughes

Elected members

People's Warden : Mr Chris Chaulk

Mr Keith Williams (Asst Treasurer), Mrs Susan Borges (Sub-warden), Mrs Jill Osborne (Sub-warden) Mrs Kay Charles, Mrs Wendy Cook (Sub-warden), Mrs Caroline Dodd, Mrs Catherine Pease.

Minutes of The Barry Ministry Area Annual Vestry Meeting Tuesday, 16 April, 2023

Present: Rev'd Canon Zoë King, Father Robert Parrish, Father Dan Barnes-Davies, Rev'd Emma Ackland, Helena Coombes (Lay Chair), Ministry Area Council Members – Chris Chaulk, Rowena Hughes, Susan Borges, Martin Evans, Keith Williams, Caroline Dodd, Kay Charles, Mary Morris, Ossie Palmer, Jan Gilbert, Jill Osborne, Julie Pritchard, Ann Jones, Margaret Evans, Mark Pease. Ken Evans, Iris Swann, Christine Lacey, Margaret Rees, Elaine Adams, Shirley Powell, David Ball, Diane Hewitson, Jane Maggs, Liz Matthews, David Maggs, Marjorie Bousie, Anne Brock. Ann Evans, Ray

Hawkins, Pamela Hollinshead, Susan Koops, Hilary Berry, Mary Williams, Janet Braddon, Cynthia Evans, Peter Marsh, Mary Rees, Gerry Bushen, Robert Ingram, Lynne Ingram, Sue Orpin, Cath George, Pamela Morris

Apologies: Apologies were received from Suzanne Grover, Ann Elliott, Linda Donovan, Peter Atkins, Fr Chris Seaton, Julie Seaton, Chris Parkman, Brian Parkman, Diane Baker, Fr Edward Dowding, Wendy Cook, Elizabeth Harrison, Diane Jeffery, Catherine Pease

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Helena went on to say "where has this year gone?". She related that people often say this phrase and she now knows how exactly this feels, as it is difficult to realise that a year has gone by since she thanked everyone for having confidence and support in her role as Lay Chair.

She was especially grateful to have been supported all year by the Ministers and Members in all four Churches.

The main aim during the year was to bring unity as a new Ministry Area and although we still have a way to go, we have made forward strides in communicating, coming together at Ministry Area events and supporting each other.

Helena then stated that she had hoped to get to know more of the congregations within the Ministry Area but again "where did the year vanish?". She hopes that with the aid of her knee replacement she will be able to accomplish more this coming year.

Minutes of the Previous Annual Vestry Meeting:

Copies of the previous meeting minutes which took place on 5th April 2022 had either been emailed out to recipients prior to the meeting or there were hard copies available on the day of the meeting.

Helena addressed the meeting asking if everyone was happy with the contents of the minutes.

This was proposed by: Rowena Hughes and seconded by: Keith Williams.

All in attendance unanimously voted for acceptance of the minutes.

Parish Reports

The reports had been emailed prior to the meeting or hard copies were available on the day of the meeting.

Rev'd Zoë said that if everyone had had a chance to look through the reports, they should be then taken as read.

Proposed by: Susan Borges – Seconded by: Chris Chaulk

All in favour of acceptance with nobody against.

Area Reports

Rev'd Zoë addressed the meeting by saying thank you to all in attendance for coming to the meeting.

She went on to say that last year had been more productive especially with being able to work closer together as things opened up more.

Involvement in Schools' work has picked up, mainly due to Rev'd Emma. We have a very good link with All Saint's School.

On the whole children's work is developing by introducing Messy Church along with other activities. Sunday School has been reinstated at St Mary's.

Chaplaincy team doing really well, now able to get out in the community and visit people.

Throughout the year a lot of hard work was involved in making the Summer Fete and Dinky Bucket Festival successful along with various other events.

Fr Dan has been the Mayor's Chaplain throughout the year.

Fr Robert as most will be aware is our controversial journalist, writing regularly in the Glamorgan Star.

Continuing Rev'd Zoë expressed a huge thank you to Susan Borges in her role as Safeguarding Officer. This is an invaluable but often thankless job.

The garden project at St Mary's is really taking off, thanks go to Helena and Susan for their commitment.

All Saint's Choir went to Bath Abbey in the summer of last year. They will be off to St David's Cathedral this year.

Also during last year a Multi Faith event was held at All Saint's. Following this event Rev'd Emma visited a Muslim School in Cardiff.

Rev'd Zoë said that this year we need to look at fundraising, especially with the rise in energy costs, stating as an example that the heating bill for just one month equated to £6,000. We also need to work more in the community.

She went on to say that Fr Dan will be taking shared parental leave which will mean rejigging the Ministry Area but she is confident that we will adapt.

Regarding open Churches project, we really need volunteers from across the board, so please encourage people to help out.

At this point Rev'd Zoë expressed her thanks to:- Clergy colleagues for all their hard work. Martin, Ann and Keith for their diligent work with the accounts (at this point a round of applause was given). The two Ministry Area Wardens being Chris and Rowena, they are extraordinary, incredibly grateful. Rev'd Zoë also mentioned that she had nominated Rowena for a King Charles III Coronation Award, for all

the hard work that she does across various charities. All members of the Ministry Area Council. Janet Braddon (Administrator) for all her hard work. Helena for being a great Lay Chair, she is incredible. Also a vote of thanks to everyone for all that they do.

She then mentioned David Ball who has worked incredibly hard this year and asked him to come forward to accept a gift in appreciation.

Electoral Roll

Helena informed the meeting that the Electoral Roll had been updated in 2022. There are 165 members on the register. She asked that if anyone was aware of someone who needed to sign up could they please assist.

Accounts

Martin said that there has been a decrease in the overall income from last year of £34,524 and an overall reduction in the total expenditure of the Ministry Area of £4,959.

Guaranteed regular giving has dropped once again this year, this has been replaced in part by more casual giving and plate collections. Total giving in 2023 was £63,000 compared to £65,000 in 2022.

Light and heating costs have increased again compared to the previous year, this being mainly attributed to Gas.

In cash terms there was a drop of £92,000 of the total monies held in the various bank accounts. The net effect of this is that the funds held by the Ministry Area dropped by £75,000 as at 31st December 2023, totalling £477,273 - £299,000 unrestricted.

Major works which are to be carried out at all the churches in the Ministry Area will be funded by the Diocese from the sale of St Paul's.

Rev'd Zoë commented how hard it is to balance the books and it is much appreciated how much time and effort is involved. She thanked the Finance Committee for all that they do.

Reports of Deanery & Diocesan Conferences

Helena informed the meeting that no Deanery Conferences had taken place during the year.

A Diocesan Conference took place in September 2022. At this conference Bishop June formerly announced her retirement.

Helena said that it was a very enjoyable day at St Teilo's School. There was a lot of involvement in encouraging young people to come back to church as well as progressing youth work.

She continued by saying that we are moving forward within the schools as per Rev'd Emma's report.

Elections

Rev'd Zoë informed the meeting that the following people had been nominated, proposed and accepted:-

Mary Morris	Secretary
Martin Evans	Treasurer
Chris Chaulk	Ministry Area Peoples Warden
Rowena Hughes	Ministry Area Leader's Warden
Susan Borges	Peoples Sub Warden – St Mary's
Chris Chaulk	Peoples Sub Warden – All Saint's

Jill Osborne M A Sub Warden – All Saint's
Wendy Cook Peoples Sub Warden – Merthyr Dyfan
There is no Sub Warden at St Cadoc's

Ministry Area Councillors

Caroline Dodd
Kay Charles
Catherine Pease

Deanery Representatives

Susan Borges
Bethan John
Elaine Adams

Diocesan Conference

Elaine Adams put her name forward.

Appointment of Auditor

Rev'd Zoë asked if everyone was happy to continue with the current Auditor.

Proposed by: Mark Pease Seconded by: Keith Williams

Rev'd Zoe thanked everyone for attending the meeting. A Said Eucharist took place following the Annual Vestry Meeting

Registered charity number: 1134392

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

FOR BARRY MINISTRY AREA

BARRY MINISTRY AREA
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BARRY MINISTRY AREA
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The members of the Benefice Council, who are also trustees of the charity, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations.

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered Charity Number: 1134392

Registered Office

All Saints Church Hall
Park Road
BARRY CF62 6NU

Trustees

Helena Coombes	Resigned 07/04/24
Wendy Cook	
Mary Morris	
Bethan John	Resigned 14/04/23
Kay Charles	
Rev Emma Ackland	Resigned 31/10/23
Rev Zoe King	
Rev Daniel Barnes-Davies	
Susan Borges	
Rowena Hughes	
Caroline Dodd	
John Keith Williams	
Rev Robert Parrish	
William Peter Atkins	Resigned 16/04/23
Christopher Chaulk	Resigned 07/04/24
Martin Evans	
Shirley Powell	Appointed 07/04/24
Jill Osborne	Appointed 16/04/23
Catherine Pease	Appointed 16/04/23

Independent Examiner

Caroline Candy FCCA
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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Church in Wales is a Province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission.

The Rectorial Benefice of Barry is part of the Diocese of Llandaff and includes the churches of- All Saints' Barry, St Marys' St Cadocs' and St Dyfan & St Teilo's Merthyr Dyfan.

Induction and Training of New Trustees

There is no formal induction training, trustees are already members of the church and are aware of the goals and aims of the church. Their roles and responsibilities are communicated verbally and through the uses of leaflets from the Charity Commission.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and aims of the charity are the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical throughout the Benefice. It is the responsibility of the PCC and Incumbents to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Benefice for the promotion of the objectives and aims.

Public Benefit

As required by the Charities Act 2011, the PCC has given due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission in respect of the operation of the public benefit requirement. The activities undertaken to the PCC's purposes for the public benefit are detailed below.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The trustees believe it prudent to keep sufficient reserves for the following reasons:-

- To ensure the continuation of the level of support from one financial year to another should there be delays in cash flow or sudden withdrawal of funds.

Unrestricted funds stand at £299,170 at 31 December 2023. All restricted funds have a surplus balance at the year end.

Over the past twelve months the total general income of the Ministry Area was £146,797. This was a decrease of £34,524 on the previous year and means that over the past four years the general income has gone from £347,000 in 2019 to £146,797 at 31 December 2023. Total general expenditure in 2023 amounted to £240,618.

On behalf of the Board



Trustee

Date: 18-09-2024

BARRY MINISTRY AREA

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BARRY MINISTRY AREA FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Barry Ministry Area for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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


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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements did not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

Date: 30/09/2024

Independent Examiner:

Name: Caroline Candy FCCA
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BARRY MINISTRY AREA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME						
Donations and Legacies						
Planned Giving		54,082			54,082	55,393
Loose Collections		9,217			9,217	9,819
Donations		12,416	1,630		14,046	10,472
For Mission		1,502			1,502	921
Tax Refunds		8,147			8,147	17,183
Legacies		0			0	3,000
Grants	10	0			0	33,465
Charitable Activities						
Fees		8,994			8,994	8,453
Other Trading Activities						
Money Raising		16,296			16,296	16,376
Investments						
Investment Income	10	20,868	180		21,048	20,065
Other						
Other Income	10	13,465			13,465	6,174
Total Income		144,987	1,810	0	146,797	181,321
EXPENDITURE						
Support for Ministry						
Parish Share		134,458			134,458	123,130
Parochial Expenses of Clerics	9	8,497			8,497	9,520
Parish Activities						
Maintenance of Services	10	9,265			9,265	11,327
General Parish Expenses	10	13,669	3,060		16,729	12,512
Church Property						
Maintenance of Churches	10	39,176	2,600		41,776	30,410
Maintenance of Other Property	10	12,841	8,032		20,873	13,739
Exceptional Expenditure	10		3,212		3,212	40,242
Depreciation		1,324	507		1,831	1,831
Mission and Grants						
Parish					0	0
Home/World		1,739			1,739	1,306
Other Resources						
Capital Payments					0	0
Expended						
Raising Funds						
Cost of Money Raising		2,163	75		2,238	1,560
Total Expenditure		223,132	17,486	0	240,618	245,577
Net Income/(Expenditure) before transfers		(78,145)	(15,676)	0	(93,821)	(64,256)
Transfer between Funds						
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Investment Gains/(Losses)		(78,145)	(15,676)	0	(93,821)	(64,256)
Gains/(Losses) on Revaluation/Disposal of Investment Assets		8,062	10,235		18,297	(28,648)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Funds		(70,083)	(5,441)	0	(75,524)	(92,904)
Funds Balances Brought Forward at 1 January 2023		369,253	182,744	800	552,797	645,701
Fund Balances Carried Forward at 31 December 2023		299,170	177,303	800	477,273	552,797

BARRY MINISTRY AREA

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible Assets	3	55,628	21,294		76,922	78,753
Investments	4	151,055	136,130		287,185	268,889
		206,683	157,424	0	364,107	347,642
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors and Prepayments	5	22,165			22,165	22,991
Cash and Bank Balances		99,657	19,879	800	120,336	212,684
		121,822	19,879	800	142,501	235,675
Creditors falling due within one year	6	(15,335)			(15,335)	(12,520)
Net Current Assets		106,487	19,879	800	127,166	223,155
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		313,170	177,303	800	491,273	570,797
Creditors falling due after one year	7	(14,000)			(14,000)	(18,000)
TOTAL NET ASSETS		299,170	177,303	800	477,273	552,797
FUNDS						
Endowment Funds	8			800	800	800
Restricted Income Funds			177,303		177,303	182,744
Unrestricted Funds		299,170			299,170	369,253
TOTAL FUNDS		299,170	177,303	800	477,273	552,797


NB The Church building, its contents and the churchyard are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales and do not form part of the assets of the Parish.

The notes on page 6 to 11 form part of this SOFA

Approved by the Barry Ministry Area on 18-09-2024.

and signed on its behalf by NAME: ZOE KING

Signed:



BARRY MINISTRY AREA

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

Basis of Accounting

The MAC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations "true and fair view" provisions, together with FRS 102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at fair value.

Going Concern

Although unrestricted funds have been depleted over the past years it is considered that there are sufficient assets held in reserves from the sale of Merthyr Dyfan Rectory, property and shares held in the Common Investment Fund to enable the Ministry Area continue as a going concern over the next two years.

Accounting Policies

The accounting policies applied during the year are as listed below.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the Church becomes entitled to the resources.
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Church has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment Gains and Losses

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

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EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or construction obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets for use by Charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £1,000.

Depreciation

In accordance with FRS 102 as the investment properties cannot be shown at fair value at the balance sheet date without undue cost or effort they are included under property, plant and equipment and depreciated as below:-

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Buildings	2% Straight line basis
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Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end.

Investments include shares in the Church in Wales Common Investment Fund held by the RB in trust for the benefit of the Benefice.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' report.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Endowment Funds

These are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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2. STAFF COSTS	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	<u>4,572</u>	<u>3,913</u>
Number of Employees	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

3. FIXED ASSETS	Freehold Property		
Tangible Fixed Assets	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 January 2023	66,220	25,350	91,570
Additions	--	--	--
Disposals	--	--	--
At 31 December 2023	<u>66,220</u>	<u>25,350</u>	<u>91,570</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2023	9,268	3,549	12,817
Charge for the Year	1,324	507	1,831
Elimination on disposal	--	--	--
At 31 December 2023	<u>10,592</u>	<u>4,056</u>	<u>14,648</u>
Net Book Values			
At 31 December 2023	<u>55,628</u>	<u>21,294</u>	<u>76,922</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>56,952</u>	<u>21,801</u>	<u>78,753</u>
The Freehold Land Buildings comprise:-			
4 Alwen Drive at cost	66,220		
18 Woodlands Court at cost	25,350		

4. INVESTMENTS	At	At
Number of Shares	01/01/23	31/12/23
Santander	104	104
RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Capital Sh)	43,986	43,986
RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Inc Accum)	14,601	17,141
RB Common Investment Fund (part proceeds sale Merthyr Dyfan Rect)	68,096	68,096
	Listed	Listed
	Investments	Investments
	at Value	at Value
	At 01/01/23	at 31/12/23
Value	£	£
Santander	291	393
RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Capital Sh)	92,177	97,319
RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Inc Accum)	30,598	37,924
Benjamin Thomas Bequest Surplus Funds not reinvested	3,121	887
RB Common Investment Fund (part proceeds sale Merthyr Dyfan Rect)	<u>142,702</u>	<u>150,662</u>
	<u>268,889</u>	<u>287,185</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

5.	CURRENT ASSETS		2023	2022
			£	£
	Debtors and Prepayments			
	Tax Recoverable		18,000	16,000
	Parish Share Rebates		3,361	6,157
	Other Debtors and Prepayments		804	854
			<u>22,165</u>	<u>22,991</u>
6.	CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2023	2022
			£	£
	Parish Loan due within one year		4,000	4,000
	Utilities		3,503	5,213
	Mission Home & World		269	269
	Other Creditors & Income received in advance		4,180	3,635
	Provisions for Liabilities		3,383	0
			<u>15,335</u>	<u>13,117</u>
7.	CREDITORS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR		2023	2022
			£	£
	Parish Loan due after one year		<u>14,000</u>	<u>18,000</u>
8.	FUNDS			
a	RESTRICTED FUNDS			
		Fund		Fund
		Balances		Balances
		Brought	Incoming	Carried
		Forward	Resources	Forward
		£	£	£
	Fund Names			
	Mrs Gwendoline Amy Davies Fund	1,382		1,382
	St Mary's Restoration Fund	9,065	895	7,360
	St Cadoc's Restoration Fund	5,689	330	2,807
	Benjamin Thomas Bequest	125,895	10,235	136,130
	18 Woodland Court, Barry	21,801		21,294
	All Saints' Organ Appeal	6,037	585	6,547
	St Mary's Community Garden Fund	11,400		308
	All Saints' Church Hall Fund	1,475		1,475
		<u>182,744</u>	<u>12,045</u>	<u>177,303</u>

Fund Name	Type of Fund	Purpose
Gwendoline Amy Davies Fund	Restricted Income	Church Maintenance
St Mary's Restoration Fund	Restricted Income	Church Maintenance
St Cadoc's Restoration Fund	Restricted Income	Church Maintenance
Benjamin Thomas Bequest	Expendable Endowment	Church Maintenance
18 Woodland Court, Barry	Restricted Income	Property Acquisition
All Saints' Organ Appeal	Restricted Income	Organ Restoration
St Mary's Community Garden	Restricted Income	Garden Restoration
All Saints' Church Hall	Restricted Income	Church Hall Maintenance

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MAINTENANCE OF CHURCHES

Insurance	6,648		6,648	5,054
Light and Heat	26,407		26,407	20,826
Water	345		345	288
Repairs and Maintenance	5,142	2,600	7,742	3,491
Interest on Parish Loan	634		634	751
	39,176	2,600	41,776	30,410

MAINTENANCE OF OTHER PROPERTY

All Saints Church Hall	4,686		4,686	3,505
Woodlands Court Flat	2,637		2,637	1,865
Alwen Drive	3,718		3,718	4,534
Churchyard Maintenance	1,699		1,699	3,835
St Mary's Garden	101	8,032	8,133	0
	12,841	8,032	20,873	13,739

EXCEPTIONAL EXPENDITURE

St Cadoc's Toilet – Final Payment		3,212	3,212	29,834
Merthyr Dyfan			0	10,408
	0	3,212	3,212	40,242



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Church Service Times

Sunday:	08.00	All Saints
	09.00	St Cadoc's
	09.00	Merthyr Dyfan
	10.30	St Mary's
	10.30	All Saints
Monday:	18.30	St Cadoc's
Tuesday:	10.00	St Mary's
Wednesday:	10.00	All Saints
Thursday:	10.00	St Cadoc's
Saturday:	10.00	St Mary's