



BARRY
Ministry Area

Annual Report

2024

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Ministry Area Council

Ministry Area Leader: (i.e. Priest in Charge)	The Rev'd Canon Zoë King
Vicar:	The Rev'd Fr Robert Parrish
Vicar:	The Rev'd Fr Dan Barnes-Davies
Reader <i>emeritus</i> :	Peter Atkins
Architects:	Alwyn Jones, 5 Cardiff Road, Taffs Well, Cardiff Morgan Horowsky, Castle Street, Abergavenny
Bankers:	HSBC, Penarth

The Barry Ministry Area (legally the Rectorial Benefice of Barry) is part of the Vale of Glamorgan Deanery, in 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 30 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 they 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' Church**, **St Cadoc's Church**, **St Mary's Church** & **Merthyr Dyfan Church** buildings, their contents and the churchyards. 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 MAC is also the normal channel of communication between the parishioners and the Bishop of the Diocese.

MAC membership

During 2024, the following served as members of the Ministry Area Council:

Members *ex officio*

Cleric in charge (MAL)	Canon Zoë King
Vicar	Fr Dan Barnes-Davies
Vicar	Fr Robert Parrish
Rector's Warden	Rowena Hughes
People's Warden	Chris Chaulk (<i>resigned 7 April 2024</i>)

Co-opted members

Lay Chair	<i>vacant</i>
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Elected members

Honorary Treasurer	Martin Evans
Honorary Secretary	Mary Morris
Subwarden for St Mary's	Susan Borges (<i>died 6 December 2024</i>)
Subwarden for Merthyr Dyfan	Wendy Cook
Subwarden for All Saints'	Jill Osborne
Subwarden for St Cadoc's	Shirley Powell (<i>from 7 April 2024</i>)
Representative for St Cadoc's	Kay Charles
Representative for St Mary's	Caroline Dodd
Representative for All Saints'	Catherine Pease
Representative for Merthyr Dyfan	<i>vacant</i>

In attendance

Assistant Treasurer	Anne Evans
Assistant Treasurer	Keith Williams

Annual reports

Introduction

Welcome to the 2025 Annual Report. This is just a tiny snapshot of what is going on across the Ministry Area. There are so many people to thank: the MA Council, the Warden and subwardens; our organists, choir and Treasurers; my clerical colleagues Fr Robert and Fr Dan, as well as our amazing retirees Fr Robert Evans, Fr Edward Dowding and Fr Chris Seaton. Without all these priests and officers we wouldn't get half as much done. We also wished a happy retirement to Jan Braddon as our MA administrator: her hard and tireless work is much missed but we hope to appoint a new administrator shortly.

It is no secret that things financially are tough and we are doing all we can to improve our situation; however this will probably be a year of difficult decisions but no decisions will be made without the MAC making decisions and the congregations being consulted. We cannot thank our Treasurers enough for all they do.

But... That's only part of the story we have so much to celebrate the confirmation of four candidates, the community garden goes from strength to strength, our new intercessions group have been writing the prayers for the last year, we have in both **St Mary's** and **All Saints'** new young servers who are working hard to learn new skills and I cannot thank the serving teams across the MA enough for their hard work and their openness to training new members of the teams.

However, we do nothing without the support of everybody through prayer, hard work and fellowship. So, thank you for all you do and as we step forward we need to be brave, bold and above all undergird everything with prayer.

Thank you so much.

Canon Zoë

All Saint's Church, Barry

Over the last year All Saints' has slowly found its number growing. We have had a number of baptisms, weddings and funerals including having the privilege of hosting a funeral for the Orthodox community.

The choir have been out and about singing in Exeter, Wells and Baltimore House. They go from strength to strength and one of the highlights in All Saints' was the Allegro's *miserere mei* on Ash Wednesday.

All Saints' has a serving team that is growing and evolving, having two new younger members in Jamie and Daniel as well as Anne joining us occasionally. We recently launched our new Holy Eucharist which is more relaxed and open hopefully to encourage families without 'dumbing down', so to speak.

We have had the pleasure of hosting a number of school concerts: Romilly, All Saints' Primary, Ysgol Sant Baruc, Whitmore High, Barry Island Primary; as well as class visits by All Saints' Primary and Jenner Park, where Miss Fi and Mr Dave were great hits!

We owe enormous thanks to Jill who has worked tirelessly as our Subwarden; Dave Ball, who quietly does a lot of jobs; and Chris Chaulk who, like oil, fills the gaps, as well as everyone who steps in to help when needed.

During the past year we have said a fond farewell to the following: Mary Cule, Ann Jones, Carol Chapelton, Ann Rodgers, Diana Price, Margaret Rawlins, Gill Davies, Edna Jones and Mary Thomas. Unfortunately, we have also lost Margaret Drake and Peggy Pittard Davies in early 2025. We thank God for their Christian witness and pray they may rest in peace.

Canon Zoë

All Saints' Church Choir

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 continues to increase steadily.

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 an MA service and not linked to a particular church.

The choir is always appreciated by members of the congregation and clergy. 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 of Almighty God and, in addition, help me run choir social events (really important for morale), 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 Exeter Cathedral in May/June 2024 where we were joined by members of Peterston-super-Ely Church Choir. We were accompanied on this trip by Mr Jeff Howard and the choir enjoyed singing their newly learning Mass setting — Viernes' Messe Sollenelle, some Herbert Howells and even an anthem in Welsh.

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

James Bull BMus

Mothers' Union

We currently have forty-eight members.

We have enjoyed speakers giving talks on many interesting and varied topics. We had a very tasty fish and chip lunch at the end of our summer session and in September began our autumn programme with a Eucharist service in All Saints' when two new members were enrolled by Canon Zoë. In November we had a three course 'Autumn Lunch' in the Glamorgan Suite at Barry College, the meal and the service provided by the students was superb and we all thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon. This brought our autumn programme to a close.

In January we held our AGM after a Eucharist service in All Saints', and at the end of the month 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. In March a very successful Coffee, Cake and Raffle afternoon raised an amazing £414 and was enjoyed by all.

This year, sadly, we marked the passing of our Branch member Ann Rodgers and also of former Branch member and Deanery Leader Diana Price. Prayers were said at our meetings for Ann and Diana.

This year we have donated a total of £360 to our charities and £500 to Church towards the cost of gas, electricity and printing.

Deanery and Diocesan events have included the Deanery Festival, Deanery Advent Service, Advent Praise Service and Diocesan Annual Council.

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.

Anita Hop

Merthyr Dyfan Church

Building on the momentum from 2023, Merthyr Dyfan has continued to be a place of quiet faithfulness and growing community connection. 2024 saw the steady rhythm of worship and witness continue, showing the enduring spirit of our living ancient church.

Our regular Sunday 9am Eucharist remains the cornerstone of our life together, gathering the faithful week by week. Lent saw us engage with the Ministry Area course on prayer, holding a session here in March, and we marked the solemnity of Ash Wednesday with a well-attended evening Eucharist. Holy Week was observed with reverence, including hosting the Tuesday evening MA Eucharist, and the church looked beautiful with its Easter Garden display.

A definite highlight was the Merthyr Dyfan Band Day held on a perfect June afternoon. It was wonderful to see the churchyard filled with visitors (about 100 *besides* regular MA worshippers!) enjoying the fantastic music of our great friends and supporters Barry Brass Band. Events like these really showcase the church's place in the heart of the community and are a testament to the hard work of the organising team and volunteers — thank you all! We celebrated Harvest Festival in October, gathering gifts for the Vale Foodbank, demonstrating our commitment to serving those in need within our town. The congregation also contributed enthusiastically to the MA Autumn Fayre by running the 'Name the Bear' stall.

Thank you to everyone who contributes to the life of Merthyr Dyfan — those who care for the building, prepare the church for services, welcome visitors, and faithfully attend worship. My particular thanks to Wendy Cook, who is retiring as subwarden having served with dedication, perseverance and not a little humour. Your dedication allows this church to continue its ministry. As we look ahead to the near future, when we will have to make decisions with the MA and diocese about the shape of our ministry to North Barry; let's continue to be inspired by Dyfan's saying: "Trech Duw na drwg ddarogan." (God is superior to ill foreboding.)

Fr Dan

St Mary's Church, Barry Dock

It has been another year of activity at St Mary's, befitting its role as a welcoming hub in the heart of Barry town centre. Looking back through the diary, it's heartening to see the sheer range of services, events, and community connections that have filled our church and its grounds.

The opening of the community Peace Garden in April was a landmark moment. It was wonderful to welcome Bishop Mary to bless the garden and Cllr Ian Johnson (then Barry Town Mayor) to plant the Peace Rose. The garden is already proving to be a cherished asset, used by Holton Primary School's gardening club, the Foodbank, Inspired Learners, and individuals seeking a quiet space. The generous donation of a defibrillator by Calon Hearts at the garden opening was another significant development for community wellbeing, followed up by vital CPR training.

Our regular pattern of Sunday and weekday worship continues to be the bedrock of our spiritual life. Alongside this, St Mary's hosted numerous special services and events throughout the year. We observed Holy Week with reflective services like the Maundy Thursday Eucharist and the newly-instituted garden prayers on Good Friday. Amongst others, we hosted Ministry Area services on Low Sunday (the Annual Vestry Meeting) and we were especially privileged to host the Eucharist for the Feast of Christ the King, with retired bishop Barry Morgan preaching. It was also a joy to welcome Edward Thompson into the church family through his baptism on All Saints' Day and his brother Evan to our serving team. At the end of the year, both started their preparation for Confirmation at Candlemas 2025.

Community engagement remains central to St Mary's identity. We kicked off the year with a Pancake Party, held successful Harvest and Christmas Quizzes, and hosted wonderful concerts by Barry Brass Band and the combined choirs for a Midsummer celebration. Children's activities were prominent, with a well-attended Easter craft workshop, and a delightful Teddy Bears' Picnic in the Peace Garden. The ever-popular Breakfast with Santa and the Town Mayor's Carol Concert rounded off the year with festive cheer. We continue to support vital services like

the Vale Foodbank and the FAN (friends and neighbours) group operating from our building.

Keeping our beautiful building fit for purpose requires ongoing effort. Thank you to all involved in ensuring St Mary's is a welcoming space for worship and community use. A particular, heartfelt, thank you must go to Susan Borges for her tireless work throughout the year as subwarden, sacristan, vergers and lead server: supporting me as Vicar, the garden project, Foodbank, liaising with schools, organising events, and so much more besides. Before her sudden death in early December, Susan was to have retired this Easter, having served St Mary's for very many years with huge dedication. Her contribution has been immense, and the church community feels her loss keenly.

Thank you to every member of the St Mary's congregation. Your commitment, generosity, and willingness to volunteer make everything possible. I have been particularly struck by how we have come together in the shock of Susan's loss. As we move forward, let's continue to build on this foundation, striving to show Christ's loving welcome to everyone in Barry.

Fr Dan

St Cadoc's Church, Cadoxton-juxta-Barry

As this is likely to be my final report before my retirement it is with particular gratitude that I thank our dedicated team of clergy and laity. Anyone who succeeds me will be fortunate indeed. My colleague Fr Chris is a dedicated priest and visitor of the sick, and a very practical person. Fr Robert Evans is always happy to cover services at St Cadoc's or elsewhere in the Ministry Area whenever needed. On most Sundays Fr Chris, Fr Robert, and myself ('The Three Amigos') concelebrate, and take it in turns to preach. I am sure that with the decline in those offering themselves for ordination, the ministry of retired priests will become ever more important.

Our Ministry Area warden, Rowena Hughes and her husband Brian are a wonderful source of help, advice, and support. We are fortunate also to have the support of

our St Cadoc's warden and verger Shirley Powell, our sacristan Jan Braddon, our server Gerry Bushen, and our musical accompanist Kay Charles. A big thankyou also to our cleaners, our flowers arrangers, and everyone who assists in any way.

In November, Jan Braddon retired as our Ministry Area Administrator, having served for seven years in that post. Her efficiency and friendliness was much appreciated.

Our church building

In February, Axis Roofing Work completed repair to the lead abutment. In May, the church was used as a polling station, and key safes were fitted by David Brownjohn. In June, there was an attempted break-in, in the process of which the main door lock was damaged. Fr Chris replaced the lock. Then in August, a CCTV camera was installed; our grateful thanks to Fr Chris and Brian Hughes for undertaking this work. A battery-operated mower and strimmer were purchased, much more environmentally friendly than petrol machines. Our grateful thanks to Fr Chris for giving freely of his time to keep our church grounds in pristine condition.

In November a Dyson cleaner was purchased. In December a new dehumidifier was purchased, and in January new lighting was fitted to the tower and porch, in conformance with Health and Safety regulations.

Last year St Cadoc's was fortunate to receive a significant legacy. This will enable us to make some significant improvements and repairs to the church, such as: upgrading our lighting to LED energy efficient lighting, a new boiler / central heating, repairs to the porch floor, an improved loop/sound system, and a new bench for the church grounds.

Our church community

Llamau was our chosen charity for Lent, The Food Bank our Harvest charity, and Tŷ Hapus (which supports people affected by dementia) our Advent charity.

On Easter Day a new Easter cross and shroud were installed near one of the church windows. A big thank you to Brian Hughes for making the cross and installing it, and to Kay Charles for making the shroud. In June a very successful Summer Fun Day was held at St Cadoc's, which raised over £1281.00. Our grateful thanks once more to Barry Brass Band for their continued support. In December there was once more a visit by Cadoxton Primary School (the whole School) for their end of term Christmas Story.

I would like to thank the people of St Cadoc's for their friendship and support over the last year.

Fr Robert

Electoral roll

As of 24 April 2025, there are 162 members on the Electoral Roll.

Fr Dan

Safeguarding

Oral report given to AVM 2025.

Appendices: Annual Vestry Meeting 2025

2025 AVM Agenda

1. Prayers
2. Apologies for absence
3. Chair's introduction
4. Minutes of the AVM 2024
5. Reports
 - a. Church reports
 - b. Electoral roll
 - c. Accounts
6. Reports of Deanery & Diocesan Conferences
7. Elections
 - a. Ministry Area Warden
No nomination received.
 - b. Ministry Area Councillors (including subwardens)
Nominations received:

Honorary Treasurer	Martin Evans
Honorary Secretary	Mary Morris
Subwarden for Merthyr Dyfan	Emma Lehman
People's subwarden for St Cadoc's	Jackie Barnes
Representative for St Cadoc's	Gareth Williams
Representative for St Mary's	Caroline Dodd
Representative for All Saints'	Lucy Sullivan
Representative for Merthyr Dyfan	Cath Davies
 - c. Sidespersons
8. Appointment of Auditor

2024 AVM Minutes



THE MINISTRY AREA OF BARRY

Annual Vestry Meeting

Sunday 7th April 2024 @ 10 a.m.

ST MARY'S CHURCH

In Attendance:

Rev'd Canon Zoë King, Father Robert Parrish, Father Dan Barnes-Davies, Helena Coombes (Lay Chair), Ministry Area Council members — Rowena Hughes, Susan Borges, Martin Evans, Keith Williams, Caroline Dodd, Catherine Pease, Wendy Cook, Jill Osborne, Mary Morris.

Other Members of the Congregation in attendance attached separately

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I	<p><u>Prayers</u></p> <p>Rev'd Canon Zoë King opened the meeting with prayers.</p> <p>Also welcoming everyone to the meeting and giving thanks to everyone for their attendance and the work that they do.</p>	

2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from: Kay Charles, Diane Jeffery, Father Chris Seaton, Julie Seaton, Ceri Rossiter, Chris Chaulk, Elizabeth Harrison.</p>	
3	<p><u>Chairman's Introduction</u></p> <p>Helena Coombes addressed the meeting by also welcoming everyone and saying that it showed positivity by seeing so many in attendance.</p> <p>Helena continued by saying that it had been two years since she had been licenced by the Archdeacon to take on the role of Lay Chair and thanked the Ministers for having confidence in her to fulfil the position.</p> <p>Unfortunately, due to age restriction Helena said that she was not able to complete the third year as Lay Chair, therefore it is now time to hand the baton over to someone else.</p> <p>She went on to say that she wished to publicly thank all the Ministry Area Councillors for their dedication, hard work and support for herself and particularly the Church Community. Commenting that it can be a taxing and sometimes thankless role along with being a little stressful at times.</p> <p>She also said that the Ministers had opened her eyes to a variety of situations that have arisen and that she had learnt a lot about the church community and herself. She thanked the</p>	

	<p>Ministers also for their patience, support and encouragement and especially to Rev'd Zoë for her constant reassurance, whether it be with a bowl of soup, bread or endless coffee as they worked through the various things that needed to be dealt with.</p> <p>Helena expressed her thanks not only to the people in attendance but to the Church community as a whole, for their support for the Ministry Area of Barry and all that we are trying to achieve.</p> <p>She hoped that everyone felt that we have moved forward during the last two years, to become one Ministry Area and not just four Churches. However, it must be acknowledged that we have some way to go yet.</p> <p>She continued by saying that we now need to look outwards at the community of Barry, making sure that we as representatives give support and promote 'Our Mission'. She is confident that the new MAC will direct us.</p> <p>Helena finished by saying that despite her initial reservations she had greatly enjoyed the role of Lay Chair. She encouraged everyone who is willing and has the time and skills, to consider becoming part of the Ministry Area Council.</p>	
4	<p><u>Minutes of the Previous Annual Vestry Meeting</u></p> <p>Copies of the previous meeting minutes which took place on 16th April 2023 had either been emailed out to recipients, prior to the meeting or there were hard copies available on the day of the meeting.</p>	

	<p>Helena addressed the meeting asking if everyone was happy with the contents of the minutes and that they could be signed off as read.</p> <p>This was proposed by: Susan Borges and seconded by: Wendy Cook</p> <p>The majority in attendance voted for acceptance of the minutes.</p>	
5	<p>Parish Reports</p> <p>The reports had been emailed prior to the meeting and hard copies were available on the day of the meeting.</p> <p>Area Reports</p> <p>Rev'd Zoë thanked everyone who had contributed to the report and a huge thank you to Jan for compiling and making sure the Clergy got all their reports to her on time.</p> <p>She went on to say that over the past year we have endeavoured to consider our role in the community. Examples of this, to name but a few, being the Community Garden at St Mary's, which we celebrate with the official opening on Saturday 13th April 2024. Back in the summer of 2023 we had Churches Unlocked at Merthyr Dyfan. Also, we are broadening our schools work, building a close relationship between St Cadoc's and Cadoxton Primary. Sunday School is developing in St Mary's. There was also the installation of the RNLI Standard at All Saints.</p>	

	<p>However, there are challenges before us and Rev'd Zoë related to the Extraordinary General Meeting where finances were discussed. She expressed her thanks to Martin, Ann and Keith for all that they do. Following on she announced that very shortly we will be offering digital giving, with a permanent machine in All Saints and another one for use in the remaining three churches. Included in this will be a sum up machine that can be used for wedding payments etc.</p> <p>In the winter at the Archdeacon's Visitation we were asked to consider the Mission of the Ministry Area. Rev'd Zoë said that at the last MAC Meeting the MAC Members were asked to write a Mission Statement, these being on display in the Church and could everyone in attendance please tick the statement that sums up what we are called to do.</p> <p>Rev'd Zoë continued by saying that we are facing challenges, pointing out that at the end of the Annual Vestry Meeting we do not have a Lay Chair or Ministry Area Peoples Warden. Extremely grateful that Rowena Hughes is continuing in her role as Warden, saying that Rowena has been an incredibly hardworking Warden, always making sure that communication is as good as it can be. However, we do need more people to step up.</p> <p>She mentioned her love of breadmaking and how the achievement of a good missional community is compared to this, from mixing ingredients which can be sticky and messy but slowly everything comes together and creates something amazing.</p>	
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	<p>The above means basically we need more ingredients. It is time to think in broader strokes especially at All Saints' with the stepping down of Chris Chaulk, a huge hole to replace. She suggested that perhaps instead of looking for one person to replace Chris and work alongside Jill Osborne, may be have a group of people sharing the work. We also need to think about a Lay Chair, if anyone is interested or has any ideas please speak to Rev'd Zoë.</p> <p>Rev'd Zoë went on to thank Helena in her role as Lay Chair, for her support, wisdom and good counsel. She has been phenomenal for the Ministry Area and myself. Relating to lots of laughter over lunch time meetings, which involved bread and soup making whilst discussing ways to move forward.</p> <p>Also thanks to Chris Chaulk, not in attendance today, who has been an invaluable member. A collection for Chris is being taking quietly at All Saints, anyone wishing to give please see Jill, Iris or myself.</p> <p>Giving thanks to her colleagues for all they do, also our valued retired Priests – Fr Chris, Fr Robert and Fr Edward. To the MAC Members for their hard work, our Deanery and Diocesan Representatives, Sub Wardens, Mary Morris Secretary extraordinaire, to Jan our Administrator for all she does in the office, to our musicians and choristers. Finally the biggest thank you is to all in attendance and for all you do.</p> <p>Electoral Roll</p> <p>There are 162 people listed on the Electoral Roll.</p>	
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	<p>Accounts</p> <p>Martin addressed the meeting and apologised that hard copies of the accounts had only become available for reading at the Annual Vestry Meeting. He stressed that the work involved in preparing the Annual Accounts is time consuming and they are finding the demands on their time are increasing. He feels that the role of the Ministry Treasurer should be offered to someone who can devote the time necessary.</p> <p>He related to the Finance Meeting (EGM) in October 2023 and to those who had attended, who were aware of the financial situation and how as a Ministry Area we are becoming more reliant on our reserves. The main reasons being, giving and not being able to keep up with the increase of costs.</p> <p>At the start of becoming a Rectorial Benefice in 2016 the total giving from all the Churches for that year totalled £97,000. In 2023, seven years later, total giving was £62,000. This represents a drop of 40% from the 2016 figure.</p> <p>It is apparent that over the same seven years costs have been rising. Maintenance costs up 30%, contribution to the Church in Wales up 20% and general expenses up 13%.</p> <p>We have been able to carry out major jobs on the church buildings by utilising monies released from the sale of St Paul's Church. The use of this money is still ongoing until it runs out or The Church in Wales (who hold the money) enforce a time limit.</p>	
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	<p>Martin went on to say that there is much going on in the four churches and those who give their time and energy should be commended for the support given to the Ministry Area.</p> <p>The accounts for 2023 show that our net expenditure was £92,000, this was offset in part by the revaluation of our shareholdings in the Common Investment Fund (these we are now having to sell to pay the bills). Our reserves dropped by £74,000 to £478,776 and of these reserves only £300,000 are unrestricted in their use.</p> <p>Martin stressed that we are not alone in this situation, other Ministry Areas are in the same position.</p> <p>Rev'd Zoë had already given a huge thank you to Martin, Ann and Keith and went on to say that it is incredibly difficult for them. She thanked Martin and Ann for the compiling of the Accounts. She also said that stewardship must be discussed in the next year.</p> <p>Rowan Hughes asked the question "if nothing changes, how many years do we have before we run out of money"?</p> <p>Helena commented that we are moving forward and everyone must work together.</p> <p>Martin stated that at the end of 2023, there was £300k in the general funds, so based on that figure and in answer to Rowan's question, five to six years.</p> <p>Jill Osborne commented about any monies coming into the Ministry Area, they must go through the Church Bank Account.</p>	
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	<p>Helena also expressed her thanks and said that if anyone has the necessary skills to help, please come forward.</p> <p>Acceptance of the accounts in draft format was proposed by: Rowena Hughes and seconded by: Diane Baker</p> <p>All in favour of signing off the accounts in draft form.</p>	
6	<p><u>Reports of Deanery & Diocesan Conferences</u></p> <p>Rev'd Zoë informed the meeting that one Deanery Conference had taken place and that Father Robert and herself were present. Young Faith Matters gave a talk at this conference. However, the conference as a whole was uninspiring.</p> <p>Helena informed the meeting that a Diocesan Conference took place in September 2023.</p> <p>Helena at this point called on Caroline Dodd, who had been present, to give feedback. Caroline although taken by surprise, as the conference had been a while ago gave a brief outline of the day. She said that there were lots of speakers who were inspiring. Also refreshments including lunch and lots of cake were very enjoyable. All in all a very positive experience. She had received gifts, which included a packet of mints, a notebook and a packet of seeds.</p> <p>Helena said that the Diocesan Conference takes place on the last Saturday in September and is available to view online.</p>	

7**Elections**

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

Mary Morris	Secretary
Martin Evans	Treasurer
Rowena Hughes	Ministry Area Leader's Warden
Susan Borges	Sub Warden – St Mary's
Jill Osborne	Sub Warden – All Saints'
Wendy Cook	Sub Warden – Merthyr Dyfan
Shirley Powell	Sub Warden – St Cadoc's

However, the Lay Chair and Ministry Area People's Warden positions remain vacant.

Ministry Area Councillors

Caroline Dodd
Kay Charles
Catherine Pease

It is to be noted that Merthyr Dyfan have a vacancy for a Ministry Area Councillor.

Deanery Representatives

Susan Borges
Bethan John
Elaine Adams

	<p>Diocesan Conference</p> <p>Elaine Adams Caroline Dodd</p>	
8	<p><u>Appointment of Auditor</u></p> <p>Rev'd Zoë asked if everyone was happy to continue with the current Auditor. Martin Evans informed the meeting that the current Auditor being used has changed ownership but it is hoped to continue with them.</p> <p>Proposed by: Jill Osborne Seconded by: Susan Borges</p> <p>All in attendance happy to accept.</p>	
	<p>Rev'd Zoë closed the meeting and thanked everyone in attendance. She also said that during Lent, Lay people started to be involved in the writing of Intercessions. She went on to say that she was incredibly grateful to the small team involved and also willing to take on more members. This came into place on Passion Sunday.</p> <p>Helena received a huge round of applause at the close.</p> <p>The Eucharist, with hymns, took place following the Annual Vestry Meeting.</p>	

Accepted by vote of the Annual Vestry Meeting 2025 as an accurate record.

Signed: Canon Zoë King, Ministry Area Leader

Signed: Mary Morris, Hon. Secretary

Date: 27 April 2025

MINISTRY AREA OF BARRY

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

SUNDAY 7TH APRIL 2024

ATTENDANCE RECORD

Clergy (as above recorded)

Members of the Electoral Roll (besides those recorded above)

Shirley Powell	Ray Hawkins
Diane Hewitson	Hilary Berry
Ossie Palmer	Anita Hop
Nans Binding	Mark Pease
Diane Kelland	David Hop
Ellen Downey	Ann Boyd
Iris Swann	Kay Stephens
Margaret Rees	Tara Halliday
Ann Evans	Rachel Johnson
Ellen Willis	Elizabeth Matthews
Jennifer Morgan	Patricia Righton
Christine Lacey	Pamela Morris
Gerry Bushen	Cath George
Janet Braddon	Janet Stringer
Pamela Hollinshead	Peter Marsh
Cynthia Evans	Dinah Thomas
Jen Morgan	

Also in attendance

Fr Edward Dowding
Yasmin Skye
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FOR BARRY MINISTRY AREA

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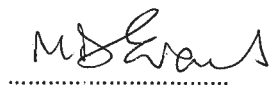
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Signed: 

Date: 20/10/2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Note	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME							
Donations and Legacies	Planned Giving		54,033			54,033	54,082
	Loose Collections		7,865			7,865	9,217
	Donations		13,308	887		14,195	14,046
	For Mission		684			684	1,502
	Tax Refunds		8,861			8,861	8,147
	Legacies		38,916			38,916	0
Charitable Activities	Fees		8,631			8,631	8,994
Other Trading Activities	Money Raising		24,939			24,939	16,296
Investments	Investment Income	10	21,449	145		21,594	21,048
Other	Other Income	10	83,160			83,160	13,465
	Total Income		261,846	1,032	0	262,878	146,797
EXPENDITURE							
Support for Ministry	Parish Share		119,477			119,477	134,458
	Parochial Expenses of Clerics	9	5,884			5,884	8,497
Parish Activities	Maintenance of Services	10	11,056			11,056	9,265
	General Parish Expenses	10	15,746	60		15,806	16,729
Church Property	Maintenance of Churches	10	34,952			34,952	41,776
	Maintenance of Other Property	10	8,193	605		8,798	20,873
	Exceptional Expenditure	10				0	3,212
	Depreciation		1,324	507		1,831	1,831
Mission and Grants	Parish		1,090			1,090	0
	Home/World		442			442	1,739
Other Resources	Capital Payments					0	0
Expended							
Raising Funds	Cost of Money Raising		7,667			7,667	2,238
	Total Expenditure		205,831	1,172	0	207,003	240,618
Net Income/(Expenditure) before transfers			56,015	(140)	0	55,875	(93,821)
Transfer between Funds							
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Investment Gains/(Losses)			56,015	(140)	0	55,875	(93,821)
Gains/(Losses) on Revaluation/Disposal of Investment Assets			(53,867)	10,805		(43,062)	18,297
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Funds			2,148	10,665	0	12,813	(75,524)
Funds Balances Brought Forward at 1 January 2024			299,170	177,303	800	477,273	552,797
Fund Balances Carried Forward at 31 December 2024			301,318	187,968	800	490,086	477,273

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible Assets	3	54,304	20,787		75,091	76,922
Investments	4	97,189	146,935		244,124	287,185
		151,493	167,722	0	319,215	364,107
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors and Prepayments	5	56,874			56,874	22,165
Cash and Bank Balances		118,466	20,246	800	139,512	120,336
		175,340	20,246	800	196,386	142,501
Creditors falling due within one year	6	(15,515)			(15,515)	(15,335)
Net Current Assets		159,825	20,246	800	180,871	127,166
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		311,318	187,968	800	500,086	491,273
Creditors falling due after one year	7	(10,000)			(10,000)	(14,000)
TOTAL NET ASSETS		301,318	187,968	800	490,086	477,273
FUNDS	8					
Endowment Funds				800	800	800
Restricted Income Funds			187,968		187,968	177,303
Unrestricted Funds		301,318			301,318	299,170
TOTAL FUNDS		301,318	187,968	800	490,086	477,273

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 15th October 2025.

and signed on its behalf by NAME: CHRISTOPHER CHAULK

Signed: 

BARRY MINISTRY AREA

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2.	STAFF COSTS		2024	2023
			£	£
	Wages and Salaries		4,575	4,572
	Number of Employees		1	1
3.	FIXED ASSETS			
	Tangible Fixed Assets	Freehold Property		
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£
	Cost			
	At 1 January 2024	66,220	25,350	91,570
	Additions	--	--	--
	Disposals	--	--	--
	At 31 December 2024	66,220	25,350	91,570
	Depreciation			
	At 1 January 2024	10,592	4,056	14,648
	Charge for the Year	1,324	507	1,831
	Elimination on disposal	--	--	--
	At 31 December 2024	11,916	4,563	16,479
	Net Book Values			
	At 31 December 2024	54,304	20,787	75,091
	At 31 December 2023	55,628	21,294	76,922
	The Freehold Land Buildings comprise:-			
	4 Alwen Drive at cost	66,220		
	18 Woodlands Court at cost	25,350		
4.	INVESTMENTS			
	Number of Shares	At	At	
		01/01/24	31/12/24	
	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)	17,141	18,560	
	RB Common Investment Fund (part proceeds sale Merthyr Dyfan Rect)	68,096	41,481	
		Listed	Listed	
		Investments	Investments	
		at Value	at Value	
		At 01/01/24	at 31/12/24	
	Value	£	£	
	Santander	393	384	
	RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Capital Sh)	97,319	102,650	
	RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Inc Accum)	37,924	43,313	
	Benjamin Thomas Bequest Surplus Funds not reinvested	887	972	
	RB Common Investment Fund (part proceeds sale Merthyr Dyfan Rect)	150,662	96,805	
		287,185	244,124	

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5. CURRENT ASSETS			2024	2023
			£	£
Debtors and Prepayments				
Tax Recoverable			20,053	18,000
Parish Share Rebates			1,493	3,361
Baldwin Legacy			34,916	0
Other Debtors and Prepayments			412	804
			<u>56,874</u>	<u>22,165</u>
6. CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			2024	2023
			£	£
Parish Loan due within one year			4,000	4,000
Utilities			4,365	3,503
Mission Home & World			269	269
Other Creditors & Income received in advance			6,281	4,180
Provisions for Liabilities			600	3,383
			<u>15,515</u>	<u>15,335</u>
7. CREDITORS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR			2024	2023
			£	£
Parish Loan due after one year			<u>10,000</u>	<u>14,000</u>
8. FUNDS				
a RESTRICTED FUNDS				
	Fund Balances Brought Forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers
	£	£	£	£
Fund Names				
Mrs Gwendoline Amy Davies Fund	1,382			1,382
St Mary's Restoration Fund	7,360	720		8,080
St Cadoc's Restoration Fund	2,807	312		3,119
Benjamin Thomas Bequest	136,130	10,805		146,935
18 Woodland Court, Barry	21,294		507	20,787
All Saints' Organ Appeal	6,547			6,547
St Mary's Community Garden Fund	308		205	103
All Saints' Church Hall Fund	1,475		460	1,015
	<u>177,303</u>	<u>11,837</u>	<u>1,172</u>	<u>0</u>
				<u>187,968</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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b	DESIGNATED FUNDS	2024	2023
		£	£
	Curate's House (invest) a/c	415	415
	4 Alwen Drive (fixed asset) a/c	66,220	66,220
	All Saints Future Development Fund	0	24,043
	CIF Merthyr Dyfan Rectory	96,805	128,462
		<u>163,440</u>	<u>219,140</u>

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Parish clergy are ex officio PCC members, an insignificant amount of expenses of £5,884 paid to them as clergy may relate to their duties as PCC members.

10.	General	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
INVESTMENT INCOME				
Property Rentals	18,150		18,150	16,800
Interest and Dividends	723	145	868	713
Income from Shares	2,576		2,576	3,535
	<u>21,449</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>21,594</u>	<u>21,048</u>
OTHER INCOME				
Parish Share Rebate	5,974		5,974	16,446
Sale of Shares	60,000		60,000	0
Received from Sale of St Paul's Fund	17,186		17,186	0
Other	0		0	19
	<u>83,160</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>83,160</u>	<u>16,465</u>
MAINTENANCE OF SERVICES				
Costs of Vergers, Organists and Choir	5,205		5,205	5,818
Music and Performance Expenses	3,388		3,388	2,089
Altar Requisites	2,365		2,365	1,096
Other	98		98	262
	<u>11,056</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11,056</u>	<u>9,265</u>
GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES				
Printing and Stationery	2,651		2,651	3,262
Lease Charges	2,551		2,551	2,551
Parish Administrator	4,575		4,575	4,572
Professional Fees	3,880		3,880	3,570
Computer and Telephone Expenses	631		631	435
Bank Charges	311		311	334
Gifts	250		250	924
Other Expenses	896	60	956	1,081
	<u>15,746</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>15,806</u>	<u>16,729</u>

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MAINTENANCE OF CHURCHES

Insurance	6,555		6,555	6,648
Light and Heat	23,803		23,803	26,407
Water	316		316	345
Repairs and Maintenance	3,765		3,765	7,742
Interest on Parish Loan	513		513	634
	<u>34,952</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34,952</u>	<u>41,776</u>

MAINTENANCE OF OTHER PROPERTY

All Saints Church Hall	2,546	400	2,946	4,686
Woodlands Court Flat	320		320	2,637
Alwen Drive	2,753		2,753	3,718
Churchyard Maintenance	2,574		2,574	1,699
St Mary's Garden	0	205	205	8,133
	<u>8,193</u>	<u>605</u>	<u>8,798</u>	<u>20,873</u>

EXCEPTIONAL EXPENDITURE

St Cadoc's Toilet – Final Payment			0	3,212
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,212</u>

11. LEASES.

As at 31 December 2024 the church was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable leases

	2024 £	2023 £
Operating Leases due:		
Within 1 year	2,491	2,491
Between 1 and 5 years	2,491	4,982
Over 5 years	-	-
Totals	<u>4,982</u>	<u>7,473</u>

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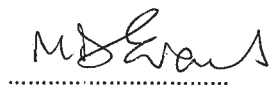
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I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 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: 20/10/2025

Independent Examiner:

Name: Caroline Candy FCCA
Naunton Jones Le Masurier
Chartered Certified Accountants
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BARRY MINISTRY AREA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Note	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME							
Donations and Legacies	Planned Giving		54,033			54,033	54,082
	Loose Collections		7,865			7,865	9,217
	Donations		13,308	887		14,195	14,046
	For Mission		684			684	1,502
	Tax Refunds		8,861			8,861	8,147
	Legacies		38,916			38,916	0
Charitable Activities	Fees		8,631			8,631	8,994
Other Trading Activities	Money Raising		24,939			24,939	16,296
Investments	Investment Income	10	21,449	145		21,594	21,048
Other	Other Income	10	83,160			83,160	13,465
	Total Income		261,846	1,032	0	262,878	146,797
EXPENDITURE							
Support for Ministry	Parish Share		119,477			119,477	134,458
	Parochial Expenses of Clerics	9	5,884			5,884	8,497
Parish Activities	Maintenance of Services	10	11,056			11,056	9,265
	General Parish Expenses	10	15,746	60		15,806	16,729
Church Property	Maintenance of Churches	10	34,952			34,952	41,776
	Maintenance of Other Property	10	8,193	605		8,798	20,873
	Exceptional Expenditure	10				0	3,212
	Depreciation		1,324	507		1,831	1,831
Mission and Grants	Parish		1,090			1,090	0
	Home/World		442			442	1,739
Other Resources	Capital Payments					0	0
Expended							
Raising Funds	Cost of Money Raising		7,667			7,667	2,238
	Total Expenditure		205,831	1,172	0	207,003	240,618
Net Income/(Expenditure) before transfers			56,015	(140)	0	55,875	(93,821)
Transfer between Funds							
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Investment Gains/(Losses)			56,015	(140)	0	55,875	(93,821)
Gains/(Losses) on Revaluation/Disposal of Investment Assets			(53,867)	10,805		(43,062)	18,297
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Funds			2,148	10,665	0	12,813	(75,524)
Funds Balances Brought Forward at 1 January 2024			299,170	177,303	800	477,273	552,797
Fund Balances Carried Forward at 31 December 2024			301,318	187,968	800	490,086	477,273

BARRY MINISTRY AREA

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible Assets	3	54,304	20,787		75,091	76,922
Investments	4	97,189	146,935		244,124	287,185
		151,493	167,722	0	319,215	364,107
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors and Prepayments	5	56,874			56,874	22,165
Cash and Bank Balances		118,466	20,246	800	139,512	120,336
		175,340	20,246	800	196,386	142,501
Creditors falling due within one year	6	(15,515)			(15,515)	(15,335)
Net Current Assets		159,825	20,246	800	180,871	127,166
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		311,318	187,968	800	500,086	491,273
Creditors falling due after one year	7	(10,000)			(10,000)	(14,000)
TOTAL NET ASSETS		301,318	187,968	800	490,086	477,273
FUNDS	8					
Endowment Funds				800	800	800
Restricted Income Funds			187,968		187,968	177,303
Unrestricted Funds		301,318			301,318	299,170
TOTAL FUNDS		301,318	187,968	800	490,086	477,273

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 15th October 2025.

and signed on its behalf by NAME: CHRISTOPHER CHAULK

Signed: 

BARRY MINISTRY AREA

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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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2.	STAFF COSTS		2024	2023
			£	£
	Wages and Salaries		4,575	4,572
	Number of Employees		1	1
3.	FIXED ASSETS			
	Tangible Fixed Assets	Freehold Property		
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£
	Cost			
	At 1 January 2024	66,220	25,350	91,570
	Additions	--	--	--
	Disposals	--	--	--
	At 31 December 2024	66,220	25,350	91,570
	Depreciation			
	At 1 January 2024	10,592	4,056	14,648
	Charge for the Year	1,324	507	1,831
	Elimination on disposal	--	--	--
	At 31 December 2024	11,916	4,563	16,479
	Net Book Values			
	At 31 December 2024	54,304	20,787	75,091
	At 31 December 2023	55,628	21,294	76,922
	The Freehold Land Buildings comprise:-			
	4 Alwen Drive at cost	66,220		
	18 Woodlands Court at cost	25,350		
4.	INVESTMENTS			
	Number of Shares	At	At	
		01/01/24	31/12/24	
	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)	17,141	18,560	
	RB Common Investment Fund (part proceeds sale Merthyr Dyfan Rect)	68,096	41,481	
		Listed	Listed	
		Investments	Investments	
		at Value	at Value	
		At 01/01/24	at 31/12/24	
	Value	£	£	
	Santander	393	384	
	RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Capital Sh)	97,319	102,650	
	RB Common Investment Fund (Benjamin Thomas Bequest Inc Accum)	37,924	43,313	
	Benjamin Thomas Bequest Surplus Funds not reinvested	887	972	
	RB Common Investment Fund (part proceeds sale Merthyr Dyfan Rect)	150,662	96,805	
		287,185	244,124	

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5.	CURRENT ASSETS			2024	2023	
				£	£	
	Debtors and Prepayments					
	Tax Recoverable			20,053	18,000	
	Parish Share Rebates			1,493	3,361	
	Baldwin Legacy			34,916	0	
	Other Debtors and Prepayments			412	804	
				56,874	22,165	
6.	CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			2024	2023	
				£	£	
	Parish Loan due within one year			4,000	4,000	
	Utilities			4,365	3,503	
	Mission Home & World			269	269	
	Other Creditors & Income received in advance			6,281	4,180	
	Provisions for Liabilities			600	3,383	
				15,515	15,335	
7.	CREDITORS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR			2024	2023	
				£	£	
	Parish Loan due after one year			10,000	14,000	
8.	FUNDS					
a	RESTRICTED FUNDS	Fund Balances Brought Forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Fund Balances Carried Forward
		£	£	£	£	£
	Fund Names					
	Mrs Gwendoline Amy Davies Fund	1,382				1,382
	St Mary's Restoration Fund	7,360	720			8,080
	St Cadoc's Restoration Fund	2,807	312			3,119
	Benjamin Thomas Bequest	136,130	10,805			146,935
	18 Woodland Court, Barry	21,294		507		20,787
	All Saints' Organ Appeal	6,547				6,547
	St Mary's Community Garden Fund	308		205		103
	All Saints' Church Hall Fund	1,475		460		1,015
		177,303	11,837	1,172	0	187,968

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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b	DESIGNATED FUNDS	2024	2023
		£	£
	Curate's House (invest) a/c	415	415
	4 Alwen Drive (fixed asset) a/c	66,220	66,220
	All Saints Future Development Fund	0	24,043
	CIF Merthyr Dyfan Rectory	96,805	128,462
		<u>163,440</u>	<u>219,140</u>

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Parish clergy are ex officio PCC members, an insignificant amount of expenses of £5,884 paid to them as clergy may relate to their duties as PCC members.

10.	General	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
INVESTMENT INCOME				
Property Rentals	18,150		18,150	16,800
Interest and Dividends	723	145	868	713
Income from Shares	2,576		2,576	3,535
	<u>21,449</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>21,594</u>	<u>21,048</u>
OTHER INCOME				
Parish Share Rebate	5,974		5,974	16,446
Sale of Shares	60,000		60,000	0
Received from Sale of St Paul's Fund	17,186		17,186	0
Other	0		0	19
	<u>83,160</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>83,160</u>	<u>16,465</u>
MAINTENANCE OF SERVICES				
Costs of Vergers, Organists and Choir	5,205		5,205	5,818
Music and Performance Expenses	3,388		3,388	2,089
Altar Requisites	2,365		2,365	1,096
Other	98		98	262
	<u>11,056</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11,056</u>	<u>9,265</u>
GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES				
Printing and Stationery	2,651		2,651	3,262
Lease Charges	2,551		2,551	2,551
Parish Administrator	4,575		4,575	4,572
Professional Fees	3,880		3,880	3,570
Computer and Telephone Expenses	631		631	435
Bank Charges	311		311	334
Gifts	250		250	924
Other Expenses	896	60	956	1,081
	<u>15,746</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>15,806</u>	<u>16,729</u>

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MAINTENANCE OF CHURCHES

Insurance	6,555		6,555	6,648
Light and Heat	23,803		23,803	26,407
Water	316		316	345
Repairs and Maintenance	3,765		3,765	7,742
Interest on Parish Loan	513		513	634
	34,952	0	34,952	41,776

MAINTENANCE OF OTHER PROPERTY

All Saints Church Hall	2,546	400	2,946	4,686
Woodlands Court Flat	320		320	2,637
Alwen Drive	2,753		2,753	3,718
Churchyard Maintenance	2,574		2,574	1,699
St Mary's Garden	0	205	205	8,133
	8,193	605	8,798	20,873

EXCEPTIONAL EXPENDITURE

St Cadoc's Toilet – Final Payment			0	3,212
	0	0	0	3,212

11. LEASES.

As at 31 December 2024 the church was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable leases

	2024 £	2023 £
Operating Leases due:		
Within 1 year	2,491	2,491
Between 1 and 5 years	2,491	4,982
Over 5 years	-	-
Totals	4,982	7,473