

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF JARROW AND SIMONSDIE

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Details

Other names	THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF JARROW, PCC of Jarrow and Simonside, THE PCC OF JARROW
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2010-08-06
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: Public worship open to all
Provision of sacred space for personal prayer
Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved
Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses, small groups and religious assemblies in schools
Provision of a youth group and activities for senior citizens, parents and toddlers and other special need groups
Supporting charities in the UK and overseas

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- South Tyneside

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£120,492	£133,179	-	-
2023-12-31	£181,013	£286,912	-	-
2022-12-31	£203,638	£280,799	-	-
2021-12-31	£111,079	£115,873	-	-
2020-12-31	£446,783	£143,755	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Lesley Marie Jones	Chair	2020-11-06
Barbara Bradley		2024-04-22
CAROL COWEN		2010-04-27
Christine Margaret Robertson		2021-05-19
DOROTHY MADDISON LAMB		2025-04-28
Diane Jamieson		
Evelyn Margaret Rutherford		2019-04-29
Frederick Henry Hemmer		2014-04-26
Gordon Scott		2019-04-29
Irene McConnachie		2019-01-01
JACKI DUNN		
Kathleen Taylor		2019-04-20
Peter Henry Cue		2025-04-28
Rev Andrew McAllister		2024-08-01
Roy Charles Jackson		2019-01-01
Simon Robinson		2017-04-27
Susan Short		2024-04-22
WILLIAM JAMES GUY		2014-04-26
freda Elizabeth Carney		2021-05-19

Accounts

2024 - The Rector's Report



*Thank you for the opportunity to share a few thoughts with you this evening. As in previous years, I have continued to reflect on parish life in term of our reaching **up**, reaching **in** and reaching **out**.*

Worship and Prayer and our Spiritual Life (UP)

Our worship life together is at the heart of all we do therefore I am thankful for everyone who is part of our worship team, lay and ordained, and how we have managed to maintain the rhythm of services and adapt while our associate priest Revd Stuart Hill was on long term sick leave due to ill health, which led to his retirement in November 2024. Stuart and his wife Karen remain in our prayers as they adjust to the next chapter in their lives.

During this time assistant curate Revd Jason Wratten has been a constant support and as we will hear later in this report, helped lay the foundations for much of our work with children, families and schools and we wish him well as he prepares to take on his new role at St. Alban's Cathedral as Minor Canon- Youth Chaplain.

At Petertide 2024 we also welcomed a second assistant curate in training to the parish with the arrival of Revd Andrew McAllister and his wife Lucy.

Hospital Chaplain Revd Craig Bently has continued to support and lead services as and when he is available - despite his heavy workload - and Canon Sheila Bamber has continued to give us a lot of her time in terms of Holiday Cover and sharing her many specialist skills.

Jacki Dunn has remained a constant support with funerals and corporate worship and Simon Robinson continues to offer his gift of preaching. Canon Margie at the Cathedral was hoping to visit us on a regular basis but that has not been possible due to her own health journey.

I would like to thank everyone who helps prepare our church buildings for services, prepare rotas, read lessons, write intercessions, and take an active role in services and especially Our Director of Music Fred Hemmer, organists Ethan Fuller and Ryan White (who stepped back from duties in 2024 when he took over the day-to-day management of a community pharmacy.) Thank you also to our occasional organists Freda Carney and Gordon Scott.

In July 2024 we said '*au revoir*' to our MEV Roman Demptos, and '*hello again*' to Laura Barber as she was able to stay with us for a second year from the September.

We have a number of memorable moments as part of our time spent in worship together not least two large services at Durham Cathedral in 2024. April 26th for the Wedding of Revd Jason and Revd Kayla and July 1st for Revd Andrew's Ordination as Deacon.

We continued to Livestream services in 2024, including morning prayer, and regular midweek and Sunday Services. Through Lent 2024 we offered 4 different spaces: Stations of the Cross; St. Peter's Prayer Group met weekly with 'Watch and Pray', St. Peter's hosted an ecumenical course with the movie '*Chocolat*' and at St. John's we had our first Alpha Group which under the leadership of Revd Jason, continued to meet well into the Summer and supported two candidates preparing for Baptism and Confirmation with Bishop Sarah that July.

There were also highlights in Holy Week and Easter including Stations of the Cross on the Scotch Estate on Good Friday organized by Barbara Bradley before attending the Last Hour at the Cross with its powerful liturgy, music, and silence led by Fred, Freda and Simon.

At Bedetide, Bishop Sarah led a Civic Service at St. Paul's to commemorate Bede at 1350 with local school children, community partners and the Mayor and Mayoress of South Tyneside. The Mayor returned for her Civic service in the August and South Tyneside Council continue to work alongside the parish at different points in the year.

By December 2024 our special Advent and Christmas Services in our churches were attended by around 2,600 people over and above our usual services (and 200 more visitors than the previous year), and that is not including our services held at local schools.

My personal highlights from Advent include Carols by Candlelight with school children, a Dementia Friendly Carol Service with South Tyneside Churches Together, Carols in the Car Park, Midnight Mass at St. Paul's and a stunning Christingle service at St. John's which saw one of our younger members of the Family Café – Charlotte – lead the Christingle alongside Revd Andrew – this was a really powerful message for the many children and families who attended and is a positive sign that children and young people are very much part of our church family too.

And while all of these things happened in a specific place, the Prayer Circle, supported by Lynn Armstrong, continued Mondays at 2 from wherever we were. Thank you Lynn for keeping this going. And I'm glad to say that all are welcome to attend our regular services.

Sadly, as in previous years, an increasing number of people on the electoral roll were unable to attend in person and received home communion, visits and phone calls throughout the year – we are grateful for everyone who shares in this ministry, and especially to Jacki Dunn for her dedication to our local residential care homes as well as her ministry as a Hospital Chaplain at South Tyneside which means she can often be the first able to respond with pastoral care.

There is also an ever-changing number of people who attend services occasionally or join in on line.

In terms of our opportunity to worship with children and young people, aside from seasonal visits to our churches for Easter, Christmas, Carols by Candlelight and curriculum visits, 2024 saw our team boosted with the arrival of Revd Andrew alongside Revd Jason as key contacts for schools and supporters to our Open the Book Team. Because we have prioritised time spent with schools, and worked consistently as a team since 2021, by the end of 2024 we saw our work in schools going deeper, the frequency of assemblies and visits increasing and more services taking place in church than in previous years.

Our dedicated 'Open the Book' team continue faithfully in Simonside School every month, and our volunteers really enjoy sharing the Bible stories with the children. They are always looking for new members and as I write, a new second school – Lord Blyton – are getting ready for their own Open the book Assemblies. So, thank you to Carol Cowan, Jacki Dunn and our Open

the Book Team. And thank you to everyone for keeping this area of our ministry in your prayers since I arrived in 2020.

In 2024 Messy Church became Family Café at St. John's on the first Sunday of the Month – attendance is steady but much lower than the number of families attending Messy Church for a number of reasons including families moving away. It is in one place every month now which is a positive and we have two families that usually attend every month, so a good start but we hope to see it develop this year.

To offer a wide variety of services across the four churches especially during the seasons of Advent/Christmas, Lent/Easter takes a tremendous effort and so thank you to everyone involved. As we meet at this APCM, April 2025, I am pleased to let you know that in consultation with Durham Diocese and having hosted a Wings for Worship course over Lent, LPM Jacki and MEV Laura were joined by 7 lay people from across all 4 churches who, having taken part in the training, and in consultation with our church wardens and PCC members, all 7 are ready to support and lead in our services. This Summer, we are planning to introduce a service of the word for 3 Sundays in the month that we see developing into being 100% Lay Led.

This is an exciting area of growth and one I hope we can all support, and get behind our new Lay Worship Leaders in the same way we have with people training with us on placement and Roman and Laura during their time as MEV's.

So, thank you to our new Lay Worship Leaders for recognising a call to this area of ministry – in leading and supporting our services: Lynn Armstrong, Laura Barber, Tony Bowdell, Barbara Bradley, Jacki Dunn, Judith Jackson, Lucy McAllister, Carol McKenzie and to Simon Robinson.

Our occasional offices of Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals were slightly lower than in 2023 than the previous year, 62 rather than 74. In 2024 while Jacki led many funerals for us at the beginning of the year, and continues to do so, we currently have 4 ministers taking funerals as a team. Our occasional offices were supported by wardens, vergers and volunteers: 29 baptisms. 4 weddings and 29 funerals.

Nurture and Pastoral Care (IN)

With 118 people on the electoral roll in 2024 and a widespread congregation across four churches it was important we have ways we could stay in touch. The weekly pew sheet, available in all churches, was also distributed as a PDF to around 200 email addresses each

week. At the heart of our communications and keeping everything moving is our Parish Administrator Leanne Reilly. We continue to give thanks for Leanne and her sense of calm as she supports wardens, officers, group organisers, hall rentals and ministers as well as continuing to keep our bookings for occasional offices running smoothly.

Throughout 2024, LPM Jacki Dunn continued to take a strong lead on pastoral care, visiting, home communion and hospital visiting supported by clergy and volunteers as she also continued in a voluntary capacity as a Lay Chaplain at South Tyneside Hospital and The Seaman's Mission and quietly supporting a number of local charities, and encouraging local business owners to be generous in their giving. At the time of writing in April 2025 it was wonderful to see the many decades of voluntary service that Jacki has freely given in the parish and in South Tyneside recognised as she received the Royal Maundy Money at Durham Cathedral from King Charles III on Maundy Thursday this year.

In terms of our social groups there have been one or two changes: Our Knit Group continued to meet in St. Peter's, but sadly the group came to an end by Christmas. Our thanks go to everyone who provided thousands of items over the years for good causes and the wider community from knitted angels to hats for merchant sailors, tiny hats for premature babies and blankets for older people. Thank you to everyone who has given their time volunteering with the Knit Group over the years.

The Men's Breakfast, at St. John's, continued to meet on the first Saturday of the month – a good space I am told - and something which is supported and people are keen to continue. At the time of writing – April 2025 – the 'Men's Breakfast' has evolved into the 'Men's Group' and plans are underway to meet for fish and chips at Shields ferry terminal. It's great that we have a men-only space like this so thank you to all concerned.

2024 was another bumper year for social events – great spaces where we could get together and raise funds for the parish at the same time including: line dancing, chocolate hampers, community coffee mornings, Summer Fayre, concerts with Frets on the Tyne, Compass Acapella, Jarrow Choral Society and Musica Johannis, clubbaccise, and many opportunities for home-made baking taking us up to the Christmas produce stall at the end of the year.

So, thank you to everyone who stepped in to create these wonderful social spaces – they are a great way for us to get together as well as welcome in our neighbours. It takes a great deal of effort so thank you to all who offered their time, talents and efforts making the arrangements,

selling tickets, baking cakes, making the produce, finding the raffle prizes, co-ordinating everyone else or making an effort to join in on the day and so on. Thank you for all you do.

Mission, Evangelism and Outreach (OUT)

By December 2024 a decision was taken by volunteers to rest the Coffee Stop after several years of welcoming people with young children and after serving countless bacon sandwiches and hot coffees. Thank you to everyone who has given their time volunteering with the Coffee Stop over the years.

In 2024 we were fortunate in that we were offered funding via South Tyneside Council to provide a number of craft sessions for well-being for members of the community through the Welcoming Places network of which our Place of Welcome drop-ins at St. Peter's, St. Simon's and St. John's were a part. Sessions were delivered by artists working with Cultural Spring and great conversations have taken place and friendships formed.

When it came to the school holidays, following a change in what we offered in 2023, we continued to provide free fun activities and food for families through the Places of Welcome - open for 2 hours at a time – rather than apply for the Governments HAF funding which require a minimum of 4-hour sessions, with all funding targeted at school age children only, and those meeting specific criteria.

By working through our Places of Welcome we continued to offer activities open to all the family including baby brothers and sisters, parents, grandparents and carers. Our Family Cooking with Let's Get Cooking remains one of our most popular activities and we are grateful for everyone who gets involved in this.

Once again, the volunteer team at St. Paul's, co-ordinated by Freda, welcomed in thousands of visitors across the year including school visits, pilgrims from near and far, local people looking for a quiet spot, visitors keen to explore the history and architecture, or looking for somewhere to pray. To open 7 days of the week for 10 months of the year is a huge commitment and speaks volumes of the care and dedication of all involved at St. Paul's, and all who volunteer from churches across Jarrow.

In 2024 the CMA Connect Project set up in partnership with Durham Diocese, Communities Together Durham and South Tyneside Churches Together supported by Lord Crewe's Charity managed day to day by Nikita Campbell and Sam Harrison completed its first year as standalone charity Money Advice South Tyneside. At the time of writing (April 2025) Nikita, Sam and volunteers have supported local households to manage and reduce a combined debt

of over £900,000 to date. Thank you to members of the PCC for your vision in supporting this project.

In Advent, we held our Third Christmas Tree Festival at St. Peter's and the small team worked alongside Revd Andrew, ably supported by the rest of the team and extra volunteers on the day. Dunn Street Choir entertained us on the night of the launch and Revd Andrew offered a 'pick your favourite Christmas Carol' session which was very popular indeed. We combined a Saturday Viewing with a Christmas Community Coffee Morning in St. Peter's Hall that weekend too.

With so many things going on in the parish, our website, social media and our pages on a Church Near You help us to spread the word in terms of community events as well as continually offer an invitation to come along to church services, Bible study groups and preparation for Baptism and Confirmation. During one assessment of how many people we may be reaching with the website, Facebook A Church Near You every month we found that combined 'hits' or visits were over 80,000 across 28 days.

Reaching out and helping people in need of support is a practical demonstration of our faith. The parish supported collections in kind for amongst others the local food banks, support the Children's Society through the distribution of home collection boxes and managed to maintain our mission giving at the end of the year.

Final thoughts...

As we arrive at this point in 2025, we began the year with a clear sense of call to be intentional about evangelism and sharing our faith.

It's good to see a few new faces in all of our churches, we have seen people grow through Alpha, while others are dropping in for a service more frequently, or feeling a stronger commitment.

Over Lent 2025 we built on the previous year and introduced 'The Prayer Course' led by Revd Andrew for Christians new to the faith or seeking to re-ignite their faith. We also introduced a Fresh Expression in three of our churches – 'SoulSpace' – created to help people seeking to connect with God but not necessarily attending a church service. It turned out to be a good space for the end of a busy Place of Welcome session too!

As a ministry team we continue to reflect as we prepare candidates for Baptism and Confirmation – and as we tend to the green shoots of growth that are popping up in different places.

My prayer is that having survived the after-effects of 2020/2021, we may just be beginning to thrive, and through sharing our gifts and talents, opening up our church buildings and services, offering a genuine hospitality, and opening our doors, we will grow as individuals, grow as a church and grow in our care to people across the wider community.

And the thing I have not mentioned is connected with the doors - in the opening of doors and hospitality – and that is our four church buildings. All of the above is taking place in our four sacred spaces, our four centres for mission, our four places of sanctuary and prayer.

Can I take this opportunity to thank our Church Wardens, Rita, Carol, Irene and Fred, Treasurer Diane, and PCC Members, who all gave so much of their time in 2024 to ensure our buildings were safe, accessible, beautiful, decorated, friendly and yet pointing towards the glory of God.

Much work has been carried out in recent years at St. Simon's and St. Peter's. We now move into a phase of conservation, re-ordering and net zero solutions for heating – especially at St. Paul's and St. John's. There is a group that meets about 6 times a year – the Buildings and Finance group – a sub-committee of the PCC really – this group is to be commended for their scrutiny and debate – their paying attention to the small print and the faculty applications, the estimates, works, delivery and funding as they go through the detail on behalf of the PCC - Can I just thank the core members of this group – and those supporting it as advisors – through 2024:

Rita Blakey, Barbara Bradley, Freda Carney, Carol Cowan, Fred Hemmer, Roy Jackson, Diane Jamieson, David Jamieson, Irene McConachie, Evelyn Rutherford, Gordon Scott, Revd Jason, Revd Andrew, and our architects Ian Ness and Michael Atkinson

And finally, last but by no means least, we must thank our parish wardens Rita Blakey, Carol Cowan, Fred Hemmer, Irene McConachie and deputy wardens Evelyn Rutherford and Roy Jackson, our Treasurer Diane Jamieson and PCC members, officers and advisors for managing funds, checking planning applications, organizing repairs, ensuring churches are open when they need to be, setting up the heating and thousands of other things through the year with such deep faith, a sense of humour, and good grace.

So, thank you to everyone who made so many things possible in 2024, all who hold our common parish life in prayer, and all who are so generous with their time, talents and resources.

May we continue to see God in all places and all faces in the months ahead, as we do our best to follow His call, together.

And just before I finish.... Can I say a huge thank you to Rita and her husband Ray as Rita steps back as St. Peter's Church Warden and Church Treasurer.

Revd Lesley Jones, Rector of Jarrow and Simonside, April 2025

PARISH OF JARROW

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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PARISH OF JARROW
CHURCH INFORMATION

Charity Commission Registration Number	1137304
Rector	Reverend L. Jones St Peter's House York Avenue Jarrow
Bank	Barclays Bank plc King Street South Shields
Independent Examiner	Mrs L Armstrong 68 Leander Drive Henley Grange Boldon Colliery NE35 9LS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

To the PCC of the Parish of Jarrow

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 3 to 7, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met.

Signed

Mrs L Armstrong
68 Leander Drive
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Independent Examiner

3 February 2025

Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2024
Receipts and Payments Accounts

Receipts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2,024	Total Funds 2023
Voluntary receipts						
Planned Giving						
Gift aid donations		2,729	-	-	2,729	2,844
Gift aid small donations		2,344	-	1,000	3,344	1,799
Parish giving		20,338	-	-	20,338	20,668
Income tax recovery		8,012	-	-	8,012	15,547
Open Plate collections		5,728	-	-	5,728	5,302
Other voluntary receipts						
Donations and appeals		4,352	-	890	5,242	5,636
Sundry donations		2,132	-	747	2,879	29,003
St Pauls donation box		2,411	-	-	2,411	2,305
Contactless donations		3,194	-	-	3,194	1,462
Legacies		-	-	3,589	3,589	-
		51,240	-	6,225	57,465	84,566
Activities for generating funds						
Fetes bazaars, other fund raising events		10,678	-	-	10,678	2,293
Church hall lettings etc		14,482	-	-	14,482	18,067
Trading income-lecturers		-	-	1,478	1,478	-
Royalties		-	-	-	-	-
		25,160	-	1,478	26,638	20,360
Investment income						
Dividends		-	-	-	-	-
Interest		1,647	-	14,675	16,322	10,624
		1,647	-	14,675	16,322	10,624
Church activities						
Fees		2,196	-	-	2,196	3,068
Refunds		270	-	-	270	-
School visits		-	-	-	-	1,163
Grants		-	-	17,399	17,399	41,748
Insurance claims		135	-	-	135	9,364
Amazon smile		-	-	-	-	65
Sundry receipts		68	-	-	68	10,055
		2,669	-	17,399	20,068	65,463
Total receipts		80,715	-	39,777	120,492	181,013

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Payments

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2,024	Total Funds 2023
Church Activities						
Mission giving and donations						
Missionary & charitable giving		-	-	-	-	-
Church overseas		-	-	500	500	500
Relief and development		-	-	-	-	-
Home missions & church societies		705	-	-	705	625
	6	705	-	500	1,205	1,125
Activities : related to church work						
Ministry : Parish share		13,750	-	-	13,750	37,350
Curate expenses		1,177	-	17	1,194	872
Assistant staff expenses		1,334	-	-	1,334	923
Visiting clergy		57	-	-	57	76
Clergy's house		1,875	-	-	1,875	1,178
Church running expenses	5	15,037	-	13,598	28,635	21,899
Church maintenance		9,048	-	10,883	19,931	41,429
Upkeep of church yard		-	-	-	-	29
Hall running expenses	5	3,321	-	-	3,321	3,291
Major repairs and decoration		-	-	27,732	27,732	135,089
Upkeep of church services		3,977	-	128	4,105	4,526
Parish magazine and books		-	-	-	-	-
Salaries		13,286	-	-	13,286	12,748
Sundry expenses		313	-	-	313	115
Parish training and mission		463	-	643	1,106	1,556
Education young people		16	-	318	334	479
Summer holiday club		-	-	-	-	3,274
Warm spaces		186	-	608	793	1,018
Gifts and bursary		-	-	50	50	305
Hospitality		-	-	423	423	-
Equipment purchased		510	-	1,608	2,117	1,068
		64,348	-	56,007	120,356	267,224
Cost of generating funds						
Trading expenditure-lecturers		-	-	1,217	1,217	223
Costs of fetes, bazaars etc		1,555	-	-	1,555	1,246
		1,555	-	1,217	2,772	1,469
Church Management & administration						
Advertising printing and stationery		2,235	-	160	2,395	2,447
Telephone		1,902	-	-	1,902	1,565
Website		331	-	-	331	331
Subscriptions		1,462	-	-	1,462	1,168
Bank charges		777	-	-	777	546
Professional fees		600	-	1,380	1,980	11,038
		7,307	-	1,540	8,847	17,094
Total payments		73,915	-	59,264	133,179	286,912

Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2,024	Total Funds 2023
Fixed Assets						
Freehold land & buildings	2	230,959	-	-	230,959	230,959
Church Contents	2	509,996	-	-	509,996	509,996
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in Hand						
Bank Accounts		4,967	1	30,165	35,134	68,409
Cash in Hand		282	-	-	282	533
Investments		37,725		269,489	307,214	291,729
Debtors						
Agency collections		-	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities						
Accruals and deferred income		-319	-	-	319	-5,675
Total Net Assets		783,610	1	299,654	1,083,265	1,095,951

Represented by

Fund movements		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2,024	Total Funds 2023
Assets and Liabilities b/fwd		776,809	1	319,141	1,095,951	1,201,850
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) of resources for year		6,800	-	-19,487	12,687	-105,899
Total surplus from resources	4	783,609	1	299,654	1,083,264	1,095,951

Approved by the Parish of Jarrow, and signed on its behalf by Reverend L. Jones

Rev'd L. Jones

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the receipts and payments basis.

2 Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

Tangible Assets	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Church Contents £	Total 2023 £
Gross book value			
at 1 January 2024	230,959	509,996	740,955
Additions	-	-	-
at 31 December 2024	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
Net book value			
at 31 December 2024	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
at 31 December 2023	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>

The Freehold Land and Buildings comprise of St Paul's Cottage. The gross book value of the Freehold is based on the insurance value at 2013 and 2018.

3 Fixed assets under £5,000 are written off in the year of purchase.

4 Movements in designated and restricted funds were:-

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
Excess/-Deficit of receipts over payments	6,800	-	19,487	12,687	105,899
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Assets and liabilities brought forward	776,809	1	319,141	1,095,951	1,201,850
Assets and liabilities at 31 December 2024	<u>783,609</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>299,654</u>	<u>1,083,264</u>	<u>1,095,951</u>

5 Analysis of Church running expenses

	St Peter's	St Paul's	St John's	St Simon's	Hall	Total 2024
Insurance	2,165	5,998	1,366	2,587	-	12,116
Electricity	1,983	1,036	779	541	321	4,659
Gas	2,894	-	2,437	2,401	3,000	10,731
Water rates	236	-	780	547	-	1,563
Oil	-	3,132	-	-	-	3,132
	<u>7,277</u>	<u>10,166</u>	<u>5,360</u>	<u>6,076</u>	<u>3,321</u>	<u>32,202</u>

6 Analysis on charitable donations given during the year

	£ 2024	£ 2023
Smile train	125	125
St Oswald Hospice	125	125
Mission to seafarers	125	125
Leprosy mission	125	125
Christian Aid	500	500
Al Shurooq School	125	125
Childrens society	80	-
	<u>1,205</u>	<u>1,125</u>

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3 February 2025

Accounts

At first, I thought this year's Rector's report could be written on a postage stamp:

'We have survived' (even I could get that on to a postage stamp) – but I then opted for a post card:

'We have survived the disruption of recent years, fewer people able to volunteer and a struggle for financial resources...'

But again that is not the full picture, so despite my promise to the PCC Secretary to 'keep it short' there is still so much to think about and celebrate as we look back over our shoulder with thanksgiving and look forward in hope. As in previous years, I have continued to reflect on parish life in terms of our reaching up, reaching in and reaching out.

Worship and Prayer and our Spiritual Life (UP)

First of all I am thankful for everyone who is part of our worship team, lay and ordained, and how we have managed to maintain the rhythm of services and adapt while Revd Stuart is off sick. We wish Revd. Stuart well as he is recovering, he is missed, and I know he will be missing leading worship with you all.

In 2023 we also welcomed hospital chaplain Revd Craig Bently to the team although due to his heavy work commitments he will be supporting with holiday cover, as and when he can. Canon Sheila Bamber has continued to give us a lot of her time, and Simon Robinson continues to offer his gift of preaching. Revd Jason, Jacki and I would like to thank everyone who helps prepare our church buildings, prepare rotas, read lessons, write intercessions, and take an active role in services and especially our Director of Music Fred Hemmer, organists Ryan White and Ethan Fuller, and occasional organists Freda Carney and Gordon Scott.

In 2023 it was especially difficult to see St. Simon's closed for such a long time from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost, for re-ordering but St. Simon's congregation were welcomed into St. John's until the day finally came to celebrate with a parish service, perfectly timed to celebrate Revd Stuart's Silver Jubilee too!

That same weekend many of us travelled to Durham Cathedral as Revd Jason was ordained to the priesthood and to St. John's for his first service as President at the Holy Eucharist in St. John's, his then fiancée Revd Kayla at his side as Deacon, and all accompanied by a warm and welcoming party in St. John's Hall.

We continued to Livestream services in 2023, including morning prayer, and St. Peter's Prayer Group met in Lent, while the Prayer Circle, supported by Lynn Armstrong, continued Mondays at 2 from our own homes. All are welcome to attend our regular services.

Sadly, an increasing number of people on the electoral roll are unable to attend in person and receive home communion, visits and phone calls throughout the year – we are grateful for everyone who shares in this ministry. There is also an ever-changing number of people who attend services occasionally or join in on line

During Lent and Holy Week we continued the tradition of coming together as one congregation with services mid-week, including Stations of the Cross on the Scotch Estate on Good Friday organized by Barbara Bradley before attending the Last Hour at the Cross with its powerful liturgy, music, and silence led by Revd Stuart, Fred, Freda and Simon.

Lent was also a time of reflecting as a parish alongside the Church of England's Lent Booklet 'Dust and Glory' with an invitation to members of the congregation to decorate a small piece of fabric to reflect something

about their own personal journey in Lent. Diane Jamieson and Susan Short held this creative project for us and presented a beautiful banner which moves from church to church.

In May, Bishop Paul Butler led a confirmation service at St. Peter's for the Deanery and Jim Shepherd and Rebecca Devine were confirmed. In June, Ethan was Christened at St. John's during a parish service and there was much celebration afterwards – with cake of course!

In terms of our opportunity to worship with children and young people, aside from seasonal visits to our churches for Easter, Christmas, Carols by Candlelight and curriculum visits, 2023 saw Revd Jason finding his feet as a school chaplain in primary schools: Dunn Street, Jarrow Cross, Simonside and secondary, Jarrow School. Later in the year he was making more regular visits to Bede Burn and Valley View. Revd Stuart continued his work with Lord Blyton School and the ministry team covered his duties as needed later in the year. It was wonderful to welcome Lord Blyton School back to St. Simon's for their Harvest service following the church's closure too.

Our 'Open the Book' team continue faithfully in Simonside School every month, sometimes fortnightly, and our volunteers really enjoy sharing the Bible stories with the children. They are always looking for new members of the group (*hint, hint*) and last year the parish hosted Open the Book Training for South Tyneside which was also a refresher or for absolute beginners. So thank you to Carol Cowan, Jacki and our Open the Book Team.

Messy Church ran throughout the year and there were many unexpected surprises along the way. The number of people attending fluctuated, at times very high, at others very low, but it soon became clear that due to transport issues it was becoming difficult to work across two churches, and with such a wide age range of children we needed to consider another format.

So, in consultation with children, parents, carers and volunteers, we decided to plant an all age café church in one place, St. John's hall and church. We now meet on the first Sunday of the month at 3 pm, following the parish eucharist at 10 am which has done wonders for the team's energy levels!

In the Summer we were asked to host two Ministry Experience Volunteers; Roman Demptos from the Diocese of Europe and Laura Barber from the Diocese of Durham. They received a warm Jarrow Welcome in September and have taken part in all aspects of parish life, especially our time of worship together, and we will be sad to see them go at the end of their placements. We have seen both of them grow in so many ways, including levels of confidence in supporting worship, livestreaming, and connecting with people of all ages.

In November there was a special service held at St. Paul's led by Bishop Paul to commemorate 1350 years since the Birth of the Venerable Bede. This was supported by the Mayor of South Tyneside, local community groups and organisations including Durham University, Jarrow Hall, Cultural Spring and several of our local schools including one young man called Bede who had a good old chat with the Bishop during the service. This was Bishop Paul's final visit to the parish and a wonderful way to celebrate his last service at St. Paul's, and from this service a number of events have emerged.

Advent and Christmas saw the return of Carols by Candlelight at St. Paul's, and a range of Nativity Plays, Christingles and Carol Services in our churches or in school halls. Our parish services saw an increase in

attendance for the traditional parish carol service and across the season the number of people visiting a service for advent in church (not our regular services) continued to increase: From December 1st to 23rd – 2,270 people attended an Advent Service in church (the number was 1,920 in 2022), and on Christmas Eve/Christmas Day: 439 people came along (393 in 2023.) Overall 1,200 of people attending services in Advent were children; and this is in addition to all the services we were involved in within schools led by Revd Jason, and the services that took place at the hospital, residential care homes led by Jacki.

To offer a wide variety of services across the four churches took a tremendous amount of effort and so thank you to everyone involved whether it was helping with Carols in the Car Park or the Dementia Friendly Carol Service with Churches Together South Tyneside, Christingle at St. John's or Christmas Eve Family Carols at St. Simon's. On Christmas Eve, Revd Jason also celebrated his first Midnight Mass at St. Paul's - a moment to remember.

Our occasional offices of Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals were slightly lower in 2023 than the previous year, 74 rather than 88 – in part due to our 'catching up with Christenings' following the lockdown. In 2023 Jacki led so many funerals for us again. Our occasional officers were supported by wardens, vergers and volunteers: 39 baptisms. 5 weddings and 28 funerals plus 2 services of Internment of Ashes.

Nurture and Pastoral Care (IN)

With 121 people on the electoral roll in 2023 and a widespread congregation across four churches it was important we have ways we could stay in touch. The weekly pew sheet, available in all churches, was also distributed as a PDF to around 140 email addresses each week.

At the heart of our communications and keeping everything moving is our Parish Administrator Leanne Reilly. We continue to give thanks for Leanne and her sense of calm as she supports wardens, officers, group organisers, hall rentals and ministers as well as continuing to keep our bookings for occasional offices running smoothly.

Throughout 2023, LPM Jacki Dunn continued to take the lead on pastoral care, visiting, home communion and hospital visiting supported by clergy and volunteers as she also continued in a voluntary capacity as a Lay Chaplain at South Tyneside Hospital and The Seaman's Mission and quietly supporting a number of local charities, and encouraging local business owners to be generous in their giving.

Our Knit Group continued to meet in St. Peter's, bringing in their own projects and working together on different projects including the knitted angels for Christmas - which are always a welcome sight!

A new group emerged in 2023 led by Revd Jason and a number of gentlemen in the parish – The Men's Breakfast, at St. John's on the first Saturday of the month – a good space I am told - and something which is supported and people are keen to continue.

2023 was a Coronation Year and this inspired a special afternoon tea in what was a bumper year for social events including: line dancing, community coffee mornings, Summer Fayre, concerts, clubbaccise, table top sale and many opportunities for home-made cake ending with the Christmas produce stall at the end of the year.

So thank you to everyone who stepped in to create these wonderful social spaces – they are a great ways for us to get together as well as welcome in our neighbours. It takes a great deal of effort so thank you to all who offered their time, talents and efforts making the arrangements, selling tickets, baking cakes, making the produce, finding the raffle prizes, co-ordinating everyone else or making an effort to join in on the day and so on. Thank you for all you do.

Mission, Evangelism and Outreach (OUT)

The 9 o'clock Coffee Stop continued to welcome people at St John's on Thursdays with hot drinks, bacon rolls and play space for younger children during term-time, and the well-established team of dedicated volunteers continue to make it a great space to meet up.

In 2023 as there seemed no end to the cost of living crisis. Places of Welcome, in their second year, became Warm Spaces through to March, benefitting from local and national grant funding, and became Welcoming Places for the Summer months – part of a network of 60 such spaces in South Tyneside.

We began to re-think our school holiday activities, including HAF grant funding and by the Summer Holidays brought everything in line with Places of Welcome providing free activities, and lunch for families from 11 until 1 in St. Peter's on Tuesdays, St. Simon's on Wednesdays and St. John's on Thursdays. St. Paul's also offered Welcoming Place/Warm Space hospitality during opening hours Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. We introduced opportunities for families to cook together during the Summer Holidays at St. Peter's and experimented with a fully funded pilot for 'Let's Get Cooking.' It was a huge success, and something we are keen to continue at St. John's in the future.

Once again, the volunteer team at St. Paul's, co-ordinated by Freda, welcomed in thousands of visitors across the year including school visits, pilgrims from near and far, local people looking for a quiet spot, visitors keen to explore the history and architecture, or looking for somewhere to pray. To open 7 days of the week for 10 months of the year is a huge commitment and speaks volumes of the care and dedication of all involved at St. Paul's, and all who volunteer from churches across Jarrow.

In 2023 the CMA Connect Project set up in partnership with Durham Diocese, Communities Together Durham and South Tyneside Churches Together supported by Lord Crewe's Charity went from strength to strength. Led by Nikita Campbell and Sam Harrison alongside a volunteer steering group, in consultation with the PCC and partners, became a Charity in its own right – Money Advice South Tyneside - by the end of 2023, enabling greater access to funding to enable to the project to support more people. With PCC members, who are also Trustees of MAST, we can maintain a link to the parish and the missional root of the project. At the time of writing this report, the team are helping local people to manage and reduce almost half a million pounds worth of debt.

In Advent, we held our Second Christmas Tree Festival at St. Peter's and the small team, alongside Revd Jason, were ably supported by MEV's Laura and Roman on the day. Choirs from Dunn Street and Valley View schools entertained us on the night of the launch and we combined a Saturday Viewing with a Christmas Community Coffee Morning in St. Peter's Hall that weekend. There were also trees from local schools in St. John's, St. Paul's and St. Simon's.

With so many things going on in the parish, social media helps us to let people know what is happening. Facebook continues to be useful alongside the parish website and A Church Near You where the combined number of visits to our four church pages topped 65,000 times in a year.

Reaching out and helping people in need of support is a demonstration of our faith. The parish supported collections in kind for amongst others the local food banks, support the Children's Society through the distribution of home collection boxes and managed to maintain our mission giving at the end of the year.

Final thoughts...

As we arrive at this point in 2024, having had time to look back over and see where we are, yes we have survived all that has been thrown at us in 2023, things that are not unique to this parish but challenges facing the wider church too. The good news is, it feels like we have arrived at a place where, having worked together to weather the storm, and adapted where needed, I hope, God willing, we are in a position where our churches can thrive.

We have grown together through change, whether sudden or gradual, and there is likely to be further change as we seek to connect with people at all ages and stages of life. We can see green shoots, new ideas are slowly taking shape alongside a commitment to our traditional rhythm of worship. The Holy Eucharist remains central to who we are and what we do, which means Jesus is central to who we are and what we do.

Looking ahead we are offering the Alpha course for people exploring faith or new to faith, because God is calling people to him, and there are opportunities with the Diocese for us to receive support to plant a new worshipping community as well.

And finally, last but by no means least, we must thank our parish wardens Rita Blakey, Carol Cowan, Roy Jackson, Gordon Scott, our Treasurer Diane Jamieson and PCC members, officers and advisors for managing funds, checking planning applications, organizing repairs, ensuring churches are open when they need to be, setting up the heating and thousands of other things through the year with such deep faith, a sense of humour, and good grace.

So, thank you to everyone who made so many things possible in 2023, all who hold our common parish life in prayer, and all who are so generous with their time, talents and resources.

May we continue to see God in all places and all faces in the months ahead, as we do our best to follow His call, together.

Revd Lesley Jones, Rector of Jarrow and Simonside, April 2024

PARISH OF JARROW

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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PARISH OF JARROW
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22nd March 2024

Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2023
Receipts and Payments Accounts

Receipts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Voluntary receipts						
Planned Giving						
Gift aid donations		2,844	-	-	2,844	7,807
Gift aid small donations		1,799	-	-	1,799	2,522
Parish giving		20,668	-	-	20,668	24,745
Income tax recovery		9,297	-	6,250	15,547	5,504
Open Plate collections		5,302	-	-	5,302	5,924
Other voluntary receipts						
Donations and appeals		5,008	50	579	5,636	13,065
Sundry donations		2,266	-	26,737	29,003	1,785
St Pauls donation box		2,305	-	-	2,305	2,446
Legacies		-	-	-	-	78,573
		<u>49,487</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>33,566</u>	<u>83,103</u>	<u>142,371</u>
Activities for generating funds						
Fetes bazaars, other fund raising events		2,293	-	-	2,293	9,529
Church hall lettings etc		18,067	-	-	18,067	16,479
Trading income-lecturers		-	-	-	-	-
Royalties		-	-	-	-	-
		<u>20,360</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,360</u>	<u>26,008</u>
Investment income						
Dividends		-	-	-	-	-
Interest		815	-	9,809	10,624	4,514
		<u>815</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,809</u>	<u>10,624</u>	<u>4,514</u>
Church activities						
Fees		3,068	-	-	3,068	3,137
Reimbursement from DBF		-	-	-	-	-
School visits		1,163	-	-	1,163	-
Grants		-	-	41,748	41,748	26,341
Insurance claims		-	-	9,364	9,364	-
Amazon smile		65	-	-	65	28
Good box		1,462	-	-	1,462	1,159
Sundry receipts		8,555	-	1,500	10,055	80
		<u>14,313</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,612</u>	<u>66,926</u>	<u>30,745</u>
Total receipts		<u>84,976</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>95,987</u>	<u>181,013</u>	<u>203,638</u>

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Payments

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Church Activities						
Mission giving and donations						
Missionary & charitable giving		-	-	-	-	-
Church overseas		-	-	500	500	500
Relief and development		-	-	-	-	-
Home missions & church societies		450	-	175	625	625
	6	<u>450</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>675</u>	<u>1,125</u>	<u>1,125</u>
Activities : related to church work						
Ministry : Parish share		37,350	-	-	37,350	48,483
Curate expenses		867	5	-	872	323
Assistant staff expenses		873	50	-	923	150
Visiting clergy		76	-	-	76	123
Clergy's house		1,178	-	-	1,178	886
Church running expenses	5	14,799	-	7,100	21,899	23,842
Church maintenance		6,568	-	34,861	41,429	15,066
Upkeep of church yard		29	-	-	29	-
Hall running expenses	5	-	-	3,291	3,291	5,423
Major repairs and decoration	-	0	-	135,089	135,089	153,873
Upkeep of church services		4,526	-	-	4,526	3,651
Parish magazine and books		-	-	-	-	-
Salaries		12,748	-	-	12,748	10,686
Sundry expenses		15	-	100	115	286
Parish training and mission		1,030	326	200	1,556	292
Education young people		-	479	-	479	282
Summer holiday club		-	3,274	-	3,274	4,594
Warm spaces		-	-	1,017	1,017	447
Gifts and bursary		305	-	-	305	-
Hospitality		-	-	-	-	-
Equipment purchased		25	-	1,043	1,068	2,305
		<u>80,390</u>	<u>4,134</u>	<u>182,701</u>	<u>267,225</u>	<u>270,711</u>
Cost of generating funds						
Trading expenditure-lecturers		-	-	223	223	-
Costs of fetes, bazaars etc		1,246	-	-	1,246	1,648
		<u>1,246</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>223</u>	<u>1,469</u>	<u>1,648</u>
Church Management & administration						
Advertising printing and stationery		2,329	114	4	2,446	1,461
Telephone		1,565	-	-	1,565	1,215
Website		331	-	-	331	331
Subscriptions		1,168	-	-	1,168	943
Bank charges		546	-	-	546	616
Professional fees		450	-	10,588	11,038	2,750
		<u>6,388</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>10,592</u>	<u>17,093</u>	<u>7,315</u>
Total payments		<u>88,474</u>	<u>4,248</u>	<u>194,190</u>	<u>286,912</u>	<u>280,799</u>

Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Fixed Assets						
Freehold land & buildings	2	230,959	-	-	230,959	230,959
Church Contents	2	509,996	-	-	509,996	509,996
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in Hand						
Bank Accounts		15,112	1	53,296	68,409	140,418
Cash in Hand		533	-	-	533	450
Investments		25,885		265,845	291,729	322,084
Debtors						
Agency collections		-	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities						
Accruals and deferred income		-5,675	-	-	-5,675	-2,056
Total Net Assets		<u>776,809</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>319,141</u>	<u>1,095,951</u>	<u>1,201,851</u>
Represented by						
Fund movements						
		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Assets and Liabilities b/fwd		780,307	4,199	417,344	1,201,850	1,279,011
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) of resources for year		-3,498	-4,198	-98,203	-105,899	-77,161
Total surplus from resources	4	<u>776,809</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>319,141</u>	<u>1,095,951</u>	<u>1,201,850</u>

Approved by the Parish of Jarrow, and signed on its behalf by Reverend L. Jones

Rev'd L. Jones

Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Notes to the financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2023

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the receipts and payments basis.

2 Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

Tangible Assets	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Church Contents £	Total 2023 £
Gross book value at 1 January 2023	230,959	509,996	740,955
Additions at 31 December 2023	-	-	-
	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
Net book value at 31 December 2023	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
at 31 December 2022	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>

The Freehold Land and Buildings comprise of St Paul's Cottage. The gross book value of the Freehold is based on the insurance value at 2013 and 2018.

3 Fixed assets under £5,000 are written off in the year of purchase.

4 Movements in designated and restricted funds were:-

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Excess/-Deficit of receipts over payments	- 3,498	- 4,198	- 98,203	- 105,899	- 77,161
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Assets and liabilities brought forward	780,306	4,199	417,345	1,201,850	1,279,011
Assets and liabilities at 31 December 2023	<u>776,808</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>319,142</u>	<u>1,095,951</u>	<u>1,201,850</u>

5 Analysis of Church running expenses

	St Peter's	St Paul's	St John's	St Simon's	Hall	Total 2023
Insurance	2,104	5,746	1,318	2,520	-	11,688
Electricity	1,101	825	432	375	1,532	4,265
Gas	619	-	1,142	1,897	1,759	5,417
Water rates	377	-	654	126	-	1,157
Oil	-	2,663	-	-	-	2,663
	<u>4,202</u>	<u>9,234</u>	<u>3,546</u>	<u>4,918</u>	<u>3,291</u>	<u>25,190</u>

6 Analysis on charitable donations given during the year

	£ 2023	£ 2022
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St Oswald Hospice	125	125
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Leprosy mission	125	125
Christian Aid	500	500
Al Shurooq School	125	125
	<u>1,125</u>	<u>1,125</u>

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Independent Examiner

22nd March 2024

Accounts

It often feels strange to be looking back at 2022 when spring has already arrived – but perhaps we need that space to understand more fully where we were, where we are and where we are going. Last year – overall – I am left with the impression that to pull away from the pandemic, its restrictions, sadness and upheaval took a huge amount of effort, energy and trust in God that we would weather the huge changes facing the church nationally, and the economic uncertainty of everyday life.

Worship and Prayer and our Spiritual Life (UP)

With so much change, our pattern of worship remained constant, the beating heart of the parish, from which everything else flows. The anchor of our services was a Sung Eucharist in each church every week or an All Age Parish Eucharist, also sung. This is thanks to the dedication of Director of Music Fred Hemmer and our organists Ryan White and Ethan Fuller.

Sunday's services were complemented by a Holy Eucharist midweek in three of our churches St. Peter's, St. Simon's and St. John the Baptist's, each one in person and Livestream. Worship was led by our ministers, lay and ordained, supported by members of our congregations and Lay Preacher Simon Robinson with Canon Sheila Bamber providing holiday cover when needed.

A Morning Prayer Livestream continued, twice a week, St. Peter's Monday Prayer Group met on several occasions, and the Prayer Circle, supported by Lynn Armstrong, continued Mondays at 2 from our own homes. All are welcome to attend our regular services. In April there were 120 parishioners on the Parish Electoral Roll, joined in person and on-line with different people throughout the year.

During Lent and Holy Week we came together as one congregation with services, as well as John Stainer's Crucifixion performed by Jarrow Choral Society at St. Paul's Church, Wednesday of Holy Week and the welcome return of Stations of the Cross on the Scotch Estate on Good Friday organized by Barbara Bradley.

In May, Bishop Paul Butler led a special service in St. Paul's for local schools on the First Anniversary of the Way of Learning, attended by pupils and staff from 7 local schools. Looking back, this was a turning point in terms of our conversations with schools, difficult since 2020, with the exception of two schools. From here on in we began to work more closely with head teachers, staff and pupils.

By June and July we were holding monthly assemblies or 'Open the Book' visits in four schools, and arranging visits to church for another 2 schools. Revd Jason Wratten joined the ministry team as Assistant Curate in the Summer, and with the Blessing of Bishop Paul, a percentage of his time has been set aside for Chaplaincy to Schools, including Jarrow School, where he is currently serving as Chaplain Thursday lunchtimes and has become a Trustee. Working more closely with schools again, has been a real boost to our worship with young people as well as a way to develop prayer spaces in schools and pastoral care for pupils and staff.

In June we held our first Messy Church, new to the parish and still evolving, as a family friendly space for families with younger children, where they can grow together in faith. With simple stories, crafts and prayer space, we received a small Mission Grant from Durham Diocese to cover initial resources and refreshments. The first sessions ran from June to November 2022, alternating between St. Peter's and St. John's churches and church halls, with a core group of 7 families who attended most of the first five sessions.

In July a small group of us travelled to Durham Cathedral to celebrate Revd Jason's Ordination and personally welcome him to the parish. It was a tremendous day, a wonderful service as always, and a joy to come together from across the parish to support an assistant curate again, having welcomed so many ministers over the years. Jason soon settled into the rhythm of services, fellowship and service and is making a huge contribution to parish life.

By Advent and Christmas we saw the return of Carols by Candlelight at St. Paul's, Nativity Plays, Christingles and Carol Services in our churches or in school halls. Bishop Sarah, Bishop of Jarrow Celebrated Midnight Mass at St. Paul's, assisted by Revd Jason. Of the 1,920 people attending a special service in our churches during Advent, 941 were children and of the 393 people joining us for one of our services on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, 96 were children.

Our thanks must go to Revd Stuart Hill for his continued dedication to preparing couples for marriage and leading most of our wedding/blessing services in 2022, and to our Lay Pastoral Minister Jacki Dunn for leading so many funerals last year. I am also grateful for the support they have offered to Revd Jason as they have both made an invaluable contribution to training during his Deacon year. In 2022 there were a total of 88 pastoral services led by ministers, assisted by wardens, vergers and volunteers: 44 baptisms, 6 weddings and blessings and 38 funerals of which 23 were held in one of our church buildings.

In the Autumn there were two special community services held in St. Paul's Church. The Mayor of South Tyneside's Civic Service, and a service attended by the Mayor, following the sad death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Nurture and Pastoral Care (IN)

With 120 people on the electoral roll and a widespread congregation across four churches it was important we have ways we could stay in touch. The weekly pew sheet, available in all churches, was also distributed as a PDF to 100 email addresses each week. At the heart of our communications and keeping everything moving is our Parish Administrator Leanne Reilly. We are grateful for all that Leanne has brought to the parish office since joining us in November 2021, including a sense of calm and a 'can do' attitude. Leanne is also the keeper of the parish diary, first point of contact for families seeking weddings and baptism services as well as working closely with wardens, ministers, our Treasurer Diane Jamieson and the wider team.

Facebook has also become a useful way to stay in touch with people alongside the parish website and A Church Near You, the latter accessed over 20,000 a year, and a similar numbers to people accessing our Facebook Pages in 2022.

Throughout 2022, LPM Jacki Dunn took a lead on pastoral care, visiting, home communion and hospital visiting supported by clergy and volunteers as she also continued in a voluntary capacity as a Lay Chaplain at South Tyneside Hospital and The Seaman's Mission.

There is so much that Jacki does which goes unnoticed and unseen but its fair to say that she was a constant source of sunshine to so many.

It was also good to see the Knit and Craft Group at St. Peter's meet regularly throughout the year, a great space for promoting well-being as well as a space with good company. During the year the group created hats for premature babies as well as much larger hats for the Mission to Seafarers, and knitters made hundreds of angels for Christmas, all gratefully received.

The Knit Group continued to decorate a tree outside at St. Peter's with different themes during the year, including a stunning design for HM the Queen's platinum Jubilee, and the creation of commemorative bunting, decorated with images connected to the Jubilee. St. John's held an Afternoon Tea for the Queen's Jubilee, one of many fun and fundraising activities held throughout the year which included Community Coffee Mornings at St. Peter's and St. Simon's, a Table Top Sale, and a Line Dance at St. John's, a Summer Fayre at St. Paul's as well as their popular Christmas Produce Stall, and a summer Concert from Sunderland Male Voice Choir at St. Peter's.

To have so many events – all so different – across all four churches created important spaces where we could gather together beyond worship and welcome our neighbours in. Important as our events and fundraisers are, they would not happen without a great deal of time, effort and the consideration by all who commit to making the arrangements, baking cakes, making the produce, finding the raffle prizes, co-ordinating others, or turning up and joining in on the day. It is only with this level of commitment that events are successful so thank you to everyone who gets involved and to all who support our social activities.

Mission, Evangelism and Outreach (OUT)

It was good to see the 9 o'clock Coffee Stop continue to welcome families with young children at St. John's church on Thursday's during term-time, and how it is such a great meeting place for people of all ages, from within and beyond parish life, with a well-established team of dedicated volunteers.

In January 2022, we added more spaces where people could drop-in for refreshments at St. St. Peter's and St. Simon's as well as St. John's with the launch of a new project in the parish, in partnership with Durham Diocese, Communities Together Durham and South Tyneside Churches Together. Fully funded for two years by Lord Crewe's Charity, employing two people part-time, Nikita Campbell and Sam Harrison, work alongside a team of volunteers supporting households struggling in the current financial climate.

There is a deep sense of gratitude for all who have given their time and talents to this project whether the Places of Welcome or by training as a Mental Health First Aider or Money Mentor with Community Money Advice. This small team is working alongside the council, foodbanks, charities, job centres, schools and a wide group of organizations to help local people.

An unexpected development in the Places of Welcome began by February Half Term as we were visited by so many families. Building upon our red pop-up gazebo's during the school holidays in 2021, we continued to offer space for parents to have a hot drink, packed lunches for children and activities as Places of Welcome met in St. Peter's, St. Simon's and St. John's and the parish received grant funding from South Tyneside Council and Communities Together Durham to provide packed and activities.

As a parish we also continued to take part in offering holiday clubs sponsored by the Department of Education through local councils with HAF funding – Holidays and Food - which ran in St. John's and St. Peter's over the Easter Break and Summer Holidays alongside Places of Welcome. Again these activities would not happen without the dedication and support of our volunteer cooks, activity leaders, and church wardens, so thank you.

In the Autumn St. Paul's hosted an interactive art installation in partnership with Durham University, "Codex" to coincide with the Lindisfarne Gospels returning to the region. Over the three days 250 people visited St. Paul's to specifically see the installation and attend a lecture led by Prof. Francis Watson. Over the course of 2022 St. Paul's the visitor welcome team hosted an amazing 7795 people! An absolutely incredible number of visitors and testament to the dedication of Freda Carney and the team of volunteers.

By October 2022 as costs for heating escalated, our Places of Welcome were among the first to become part of a national campaign "Warm Welcome", chaired by Bishop Paul Butler, and in due course we became part of South Tyneside Council's Warm Spaces network. St. Paul's open to visitors for most of the year also offered two days a week with free refreshments as a Warm Space. All of these sessions were supported by grant funding towards costs for heating, light, food and activities from South Tyneside Council and the Church Commissioners.

In Advent, we held our first Christmas Tree Festival at St. Peter's carefully organized by a team led by Revd Jason. The group were representative of different churches in the parish – and the highlight of the opening night was a memorable performance by Dunn Street School's Choir. Thank you to everyone who supported our services and events through Advent and Christmas, and for decorating our churches, they looked stunning and there were a lot of positive comments from visitors.

Reaching out and helping people in need of support is a demonstration of our faith. The parish supported collections in kind for amongst others the local Food Bank, raised funds for the church in Ukraine during Lent, and continued to support the Children's Society through the distribution of home collection boxes. As our Mission Giving for 2022 the PCC agreed a gift of £125 for Smile Train, Leprosy Mission, St Oswald's Hospice, Mission to Seafarers, Al-Shrooq School for the blind in Palestine, in line with the year before.

And finally, last but by no means least, we need to thank our parish wardens Rita Blakey, Carol Cowan, Roy Jackson, Gordon Scott, our Treasurer Diane Jamieson and PCC members, officers and advisors for managing funds, checking planning applications, organizing repairs, ensuring churches are open when they need to be, setting up the heating and hundreds of other things through the year with such faith and a sense of humour. So, thank you to everyone who made so many things possible in 2022, all who hold our common parish life in prayer, and all who are so generous with their time, talents and resources.

May we continue to see God in all places and all faces, as we seek to follow his call.

Revd Lesley Jones,
Rector of Jarrow and Simonside,
April 2023

PARISH OF JARROW

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Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
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Receipts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Voluntary receipts						
Planned Giving						
Gift aid donations		7,807	-	-	7,807	13,069
Gift aid small donations		2,522	-	-	2,522	2,928
Parish giving		24,745	-	-	24,745	21,360
Income tax recovery		5,504	-	-	5,504	9,826
Open Plate collections		5,924	-	-	5,924	2,951
Other voluntary receipts						
Donations and appeals		2,815	-	10,250	13,065	5,562
Sundry donations		1,173	-	612	1,785	1,515
St Pauls donation box		2,446	-	-	2,446	1,747
Legacies		-	-	78,573	78,573	18,650
		52,936	-	89,435	142,371	77,608
Activities for generating funds						
Fetes bazaars, other fund raising events		9,529	-	-	9,529	4,936
Church hall lettings etc		16,479	-	-	16,479	8,738
Trading income-lecturers		-	-	-	-	287
Royalties		-	-	-	-	-
		26,008	-	-	26,008	13,961
Investment income						
Dividends		-	-	-	-	173
Interest		156	-	4,359	4,514	118
		156	-	4,359	4,514	291
Church activities						
Fees		3,137	-	-	3,137	3,863
Reimbursement from DBF		-	-	-	-	-
Government furlong grant		-	-	-	-	2,065
Grants		9,957	6,820	9,564	26,341	13,289
Insurance claims		-	-	-	-	-
Amazon smile		28	-	-	28	-
Good box		1,159	-	-	1,159	-
Sundry receipts		80	-	-	80	2
		14,361	6,820	9,564	30,745	19,219
Total receipts		93,461	6,820	103,358	203,638	111,079

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Payments

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Church Activities						
Mission giving and donations						
Missionary & charitable giving		-	-	-	-	-
Church overseas		-	-	500	500	500
Relief and development		-	-	-	-	-
Home missions & church societies		625	-	-	625	625
	6	625	-	500	1,125	1,125
Activities : related to church work						
Ministry : Parish share		48,483	-	-	48,483	45,000
Curate expenses		299	24	-	323	422
Assistant staff expenses		50	100	-	150	-
Visiting clergy		123	-	-	123	-
Clergy's house		886	-	-	886	744
Church running expenses	5	23,842	-	-	23,842	17,694
Church maintenance		7,207	1,755	6,104	15,066	12,560
Upkeep of church yard		-	-	-	-	27
Hall running expenses	5	5,423	-	-	5,423	3,912
Major repairs and decoration		-	-	153,873	153,873	3,384
Upkeep of church services		3,554	-	97	3,651	2,021
Parish magazine and books		-	-	-	-	-
Salaries		10,686	-	-	10,686	6,798
Sundry expenses		286	-	-	286	525
Parish training and mission		63	229	-	292	77
Education young people		57	105	120	282	55
Summer holiday club		-	4,594	-	4,594	7,178
Warm spaces		-	447	-	447	-
Gifts and bursary		-	-	-	-	50
Hospitality		-	-	-	-	99
Equipment purchased		155	-	2,150	2,305	675
		101,112	7,254	162,344	270,711	101,221
Cost of generating funds						
Trading expenditure-lecturers		-	-	-	-	-
Costs of fetes, bazaars etc		1,648	-	-	1,648	649
		1,648	-	-	1,648	649
Church Management & administration						
Advertising printing and stationery		1,335	9	117	1,461	1,622
Telephone		1,215	-	-	1,215	977
Website		331	-	-	331	331
Subscriptions		943	-	-	943	866
Bank charges		616	-	-	616	542
Professional fees		-	-	2,750	2,750	8,541
		4,439	9	2,867	7,315	12,879
Total payments		107,825	7,263	165,711	280,799	115,874

Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
		£	£	£		
Fixed Assets						
Freehold land & buildings	2	230,959	-	-	230,959	230,959
Church Contents	2	509,996	-	-	509,996	509,996
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in Hand						
Bank Accounts		0	4,199	136,219	140,418	151,055
Cash in Hand		450	-	-	450	49
Investments		40,958		281,126	322,084	387,743
Debtors						
Agency collections		-	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities						
Accruals and deferred income		-2,056	-	-	-2,056	-790
Total Net Assets		<u>780,307</u>	<u>4,199</u>	<u>417,345</u>	<u>1,201,851</u>	<u>1,279,012</u>

Represented by

Fund movements		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Assets and Liabilities b/fwd		794,670	99,779	384,562	1,279,011	1,283,805
Transfers between funds		-	-95,137	95,137	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) of resources for year		-14,364	-444	-62,353	-77,161	-4,793
Total surplus from resources	4	<u>780,306</u>	<u>4,199</u>	<u>417,345</u>	<u>1,201,850</u>	<u>1,279,012</u>

Approved by the Parish of Jarrow, and signed on its behalf by Reverend L. Jones

Rev'd L. Jones

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the receipts and payments basis.

2 Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

Tangible Assets	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Church Contents £	Total 2022 £
Gross book value			
at 1 January 2022	230,959	509,996	740,955
Additions	-	-	-
at 31 December 2022	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
Net book value			
at 31 December 2022	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
at 31 December 2021	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>

The Freehold Land and Buildings comprise of St Paul's Cottage. The gross book value of the Freehold is based on the insurance value at 2013 and 2018.

3 Fixed assets under £5,000 are written off in the year of purchase.

4 Movements in designated and restricted funds were:-

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5 Analysis of Church running expenses

	St Peter's	St Paul's	St John's	St Simon's	Hall	Total 2022
Insurance	1,989	5,350	1,241	2,597	-	11,177
Electricity	912	635	423	217	1,193	3,380
Gas	3,162	-	1,606	729	4,230	9,727
Water rates	472	-	435	95	-	1,002
Oil	-	3,142	-	-	-	3,142
	<u>6,534</u>	<u>9,127</u>	<u>3,706</u>	<u>3,638</u>	<u>5,423</u>	<u>28,427</u>

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Royalties		-	-	-	-	-
		26,008	-	-	26,008	13,961
Investment income						
Dividends		-	-	-	-	173
Interest		156	-	4,359	4,514	118
		156	-	4,359	4,514	291
Church activities						
Fees		3,137	-	-	3,137	3,863
Reimbursement from DBF		-	-	-	-	-
Government furlong grant		-	-	-	-	2,065
Grants		9,957	6,820	9,564	26,341	13,289
Insurance claims		-	-	-	-	-
Amazon smile		28	-	-	28	-
Good box		1,159	-	-	1,159	-
Sundry receipts		80	-	-	80	2
		14,361	6,820	9,564	30,745	19,219
Total receipts		93,461	6,820	103,358	203,638	111,079

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Church Activities

Mission giving and donations

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Missionary & charitable giving		-	-	-	-	-
Church overseas		-	-	500	500	500
Relief and development		-	-	-	-	-
Home missions & church societies		625	-	-	625	625
	6	625	-	500	1,125	1,125

Activities : related to church work

Ministry : Parish share		48,483	-	-	48,483	45,000
Curate expenses		299	24	-	323	422
Assistant staff expenses		50	100	-	150	-
Visiting clergy		123	-	-	123	-
Clergy's house		886	-	-	886	744
Church running expenses	5	23,842	-	-	23,842	17,694
Church maintenance		7,207	1,755	6,104	15,066	12,560
Upkeep of church yard		-	-	-	-	27
Hall running expenses	5	5,423	-	-	5,423	3,912
Major repairs and decoration		-	-	153,873	153,873	3,384
Upkeep of church services		3,554	-	97	3,651	2,021
Parish magazine and books		-	-	-	-	-
Salaries		10,686	-	-	10,686	6,798
Sundry expenses		286	-	-	286	525
Parish training and mission		63	229	-	292	77
Education young people		57	105	120	282	55
Summer holiday club		-	4,594	-	4,594	7,178
Warm spaces		-	447	-	447	-
Gifts and bursary		-	-	-	-	50
Hospitality		-	-	-	-	99
Equipment purchased		155	-	2,150	2,305	675
		101,112	7,254	162,344	270,711	101,221

Cost of generating funds

Trading expenditure-lecturers		-	-	-	-	-
Costs of fetes, bazaars etc		1,648	-	-	1,648	649
		1,648	-	-	1,648	649

Church Management & administration

Advertising printing and stationery		1,335	9	117	1,461	1,622
Telephone		1,215	-	-	1,215	977
Website		331	-	-	331	331
Subscriptions		943	-	-	943	866
Bank charges		616	-	-	616	542
Professional fees		-	-	2,750	2,750	8,541
		4,439	9	2,867	7,315	12,879

Total payments

		107,825	7,263	165,711	280,799	115,874
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Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
		£	£	£		
Fixed Assets						
Freehold land & buildings	2	230,959	-	-	230,959	230,959
Church Contents	2	509,996	-	-	509,996	509,996
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in Hand						
Bank Accounts		0	4,199	136,219	140,418	151,055
Cash in Hand		450	-	-	450	49
Investments		40,958		281,126	322,084	387,743
Debtors						
Agency collections		-	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities						
Accruals and deferred income		-2,056	-	-	-2,056	-790
Total Net Assets		<u>780,307</u>	<u>4,199</u>	<u>417,345</u>	<u>1,201,851</u>	<u>1,279,012</u>

Represented by

Fund movements		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Assets and Liabilities b/fwd		794,670	99,779	384,562	1,279,011	1,283,805
Transfers between funds		-	-95,137	95,137	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) of resources for year		-14,364	-444	-62,353	-77,161	-4,793
Total surplus from resources	4	<u>780,306</u>	<u>4,199</u>	<u>417,345</u>	<u>1,201,850</u>	<u>1,279,012</u>

Approved by the Parish of Jarrow, and signed on its behalf by Reverend L. Jones

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2 Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

Tangible Assets	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Church Contents £	Total 2022 £
Gross book value			
at 1 January 2022	230,959	509,996	740,955
Additions	-	-	-
at 31 December 2022	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
Net book value			
at 31 December 2022	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
at 31 December 2021	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>

The Freehold Land and Buildings comprise of St Paul's Cottage. The gross book value of the Freehold is based on the insurance value at 2013 and 2018.

3 Fixed assets under £5,000 are written off in the year of purchase.

4 Movements in designated and restricted funds were:-

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Excess/-Deficit of receipts over payments	-14,364	-444	-62,353	-77,161	-4,793
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Assets and liabilities brought forward	794,670	99,779	384,562	1,279,011	1,283,805
Assets and liabilities at 31 December 2022	<u>780,306</u>	<u>4,199</u>	<u>417,345</u>	<u>1,201,850</u>	<u>1,279,012</u>

5 Analysis of Church running expenses

	St Peter's	St Paul's	St John's	St Simon's	Hall	Total 2022
Insurance	1,989	5,350	1,241	2,597	-	11,177
Electricity	912	635	423	217	1,193	3,380
Gas	3,162	-	1,606	729	4,230	9,727
Water rates	472	-	435	95	-	1,002
Oil	-	3,142	-	-	-	3,142
	<u>6,534</u>	<u>9,127</u>	<u>3,706</u>	<u>3,638</u>	<u>5,423</u>	<u>28,427</u>

6 Analysis on charitable donations given during the year

	£ 2022	£ 2021
Smile train	125	125
St Oswald Hospice	125	125
Mission to seafarers	125	125
Leprosy mission	125	125
Christian Aid	500	500
Al Shurooq School	125	125
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Accounts

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Worship and Prayer and our Spiritual Life (UP)

Despite the challenges of the pandemic and a third national lockdown and restrictions in place on various aspects of our daily lives throughout the year, the we offered a range of services during the week on Livestream, returning to Face to Face services in St. Paul's Church by Holy Week, and a full return to all services – weekly and Sundays – by Pentecost.

These services included a Sung Sunday Eucharist in all four churches each week, with the exception of the first Sunday of the month when our All Age Service moved from church to church. We also offered a mid-week Eucharist in St. Peter's, St. Simon's and St. John the Baptist's. Worship led by our ministers, lay and ordained, supported by members of our congregations and Ley Preacher Simon Robinson.

All are welcome to attend our regular services. In May there were 132 parishioners on the Parish Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance, counted during October and over all four churches, was much lower than before the pandemic for people attending a Sunday Service: 64 people across all four churches , plus people attending the service on-line.

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As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Thanks must go to Revd Stuart Hill for not only leading on planning and liturgy for our services – supported by Revd Lesley and LPM Jacki – but he has also personally Baptized most of the children and married most of our wedding couples, as is his tremendous gift.

And so through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and commend the deceased into God's keeping. We have celebrated 23 baptisms and 5 weddings and 2 marriage

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Chaplaincy Team at South Tyneside Hospital was able to reach members of the congregation in hospital, at times when no family visitors were allowed, which was a great comfort to many.

There is so much that Jacki does which goes unnoticed and unseen but its fair to say that she was a constant source of sunshine to so many, especially when she was walking out and about in the parish.

Mission, Evangelism and Outreach (OUT)

The joint All-age Service continued from Pentecost on the first Sunday of the month, rotating around all four churches however we were unable to return to our activities during 2021 due to restrictions in place. Greater contact was made with families during the course of the year and while at first we thought we were catching up with Baptisms postponed during the pandemic, demand for baptism have continued to soar.

It was good to see the 9 o'clock Coffee Stop return in September, running term-time, and attracting parishioners of all ages as well as offering space for parents with young children. And the weekly Knit and Craft group which sprung out of Coffee Stop moved to St. Peter's Church Hall on Tuesday afternoons and was recognized by the PCC as essential for people's well-being, to avoid its closure should we continue to face tight safety regulations and lockdown. The group also serves as a valuable place of welcome and contact. And it was good to see a welcome return of their knitted angels which were distributed as a gift, on railings, walls and gateposts before Christmas - each with an invitation to attend one of the Christmas services

We continued to build on links with local schools wherever possible, both participating in school worship and hosting school visits to our churches. Particular support was given to Jarrow Cross VC Primary School where as Rector I became a member of the Governing Body of Jarrow Cross C of E Primary School, later Vice-Chair and serving as the Link Governor for SEND and RE and is keen to promote the Christian Ethos in school and out. And it was wonderful for the 'Open the book' team to return to Simonside Primary School, this time offering virtual stories which meant all of the children were involved and not just Key Stage 1.

Alongside South Tyneside Churches Together, and availability of grant funding through local government, the parish received a grant of £10,000 to hold ten days of holiday club activities in the Summer and Christmas holidays at St. John the Baptist's and St. Peter's as well as offering 16 mini-sessions outdoors in the summer with gazebos at all four churches with crafts and free children's packed lunches supported by Morrison's Supermarket in Jarrow.

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. The parish supported collections in kind for amongst others the local Food Bank, the Key Project, the Children's Society through the distribution of home collecting boxes. As our Mission Giving for 2021 the PCC agreed a gift of £125 for Smile Train, Leprosy Mission, St Oswald's Hospice, Mission to Seamen, Al-Shrooq School for the blind in Palestine.

In May 2021 at St.Paul's, the congregation welcomed Bishop Paul and Bishop Sarah alongside broadcaster Sheridan Voysey as they official launched a new pilgrimage route from Jarrow to Durham Cathedral as part of the new Northern Saints' Trails. For our route entitled "The Way of Learning" we hosted a service before walkers set off in the direction of St. Peter's Church, Monkwearmouth, but not before enjoying refreshments (especially the cake) at St. John the Baptist's.

Towards the end of the year we received confirmation of a gift towards mission from Lord Crewe's Charity to fund a project which creates space for members of the congregation and wider community, provides funding to offer support with debt and household finances as well as training for volunteers as Money Mentors and Mental Health First Aiders. Funding is generous enough to employ two people part time, for two years on the project. While the parish will host the project it is carried out in partnership with South Tyneside Churches Together, Communities Together Durham ad Durham Diocese.

And so thank you to everyone who made so many things possible in 2021 despite the difficult circumstances.

May we continue to see God in all places and all faces, as we seek to follow his call.

Revd Lesley Jones

April 2022

PARISH OF JARROW

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CHURCH INFORMATION

Charity Commission Registration Number	1137304
Rector	Reverend L. Jones St Peter's House York Avenue Jarrow
Bank	Barclays Bank plc King Street South Shields
Independent Examiner	Mrs L Armstrong 68 Leander Drive Henley Grange Baldon Colliery NE35 9LS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

To the PCC of the Parish of Jarrow

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 3 to 7, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met.

Signed



Mrs L Armstrong
68 Leander Drive
Henley Grange
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NE35 9LS

Independent Examiner

10th March 2022

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Receipts and Payments Accounts**

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Receipts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
Voluntary receipts						
Planned Giving						
Gift aid donations		13,069	-	-	13,069	20,016
Gift aid small donations		2,928	-	-	2,928	2,970
Parish giving		21,360	-	-	21,360	19,266
Income tax recovery		9,826	-	-	9,826	8,854
Open Plate collections		2,642	-	308	2,951	1,133
Other voluntary receipts						
Donations and appeals		3,755	20	1,786	5,562	3,453
Sundry donations		1,515	-	-	1,515	523
St Pauls donation box		1,747	-	-	1,747	789
Legacies		-	-	18,650	18,650	370,000
		<u>56,843</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20,745</u>	<u>77,607</u>	<u>427,004</u>
Activities for generating funds						
Fetes bazaars, other fund raising events		4,936	-	-	4,936	1,235
Church hall lettings etc		8,738	-	-	8,738	4,978
Trading income-lecturers		-	-	287	287	734
Royalties		-	-	-	-	-
		<u>13,674</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>13,961</u>	<u>6,947</u>
Investment income						
Surplus on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Dividends		-	-	173	173	-
Interest		88	-	30	118	970
		<u>88</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>291</u>	<u>970</u>
Church activities						
Fees		3,863	-	-	3,863	1,877
Reimbursement from DBF		-	-	-	-	332
Government furlong grant		2,065	-	-	2,065	4,970
Grants		-	9,289	4,000	13,289	4,150
Ground work		-	-	-	-	400
Insurance claims		-	-	-	-	82
Sundry receipts		2	-	-	2	52
		<u>5,930</u>	<u>9,289</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>19,219</u>	<u>11,863</u>
Total receipts		<u><u>76,535</u></u>	<u><u>9,309</u></u>	<u><u>25,235</u></u>	<u><u>111,079</u></u>	<u><u>446,784</u></u>

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Church Activities						
Mission giving and donations						
Missionary & charitable giving		-	-	-	-	-
Church overseas		124	-	376	500	500
Relief and development		-	-	-	-	-
Home missions & church societies		625	-	-	625	1,470
	6	749	-	376	1,125	1,970
Activities : related to church work						
Ministry : Parish share		45,000	-	-	45,000	35,700
LPM expenses		422	-	-	422	390
Visiting clergy		-	-	-	-	298
Clergy's house		744	-	-	744	382
Church running expenses	5	17,694	-	-	17,694	17,820
Church maintenance		7,938	1,438	3,184	12,560	3,589
Upkeep of church yard		27	-	-	27	-
Hall running expenses	5	3,912	-	-	3,912	3,725
Major repairs and decoration		-	-	3,384	3,384	54,751
Upkeep of church services		1,979	-	42	2,021	2,491
Parish magazine and books		-	-	-	-	-
Salaries		6,798	-	-	6,798	10,442
Sundry expenses		525	-	-	525	241
Parish training and mission		-	20	57	77	-
Education young people		-	-	55	55	-
Summer holiday club		-	7,178	-	7,178	-
Gifts and bursary		50	-	-	50	150
Hospitality		99	-	-	99	53
Equipment purchased		266	-	409	675	598
		85,453	8,636	7,131	101,219	130,630
Cost of generating funds						
Trading expenditure-lecturers		-	-	-	-	-
Costs of fetes, bazaars etc		649	-	-	649	421
		649	-	-	649	421
Church Management & administration						
Advertising printing and stationery		1,622	-	-	1,622	610
Telephone		977	-	-	977	860
Website		331	-	-	331	331
Subscriptions		866	-	-	866	885
Bank charges		542	-	-	542	412
Professional fees		1,182	-	7,359	8,541	7,636
		5,520	-	7,359	12,879	10,734
Total payments		92,372	8,636	14,866	115,873	143,755

**Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31 December 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
Fixed Assets						
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Church Contents	2	509,996	-	-	509,996	509,996
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in Hand						
Bank Accounts		51,276	99,779	-	151,055	158,820
Cash in Hand		49	-	-	49	158
Investments		3,182		384,561	387,743	387,540
Debtors						
Agency collections		-	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities						
Accruals and deferred income			-	-		
Total Net Assets		794,671	99,779	384,561	1,279,011	1,283,806
Represented by						
Fund movements						
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Assets and Liabilities b/fwd		810,506	99,106	374,193	1,283,805	980,776
Surplus / (Deficit) of resources for year			673	10,368		303,029
Total surplus from resources	4	794,670	99,779	384,561	1,279,012	1,283,805

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2 Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

Tangible Assets	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Church Contents £	Total 2020 £
Gross book value			
at 1 January 2021	204,208	368,714	572,922
revaluation surplus	26,751	141,282	168,033
Additions	-	-	-
at 31 December 2021	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
Net book value			
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The Freehold Land and Buildings comprise of St Paul's Cottage. The gross book value of both the Freehold Land and Buildings and Church Contents, is the value for insurance purposes at 31st December 2018, is considered a fair estimate of the current value.

3 Fixed assets under £5,000 are written off in the year of purchase.

4 Movements in designated and restricted funds were:-

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5 Analysis of Church running expenses

	St Peter's	St Paul's	St John's	St Simon's	Hall	Total 2021
Insurance	1,823	5,095	1,194	2,410	-	10,522
Electricity	569	742	264	273	610	2,458
Gas	2,680	-	635	-	3,302	6,355
Water rates	87	99	117	62	-	364
Oil	-	1,907	-	-	-	1,907
	<u>5,158</u>	<u>7,843</u>	<u>2,211</u>	<u>2,483</u>	<u>3,912</u>	<u>21,606</u>

6 Analysis on charitable donations given during the year

	£ 2021	£ 2020
Ordination fund		41
Smile train	125	125
St Oswald Hospice	125	125
Mission to seafarers	125	125
Key project	-	365
Leprosy mission	125	125
Christian Aid	500	125
Al Shurooq School	125	125
Childrens society	-	454
Young parenting pathway	-	360
	<u>1,125</u>	<u>1,970</u>

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PARISH OF JARROW
CHURCH INFORMATION

Charity Commission Registration Number	1137304
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

To the PCC of the Parish of Jarrow

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 3 to 7, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met.

Signed



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Independent Examiner

10th March 2022

**Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2021
Receipts and Payments Accounts**

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Receipts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
Voluntary receipts						
Planned Giving						
Gift aid donations		13,069	-	-	13,069	20,016
Gift aid small donations		2,928	-	-	2,928	2,970
Parish giving		21,360	-	-	21,360	19,266
Income tax recovery		9,826	-	-	9,826	8,854
Open Plate collections		2,642	-	308	2,951	1,133
Other voluntary receipts						
Donations and appeals		3,755	20	1,786	5,562	3,453
Sundry donations		1,515	-	-	1,515	523
St Pauls donation box		1,747	-	-	1,747	789
Legacies		-	-	18,650	18,650	370,000
		<u>56,843</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20,745</u>	<u>77,607</u>	<u>427,004</u>
Activities for generating funds						
Fetes bazaars, other fund raising events		4,936	-	-	4,936	1,235
Church hall lettings etc		8,738	-	-	8,738	4,978
Trading income-lecturers		-	-	287	287	734
Royalties		-	-	-	-	-
		<u>13,674</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>13,961</u>	<u>6,947</u>
Investment income						
Surplus on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Dividends		-	-	173	173	-
Interest		88	-	30	118	970
		<u>88</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>291</u>	<u>970</u>
Church activities						
Fees		3,863	-	-	3,863	1,877
Reimbursement from DBF		-	-	-	-	332
Government furlong grant		2,065	-	-	2,065	4,970
Grants		-	9,289	4,000	13,289	4,150
Ground work		-	-	-	-	400
Insurance claims		-	-	-	-	82
Sundry receipts		2	-	-	2	52
		<u>5,930</u>	<u>9,289</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>19,219</u>	<u>11,863</u>
Total receipts		<u>76,535</u>	<u>9,309</u>	<u>25,235</u>	<u>111,079</u>	<u>446,784</u>

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Payments

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
Church Activities						
Mission giving and donations						
Missionary & charitable giving		-	-	-	-	-
Church overseas		124	-	376	500	500
Relief and development		-	-	-	-	-
Home missions & church societies		625	-	-	625	1,470
	6	749	-	376	1,125	1,970
Activities : related to church work						
Ministry : Parish share		45,000	-	-	45,000	35,700
LPM expenses		422	-	-	422	390
Visiting clergy		-	-	-	-	298
Clergy's house		744	-	-	744	382
Church running expenses	5	17,694	-	-	17,694	17,820
Church maintenance		7,938	1,438	3,184	12,560	3,589
Upkeep of church yard		27	-	-	27	-
Hall running expenses	5	3,912	-	-	3,912	3,725
Major repairs and decoration		-	-	3,384	3,384	54,751
Upkeep of church services		1,979	-	42	2,021	2,491
Parish magazine and books		-	-	-	-	-
Salaries		6,798	-	-	6,798	10,442
Sundry expenses		525	-	-	525	241
Parish training and mission		-	20	57	77	-
Education young people		-	-	55	55	-
Summer holiday club		-	7,178	-	7,178	-
Gifts and bursary		50	-	-	50	150
Hospitality		99	-	-	99	53
Equipment purchased		266	-	409	675	598
		85,453	8,636	7,131	101,219	130,630
Cost of generating funds						
Trading expenditure-lecturers		-	-	-	-	-
Costs of fetes, bazaars etc		649	-	-	649	421
		649	-	-	649	421
Church Management & administration						
Advertising printing and stationery		1,622	-	-	1,622	610
Telephone		977	-	-	977	860
Website		331	-	-	331	331
Subscriptions		866	-	-	866	885
Bank charges		542	-	-	542	412
Professional fees		1,182	-	7,359	8,541	7,636
		5,520	-	7,359	12,879	10,734
Total payments		92,372	8,636	14,866	115,873	143,755

**Parish of Jarrow and Simonside
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31 December 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
Fixed Assets						
Freehold land & buildings	2	230,959	-	-	230,959	230,959
Church Contents	2	509,996	-	-	509,996	509,996
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in Hand						
Bank Accounts		51,276	99,779	-	151,055	158,820
Cash in Hand		49	-	-	49	158
Investments		3,182		384,561	387,743	387,540
Debtors						
Agency collections		-	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities						
Accruals and deferred income			-	-		
Total Net Assets		794,671	99,779	384,561	1,279,011	1,283,806
Represented by						
Fund movements						
		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
Assets and Liabilities b/fwd		810,506	99,106	374,193	1,283,805	980,776
Surplus / (Deficit) of resources for year			673	10,368		303,029
Total surplus from resources	4	794,670	99,779	384,561	1,279,012	1,283,805

Approved by the Parish of Jarrow, and signed on its behalf by Reverend L. Jones

Rev'd L. Jones

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the receipts and payments basis.

2 Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

Tangible Assets	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Church Contents £	Total 2020 £
Gross book value			
at 1 January 2021	204,208	368,714	572,922
revaluation surplus	26,751	141,282	168,033
Additions	-	-	-
at 31 December 2021	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
Net book value			
at 31 December 2021	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>
at 31 December 2020	<u>230,959</u>	<u>509,996</u>	<u>740,955</u>

The Freehold Land and Buildings comprise of St Paul's Cottage. The gross book value of both the Freehold Land and Buildings and Church Contents, is the value for insurance purposes at 31st December 2018, is considered a fair estimate of the current value.

3 Fixed assets under £5,000 are written off in the year of purchase.

4 Movements in designated and restricted funds were:-

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
Excess/-Deficit of receipts over payments		673	10,369		303,029
Assets and liabilities brought forward	810,506	99,106	374,193	1,283,805	980,776
Assets and liabilities at 31 December 2021	<u>794,670</u>	<u>99,779</u>	<u>384,562</u>	<u>1,279,012</u>	<u>1,283,805</u>

5 Analysis of Church running expenses

	St Peter's	St Paul's	St John's	St Simon's	Hall	Total 2021
Insurance	1,823	5,095	1,194	2,410	-	10,522
Electricity	569	742	264	273	610	2,458
Gas	2,680	-	635	-	3,302	6,355
Water rates	87	99	117	62	-	364
Oil	-	1,907	-	-	-	1,907
	<u>5,158</u>	<u>7,843</u>	<u>2,211</u>	<u>2,483</u>	<u>3,912</u>	<u>21,606</u>

6 Analysis on charitable donations given during the year

	£ 2021	£ 2020
Ordination fund		41
Smile train	125	125
St Oswald Hospice	125	125
Mission to seafarers	125	125
Key project	-	365
Leprosy mission	125	125
Christian Aid	500	125
Al Shurooq School	125	125
Childrens society	-	454
Young parenting pathway	-	360
	<u>1,125</u>	<u>1,970</u>

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Clergy Report 2020 January to August

If last year was a year of change this year was even more so. We began the year with great optimism as we prepared to recruit a new Rector. As planned, the leadership Team led by Revd Stuart prepared the Parish Profile and Role description and by February the post was advertised in the Church Times, and on the Diocesan website, and we waited with great anticipation.

Meanwhile Revd Stuart continued to co-ordinate the worship with the assistance of our APA Jackie and lay leader Simon, drafting in retired clergy to provide cover whenever possible. By the end of February and into the beginning of March we invited a candidate for interview and set the official Parish Visit and interview with parish representatives, Bishop Paul, Archdeacon Bob and Area Dean Vernon. Revd Lesley Jones was offered the post and accepted, and we all looked forward to welcoming her and her family.

And then the pandemic struck and the country went into a national lockdown! All churches suspended public worship and buildings were put in mothballs. In an attempt to reach out to our parishioners and maintain some form of regular prayer and worship Revd Stuart began to livestream worship via our parish Facebook page, with a service of the word broadcast from his study at the Vicarage on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on a weekly basis.

Pastoral contact was reduced to telephone calls and church meetings becoming 'Zoom' events. By July we were beginning to re-emerge from Lockdown and after an outside meeting in the Vicarage Garden adhering to the rule of six, we made plans to initially reopen St Paul's Church for a public Sunday Service adhering to all the COVID-19 protocols with numbers restricted to a maximum of 50 people, also live-streamed for those unable or unwilling to attend in person.

We began this in August, with the midweek services remaining live-streamed only. In September we welcomed Revd Lesley at an installation Service at St Paul's with the Bishop of Durham and the parish entered into a new phase of its mission and ministry.

Rector's report 2020 September to December

With some time to reflect on the first four months with you here it has been like no other 'new start', because as the second lockdown arrived it felt that we had all been here before. I am however really enjoying working as part of a team with Revd Stuart and Jacki, and really grateful for the opportunity to begin to get to know our parish wardens, PCC and members of our congregations. Thank you for your grace and patience as I spent a great deal of time pouring over government guidelines in those early months!

Our wardens Carol, Gordon, Rita and Roy have been a tower of support, and patiently put up with a lot of questions and thinking out loud.

Despite the strangeness of it all, there were a great many **highlights** including:

- **The Licencing service with Bishop Paul on September 6th**
- **St. Peter's Golden Jubilee, again with Bishop Paul, October 25th**
- **Remembrance Sunday and Remembrance Day November 8th and 11th**
- **Services through Advent and Christmas - online and in-person**

Working more closely with **The Key 2 Life Foodbank** to include referring families for hampers and emergency food parcels connected our churches with people locally during the second Lockdown November and December; feedback from our neighbours was encouraging, and we saw a marked increase in donations from across the community. Thank you to all who contributed to that emergency support.

An unexpected highlight in Advent was the joy and fellowship at the **outdoor carol service** at St. Peter's as restrictions prevented us following the usual pattern of worship. Members of the congregation of all ages mingled with neighbours and friends from churches together as we gathered in the car park beneath the newly illuminated cross to share in a family friendly service.

"Let's do that again next year" was heard several times that evening, and so I hold on to the hope that through the turbulence of Covid 19, we will see some of the new things stick, such as services on-line, outdoor carols, doorstep visits and finding new ways to connect with resources sent home.

So, it has been very much stop/start for all of us, and as I write, the third lockdown is gradually easing and we can begin to plan ahead... albeit in pencil at the moment.

What has quickly become clear to me is the rich diversity in the parish, all four church buildings and the people who worship in them. I am also aware of how important it is that each church retains their own identity as well as benefitting from the inter-dependence of all four.

So while everything has changed around us, working alongside Revd Stuart, our APA Jacki, Simon and Jimmy, I hope that the core services, traditions and local flavours will continue, and as we move forward, we can do so together, looking ahead to the day when we can raise our voices in song in our buildings again.

And, as we see the regular rhythm of services return, we are looking at spaces for members of our congregations to simply spend time together again, socially, after midweek services; spaces where our neighbours can find friendship too.

So many people appear to be looking for a safe space to talk, for someone to listen, space to light a candle and remember a loved one; for others it's an opportunity to step away from the loneliness and isolation of recent months. And in this way, I trust, we will see our churches at the heart of our communities again.

Looking ahead in 2021 a number of themes are already developing, and a considerable amount of prayer, time and energy is being invested to enable us to:

- Worship together in-person and on-line
- Continue to care for one another
- Re-connect with schools, children, families and young people
- Walk alongside people across the community who are struggling
- Welcome pilgrims and visitors exploring The Way of Learning
- Ensure our buildings are safe and fit for purpose
- Re-imagine our giving and fundraising for a sustainable future

I thank God for calling me here - even in these strange, unpredictable days - and look forward to walking alongside you on the journey ahead.

Assuring you of my prayers,

Lesley

Financial Review (Year ended 31st December 2020)

Total actual receipts on unrestricted and designated funds were £74,435. Restricted income of £2349 was also received plus a restricted legacy of £370,000 from the late Winn Futter. These are detailed in the Financial Statements. 35 members of the congregation donated regularly via the planned giving scheme, and once the churches were closed due to the Covid 19 restrictions this became our main source of income.

£83735 was spent from unrestricted funds to provide the Christian ministry from the Parish of Jarrow, including the contribution to the diocesan parish share of £35,700. (being the full amount of our pledge) The parish share contributes to the provision of clergy stipends and housing.

The actual net result for the year was a deficit of £9300 on unrestricted and designated funds,

The PCC agreed to make a charity donation as in previous years, but at a reduced level. £125 each was donated to the Leprosy Mission, St Oswald's Hospice, Mission to Seafarers.

the Al Shurooq school for the blind in Palestine and the Smile Train . Other charitable giving during the year, £125 to Christian Aid (St Paul's candle box), Children's Society £454 (Christingle and School Carol services) . The Young Parenting pathway £360 and the Key Project £365 (Harvest appeal)

Annual report of the Parochial Church Council

The PCC only met several times during the year 2020

Andrew Lamb, indicated his intention to resign as Safeguarding Officer and Keith Hemmer volunteered to stand for election at the APCM. It was suggested that St. Simon's church could be left open during the day from Easter. No decision was reached. An advertisement for the post of Rector to the Parish was to be placed at the beginning of February with an interview date for March. Four children are to be admitted for confirmation at St Paul's from 1st March

Following the APCM in October which was delayed because of Covid-19, all officers to the PCC were elected. The meeting in November was also attended by members on Zoom. St. Peter's 50th anniversary service was attended by Bishop Paul. We have no official PCC secretary. Revd. Lesley outlined her vision for the Parish in the future. A sub-group has been formed to look at major repairs, grants etc. to be Chaired by Revd. Stuart