

# THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM

England & Wales - Charity number 1138056

## Details

---

Other names	PCC CORRINGHAM
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2010-09-15
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

---

Address	18 Laburnum Drive Corringham Stanford-Le-Hope Essex SS17 7QE
Phone	07712401592
Email	<a href="mailto:webadmin@ubocaf.org.uk">webadmin@ubocaf.org.uk</a>
Website	<a href="http://www.ubocaf.org.uk">www.ubocaf.org.uk</a>

## Activities

---

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

**Activities:** Religious services and care for the community of Corringham providing pastoral support daily worship and baptisms weddings and funerals to support where needed.

## Classification

---

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

## Geography

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

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£115,718	£117,498	-	-
2023-12-31	£99,986	£106,674	-	-
2022-12-31	£89,234	£85,200	-	-
2021-12-31	£87,405	£82,170	-	-
2020-12-31	£136,358	£139,329	-	-

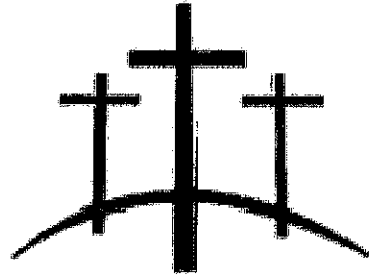
## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Astrid Reichert-Pahike		2025-05-01
BEVERLEY HOWELLS		
CAROL WEBB		2007-03-12
DAVID RICHARD MOTT		1992-03-12
FATHER DAVID ROLLINS		2005-03-12
Jean Hyde-Allen		2025-05-01
Linda Petit		2025-05-01
Michelle Conroy		2025-05-01
PETER CRAGGS		1994-03-12
Ronald White		2024-07-04
Steven Conroy-Zara		2025-05-01
WENDY MOTT		1983-03-12

---

# Accounts

---



**UNITED BENEFICE OF CORRINGHAM AND  
FOBBING**

**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN  
AND  
ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST  
CORRINGHAM  
Charity No. 1138056**

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING  
SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at St. Mary's Church after Mass.

---

### **ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING.**

#### **AGENDA.**

1. Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting 2024
  2. Matters Arising from those Minutes.
  3. Election of two Church Wardens.
- 

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**

#### **AGENDA.**

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2024.
2. Matters Arising from those Minutes.
3. Parish Priest's Report
4. Church Warden's Report
5. PCC Secretary's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Accounts for Churches
8. Benefice Safeguarding Report
9. Deanery Synod Report
10. Electoral Roll Report
11. Messy Mass Report
12. Coffee with Friends Report
13. St. Luke's Chaplaincy Report
14. Lunch Club Report
15. Social Committee Report/Fund Raising
16. Benefice Sewing Group Report
17. Knit and Natter Report
18. Walsingham Cell Report
19. Jigsaw Day Report
20. Little Feet Report
21. Election of Independent Examiner of Accounts.
22. Election of PCC Members.
23. Election/Ratification of Side-persons.

Peter Handscombe  
PCC Secretary



6. **Deanery Synod Report – Peter Handscombe**  
The Deanery Synod had been previously circulated and was accepted.
7. **Health & Safety Report – Peter Handscombe**  
The Health & Safety Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.
8. **Messy Mass Report – Rev Wendy Mott**  
The Messy Mass Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.
9. **St. Luke’s Chaplaincy Report – Rev. Wendy Mott**  
St. Luke’s Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.
10. **Safeguarding Report – Carole Howes Benefice Safeguarding Officer**  
Safeguarding Report had previously been circulated and was accepted. Carole Howes had stated that she will be standing down at the next AGM’S.  
Beverley Howells proposed a vote of thanks to Carole for all the work she had done over the past few years on Safeguarding.
11. **Call in for Coffee – Marion Stephens**  
The Call in for Coffee Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.
12. **Social Committee Report. – Victoria Thompson**  
The Social Committee Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.
13. **Electoral Roll Report – Rev. Wendy Mott**  
Rev. Wendy reported that the Electoral Roll had been updated and submitted.  
The report was accepted.
14. **Knit and Natter Report – Christine Matthews**  
The Knit and Natter Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.
15. **Lunch Club Report – Peter Craggs and Jean Craggs**  
The lunch Club Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.
16. **Walsingham Cell Report - Carol Webb**  
The Walsingham Cell Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.  
Carol Webb reported that we would be unable to visit Walsingham this year due to a Pilgrimage to Malta.
17. **Election of Independent Examination of Accounts**  
Beverley Howells reported that she had approached Mr.Thornton Wallace who confirmed that he was willing to be the Independent Examiner of Accounts.  
Beverley proposed that Mr. Thornton Wallace be appointed as the Independent Examiner of Accounts. It was seconded by Victoria Thompson. All in favour.
18. **Election of PCC Members - Fr. David in Chair**  
There were no Current Members due for re-election and there were no further nominations received. The current members will serve until 2025

19. **Election of Deanery Representatives**

The Parish can have 3 elected members. We currently have two, Beverley Howells and Peter Handscombe, who remain in post until 2025. It was proposed by Carol Webb and seconded by Victoria Thompson that David Mott is also elected as a Deanery Representative. All agreed. David also to serve until 2025.

20. **Election/Ratification of Side Persons & Eucharistic Ministers**

The above are now approved and appointed by the PCC.

In summing up, Fr. David thanked everyone who did various work and jobs for the Church and Parish wide. He thanked Rev Wendy, Elaine for her work as Parish Clerk and Darryl. Without their input he would not be able to do his job. He also thanked all who did the small jobs in and around the Church, Marion for the flowers and Jean and Sandra for providing the coffee/tea after services.

Peter Craggs thanked Fr. David and Rev. Wendy for their work over the year.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 12.33pm.

Peter Handscombe  
PCC Secretary.

I certify that the above Minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Signed Fr D. Rollins (Chairman)

Dated

## Annual Report United Benefice of Corringham and Fobbing

The Parishes of St Mary & St John Corringham and St Michael Fobbing

April 2025

Dear All

I commend this Annual Parochial Report to you which outlines all the activities of our Benefice and Parishes and shows our financial commitments and position during this past year.

A huge THANK YOU to all who contribute to the life of the Parishes and Benefice, through regular financial support and the giving of time and gifts. It is together that we promote and demonstrate the love of God to our local communities.

The daily pattern of prayer with my colleagues Rev Wendy, Rev Lauren and David who joins us, I find personally sustaining and the privilege to celebrate and share the Eucharist with you is a privilege beyond words.

The privilege of praying regularly with colleagues should never be underestimated. This pattern of prayer sustains us, as we daily try to discern what God is asking of us. Reverend Wendy, and I had the pleasure of welcoming Rev Lauren among us last June and I know that she is making her mark on our Benefice life. We look forward to sharing in her priestly Ordination in September 2025.

How can I express my thanks for the hard work of my colleagues in the Ministry Team especially our Reader Pamela, who share the responsibility for preaching and supporting the clergy and **all** who lead and support the Benefice activities. Our Faith in Action is appreciated by all who attend. **THANK YOU.**

I would also like to thank our PCC secretaries Peter and Carole, also a special thank you to Elaine our Parish Administrator who does so much and Darryl our organist who supports our worship and prepares the choir, and David and Bev our treasurers who ensure we live within our means.

The support I personally receive from our Church Wardens and the responsibilities we share and they undertake on behalf of us all is much appreciated; thank you; Christine and Mo, David and Mandy, for all your hard work.

A Parish would be unable to function without all of **You** who contribute in a myriad of ways, who do so much in our church to ensure we run smoothly, whether you're part of the regular reading rota, preparing refreshments, doing laundry, gardening, cleaning **thank you** one and all.

Life within our Benefice continues and we must continue to work together to further Gods Kingdom here amongst our communities of Corringham and Fobbing.

May God Bless us as we go forth in faith to share the good news of the Gospel.

Fr David Rollins - Rector

## **Churchwardens Report**

During the past year we have continued to be aware of the maintenance and care needed to keep both our buildings welcoming and safe for all. Although there has been more need for work to be undertaken at St John's all annual services and regular assessments of the fabric have been completed at St Mary's.

At St Johns both the church and hall end main entrance doors needed replacing following the lock of the church door breaking. As new double-glazed doors were installed, the internal hall end doors were also replaced. The Romanian Church helped towards the cost of installation. During the year a reversing lorry caused damage to the driveway paving at St Johns. Repair work was covered by Insurance.

Alongside these tasks a new passive light was added to the wall outside by the driveway at St Johns so as to make the approach to the entrance and access to the bin easier after dark. Repairs were made to the taps and the men's toilet. The gas meter was also replaced.

In accordance with regulations around maintenance and care of our grounds a full tree survey was undertaken around both churches. Necessary recommended work around trimming some of the trees to give clearance around wires and overhanging perimeters will be completed before the next Annual meeting.

Site acres have also continued to maintain our grounds so that they look tidy. Thank you to everyone who has helped by contributing to the cost of this necessary work.

Thank you to everyone who quietly contributes to helping with minor maintenance, cleaning, gardening and general upkeep. All these vital tasks are greatly appreciated.

As your churchwardens we have endeavoured to be vigilant in our tasks. Thank you all for your help and support.

Mandy Waite and David Mott

## **PCC Secretary's Report**

At the first meeting of the PCC after the APCM held on 26th April 2024 the following officers were elected:

Lay Chair - David Mott  
PCC Secretary - Peter Handscombe  
Electoral Roll Officer - Rev Wendy Mott  
Treasurer - Beverley Howells

Corringham's PCC met 7 times during the last year, on 28th May, 4th July, 10th September, 17th October, 4th February, 20th March, 29th April. Financial reports were submitted at each meeting.

Elaine East  
Acting Minute Secretary

## Treasurer's Report 2024

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to our finances in 2024- the individuals, those that run groups and those that are involved in Fund Raising.

We now have a total of 21 people giving via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), unfortunately we have lost a couple of people who had been giving this way- we still collect over £1700 p/month. It would be lovely if more people decided to give this way- it makes it a lot easier for me as I know exactly how much money I'm getting in and Gift Aid is automatically added. I will be having a drive in 2025 to see if I can get a few more to donate this way. Even if you are not a Tax Payer you can use this scheme. Please ask me if you would like more information.

In 2024 we didn't manage to pay our Family Purse in full but did pay them over £43,000

Miss Long and Cathy Charlton's money continue to grow.

The Repair Fund has grown this year- we have received a steady income but have had no expenses.

I would also like to say a HUGE thank you to the team that raises money for the India Project. We have been supporting this charity for several years. The group that raises money for this charity holds many Fund Raising activities and manages to meet the target that we have set.

I would like to give a huge thank you to the Romanian Church who use St John's for their services- without them our year would have looked very different.

Finally I would like to say without all of you making the contributions you do our finances would be in a very sorry state- so Thank You all.

*Bev*

## **Safeguarding Report**

At the first joint PCC meeting after both APCMs, the Safeguarding Policy was read aloud and adopted by the Benefice. Copies of this are on noticeboards in all three churches and in Gardner Hall.

In recent months we have begun the process of ensuring all PCC members are DBS checked, and this process is nearing completion. All PCC members have also undertaken online safeguarding training on the subject of domestic abuse. We continue to ensure that safeguarding training is up to date for all those whose role requires it.

I am stepping down from as Benefice Safeguarding Officer and this role will now be filled by Carolyn McAllister. Carolyn has completed the required training and, as a teacher has a great understanding of, and experience in safeguarding matters. I hope you will all support Carolyn in her new role, which can be demanding at times, but is a very necessary part of church life. I will continue to act as an assistant should Carolyn need me.

Safeguarding is a hugely important topic and remains a high point of focus for the Benefice. We would like to emphasise that the safeguarding of all vulnerable individuals, children and adults, is the responsibility of every member of our churches.

Carole Howes  
PSO

## **Deanery Synod Report**

The Deanery Synod met five times during the year from April 2024 to date. Each meeting started with joint worship which was followed by a guest speaker and then the business part of the meeting.

In April our guest speaker was Bishop Adam Atkinson, Bishop of Bradwell. We did not have a guest speaker in July but spent some time talking through the seven guiding principles of Travelling Well Together. In January 2025 Archdeacon Jonathan Croucher spoke about the Bradwell Area bid for SMMIB funding from the central church. In October Michelle Cottis spoke about how we take responsibility as a church body to raise funds from within and outside the church. Our latest speaker was Sandra Eldridge, the Diocesan Environmental Officer who gave a presentation on responding to climate change.

There are regular updates from both the General Synod representative and the Diocesan Synod representative and the Deanery Treasurer also gives a regular report.

Carole Howes  
Deanery Synod Representative

## **Electoral Roll Officers Report**

This year following statutory requirements our electoral roll has been completely renewed. Thank you to everyone for returning their forms

Application for inclusion closed on April 20<sup>th</sup> and the completed roll was available in both churches from 27<sup>th</sup> April.

For 2025 there are 55 people on the Electoral Roll for the Parish of Corringham. Of these 31 are resident and 24 are regular worshippers within our church but not resident within our Parish.

All now on the roll will remain so for six years unless personal circumstances change, or you request to be removed.

**Rev Wendy Mott**  
**Electoral Roll Officer**

## **Messy Church Report**

Messy Church has continued to meet on the second Tuesday of each month with families enjoying bible stories craft food and fellowship. Each month following a theme with linked activities involving lots of glue, paint, paper and icing. With one activity linked to a prayer space each month, there is much time for reflection and sharing.

Once again without the commitment of all who give of their time to be part of the helping team, Messy Church would not be a visible outreach to families for mission. Thank you to all who help with catering and craft, setting up and clearing away.

Families attending make us aware of how Messy Church is so looked forward to by everyone. Although many of our regular families are now getting older, we hope that Messy Church, now in its eleventh year of fellowship, continues to be viable each month.

Thank you to everyone involved for their support.

**Rev Wendy**

## **Coffee with Friends**

Unfortunately in September we had to suspend the Club due to Peter's ill health, the death of two of our regulars and the changes/cancellation to the timetable of the local bus companies. We will reassess the situation later in the year but wish to thank everybody who supported us.

Peter and Marion Handscombe

## **St Lukes Hospice Chaplaincy**

With my Hospice Chaplaincy continuing every Wednesday, I am now the Volunteer Chaplain for the Thurrock site, where I support patients and their families along with staff. Each week listening, talking and praying or helping with the ongoing jigsaws. The calm, the peace and the dedicated care of every member of staff, is a great support to all.

With the in-patient unit opening at the new site, I was asked to base myself completely at Thurrock and mould the Chaplaincy role, which I have tried to do, building resources and links, always an ongoing process.

Having now been a Chaplain for the Hospice for over 10 years, having been recognised for my ten years' service with the presentation of a badge, I hope that my chaplaincy work can continue. Always being of support and fulfilling my statutory obligation for courses and training.

**Rev Wendy**

## **Lunch Club Report 2024.**

Another successful year, with up to 48 people attending the Lunch Club held on the first Wednesday of the month, except for August, at St. John's Hall. We still have a waiting list for people wishing to join.

Everyone seems to enjoy the two course lunch and tea or coffee, followed by an activity, we have had; Bingo, a quiz, a Beetle Drive and in December we had a Christmas Carol Service. In July instead of a lunch we had not just an Afternoon Tea, but a Marks & Spencer Afternoon Tea, this was a departure from the usual lunch. The cost is £6 per person, which covers all our costs and leaving a surplus, used for extras such as prizes, Christmas crackers, shloer, Easter eggs, etc.

Late in the year Christine and her daughter, Jennifer had to leave our team of helpers due to health reasons. Farewell gifts were bought for them both. Thanks to them both for all their many years of service.

Thurrock Council, Adult Social Services attend each month to offer help and assistance to anyone that needs a referral.

Thank you to all the helpers for all their hard work over the past year in making the Lunch Club such a success.

Jean Craggs  
February 2025

## **Social Committee Report**

Another busy year for our group.

We held a successful Quiz Night- thank you to Alan who asked the questions- I think all of us had our Brain Cells working overtime. We held a Murder Evening- not only did we make a good profit everyone (actors and audience) enjoyed themselves- we need to say Thank You to Ramos who provided supper for us. We will be holding another murder in 2025, as lots of people asked when we were holding the next. We held our Autumn Bazaar in October with The Raffle being drawn in December- this has been much more successful than having them together in December. Peter again had his Christmas Quiz, with the old brain cells having to clank into action again.

We had a couple of other events- not designed to raise money but to get together socially. We had our Bring and Share lunch for our Patronal Festival at the beginning of September and Carol organised the annual trip to Southend. Both these events were very much enjoyed.

Please let us know if you have any new ideas that we can use for forthcoming events.

Thank you to everyone who attended any of these or donated Raffle prizes

*Bev, Mandy, Peter, Carol, Victoria and Lucy*

## **Benefice Sewing Group Report**

The Benefice Sewing Group meets on the second Wednesday of the month, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 30 a.m. at St Michael's Church, Fobbing, although Weddings, Funerals and other Occasional Offices will always take priority.

A modest number of 8 are regular attendees, and between them, over the year, they have sewn table cloths for St John's, a children's banner displayed in St Michael's, pinafores for Cedar House Care Home residents, various items for St Michael's fêtes/bazaars. Of course, there was the Christmas Festival at which we displayed our decorations.

A few of the group come in for a chat and company, while the rest chat and sew. So sewing is not a prerequisite to joining the group. Enjoying a cuppa and some cake/ biscuits/company perhaps is! Let Margaret or Jenny know if you would like to come along.

Looking ahead, we have a few projects in mind to help with story-telling. Let's wait and see...

Thank you all who have contributed fabric, and other sewing aids, and our group members for making it such a friendly, happy time.

God bless,  
Margaret Eve & Jenny Tweddle

## **Knit & Natter Group Annual Report 2024-25**

The Knit and Natter group has had a busy year with some new members joining the group and plenty of projects to work on.

The group now has 21 members and still meets on Monday mornings in St Michael's from 10 to 12.30.

This year we have worked on various projects including knitted Christmas food for the Christmas tree festival and small chicks to go in the Fobbing Easter boxes. Lorraine gets the prize for the most chicks knitted as she produced 50!

Some members have also been working on figures for the Last Supper which is now complete and on display in St Michaels. As you would expect there are 13 figures along with a chalice, jug and basket of bread rolls, all knitted. One of our members, Branka has made a lovely wooden table to sit the figures around.

Alongside these projects members have been busy knitting and crocheting squares which Diane has made up into blankets. These are delivered to a shop in Corringham where one of the shop workers has contacts with local care homes who regularly request blankets. To date we have supplied around 50 Blankets. Some members are also knitting scarves for seamen, another ongoing project.

In preparation for Christmas 2025 we are busy knitting angels. As there will be no Christmas tree festival this year we are undertaking a project of our own, a scaled down version of a project in Chester. The aim is to knit 100 angels and distribute them through the village and then invite villagers to seek them out and keep them. We will have a message attached to each one along the lines of Peace, Joy or Hope as well as a seasonal greeting. We will then ask that any angels found are reported back on the Village WhatsApp group called Fobbing Connected. This should be a good community project,

Christine Matthews  
April 2025

## **Walsingham Report**

Last year, 2024, we did not attend Walsingham for our annual pilgrimage. A party of about thirty, led by Father David, travelled, instead, to Malta and Gozo for a week's holiday and pilgrimage visiting the many beautiful churches. On the last day, Sunday, Father David led a Mass at nearby church.

This year on the 16 May 2025 a group of ten pilgrims will be spending the weekend at Walsingham.

Carol Webb

## Fobbing Jigsaw Day Annual Report 2024-25



Those of you who enjoy a good jigsaw might be interested to know that this 'Time for tea' jigsaw was used at the British Jigsaw Championships in Bradford earlier this month. The winner completed the jigsaw in 41mins 55secs.

However, I think it's true to say that the jigsaws completed at the monthly Jigsaw Days are generally done at a somewhat more leisurely pace. It would be fun to get hold of a copy of this and see if anyone is brave enough to time themselves.

Watch this space...

The monthly jigsaw days are now well into their 7<sup>th</sup> year and there are many regulars who rarely miss a session. In the last year the numbers have averaged 20 per month but on those occasions where we have had 25 people we have reached full capacity. Jigsaws take up a lot of room!

However, as I said in my last report, the numbers are not hugely important as this is a pastime enjoyed with just one or two people around you who help or chat as the jigsaws slowly take shape. Most of the regulars have always been keen on doing jigsaws but a few seek out the smaller puzzles and take pleasure in the company of others and the availability of bacon rolls! All approaches are welcome.

Little has changed about the overall format in the 54 sessions we have held. We still serve up bacon rolls and tea cakes alongside a variety of cakes generously donated by talented bakers. Unfortunately, I haven't managed to improve the efficiency of my catering skills but everyone is patient and hopefully nobody goes home hungry. In December, however, we had a lovely Christmas session where we temporarily covered up the jigsaws and set up a long table where everyone could share a Christmas buffet and read out all the terrible jokes from the Christmas crackers.

Finally, we have 2 important thank you messages to include. This year most of the cakes have been provided by Carolyn McAllister and we're very grateful to her for that. We must also thank Rosalyn Jones who, once again, has come to every session to help with the refreshments and who takes home all the jigsaws at the end to store them until next time.

Jigsaws, companionship and food – life doesn't get much better than that in my book.

Deborah Raddon : April 2025

### Little Feet Report

The Little Feet group meet once each month. We usually look at the Gospel story for the day and have an associated activity. There is only usually 3/4 children but they do enjoy this time together.

Written on behalf of Jenny by Fr David



**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31st December 2024  
Registered Charity Number:1138056

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
<b><u>Incoming resources from donors</u></b>		
Planned giving	27,779.00	26,974.00
Collections and other giving	5,093.00	5,842.00
	<b>£32,872.00</b>	<b>£32,816.00</b>
<b><u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u></b>		
Donations	1,019.00	2,960.00
Restricted Donations	33,892.00	10,173.00
Charities	2,511.00	2,138.00
Fundraising Events	2,158.00	3,276.00
Hall Income	26,854.00	27,708.00
	<b>£66,434.00</b>	<b>£46,255.00</b>
<b><u>Income from Charitable &amp; Ancillary Trading</u></b>		
Sale of magazines & candles	410.00	416.00
Fees PCC	3,213.00	2,408.00
Fees (Restricted)	9,574.00	15,617.00
Sundries	916.00	0.00
	<b>£14,113.00</b>	<b>£18,441.00</b>
<b><u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u></b>	<b>£113,419.00</b>	<b>£97,512.00</b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
<b><u>Grants</u></b>		
Charities	1,925.00	1,820.00
	<b>£1,925.00</b>	<b>£1,820.00</b>
<b><u>Activities directly relating to the work of the Church</u></b>		
Diocesan Quota	43,137.00	39,600.00
Clergy Expenses	771.00	990.00
Return Fees (Designated)	6,132.00	9,723.00
Sanctuary	4,170.00	4,633.00
Flowers	142.00	157.00
Building, maintenance, etc	22,194.00	17,924.00
Use Restricted Funding	23,764.00	5,902.00
	<b>£100,310.00</b>	<b>78,929.00</b>
<b><u>Church management &amp; administration</u></b>		
Printing & stationery	4,802.00	5,007.00
Power & Utilities	4,792.00	6,220.00
Miscellaneous	5,669.00	14,698.00
	<b>£15,263.00</b>	<b>25,925.00</b>
<b><u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u></b>	<b><u>£117,498.00</u></b>	<b><u>£106,674.00</u></b>
Excess of payments over receipts	4,079.00	9,162.00
Excess of receipts over payments		
Transfer Reconciliation	222.00	
Opening balance at 1st Jan	24,485.00	33,647.00
Closing balance at 31st Dec	<b><u>£20,628.00</u></b>	<b><u>£24,485.00</u></b>

Approved by Parochial Church Council on  
and signed on its behalf by:-

Rev. D. Rollins (Chairman)

*D. Rollins*

13/04/25

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

*B. Howells*

13/4/25

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2024  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund**

	<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Restricted Donations	180.00	1,130.00
Donations	180.00	180.00
Fundraising Events		
Legacy CCLA	1,939.00	1,163.00
	<b>£2,299.00</b>	<b>£2,473.00</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
Maintenance		
CCLA		
Specific Fund		
Miscellaneous		
	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>
Excess of Receipts over Payments	2,299.00	2,473.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		
Opening Balance 1st January	13,841.00	11,368.00
<b>Closing Balance at 31st December</b>	<b>£16,140.00</b>	<b>£13,841.00</b>

**Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund**

<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
CBF Deposit Interest	<b>£164.00</b>	72.00
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund	<b>£1,599.00</b>	1,435.00

**Kathy Charlton Legacy**

Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007

Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)	<b>£37,250.00</b>	37,250.00
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)	<b>£77,618.00</b>	73,862.00

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**

**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b><u>Sunday Morning Coffee</u></b>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	-£1.00	32.00
Donations	324.00	260.00
Expenses	319.00	293.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		33.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments	5.00	
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£4.00</b>	<b>-£1.00</b>
<b><u>Call in for Coffee-new</u></b>		
Opening Balance	174.00	154.00
Donations	19.00	60.00
Charity Donations	110.00	40.00
Expenses		
Excess of Receipts over Payments		20.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts	91.00	
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£83.00</b>	<b>£174.00</b>
<b><u>Lunch Club</u></b>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	£106.00	250.00
Donations	2,592.00	2,076.00
Expenses	2,474.00	2,220.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		144.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments	118.00	
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£224.00</b>	<b>£106.00</b>
<b><u>Messy Mass</u></b>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	£300.00	215.00
Donations	843.00	679.00
Expenses	723.00	594.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		
Excess of Receipts over Payments	120.00	85.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£420.00</b>	<b>£300.00</b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2024  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2023**

	<u><b>2024</b></u>	<u><b>2023</b></u>
<b><u>BARCLAYS</u></b>		
Bank Current Account	20,628.00	24,485.00
Bank Repair Fund	16,140.00	13,841.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£36,768.00</u></b>	<b><u>£38,326.00</u></b>
<b><u>DEPOSITS</u></b>		
Miss Long Account	1,599.00	1,435.00
Deposit Fund Investment	37,250.00	37,250.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£38,849.00</u></b>	<b><u>£38,685.00</u></b>
<b><u>SHARES</u></b>		
Accumulated Fund Investment	<b><u>£77,618.00</u></b>	<b><u>£73,862.00</u></b>
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>£153,235.00</u></b>	<b><u>£150,873.00</u></b>



## **Independent examiner's report to the PCC of the Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Corringham**

I report on the accounts off the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out over 5 enclosed pages.

### **Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 142 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

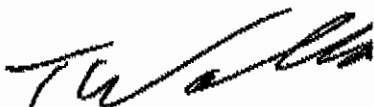
### **Basis of this report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts.

### **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 s.130 of the 2011 Act or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) Which, in my opinion, should be drawn to the notice of the PCC in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



Thornton Wallace  
69 Theydon Crescent  
Basildon  
Essex  
SS14 3LW  
24/3/25

---

# Accounts

---



**UNITED BENEFICE OF CORRINGHAM  
AND FOBHING**

**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN  
AND  
ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST  
CORRINGHAM  
Charity No. 1138056**

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING  
SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at St. Mary's Church after Mass.

---

### **ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING.**

#### **AGENDA**

- Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting 2023
  - Matters Arising from those Minutes.
  - Election of two Church Wardens.
- 

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**

#### **AGENDA**

- Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2023.
- Matters Arising from those Minutes.
- Parish Priest's Report – Fr. David Rollins.
- Church Warden's Report - David Mott and Mandy Waite.
- Treasurer's Report – Beverley Howells.
- Accounts for Churches
- Deanery Synod Report – Peter Handscombe.
- Health & Safety Report – Peter Handscombe.
- Messy Church Report – Rev Wendy Mott.
- St. Luke's Chaplaincy Report – Rev Wendy Mott.
- Benefice Safeguarding Report – Carole Howes.
- Electoral Roll Report.
- Walsingham Cell Report – Carol Webb.
- Little Feet Report – Jenny Froom.
- Call in for Coffee – Marion Stephens.
- Social Committee Report/Fund Raising – Victoria Thompson/Social Committee.
- Knit & Natter Report - Christine Matthews.
- Lunch Club Report – Peter and Jean Craggs.
- Election of Independent Examiner of Accounts.
- Election of PCC Members.
- Election/Ratification of Side-persons.

Peter Handscombe PCC Secretary.

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING HELD ON  
SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023 AT 12.20PM AFTER MASS.**

**Present:** Fr. David Rollins in Chair - there were 23 Parishioners present.

**Apologies:** Christine Miles, Mandy Waite, Beverley Howells.

The minutes of the Vestry Meeting of Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023 were agreed, with no matters arising.

**Election of Church Wardens:** There were two nominations:

Mr. David Mott	Proposed by Mr. Peter Craggs Seconded by Mrs. Carol Webb
----------------	---

Mrs. Mandy Waite	Proposed by Mrs. Bev Howells Seconded by Mr. Peter Handscombe
------------------	--

Mr. David Mott and Mrs. Mandy Waite were unopposed and duly elected.

Vestry Meeting closed at 12.25pm.

---

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING WHICH FOLLOWED  
THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING WITH 23 PARISHIONERS PRESENT.**

**1. Minutes:**

The minutes of the previous APCM of Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023 had been previously circulated, prior to the meeting, for members.

It was proposed by Mrs. Victoria Thompson and seconded by Mrs. Marion Hunting that the minutes be accepted. All in favour.

**2. Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**3. Parish Priest's and Curate's Report – Fr. David Rollins / Rev Wendy Mott:**

The Parish Priest's Report having previously been circulated was accepted. Fr David also added that he thanked Marion Stephens for providing and arranging the Church flowers.

**4. Church Wardens Report – David Mott and Mandy Waite:**

The Church Warden's Report having been previously circulated was accepted.

**5. Treasurer's Report – Beverley Howells**

The Treasurers report had been previously circulated and was accepted.

Marion Stephens raised a point on the accounts in that it showed that money had been given from the account for the provision of flowers. She explained that she provided the flowers for the church and had not received any such monies. Beverley explained that where flowers had been provided as gifts to Parishioners' on special occasions these had been shown under the general heading as Church

Flowers. Marion asked that in future these gifts be shown under a separate heading for clarity. Beverley would look into it.

John Hunting noted that Power and Utilities had shown a drop in expenses this was due to Beverley signing a fixed term contract. Noted.

Fr. David reported that Beverley Howells and Mandy Waite had purchased three radiant heaters to help heat the Church. These heaters were low power usage and would supplement the gas heating. It was proposed by Roz Cummings and seconded by John Hunting that the heaters be used and thanks to Beverley and Mandy.

**6. Deanery Synod Report – Peter Handscombe**

The Deanery Synod had been previously circulated and was accepted.

**7. Health & Safety Report – Peter Handscombe**

The Health & Safety Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**8. Messy Mass Report – Rev. Wendy Mott**

The Messy Mass Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**9. St. Luke's Chaplaincy Report – Rev. Wendy Mott**

St. Luke's Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**10. Safeguarding Report – Carole Howes Benefice Safeguarding Officer**

Safeguarding Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**11. Call in for Coffee – Marion Stephens**

The Call in for Coffee Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**12. Social Committee Report. – Victoria Thompson**

The Social Committee Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**13. Electoral Roll Report – Rev. Wendy Mott**

Rev. Wendy reported that the Electoral Roll had been updated and submitted. The report was accepted.

**14. Knit and Natter Report – Christine Matthews**

The Knit and Natter Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**15. Lunch Club Report – Peter Craggs and Jean Craggs**

The lunch Club Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**16. Walsingham Cell Report - Carol Webb**

The Walsingham Cell Report had previously been circulated and was accepted.

**17. Election of Independent Examination of Accounts**

Beverley Howells reported that she had approached Mr.Thornton Wallace who confirmed that he was willing to be the Independent Examiner of Accounts. Beverley proposed that Mr. Thornton Wallace be appointed as the Independent Examiner of Accounts. It was seconded by Mandy Waite. All in favour.

**18. Election of PCC Members - Fr. David in Chair:**

There were no Current Members due for re-election and there were no further nominations received. The current members will serve until 2025

**19. Election of Deanery Representatives:**

The Parish can have 3 elected members. We currently have two, Beverley Howells and Peter Handscombe, who remain in post until 2025. It was proposed by Carol Webb and seconded by Victoria Thompson that David Mott is also elected as a Deanery Representative. All agreed. David also to serve until 2025.

**22. Election/Ratification of Side Persons & Eucharistic Ministers:**

The above are now approved and appointed by the PCC.

In summing up Fr. David thanked everyone who did work for the Church and Parish wide. Bishop Guli had circulated a report called Travelling Well Together and we do things well together. At Easter we had the most in the Congregation for months, doing things we do well counts.

Peter Craggs thanked Fr. David and Rev. Wendy for their work over the year.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 12.45pm.

Peter Handscombe  
PCC Secretary.

I certify that the above Minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Signed Fr D. Rollins (Chairman)

Dated 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## ANNUAL REPORTS FOR YEAR 2023

### Parish Priest's Report: Fr. David Rollins

Each year I admit I find it harder to reflect clearly on the past year, as my memories of past events all jostle for position. In some ways I find that encouraging as it must mean the past year was without any catastrophic event. For most of us find comfort and security in the known and are not seeking dramatic events which rock the foundations of our world or our faith.

Personally, I find great comfort in the regular rhythm of worship whether praying alongside Rev Wendy and David or with others and both celebrating and attend the Eucharist. These are the bedrock of my faith journey.

Our yearly Annual Report is the opportunity to reflect on the past year and help to plan for the forthcoming year. I know for many, regular attendance at the Sunday or Mid weeks services is fundamental to their spiritual wellbeing. Alongside our worship we also have many other activities which take place across the Benefice, these activities are Faith in Action, reaching out to all from the wider community. You will find reports of these activities, within our Annual Report. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helps organise these events.

I would also like to thank the Officers of our PCC's, the Church Wardens, PCC secretaries and treasurers for all their hard work and diligence.

I must thank our four Church Wardens Christine, Mo, David and Mandy who do so much in ensuring the smooth running of our parishes and support the clergy in their role.

Our two treasurers Bev and David work diligently to ensure our financial stability. There are many demands on our finances especially as we are all living with the consequences of inflation and increased costs. I would like to thank all who contribute financially to our parishes and all who offer their gifts and talents in the service of God and our parishes.

Whatever you do for the church whether keeping the grounds tidy, linen cleaned, cleaning the church, arrange the flowers, whatever the task whether big or small, **thank you.**

How can I express my thanks for the hard work of my colleagues; Rev Wendy, words don't express how much I personally appreciate all that you do within the Benefice. We also have the privilege of the preaching skills of David and Pamela, David is now reducing his commitments, but we give thanks for all that he has shared through the years.

I would also like to thank our PCC secretaries Peter and Carole, and Elaine our Parish Administrator who do so much behind the scenes.

The Parish couldn't function without many individuals playing their role; Darryl our organist, the choir, servers, those who organise our social events and fundraisers, **thank you.**

I commend our report to you, outlining all the activities of the Benefice and our financial position.

I look forward to the coming year, and the arrival of a new colleague, Lauren and her family.

Life within our Benefice continues to flourish, as we continue to work together to further Gods Kingdom in the communities of Corringham and Fobbing.

May God Bless us as we go forward in faith to share the good news of the Gospel.

### **CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT: Mandy Waite and David Mott**

Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone who helps to care and look after St. Mary's and St. John's Churches.

We know there are many who work quietly in the background to help with flowers, cleaning, and general upkeep. All your efforts are truly appreciated.

2023 was a very significant year for everyone, as in May we all celebrated the Kings coronation. At St Mary's we had the privilege to join the national bell ringing initiative. Our three bells were rung by those who attended evensong on the eve of the Coronation, and our contribution was recorded by Essex Bellringers.

During 2023 we have continued to care for the maintenance and upkeep of St Marys and St Johns so that both are welcoming and safe. In St Mary's minor plaster work repairs and some repainting of walls were carried out by Bakers of Danbury. For both Churches routine maintenance was kept up to date. All checks and safety requirements have been carried out including boiler service and gas inspection, PAT testing, lightning conductor, and fire equipment checks.

Applications were made for the installation of a new noticeboard in St Mary's Churchyard on the opposite side to the current one. This was to facilitate more notification of Church events for people using the footpath. The Archdeacon agreed, leading to the new noticeboard being installed in February 2024. The Archdeacon also gave permission for the replacement of the Cross outside St Johns in natural wood as it was rotting and unrepairable. The cross, also now installed, was made, and paid for by the Orthodox Church.

In mid-2023, Site Acres were appointed as the new Gardeners for both Churches, as the previous Gardener had moved away. This has incurred more expenditure, but we are hoping to continue to maintain the grounds and are very grateful to those who contribute to help with some of the cost.

As we all continue to face the challenges of the current time, we thank you for letting us serve as your churchwardens. If appointed for the coming year, we will endeavour to care for the fabric of both churches so that they continue to be a visible witness to our local community.

## **Treasurer's Report: Beverley Howells.**

This year has seen an increase in the number of people who pay via PGS- we now have 23 people paying this way, this makes my job a lot easier as Gift Aid is claimed automatically and paid every month. We also have 13 people paying by Standing Order. Both these methods help with budgeting as I know I have a guaranteed income of £2,344.68 coming in every month. Although this seems to be a large sum it doesn't even cover the £2,918.21, that we pay to Chelmsford every month. All our bills have gone up over the past year electricity, gas, water, grass cutting, etc. We receive a steady income from the various groups that hire St John's Hall thank you to all of those, giving us over £27,700 during the course of the year. On paper it looks as if our current account has dropped by over £9,000 but this is due to the fact that we, the PCC, decided to move £10,000 into CCLA, which gives a good return on our investments We continue to support the Indian Project- all money paid is raised via specific donations or through fund raising, many thanks to their fund raising team. There was little change in the Repair Fund- interest going in from investments and some donations. We had no expenses as we didn't have any large repairs. I want to end by thanking everyone who contributes, in any way, to our accounts- Fund Raisers, the Planned Givers, one off donations (for specific work) etc. If anyone wants to know more about PGS please ask- I'm always ready to encourage extra supporters.

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31st December 2023  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**General Fund Receipts and Payment Account**

	<b><u>2023</u></b>	<b><u>2022</u></b>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
<b><u>Incoming resources from donors</u></b>		
Planned giving	26,974.00	24,704.00
Collections and other giving	5,842.00	6,083.00
	<b>£32,816.00</b>	<b>30,787.00</b>
<b><u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u></b>		
Donations	2,960.00	2,642.00
Restricted Donations	10,173.00	12,245.00
Charities	2,138.00	2,625.00
Fundraising Events	3,276.00	2,642.00
Hall Income	27,708.00	22,938.00
	<b>£46,255.00</b>	<b>43,092.00</b>
<b><u>Income from Charitable &amp; Ancillary Trading</u></b>		
Sale of magazines & candles	416.00	346.00
Fees PCC	2,408.00	1,046.00
Fees (Restricted)	15,617.00	12,261.00
Sundries	0.00	1,060.00
	<b>£18,441.00</b>	<b>14,713.00</b>
<b><u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u></b>	<b><u>£97,512.00</u></b>	<b><u>£88,592.00</u></b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2023  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**General Fund Receipts and Payment Account**

	<b><u>2023</u></b>	<b><u>2022</u></b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
<b><u>Grants</u></b>		
Charities	1,820.00	2,569.00
	<b>1,820.00</b>	<b>2,569.00</b>
<b><u>Activities directly relating to the work of the Church</u></b>		
Diocesan Quota	39,600.00	34,672.00
Clergy Expenses	990.00	663.00
Return Fees (Designated)	9,723.00	7,959.00
Sanctuary	4,633.00	3,496.00
Flowers	157.00	150.00
Building,maintenance,etc	17,924.00	19,566.00
Use Restricted Funding	5,902.00	2,086.00
	<b>78,929.00</b>	<b>68,592.00</b>
<b><u>Church management &amp; administration</u></b>		
Printing & stationery	5,007.00	3,868.00
Power & Utilities	6,220.00	3,936.00
Miscellaneous	14,698.00	2,937.00
	<b>25,925.00</b>	<b>10,741.00</b>
<b><u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u></b>	<b><u>£106,674.00</u></b>	<b><u>£81,902.00</u></b>
Excess of payments over receipts	<b>9,162.00</b>	
Excess of receipts over payments		<b>6,690.00</b>
Transfer Reconciliation		<b>222.00</b>
Opening balance at 1st Jan	<b>33,647.00</b>	<b>26,735.00</b>
<b>Closing balance at 31st Dec</b>	<b><u>£24,485.00</u></b>	<b><u>£33,647.00</u></b>

Approved by Parochial Church Council on  
and signed on its behalf by:-

Rev. D. Rollins (Chairman)

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2023  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Restricted Donations	1,130.00	280.00
Donations	180.00	180.00
Fundraising Events		
Legacy CCLA	1,163.00	182.00
	<b>2,473.00</b>	<b>642.00</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
Maintenance		3,298.00
CCLA		
Specific Fund		
Miscellaneous		
	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,298.00</b>
Excess of Receipts over Payments	2,473.00	
Excess of Payments over Receipts		2,656.00
Opening Balance 1st January	11,368.00	14,024.00
<b>Closing Balance at 31st December</b>	<b>£13,841.00</b>	<b>£11,368.00</b>

**Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund**

**Receipts**

CBF Deposit Interest	72.00	73.00
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund	1,435.00	1,363.00

**Kathy Charlton Legacy**

Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007

Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)	37,250.00	27,250.00
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)	73,862.00	66,616.00

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2023  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b><u>Sunday Morning Coffee</u></b>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	<b>32.00</b>	<b>79.00</b>
Donations	260.00	201.00
Expenses	293.00	248.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts	33.00	47.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments		
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>-£1.00</b>	<b>£32.00</b>
 <b><u>Call in for Coffee-new</u></b>		
Opening Balance	154.00	0.00
Donations	60.00	<b>154.00</b>
Charity Donations	40.00	
Expenses		
Excess of Receipts over Payments	20.00	
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£174.00</b>	<b>£154.00</b>
 <b><u>Lunch Club</u></b>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	<b>250.00</b>	<b>165.00</b>
Donations	2,076.00	1,447.00
Expenses	2,220.00	1,362.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts	144.00	
Excess of Receipts over Payments		85.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£106.00</b>	<b>£250.00</b>
 <b><u>Messy Mass</u></b>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	<b>215.00</b>	<b>123.00</b>
Donations	679.00	751.00
Expenses	594.00	659.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		
Excess of Receipts over Payments	85.00	92.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£300.00</b>	<b>£215.00</b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2023  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2023**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b><u>BARCLAYS</u></b>		
Bank Current Account	24,485.00	33,647.00
Bank Repair Fund	13,841.00	11,368.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£38,326.00</u></b>	<b><u>£45,015.00</u></b>
<b><u>DEPOSITS</u></b>		
Miss Long Account	1435.00	1,363.00
Deposit Fund Investment	37250.00	27,250.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£38,685.00</u></b>	<b><u>£28,613.00</u></b>
<b><u>SHARES</u></b>		
Accumulated Fund Investment	<b><u>£73,862.00</u></b>	<b><u>£66,616.00</u></b>
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>£150,873.00</u></b>	<b><u>£140,244.00</u></b>

### **Deanery Synod Report: Peter Handscombe**

The Parish has three Deanery representatives being myself, David Mott, and Beverley Howells.

The first meeting of the year was in January 2023 at Chafford Hundred. The Speaker was The Ven. Mike Power – Archdeacon of Southend, who talked about his call to faith and the vision of the direction of the Church in the Diocese.

The business of the meeting discussed the Orsett Show and an appeal for help on the day and finance. MMU's no longer needed but Parishes need to work more together.

The next meeting was on the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at St. John's, Tilbury. There are no minutes available for this date; I was unable to attend.

A meeting was held at St. Michael's, Fobbing on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023. This was the first meeting of the Triennium the main order of business being the election of Officers (both Clergy and Lay) of the Deanery and Standing Committee. Fr. David and Beverley Howells were elected to the Standing Committee. After the elections news and events from the Parishes were announced. David Mott was later elected as Vice Chair as it was vacant. Frank Woolard the Lay Chair had a heart attack and has since recovered.

The final meeting of the year was held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at St. Catherine's, East Tilbury. At this meeting Belinda Ramsey (Children, Youth and Families Advisor for Bradwell Area.) – Giving a summary of her work in the Diocese and acknowledging that many churches have lost their younger church group since The Pandemic. She recommended small steps to rebuild and advice available. Rev Darren Barlow announced that he was moving to Shenfield so we would need a New Rural Dean next year.

### **Health and Safety Report: Peter Handscombe**

Health and Safety is dealt with on a rolling basis and updated where necessary. Any incidents are recorded in Report books which are located in all our buildings within the First Aid boxes. The Health & Safety Officer then reviews the report to assess if further additions/amendments need to be made to the Risk Assessments. The First Aid boxes have now been updated to include foil blankets.

All the gravestones at St. Mary's have been checked by the application of pressure and no further action needs to be taken.

The trees at St. Mary's and St. John's are being assessed by qualified persons and a report is awaited.

### **Messy Church Report: Rev Wendy Mott**

Messy Church has had another year of fun and fellowship, for families, as we have met together on the second Tuesday of each month in St John's. The children continue to freely engage in the craft activities linked to each theme and have enjoyed Fr David's story and time for reflection. They also greatly look forward to their meal. As in previous years the commitment of all those who are part of the team who help each month with supervising the activities and organising the food and the layout and clearing away of tables is greatly appreciated.

### **St Luke's Chaplaincy Report: Rev Wendy Mott**

This year I have continued my chaplaincy volunteering at St Lukes. Based more at the new site in Thurrock I help on a Wednesday to provide practical and spiritual to all who in attendance on the day. There have been a few times I have been asked to attend outside of this time to provide chaplaincy support at Basildon. With the Hospice continuing to provide so many services, the love and kindness and positivity of all is so much part of every week. During the year I have tried to attend the Chaplains meetings and undertake the mandatory training required for being part of the Hospice. Having now been part of the chaplaincy team for nearly ten years I continue to be very grateful for the privilege to be of support to others each week.

### **Benefice Safeguarding Report: Carole Howes**

The Safeguarding Policy was agreed by both PCCs and has been displayed on notice boards in all churches and halls within the Benefice. To comply with the Church of England's Safer Recruitment Policy we have carried out a programme of providing each person in a volunteer role with a specific job description. Each volunteer has also signed a Confidential Declaration Form and a copy of the Benefice Safeguarding policy. This has been a demanding and time-consuming task and I would like to thank everyone for their patience and support to ensure all the paperwork is completed. We continue to ensure that individuals update their online safeguarding training every three years. Safeguarding is a hugely important topic and remains a high point of focus for the Benefice. We would like to emphasise that the safeguarding of all vulnerable individuals, children and adults, is the responsibility of every member of our churches.

### **Electoral Roll Report: Rev Wendy Mott (currently overseeing the Electoral Roll)**

During the time the Electoral Roll was open for revision this year there were two applications for inclusion. We have had two changes of name and sadly one member who died.

Having reported 76 as being on our electoral roll this time last year, our numbers to report for this year are 77 of which 45 are resident and 32 are non-resident.

### **Walsingham Cell Report: Carol Webb**

On Tuesday 16th May 2023 eleven pilgrims from our Benefice made our three day annual visit to the Shrine of Walsingham. We travelled by Rosie's minibus arriving early afternoon. As usual our accommodation was perfect. We attended all the services especially the beautiful healing service with the laying on of hands and anointing. We walked through the gardens holding our candles high as we sang the Ave Maria. Some pilgrims made their way to the Slipper Chapel; others made their way to Wells Next The Sea for a seafood lunch; others just rested in the peaceful gardens. Rev Wendy gave a very interesting service on Ascension day and distributed photos of Our Lord ascending to heaven. One such painting is in the Shrine's own church. A wonderful, reflective time was had by all.

We did not make arrangements for 2024 as a pilgrimage to Malta was planned. Many thanks to Father David and Rev Wendy who give so much of their time.

### **Little Feet Report: Jenny Frood**

Over the past year Little Feet has had approximately 2 to 5 children attend each month. The monthly sessions are based on the Gospel reading of the day and include a story and discussion, followed by craft and colouring and concluding with a prayer. The children present their craft activities to Father David or Rev Wendy at the end of the service and answer any questions on what they have learnt that morning.

### **Call in for Coffee Report: Marion Stephens**

We usually meet the first Saturday of the month at St. John's Church Hall, although on a couple of dates it had to be change to a later date due to conflicting dates when the hall or ourselves were not available. During the year Peter and Marion provide tea/coffee, cake and biscuits with those attending making a voluntary donation.

We have a small band of people who regularly attend and the occasional casual attendees. We are hopeful that when the weather improves new customers will call in. At Christmas this year we donated £45 from funds to purchase oranges for the Christingle service.

### **Social Committee/Fund Raising Report: Victoria Thompson**

During the last year we have held various events in the Parish. We started with a Beetle Drive which was enjoyed by all who attended. Our Annual Cake and Spring Jumble Sale was held outside St. John's Hall. Bev baffled our brain cells with one of her quiz's. We had our yearly Bring and Share Lunch for the Feast of Our Lady. This year we returned to holding an Autumn Fayre which was great success. Our annual Christmas shopping trip to Southend was advertised on the Pew Sheet and was open to all. This was the first since Covid restrictions. Rev. Wendy, David Mott, Mandy, Linda, Gill, Julie and Carol all had a lively day shopping and a lunch at Tommassi's. No money was made for the Church but a great social event. Peter provided his yearly Christmas Quiz, which spanned its way around the country and certainly made everyone rack their brains with the cryptic clues. Mosaic returned to hold its popular Christmas Concert for us in St. John's hall, with cheese and wine in the interval. This got us all in the Christmas spirit and a very enjoyable evening for all. We rounded our year off by holding our Annual Christmas Raffle after the Carol Concert at St. Mary's.

This year we hope to host many events around our Parish. We hope that there is something for everyone to enjoy. Please let us know if you have any ideas or would like us to host something specific.

### **Knit & Natter Report: Christine Matthews**

The past year has been a busy one for the Knit & Natter group. Over the last few months we have gained some new members and we now have a regular group of 19 members. We continue to meet every Monday in St Michael's and have slightly increased our meeting time to 10am to 12.30pm. Our main project over the last year has been to knit Noah's Ark. Apart from the actual Ark we knitted the rainbow, Noah and his wife, and a whole selection of animals, 2 of each. This has been displayed in the Church and is now boxed up ready for use in School assemblies, Messy Church and other similar events and places. Last summer one of our Church members was married in St Michael's and as a gift from the Knit & Natter group we produced a knitted bride and groom ably crafted by Diane one of our members. Alongside this we knitted stars and angels for our Christmas tree at the Christmas tree Festival. We decided on a colour scheme of pink and turquoise in varying shades. While we were working on these projects we had an invitation to attend the opening of the new Hobbycraft in Lakeside. Several of our members attended and we were given a generous gift token to spend in the shop. This enabled us to purchase a good selection of wool for the group to use and a couple of storage boxes. After Christmas we received a request to help with knitting blankets for Care homes locally. We have been working on this for some weeks and have completed 7 blankets, each made up of 30 squares and kindly crocheted together by one of our members. At the same time most members are working on their own projects and learning new skills from each other.

### **Lunch Club Report: Peter & Jean Craggs**

We have had another successful year. We meet at St. John's Church Hall on the first Wednesday of every month except August. There are 55 members of the Lunch Club and we had an average of 43 people attending each month. We charged £5 per head throughout the year but increased this to £7 for the December Lunch. The price will go up to £6 in January 2024. Unfortunately, we had to cancel the September lunch as there weren't enough helpers. We now have a new helper, Brenda Scott. During the year we had a special 'British Lunch' in May, to celebrate the Coronation Of King Charles III and Queen Camilla. In December we had the traditional Roast Turkey lunch and we were entertained by Corringham Primary School, Choir, we gave them a donation of £50 for which they were very pleased. We always offer a choice of menu with a meat and fish dish, or two meat and always have a vegetarian option, followed by a choice of dessert and tea or coffee. After lunch we usually have an activity, Bingo, a quiz or singing, which go down well. Every month we have representative's from Thurrock Council Adult Social Services who come to offer help and support to anyone who needs it. I would like to thank everyone who helps in any way to make the Lunch Club such a success.

# **Independent examiner's report to the PCC of the Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Corringham**

I report on the accounts off the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out over 5 enclosed pages.

## **Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 142 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

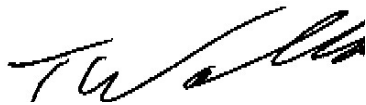
## **Basis of this report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts.

## **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 s.130 of the 2011 Act or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) Which, in my opinion, should be drawn to the notice of the PCC in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



Thornton Wallace  
69 Theydon Crescent  
Basildon  
Essex  
SS14 3LW  
31/3/24

---

# Accounts

---

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at St. Mary's Church after Mass.

---

### **ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING.**

#### **AGENDA.**

1. Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting 2022
  2. Matters Arising from those Minutes.
  3. Election of two Church Wardens.
- 

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**

#### **AGENDA.**

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2022.
2. Matters Arising from those Minutes.
3. Parish Priest's Report - Fr. David Rollins.
4. Associates Priests Report - Rev Wendy Mott.
5. Church Warden's Report - David Mott and Mandy Waite.
6. Treasurer's Report - Beverley Howells.
7. Deanery Synod Report - Peter Handscombe.
8. Health & Safety Report - Peter Handscombe.
9. Messy Mass Report - Rev Wendy Mott.
10. St. Luke's Chaplaincy Report - Rev Wendy Mott.
11. Benefice Safeguarding Report - Carole Howes.
12. Walsingham Cell Report - Carol Webb.
13. Call in for Coffee - Marion Stephens.
14. Social Committee Report/Fund Raising - Victoria Thompson/Social Committee.
15. Electoral Roll Report.
16. Lunch Club Report - Peter Craggs.
17. Accounts for Churches.
18. Election of Independent Examiner of Accounts.
19. Election of PCC Members.
20. Election/Ratification of Side-persons.

Peter Handscombe  
PCC Secretary.

**Minutes of Annual Vestry Meeting held on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 12.20pm after Mass.**

**Present:** Fr. David Rollins in Chair there were 23 Parishioners present.

**Apologies:** Christine Miles; David Hatcher; Ann Nash; Marion Stephens.

**Election of Church Wardens:** There were two nominations:

Mr. David Mott Proposed by Mrs. Christine Dodd.  
Seconded by Mr. Peter Craggs..

Mrs. Mandy Waite Proposed by Mrs. Marion Stephens  
Seconded by Mrs. Beverley

Howells.

Mr. David Mott and Mrs. Mandy Waite were unopposed and duly elected.

Vestry Meeting closed at 12.25pm.

---

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING WHICH FOLLOWED THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING WITH 23 PARISHONERS PRESENT.**

**1. MINUTES:**

The minutes of the previous APCM of Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 had been previously circulated, prior to the meeting, for members. It was proposed by Mr. David Mott and seconded by Mrs. Mandy Waite. Minutes accepted all in favour.

**2. Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

The Hon Secretary reported that the reports had been circulated however two reports were late and were unable to be included in the bundle, therefore will have to be read out at the relevant time but will be included in the printed bundle later for the records.

**3. Parish Priest's and Curate's Report - Fr. David Rollins / Rev Wendy Mott:**

As I write this report, we are approaching Mothering Sunday, which marks two years since our pattern of living and worship changed, because of the

COVID restrictions. At the outset of 2022 began we all held great hopes that the year would be better than 2021. Through the year situation did improve concerning COVID restrictions, however many people's lives were affected by the ravages of the virus. Even if we weren't directly affected by COVID, the virus touched and changed the lives of many.

The daily pattern of prayer has personally sustained me and I know many others through this difficult passage of time. Through conversations with many I know that to be able to return to regular worship even with guidelines was brought a sense of normality and peace. Being able to conduct worship and having a congregation gathered both in person and online has brought reassurance to many. There are still a number of people continuing to isolate, and I pray that we will see their return through this coming year.

The privilege of praying regularly with colleagues is never underestimated. This pattern of prayer sustains me, as I seek both spiritual and personal comfort in this pattern of prayer and worship. I would like to take this opportunity to offer my thanks to my colleagues Reverend Wendy, whom at the end of 2021 became our Associate Priest following the successful completion of her Curacy. Rev Wendy is an 'unsung hero', as she takes on many tasks to ease the burden of responsibility on my shoulders. Rev Wendy I am very grateful for all that you do within our Benefice. Father John also successfully completed his curacy and left us in December to take up the post of Vicar at All Saints Peterborough and again his presence will be missed by his colleagues and the wider congregation. We wish him well in his new post and his forth coming marriage to Rev Keri in July.

Reverend Wendy and I are also involved in other activities, which the Diocese describes as beyond the parish; Rev Wendy continues to act as Chaplain at St Luke's.

I continue to lead assemblies at two local Primary Schools, act as Chaplain to the Deanery Mothers Union, as a MDR reviewer for the Diocese and as part of the Vocations team for the Diocese.

How can I express my thanks for the hard work of my colleagues in the Ministry Team especially our Readers David and Pamela, who share the responsibility for preaching and supporting the clergy.

I would also like to thank our PCC secretaries Peter and Carole, also a special thank you to Elaine our Parish Administrator who does so much and Darryl our organist who supports our worship and prepares the choir.

The support I personally receive from our Church Wardens and the responsibilities we share and they undertake on behalf of us all is much appreciated; thank you; David and John. John has decided to step back at the 2022 APCM, and I would like to publicly thank him for his quiet dedication to this role.

Using the express 'unsung hero's I must use again to describe the work of our Parish treasurer, Bev who accepts the responsibility to help us navigate the roads of income and expenditure. There are many calls on our income as similar to any home there are many regular expenses, in keeping our

historic churches in good repair and fit for purpose. Sometimes our finances are as not as healthy as the treasurers would like to ensure our continued financial sustainability. However, they manage them to ensure we can meet our expenses and commitments.

I must take this opportunity to thank all who contribute financially to our parishes and all who offer their gifts and talents in the service of God and our parishes.

Whatever you do for the church whether keeping the grounds tidy, clean the linen, clean the church, arrange flowers, whatever the task whether big or small, **thank you**. It is only through our shared purposes that we can achieve so much.

Gradually during the year as COVID guidelines were eased we witnessed a return to much of our 'Love in Action', the mission of the church, reaching out to our regular church community and the wider community of Corringham, Fobbing and beyond. Through the variety of groups offered in our parishes. A huge THANK YOU, to all the volunteers who organise these events. You will find at the back of the annual Report an illustrated drawing which lists all the events which take place.

In other parts of the Annual Report officers of the PCC and various ministries list the many activities and events which have taken place during the past twelve months and I commend this report to you.

The Parish couldn't function without many individuals playing their role; and I mustn't forget the servers those who organise our social events and fund raisers.

A Parish would be unable to function without all those 'unsung heroes' who do so much in our church to ensure we run smoothly, whether you're part of the regular reading rota, preparing refreshments, **thank you** one and all. Life within our Benefice continues and we must continue to work together to further Gods Kingdom here amongst our communities of Corringham and Fobbing.

May God Bless us as we go forth in faith to share the good news of the Gospel.

Fr David Rollins Rector March 2022

The Parish Priest's report was accepted.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report 2021 - Beverley Howells**

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to our finances in 2021- the individuals, those that run groups and those that are involved in Fund Raising.

Despite being very restricted for half the year, we have managed to complete the year with a healthier current account balance than when we began. All our bills were paid and our quota was paid in full- we should be very pleased that we have managed to do this. The Repair Fund is slightly

down on last year- we had little income and had to pay the last part of the roof on St Mary's.

Sunday morning coffee has continued to make a small profit. Call in for coffee, held on a Saturday, did not happen during 2021 but has now restarted. Messy Mass and Lunch Club restarted in September this year- they are both proving to be popular and have made money.

Miss Long and Cathy Charlton's money continue to grow.

We now have a total of 17 people giving via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)- it would be lovely if more people decided to give this way- it makes it a lot easier for me as I know exactly how much money I'm getting in and Gift Aid is automatically added. Even if you are not a Tax Payer you can use this scheme. Please ask Bev if you would like more information Finally I would like to give a huge thank you to the Romanian Church who uses St. John's for their services- without them our year would have looked very different.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

## **5. Deanery Synod Report - Peter Handscombe:**

The Deanery Synod met five times during 2021 however three of those meetings had to take place over Zoom due to the Covid Pandemic.

The first meeting in March was over Zoom when Officers were elected - Frank Woolard (Bulphan) was elected as Lay Chair. The post of Secretary lay vacant as there were no volunteers for this post.

The Rev Cannon Mike Power gave a presentation on Stewardship for Parishes and the Diocese and stated a willingness to attend Parishes to make a presentation to congregations.

The next meeting was in May also on Zoom. The Rev James Gilder talked on how Parishes could de-carbonize their footprint in line with the General Synod wishing to be carbon neutral in 2030. He also explained that Parishes could obtain grading of Gold Silver or Bronze for their Churches and buildings.

The July meeting was again over Zoom, when the guest speaker was Pat Clark from Christians Against Poverty. This group advised people in poverty on debt. They also provide facilities such as Job Clubs, run money management courses and encourage the provision of facilities in poorer areas.

Chris Henderson volunteered to fill the post of Deanery Secretary and was elected.

Rev Cannon Darren Barlow, Rev Clive Russell, Katia D'Arcy-Cumbers and Alison Davis were elected as Deanery Representative to the Diocesan Synod.

The September meeting took place at St. Giles and All Saints at Orsett. Rev Sue Mann led a Eucharist Service. Rev Cannon Darren Barlow gave a sermon on how the early church help each other and worked together to spread the word of Jesus. He stated that this should be a good

example how we could work across borders and Parishes to work together to provide help to each other.

The Rev. Tom Rout had been invested at St. Margaret's Stanford le Hope. The last meeting of the year was in November held at St. Margaret's Stanford le Hope. After a service the speaker was Laura Cleverley the Dementia friendly Communities Co-Ordinator for the Alzheimer's Society. She explained how congregations could assist those suffering with this disease by including them in their services. More thought could be given on any possible changes to the services and inclusiveness to assist those to maintain their independence and stay as part of the community as long as possible.

The Deanery Report was accepted.

## **6. Health & Safety Report - Peter Handscombe:**

With the continuation of the Coronavirus restrictions continuing during 2021 both buildings had restricted use. Masks were worn and hand sanitizer was provided for the congregation to use. Seating was spaced out and sanitised after each service.

Due to wear to the surface of the hall at St. John's it was re-polished over the Christmas break, and I thank Alan Conroy for his hard work.

Period checks on the buildings and surrounding grounds are made to assess any trip hazards or issues. The headstones at St. Mary's have been checked by applying physical pressure and they have been found to be secure.

The Health & Safety Report was accepted.

## **7. Messy Mass Report - Rev Wendy Mott:**

Throughout all the challenges around meeting together Messy Church has continued to be enjoyed. Activities for the children to access at home were provided for the first part of the year, and then in July everyone was pleased to have the opportunity to meet in the garden at St Johns and share competitive activities in family groups with prepared food in individual bags. As restrictions eased, we have then met together each month from September with our usual format of craft activities linked to a bible story theme. Constantly aware of the need to keep distance following guidelines preparing craft activities and prayer space has had its challenges. The introduction of a science activity each month has been greatly enjoyed even if it has been a bit messy at times.

With restrictive space and social distancing our worship has been bible story, prayers, songs and grace all enthusiastically shared. All who attend share their appreciation each time and the children often can't wait for the next opportunity to come. For all the highlight of the session is the food we share our thanks to Bev and Mandy for organising and providing

this opportunity each month. Thank you also to all who help each month with our craft activities and setting up.

Messy Church continues to provide opportunities for families to share together in fun and fellowship. Thank you to everyone for your support, your prayers and your commitment, which is valued by all who are part of each session.

The Messy Mass Report was accepted.

#### **8. St. Luke's Chaplaincy Report - Rev. Wendy Mott:**

With much of the year continuing to have restrictions around visiting and sharing inside the Hospice the time I have been able to give as a volunteer chaplain has been limited. Since restrictions were lifted, I have been attending the day hospice every other week on a Wednesday afternoon. During this time, I have continued to listen, chat and support where needed. The time given is slightly less than before lockdown, but there is the proviso to attend at other mutually agreed times if there is specific or requested need for support.

Like all charities and facilities that provide care and support, the Hospice has struggled to maintain their fundraising and funding. Their shops have now reopened, and they were helped by the services around their Light up a life appeal. As all of us continue to work through this time and adapt to different ways of doing things, let us continue to support and pray where we can for the wonderful work the Hospice does for all in Basildon and Thurrock both inside their buildings and through Hospice at Home.

St. Luke's Report was accepted.

#### **9. Safeguarding Report - Carole Howes Benefice Safeguarding Officer:**

The Church of England's National Safeguarding Team has launched t's new Safer Recruitment Policy, which includes changes to the DBS renewal dates. Previous DBS checks were valid for 5 years, but this has now been reduced to 3 years. This change will be phased in over a two year period. To this end, I have contacted all those people who will now need to renew their DBS checks and hopefully this will be completed during the course of the next few months.

Many of you will remember that in the early part of 2019 we undertook online safeguarding training for a large number of people in both congregations. This was a difficult task and many people found it very stressful. However, it is now time to renew this training and Fr. David and I have amended the list of individuals who we would like to revisit this training. I will be sending out a letter in the coming weeks to all those concerned giving details of how to access the training online.

We would like to point out that this training is not compulsory. However, safeguarding is a hugely important topic and we would encourage everyone who can undertake the training to do so. Safeguarding Report was accepted.

**10. Call in for Coffee - Marion Stephens:**

Following a number of many happy and successful years running the Call-In, John and Pam Hibbert, due to poor health, reluctantly asked for volunteers to take over the Club and Peter Handscombe and I decided to help. We meet the first Saturday of the month from 10am - 12 noon and have now been open for four months, during which Covid rules and people's views have changed and we are slowly getting a small regular group of ladies who met up regularly. We hope that as the weather improves so will our numbers.

The Call in for Coffee Report was accepted.

**11. Social Committee Report - Victoria Thompson:**

During the last year we have only been able to hold a few events due to the Covid Pandemic.

Our first event of the year was a Quiz evening on the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2021. Lucy was the host, and she devised a rather brain taxing quiz to rack our brains at.

Due to restrictions in numbers that could meet up in the hall

Indoors, we did deliveries of Afternoon Teas on the 11<sup>th</sup> September. Thanks to all who ordered and hosted their own Afternoon Tea Gatherings, reports say they went down well. Hopefully we can get back to holding this event back in St. John's this year.

Our Christmas Fayre was changed to an Autumn Fayre on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October due to the risk of another wave of Covid happening. This actually worked very well, and we were also able to offer tables to the Community to join us.

The Grand Christmas Draw was changed from the Fayre to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> December at the end of the Christmas Carol Service.

Peter held his yearly brain teaser quiz sheets, which seem to go the length and breadth of the country.

We are hopefully planning to hold a few fundraiser and Community events over the next year in the hope that this will interest people to once again come along and join in our festivities. We would also be interested in any ideas for new events from anyone in the congregation.

Many thanks for your support. The Social and Fundraising Committee.

The Social Committee report was accepted.

**12. Electoral Roll Report - Rev. Wendy Mott:**

Rev. Wendy reported that there are 78 members on the Electoral Roll. The verbal report was accepted.

**13. Knit and Natter Report - Christine Matthews:**

Knit & Natter report - May 2022 Due to Covid restrictions being lifted we are now back in the chapel at St Michael's, meeting every Monday from 10 - 12. We have 2 new regular members bringing our current group size to 10 members. We are currently knitting for various projects including Hats for premature babies, Teddies for Tragedy and garments for Seamen. In addition some members are also knitting or crocheting various items for their own enjoyment. Last November we all knitted or crocheted poppies which were displayed on the gates and the porch of St Michael's for Remembrance Sunday. More poppies are being worked on to add to the supply for future years. We have temporarily stopped knitting Baptism shawls and booties as we have a good supply. At the last count we had over 200 booties and 50+ shawls! We have been well supplied with wool donations over the past year but are always happy to accept more. We are always very happy to welcome new members so if you are interested please just join us one Monday morning, no need to book.

The Knit & Natter Report read out to the meeting and was accepted.

**14. Walsingham Cell Report - Carol Webb:**

Due to the Covid restrictions we have been unable to make our annual pilgrimage to The Shrine of Walsingham for the last two years.

However this year (2022) we will be attending on the 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> May, full board, to The Shrine of our Lady of Walsingham, where we will have time for prayer, rest and spiritual healing.

Twelve pilgrims (including Clergy) from Fobbing and Corringham will be travelling by car and minibus. A deposit and the required accommodation list has been forwarded to the Hospitality Department.

**15. Election of Independent Examination of Accounts:**

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out over 5 enclosed pages. Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:  Examine the accounts under section 142 of the 2011 Act;  Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;  State whether particular matters have come to my attention. Basis of this report My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity

Commissioners. 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 unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts. 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 s.130 of the 2011 Act or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or (2) Which, in my opinion, should be drawn to the notice of the PCC in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached Thornton Wallace 69 Theydon Crescent Basildon Essex SS14 3LW 20/3/22.

Beverley Howells reported that she had approached Mr.Thornton Wallace who confirmed that he was willing to be the Independent Examiner of Accounts.

Beverley proposed that Mr. Thornton Wallace be appointed as the Independent Examiner of Accounts. It was seconded by Mandy Waite. All in favour.

**16. Election of PCC Members - Fr. David in Chair:**

There were no Members due for election and there were no further nominations received. The current members will serve until 2024.

**17. Election of Deanery Representatives:**

The Parish is able to elect 3 members. Peter Handscombe was elected in 2021 and will serve until 2024. There were no further nominations.

**18. Election/Ratification of Side Persons & Eucharistic Ministers:**

The above are now approved and appointed by the PCC.

In summing up Fr. David thanked those who helped in any way to give their time. Thanked John Hunting and Neil Waite for their DIY work in the Churches. He also drew attention to the last page of reports of what the Parish/Benefice does. He thanked Rev. Wendy for all her hard work and she does more hours than she has to do. Fr. David also thanked Elaine East for her work in the office and checking Bands of Marriage..

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 12.45pm.

Peter Handscombe  
PCC Secretary.

I certify that the above Minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Signed Fr D. Rollins (Chairman)

Dated 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	<u>2017</u>	£
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
<u>Incoming resources from donors</u>		
Planned giving	23,078.00	23,202.00
Collections and other giving	5,501.00	5,726.00
	<b>28,579.00</b>	
<u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u>		
Donations	2,177.00	2,054.00
Restricted Donations	6,569.00	9,231.00
Charities	1,192.00	1,578.00
Fundraising Events	1,381.00	1,634.00
Hall Income	12,878.00	13,230.00
	<b>24,197.00</b>	
<u>Income from Charitable &amp; Ancillary Trading</u>		
Sale of magazines & candles	739.00	876.00
Fees PCC	6,848.00	6,085.00
Fees (Restricted)	13,100.00	13,851.00
Sundries	969.00	1,702.00
	<b>21,656.00</b>	
<b><u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u></b>	<b><u>£74,432.00</u></b>	

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

**2017**

**Payments**

Grants

Charities	1,083.00		1,253.00
		<b>1,083.00</b>	

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

Diocesan Quota	34,043.00		33,381.00
Clergy Expenses	2,602.00		3,243.00
Return Fees (Designated)	13,570.00		10,489.00
Sanctuary	1,846.00		3,482.00
Flowers	1,026.00		663.00
Building,maintenance,etc	9,191.00		9,150.00
Use Restricted Funding	2,128.00		6,222.00
		<b>64,406.00</b>	

Church management & administration

Printing & stationery	3,258.00		4,943.00
Power & Utilities	4,082.00		2,966.00
Miscellaneous	5,030.00		5,206.00
		<b>12,370.00</b>	

**TOTAL PAYMENTS**

**£77,859.00**

Excess of payments over receipts

**-3,427.00**

Excess of receipts over payments

**-216.00**

Transfer Reconcilliation

**15,982.00**

Opening balance at 1st Jan

**Closing balance at 31st Dec**

**£12,339.00**

Approved by Parochial Church Council on  
and signed on its behalf by:-

Revd. D. Rollins (Chairman)

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund

**2017**

**Receipts**

Restricted Donations	723.00		2,910.00
Donations	30.00		100.00
Fundraising Events	1,846.00		1,476.00
Legacy CCLA	54.00		71.00
		<b>2,653.00</b>	

**Payments**

Maintenance			
Administration/Fabric			2,592.00
Specific Fund			
Miscellaneous	2,774.00		
		<b>2,774.00</b>	

Excess of Receipts over Payments			1,965.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		121.00	
Opening Balance 1st January	19,575.00		17,610.00
<b>Closing Balance at 31st December</b>		<b>19,454.00</b>	

**Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund**

**Receipts**

CBF Deposit Interest	<b>51.00</b>
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund	<b>1,063.00</b>

**Kathy Charlton Legacy**

Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007

Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)	<b>17,250.00</b>
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)	<b>43,886.00</b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Sunday Morning Coffee**

Opening Balance 1st Jan	165.00		88.00
Donations		297.00	
Expenses		464.00	
Excess of Payments over Receipts			77.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments	167.00		
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>-£2.00</b>	

**Lunch Club**

Opening Balance 1st Jan	4,005.00		4,942.00
Income from Trading	2,456.00		2,790.00
Interest from Bank Account	2.00		14.00
		<b>2458</b>	
Expenses	915.00		1,345.00
Equipment for Church	680.00		2,396.00
		<b>1595</b>	
Excess of Receipts over Payments	863.00		
Excess of Payments over Receipts			937.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£4,868.00</b>	

**Call in for Coffee**

Opening Balance 1st Jan	391.00		365.00
Donations		<b>617.00</b>	
Expenses/gifts		<b>867.00</b>	
Excess of Payments over Receipts			26.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments	250.00		
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£141.00</b>	

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2017**

	<b><u>2017</u></b>
<b><u>BARCLAYS</u></b>	
Bank Current Account	12,339.00
Bank Repair Fund	19,454.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£31,793.00</u></b>
<b><u>DEPOSITS</u></b>	
Miss Long Account	1,063.00
Deposit Fund Investment	17,250.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£18,313.00</u></b>
<b><u>SHARES</u></b>	
Accumulated Fund Investment	<b><u>£43,886.00</u></b>
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>£93,992.00</u></b>

**2016**  
£

**28,928.00**

**27,727.00**

**22,514.00**

**£79,169.00**

**2016**

**1,253.00**

**66,630.00**

**13,115.00**

**£80,998.00**

**-1,829.00**

**-242.00**

**18,053.00**

**£15,982.00**

**2016**

**4,557.00**

**2,592.00**

**19,575.00**

**44.00**  
**1,012.00**

**17,250.00**  
**42,208.00**

**2016**

**399  
322**

**£165.00**

**2804**

**3741**

**£4,005.00**

**648.00  
622.00**

**£391.00**

**2016**

15,982.00  
19,575.00  
**£35,557.00**

1,012.00  
17,250.00  
**£18,262.00**

**£42,208.00**

**£96,027.00**

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGTON**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31st December 2020**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

**2020**

**Receipts**

Incoming resources from donors

Planned giving	20,790.00	
Collections and other giving	8,342.00	
		<b>29,132.00</b>

Other Voluntary Incoming Resources

Donations	6,925.00	
Restricted Donations	19,977.00	
Charities	1,884.00	
Fundraising Events	1,404.00	
Hall Income	10,143.00	
		<b>40,333.00</b>

Income from Charitable & Ancillary Trading

Sale of magazines & candles	83.00	
Fees PCC	1,637.00	
Fees (Restricted)	10,513.00	
Sundries	8,366.00	
		<b>20,599.00</b>

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

**£90,064.00**

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGTON**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

**2020**

## Payments

### Grants

Charities	2,665.00	<b>2,665.00</b>
-----------	----------	-----------------

### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

Diocesan Quota	32,014.00	
Clergy Expenses	888.00	
Return Fees (Designated)	18,259.00	
Sanctuary	2,835.00	
Flowers	155.00	
Building, maintenance, etc	11,888.00	
Use Restricted Funding	7,859.00	
		<b>73,898.00</b>

### Church management & administration

Printing & stationery	3,782.00	
Power & Utilities	5,014.00	
Miscellaneous	3,702.00	
		<b>12,498.00</b>

## TOTAL PAYMENTS

**£89,061.00**

Excess of payments over receipts		
Excess of receipts over payments		1,003.00
Transfer Reconciliation		5,763.00
Opening balance at 1st Jan		14,662.00
<b>Closing balance at 31st Dec</b>		<b><u>£21,428.00</u></b>

Approved by Parochial Church Council on  
and signed on its behalf by:-

Revd. D. Rollins (Chairman)

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGTON  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2020  
Registered Charity Number: 1138056**

## Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund

**2020**

### Receipts

Restricted Donations	34,486.00	
Donations	180.00	
Fundraising Events	1,532.00	
Legacy CCLA	10,096.00	
		<b>46,294.00</b>

### Payments

Maintenance		
CCLA	10,000.00	

Specific Fund	37,411.00	
Miscellaneous	2,857.00	<b>50,268.00</b>

Excess of Receipts over Payments		
Excess of Payments over Receipts	3,974.00	
Opening Balance 1st January	19,669.00	
<b>Closing Balance at 31st December</b>		<b>15,695.00</b>

### **Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund**

#### **Receipts**

CBF Deposit Interest		<b>117.00</b>
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund		<b>1,235.00</b>

### **Kathy Charlton Legacy**

Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007

Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)		<b>17,250.00</b>
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)		<b>61,557.00</b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLIA  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRIN  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2020  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**2020**

### **Sunday Morning Coffee**

Opening Balance 1st Jan		<b>£8.00</b>
Donations	61.00	
Expenses	29.00	
Excess of Payments over Receipts		
Excess of Receipts over Payments		32.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£40.00</b>

### **Call in for Coffee-new**

Opening Balance	392.00	
Donations	90.00	
Charity Donations		345.00
Expenses		
Excess of Receipts over Payments		
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£137.00</b>

**PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRIN**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2018**

	<b><u>2020</u></b>
<b><u>BARCLAYS</u></b>	
Bank Current Account	21,428.00
Bank Repair Fund	15,695.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£37,123.00</u></b>
<b><u>DEPOSITS</u></b>	
Miss Long Account	1,235.00
Deposit Fund Investment	17,250.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£18,485.00</u></b>
<b><u>SHARES</u></b>	
Accumulated Fund Investment	<b><u>£61,557.00</u></b>
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>£117,165.00</u></b>

**2019**

24,657.00  
8,794.00

**33,451.00**

1,167.00  
4,796.00  
1,698.00  
2,080.00  
13,029.00

**22,770.00**

517.00  
3,717.00  
9,674.00  
1,722.00

**15,630.00**

**£71,851.00**

2,590.00  
**2,590.00**

36,482.00  
3,122.00  
6,068.00  
3,126.00  
248.00  
6,774.00  
2,928.00  
**58,748.00**

4,129.00  
3,788.00  
1,819.00  
**9,736.00**

**£71,074.00**

777.00  
44.00  
13,841.00  
**£14,662.00**

## **ESIASTICAL GHAM**

5

**2019**

18,516.00  
180.00  
8,795.00  
126.00  
**27,617.00**

10,080.00

37,424.00  
2,861.00

**50,365.00**

22,748.00  
42,417.00

**19,669.00**

**59.00**  
**1,178.00**

**17,250.00**  
**65,668.00**

**ESIASTICAL  
GHAM**

5

**2019**

324.00  
347.00

**31.00**

**23.00**

**£8.00**

123.00  
467.00

160.00  
38.00

**£392.00**

**GHAM**

5

**2019**

14,662.00

19,669.00

**TOTAL:**

**£34,331.00**

1,178.00

17,250.00

**TOTAL:**

**£18,428.00**

**£65,668.00**

**£118,427.00**

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31st December 2022  
Registered Charity Number:1138056

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

**2022**

**Receipts**

Incoming resources from donors

Planned giving	24,704.00	23,269.00
Collections and other giving	6,083.00	8,210.00
	<b>30,787.00</b>	

Other Voluntary Incoming Resources

Donations	2,642.00	3,284.00
Restricted Donations	12,245.00	9,106.00
Charities	2,625.00	3,027.00
Fundraising Events	2,642.00	2,917.00
Hall Income	22,938.00	18,285.00
	<b>43,092.00</b>	

Income from Charitable & Ancillary Trading

Sale of magazines & candles	346.00	89.00
Fees PCC	1,046.00	1,756.00
Fees (Restricted)	12,261.00	13,269.00
Sundries	1,060.00	4,193.00
	<b>14,713.00</b>	

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

**£88,592.00**

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31st December 2022  
Registered Charity Number:1138056

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

**2022**

## Payments

### Grants

Charities	2,569.00	<b>2,569.00</b>	2,420.00
-----------	----------	-----------------	----------

### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

Diocesan Quota	34,672.00		37,751.00
Clergy Expenses	663.00		831.00
Return Fees (Designated)	7,959.00		16,868.00
Sanctuary	3,496.00		2,516.00
Flowers	150.00		238.00
Building,maintenance,etc	19,566.00		8,167.00
Use Restricted Funding	2,086.00		993.00
		<b>68,592.00</b>	

### Church management & administration

Printing & stationery	3,868.00		3,723.00
Power & Utilities	3,936.00		4,566.00
Miscellaneous	2,937.00		4,097.00
		<b>10,741.00</b>	

## TOTAL PAYMENTS

**£81,902.00**

Excess of payments over receipts

Excess of receipts over payments

Transfer Reconcilliation

Opening balance at 1st Jan

Closing balance at 31st Dec

**6,690.00**

**222.00**

**26,735.00**

**£33,647.00**

Approved by Parochial Church Council on  
and signed on its behalf by:-

Revd. D. Rollins (Chairman)

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

## **THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**

**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

## Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund

**2022**

### Receipts

Restricted Donations	280.00		45.00
Donations	180.00		180.00
Fundraising Events			
Legacy CCLA	182.00		23.00
		<b>642.00</b>	

### Payments

Maintenance	3,298.00		
-------------	----------	--	--

CCLA		
Specific Fund		1,919.00
Miscellaneous		
		<b>3,298.00</b>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		
Excess of Payments over Receipts	2,656.00	1,671.00
Opening Balance 1st January	14,024.00	15,695.00
<b>Closing Balance at 31st December</b>		<b>£11,368.00</b>

### **Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund**

#### **Receipts**

CBF Deposit Interest		<b>73.00</b>
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund		<b>1,363.00</b>

### **Kathy Charlton Legacy**

Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007

Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)		<b>27,250.00</b>
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)		<b>66,616.00</b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2022  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**2022**

### **Sunday Morning Coffee**

Opening Balance 1st Jan		<b>79.00</b>	
Donations	201.00		70.00
Expenses	248.00		31.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts	47.00		
Excess of Receipts over Payments			39.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£32.00</b>	

### **Call in for Coffee-new**

Opening Balance	0.00		
Donations		<b>154.00</b>	
Charity Donations			
Expenses			
Excess of Receipts over Payments			
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£154.00</b>	

### **Lunch Club**

Opening Balance 1st Jan		<b>165.00</b>	
Donations	1,447.00		450.00
Expenses	1,362.00		326.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts			

Excess of Receipts over Payments	85.00		124.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£250.00</b>	

### Messy Mass

Opening Balance 1st Jan		<b>123.00</b>	
Donations	751.00		354.00
Expenses	659.00		261.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts			
Excess of Receipts over Payments	92.00		93.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£215.00</b>	

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2022  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

#### Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2022

	<u>2022</u>	
<b><u>BARCLAYS</u></b>		
Bank Current Account	33,647.00	
Bank Repair Fund	11,368.00	
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£45,015.00</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>
<b><u>DEPOSITS</u></b>		
Miss Long Account	1,363.00	
Deposit Fund Investment	27,250.00	
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£28,613.00</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>
<b><u>SHARES</u></b>		
Accumulated Fund Investment	£66,616.00	
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>£140,244.00</u></b>	

**2021**

**31,479.00**

**36,619.00**

**19,307.00**

**£87,405.00**

**2021**

2,420.00

67,364.00

12,386.00

**£82,170.00**

5,235.00

72.00

21,428.00

**£26,735.00**

**2021**

248.00

**1,919.00**

**£14,024.00**

**55.00**  
**1,290.00**

**27,250.00**  
**72,287.00**

**2021**

**40.00**

**£79.00**

**41.00**

**£165.00**

**30.00**

**£123.00**

**2021**

**26,735.00**  
**14,024.00**  
**£40,759.00**

**1,290.00**  
**27,250.00**  
**£28,540.00**

**£72,287.00**

**£141,586.00**

# **Independent examiner's report to the PCC of the Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Corringham**

I report on the accounts off the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out over 5 enclosed pages.

## **Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 142 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## **Basis of this report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts.

## **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 s.130 of the 2011 Act or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) Which, in my opinion, should be drawn to the notice of the PCC in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



*Thornton Wallace*  
69 Theydon Crescent  
Basildon  
Essex  
SS14 3LW  
10/4/23

---

# Accounts

---



**UNITED BENEFICE OF CORRINGHAM AND  
FOBBING**

**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN**

**AND**

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

**CORRINGHAM**

**Charity No. 1138056**

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

**SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2022**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at St. Mary's Church after Mass.

---

### **ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING**

#### **AGENDA**

1. Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting 2021.
  2. Matters Arising from those Minutes.
  3. Election of two Church Wardens.
- 

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

#### **AGENDA**

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021
2. Matters arising from those Minutes
3. Parish Priest's Report – Fr. David Rollins
4. Curates Report - Rev Wendy Mott
5. Church Wardens' Report – David Mott & John Hibbert
6. Treasurers Report – Beverley Howells
7. Deanery Synod Report – Peter Handscombe
8. Health & Safety Report – Peter Handscombe
9. Messy Mass – Beverley Howells
10. St Luke' Chaplaincy – Rev Wendy Mott
11. Benefice Safeguarding Report – Carole Howes
12. Walsingham Cell Report – Carol Webb
13. Call in for coffee – Marion Stephens
14. Social Committee Report – Victoria Thompson
15. Electoral Roll Report
16. Lunch Club – Peter Craggs
17. Accounts for Churches
18. Election of Independent Examiner of Accounts
19. Election of PCC Members
20. Election/Ratification of side-persons

Peter Handscombe  
PCC Secretary.

**Minutes of Annual Vestry Meeting held via Zoom on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 12.32pm due to Corona virus restrictions.**

**Present:** On Zoom Fr David Rollins in the chair.  
There were 21 Parishioners signed into zoom.

**Apologies:** None received.

**Election of Church Wardens:** There were two nominations:

Mr David Mott	Proposed by Mr David Hatcher Seconded by Mr John Hibbert
Mr John Hibbert	Proposed by Mrs Ann Nash Seconded by Mr David Mott

Mr David Mott and Mr John Hibbert were duly elected and will be admitted by Fr. David Rollins in due course under the amended Cannon Law (Covid Regulations).  
Fr David Rollins thanked Peter Craggs for his service as Church Warden for the past 12 years and John Hibbert for his service over the past year.

The Vestry Meeting closed at 12.45pm.

---

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING WHICH FOLLOWED THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING WITH 21 PARISHONERS PRESENT**

Due to the restrictions placed on meetings by the Covid 19 virus the Annual General Meeting Minutes for 2020 and Accounts were sent to all members on the Electoral Roll either by email or by post. The details of the meeting were also posted on both Church outside doors and on the Pew Sheet for 4 weeks. As reports had been circulated as above it was not necessary for them to be read out.

Fr David Rollins outlined the reasons for the holding of the meeting in the manner it was due to the Covid restrictions.

**Minutes:**

The minutes for the previous APCM had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Beverly Howells and seconded by David Mott that the minutes be accepted. All were in favour.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes:** There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**Parish Priest's Report: - Fr. David Rollins**

Fr David added to his report by thanking everyone for working hard under the current restrictions. All were in favour of accepting the report.

David Mott then Proposed that Fr David be thanked for his hard work during the last year especially during the Covid problems. The proposal was endorsed by the meeting.

**Curates' Report: Fr John Noddings and Rev Wendy Mott** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Church Wardens' Report: Peter Craggs and John Hibbert** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Treasurer's Report: Beverley Howells** Bev read out the Auditors Report by Mr Thornton Wallace as there was a minor alteration in the date to the report circulated. There were no comments on the reports. It was proposed by Mrs Beverley Howells and seconded by Mr Peter Craggs that the Treasurer's Report and the Independent Examiners Report be accepted. All in favour.

**Deanery Synod Report: Mr Peter Handscombe** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Health and Safety Report: Peter Handscombe** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Mother's Union Report: Pam Hibbert** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Edward Bear Report: Rev Wendy Mott** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Messy Mass Report: Rev Wendy Mott** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**St Luke' Chaplaincy Report: Rev Wendy Mott** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Little Feet Report: Prepared by Fr David** All were in favour of accepting the report

**Benefice Safeguarding Report: Carole Howes** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Walsingham Cell Report: Carol Webb** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Call in for Coffee Report: Pam Hibbert** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Lunch Club Report: Margaret Eve** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**CHRISTIAN CARE HOMES - David and Jenny Tweddle** All in favour in accepting the report.

**Open the Book Report: Pam Hibbert** All were in favour of accepting the report

**Electoral Roll Report: Rev Wendy Mott (currently overseeing the Electoral Roll)** All were in favour of accepting the report. There were currently 81 members on the Roll.

**Social Committee Report – Victoria Thompson** Report was accepted. Victoria reported that hopefully next year may be more proactive.

**Collins House Care Home Report: Fr John Noddings** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Flexible Friday Group Report: Fr John Noddings** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Accounts for the Parish: Beverley Howells**

The certified and audited accounts for the Parish and Independent Auditors Report on the accounts to the 31st December 2021 had been circulated to all members. There were no comments made on the accounts and all were in favour of accepting the report.

**Election of Independent Examiner of Accounts: Beverley Howells**

It was then proposed by Mrs Beverley Howells and seconded by Mrs Mandy Waite that Mr Thornton Wallace be elected as the Independent Examiner of the Accounts for the next year. All agreed.

**Proposal to suspend the 6 year rule without a break for Office holders on the PCC – Peter Handscombe**

Peter explained to the meeting that new regulations prevented members serving on the PCC for more than six years. They then had to have a break of at least 1 year before standing for election. The PCC had discussed the matter and it was felt that if this was followed then we would not be able to form a PCC as it was currently difficult to find new members to fill the posts. The Parish could suspend this rule therefore Peter proposed that we suspend the rule until further notice. It was Seconded by Christine Dodd. All agreed.

**Election of P.C.C. Members: Fr David Rollins**

Fr David reported that due to the Concorona Virus the Regulations had been ammended in 2020 and that the current members continued until this APCM of 2021, with the excption of Mandy Waite who's term expires at the APCM in 2022.

There were 5 nominations recieved for members to serve on the PCC:-

Peter Craggs	Nominated by Pearline Shaw and seconded by Mandy Waite
Victoria Thompson	Nominated by Judy Collier and seconded by Christine Miles
Jon Oliver	Nominated by Beverley Howells and seconded by Allan Cummings
Carol Webb	Nominated by Peter Handscombe and seconded by Marion Stephens
Beverley Howells	Nominated by Gillian White and seconded by Peter Craggs

Fr David asked the meeting if there were any further nominations to stand for vacant spaces on the PCC. None were received therefore the above were elected unapposed to serve until 2024.

**Election of Side persons: Fr. David Rollins**

There were no additions or removal from the list of sidepersons from the previous year.

**Election of Deanery Representatives: Peter Handscombe**

The Parish were allowed 3 representatives. Only one nomination was received and no further nominations were received from the meeting.

Peter Handscombe                      Nominated by Peter Craggs and seconded by Pamela Edwards. Peter handscombe was therefore elected to serve as Deanery Representative until 2024.

There being no further business Fr David thanked everyone for what they had done over the past trying year, the PCC and wider Church community, and closed the meeting at 1pm.

Peter Handscombe    PCC Secretary.

I certify that the above minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Signed ..... (Chairman)    Dated .....

## **REPORTS FOR APCM 2022.**

### **PARISH PRIEST'S REPORT - Fr David Rollins, Rector**

As I write this report, we are approaching Mothering Sunday, which marks two years since our pattern of living and worship changed because of the COVID restrictions. At the outset of 2022 we all held great hopes that the year would be better than 2021. Through the year the situation did improve concerning COVID restrictions, however many people's lives were affected by the ravages of the virus. Even if we weren't directly affected by COVID, the virus touched and changed the lives of many.

The daily pattern of prayer has personally sustained me, and I know many others through this difficult passage of time. Through conversations with many I know that to be able to return to regular worship even with guidelines has brought a sense of normality and peace. Being able to conduct worship and having a congregation gathered, both in person and online, has brought reassurance to many. There are still a number of people continuing to isolate, and I pray that we will see their return through this coming year.

The privilege of praying regularly with colleagues is never underestimated. This pattern of prayer sustains me, as I seek both spiritual and personal comfort in this pattern of prayer and worship. I would like to take this opportunity to offer my thanks to my colleagues Reverend Wendy, whom at the end of 2021 became our Associate Priest following the successful completion of her Curacy. Rev Wendy is an 'unsung hero', as she takes on many tasks to ease the burden of responsibility on my shoulders. Rev Wendy I am very grateful for all that you do within our Benefice. Father John also successfully completed his curacy and left us in December to take up the post of Vicar at All Saints Peterborough and again his presence will be missed by his colleagues and the wider congregation. We wish him well in his new post and his forth coming marriage to Rev Keri in July.

Reverend Wendy and I are also involved in other activities, which the Diocese describes as beyond the parish; Rev Wendy continues to act as Chaplain at St Luke's. I continue to lead assemblies at two local Primary Schools, act as Chaplain to the Deanery Mothers Union, as a MDR reviewer for the Diocese and as part of the Vocations team for the Diocese.

How can I express my thanks for the hard work of my colleagues in the Ministry Team especially our Readers David and Pamela, who share the responsibility for preaching and supporting the clergy.

I would also like to thank our PCC secretaries Peter and Carole, also a special thank you to Elaine our Parish Administrator who does so much and Darryl our organist who supports our worship and prepares the choir.

The support I personally receive from our Church Wardens and the responsibilities we share and they undertake on behalf of us all is much appreciated; thank you, David and

John. John has decided to step back at the 2022 APCM, and I would like to publicly thank him for his quiet dedication to this role.

Using the express 'unsung heroes' I must use again to describe the work of our Parish Treasurer, Bev who accepts the responsibility to help us navigate the roads of income and expenditure. There are many calls on our income as, like any home, there are many regular expenses in keeping our historic churches in good repair and fit for purpose. Sometimes our finances are as not as healthy as the treasurers would like to ensure our continued financial sustainability. However, they manage to ensure we can meet our expenses and commitments.

I must take this opportunity to thank all who contribute financially to our parishes and all who offer their gifts and talents in the service of God and our parishes.

Whatever you do for the church, whether keeping the grounds tidy, clean the linen, clean the church, arrange flowers, whatever the task whether big or small, **thank you**. It is only through our shared purposes that we can achieve so much.

Gradually during the year as COVID guidelines were eased we witnessed a return to much of our 'Love in Action', the mission of the church, reaching out to our regular church community and the wider community of Corringham, Fobbing and beyond through the variety of groups offered in our parishes. A huge THANK YOU, to all the volunteers who organise these events. You will find at the back of the annual Report an illustrated drawing which lists all the events which take place.

In other parts of the Annual Report officers of the PCC and various ministries list the many activities and events which have taken place during the past twelve months and I commend this report to you.

The Parish couldn't function without many individuals playing their role; and I mustn't forget the servers, those who organise our social events and fund raisers.

A Parish would be unable to function without all those 'unsung heroes' who do so much in our church to ensure we run smoothly, whether you're part of the regular reading Rota, preparing refreshments, **thank you** one and all.

Life within our Benefice continues, and we must continue to work together to further Gods Kingdom here amongst our communities of Corringham and Fobbing.

May God Bless us as we go forth in faith to share the good news of the Gospel.

## **CHURCHWARDENS REPORT - John Hibbert and David Mott**

With all the challenges of the past year around access to our churches and keeping each other safe, we have been very fortunate in having a time when maintenance has been at a minimum.

Within St Mary's we were very thankful for the kind donation of an icon from Fr David with the intention of this being displayed permanently on the south wall of the Chancel. With our faculty application being approved the icon is now in place.

At St John's the church and hall were redecorated. The redecoration highlighted a problem with the roof sadly leaking over the organ pedals and stool. The roof and skylights have subsequently been repaired. The roof leak being caused by an overwhelmed downpipe has now been channelled away along with the replacement of some dislodged tiles which had been highlighted by the recent Quinquennial report as in need of repair.

Internally the hall floor was re-varnished and the disabled toilet upgraded to current legal legislation requirements.

All the routine checks have been carried out and risk assessments and safety procedures along government and national church guidelines adhered to.

We continue to thank everyone for their care and diligence in looking after our buildings and grounds in so many ways preserving our cared for buildings as a welcome to all.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT 2021 – Beverley Howells**

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to our finances in 2021- the individuals, those that run groups and those that are involved in Fund Raising

Despite being very restricted for half the year, we have managed to complete the year with a healthier current account balance than when we began. All our bills were paid and our quota was paid in full- we should be very pleased that we have managed to do this.

The Repair Fund is slightly down on last year- we had little income and had to pay the last part of the roof on St Mary's.

Sunday morning coffee has continued to make a small profit. Call in for coffee, held on a Saturday, did not happen during 2021 but has now restarted. Messy Mass and Lunch Club restarted in September this year- they are both proving to be popular and have made money.

Miss Long and Cathy Charlton's money continue to grow.

We now have a total of 17 people giving via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)- it would be lovely if more people decided to give this way- it makes it a lot easier for me as I know exactly how much money I'm getting in and Gift Aid is automatically added. Even if you are not a Taxpayer you can use this scheme. Please ask Bev if you would like more information

Finally, I would like to give a huge thank you to the Romanian Church who uses St John's for their services- without them our year would have looked very different.

## **DEANERY SYNOD REPORT - Peter Handscombe**

The Deanery Synod met five times during 2021, however three of those meetings had to take place over Zoom due to the Covid Pandemic.

The first meeting in March was over Zoom when Officers were elected – Frank Woolard (Bulphan) was elected as Lay Chair. The post of Secretary lay vacant as there were no volunteers for this post. The Rev Cannon Mike Power gave a presentation on Stewardship for Parishes and the Diocese and stated a willingness to attend Parishes to make a presentation to congregations.

The next meeting was in May also on Zoom. The Rev James Gilder talked on how Parishes could de-carbonize their footprint in line with the General Synod wishing to be carbon neutral in 2030. He also explained that Parishes could obtain grading of Gold, Silver or Bronze for their Churches and buildings.

The July meeting was again over Zoom when the guest speaker was Pat Clark from Christians Against Poverty. This group advised people in poverty on debt. They also provide facilities such as Job Clubs, run money management courses and encourage the provision of facilities in poorer areas. Chris Henderson volunteered to fill the post of Deanery Secretary and was elected. Rev Cannon Darren Barlow, Rev Clive Russell, Katia D'Arcy-Cumbers and Alison Davis were elected as Deanery Representative to the Diocesan Synod.

The September meeting took place at St. Giles and All Saints at Orsett. Rev Sue Mann led a Eucharist Service. Rev Cannon Darren Barlow gave a sermon on how the early church helped each other and worked together to spread the word of Jesus. He stated that this should be a good example how we could work across borders and Parishes to work together to provide help to each other. The Rev. Tom Rout had been invested at St. Margaret's Stanford le Hope.

The last meeting of the year was in November held at St. Margaret's Stanford le Hope. After a service the speaker was Laura Cleverley, the Dementia friendly Communities Co-Ordinator for the Alzheimer's Society. She explained how congregations could assist those suffering with this disease by including them in their services. More thought could be given on any possible changes to the services and inclusiveness to assist those to maintain their independence and stay as part of the community as long as possible.

## **HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT - Peter Handscombe**

With the continuation of the Coronavirus restrictions continuing during 2021, both buildings had restricted use. Masks were worn and hand sanitizer was provided for the congregation to use. Seating was spaced out and sanitised after each service.

Due to wear to the surface of the hall at St. John's it was re-polished over the Christmas break, and I thank Alan Conroy for his hard work.

Period checks on the buildings and surrounding grounds are made to assess any trip hazards or issues. The headstones at St. Mary's have been checked by applying physical pressure and they have been found to be secure

## **MESSY MASS REPORT – Revd. Wendy**

Throughout all the challenges around meeting together Messy Church has continued to be enjoyed. Activities for the children to access at home were provided for the first part of the year, and then in July everyone was pleased to have the opportunity to meet in the garden at St Johns and share competitive activities in family groups with prepared food in individual bags. As restrictions eased, we have then met together each month from September with our usual format of craft activities linked to a bible story theme. Constantly aware of the need to keep distance following guidelines preparing craft activities and prayer space has had its challenges. The introduction of a science activity each month has been greatly enjoyed even if it has been a bit messy at times.

With restrictive space and social distancing our worship has been bible story, prayers, songs and grace all enthusiastically shared. All who attend share their appreciation each time and the children often can't wait for the next opportunity to come. For all the highlight of the session is the food we share, our thanks to Bev and Mandy for organising and providing this opportunity each month. Thank you also to all who help each month with our craft activities and setting up.

Messy Church continues to provide opportunities for families to share together in fun and fellowship. Thank you to everyone for your support, your prayers and your commitment, which is valued by all who are part of each session.

## **ST LUKE'S CHAPLAINCY – Revd. Wendy**

With much of the year continuing to have restrictions around visiting and sharing inside the Hospice the time I have been able to give as a volunteer chaplain has been limited. Since restrictions were lifted, I have been attending the day hospice every other week on a Wednesday afternoon. During this time, I have continued to listen, chat and support where needed. The time given is slightly less than before lockdown, but there is the proviso to attend at other mutually agreed times if there is specific or requested need for support.

Like all charities and facilities that provide care and support, the Hospice has struggled to maintain their fundraising and funding. Their shops have now reopened, and they

were helped by the services around their Light up a life appeal. As all of us continue to work through this time and adapt to different ways of doing things, let us continue to support and pray where we can for the wonderful work the Hospice does for all in Basildon and Thurrock both inside their buildings and through Hospice at Home.

### **SAFEGUARDING REPORT – Carole Howes, Benefice Safeguarding Officer**

During the course of the previous year, the Church of England's National Safeguarding Team launched its new Safer Recruitment Policy. This new policy included changes to DBS renewal dates; previous checks were valid for 5 years, but this has now been reduced to 3 years. This change will be phased in over a two-year period.

I have contacted all those individuals who will now need to renew their DBS checks and these should be completed during the coming year.

It is now a requirement of PCC members to have a current online safeguarding certificate, which will need to be renewed every 3 years.

The Safeguarding Policy has been agreed and is displayed on noticeboards in all churches within the Benefice.

Safeguarding is a hugely important topic and remains a high point of focus for the Benefice. We would like to emphasise that the safeguarding of all vulnerable individuals, children and adults, is the responsibility of every member of our churches.

### **WALSINGHAM CELL REPORT – Carol Webb**

Due to the Covid restrictions we have been unable to make our annual pilgrimage to The Shrine of Walsingham for the last two years.

However, this year (2022) we will be attending on the 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> May, full board, to The Shrine of our Lady of Walsingham, where we will have time for prayer, rest and spiritual healing.

Twelve pilgrims (including Clergy) from Fobbing and Corringham will be travelling by car and minibus. A deposit and the required accommodation list has been forwarded to the Hospitality Department.

## **CALL IN FOR COFFEE - Marion Stephens**

Following a number of many happy and successful years running the Call-In, John and Pam Hibbert, due to poor health, reluctantly asked for volunteers to take over the Club and Peter Handscombe and I decided to help. We meet the first Saturday of the month from 10am – 12 noon and have now been open for four months, during which Covid rules and people's views have changed and we are slowly getting a small regular group of ladies who met up regularly. We hope that as the weather improves so will our numbers.

## **SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT – Victoria Thompson**

During the last year we have only been able to hold a few events due to the Covid Pandemic.

Our first event of the year was a Quiz evening on the 21st August 2021. Lucy was the host, and she devised a rather brain taxing quiz to rack our brains at.

Due to restrictions in numbers that could meet up in the hall indoors, we did deliveries of Afternoon Teas on the 11th September. Thanks to all who ordered and hosted their own Afternoon Tea Gatherings, reports say they went down very well. Hopefully we can get back to holding this event back in St John's this Year.

Our Christmas Fare was changed to an Autumn Fare on the 23rd October due to the risk of another wave of Covid happening. This actually worked very well, and we were also able to offer tables to the Community to join us.

The Grand Christmas Draw was changed from the fare to be held on 13th December at the end of the Christmas Carol Service.

Peter held his Yearly Brain Teaser Quiz sheets, which seem to go the length and breadth of the country.

We are hopefully planning to hold a few fundraiser and Community events over the next year in the hope that this will interest people to once again come along and join in our festivities. We would also be interested in any ideas for new events from anyone in the congregation.

Many Thanks your Support, The Social and Fundraiser Committee.

## LUNCH CLUB REPORT - Peter Craggs

Lunch Club Account 2021

Church closed due to Covid 19, so first Lunch Club in 2021 was 1 September

DATE	DETAILS	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE
B/fwd				£41.17
1/9/20	Takings		£99.00	£140.17
1/9/21	Purchases	£54.51		£85.66
01/10/21	Xmas crackers	14.38		71.28
6/10/21	Takings		£95.00	£166.28
6/10/21	Purchases	£51.00		£115.28
3/11/21	Takings		£107.50	£222.78
3/11/21	Purchases	£71.00		£151.78
1/12/21	Takings		£148.00	£299.78
1/12/21	Purchases	£135.56		£164.22

## **Independent examiner's report to the PCC of the Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Corringham**

I report on the accounts off the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out over 5 enclosed pages.

### **Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 142 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of this report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts.

### **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 s.130 of the 2011 Act or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) Which, in my opinion, should be drawn to the notice of the PCC in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



*Thornton Wallace*  
69 Theydon Crescent  
Basildon  
Essex  
SS14 3LW  
20/3/22

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31st December 2021  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
<b><u>Incoming resources from donors</u></b>		
Planned giving	23,269.00	20,790.00
Collections and other giving	8,210.00	8,342.00
	<b>31,479.00</b>	<b>29,132.00</b>
<b><u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u></b>		
Donations	3,284.00	6,925.00
Restricted Donations	9,106.00	19,977.00
Charities	3,027.00	1,884.00
Fundraising Events	2,917.00	1,404.00
Hall Income	18,285.00	10,143.00
	<b>36,619.00</b>	<b>40,333.00</b>
<b><u>Income from Charitable &amp; Ancillary Trading</u></b>		
Sale of magazines & candles	89.00	83.00
Fees PCC	1,756.00	1,637.00
Fees (Restricted)	13,269.00	10,513.00
Sundries	4,193.00	8,366.00
	<b>19,307.00</b>	<b>20,599.00</b>
<b><u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u></b>	<b><u>£87,405.00</u></b>	<b><u>£90,064.00</u></b>

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2021  
Registered Charity Number:1138056



General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
<b><u>Grants</u></b>		
Charities	2,420.00	2,665.00
	<b>2,420.00</b>	<b>2,665.00</b>
 <b><u>Activities directly relating to the work of the Church</u></b>		
Diocesan Quota	37,751.00	32,014.00
Clergy Expenses	831.00	888.00
Return Fees (Designated)	16,868.00	18,259.00
Sanctuary	2,516.00	2,835.00
Flowers	238.00	155.00
Building,maintenance,etc	8,167.00	11,888.00
Use Restricted Funding	993.00	7,859.00
	<b>67,364.00</b>	<b>73,898.00</b>
 <b><u>Church management &amp; administration</u></b>		
Printing & stationery	3,723.00	3,782.00
Power & Utilities	4,566.00	5,014.00
Miscellaneous	4,097.00	3,702.00
	<b>12,386.00</b>	<b>12,498.00</b>
 <b><u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u></b>	 <b>£82,170.00</b>	 <b>£89,061.00</b>
 Excess of payments over receipts		
Excess of receipts over payments	5,235.00	1,003.00
Transfer Reconciliation	72.00	5,763.00
Opening balance at 1st Jan	21,428.00	14,662.00
<b>Closing balance at 31st Dec</b>	<b>£26,735.00</b>	<b>£21,428.00</b>

Approved by Parochial Church Council on  
and signed on its behalf by:-

Rev. D. Rollins (Chairman)

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

22/02/22  
22/2/22

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2021  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

*Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2021*

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<b><u>BARCLAYS</u></b>		
Bank Current Account	26,735.00	21,428.00
Bank Repair Fund	14,024.00	15,695.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£40,759.00</u></b>	<b><u>£37,123.00</u></b>
<b><u>DEPOSITS</u></b>		
Miss Long Account	1,290.00	1,235.00
Deposit Fund Investment	27,250.00	17,250.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£28,540.00</u></b>	<b><u>£18,485.00</u></b>
<b><u>SHARES</u></b>		
Accumulated Fund Investment	<b><u>£72,287.00</u></b>	<b><u>£61,557.00</u></b>
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>£141,586.00</u></b>	<b><u>£117,165.00</u></b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**

**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Sunday Morning Coffee</u>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	40.00	£8.00
Donations	70.00	61.00
Expenses	31.00	29.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		
Excess of Receipts over Payments	39.00	32.00
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£79.00</b>	<b>£40.00</b>
 <u>Call in for Coffee-new</u>		
Opening Balance		392.00
Donations		90.00
Charity Donations		345.00
Expenses		
Excess of Receipts over Payments		
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>		<b>£137.00</b>
 <u>Lunch Club</u>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	41.00	
Donations	450.00	
Expenses	326.00	
Excess of Payments over Receipts		
Excess of Receipts over Payments	124.00	
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£165.00</b>	
 <u>Messy Mass</u>		
Opening Balance 1st Jan	30.00	
Donations	354.00	
Expenses	261.00	
Excess of Payments over Receipts		
Excess of Receipts over Payments	93.00	
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£123.00</b>	

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2021  
Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Restricted Donations	45.00	34,486.00
Donations	180.00	180.00
Fundraising Events		1,532.00
Legacy CCLA	23.00	10,096.00
	<b>248.00</b>	<b>46,294.00</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
Maintenance		
CCLA		10,000.00
Specific Fund	1,919.00	37,411.00
Miscellaneous		2,857.00
	<b>1,919.00</b>	<b>50,268.00</b>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		
Excess of Payments over Receipts	1,671.00	3,974.00
Opening Balance 1st January	15,695.00	19,669.00
<b>Closing Balance at 31st December</b>	<b>14,024.00</b>	<b>15,695.00</b>

**Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund**

<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
CBF Deposit Interest	55.00	117.00
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund	1,290.00	1,235.00

**Kathy Charlton Legacy**

Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007

Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)	27,250.00	17,250.00
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)	72,287.00	61,557.00



---

# Accounts

---



**UNITED BENEFICE OF CORRINGHAM AND  
FOBBING**

**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN**

**AND**

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

**CORRINGHAM**

**Charity No. 1138056**

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

**SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at St. Mary's Church after Mass on Zoom.

---

## **ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING**

### **AGENDA**

1. Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting 2020.
  2. Matters Arising from those Minutes.
  3. Election of two Church Wardens.
- 

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

### **AGENDA**

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2020.
2. Matters arising from those Minutes
3. Parish Priest's Report – Fr. David Rollins
4. Curates Report – Fr John Noddings & Rev Wendy Mott.
5. Church Wardens' Report – Peter Craggs & John Hibbert.
6. Treasurers Report – Beverley Howells.
7. Deanery Synod Report – Peter Handscombe
8. Health & Safety Report – Peter Handscombe
9. Mother's Union Report – Pam Hibbert
10. Edward Bear
11. Messy Mass
12. St Luke' Chaplaincy
13. Little Feet
14. Benefice Safeguarding Report
15. Walsingham Cell Report
16. Call in for coffee
17. Lunch Club
18. Christian Care Homes Report
19. Open the Book
20. Electoral Roll Report
21. Social Committee Report
22. Flexible Friday Report
23. Collins House Report
24. Accounts for Churches
25. Election of Independent Examiner of Accounts
26. Proposal to suspend the 6-year service rule without a break for Office holders on PCC. – Peter Handscombe
27. Election of PCC Members.
28. Election/Ratification of sidepersons.

**Minutes of Annual Vestry Meeting held in St. Mary's Church on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 5pm due to Corona virus restrictions.**

**Present:** Fr David Rollins in the chair.

There were 11 Parishioners present. (Numbers restricted by coronavirus)

**Apologies:** Mrs. Victoria Thompson; Mrs. Marion Stephens.

**Election of Church Wardens:** There were two nominations:

Mr Peter Craggs.	Proposed by Mrs Pearl Shaw Seconded by Christine Dodd.
Mr John Hibbert	Proposed by Peter Handscombe Seconded by David Mott.

Mr. Peter Craggs and Mr. John Hibbert were duly elected and will be admitted by Fr. David Rollins in due course under the amended Cannon Law (Covid Regulations).

The Vestry Meeting closed at 5.15pm.

---

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING WHICH FOLLOWED THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING WITH 11 PARISHONERS PRESENT.**

Due to the restrictions placed on meetings by the Covid 19 virus the Annual General Meeting Minutes for 2019 and Accounts were sent to all members on the Electoral Roll either by email or by post. The details of the meeting were also posted on both Church outside doors and on the Pew Sheet for 4 weeks. As reports had been circulated as above it was not necessary for them to be read out.

Fr David Rollins outlined the reasons for the holding of the meeting in the manner it was due to the Covid restrictions.

**Minutes:**

The minutes for the previous APCM had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Beverly Howells and seconded by David Mott that the minutes be accepted. All in favour.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**Parish Priest's Report: - Fr. David Rollins.**

Fr David added to his report by thanking everyone for working hard under the current restrictions. All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Curates' Report: Fr John Noddings and Rev Wendy Mott.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Church Warden's Report: Peter Craggs and John Hibbert.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Treasurer's Report: Beverley Howells.** Bev read out the Auditors Report by Mr Thornton Wallace. There were no comments on the reports. It was proposed by Mr John Hibbert and seconded by Mr Peter Craggs that the Treasurer's Report and the Independent Examiners Report be accepted. All in favour.

**Deanery Synod Report: Mr Peter Handscombe.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Health and Safety Report: Peter Handscombe.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Mother's Union Report: Pam Hibbert.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Edward Bear Report: Rev Wendy Mott.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Messy Mass Report: Rev Wendy Mott.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**St Luke' Chaplaincy Report: Rev Wendy Mott.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Benefice Safeguarding Report: Carole Howes.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Little Feet Report: Prepared by Fr David.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Walsingham Cell Report: Carol Webb.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Call in for Coffee Report: Pam Hibbert.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Lunch Club Report: Margaret Eve.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Open the Book Report: Pam Hibbert.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Benefice Knit and Natter Group: Christine Matthews.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Thurrock Food Bank Report: Deborah Raddon.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Electoral Roll Report: Rev Wendy Mott (currently overseeing the Electoral Roll)**  
All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Flexible Friday Group Report: Fr John Noddings.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Collins House Care Home Report: Fr John Noddings.** All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Accounts for the Parish: Beverley Howells.**

The certified and audited accounts for the Parish and Independent Auditors Report on the accounts to the 31st December 2019 had been circulated to all members. There were no comments made on the accounts and all were in favour of accepting the report.

**Election of Independent Examiner of Accounts: Beverley Howells.**

It was proposed by Beverley Howells and seconded by John Hibbert that Thornton Wallace be elected. He had examined the accounts for a number of years. All were in favour of accepting the report.

**Election of P.C.C. Members: Fr David Rollins.**

Fr David reported that due to the Corona Virus the Regulations had been amended for the duration and that the current members will stand in post until the APCM of 2021. The current members agreed to stand.

**Election of Side persons: Fr. David Rollins.**

Again, the regulations have been amended and the current sidepersons will stand until the APCM in 2021.

**Election of Deanery Representatives: Peter Handscombe**

The Parish were allowed 3 representatives however only Peter Handscombe was agreeable to stand until the APCM of 2021. He was proposed by Marion Stephens and seconded by John Hibbert. All in favour Peter Handscombe to continue in post.

In a closing address Fr. David added that it is very strange times and would like to thank those who continue to do their work in trying circumstances. He thanked his colleagues, Church Wardens and PCC for their efforts in keeping the Church going.

Peter Handscombe proposed a vote of thanks to Fr David, Fr John and Rev Wendy for the work they had done especially over the last 6 months in guiding us through the Covid crisis and arranging services.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 5.20pm.

Peter Handscombe PCC Secretary.

I certify that the above minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Signed ..... (Chairman) Dated .....

## Annual Report - Fr David Rollins, Rector

Dear Friends

The phrase “an unprecedented year” has become common place during the past twelve months. It has been a difficult year as many of us have had to remain at home and stay safe. Also, the closure of churches for Public worship and the limited use of Church Halls has had a huge effect on us during these past few months.

Many of our normal activities have sadly not been able to take place. However, we have tried to remain in touch with all our regular worshipers either through weekly postings or emails. We have also maintained contact with those on the periphery of the church, details in other team members reports elsewhere in this report.

We were able to complete the works on St Mary’s Roof, and we appreciated the work of our Architect David Ferguson, the Contractors, and the Corringham Church Wardens, Treasurer and Fundraising Group who worked hard to ensure we had the funds to complete these works.

As we have faced the different challenges 2020 presented us, I am very appreciative of the work of my colleagues, Rev Wendy and Fr John, and our Readers David and Pamela, alongside the support we have received from the Church Wardens, Peter and John, the treasurer, Bev, and all members of the PCC and each and every member of our worshipping community. Peter has decided to step down this year. Peter has served two terms as Church Warden through the years and I have always appreciated his support and his dedication to complete tasks.

I must make special mention of Elaine who offers me such a huge amount of support as our Parish Administrator and ensures we have all remained in contact through the year.

I find that words seem inadequate to express my **thanks** for your continued financial support through these past twelve months. We were able to meet all our commitments for the Parish and to the Diocese in the form of our Parish share.

None of us are sure how the church will look in the future and we look forward to the guidance of our new **Diocesan Bishop Guli** who takes on the reigns of responsibility after Easter. The Diocese is still facing an unsure financial future and there is the possibility of many changes which will affect each parish and Benefice through the coming years.

The roadmap for easing of lockdown restrictions has been published, and I look forward to the time when we can meet together in church to worship God and our Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ.

I commend this Annual Report to you giving you a snapshot of the past year.

In assurance of my continued service, your servant and priest.

Fr David

### **Curates Report - Fr John and Revd Wendy**

For both of us the past year has been very different, the pandemic has created challenges and opportunities that none of us would ever have envisaged. Many activities with our younger people within schools or within our church family have been curtailed, technology has helped us keep in touch but as we all know this is not the same as meeting together.

Our continuing Diocesan curacy training has all been online and we have both fulfilled all of our commitments to this during the past year. Fr John has now completed his curacy and will within the next year have moved to his own parish. Revd Wendy, being locally deployed and technically part time will complete her curacy in May 2022, when she will be an Associate Priest for the Benefice continuing to serve in Corringham and Fobbing.

We have both continued to benefit from the knowledge and guidance of Fr David as our training incumbent. Occasional Offices, particularly funerals, have been shared and our support of St Margaret's during their time of Interregnum has allowed us the opportunity to experience leading worship in a tradition different to our own.

Thank you also to everyone in the benefice for your continued support and care for us.

In humility and love we hope to be able to continue to serve wherever God leads us in the coming year.

Every blessing.

### **Churchwardens Report - Peter Craggs and John Hibbert**

Well, what a year 2020 has been. We started off the year with reports of a Coronavirus disease in China. By February it was spreading round the world, and now being named Covid 19 it was declared a global pandemic. Our last service in church was on Sunday 15 March due to a national lockdown being declared by the government. On Easter Day we had a streamed service so our congregation could follow in their own homes. There was a break of about two weeks and then we had regular streamed services using Zoom. Services started again in church on 18 July which were also streamed, as many of our congregation were isolating at home. We would like to thank Father David, Reverend Wendy and Father John for all their hard work in preparing St. Mary's and St. John's churches for services. Seats had to be marked so people were seated 2 metres apart, markers on the floor asking people to keep their distance, hand sanitizing, notices etc. All numbers for services were limited and people had to book a place in advance, this worked very well. Our last services with a congregation was at Christmas due to further restrictions, since then all services are streamed only. We would also like to thank Darryl who although we were unable to sing in church, played for services throughout the year. Elaine has also done a sterling job by posting or emailing the pew sheet, orders of service, lectionaries etc., to everyone on a weekly basis so that everyone knew what was happening.

We would also like to thank the generous people who have continued to support the

church financially throughout these very difficult times. Bev, our treasurer, has done a magnificent job in balancing the books. Thank you to everyone who is still helping to keep our churches and grounds clean and tidy in these very difficult times.

Repair work restarted in May on the roof at St. Mary's church, it had to stop in late 2019 due to the bats hibernating, this re-tiling will ensure that it will keep us weatherproof for many years to come. After the tiling work was completed, the ceiling of the nave at St. Mary's was repainted. The Quinquennial report for St. Mary's was carried out in late 2020 so we now have 5 years to complete the work needed, most of it is stone re-pointing outside.

Peter will be standing down as churchwarden at the next APCM. He will have completed six years in this role. He would like to thank everyone for their support during this time.

We must remember Geoff Shead, who died on 31 December 2020. He had been a stalwart in the parish for 52 years, during this time he served on the PCC, was Churchwarden, Deanery Synod Secretary, Chairman of Local Fellowship of Churches and helped run the 8+8 Youth Group at St. John's in the 1970's and 80's. We offer our condolences to Reverend Wendy, her sister Karen and their families at this time.

In November 2020 the Romanian Orthodox Church joined the Benefice to use St. John's Church and St. Michael's Church. We had to apply for two faculties which took over 6 months to complete, it was the most complicated Faculty application we had done. Christine and John would like to thank Father David for his invaluable help in completing them.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT - BEV HOWELLS**

The past year has been a very strange one - unlike any we've had before. We've had almost no fund raising, less hall lettings and a drop in planned giving. Despite this our congregation and friends of St Mary and St John's have been very generous in their donations• increasing our income by over £18,000. Our outgoings increased by a similar amount, but we managed to end the year with a healthier bank balance than when we started. A large part of this increase was due to the many funerals that have been conducted this year.

I would like to thank Fobbing PCC for their assistance in helping us to pay the United Benefice Family Purse in full.

The 'Sunday Morning Coffee' and the 'Coffee with Friends' had income for the first few months of the year but had to stop for the remaining part of the year due to the lockdown.

This year our Repair Fund has dropped- we expected this as the repair to the roof was completed and the bills came in. Luckily, we were able to claim back the VAT that we had paid out which meant that we ended the year in a healthier state than I thought we would. We 'borrowed' £10,000 from our CCLA to make the last payment on the roof but paid it back as soon as the VAT came in.

At last we received 2 lots of Gift Aid, which we have been waiting for since 2018- thank you to Elizabeth for her perseverance. Half was transferred straight into our Repair Fund the remainder left in the Current account.

I would like to thank everyone for their generosity during the past year- it has meant that we have been able to meet all our obligations. Everyone has been very generous contributing to our various collections: raffle, Fr D's Christmas, money given in memory of Barrie, etc.

A special thanks to John Hibbert for his continued support as Assistant Treasurer and to the Clergy who have helped so much during the pandemic.

Hopefully it won't be too long before we can all meet again.

### **DEANERY REPORT – Peter Handscombe**

Due to the Covid outbreak there has been only one Deanery Synod held during 2020, and that was on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at All Saints Chafford Hundred. After opening worship Charlie KOSLA showed a video of Creation with a focus on becoming an eco-church. Following this the Revd Canon Imogen Nay, *Canon for Evangelism & Discipleship, Chelmsford Cathedral* spoke about the national Eco Church initiative and shared Eco Church journeys, as Chelmsford Diocese seeks to be an Eco diocese.

There are five categories to consider when implementing this initiative to impact on the whole of church life being: worship and teaching, buildings and land, local community, global community and personal lifestyles. PCC' should be brought on-board to look at lifestyles, use of recyclable items and energy saving within the Church buildings. There are three levels of Eco Church awards to be earned and are explained on the Rocha website as Bronze, Silver, Gold with qualifying activities for each level.

During the meeting the vacancy for Deanery Secretary and Lay Chair were discussed and candidates asked to come forward.

## **HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICERS REPORT – Peter Handscombe**

### **St. John's Church and Hall**

The fire extinguishers have been tested and are correctly placed. All exit doors signed. The Accident book checked and no incidents to cause concern. The Church and hall are checked on an ongoing basis for hazards and action taken where necessary. The electrical appliances have been PAT tested and held in file in the Parish Office. The emergency lighting system is engaged in the event of a power failure and a torch is supplied for the Church. The Gas system has been checked.

Due to the Covid lockdown the hall has not been hired out except to the Playgroup and strict isolation of the hall and toilets and areas that the Playgroup use has been in action.

During the early months the Church had been marked out to comply with the safe distance restrictions but has been closed off for the majority of the year as the restrictions intensified due to prevent the spread of the Corona virus.

The Orthodox Church has been authorized to use St. John's Church and their icons etc. had been put in place, however the tighter restrictions have prevented them holding services to date.

### **St. Mary's Church**

Gas boilers have been checked and electrical appliances PAT tested. Certificate in Parish Office. Signs correctly displayed on exits. Accident books checked and no incidents of concern. Fire extinguishers checked and correctly placed. The standing gravestones have been checked by applying physical pressure and found to be secure. Steps have been marked with white paint. The Church and grounds are regularly checked for trip hazards and action taken when required. The rear fence has been replaced. During roofing work, it was necessary to close and restrict access to the Church for a short time whilst the work was undertaken.

The Church had been marked out to comply with the "Safe Distance" Regulations and some services with a limited congregation had been held. However, with the tightening of restrictions during the later months only services beamed via Zoom have been permitted.

### **MOTHERS' UNION REPORT - Pam Hibbert Branch Leader**

In 2020 Mothers' Union met only three (January-March) times when we had a speaker in January and another speaker in March. In January we had a talk from the co-op regarding tax after retirement. We were invited to ask questions which were answered by one of the Co-ops team. The second speaker was in March when Steven Conroy spoke to us about working in Nepal as a youth worker.

From the 23<sup>rd</sup> March the whole country was shut-down by the government due to Coronavirus (COVID-19). No indication was given as to when we would be allowed to open again, and as of this date, February 2021, churches, and halls are still closed and so far, we do not know as to when we will be opening again.

### **EDWARD BEAR REPORT - Revd Wendy**

Until the start of the first lockdown in March 2020 Edward Bear was continuing to welcome many pre-school children and their primary carers. All those attending continued to enjoy the resources provided and the format of the morning. Each session made possible by the continued dedication of the team setting up, preparing resources and providing a listening ear and the opportunity to share.

Unfortunately, since March we have been unable to reopen as our ethos is to provide a welcome for both adults and children, with encouragement for use of soft toys. Hearing from some of the primary carers I know our sessions have been missed. None of us knows if and when we will be able to recommence with our church provision.

Some of the funding from Edward Bear was contributed to the church to purchase books, glow-sticks and stickers as Christingle resources shared with the community which was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone for your support and your commitment to providing this resource and its outreach. Sadly, as I write this report, I have just heard of Len passing. Len did so much for Edward Bear helping put things away after a session and always being so good at repairing or adapting equipment for us. We will miss his support and care and hold his family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.

### **MESSY MASS REPORT - Revd Wendy**

As with all activities Messy Mass has had to adapt and change to continue to be viable and active throughout our time of being unable to meet socially. Sharing the March meeting as usual with the fun, the activities, the Mass and the fellowship around a meal

together we had all the plans and resources in place for our Good Friday activity making Easter Gardens. With no opportunity to meet and share it was suggested that we delivered the resources to each family who attended our sessions for completion at home. Greatly enjoyed we have continued each month to organise and resource Messy Church at home.

Creatively the families chose themselves to meet in the park when they could, to allow the children to be with each other, to undertake the craft activities in their separate bubbles. When unable to do this, they organised a time to meet via zoom. In October we were able to meet in Church with each family staying in their own bubble and separate resources provided in a box on the table. By November however with regulations having changed we reverted once again to being at home, with us hosting a zoom meeting from St John's in December.

With such enthusiasm we hope to continue to provide Messy Church for as long as there is an interest. Thank you to everyone who has been involved this year offering a very special thank you to Peter and Jean who have organised and provided a meal each month with all the setting up and clearing away with March having been their last time. Their dedication and commitment has been greatly appreciated by the team and all the families who have attended in the past seven years. Thank you.

### **ST LUKE'S CHAPLAINCY - Revd Wendy**

Volunteering at the Hospice on a Wednesday sitting chatting, listening, supporting within both the Day Hospice and the In Patients Unit had to be curtailed as the pandemic took hold. Remaining a volunteer, I have been asked to help on a few occasions within my Chaplaincy role and continue to support the Hospice where I can. Training has been carried out online but all the planned events including everything to celebrate 30 years of the Hospice being in Basildon sadly had to be cancelled. The dedication and commitment of the Hospice to provide care both in their inpatient unit and in the community has continued. Let us all continue to pray for their outreach and the demands being placed on them alongside all who provide medical care and support at this time.

### **LITTLE FEET REPORT – Fr David Rollins.**

Sadly, since the first lockdown in March 2020, we haven't met in person. However, some of the same families are connected to the Messy Church group and we have had the opportunity to meet through the regular activities Rev Wendy has provided.

We look forward to meeting in person from September.

**UNITED BENEFICE OF CORRINGHAM & FOBING SAFEGUARDING REPORT -  
Carole Howes Benefice Safeguarding Representative.**

We continue to take the matter of safeguarding very seriously within the Benefice. Despite not being able to meet in church we have continued to ensure all DBS checks are kept up to date and that all on-line safeguarding training is also current. This year three DBS checks have been undertaken and certain church members will renew their online safeguarding training in the next few months.

Safeguarding contact details, the Benefice Safeguarding Statement and Policy remain displayed on notice boards in each church and hall.

**WALSINGHAM CELL REPORT - Carol Webb**

Due to the Corona pandemic, there is very little to report as our annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Walsingham last year (2020) did not take place.

A further date for this year was made (11 May 2021) unfortunately Fr David received correspondence to say that it was unlikely that we would be attending, once again, due to restrictions not being fully lifted.

A deposit of £320 was forwarded to Walsingham on 28 January 2020 and we still retain the minibus money in our parish account.

Some of us have been following the shrine on Facebook and You Tube. We look forward to the time we can return to this very special place.

**CALL IN FOR COFFEE REPORT - Pam Hibbert**

Call in for Coffee was closed from the 23 March 2020 when the country came under government lockdown due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). We did manage to open for three months of the year (January to March) when we raised the amount of £90.16 and we sent £45.10 to the Indian Sewing Project.

We then had to close as per the government guidelines.

### **LUNCH CLUB REPORT - Margaret Eve**

There was no Lunch Club in January as the first Wednesday in 2020 was New Year's Day. There was a lunch in February and March only, as due to the Coronavirus pandemic all church activities ceased in mid-March. My thanks to all the helpers for catering in February and March as I was in Australia. There is £43.57 in the funds which will be held until the Lunch Club is able to meet again.

### **CHRISTIAN CARE HOMES 2020 - David and Jenny Twedde**

We attended Beech and Cedar House for the months of January, February, and early March. After this the country went into lockdown, and we have been unable to be in physical contact. However, we have kept in touch and sent in our music and hymn sheets when requested. Beech House held a lockdown Carol Service in this way. Easter Services will be held if allowed, and we will once again send in music and hymn sheets, if requested. We have helped out in other ways. For instance, with the help of a team of volunteers, gowns, caps and masks were made up for the Homes before Government took this on. We have to thank Margaret Eve from St Michael's, and Margaret Day from St Margaret's for the speed and generosity in doing the bulk of this work. Also, a huge thank you to those who provided fabric, sheets, duvet covers etc. to enable the work to be done. Christian Care Homes have expressed their grateful thanks, which I now pass on.

We have helped in other ways: sending cakes periodically for the Carers. We are looking forward to returning and being part of the Community once again once lockdown restrictions permit.

Finally, we were sad to hear of Len Collier's passing. He was a great help to us when we held our Services at Cedar and Beech.

### **OPEN THE BOOK - Pam Hibbert**

Unfortunately, the Open the Book project has had to shut temporarily due to COVID-19.

No-one is sure when this will re-open or who will be available to carry on this work. Hopefully, some volunteers will come forward to help with this.

## **SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT – Victoria Thompson**

Unfortunately, due to the Worldwide Pandemic this last year, the Social Committee had to cancel all the years social events for safety reasons.

We do hope to be holding a few events this year safely distanced, dependent on the lock down rules being relaxed, so it is safe for us to socialise once again as a parish. We do hope this transpires, as we know it has been very hard for some members of our parish this last year being isolated from their friends and family.

It was with great sadness that during the lockdown our Social Committee leader Barry White passed away after his battle with cancer. Barry had been a very long-standing parishioner of St Mary's and St John's Church. He had held a position on the PCC for countless years and helped with many fund-raising events in our parish. We all have our own memories of Barry and he will be sorely missed by the whole parish. Our love and prayers are always with Gill, Elizabeth, Ali and the Boys.

## **Flexible Friday Report – Fr John Noddings**

The current pandemic has meant that the Flexible Friday Group has not been able to meet since April of last year.

Contact with group members and parents has been through a Newsletter, which has focused on various themes throughout the past year. These have included, Easter, Pentecost, VE Day Celebrations, Pilgrimage, Advent and Christmas.

It is hoped that as this current lockdown lifts and restrictions are eased that the group may be able to resume meeting from June.

## **Collins House – Fr John Noddings**

The current pandemic has meant that the weekly Service of The Word has not been able to take place since April of last year.

Collins House have said that they will contact me when we are able to resume these services.

**Independent examiner's report to the PCC of the Parish of St Mary the Virgin,  
Corringham**

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out over 5 enclosed pages.

**Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 142 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of this report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts.

**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 s.130 of the 2011 Act or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) Which, in my opinion, should be drawn to the notice of the PCC in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



Thornton Wallace  
69 Theydon Crescent  
Basildon  
Essex  
SS14 3LW  
3/5/20

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**

**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**

**31st December 2020**

**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**General Fund Receipts and Payment Account**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
<b><u>Incoming resources from donors</u></b>		
Planned giving	20,790.00	24,657.00
Collections and other giving	8,342.00	8,794.00
	<b>29,132.00</b>	<b>33,451.00</b>
<b><u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u></b>		
Donations	6,925.00	1,167.00
Restricted Donations	19,977.00	4,796.00
Charities	1,884.00	1,698.00
Fundraising Events	1,404.00	2,080.00
Hall Income	10,143.00	13,029.00
	<b>40,333.00</b>	<b>22,770.00</b>
<b><u>Income from Charitable &amp; Ancillary Trading</u></b>		
Sale of magazines & candles	83.00	517.00
Fees PCC	1,637.00	3,717.00
Fees (Restricted)	10,513.00	9,674.00
Sundries	8,366.00	1,722.00
	<b>20,599.00</b>	<b>15,630.00</b>
<b><u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u></b>	<b><u>£90,064.00</u></b>	<b><u>£71,851.00</u></b>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
<b><u>Grants</u></b>		
Charities	2,665.00	2,590.00
	<b>2,665.00</b>	<b>2,590.00</b>
 <b><u>Activities directly relating to the work of the Church</u></b>		
Diocesan Quota	32,014.00	36,482.00
Clergy Expenses	888.00	3,122.00
Return Fees (Designated)	18,259.00	6,068.00
Sanctuary	2,835.00	3,126.00
Flowers	155.00	248.00
Building,maintenance,etc	11,888.00	6,774.00
Use Restricted Funding	7,859.00	2,928.00
	<b>73,898.00</b>	<b>58,748.00</b>
 <b><u>Church management &amp; administration</u></b>		
Printing & stationery	3,782.00	4,129.00
Power & Utilities	5,014.00	3,788.00
Miscellaneous	3,702.00	1,819.00
	<b>12,498.00</b>	<b>9,736.00</b>
 <b><u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u></b>	 <b><u>£89,061.00</u></b>	 <b><u>£71,074.00</u></b>
 Excess of payments over receipts		
Excess of receipts over payments	1,003.00	777.00
Transfer Reconciliation	5,763.00	44.00
Opening balance at 1st Jan	14,662.00	13,841.00
<b>Closing balance at 31st Dec</b>	<b><u>£21,428.00</u></b>	<b><u>£14,662.00</u></b>

Approved by Parochial Church Council on  
and signed on its behalf by:-

Rev. D. Rollins (Chairman)

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

*David Rollins*  
*B Howells*

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**

**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Restricted Donations	34,486.00	18,516.00
Donations	180.00	180.00
Fundraising Events	1,532.00	8,795.00
Legacy CCLA	10,096.00	126.00
	<b>46,294.00</b>	<b>27,617.00</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
Maintenance		10,080.00
CCLA	10,000.00	
Specific Fund	37,411.00	37,424.00
Miscellaneous	2,857.00	2,861.00
	<b>50,268.00</b>	<b>50,365.00</b>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		
Excess of Payments over Receipts	3,974.00	22,748.00
Opening Balance 1st January	19,669.00	42,417.00
<b>Closing Balance at 31st December</b>	<b>15,695.00</b>	<b>19,669.00</b>
 <b>Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund</b>		
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
CBF Deposit Interest	117.00	59.00
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund	1,235.00	1,178.00
 <b>Kathy Charlton Legacy</b>		
<small>Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007</small>		
Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)	17,250.00	17,250.00
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)	61,557.00	65,668.00

**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**

**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

	<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>
<b><u>Sunday Morning Coffee</u></b>			
Opening Balance 1st Jan	£8.00		31.00
Donations	61.00	324.00	
Expenses	29.00	347.00	
Excess of Payments over Receipts			23.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments	32.00		
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£40.00</b>		<b>£8.00</b>
 <b><u>Call in for Coffee-new</u></b>			
Opening Balance	392.00	123.00	
Donations	90.00	467.00	
Charity Donations	345.00		160.00
Expenses			38.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments			
<b>Closing Balance 31stDec</b>	<b>£137.00</b>		<b>£392.00</b>

**PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**  
**Registered Charity Number:1138056**

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2018**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b><u>BARCLAYS</u></b>		
Bank Current Account	21,428.00	14,662.00
Bank Repair Fund	15,695.00	19,669.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£37,123.00</u></b>	<b><u>£34,331.00</u></b>
<b><u>DEPOSITS</u></b>		
Miss Long Account	1,235.00	1,178.00
Deposit Fund Investment	17,250.00	17,250.00
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£18,485.00</u></b>	<b><u>£18,428.00</u></b>
<b><u>SHARES</u></b>		
Accumulated Fund Investment	£61,557.00	£65,668.00
<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>£117,165.00</u></b>	<b><u>£118,427.00</u></b>

**PROPOSAL TO SUSPEND THE RULE (until further notice) THAT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF YEARS THAT PCC MEMBERS AND CHURCH OFFICERS MAY HOLD OFFICE/SERVE ON THE PCC TO SIX YEARS – WHEN THEY MUST TAKE A MINIMUM OF ONE YEARS BREAK.**

At the PCC meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021, it was proposed by Peter Handscombe and seconded by Mrs. Beverley Howells, that the rule introduced by the General Synod that Office Holders and PCC members must stand down after serving a continuous period of six years is suspended until further notice. They must then have a break of at least one year.

The reasoning for this proposal is that if this rule is applied then a workable PCC could not be formed.

It was agreed that the proposal should be put before the Annual General Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021.