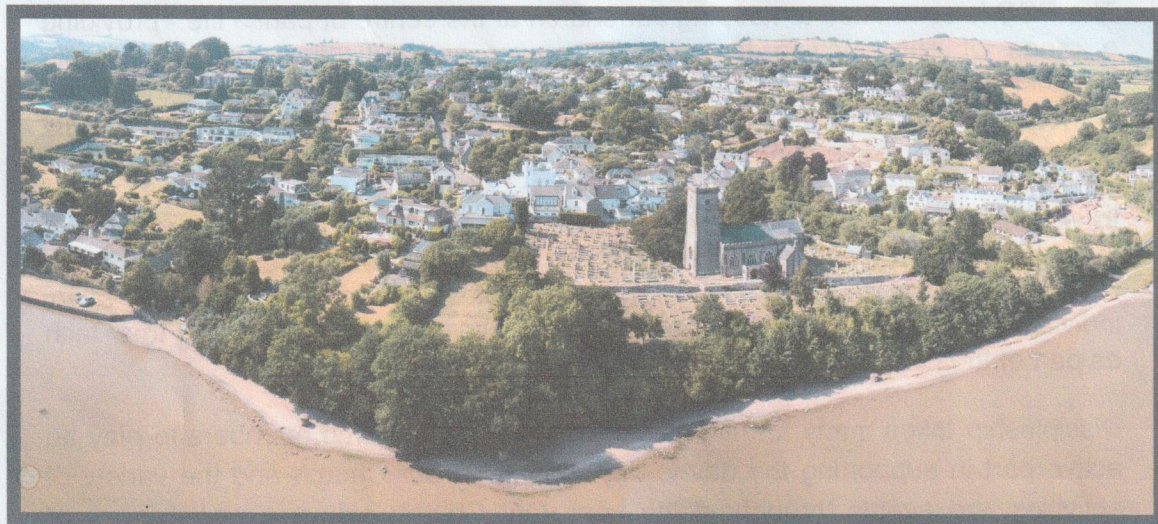


The Parish of St Mary and St Gabriel, Stoke Gabriel

in the Diocese of Exeter and the Totnes Mission Community



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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Parochial Church Council

Year ended 31st December 2021

Incumbent: The Reverend Father Jim Barlow

Associate Priest: The Reverend Gill Still

Bankers: Lloyds Bank, Palace Avenue, Paignton

Independent Examiner: David Blood FCCA

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary and St Gabriel Totnes is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules 2006)
PCC is also a Registered Charity no: 1138315

AIM and PURPOSE

The Parochial Church Council of St Mary and St Gabriel, Stoke Gabriel (PCC) works with the incumbent, the Reverend Father Jim Barlow and associate priest, Reverend Gill Still to promote in the parish the mission of the Church; pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical.

As well as the Grade 1 listed building and its churchyard, the PCC has responsibility for maintaining the fabric of the Old School Room (Church Hall), the Verger's Cottage and the Church House Inn, which is leased to a tenant landlord.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to keeping our church at the centre of parish life - providing a range of opportunities for worship, prayer and reflection, bringing people together, caring for the community and marking significant events in the life of individuals and the community. In planning activities the PCC observes the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the advancement of religion.

In worship, prayer is a key part of our life, this being enhanced by good choral music and a strong sense of the Church being the living presence of Christ. Central to church life is the support, nurture, protection and safeguarding of *every* individual. We try to enable all members of the congregation to live out their faith as part of the Church family.

Discipleship takes many forms and we encourage all church members to play an active part in supporting the day-to-day running of our Church and the variety of activities and events throughout the year. Our Church enjoys a warm sense of community which is reflected in the parish as a whole and new members are readily welcomed to join in.

The PCC discharges its responsibilities for the maintenance and preservation of the fabric of its medieval buildings.

ACHIEVEMENTS and PERFORMANCE

2021 was another year dominated by the Covid-19 pandemic, by lockdowns and restrictions which made the life of the parish very challenging, with services affected and activities restricted or cancelled.

It is a measure of the health of the parish that participation in church activities has remained strong, support of the community continued, albeit in different forms, and personal giving of the congregation stood up well. Our support of charities has been maintained, Common Share payments made in full and on time. and a successful appeal for funds to repair the church clock achieved twice the target sum with contributions from within and without the church community.

Congregations

Attendance at both Zoom and 'live' services remained strong and In such troubled times, attendance figures both on-line and in church have held up well, with around fifty to sixty joining in Sunday services and 86 on the electoral roll. New members were welcomed to the congregation.

Thanks for this go not only to the 'tech team' but also to the associate priest Rev. Gill Still who continued to lead the spiritual and worship life of the parish in albeit different media.

There was wide-spread gratitude for attempts to keep services 'normal'. During the year, there has been 5 Baptisms, 1 Wedding, 8 funerals and 3 burial of ashes

Safety

In opening the church, seating capacity was limited to around 50% to provide social distancing and hand sanitisers and masks made available at the door. Risk assessments and track-and-trace records have been completed for all activities in an attempt to limit infection spread and to keep all members of the congregation safe.

Worship:

The first part of the year saw services restricted to Zoom, but as restrictions were lifted these were gradually transferred back into church and Zoom confined to PCC and other committee meetings.

Mission:

Telephone and email communication were once more used to keep in touch with our congregation, and those in the parish who struggled with loneliness, bereavement and poor health.

Easter and Christmas trails were mounted in the village orchard and, as usual, telephone poles and notice boards used to keep the mission of the church alive in the public eye.

The children's Christmas Crib service moved outdoors into the scout field for the second year and attracted the usual large number of families for who this is an integral part of the Christmas period. Father Christmas also made an appearance!

Gill has maintained contacts with the pre-school group and with the village primary school and in the latter part of the year Crafty Animal and Crafty Advent afternoons were reintroduced for the younger children linked to the feast of St Francis and to Christingle Service.

Music:

As Government restrictions were relaxed in July, hymn singing was once more allowed, albeit with masks and the choir got back together for both rehearsal (initially on the south terrace but then in the nave of the church) and in services, with numbers, seating and masks respecting the need for social distancing and control of aerosol transmission.

In August the role of organist became vacant with the move of Wyn Turner out of the area, but we were very fortunate to be able to appoint a replacement in Matt Davies who had moved to a job in the area. This has ensured the continuation and progress of music in our services and helped the choir to rebuild after the interruptions of the pandemic.

Technology:

Use of Zoom allowed services in the early part of the year. and made possible smaller meetings and committees. Websites, - both stokegabrielchurch.co.uk and A church near you and Facebook. have provided a platform to keep the parish and the wider community informed of the activities of the church.

Ancillary staff.

We continued to support our cleaner, gardener and vergers and the church, and churchyard has been well-maintained - the churchyard had an honourable mention in the Devon's Best Churchyard Competition.

SAFEGUARDING

We continue to commit ourselves to the support, nurture, protection and safeguarding of every individual, especially the young and vulnerable. Most members of the PCC have been DBS checked, completed the Basic Awareness/Foundation Safeguarding course and the Domestic Awareness Course. A Safeguarding report is made at every PCC meeting.

DEANERY SYNOD

Two members of the PCC, Norman Betts and Alan Hill also serve as members of Deanery Synod and feed back to PCC meetings on discussions in the Synod.

CHURCH FABRIC

In spite of difficulties caused by the pandemic and reduced income the following tasks have been completed to secure the maintenance of his listed building

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| - Verger's Cottage Chimney Repaired. | March 2021 |
| - Ash Tree & Cherry Tree removed Churchyard | March 2021 |
| - (Ash Tree, 'Ash die back' & Cherry dead) | |
| - Introduction of the Sum Up Card Reader to church. | June 2021 |
| - Schoolroom Floor sanded, repaired and oiled. | July 2021 |
| - Lady Chapel restoration of chairs. | July 2021 |
| - North door, West & South doors (inner & outer) oiled. | August 2021 |
| - West Porch - minor repairs & walls/ceiling painted. | August 2021 |
| - Introduction of baby changing facility Schoolroom. | August 2021 |
| - Fire Survey completed Church & Schoolroom. | August 2021 |
| - PAT Testing Completed Church & Schoolroom. | September 2021 |
| - Flag Pole repaired and painted. | September 2021 |
| - Boiler Service | October 2021 |
| - Tower leak repaired. | November 2021 |
| - Introduction of Contactless Giving/Donation Box. | November 2021 |
| (Housing for SumUp machine) | |

PARISH OUTREACH

In addition to our support of the lonely and vulnerable in our community, and the promotion of the Gospel to the parish, the church has continued to support a number of charitable causes in the locality and further afield.—A Drop in Centre and Food Bank in Totnes, The Children's Society and Water Aid.

In 2020 we took on sole sponsorship through World Vision of a little girl rather aptly named Winny Angel. She is now 8 and lives in Busitema, Uganda. The money we give each month is combined with donations from other sponsors to transform life for all the children in the community of Busitema. It helps to give them clean water, nutritious food, healthcare, education and a way to earn a living. During 2021 Winny and her family attended a COVID-19 prevention workshop and received approved health information. Her confidence is growing in her reading and writing skills and she has received books and study materials to help her with her education and personal development. For every child like Winny who is helped, four more children benefit.

VOLUNTEERS

The church is blessed with an army of volunteers from within and outside the congregation who give generously of their time to support the church and its mission to the community of Stoke Gabriel. It would be invidious to name names, but the PCC wishes to thank them all.

Our thanks must also go to Gill for her care for those in need, for her creative response to the challenges of a second pandemic year and for her willingness and flexibility to adapt to new situations and to lead 'the team' through this difficult time. Thank you Gill!

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The year produced a surplus of £16,319, from receipts of £106,861, and payments of £90,542.

The highlight of the year, was the successful appeal for clock repairs, which raised a magnificent £26,132. We paid a 30% deposit of £3,501 to Smith of Derby, and repairs are under way. The appeal produced a surplus of some £16,000, which will enable us to restore the two clock faces next year, at a cost of £12,373, and other essential church maintenance.

The Covid pandemic continued to adversely affect the trade of the Church House Inn, and as a result our rental income of £5,250, was down £7,750 on last year. The renewal of the lease, which expired in Sep 2020, has been put on hold, and in the meantime the Treasurer negotiates the rent with the landlord on a quarterly basis.

Regular giving held up well increasing by 3.8%, and we received legacies of £5,273.

The Old Schoolroom rental was up £2,193 at £6,902, with the Pre-School operating fully again. In April the Pre-School joined the Link Academy Trust, and a Licence to Occupy is in place with an annual rental of £6,500.

We were able to meet our Common Fund Request of £46,038 in full.

We instigated a retention monies payment of £3,718, which the contractor had overlooked, for the Church House Inn upgrade completed in July 2019.

Reserves Policy

To build a reserve of £100,000, within the next 7 years, towards a new nave roof. This will be reviewed on completion of the Quinquennial Report due in 2022.

Reserves are held in the M&G Charifund, currently valued at £57,190 - an increase of £6,748, from last year.

Looking ahead

2022 will again be challenging, based on a lower rental expectancy from the Church House Inn,

Every effort will be made to meet our Common Fund request, and to achieve this we may have to look to the generosity of the Friends of the Church to help fund essential repairs and maintenance.

We will continue to promote contactless giving, to grow our income stream

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a Reader, two members of the Deanery Synod and other members elected at the annual Parochial Church Meeting in March each year.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish and for all financial matters. The Council meets six times a year.

During the covid lockdown and restrictions, a subcommittee was formed to handle immediate matters and met weekly, or as necessary to respond to changing situations. Sub committee members are shown by an asterisk *

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2021 until the date this report was approved were:

Ex Officio

The Incumbent
Assistant Priest

Reverend Father Jim Barlow
Reverend Gill Still *

Reader

Mr Alan Hill *

Churchwardens

Mrs Sue Clement *
Mr Derek Nott *

Chairman

Deanery Synod Reps

Mr Alan Hill *
Mr Norman Betts

Elected Members:

Mrs Liz Ball * Secretary
Mr Ian Potham * Treasurer

Mrs Anne-Marie Curror
Mrs Chris Bradbury
Mrs Christine Hunt
Mr Robert Stewart- Bam
Mr Mike Stott*

Mrs Lynne Turcotte (member until March 2021)
Mrs Evelyn Watson

Members co-opted on to the PCC Sept/ Oct 2021

Prof. Ken Miles
Mrs Anne Miles
Mrs V Proctor
Dr M Rhodes

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the charity on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) adapted to meet the needs of unincorporated organisations, as modified by FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016), (The SORP), published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW), and under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page .

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner and the basis of the report

As described on page , you, the charity's Trustees, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and all other applicable law and with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, applicable to smaller entities, and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view.

The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the Governing Document for the conducting of an audit. As a consequence, the Trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements are not required to be audited under any legal provision, or otherwise, and are eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:-

- a) examine the financial statements of the charity under Section 145 of the Act;
- b) follow the applicable procedures in the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement and scope of work undertaken

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under s145 of the Act. In carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act setting out the duties of an independent examiner in relation to the conducting of an independent examination. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and of the accounting systems employed by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you, as Trustees, concerning such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of charity legislation and that, on a test basis of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures made, the financial statements comply with the SORP.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the Trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries and does not cover all the matters that an auditor would consider in arriving at an opinion. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide

Consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

I planned and performed my examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the independent examination are achieved and before finalising the report I obtained written assurances from the Trustees of all material matters.

Independent Examiner's Statement, Report and Opinion

Attention is drawn to the accounting policy stating that, notwithstanding the explicit requirement in the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the SORP 2005, in view of the fact that the SORP 2005 has been withdrawn, and in order to accord with current best practice, the Trustees have determined to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016), (The SORP), . I concur with this approach, and any references in my report to the regulations should be read subject to this comment.

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of my work as detailed above, I have completed my examination: and can confirm that:-

This is a report in respect of an examination carried out under 145 of the Act and in accordance with Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act which may be applicable;

and that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:-

accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by with Section 130 of The Charities Act 2011;

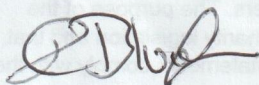
the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination;

have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles set out in the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016), (The SORP).

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

David Blood FCCA - Independent Examiner



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This report was signed on 9 March 2022

The Parish of St Mary and St Gabriel - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2021

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2021

	SORP Ref	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	A1	53,825	26,864	80,689	42,871
Charitable activities	A2	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	A3	-	564	564	1,355
Investments	A4	8,042	-	8,042	15,586
Other	A5	17,566	-	17,566	15,278
Total income	A	79,433	27,428	106,861	75,090
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	B1	-	320	320	-
Charitable activities	B2	85,452	4,770	90,222	71,761
Total expenditure	B	85,452	5,090	90,542	71,761
Net gains on investments	B4	-	-	-	-
Net income for the year		(6,019)	22,338	16,319	3,329
Transfers between funds	C	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(5,019)	21,338	16,319	3,329
Reconciliation of funds:-					
Total funds brought forward	E	58,219	9,495	67,714	64,384
Total funds carried forward		53,200	30,833	84,033	67,713

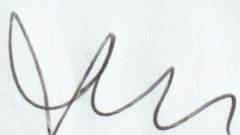
The Parish of St Mary and St Gabriel - Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	SORP Note Ref	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Investments held as fixed assets	A4	50,255	50,255
Total fixed assets		50,255	50,255
Current assets	B		
Cash at bank and in hand	B4	33,778	17,458
Total current assets		33,778	17,458
Net current assets		33,778	17,458
The total net assets of the charity		84,033	67,713
Restricted Revenue Funds	D2	30,833	9,495
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	D3	53,200	58,218
Total charity funds		84,033	67,713

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of charity legislation with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The charity is subject to Independent Examination under charity legislation, and the report of the Independent Examiner is on page -1.

The Trustees are satisfied that, although the charity is not registered under the Companies Acts, if it were so registered, it would be eligible to prepare accounts in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.



Reverend Gill Still
Trustee



Mr Ian Potham
Treasurer

Approved by the board of trustees on 9 March 2022

The Parish of St Mary and St Gabriel

Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2021 as required by the SORP 2015

This analysis is classsified by conventional nominal descriptions and not by activity.

Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
<i>Donations and gifts from individuals</i>				
Donations and gifts from individuals				
Small donations individually less than £1000	7,625	-	7,625	7,309
Total donations and gifts from individuals	7,625	-	7,625	7,309

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Legacies receivable

Small legacies individually less than £1000	1,111	-	1,111	150
Richard Dobson Trust	4,163	-	4,163	-
Total legacies receivable	5,274	-	5,274	150

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Planned giving and gift aid

individual amounts under £1,000	34,842	-	34,842	31,342
Total Planned giving and gift aid	34,842	-	34,842	31,342

Other voluntary receipts

Individual amounts under £1,000	6,084	13,084	19,168	4,070
donations over £1000	-	13,780	13,780	-
Total Other voluntary receipts	6,084	26,864	32,948	4,070

Total Donations and Legacies

53,825	26,864	80,689	42,871
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Income from other, non charitable, trading activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Concerts	-	564	564	1,355
Total from other activities	-	564	564	1,355

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Investment income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Property rental Income	5,250	-	5,250	13,000
Dividend Income	2,792	-	2,792	2,586
Total investment income	8,042	-	8,042	15,586

Other income and gains

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Statutory fees	2,944	-	2,944	4,426
Summary of Other income				
Church magazine	5,677	-	5,677	6,143
Old school room	6,902	-	6,902	4,709
Refund clergy expenses	2,043	-	2,043	-
	-	-	-	-
Total other income	17,566	-	17,566	15,278

Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	5,597	-	5,597	4,971
Mission	3,211	-	3,211	2,578
Diosean parish share	46,038	-	46,038	39,460
Team clergy expenses	1,882	-	1,882	3,300
Magazine expenditure	4,320	-	4,320	3,048
Insurance	3,519	-	3,519	3,624
Other running costs	5,943	1,269	7,212	4,978
Total direct spending	70,510	1,269	71,779	61,958

The Parish of St Mary and St Gabriel

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Premises Expenses

Light heat and power	974	-	974	2,287
Old school room and verger's cottage	5,688	-	5,688	3,114
Churchyard and church walk maintenance	4,562	-	4,562	2,879
Church house inn upgrades	3,718	-	3,718	1,523
Clock repairs	-	3,501	3,501	-
Total support costs	14,942	3,501	18,443	9,803

Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Total direct spending	70,510	1,269	71,779	61,958
Total charitable trading costs	-	-	-	-
Total grantmaking costs	-	-	-	-
Total support costs	14,942	3,501	18,443	9,803
Total Governance costs	-	-	-	-
Total charitable expenditure	85,452	4,770	90,222	71,761

Expenditure on raising funds and costs of investment management

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Concerts	-	320	320	-
Total fundraising costs	-	320	320	-

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Salary Costs

Salary costs include vergers, organist and cleaner.

Investments

Investments have been valued as at 31 December 2021

Investment	3675 M and G Charifund Income units
Cost	£50,254.69
Market Value	£57,190.35

Properties

The church through Trusteeship owns the following properties:

- a) Church House Inn. Building insured by Broker Epress at £907,401 from 18 May 2021.
- b) Church cottage. Building insured by Ecclesiastical at £303,673 from 29 September 2021
- c) Old School Room Buildings. Building insured by Ecclesiastical at £416,286 confirmed via e mail.

Restricted Fund summary 31 December 2021

	£
Clock Fund	22,124.96
Concerts	2,726.67
Kildare James Legacy	4,985.00
Outreach	996.40
	<u>30,833.03</u>