

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF SAINT PAUL, MONK BRETTON

England & Wales - Charity number 1138521

Details

Other names ST PAUL'S PCC MONK BRETTON

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2010-10-22

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

Activities: Some of the PCC's Activities are: Regular public worship open to all; The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation; Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups; Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and meetings; Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved; Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

Classification

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

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED IN PRACTICE LOCAL
- Barnsley

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£66,734	£59,594	-	-
2024-12-31	£75,714	£70,472	-	-
2023-12-31	£71,378	£70,966	-	-
2022-12-31	£48,718	£54,229	-	-
2021-12-31	£52,742	£50,090	-	-
2020-12-31	£39,372	£46,561	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Father Darren James Percival	Chair	2023-01-25
ADRIAN ENGLAND		2022-05-26
Ayshea Ann Pressley		2025-04-27
DAPHNE ANN WOFFINDEN		
Gavin Logan		2023-04-16
Janet Elizabeth Richards		2026-05-10
John Sean Nolan		2026-05-10
LYNDA ELIZABETH BROWN		
SHIRLEY MARGARET RAWSON		2019-04-19
Susan Deborah Griffin		2026-05-10
Wendy Theresa Tompson		2023-04-16

Accounts

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

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Cannon Darren Percival Father Joseph Harrison	Chairman
Adrian England	Lay Vice Chairman and Deanery Synod Representative
Daphne A Woffinden	Hon Secretary
Lynda Brown	Churchwarden
Gavin Logan	Churchwarden and Deanery Synod Representative
Mary Bullock	
Lorraine Francis	
Susan Deborah Griffin	Resigned 27/04/25, re-appointed 23/09/25, Electoral Roll Officer
Michelle H Logan	Appointed 27/04/25
Ayshea Pressley	Appointed 27/04/25, Safeguarding Officer.
Shirley Rawson	Treasurer
Gwynn Rees	Resigned 27/04/25
Emma Rees-Johns	Resigned 27/04/25
Janet Richards	Resigned 03/06/25
Christopher Shinn	
Wendy Thompson	

Bankers: Virgin Money
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Independent Examiner: Christopher Stones
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Church Attendance:

In January 2025 there were 59 people on the Electoral Roll. This stood until April 2025 when a new Roll was created in accordance with Church Representation Roles, prior to the 2025 A.P.C.M.

On the new Roll, there are 62 people on the Electoral Roll.

Of these 47 are resident in the Parish and 15 are non-resident.

As of 31st December 2025 there are 62 people on the Electoral Roll.

Of these 47 are resident in the Parish and 15 are non-resident.

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:



Date: 22 April 2026

Christopher Stones
Community Accountant
Barnsley CVS
23 Queens Road, Barnsley, S71 1AN

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024
	Note	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Voluntary receipts:					
Regular Giving	2a	23,258	-	23,258	26,046
Grants & Legacies	2b	-	10,900	10,900	5,900
Donations & Appeals	2c	1,630	545	2,175	7,355
Receipts from activities for generating funds	2d	4,122	-	4,122	6,393
Receipts from Church activities	2e	25,045	-	25,045	22,376
Receipts from investments	2f	-	1,234	1,234	1,451
Other receipts	2g	-	-	-	6,193
Total Receipts		54,055	12,679	66,734	75,714
Payments					
Fundraising costs	3a	5,685	-	5,685	2,713
Cost of church activities	3b	47,176	1,513	48,689	58,252
Governance costs	3c	1,050	-	1,050	745
Major Works	3d	-	4,170	4,170	1,892
Other Payments	3e	-	-	-	6,870
Total Payments		53,911	5,683	59,594	70,472
Excess of receipts over payments		144	6,996	7,140	5,242
Transfers between funds		500	(500)	-	-
Net movement in funds		644	6,496	7,140	5,242
Total funds brought forward		5,977	37,346	43,323	38,081
Total funds carried forward	8	6,621	43,842	50,463	43,323

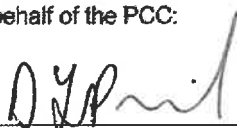
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS @ 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Monetary Assets			
Virgin Money current account		14,171	15,490
CCLA deposit account		36,182	27,650
Cash		110	183
Total		<u>50,463</u>	<u>43,323</u>
Liabilities			
Accountancy fee		725	675
Total		<u>725</u>	<u>675</u>

The PCC declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the PCC:

Signed



3 MAY 2026
 Date: ~~(22 April 2026)~~

Canon Darren Percival, Chair

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts & Payments basis, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the requirements of the Charity Commission.

Receipts & Payments Accounts

Receipts & Payments Accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context 'cash' includes cash equivalents, for example bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due.

Funds Structure

Unrestricted funds

Represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the members in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds

Those funds that have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and which may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission is given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised when they are received and are accounted for gross.

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2. Analysis of Receipts

Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	Funds	Funds	Total	
	£	£	Funds	£
2a Regular Giving				
Planned Giving (covenants)	12,568	-	12,568	11,912
Collections	5,212	-	5,212	8,067
Tax Recovered	5,478	-	5,478	6,067
Total	23,258	-	23,258	26,046
Other Voluntary Receipts				
2b Grants & Legacies	-	10,900	10,900	5,900
2c Donations & Appeals	1,630	545	2,175	7,355
Total	1,630	11,445	13,075	13,255
2d Receipts from Activities for Generating Funds				
Fundraising events & activities	4,122	-	4,122	6,393
Total	4,122	-	4,122	6,393
2e Receipts from Church Activities				
Statutory PCC fees	4,924	-	4,924	8,408
Use of Parish Centre	18,819	-	18,819	13,011
Charitable & ancillary trading	1,302	-	1,302	957
Total	25,045	-	25,045	22,376
2f Receipts from investments				
Bank interest	-	1,234	1,234	1,451
Total	-	1,234	1,234	1,451
2g Other receipts				
Pilgrimage Income	-	-	-	6,193
Total	-	-	-	6,193
Total Receipts	54,055	12,679	66,734	75,714

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3. Analysis of Payments

Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	Funds	Funds	Total	
	£	£	£	£
3a Fundraising Costs				
General fundraising costs	5,685	-	5,685	2,713
Total	5,685	-	5,685	2,713
3b Cost of Church Activities				
Diocesan parish share	20,026	-	20,026	31,974
Mission giving and donations	323	-	323	1,248
Working expenses of clergy	1,109	1,467	2,576	1,250
Organist fees	4,167	-	4,167	3,525
Church running costs	9,025	-	9,025	11,123
Administration & printing costs	3,458	46	3,504	1,658
Insurance	4,875	-	4,875	4,769
Repairs and maintenance	4,193	-	4,193	2,705
Total	47,176	1,513	48,689	58,252
3c Governance Costs				
Licences	375	-	375	110
Accountancy fee	675	-	675	635
	1,050	-	1,050	745
3d Major Works				
Major repairs & Building Work	-	2,702	2,702	1,555
Work to the Church Clock	-	1,468	1,468	337
	-	4,170	4,170	1,892
3e Other Payments				
Pilgrimage Trips	-	-	-	6,870
	-	-	-	6,870
Total Payments	53,911	5,683	59,594	70,472

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4. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

Clergy expenses of £1,072 were paid to Cannon D Percival. Verger Fees of £500 were paid to Lynda Brown. Other than reimbursement for items purchased on behalf of the charity, there were no further payments or remuneration made to members of the PCC.

5. Related party transactions

No payments were made to any persons closely connected to the members of the PCC or to any related parties.

6. Funds held as agent

The PCC acts as agent for the collection of wedding fees for the Diocesan Board of Finance (DBF). The fees are the legal property of the DBF and are accounted for separately. Fees for funerals are collected and distributed to the PCC, DBF and various parties by the funeral Director.

Donations collected for assigned charities at funerals and services are also treated as funds held as agent in the accounts.

Where the PCC is acting as agent, the transactions are not recognised in the Receipts and Payments Account. Funds due to third parties at the year end are itemised below.

	2025	2024
	£	£
DBF	247	-
Donations for charities	-	-
Total	<u>247</u>	<u>-</u>

7. Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2) of the Charities Act 2011.

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8. Movements in Funds

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Fund Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	5,977	54,055	(53,911)	500	6,621
	<u>5,977</u>	<u>54,055</u>	<u>(53,911)</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>6,621</u>
Restricted funds					
Restoration Fund	27,650	11,234	(2,702)	-	36,182
Statue Fund	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Charles Waith Bequest	4,175	-	-	-	4,175
Toddler Group	1,152	545	(45)	(500)	1,152
Clock Fund	1,469	-	(1,469)	-	0
Curates Grant	900	900	(1,467)	-	333
	<u>37,346</u>	<u>12,679</u>	<u>(5,683)</u>	<u>(500)</u>	<u>43,842</u>
Total Funds	<u>43,323</u>	<u>66,734</u>	<u>(59,594)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,463</u>

9. Fund Transfer

There was a transfer of £500 from the Toddler Group restricted fund to unrestricted funds during the year.

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Church Attendance:

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9 Persons have been removed from the roll.

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds	2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Voluntary receipts:					
Regular Giving	2a	26,046	-	26,046	31,905
Grants & Legacies	2b	-	5,900	5,900	1,993
Donations & Appeals	2c	6,695	660	7,355	9,373
Receipts from activities for generating funds	2d	6,393	-	6,393	7,488
Receipts from Church activities	2e	22,376	-	22,376	16,776
Receipts from investments	2f	-	1,451	1,451	863
Other receipts	2g	6,193	-	6,193	2,980
Total Receipts		<u>67,703</u>	<u>8,011</u>	<u>75,714</u>	<u>71,378</u>
Payments					
Fundraising costs	3a	2,713	-	2,713	165
Cost of church activities	3b	56,927	1,325	58,252	63,571
Governance costs	3c	745	-	745	534
Major Works	3d	-	1,892	1,892	3,296
Other Payments	3e	6,870	-	6,870	3,400
Total Payments		<u>67,255</u>	<u>3,217</u>	<u>70,472</u>	<u>70,966</u>
Excess of receipts over payments		<u>448</u>	<u>4,794</u>	<u>5,242</u>	<u>412</u>
Transfers between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>448</u>	<u>4,794</u>	<u>5,242</u>	<u>412</u>
Total funds brought forward		5,529	32,552	38,081	37,669
Total funds carried forward	8	<u>5,977</u>	<u>37,346</u>	<u>43,323</u>	<u>38,081</u>

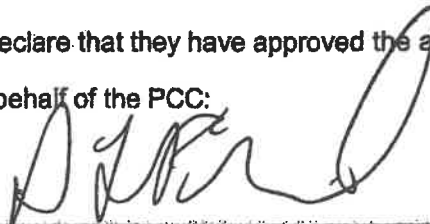
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS @ 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Monetary Assets			
Virgin Money current account		15,490	9,845
CCLA deposit account		27,650	27,753
Cash		183	483
Total		<u>43,323</u>	<u>38,081</u>
Liabilities			
Accountancy fee		675	600
Total		<u>675</u>	<u>600</u>

The PCC declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the PCC:

Signed: _____



Date: 26 March 2025

Canon Darren Percival, Chair

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Incoming Resources

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024

2. Analysis of Receipts

Note	2024		2023	
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	£
2a Regular Giving				
Planned Giving (covenants)	11,912	-	11,912	16,298
Collections	8,067	-	8,067	9,380
Tax Recovered	6,067	-	6,067	6,227
Total	26,046	-	26,046	31,905
Other Voluntary Receipts				
2b Grants & Legacies	-	5,900	5,900	1,993
2c Donations & Appeals	6,695	660	7,355	9,373
Total	6,695	6,560	13,255	11,366
2d Receipts from Activities for Generating Funds				
Fundraising events & activities	6,393	-	6,393	7,488
Total	6,393	-	6,393	7,488
2e Receipts from Church Activities				
Statutory PCC fees	8,408	-	8,408	4,821
Use of Parish Centre	13,011	-	13,011	10,333
Charitable & ancillary trading	957	-	957	1,622
Total	22,376	-	22,376	16,776
2f Receipts from investments				
Bank interest	-	1,451	1,451	863
Total	-	1,451	1,451	863
2g Other receipts				
Pilgrimage Income	6,193	-	6,193	2,980
Total	6,193	-	6,193	2,980
Total Receipts	67,703	8,011	75,714	71,378

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024

3. Analysis of Payments

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024	2023
			Total Funds £	£
3a Fundraising Costs				
General fundraising costs	2,713	-	2,713	165
Total	2,713	-	2,713	165
3b Cost of Church Activities				
Diocesan parish share	31,974	-	31,974	40,000
Mission giving and donations	1,248	-	1,248	1,269
Working expenses of clergy	1,250	-	1,250	1,080
Organist fees	3,525	-	3,525	2,835
Church running costs	9,798	1,325	11,123	8,884
Administration & printing costs	1,658	-	1,658	1,161
Insurance	4,769	-	4,769	4,901
Repairs and maintenance	2,705	-	2,705	3,441
Total	56,927	1,325	58,252	63,571
3c Governance Costs				
Accountancy fee	745	-	745	534
Total	745	-	745	534
3d Major Works				
Major repairs & Building Work	-	1,555	1,555	-
Work to the Church Clock	-	337	337	3,296
Total	-	1,892	1,892	3,296
3e Other Payments				
Pilgrimage Trips	6,870	-	6,870	3,400
Total	6,870	-	6,870	3,400
Total Payments	67,255	3,217	70,472	70,966

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

4. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

Clergy expenses of £1,250 were paid to Cannon D Percival. Other than reimbursement for items purchased on behalf of the charity, there were no further payments or remuneration made to members of the PCC.

5. Related party transactions

No payments were made to any persons closely connected to the members of the PCC or to any related parties.

6. Funds held as agent

The PCC acts as agent for the collection of wedding fees for the Diocesan Board of Finance (DBF). The fees are the legal property of the DBF and are accounted for separately. Fees for funerals are collected and distributed to the PCC, DBF and various parties by the funeral Director.

Donations collected for assigned charities at funerals and services are also treated as funds held as agent in the accounts.

Where the PCC is acting as agent, the transactions are not recognised in the Receipts and Payments Account. Funds due to third parties at the year end are itemised below.

	2024	2023
	£	£
DBF	-	-
Donations for charities	-	-
Total	-	-

7. Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2) of the Charities Act 2011.

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

8. Movements in Funds

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Fund Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	5,529	67,703	(67,255)	-	5,977
	<u>5,529</u>	<u>67,703</u>	<u>(67,255)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,977</u>
Restricted funds					
Restoration Fund	27,754	1,451	(1,555)	-	27,650
Statue Fund	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Charles Waith Bequest	-	5,000	(825)	-	4,175
Toddler Group	992	660	(500)	-	1,152
Clock Fund	1,806	-	(337)	-	1,469
Curates Grant	-	900	-	-	900
	<u>32,552</u>	<u>8,011</u>	<u>(3,217)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,346</u>
Total Funds	<u>38,081</u>	<u>75,714</u>	<u>(70,472)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,323</u>

Accounts

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)
OF
ST PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

St Paul's Church is situated on Burton Road, Monk Bretton, Barnsley. It is part of the Diocese of Leeds, within the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission on the 22nd October 2010.

Registered Address: The Vicarage
Burton Road
Monk Bretton
Barnsley
S71 2HQ

PCC Members:

For the period 1 January 2023 until the date of approval of this report, the following persons served as PCC members:

Cannon Darren Percival	Chairman from 25 January 2023
Father Joseph Harrison	from 23 July 2023
Adrian England	Lay Vice Chairman and Deanery Synod Representative
Daphne A Woffinden	Hon Secretary
Lynda Brown	Churchwarden
Mary Bullock	Churchwarden full year & Treasurer to 28 November 2023
Andrea Barton	to 16 April 2023
Lorraine Francis	
Susan Deborah Griffin	Electoral Roll Officer
Valerie Liddall	to 16 April 2023
Gavin Logan	Deanery Synod Representative
Eileen McClure	
Shirley Rawson	Treasurer from 28 November 2023
Gwynn Rees	
Emma Rees-Johns	Safeguarding Officer co-opted to PCC 23 May 2023
Janet Richards	
Christopher Shinn	from 16 April 2023
Wendy Thompson	from 16 April 2023

Bankers: Virgin Money
1A Peel Square
Barnsley
S70 2PL

Independent Examiner: Stephanie Tolson
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
23 Queens Road
Barnsley
S71 1AN

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION continued

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Structure, governance and management

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a body corporate and operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules. The PCC is a charity registered with the Charity Commission on the 22nd December 2010. (Charity registration number 1138521).

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding on how funds of the PCC are to be spent.

Objectives and activities

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting the mission of the church – pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church of St Paul's.

Some of the PCC's Activities are: Regular public worship open to all; The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation; Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups; Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and meetings; Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved; Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

Church Attendance:

There are 64 persons on the Church Electoral Roll.

Of these 48 are resident in the Parish and 16 are non resident.

11 Persons have been removed from the roll, and 12 have been added.

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:



Date: 9 April 2024

Stephanie Tolson
Community Accountant
BCVS Services Limited
23 Queens Road, Barnsley, S71 1AN

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total Funds	2022
	Note	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Voluntary receipts:					
Regular Giving	2a	31,905	-	31,905	27,498
Grants & Legacies	2b	549	1,444	1,993	1,408
Donations & Appeals	2c	5,715	3,658	9,373	5,678
Receipts from activities for generating funds					
	2d	7,488	-	7,488	5,980
Receipts from Church activities	2e	16,311	465	16,776	12,269
Receipts from investments	2f	-	863	863	379
Other receipts	2g	2,980	-	2,980	2,697
Total Receipts		64,948	6,430	71,378	55,909
Payments					
Fundraising costs	3a	165	-	165	-
Cost of church activities	3b	61,067	2,504	63,571	53,449
Governance costs	3c	534	-	534	522
Major Works	3d	-	3,296	3,296	18,610
Other Payments	3e	3,400	-	3,400	36
Total Payments		65,166	5,800	70,966	72,617
Excess of receipts over payments		(218)	630	412	(16,708)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(218)	630	412	(16,708)
Total funds brought forward		5,747	31,922	37,669	54,377
Total funds carried forward	8	5,529	32,552	38,081	37,669

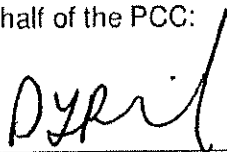
SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS @ 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
Note	£	£
Monetary Assets		
Virgin Money current account	9,845	10,262
CCLA deposit account	27,753	27,395
Cash	483	12
Total	<u>38,081</u>	<u>37,669</u>
Liabilities		
Accountancy fee	600	534
Total	<u>600</u>	<u>534</u>

The PCC declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the PCC:

Signed: _____



Date: 9 April 2024

Canon Darren Percival, Chair

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts & Payments basis, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the requirements of the Charity Commission.

Receipts & Payments Accounts

Receipts & Payments Accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context 'cash' includes cash equivalents, for example bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due.

Funds Structure

Unrestricted funds

Represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the members in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds

Those funds that have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and which may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission is given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised when they are received and are accounted for gross.

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

2. Analysis of Receipts

Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	Funds	Funds	Total	
	£	£	Funds	£
2a Regular Giving				
Planned Giving (covenants)	16,298	-	16,298	17,636
Collections	9,380	-	9,380	3,544
Tax Recovered	6,227	-	6,227	6,318
Total	31,905	-	31,905	27,498
Other Voluntary Receipts				
2b Grants & Legacies	549	1,444	1,993	1,408
2c Donations & Appeals	5,715	3,658	9,373	5,678
Total	6,264	5,102	11,366	7,086
2d Receipts from Activities for Generating Funds				
Fundraising events & activities	7,488	-	7,488	5,980
Total	7,488	-	7,488	5,980
2e Receipts from Church Activities				
Statutory PCC fees	4,821	-	4,821	3,730
Use of Parish Centre	9,868	465	10,333	8,539
Charitable & ancillary trading	1,622	-	1,622	-
Total	16,311	465	16,776	12,269
2f Receipts from investments				
Bank interest	-	863	863	379
Total	-	863	863	379
2g Other receipts				
VAT refund	-	-	-	2,697
Pilgrimage Income	2,980	-	2,980	-
Total	2,980	-	2,980	2,697
Total Receipts	64,948	6,430	71,378	55,909

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

3. Analysis of Payments

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023	2022
			Total Funds £	£
3a Fundraising Costs				
General fundraising costs	165	-	165	-
Total	165	-	165	-
3b Cost of Church Activities				
Diocesan parish share	40,000	-	40,000	38,713
Mission giving and donations	1,269	-	1,269	49
Working expenses of clergy	1,080	-	1,080	260
Organist fees	2,835	-	2,835	2,640
Church running costs	6,884	2,000	8,884	4,730
Administration & printing costs	1,161	-	1,161	514
Insurance	4,901	-	4,901	4,274
Repairs and maintenance	2,937	504	3,441	2,269
Total	61,067	2,504	63,571	53,449
3c Governance Costs				
Accountancy fee	534	-	534	522
Total	534	-	534	522
3d Major Works				
Major repairs & Building Work	-	-	-	18,610
Work to the Church Clock	-	3,296	3,296	-
Total	-	3,296	3,296	18,610
3e Other Payments				
Pilgrimage Trips	3,400	-	3,400	-
Sundry	-	-	-	36
Total	3,400	-	3,400	36
Total Payments	65,166	5,800	70,966	72,617

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

4. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

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The PCC acts as agent for the collection of wedding fees for the Diocesan Board of Finance (DBF). The fees are the legal property of the DBF and are accounted for separately. Fees for funerals are collected and distributed to the PCC, DBF and various parties by the funeral Director.

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Where the PCC is acting as agent, the transactions are not recognised in the Receipts and Payments Account. Funds due to third parties at the year end are itemised below.

	2023	2022
	£	£
DBF	-	-
Donations for charities	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

7. Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2) of the Charities Act 2011.

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

8. Movements in Funds

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Fund Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	5,747	64,948	(65,166)	-	5,529
	<u>5,747</u>	<u>64,948</u>	<u>(65,166)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,529</u>
Restricted funds					
Restoration Fund	27,395	863	(504)	-	27,754
Statue Fund	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Will Bequest	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Toddler Group	527	465	-	-	992
Clock Fund	-	5,102	(3,296)	-	1,806
	<u>31,922</u>	<u>6,430</u>	<u>(5,800)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,552</u>
Total Funds	<u>37,669</u>	<u>71,378</u>	<u>(70,966)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,081</u>

Accounts

**THE PARISH OF MONK BRETTON
THE CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL**

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Sunday 16TH April 2023



**AGENDA
AND
APCM REPORTS**

January – December 2022

THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING AND THE
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

of

Saint Paul's Church, Monk Bretton
to be held after the 10.00am Mass on Sunday, 16th April, 2023

AGENDA

THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

1. Apologies for Absence
2. The Minutes of the last Annual Vestry Meeting
3. The election of Churchwardens

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Apologies for absence
 2. The minutes of the last Annual Parochial Church Meeting
 3. Matters arising
 4. Reports (tabled)
 - i. Electoral Roll
 - ii. PCC activity
 - iii. Financial Statement and Adoption of Accounts
 - iv. Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Church Deanery/Diocesan Synod Report
 - v. Additional Reports
 5. Elections and Appointments
 - i. Election of PCC members
 - ii. Appointment of an Independent Examiner of the Accounts
(PCC members cannot hold this appointment)
 6. Vicar's Report
 7. Any Other Business and Questions
 8. Date of next APCM
 9. Closing Prayer
- ***Would the new PCC please meet briefly afterwards to discuss the date of its first meeting.***

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING
HELD AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY 8th May 2022

1. PRESENT:

The Archdeacon of Pontefract, The Ven Peter Townley, was Chairman.
The Archdeacon introduced the meeting with prayer, welcoming those attending and asked for apologies for those unable to attend.
There were 26 people in attendance (as recorded on the attached list).

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Miss Sheila Duerden, Mrs Eileen McClure, Mr Malcom Patterson, Mr Gwynllyw Rees, Mrs Janice Rees, Miss Emma Rees-Johns, and Mrs Beryl Watson.

3. MINUTES:

The Archdeacon requested the minutes of the last Annual Vestry Meeting, held on 23rd May 2021 be approved as true and correct. Proposed by Mr C. Wraith, seconded by Miss V Liddall with all in favour. The Archdeacon signed the minutes.

4. MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

5. ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS:

There were two nominations for the posts of Benefice Churchwarden for the year 2022-2023.

Mrs Lynda Brown	Proposed by Mrs Lorraine Francis Seconded by Miss Valerie Liddall
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Mrs Mary Bullock	Proposed by Mrs Shirley Rawson Seconded by Mrs Daphne A Woffinden
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Both were elected in a unanimous vote of those present.

The Archdeacon thanked Mary and Lynda for their work saying we were extremely fortunate to have very good Churchwardens.

The meeting was closed

St Paul's Church Monk Bretton

Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Sunday 8th May 2022

People attending the above meeting

<u>Name</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
Cuff Bullock	C. Winkler	Eileen McEvoy
Mary Bullock	A. Eyles	Malcolm Patterson
Faulie Rowland	L.E. Brown	SHEILA DIERDEN
Inglis Adolphus	Julie Murray	JANICE REES
Val Liddell	Gillian Pearmain	Gwyn REES
Lorraine Francis	Mandy Thompson	EMMA REES-JOHNS
Sarah Richard	Debbie Gutter	BERYL WATSON (1)
Doreen Bull		
Kathleen Bell		
Christine Savage		
Marjorie C.		
M. Wilson		
R. Wilson		
D. Johnson (Doreen)		
Dorothy Metcalfe		
R. Rowland		
J. Brown		
E. White		
E. Smith		

I hereby certify that is a true record of people attending the above meeting

(Chairman).....

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING
HELD AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY 8th MAY 2022

PRESENT:

The Archdeacon of Pontefract, The Ven Peter Townley, was Chairman.
There were 26 people in attendance (as recorded on the attached list).

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Miss Sheila Duerden, Mrs Eileen McClure, Mr Malcom Patterson, Mr Gwynllyw Rees, Mrs Janice Rees, Miss Emma Rees-Johns and Mrs Beryl Watson

2. MINUTES:

The Archdeacon requested the minutes of the last Annual Vestry Meeting, held on 23rd May 2021 be approved as true and correct. Proposed by Mr Charles Wraith, seconded by Mrs Shirley Rawson with all in favour. The Archdeacon signed the minutes.

3. MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

4. REPORTS:(tabled)

- i. **Electoral Roll Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising.
- ii. **Parochial Church Council Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising.
- iii. **Financial Statement and adoption of accounts.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising. These were accepted on a proposal by Mrs Shirley Rawson, seconded by Mrs Lorraine Francis with all in favour.
- iv. **Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the church.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising.
- v. **Deanery/Diocesan Synod Report.** There was nothing to add and no questions arising.
- vi. **Additional reports:** Accepted as read by all in attendance with no questions asked.
 - a. Safeguarding
 - b. Churchwardens
 - c. Health and Safety
 - d. Weddings
 - e. Choir
 - f. Junior Church
 - g. Parent and Toddler Group
 - h. Lottery
 - i. Bells
 - j. Schools
 - k. Children's Society
 - l. Ladies' Group
 - m. Line Dancers

The Archdeacon said that he was grateful for the ministry of Father Brian Bell, for his faithfulness and love for us all over the past six years. We wish him well in his new Parishes in

Chester Diocese and look forward to welcoming a new Priest here at St Paul's as soon as possible.

Mr Wraith commented on the fact that there is a shortage of Priests and asked if there were plans to join Monk Bretton with another Parish, possibly Cudworth, in the future. The Archdeacon said that Father David, although ill at the moment, was still Parish Priest at Cudworth, and we were the church in Interregnum. He said that he could see churches joining together in the future because there are too many churches with small, aging congregations and not enough Priests to go round, This, of course, could have serious implications in the next 10 to 15 years.

Monk Bretton will have ordained ministry in the Parish, but maybe in a different way.

It was unfortunate that St Paul's PCC had been asked not to speak about these matters when the people of Cudworth were openly discussing them.

5. ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

i. Election of Deanery Synod Members

The three members are ex-officio to the PCC and hold this position for three years having been elected at the APCM on 4th October 2020 and have one year left to serve.

ii. Election of P.C.C Members

Nine nominations had been received.

Mrs Lorraine Francis	proposed by Miss V Liddall	seconded by Mrs L Brown
Mrs S Deborah Griffin	proposed by Mrs L Brown	seconded by Mrs M Bullock
Miss Valerie Liddall	proposed by Mrs L Francis	seconded by Mrs J Richards
Mrs Eileen N McClure	proposed by Mrs P Rowland	seconded by Mrs S Rawson
Mrs Shirley Rawson	proposed by Mrs M Bullock	seconded by Mr C Bullock
Mrs Janet Richards	proposed by Mrs L Francis	seconded by Miss V Liddall
Mr Gwynllyw Rees	proposed by Mrs P Rowland	seconded by Mr R Rowland
Mrs Pauline Rowland	proposed by Mr R Rowland	seconded by Mrs D Metcalfe
Mrs Daphne A Woffinden	proposed by Mr C Woffinden	seconded by Mrs J Rees

Those present were in favour of accepting these nominations.

iii. Appointment of an independent examiner of the accounts

It was asked that Cartwright and Co. Ltd. be retained as the examiners. Proposed by Mr Charles Wraith, seconded by Mrs Kathleen Bell with all in favour. Cartwright and Co. Ltd were duly appointed as the examiners for the next accounting period.

6. VICAR'S REPORT - A report from Father Brian T B Bell is included in the booklet of Annual Reports. No questions were asked on this report.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ◇ The Archdeacon thanked church organist Mr Robert Rowland for the tremendous job he does, saying that organists were like gold dust and extremely hard to find.
- ◇ Mr Clifford Bullock asked for thanks to be given to Mr Clifford Woffinden for all the work he does in and around the church, Parish centre and vicarage gardens. He is always there and willing to help.

8. DATE OF NEXT A.P.C.M.

Low Sunday 16th April 2023 was proposed by Mrs Mary Bullock, seconded by Mr Cliff Woffinden with all in agreement

The Archdeacon closed the meeting with thanks to those attending and a closing prayer.

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
THE DIOCESE OF LEEDS AND EPISCOPAL AREA OF WAKEFIELD**

Incumbent: Father Brian T. B. Bell (January & February 2022)
Interregnum March - December 2022
Churchwardens Mrs Mary Bullock
Mrs Lynda Brown

The Members of the Parochial Church Council

<u>Chairman (January/February 2022)</u>	Father Brian T. B. Bell
<u>Lay Chairman to 26.05.22</u>	Mrs Daphne A. Woffinden
<u>Lay Chairman from 26.05.22</u>	Mr Adrian England
<u>Hon Secretary</u>	Mrs Daphne A. Woffinden
<u>Treasurer</u>	Mrs Mary Bullock

Mrs Lorraine Francis, Mrs Debbie Griffin, Ms Valerie Liddall, Mrs Eileen McClure, Mrs Shirley Rawson, Mrs Pauline Rowland,
Mrs Janet Richards & Mr Gwyn Rees from 8th May 2022.
including Deanery Synod Representatives:

Ms Andrea Barton, Mr Adrian England, Ms Julie Murray (resigned 11.10.2022)

Sidespersons

Mrs Lorraine Francis, Ms Valerie Liddall, Mrs Eileen McClure,
Mrs Shirley Rawson, Mrs Janet Richards, Mrs Janice Rees, Mrs Beryl Watson.

Electoral Roll Officer	Mrs Debbie Griffin
Child Protection Officer	Mrs Pauline Rowland
Health and Safety Officer	Mr Adrian England
Covenant and Gift Aid Officer	Mrs Shirley Rawson

There are currently 63 members on the Electoral Roll in this Parish. This comprises of:-

Persons resident in the Parish, 51

Persons non-resident in the Parish, 12

Deaths, 4

Moved away, 1

2 names has been removed from the Roll:

St. Paul's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2022

VICAR'S REPORT

Because we were in interregnum between March and December 2022 there is no Vicar's report.

Secretary's Report on the proceedings of the PCC in 2021

Daphne Woffinden

The PCC met on 12 occasions. The APCM, chaired by Archdeacon Peter Townley, was held on Sunday 8th May 2022 when a new PCC was elected.

The PCC has dealt with the interregnum, meetings with Bishop Tony and the Archdeacon, and producing a Parish Report; Finance including fundraising and Church Commission energy payment; Fabric including the Quinquennial report, ongoing work following the reordering, church electrics, clock and woodworm; Chalice administration; Health and Safety review; Social events proposed by the social committee; use of social media to promote the church; Charity Commission information for trustees. All PCC members are Trustees of the church.

Attendances at PCC meetings were as follows: Mrs L Brown 11, Mrs M. Bullock 12, Miss A. Barton 5, Mr A. England 11, Mrs L. Francis 8, Mrs D Griffin 12, Miss V. Liddall 10, Mrs E. McClure 4, Ms J Murray 5 of 9 having resigned on 11.10.22, Mrs S Rawson 11, Mr G Rees 4 of 8 from APCM 2022, Mrs J Richards 7 of 8 from APCM 2022, Mrs P. Rowland 10, Mrs D A Woffinden 12.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the church

Churchwardens

The Church Fabric is in a reasonable condition considering its age. The main problem affecting the building is damp as when the church was built over 120yrs ago it did not have a damp course in place. The building is in a very exposed position and is subject to the ever changing weather patterns. It was built mainly of sandstone which in itself is a porous stone.

Damp is evident on the front face high up on the chancel where the paint is flaking off, also on the South side wall of the chancel, and although work was carried out on the high point some time ago. This will need to be addressed by the PCC in due course as it is very unsightly.

The Quinquennial Inspection was carried out in 2022

The church electrical system is in order having been recently checked where it was found to have earth faults on the floodlights in the church grounds. On the recommendation of the electrical contractors the lights have been decommissioned.

The lightening conductors have been checked and are in order.

Some work was carried out on the Belfry in 2022.

All is up to-date with the electrical system, gas system and fire and burglar alarms and building insurance.

During the reordering work new wardrobes were fitted in the Vestry and have been a problem since fitting. These have now been rectified.

All the gutters and down pipes are in order and the slating on the roof appears to be intact.

Churchwardens Report

Churchwardens Lynda Brown and Mary Bullock

2022 started with the knowledge that our Parish Priest Father Brian was leaving the Parish in March. This meant that our church was yet again facing an interregnum something no parish looks forward to and the amount of extra work and responsibility placed on the Wardens in the absence of a Priest. Father Brian's last service at Saint Paul's was on the 1st March, and a farewell party had been held for him in the church centre. Following on from his leaving some members of our congregation travelled to West Kirby for his Institution.

On his departure services had to be arranged with the Deanery to supply, where possible, Priests to cover church services. Fortunately cover was arranged for Thursday and Sunday Services using retired clergy and all but two Thursday morning services took place.

On 26th April Bishop Tony, Archdeacon Peter and the area Dean Stephen Race met the PCC to speak to them regarding the interregnum and an interim priest.

On 8th May the AGM was held and was chaired by Archdeacon Peter.

On 10th June a small party from Saint Paul's paid a three day visit to Walsingham which was led by Father Andrew Howard.

On 23rd June Mary and Lynda, the church wardens, were eventually sworn in at a service in Saint Paul's by the Archdeacon.

Following the death of Queen Elizabeth a book of Remembrance was opened in church where members of the congregation and public came to write in the book.

On Friday 16th September, the Wardens, Bishop Tony, Archdeacon Peter and Father Tomlinson met at Wakefield to interview an applicant for the position of Priest at Saint Paul's. The applicant was in fact Father Darren. Following the interview Father Darren accepted the position at Saint Paul's. His acceptance was subject to an embargo until all legal issues were completed so the Wardens were not allowed at this time to inform anyone including the PCC.

It was on Sunday 2nd October when Warden Mary was allowed to read out a letter from the Bishop of Leeds that Father Darren was to be our new Priest.

On 2nd October the Harvest Supper was held and the proceeds of the sale of items were given to the Salvation Army for their homeless project.

On the 11th November, Remembrance Day a short service was held at the memorials on Cross Street conducted by Cannon Wildey it was well attended and a number of children from a local school and nursery also attended.

On Sunday 13th November Remembrance Sunday another service was held at the memorials and in Saint Paul's and as usual was very well attended by the local community.

On 2nd December it was the lighting of the Community Christmas Tree in the church grounds and a short Carol Service was held, children attending decorated baubles in the church centre to place on the tree. The service was conducted by Bishop Tony and it was well attended.

On Saturday the 3rd December the Christmas Fayre was held which was a success. Thanks to all who helped with this in any way

The Church Christmas Dinner was held on the 17th December in the Church centre.

On Christmas Eve a Nativity service was held and was well attended with local children taking part. Thank you to all who arranged and assisted with this. It was later followed in the evening by Midnight Mass which had been brought forward to 8pm.

Mary and Lynda would like to thank all who have helped to keep the church functioning during the interregnum, the visiting Priests, all members who carry out altar duties, readings, side duties, and intercessions, music, news sheets, coming together to assist and prepare functions, cleaning and making coffee without whom the church would have struggled, and members of this congregation for and their generosity over the year.

Safeguarding Report

Pauline Rowland

Our parish operates a Child Protection Policy within the guidelines set out by the Diocese. Anyone working/volunteering with children or adults must have a Disclosure Certificate from Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). A poster and booklet outlining Safeguarding and our commitment to the policy is displayed on the notice board in the foyer. All are advised to read this booklet.

Pre- January 2022 all DBS certificates were required to be renewed every 5 years. From January 2022 an updated Safer Recruitment Guidance was introduced stating that in future all certificates will be renewed every 3 years. A 2 year window for this to take place was given. Meaning that between January 2022 and January 2024 there is the opportunity to arrange

renewal of any certificates, so that by January 2024 all those requiring an Enhanced DBS check have a DBS Certificate of 3 years old or less.

At the beginning of November 2022, I set out in a letter to the PCC with my intention to resign the position of Safeguarding Officer at this church. I agreed to stay in position until December 31st when my resignation took effect after 7 years in post.

Health and Safety Report

Adrian England

This year started somewhat different to the norm as the effects of COVID continue to be felt across the country. We continued to follow the Government Regulations and Guidance that are in place; and appropriate remedial measures have been implemented and followed as required. Additionally, the Guidance and Advice from the Church of England for churches and parishes was also adhered to.

Appropriate Risk Assessments have been produced for those approved activities taking place in the Parish Centre and in the main body of the Church. The conclusions of the Risk Assessments led to the implementation of a series of practical measures and restrictions as Regulated and Guided by the Government and the Church of England. The annual review of the Health and Safety Plan was carried out.

During this period, there has been the use of the buildings determined by the requirement for compliance with the current legislation and guidance. To ensure compliance with the current legislation and guidance, further modifications to existing Hirers' Contracts were reviewed. Following the quinquennial inspection the PCC received professional advice of the risk associated when using the belfry ladders and remedial action is to be taken within the timetable for the implementation of remedial measures as outline in their report.

The fire alarms, emergency lighting and extinguishers have been maintained in accordance with the Fire Regulations.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank all those members of the church who have helped to safeguard the church buildings and its communicants, by making sure that the additional measures required to reasonably manage the risks associated with Health and Safety have been minimised.

Deanery Report

Julie Murray

The meeting on 9th May 2022 started with a prayer from Fr Stephen followed by singing Be Still. Prayers were said for Fr Nicholson who is very ill. This was followed by a talk from Belinda Maries in regards to a course called, Living in Love and Faith. The course will cover the four pastoral principles of the Church of England over 5 sessions, all on a Monday night from 7pm to 9.00pm starting on Monday 30th May 2022. The topics will cover identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage within the church. Because of their sensitive nature Belinda said that everything that was discussed at these sessions would be confidential. Anyone can attend the course if they can make Monday nights. I have put my name forward, if no one else can attend, Fr Stephen asked that the person doing the course can present it to their church if anyone would be interested. The meeting ended with a prayer.

Wedding Report

Daphne Woffinden

We had seven church weddings this year; some had been transferred from 2021 due to the limitations imposed by the Covid restrictions. Parish Office was reintroduced, couples were asked to social distance to pay their fees. Thanks must go to visiting priests for their help with preparation and services during 2022. Several weddings are booked for 2023 and things seem to be getting back to normal. Statutory fees are set for a big rise in 2023 and we will set our Parish fees accordingly when Father Darren arrives.

Choir Report

Daphne Woffinden

Although we still numbered three in the choir we have sung at all services. Fortunately Dominic joined us and we are grateful for the extra voice when he is able to be there. Thanks too to the ladies of the congregation who helped at the wedding and on a couple of special occasions.

We sang at only one wedding during this year - so were unable to increase our funds. Weddings are booked for 2023 so we are hopeful that some of them will want the services of the choir, enabling us to do our Kinkiisi Diocesan Education project donation again.

We were sorry to see Father Brian go after all his help and support throughout his time here and we miss him. The choir have taken up the singing of some of the mass music which he did, and I think that this has been appreciated by the visiting clergy.

Robert continued to play the organ throughout the year, we are grateful for this. Unfortunately Eileen has not been able to play piano for us due to her ill health and we have had a couple of services with very little music. We wish her well on her road to recovery.

Junior Church Report

Pauline Rowland

We continue to hold this on the first Sunday of each month, gathering in church before moving into the hall once the Blessing and opening prayers are given.

As the majority of our Junior Church families aren't regular attenders we keep in touch by our WhatsApp Group to inform and remind parents of what is happening.

We follow the Liturgical Calendar so this year we have followed Year C basing the activities and teaching on the Gospel readings heard at that time by the rest of the congregation.

We find that attendance is impacted by football and other family commitments so we're never quite sure how many children will arrive, but Gillian, Lorraine and myself are always encouraged by the enthusiasm of those who do attend and keen to talk about and share their work with the congregation on their return into church.

Parent and Toddler Group Report

Pauline Rowland, Lorraine Francis and Gillian Pearmain

Throughout 2022 the numbers attending each Monday have continued to grow. In March on entering the Interregnum, and our numbers increasing, we found it necessary to put out on the local community hub and other social media sites that as numbers must be carefully monitored for health and safety reasons the group was full, and for people to ring to check availability before turning up. Gillian set up a waiting list for those who ring, and she carefully checks those on the register and how often they have missed. If children haven't attended for a number of weeks, she telephones the family and that way places can be released for new comers.

During 2022 several of our long-term children moved on to full-time nursery places, both private and school based. We believe we are giving these children a good start in socialising with other children and the routine expected at the next step of their journey, as well as having lots of fun. We continue to follow a set routine of play then a clearly defined tidy up period which is notified to the children through singing our **Tidy Up Song**. It is great to observe all of them helping, even the youngest as their name is mentioned in the song when they take part in clearing away.

We have a structured snack time where all the children (and parents/ carers) sit down together and enjoy their drinks and snacks. This sitting and eating without running about with food proves very difficult for some but eventually with encouragement it works. Towards the end of the year, we decided to introduce snacks of toast and butter as we found fruit was just being wasted. This has been very successful, and the children usually ask for more which keeps us busy in the kitchen.

This year our youngest child ever was only 2 weeks old, being the sibling of an older child. Others have started at a month old, and it is lovely to watch their development and the friendships growing within the group both between the children and their parents.

The circle time of singing, games and music continues the fun after snack time and it is lovely that the adults appear to enjoy the marching, action songs and music as much as their children. We end each session by singing our **Going Home Song** when everyone holds hands in a circle before waving goodbye to each other.

We continue to celebrate the special times of the year by having an Easter Party with Eggs left for us from the Easter Bunny when we wore our home-made Bunny Ears in his honour and singing appropriate songs for the time of year. At Christmas we had our Christmas Party with food, and a secret visit from Father Christmas who the children discovered had left them a sack of goodies. Again, singing songs and playing simple party games appropriate to the season.

We make a small charge of £2 per child which during 2022 has covered purchases of craft materials, new toys, musical instruments, the children's snacks and refreshments for the adults.

Hard work for the three of us but after we sit down for a much-deserved cuppa after sorting out the *tidying up* we give ourselves a metaphorical pat on the back.

Lottery Report

Thanks go to Kathleen Bell for continuing with the Lottery for most of 2022. Unfortunately, due to illness, Kathleen gave up this position and the lottery didn't take place in the latter part of 2022. Hopefully someone will come forward to take on this important role in 2023.

Bellringers' Report

Mike Sheeran

From the highest point in the tower, areas are referred to as follows:-

Belfry - the area above the clock chamber, the last space in the square part of the tower just below the start of the spire. Home to our six bells cast in 1877 by the London foundry of Mears and Stainbank and donated to St Paul's by Elizabeth Bright.

Clock Chamber - contains the church clock manufactured by Potts of Leeds in 1894, electric winding equipment and apparatus to control the striking of Cambridge quarters and hour. The clock face externally is also at this level. Temporary electric wiring to lighting in the clock casing and clock room requires a permanent solution. Access to this level is by two timber ladders which should be considered for replacement for safety reasons.

Ringling Chamber - the floor above the west door entrance, access is by spiral stone stair. This room is where the bell ringers meet to sound the bells by rope and wheel. This level coincides with the organ and choir stalls, separated by the west window partition, which unfortunately is not visible from inside the church.

Ringling Chamber facilities

The tower is not connected to the church's heating system and therefore all surfaces in cold weather attract condensation. The ringling chamber wall surfaces and stone mullions of the external west window have suffered from damp conditions. This is eroding the stone mullions of the west window. The fabric of the tower would benefit if the heating system were to be extended into the west porch allowing heat to permeate upwards throughout. The west end of the church would be warmer as a result.

Condition of the bell installation

The bells and supporting framework refurbished in 2011 are in a first class condition and are serviced by John Taylor & Co.

Visitors

The PCC encourages visitor's bell ringers to enjoy ringling our bells.

Members/Learners

The minimum number of ringers required for a six-bell tower is ten. The number usually covers for unavailable members on holiday and other events.

The band would be grateful to the PCC for any help in the recruitment of additional interested people to ring our magnificent bells; training is available here at St Paul's at a time suitable for the volunteers. Our local branch of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers holds training events once every year, usually in February, details available on the website yacr.org.uk.

The present compliment of ringers is as follows:-

Mrs Brenda Sheeran, Miss Holly Bell, Mr Edmund L Bell, Mr Peter L Bell, Mr Michael Sheeran, and are all qualified members of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers

Service ringing

The above ringers are dedicated to ring for every Mass when available.

Wedding ringing

We rely on visiting ringers, and will endeavour to sound the bells for these occasions..

Future

The band is dedicated to uphold the tradition of ringing and training of interested parties to welcome parishioners to services at this church.

COMMUNITY

The Children's Society

Pauline Rowland

Thank you to all those who continue to support by having a House Box. The Box Opening commences in September each year and this year £296.21p was banked for the Children's Society. The amount is less than previous but expected as some of the long- time supporters are now very elderly, ill or in care homes and new Box Holders are few and far between.

If you feel you would like to support by taking a House Box just speak me. I have some ready and waiting for a new home.

Increasing difficulties in banking bags of heavy coinage when banking hours are reducing and staff are working from home are acknowledged in thanks from Andrew Moran, Head of Supporters in a letter stating, "Once again, on behalf of all the young people your gift supports, thank you so much for caring and making this life-changing work possible."

The Ladies' Group at Saint Paul, Monk Bretton

Pauline Rowland

The beginning of 2022 heralded a return to normal service when we were able to resume our usual programme format beginning with:

January - AGM and programme planning.

February - Perfectly Pampered a Body Shop Event.

March - A Lent Group led David Dewey, a retired Baptist Minister and member of our congregation.

April - Fine Dining Taster Evening @ Barnsley College.

May - A Taste of Wine. The do`s and don'ts's of buying and drinking wine.

June - Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

July - A Recital & Guided Tour of Sheffield Cathedral followed by Afternoon Tea.

August - A visit to the Graham Ibberson Exhibition and his studio @ the Cooper followed by Afternoon Tea at Joshua`s.

September - Autumn Flower Arranging.

October - Explorers Down the Ages.

November - Eating @ the Norman.

December - Christmas Fun Night and Food.

At the start of each January, we start our AGM with a blank canvas for the year but by the end of the evening members have put forward their ideas and suggestions of what they can organise to make the programme for the coming year something that all of us look forward to each month. The membership continues to grow, and this year has been no exception with 4 new ladies joining us from the wider community and several joining from the church family. Twenty in total.

Line Dancing Report

Pamela Powers

Another year has quickly passed and we still have a good group of line dancers attending. Unfortunately I am suffering badly with sciatica so cannot dance as much as I could, but I can still put the music on and do many of the less energetic dances. I have a lovely lady who brings us new dancers and leads when I cannot.

We have a good average membership of 18, mostly ladies plus 1 male, so we are still able to contribute all the money to the church funds.

Thank you to everyone concerned for making it an enjoyable social evening. Long may it continue

**ST PAUL'S CHURCH
MONK BRETTON**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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**ST PAUL'S CHURCH MONK BRETTON
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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**ST PAUL'S CHURCH MONK BRETTON
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

ANNUAL REPORT

Background

St Paul's Church PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent in promoting the mission of the church - pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected at the annual parochial church meeting in accordance with Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Fr Brian Bell	Chairman until 2nd March 2022
Adrian England	Lay Chairman - Deanery Synod from March 2022
Daphne Woffinden	Hon. Secretary & Vice Chairman
Lynda Brown	Church Warden
Mary Bullock	Church Warden - Treasurer
Andrea Barton	Deanery Synod Representative
Julie Murray	Deanery Synod - resigned October 2022
Eileen McClure	
Debbie Griffin	
Lorraine Francis	
Pauline Rowland	Safeguarding Officer
Shirley Rawson	
Valerie Liddall	
Janet Richards	
Gwyn Rees	

Church attendance

There are 64 persons on the Church Electoral Roll

ST PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS TO THE PCC OF ST PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 3 and 4, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993 as amended by the charities Act 2006 ('the Act').

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiners

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and s.43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is our responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of Regulations.

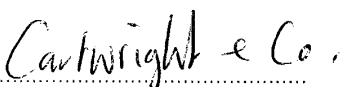
Basis of this report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under s.43(7)(b) of the Act and to be found in the Church guidance, 2006 edition. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the financial statements with those records. It also includes considering any usual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below:

Independent examiners' statement

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

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with s.41 of the Act; and
 - To prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records or comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



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**ST PAUL'S CHURCH MONK BRETTON
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

STATEMENT OF ACCUMULATED FUNDS

2021 RESTORATION FUND £	2021 GENERAL INCOME £		2022 RESTORATION FUND £	2022 STATUE FUND £	2022 WILL BEQUEST £	2022 TODDLER GROUP £	2022 GENERAL INCOME £
25,758	8,612	BALANCE AT START OF YEAR	43,113				11,264
17,355	2,652	NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)	(15,718)	2,000	2,000	527	(5,511)
<u>43,113</u>	<u>11,264</u>	BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	<u>27,395</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>527</u>	<u>5,753</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS

2021 RESTORATION FUND £	2021 GENERAL INCOME £		2022 RESTORATION FUND £	2022 STATUE FUND £	2022 WILL BEQUEST £	2022 TODDLER GROUP £	2022 GENERAL INCOME £
43,113	-	CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUND Restorations	27,395				-
-	11,420	BANK ACCOUNTS Yorkshire Bank	-	2,000	2,000	527	5,735
-	12	CASH IN HAND	-				12
	189	PREPAYMENTS					210
	(357)	ACCRUALS					(204)
<u>43,113</u>	<u>11,264</u>	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>27,395</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>527</u>	<u>5,753</u>

Accounts

**THE PARISH OF MONK BRETTON
THE CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL**

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING
Sunday 8th May 2022**



**AGENDA
AND
APCM REPORTS**

January – December 2021

THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING AND THE
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

of

Saint Paul's Church, Monk Bretton
to be held after the 10.00am Mass on Sunday, 8TH May, 2022

AGENDA

THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

1. Apologies for Absence
2. The Minutes of the last Annual Vestry Meeting
3. The election of Churchwardens

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Apologies for absence
 2. The minutes of the last Annual Parochial Church Meeting
 3. Matters arising
 4. Reports (tabled)
 - i. Electoral Roll
 - ii. PCC activity
 - iii. Financial Statement and Adoption of Accounts
 - iv. Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Church
Deanery/Diocesan Synod Report
 - v. Additional Reports
 5. Elections and Appointments
 - i. Election of PCC members
 - ii. Appointment of an Independent Examiner of the Accounts
(PCC members cannot hold this appointment)
 6. Vicar's Report
 7. Any Other Business and Questions
 8. Date of next APCM
 9. Closing Prayer
- *Would the new PCC please meet briefly afterwards to discuss the date of its first meeting.***

St Paul's Church Monk Bretton

Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Sunday 23rd May 2021

People attending the above meeting

<u>Name</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
Fr Brian Bell	Christine Savage	Daphne Woffenden
Fr Blair Radford	Joyce Eastwood	Cliff Woffenden
Janice Rees	Janet Richard	Beryl Watson
Reynard Webster	(Gwyn Rees)	Andrea Barton
Mary Bullock		Mildred Webster
Cliff Bullock		
Lynda Brown		
Eileen McClure		
Graham Brown		
Shivley Rawson		
Robert Rowland		
Charles Wraith		
Brenda Cowthrow		
Kathleen Bell		
Gwyn Rees.		
Pauline Rowland		
Margaret Ealey		
Adrian England		
Doreen Johnson		
Doreen Butt.		
Gillian Reardon		
Lorraine Francis		
Val Liddell.		

I hereby certify that is a true record of people attending the above meeting

Father Brian Bell SSC (Chairman).....*Brian Thomas Benedict R*.....

SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING HELD AFTER MASS
ON SUNDAY 23RD MAY 2021

1. **PRESENT:**

Father Brian T.B. Bell was Chairman.

There were 26 people in attendance (as recorded on the attached list).

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence were received from Miss A. Barton, Mr R. Drewett, Mrs P. Drewett, Mr E. Harston, Mrs J. Harston, Mrs B. Hutchinson, Mrs B. Marvin, Ms J. Murray, Mrs W. Thompson, Mrs B. Watson, Mrs M. Webster, Mr C. Woffinden and Mrs D.A. Woffinden.

3. **MINUTES:**

Fr. Bell asked that the minutes of the last meeting, held on 4th October 2020, be approved as a correct and true account of the meeting. Proposed by Mrs D. Ibbeson, seconded by Mr R. Rowland with all in favour.

4. **MATTERS ARISING:**

There was one question raised by Mr C. Wraith about the issue related safety of the stairs to the ringing room (p5 of minutes). Father Bell replied that the issue was in hand with the Tower Captain and would also be reported upon again in the next Quinquennial report as it had been mentioned in the previous one.

There were no other matters arising.

5. **REPORTS:(tabled)**

i. **The Vicar's Report.** There was nothing to add to the written report. The Vicar thanked all who had helped over the last reporting period, including the Church Wardens, the PCC, musicians, those who work in church supporting the parish and the upkeep of the building.

There were two questions: Mr Charlie Wraith asked about whether the underpayment of the Parish Share would be excused owing to Covid. The Vicar hoped and believed that allowances would be made.

Mrs Shirley Rawson asked about the latest updates on numbers attending services. Father Bell replied that the parish hoped things to have returned to near normal by July this year. The parish was currently receiving high numbers of applications for baptism as we emerged from lockdown. There had also been a higher number of funerals in 2020 than in the previous year.

ii. **Electoral Roll Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions. Father Bell made comment that there were people legally entitled to be on the roll who were unable to attend Parish Mass on a Sunday owing to illness. Father Bell went on to thank Miss Marjorie Exley, on standing down from her roles as the Gift Aid officer and the Electoral Roll officer, after many years of service and diligence.

iii. **Parochial Church Council Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising. Father Bell thanked Mrs Daphne Woffinden for the report and her

work as secretary to the PCC. Father Bell then also gave thanks for the years of service given by Mrs Elizabeth Jubb, who died last year, in her role as the PCC secretary and in the parish as a whole, she would be missed by everyone.

- iv. **Parish Safeguarding Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising. Father Bell thanked Mrs Pauline Rowland for her work and diligence in a very fast moving and difficult area of church administration.
- v. **Fabric Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising. Father Bell mentioned that the quinquennial inspection had taken place and the report was being produced that would drive the fabric policy for the next report period.
- vi. **Church Wardens' Report.** There was nothing to add and no questions arising.
- vii. **Parish Financial Report.** Mrs Mary Bullock, the treasurer, wished to add thanks for all those who have gift aided to the parish. The parish had been able to reclaim back a sum in excess of £7,000 in gift aid, making a substantial positive impact on parish finances. Mrs Bullock also reminded those present that they can gift aid even if they do not pay tax directly, but their spouse does. Mrs Shirley Rawson then thanked Mrs Bullock for her work as treasurer. Father Bell again thanked Miss Marjorie Exley for her diligence as the Gift Aid officer and the work that she had done over the many years of being in this role.
- viii. **Health and Safety Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising. Father Bell thanked Mr Adrian England for many hours of work over the pandemic period and lockdown, producing and updating the parish risk assessments and giving general advice to the PCC and vicar on all health and safety matters.
- ix. **Deanery Synod Report.** The Deanery Synod had not met over the reporting period, so there was no report forthcoming.
- x. **Weddings Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising. Father Bell mentioned the change in law from the 4th May 2021. Marriage Certificates would be issued by the local Registry Officer. The current parish registers have been closed and will be taken to the Registry Office for deposit. A marriage certificate could now list up to four parents and six witnesses.
- xi. **Choir Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising. Father Bell thanked Mr Robert Rowland and our choir. There was still no current date for the resuming of public singing.
- xii. **Junior Church Report.** In addition to the report Father Bell thanked Father Blair, Mrs Pauline Rowland and her team, Mrs Gillian Pearmain and Mrs Lorraine Francis, for their hard work and hoped that this would restart again in the near future. Mrs Shirley Rawson made comment that it was lovely to see young people in church on a Sunday.
- xiii. **Parent and Toddler Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and the same comments made about junior church applied to the group.

- xiv. **Line Dance Group Report.** There was nothing to add to the report and no questions arising.

Those present were in favour of accepting these reports.

6. ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

i. Election of Deanery Synod Members

The three members are ex-officio to the PCC and hold this position for three years having been elected at the last APCM on 4th October 2020.

ii. Election of P.C.C Members

nominations had been received.

Mrs L. Francis	proposed by Mrs D. Griffin	seconded by Miss V. Liddall
Mrs D Griffin	proposed by Mrs L. Brown	seconded by Mr R. Webster
Miss V. Liddall	proposed by Mrs L. Francis	seconded by Mrs D. Griffin
Mrs E McClure	proposed by Mr C. Wraith	seconded by Miss B. Cawthrow
Mrs S. Rawson	proposed by Mrs M. Bullock	seconded by Mr C. Bullock
Mrs P. Rowland	proposed by Mrs D. Metcalfe	seconded by Mrs D. Ibbeson
Mrs D A Woffinden	proposed by Mr C. Woffinden	seconded by Mrs M. Bullock

Those present were in favour of accepting these nominations.

iii. Appointment of an independent examiner of the accounts

Father Bell asked that Cartwright and Co. Ltd. be retained as the examiners. Proposed by Mr A. England, seconded by Mr C. Bullock. Cartwright and Co. Ltd were duly appointed as the examiners for the next accounting period.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Mrs D. Ibbeson asked for people to come forward to join the parish intercession rota with the loss of Rachel moving with Father Blair to his first parish. Father Bell asked that anyone interested please speak with him.
- Father Bell took the opportunity to thank Father Radford as he prepares, with Rachel, to move to his new ministry in Barnsley at the end of his curacy here in Monk Bretton. Father Radford's last day in the parish will be the 1st August 2021.
- Mr C. Bullock thanked Father Bell and Father Radford for their hard work over lockdown and all that they did to support the congregation at home. This was seconded by Mrs S. Rawson.

8. DATE OF NEXT A.P.C.M.

Low Sunday 24th April 2022 was proposed by Mrs J. Rees, seconded by Miss V. Liddall with all in agreement.

9. Father Bell closed the meeting with thanks for all who had attended and asked Father Blair to give the closing prayer.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON THE DIOCESE OF LEEDS AND EPISCOPAL AREA OF WAKEFIELD

Incumbent: Father Brian T. B. Bell

Churchwardens Mrs Mary Bullock
Mrs Lynda Brown

The Members of the Parochial Church Council

<u>Chairman</u>	Father Brian T. B. Bell
<u>Deputy Chair</u>	Mrs Daphne Woffinden
<u>Hon Secretary</u>	Mrs Daphne Woffinden
<u>Treasurer</u>	Mrs Mary Bullock

Mrs Lorraine Francis, Mrs Debbie Griffin, Ms Valerie Liddall, Mrs Eileen McClure, Mrs Shirley Rawson, Mrs Pauline Rowland, including Deanery Synod Representatives: Ms Andrea Barton, Mr Adrian England, Ms Julie Murray

Sidespersons

Mr Cliff Bullock, Mrs Lorraine Francis, Ms Valerie Liddall, Mrs Eileen McClure, Mrs Shirley Rawson, Mrs Janice Rees, Mrs Beryl Watson.

Electoral Roll Officer	Mrs Debbie Griffin
Child Protection Officer	Mrs Pauline Rowland
Health and Safety Officer	Mr Adrian England
Covenant and Gift Aid Officer	Mrs Shirley Rawson

There are currently 64 members on the Electoral Roll in this Parish. This comprises of:-

Persons resident in the Parish, 47

Persons non resident in the Parish, 17

8 names have been added to the Roll:

1 name has been removed from the Roll:

Lay Ministers of the Eucharist are Mrs Lynda Brown, Mrs Mary Bullock, Mr Ralph Drewett, Mrs Doreen Ibbeson, Ms Julie Murray, Mr Raymond Webster, Mr Clifford Woffinden, Mr Charlie Wraith. Licenses will, however, have to be reviewed and renewed, once the chalice can be administered to the congregation after the Pandemic has ended.

St. Paul's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Father Brian Bell, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2021

VICAR'S REPORT

Father Brian

For fear of repeating too many of the things that I said to you at my farewell, this Vicar's Report has been cut down to a minimum! Nevertheless, looking back across the almost six years that I have been here, I become amazed at just how much we have achieved together, and the different ways in which the parish has 'moved on' and been transformed in various respects. Children's work continues apace and the church has been magnificently reordered after many years of prevarication over the issue. Our spiritual wellbeing has continued to be nourished and sustained through the eucharistic worship and other spiritual devotions that lie at the heart of our communal life. Folks have been working well together and the parish generally has a very positive feeling about it.

Remembering, however, that I am supposed to focus on just 2021, I think, for me, it was a much better year than had been the previous one, for very obvious reasons. Despite the punctuation of various covid restrictions we were able to get on a more even footing, spiritually, financially and practically. To be able to worship together on a more regular basis was one of the greatest gifts we received during the year. By the end of the year it felt as if we were returning to at least some semblance of normality, in that we had hosted 58 baptisms in church and 21 funerals. These figures are really quite staggering, given that much of the year was affected by restrictions.

Father Blair's departure in August was bittersweet in that, although we sadly had to say farewell to him after three years, it was a great joy to know that his new ministry would see him remain within Barnsley as Priest in Charge of the churches of Barnsley Saint Peter and Lundwood Saint Mary Magdalene.

In September and October, we had further cause for celebration when Bishop Tony joined us not just once, but twice, within a matter of weeks. In September he administered the sacrament of confirmation to three candidates, and then joined us again in October to celebrate a Mass of Rededication and Thanksgiving for the completion of the reordering scheme. Joined by members of the Yorkshire Military Band and staff and pupils from Burton Road Primary School, the congregation filled the church, after which we were able to enjoy a lavish buffet provided by our church family. The service had been postponed twice owing to the covid pandemic, so we were all much gladdened and relieved when it finally went ahead as planned.

With these two services, and other events, the last quarter of the year began to have much more of a "normal" feel to it. The Remembrance Day Parade Service and All Souls Service went ahead as usual, as did our Christmas Masses. The earlier time of 10pm for the Midnight Mass seemed to reap some dividend in better turnout.

Other good news in 2021 was that we began to recover, financially, which was due, in no small part, to the continuing generosity and goodwill of members of our congregation. At the end of 2020, we had paid 60% of our Parish Share, but this figure had increased to 81% in December 2021. The covid pandemic had affected all parishes financially, sometimes very severely, so this was quite an achievement in addition to our having to pay ongoing bills. Thanks are due to you all for your generosity and various donations made during the year.

A major achievement came in December when the reintroduction of our annual Christmas fayre was a roaring success. It was testimony and tribute to what is possible with all hands on deck and congregation members truly working as the body of Christ in this place. The total raised may well be a record!

In respect of my own priestly ministry, events took quite a turn in 2021, when, quite unexpectedly, the prospect of a potential move to West Kirby in the Diocese of Chester became a reality. The decision to move was not a straightforward or easy one, given my enjoyment of my time here, but as I explained in my pastoral letter to the congregation, a priest must always follow what he believes God is calling him to do. So it was with a degree of sadness that I made my announcement to the congregation on the Feast of Christ the King.

Many individuals in the life of our churches give unstintingly of their time and energy, and as I have said every year at the APCM, naming them all would be fraught with the danger of missing someone out, and that I would simply wish to avoid at all costs. The various contributions - whether individual or corporate - to our spiritual life, worship, pastoral care, music, children's work, finance, buildings and social activities, have all been deeply appreciated.

Looking to the future, everyone's gifts, skills, talents and hard work will need to be harnessed and brought together, so that the parish can both thrive and flourish as all await the arrival of their new parish priest. Your churchwardens will need both help and support in ensuring that life continues as normally as possible. There can be no place, either, for disagreements or unhealthy arguments, which can only ever result in a dismal failure of parochial ministry.

Core Christian values must remain at the very heart of the community's life, which include a striving for good liturgy and worship, the nurture of new Christian disciples and a deeper understanding and outworking of Christian community. There's always room for improvement in each of these areas, so I leave you with my prayer that as the parish steps into a new future and new beginnings, it may do so with confidence and a recognition that, under God, even more is possible.

Thank you for everything you have been and given to me as your priest. I shall take away with me many positive and cherished memories of my ministry here in Monk Bretton.

Secretary's Report on the proceedings of the PCC in 2021

Daphne Woffinden

The PCC met on 5 occasions, and some decisions were once again made and recorded via email/telephone. The APCM was held on 23rd May 2021 when a new PCC was elected.

The PCC has dealt with finance, including the setting of fees for 2022, the conclusion of the church re-ordering programme, health and safety, and safeguarding. Wheels were put in motion to obtain a faculty to do the work set out in the Quinquennial report.

The PCC resolved to retain the resolution on the House of Bishops' Declaration, and membership of the Society of Saint Wilfrid and Saint Hilda.

Father Brian spoke about his impending move and services leading up to that date.

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding Report

Pauline Rowland

Our parish operates a Child Protection Policy within the guidelines set out by the Diocese. Anyone working/volunteering with children or adults must obtain a Disclosure Certificate from the Disclosure and Barring Service and complete a Diocesan Declaration Form. A poster and booklet outlining Safeguarding and our commitment to the policy along with the names and contact details of those holding a significant role in the life of St Paul's Church are displayed for all to see. Fr Brian, Church Wardens and PCC members have been instrumental during 2021 in ensuring compliancy with the ever- changing landscape of Covid 19 regulations.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the church

Vicar and Churchwardens

The architect from PPIY completed a long overdue Quinquennial Report and the PCC began to address its recommendations. Rising damp continued to pose a problem and led to some expansion of the new flooring at the west end of the church. Repair to this and installation of brass surrounds, allowing the parquet flooring to expand and contract more, eased the problem. However, the architect has suggested that, given the church was built without damp proofing there may always be issues to deal with at times. Snagging issues from the reordering project were dealt with and redecoration of the northwest end of the church was completed.

Churchwardens Report

Churchwardens Lynda Brown and Mary Bullock

2021 was mostly another year of uncertainty due to the covid pandemic. We were unable to plan ahead for any events due to the government restrictions.

There was a big disappointment for some members of the congregation as the Walsingham Pilgrimage had to be cancelled.

In August our curate Father Blair left to take up his ministry at two local churches, Saint Peter's Church, Barnsley, and Saint Mary Magdalene Church at Lundwood. Members of the congregation attended his licensing on Wednesday, 1st September, at Saint Peter's Church.

Towards the end of the year some of the restrictions were relaxed and we were able to go ahead with the Harvest Festival but on a much reduced scale. No harvest meal was allowed. The proceeds from our collection went to the Trussell Trust, a charity providing for food banks and people in need.

The Remembrance Day Service went ahead on Sunday, 7th November, at the War Memorial on Cross Street, and was followed by a service in Saint Paul's. Both of these services were well attended. A small party led by Father Brian attended the War Memorial again at 11am on 11th November for a short service.

On 3rd December the lighting of the Community Christmas Tree in the church grounds went ahead after carols were sung in church, and the children present decorated the tree with baubles. On Saturday, 4th December, a Christmas Fayre was held in the church centre, which was a real success.

On 18th December the church Christmas Dinner went ahead but with a reduced number of people attending.

The greatest shock of the year came in late November when Father Brian announced to his wardens Mary and Lynda that he was to leave the parish in the early part of 2022. A few days later, on the Feast of Christ the King, Father Brian informed the congregation of this.

Christmas was celebrated in church. On Christmas Eve the Nativity Service went ahead and was attended by a fair number of children who played the parts of the nativity. Midnight Mass was brought forward to 10pm, and there were service held daily throughout the Christmas Octave.

Although it has been a year of disappointment, in some respects, members of the congregation must be thanked for the way they have supported the church both in attending, financing and adhering to the rules set out by the government in social distancing and wearing of face coverings.

In conclusion Mary and Lynda thank Father Brian most sincerely for his ministry at Saint Paul's for almost six years and wish him every success and happiness in his new appointment. He will be sadly missed by all who know him.

Health and Safety Report

Adrian England

This year has again been somewhat different to the norm as the effects of COVID continue to be felt across the country. We have continued to follow the Government COVID-19 Regulations and Guidance that are in place; and appropriate remedial measures are implemented and followed as required. Additionally, the Guidance and Advice from the Church of England for churches and parishes was also adhered to.

Appropriate Risk Assessments have been produced for those approved activities taking place in the Parish Centre and in the main body of the Church. The conclusions of the Risk Assessments led to the implementation of a series of practical measures and restrictions as Regulated and Guided by the Government and the Church of England.

During this period, there has been the use of the buildings determined by the requirement for compliance with the current legislation and guidance. To ensure compliance with the current legislation and guidance, modifications to existing Hirers' Contracts continue to be reviewed

The Bell Ringers had again raised the question, with the PCC, of the risk associated when using the belfry ladders. The PCC received professional advice following the quinquennial

inspection and remedial action is to be taken within the timetable for the implementation of remedial measures as outline in the report.

One of the altar servers raised the issue of safety of access to and from the altar up and down the steps with the PCC. The PCC recognised the problem and unanimously agreed that the fixture of handrails would be detrimental to the visual aspect of the congregation to the altar, but as an alternative means of safe access and egress, the steps to the Lady Chapel should be used, as these were fitted with an integral handrail.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank all those members of the church who have helped to safeguard the church buildings and its communicants, by making sure that the additional measures required to reasonably manage the risks associated with the pandemic have been minimised.

Deanery Report

Two meetings of the Deanery Synod took place in 2021, the first at Saint John the Baptist, Cudworth, on the 4th July and the second at Royston Saint John the Baptist on the 5th November. At Cudworth it was the first meeting of Deanery Synod since lockdown, so the Area Dean, Canon Stephen Race, used the opportunity to explain to the new Deanery Synod Representatives exactly what role they had in representing their parishes and in decisions for the Deanery as a whole.

At the November meeting, Canon Race talked about the homeless and the rough sleepers in Barnsley. He referred to the Deanery Homeless fund and said there was £3,000 in the fund. This money is used for the homeless and rough sleepers in Barnsley and any parish wishing to donate to a homeless person for small things such as tokens or train tickets would need to first discuss with the PCC and then if agreed could donate to the person for which Father Stephen would then reimburse the parish from the fund.

Following on from this Father Stephen introduced Father Phil from St George's church in Barnsley who then gave us a talk about a project called Amazing Grace which provides emergency sleeping pods for the homeless. He was hoping to buy 2 pods at a cost of £6,000 each which would then be placed at the back of Saint George's church. £10,000 had already been raised, so Father Stephen asked the synod members if they were prepared to donate £1,000 to this project from the Deanery Homeless fund. The vote was unanimously in favour of this request.

We then had a talk from the guest speaker Reverend Jude Smith, the director of church revitalisation who asked what we needed to do now, after covid, to revitalise our churches and our communities. This question was answered mainly by the clergy who said that after the pandemic people were tired and still a little afraid to go back to church. They were also constantly worried about paying the parish share. Some parishes had not even been able to appoint church wardens and concerns were put to Jude Smith about the morale of people trying to pay the parish share and serve God and the community with enthusiasm, which would be necessary in order to revitalise our churches. The Revd Jude said she heard what the clergy were saying and fully understood the concerns, so she asked if it would be possible to visit St George's and maybe some of our other churches to see for herself the struggles our churches are having now.

Father Stephen then brought the meeting to an end with a prayer and thanked everyone for attending.

Wedding Report

Daphne Woffinden

We had five church weddings this year, and others which were booked have been transferred to 2022. Parish Office was not held as usual, couples were asked to social distance in church to pay their fees. It is hoped that things may a bit more normal in 2022.

Choir Report

Daphne Woffinden

We began singing again on 25th May 2021 – such a long break! Since then we have sung at all services even though we still only number 3 in the choir!!! Robert did continue to play throughout but it's nice to have choir and organ back together again.

We didn't sing at any weddings at all this year – so were unable to increase our funds. Weddings are booked for 2022 so we are hopeful that some of them will want the services of the choir.

We donated £300 towards the St Paul statue, and hope to do our Kinkiisi Diocesan Education project donation again next year.

We were saddened by the news that Father Brian is to leave us – he has been such a help and support throughout his time here and we will miss him.

Report from the Junior Church

Pauline Rowland

Due to the lockdown of church activities for much of 2021 our monthly Junior Church activities were curtailed. When allowed, following Year B of the Liturgical calendar we resumed on Sunday 7th November with All Saints. We told and enacted the story of our Patron Saint Paul's conversion during his journey to Damascus, from persecutor of Christians to the promotion of Christianity throughout the known world.

Sunday December 5th Advent and retelling the story of Mary's visitation by the Angel Gabriel and her Yes to God. And the making and decorating of their own 5 Week Advent Calendar which culminated on Christmas Day.

Friday December 24th the Crib Service and Nativity when all our regular Junior Church children were joined by other children and visitors to dress and take part in the age-old story and retelling of the Birth of Jesus.

Report from the Parent and Toddler Group

Pauline Rowland, Lorraine Francis and Gillian Pearmain.

We resumed our group on Monday September 13th after a long gap of 18 months due to lockdown and Covid concerns. Before lockdown in March 2020 we welcomed all comers without knowing week by week who or how many would attend. However, before resuming and after discussions with Fr Brian we felt it necessary to have some idea of how many children and parents/ carers would be attending each week and to limit numbers if we felt it necessary with the ongoing uncertainty of covid. Fr Brian emailed all contacts on the list of baptism families to notify them of our start date and to give them a link to an online booking site. Explaining the reason behind this was to limit the number of children along with parents/guardians to 30 in total to ensure the safeguarding of everyone who attended. This method seemed to work well for several weeks but then mums reported difficulties registering on the site. Eventually as the attendee numbers dropped dramatically from 8 children and 9 adults to several weeks of being only 1 or 2 children with attending parent, we had a rethink and agreed to going back to our previous method of toddlers turning up on the day.

Our parents are proactive and registered the group on a community hub as they were worried it would close and didn't want that to happen as they see the benefit to their children of having the opportunity to socialise and play alongside other children. We have also put posters in local shops in recent weeks to advertise the group as we find it strange that most of those attending come from outside the area, some as far as Silkstone and Penistone.

Numbers continue to fluctuate weekly but recently they have been a consistent 6 children ages ranging from 6 months to 2½ years. We continue to follow school dates so finished on December 13th when we held our Christmas Party when we were surprised (and delighted) that 13 children attended. We sang Christmas songs and games and had a surprise visit during our enthusiastic singing and playing of our musical instruments. None of us saw him but Fr Christmas had left his sack of gifts for all to share. Thankfully we had enough for everyone.

Lottery Report

Kathleen Bell

By the end of 2021 it continued to flourish and remained a valuable fundraiser for the church. The year's total given to the church was £818. Thank you to everyone for their contributions.

Bellringers' Report

Mike Sheeran

From the highest point in the tower, areas are referred to as follows:-

Belfry – the area above the clock chamber, the last space in the square part of the tower just below the start of the spire. Home to our six bells cast in 1877 by the London foundry of Mears and Stainbank and donated to St Paul's by Elizabeth Bright.

Clock Chamber – contains the church clock manufactured by Potts of Leeds in 1894, electric winding equipment and apparatus to control the striking of Cambridge quarters and hour. The clock face externally is also at this level. Temporary electric wiring to lighting in the clock casing and clock room requires a permanent solution. Access to this level is by two timber ladders which should be considered for replacement for safety reasons.

Ringling Chamber – the floor above the west door entrance, access is by spiral stone stair. This room is where the bell ringers meet to sound the bells by rope and wheel. This level coincides with the organ and choir stalls, separated by the west window partition, which unfortunately is not visible from inside the church.

Ringling Chamber facilities

The tower is not connected to the church's heating system and therefore all surfaces in cold weather attract condensation. The ringling chamber wall surfaces and stone mullions of the external west window have suffered from damp conditions. This is eroding the stone mullions of the west window. The fabric of the tower would benefit if the heating system were to be extended into the west porch allowing heat to permeate upwards throughout. The west end of the church would be warmer as a result.

Condition of the bell installation

The bells and supporting framework refurbished in 2011 are in a first class condition and are serviced by John Taylor & Co.

Visitors

For reasons connected to the covid pandemic we only had one visiting band during the year, when members of the Yorkshire Association rang a peal in December.

Members/Learners

The minimum number of ringers required for a six-bell tower is ten. The number usually covers for unavailable members on holiday and other events.

The band would be grateful to the PCC for any help in the recruitment of additional interested people to ring our magnificent bells; training is available here at St Paul's at a time suitable for the volunteers. Our local branch of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers holds training events once every year, usually in February, details available on the website yacr.org.uk.

The present compliment of ringers is as follows:-

Mrs Brenda Sheeran, Mr Edmund L Bell, Mr Peter L Bell, Mr Michael Sheeran, and are all qualified members of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers. We are pleased to welcome Miss Holly Bell who is receiving tuition and is progressing very well; she is ringing for Mass on Sunday mornings.

Service ringing

At its height the covid pandemic restricted ringing for services because of the lack of space in the ringling chamber, prohibiting social distancing. We were able to resume in August.

Wedding ringing

The bells have not been rung for weddings.

Future

The band is dedicated to uphold the tradition of ringing and training of interested parties to welcome parishioners to services at this church.

We are pleased to offer our best wishes to Father Brian and thank him for his encouragement during his ministry at Saint Paul's. We have been blessed.

COMMUNITY

Schools and other Organisations

All work with schools continued to be affected by the lockdown and reticence of schools to send out pupils for events and services, though the Vicar remained an active member of the governing bodies of both Holy Trinity Academy and Burton Road Primary School. Regular meetings were conducted via Zoom during the year.

The Children's Society

Pauline Rowland

Thank you to all those who continue to support by having a House Box. 2021 continued to be another difficult year as we negotiated lockdown and some lifting of restrictions as the year progressed. Our usual box opening month of September resumed this year and I was delighted to bank a total of £332.71p. A huge amount given the diminishing number of box holders. However, I'm pleased to report that a new box holder has come forward and has taken possession of a box. Thank you. If anyone else would like to join in just let me know. I'm only too happy for you to join the ranks of Children Society supporters.

Unfortunately, I must report for the second year running there has been no Christingle Service as this does rely on input from local schools and their children. A difficulty when large groups have been fearful of congregating together.

The Ladies' Group at Saint Paul, Monk Bretton

Pauline Rowland

The group was suspended from October 2020 until we were able to resume once again on June 21st 2021. As we had an agenda of activities already planned from the previous year it was agreed to continue with those as follows:

June – All Together Now – a group led celebration of friendship using stories and anecdotes of lockdown.

July – Quizzing with music and general knowledge led by Chris Palmer & Robert Rowland

August – Crime and Punishment led by Eric Jackson

September - Beetle Drive led by Mary Ross

October – Christmas Wreath making led by Christine Palmer

November – Dining @The Norman organised by Lorraine Francis

December – Christmas Party Night- led by Pam Powers & food by Mary Bullock

As December arrived, information came from the Diocese of Leeds making it mandatory for all on church premises to wear face masks once again.

Line Dancing Report

Pamela Powers

Another year with covid around, but we are now back, happily dancing and have managed to welcome six new dancers who have settled happily into the group.

It was difficult at first as we felt we had forgotten how to do lots of the dances but Sylvia, one of the group, did a lot of refreshing via Youtube, so now we feel we are back to normal. Sylvia now helps me to run the group and I couldn't manage without her. She brings new dances to learn and covers for me when I am not able to get to the group.

**ST PAUL'S CHURCH
MONK BRETTON**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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**ST PAUL'S CHURCH MONK BRETTON
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**ST PAUL'S CHURCH MONK BRETTON
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ANNUAL REPORT

Background

St Paul's Church PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent in promoting the mission of the church - pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected at the annual parochial church meeting in accordance with Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Fr Brian Bell	Chairman
Fr Blair Radford	
Daphne Woffinden	Hon. Secretary & Vice Chairman
Lynda Brown	Church Warden
Mary Bullock	Church Warden - Treasurer
Andrea Barton	Deanery Synod Representative
Julie Murray	Deanery Synod Representative
Adrian England	Deanery Synod Health & Safety
Eileen McClure	
Debbie Griffin	
Lorraine Francis	
Pauline Rowland	Safeguarding Officer
Shirley Rawson	
Valerie Liddall	

Church attendance

There are 57 persons on the Church Electoral Roll

ST PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS TO THE
PCC OF ST PAUL'S CHURCH, MONK BRETTON**

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 3 and 4, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993 as amended by the charities Act 2006 ('the Act').

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiners

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and s.43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is our responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of Regulations.


Basis of this report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under s.43(7)(b) of the Act and to be found in the Church guidance, 2006 edition. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the financial statements with those records. It also includes considering any usual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below:

Independent examiners' statement

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

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with s.41 of the Act; and
 - To prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records or comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.


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Cartwright & Co Ltd

**ST PAUL'S CHURCH MONK BRETTON
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

2020 RESTORATION FUND £	2020 GENERAL INCOME £	2021 RESTORATION FUND £	2021 GENERAL INCOME £
			INCOME FROM DONORS
-	18,716	-	Planned Giving 20,685
-		-	Bequest -
-	1,795	-	Collections 5,524
			VOLUNTARY INCOME
-	8,484	-	Donations 6,086
-	4,021	-	Fund Raising 4,243
-	-	26,683	Grants -
			INVESTMENT INCOME
496	-	16	Interest -
			INCOME FROM CHARITABLE TRADING
-	908	-	Use of Parish Centre 3,079
-	1,110	-	Fees 4,109
-	4,208	-	INLAND REVENUE 9,016
			OTHER RECEIPTS
-	130	-	Insurance refund -
496	39,372	26,699	52,742
1563			TRANSFERS
<u>2,059</u>	<u>39,372</u>	<u>26,699</u>	<u>52,742</u>
			TOTAL RECEIPTS
			GRANTS
-	1,110	-	Overseas, Missions, Charities 132
			CHURCH RELATED ACTIVITIES
-	26,812	-	Common Fund 35,000
-	1,867	-	Clergy expenses 1,605
-	8,409	-	Church Running Expenses 11,093
-	50	-	Sundry -
10,969	1,420	560	Repairs & Maintenance 1,303
-	510	-	Accountants Fee 516
-	35	-	PRINTING & STATIONERY 316
-	143	-	ADVERTISING 125
			EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENTS
228,176	4,642	8,784	Replacement Fixtures & Fittings 50,090
239,145	44,998	9,344	0
1563			TRANSFERS
<u>239,145</u>	<u>46,561</u>	<u>9,344</u>	<u>50,090</u>
			TOTAL PAYMENTS
<u>(237,086)</u>	<u>(7,189)</u>	<u>17,355</u>	<u>2,652</u>
			NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)

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STATEMENT OF ACCUMULATED FUNDS

2020 RESTORATION FUND £	2020 GENERAL INCOME £		2021 RESTORATION FUND £	2021 GENERAL INCOME £
262,844	15,801	BALANCE AT START OF YEAR	25,758	8,612
(237,086)	(7,189)	NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)	17,355	2,652
<u>25,758</u>	<u>8,612</u>	BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	<u>43,113</u>	<u>11,264</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS

2020 RESTORATION FUND £	2020 GENERAL INCOME £		2021 RESTORATION FUND £	2021 GENERAL INCOME £
		CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUND		
25,758	-	Restorations	43,113	-
		BANK ACCOUNTS		
-	8,837	Yorkshire Bank	-	11,420
-	29	CASH IN HAND	-	12
		PREPAYMENTS		189
	(254)	ACCRUALS		(357)
<u>25,758</u>	<u>8,612</u>	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>43,113</u>	<u>11,264</u>