

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. GEORGE MOSSLEY

England & Wales · Charity number 1138946

Details

Other names ST. GEORGE'S PCC. MOSSLEY

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2010-11-11

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Activities

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

Activities: PROMOTING CHRISTIAN WORSHIP AND HELP IN THE COMMUNITY

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£58,397	£49,104	-	-
2023-12-31	£41,142	£45,286	-	-
2022-12-31	£45,853	£42,558	-	-
2021-12-31	£52,621	£48,841	-	-
2020-12-31	£70,535	£90,813	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DENISE OWEN	Chair	2023-11-01
ANGELA HAZEL AKERS		2023-05-01
ANNE DEBORAH MELLOR		2013-04-03
CAROL ANN WINTERBOTTOM		
DOROTHY DUNN		
JACQUELINE HELY		
JACQUELINE RENSHAW		
JULIE ANNE BRUCE		
Kathryn Lindsey Malkin		2020-09-27
Rita Brooks		2021-06-01

Accounts



**Annual Reports and Financial Statements
of the Parochial Church Council
for the year ending 31st December 2024**



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Annual Meeting of Parishioners Sunday, 4th May 2025; at 12:45pm

AGENDA

Welcome and Opening Prayer
Approval of minutes from APM of 5 th May 2024 (available in Annual Report document)
Election of Church Wardens

Annual Parochial Church Meeting Sunday, 4th May 2025

Apologies for absence
Approval of minutes from APCM of 5 th May 2024 (available in Annual Report document) Matters arising
Presentation of the revised Electoral Roll
PCC Report (full report in Annual Report document)
Presentation of Financial Statement/Treasurer's report
Appointment of the Independent Advisor
Safeguarding Report (full report in Annual Report document)
Fabric Report (full report in Annual Report document)
Deanery Synod Report (full report in Annual Report document)
Annual Reports for 2024
Elections to the PCC
Election of Deanery Synod Representatives: The 2 members are not due re-election until 2026
AOB

Election of rolls within the current PCC for the coming year:

Vice Chair Deputy Warden Deputy Warden
Treasurer Secretary

Minutes of the APCM held on May 4th 2024

See PDF Document

Electoral Roll 2024

During 2024 Nigel Hossle-Standring was elected as **Church Digital Officer** by the PCC. Kathryn Malkin was thanked for all her work maintaining the Electoral Roll for the last few years, however, as the system was moving further and further into digital collating and production of statistics etc, the PCC agreed that Nigel would be appointed Electoral Roll Officer moving forward. During the year 4 names were removed as they had passed away, and none were added. The Electoral Roll now stands at 84.
In March 2025 the Electoral Roll will be renewed.

Nigel H-S (Electoral Roll Officer)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

The members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC), who are the trustees of the charity, present the annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Aim and purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) works with the incumbent to promote, in the ecclesiastical parish and benefice, the whole mission of the Church. It is important to remember that this is God's mission in this place and includes: pastoral care, evangelistic outreach, social events and social justice and ecumenical events and partnerships. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St George, Mossley.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to welcoming as many people as possible to worship at this church and to become part of the parish community at St George's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship in the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can better welcome and involve the people who live within the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament, always with the aim of glorifying God.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit, and particularly the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. Especially, we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- ♦ Worship, prayer, learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- ♦ Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- ♦ Missionary and outreach work.
- ♦ Care for God's creation.
- ♦ Advocating for justice.

Church life & activities

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping. In 2024 we introduced child focused Activity Mornings, providing crafts and games, during school holidays.

Structure, governance, and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. George's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, Deanery Synod members and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC, unless there is any criterion which prevents them from doing this.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members and those with new roles are to receive advice and initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Reserves policy

The PCC does not currently have a reserves policy on unrestricted funds.

Administrative information

St George's Mossley is (with St John the Baptist Roughtown) part of the Benefice of Mossley, which is part of Mission Community 6 within the Deanery of Oldham and Ashton, the Archdeaconry of Rochdale and the Diocese of Manchester within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended) and a registered Charity.

The Parochial Church Council

At the APM on 5th May 2024, the following were elected

Churchwardens:

Hossle-Standring

Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring

current term expires Mr Nigel

APM 2025

APM 2025

Ex Officio members of the PCC:

Dr Angela Akers	Deanery Synod Rep	2026
Mrs Kathryn Malkin	Deanery Synod Rep	2026
Mr Nigel Hossle-Standring	Warden	2025
Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring	Warden	2025
Lay roles within the PCC:		
Mrs Julie Bruce	Vice-Chair	2025
Mrs Rita Brooks	Deputy Warden	2025
Mrs Debbie Mellor	Deputy Warden	2025
Mrs Carol Winterbottom	Treasurer	2025
Mrs Kathryn Malkin	Secretary	2025

Lay members of the PCC:

Mrs Wendy Berry	2025
Mrs Julie Bruce	2026
Mrs Rita Brooks	2026
Mrs Dorothy Dunn	2026
Mrs Jacqueline Hely	2026
(Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring currently ex officio	2026)
Mrs Kathryn Malkin	2026
Miss Charlotte Mellor	2026
Mrs Debbie Mellor	2026
Mr David Pritchard	2026
Mrs Jacqui Renshaw	2026
Mrs Carol Winterbottom	2026

Revd Denise Owen is the incumbent of St George's and is thereby the ex officio Chair of the PCC. Dr Angela Akers is an Authorised Lay Minister to St George's Church since July 2023 and is thereby an ex officio member of the PCC.

The PCC met regularly and frequently during 2024, there being 6 meetings in total, plus the APM/APCM. The meetings were all chaired by Revd Denise.

The PCC received notification of the resignation of David Pritchard from the PCC on 22nd July 2024 (effective immediately) and the resignation of Charlotte Mellor from the PCC on 21st November 2024 (effective from January 2025).

Kathryn Malkin
PCC Secretary

The PCC

- ♦ is a charity registered with the Charities Commission
 - ♦ oversees the financial work of the Church by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and co-ordinating the stewardship of money through planned giving.
 - ♦ attends to matters relating to the ministry of the Church, including work with young people.
 - ♦ attends to the ministry of the Church to the community and the world.
 - ♦ attends to matters relating to the stewardship of the Church Buildings and fabric, the Churchyard (which is closed to burials, and largely the responsibility of Tameside MBC).
- The PCCs of St George's and St John the Baptist, contribute towards costs of St John's Vicarage.

Parish Officers

Carole Hibbert	200 Club/Mothers' Union
Kathryn Malkin	Electoral Roll Officer (to May 2024) Magazine Editor/Junior Church
Nigel Hossle-Standring	Electoral Roll Officer (from May 2024)
Debbie Mellor	Baptism Co-ordinator/Junior Church
Mark Akers	Hon Site Manager

Financial Statement and Treasurer's Report

(See separate document)

St George's Church, MOSSLEY

Annual Safeguarding Report: APCM, May 2025

***Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our parish churches.
(KEY MESSAGE from: Parish Safeguarding Handbook: Promoting a Safer Church)***

1. Sue Warburton is the current Parish Safeguarding Officer and the DBS administrator for St George's.
2. Safeguarding is on the agenda of every PCC meeting. No concerns or issues have been raised with the safeguarding officer over the past year.
3. All members of the PCC and all church workers have an up-to-date DBS certificate. Here are the current training records:

NAME	Role	Date of Issue of current dbs certificate (To be updated every 3 years)	Safeguarding Training & Dates (To be updated every 3 years)
Wendy Berry	PCC	11/10/2024	Foundations (31/07/24) Domestic Abuse (31/7/24)
Rita Brooks	PCC	12/07/2024	Basic Awareness (1.07.24) Foundations (10.09.24) Domestic Abuse (01.07.24)
Julie Bruce	PCC	01/08/2022	Basic Awareness (08.02.24)
Dorothy Dunn	PCC	08/02/2023	Basic Awareness (17.10.24)
Jacqueline Hely	PCC	07/06/2022	Basic Awareness (1.12.22)
Jo Hossle-Standring	Church Warden	11/11/2023	Basic Awareness (17.10.24) Foundations (16.10.24) Domestic Abuse (24.6.24)
Nigel Hossle-Standring	Church Warden	10/11/2023	Basic Awareness (17.10.24) Safeguarding Foundations (16.10.24) Domestic Abuse (11.6.24)
Kathryn Malkin	PCC/PCC Secretary Junior Church Leader	01/06/2022	Basic Awareness (11.10.24) Foundations (28.12.23) Domestic Abuse (12.08.24)
Debbie Mellor	Junior Church Leader/PCC	11/05/2022	Basic Awareness (Oct 21) Foundations (08.09.24) Leadership Safeguarding (Oct 21)
David Pritchard	PCC	15/09/2023	Basic Awareness(19.03.24)
Jacqueline Renshaw	PCC	27/03/2023	Basic Awareness (Nov 22)

Carol Winterbottom	Treasurer PCC	11/05/2022	Basic Awareness (06.9.23)
Sue Warburton	Parish Safeguarding Officer	25/11/2024	Domestic Abuse (16.04.24) Safer Recruitment (03.06.24) Foundations (07.09.24) Leadership (07-14.01.25)

4. All policies and procedures are in place and up-to-date, as well as in line with Diocesan guidelines. We now use the Safeguarding Dashboard, as recommended by the Diocese, to guide our safeguarding procedures. Action plans/ summaries created by the dashboard are presented and discussed at PCC.
5. The PCC revisit and approve the ‘**Safeguarding Policy: Promoting a Safer Church**’ on an annual basis.
6. We create an environment, which is welcoming and respectful and enables safeguarding concerns to be raised and responded to openly, promptly and consistently.
7. If there were any known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults they would be effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser.
8. We comply with all data protection legislation especially in regard to storing information about the ‘church workforce’, including volunteers and any safeguarding records.

SUE Warburton March 2025

Churchwardens’ Report 2024

Nigel and Jo Hossle-Standring were re-elected as Churchwardens at the APM on Sunday, 5th May 2024 for a one year term.

Periodic testing and inspections

Lightening conductor A new company was found to test and certify the lightning conductor. The Church’s lightening conductor has passed and a new compliance certificate issued. Our insurance company require 4-yearly testing.

Gas appliances The gas burners for the overhead heating and the heaters in the Church room had their annual inspection and new compliance certificate issued.

Fire extinguishers had their annual inspected and certified.

Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) was done in 2023 and is next due in the middle of 2025.

Maintenance

Roof, gutter and gullies maintenance

Throughout the year the gutters and gullies on the roofs have been inspected, cleared out and maintained on multiple occasions.

Exterior flood lights

Several of the flood lights along the side of the Church have been replaced when they failed. They are all now less than 2 years old and will hopefully last 5 plus years.

Toilet walls

The décor in the toilet is degrading and paint is flaking from the walls. All the walls were scraped clean of loose paint. A project is proposed to re-decorate in the near future.

Tarmac Party 2

This had to be postponed because the cold-lay tarmac and any equipment could not be delivered on a Saturday. Additionally, if we were to hire equipment, most hire companies close at lunchtime on a Saturday. We could not take a delivery on a weekday and then securely store (from vandals) the equipment anywhere overnight. The tarmac would be too heavy to store inside on the Church floor. A local contractor who was working locally was contacted, with a view to them assisting us with a donation of tarmac and any expertise; we also suggested we might engage them for a day if they were prepared to help us : there has been absolutely no response.

Backdoor

The back door (under the tower) has been cleaned and re-painted.

Printer

New rollers have been installed in the printer so the paper rarely jams in the printer anymore.

Re-plastering above the Mothers Union Chapel

It is now over 5 years since the roof repair work was carried out above the Mothers Union Chapel. We were advised not to re-plaster for this length of time to allow the roof timbers and walls to fully dry out. Quotes are now being sought for the re-plastering work.

Walls above Memorial Chapel and in the Choir Vestry

Rainwater has managed to get in the Choir Vestry and Memorial Chapel. This has led to the plaster falling off the walls in the vestry. The Church maintenance team have removed all the loose plaster (several hundreds of lbs in weight) to make it safe. The architects have been engaged to prepare a repair plan and job list. This will allow builders to quote on a level playing field for the repairs. It is estimated to be around £15k.

Garden of Remembrance

The Garden of Remembrance is regularly maintained by a group of gardening enthusiasts and professionals. The memorial plaques are pressure washed twice a year.

Tameside Tree cutting

Following the tornado in Stalybridge at the end of 2023, Tameside council have carried out tree maintenance on two trees in the churchyard, one next to Anthony Street, the other by the entrance on Fox Platt Road. This work was carried out without consultation with the Church.

HODS 2024

The Church was open on Saturday and Sunday 14/15-Sep-2024 for the '*Heritage Open Days*' annual event. This year included an art competition on the theme of 'Routes, Networks and Connections'. Artworks were created by young people from our schools and uniformed organisations. They were displayed and on the last day were judged by a local prominent artist, and prizes given.

Easter, Christmas and SATs cards

Easter and Christmas cards detailing service times on these occasions have been designed and printed. They were hand delivered by Church volunteers. Cards of encouragement for were sent to St. Georges school students sitting their SATs.

Christmas trees

The Christmas trees were delivered for the start of Advent. They cost £280 for two 9" and one 15" and were funded by the 200 Club. They were decorated by the Church site management team.

Breakfast with Santa

In early December Santa took time out of his busy schedule to visit Church whilst the children had breakfast.

Memorial services

Memorial services for the recently departed were held in Church by Elizabeth Way and Anthony Barton Independent Funeral Services.

Visiting vicars

In 2024 we were helped by the following visiting clergy: Ray Morris, Hilda Wild, Martin Rogers, Christopher Halliday, Peter Selby, Cait Walker, Ian Brocklehurst and Bishop Mark.

St. George's School

In September the School and Church hosted a joint MacMillan Coffee 'Day'.

The school was also in Church for the following services: Communion Service, School Leavers Assembly, School Harvest Festival, KS2 Eucharist and Christingle and Carol Service at Christmas. The children were also brought in to see the silhouettes '*There, Not There*'.

Children's Activity mornings were held during the summer and autumn holidays.

Vicarage security

In mid December an attempt was made by a couple of individuals to gain access to the vicarage via the garage door. They were disturbed by a passerby and hence did not gain entry. The garage door has been checked and security devices added to prevent the garage door being opened. The security lights outside the

vicarage and on the south-west wall of St. John's Church have been replaced by our maintenance team.

Bell ringers

The Lancashire branch of bell ringers have held several practice rings at St. George's during the year.

Diocesan Attendance Survey and Income Survey

The Attendance Survey and Income Surveys were completed in October and the figures uploaded to the Diocesan Data website. The Income Survey forms have been forwarded to the Deanery.

Flag

The site team changed the flag (donated by the Mullaney family) on Easter Saturday. Denise also ventured up the tower to have a look.

Projects

Heating

We have identified a way to 'zone' the heating in the Nave. This will allow either the north or south sides of the church to be heated independently so only heating the side in use or both sides for a service in the whole Nave. This will of course save money on energy usage and count towards our ECO Church efforts.

Church lighting

In November the site team replaced 9 dead light bulbs in Church Nave. The replacements were ones that were either new or used that were found in the little vestry.

We have a project to replace all the lighting in Church with LEDs. This is estimated to reduce our lighting energy requirements by 75%. Replacing them would cost about £350 and would count towards our ECO Church efforts.

Sound System

The sound system in Church has been upgraded and refurbished. The existing CD player was having issues playing a growing number of the hymns from CDs. We had received a legacy from a professional musician, and it was felt fitting to use the money on the sound system. A Hymnal was purchased (a music device containing over 7300 hymns and religious songs), a mixing desk and proper shelving to mount all the equipment in the cabinet. The system can now accept music from the hymnal, CDs, mobile phones, MP3 players and Bluetooth devices.

The new system was first used on Sunday 30-Jun 2024 and blessed into service by Revd Christopher Halliday.

Jo and Nigel Hossle-Standring (Church Wardens)

Deanery Synod Report

Oldham and Ashton Deanery Synod met in February, July, and October of 2024. Topics discussed included – Focal Leadership, Working with Manchester Diocesan Board of Education to build strong connections between our Churches and Schools, and Growing Churches for All Generations, along with regular updates on clergy vacancies, finance and Eco Church. Many thanks to our Deanery Synod members, who faithfully attend meetings and events throughout the year.

Provided by the lay chair of the Deanery Synod Liz Dent

Mothers' Union St George's Mossley Branch

In 2024 we had 29 members and on the 9th May after the Ascension Day service, Revd Denise enrolled and welcomed Cathryn Richardson to our branch.

Our June meeting was cancelled and the church open for quiet prayers to remember our dear friend Dorothy.

On the 11th July we welcomed the return of our Deanery Eucharist and tea. All visiting members were delighted to be reunited with so many friends/members.

Our support of the Rise UP Against Domestic Abuse Campaign continued with the delivery in December of 7 bundles of bedding to the Ashton Refuge. Each bundle consisted of a single duvet, duvet set, single sheet, 2 pillows and a bath towel. We are proud, as a branch to have achieved the Rise Up Bronze Award in recognition of our support to date of the campaign.

Several members/friends enjoyed evenings together at the George Lawton Hall to see *9 to 5* on the 24th October and *Sister Act* on the 28th November.

We held our annual hamper raffle, and the winning tickets were drawn during Breakfast with Santa on the 7th December. We enjoyed an amazing morning with a lot of happy smiling children meeting Santa.

Jo agreed to stand as our MU branch Safety and Safeguarding Officer. Thank you Jo.

Sadly, in July we lost another member Margaret Brooks. Dorothy and Margaret will be sadly missed by us all.

- Carole Hibbert

200 Club

At the end of December 2024 we had 146 numbers allocated.

A huge thank you to new and long standing members whose support provides church with funds to donate to such as:-

Daffodils for distribution on Mothering Sunday

Contribution towards the Easter lilies

School leavers' gifts

Minor repairs and renewal jobs carried out in the church building and grounds

"Special events" such as afternoon teas and other social get-togethers held to celebrate national events etc

Our beautiful Christmas trees

The new 200 Club year starts in July 2025.

- Carole Hibbert

STEWARDSHIP & GIFT-AID REPORT 2024

38 Parishioners regularly gave to support the life of our church.

Gift- Aid & Other Planned Giving

20 Gave through their Bank Accounts of these, 14 were able to G.A. & 6 O.P.G.

18 Gave through the use of weekly Offertory Envelopes of these 10 were able to G.A. & 8 O.P.G

Carol Winterbottom

Junior Church Report:- January – December 2024

We started off the year with 3 groups but by the summer, due to the lack of numbers, made the difficult decision to have just one combined group starting in

September.

We meet in the Church room on a Sunday morning during the service and we go into Church for the blessing at the end.

Our groups run from September to August to tie in with the school years. There are currently 11 children on the register with an average attendance of 4 children.

We link the activity and game each week to one of the readings in Church.

We start each session with the collect and the Lord's prayer which we share together. Then we do a start up activity which is usually a game. This is followed by the main part of the session where we read from the Bible and discuss issues surrounding the story. We then have an activity/craft linked to the Bible reading.

Due to a decline in numbers, we had to make another difficult decision that we couldn't have a Rose Queen for 2024-2025. Our Rose Queen Izabel and her retinue – Abigail and Gracie- had a retirement afternoon where she split the funds she'd raised between Church and Junior Church. She had a few visiting Queens attend and it was enjoyed by all who came.

In October we had our annual prizegiving. Charlotte gave a certificate and small gift to her group for attendance. In Debbie's group Gracie, Frankie and Abigail received prizes and in Kathryn's group Annie, Martha and Romi received prizes. The Sue Carley trophy was presented to Gracie Burgess.

In December, our Christmas presentation was based on a poem by Holly Girth called 'The meaning of snowflakes'. We added hearts and fingerprints to the wreath which symbolised God's love, our Church family and how individual we are.

We also said goodbye and good luck to Charlotte who is moving to Scotland to start a new job as a cancer research scientist. We gave her a gift and a card so she can remember us. We look forward to seeing her when she visits friends and family.

We are looking forward to all that 2025 brings.

Debbie, Kathryn and Charlotte

Vicar's Report

2024 saw a big change in our service pattern. I was encouraged to bring the arrangement in which I alternated between churches each Sunday to an end and to be at Mossley and Stalybridge each week. This also meant changing the time of the service to make it half an hour later. This change happened in August. We introduced activity mornings for families during the summer holiday and were very pleased by the response. We opened the church on Monday mornings and offered games, crafts and refreshments for free to anyone who came along. We repeated this for two mornings in the autumn half term. We pray that our efforts to reach out will bear fruit.

The building remains a concern, and I am grateful to those who do their best to maintain the church fabric. A

new leak appeared in the vestry, and we are currently awaiting advice from the church architect. We began to have regular soup and sandwich fellowship after the service. These have proved popular, and thanks go to those who cook the soup and make the sandwiches as well as those who do the washing up afterwards.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2024

Statement of Financial activities (S.O.F.A)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2024 £	2023 £
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	37,546.72	0.00	37,546.72	20,758.85
Other voluntary incoming resources	2,378.23	1,100.50	3,478.73	5,578.71
Activities in Furtherance of the councils objectives	7,695.87	0.00	7,695.87	4,126.80
Activities for generating funds	7,312.15	1,764.00	9,076.15	10,182.79
Income from Investments & Bank Int.	504.96	94.47	599.43	495.77
Other Incoming Resources	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	55,437.93	2,958.97	58,396.90	41,142.92
<u>Resources used</u>				
Cost of generating funds	395.49	1,019.00	1,414.49	474.42
Grants (money given to Charity)	827.03	0.00	827.03	555.00
Activities relating to the work of the Church	41,293.15	1,463.37	42,756.52	39,303.15
Church management & Administration	4,080.74	25.00	4,105.74	4,954.24
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	46,596.41	2,507.37	49,103.78	45,286.81
Net incoming/ outgoing resources before transfer	8,841.52	451.60	9,293.12	(-4,143.89)
Gross Transfers between Funds -in	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gross Transfers between funds - out	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gains and losses on investments assets	551.09	0.00	551.09	968.39
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	9,392.61	451.60	9,844.21	(-3,175.50)
<u>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</u>				
Total Funds brought forward 1st Jan 2024	27,854.92	7,198.70	35,053.62	38,229.12
Total Funds carried forward 31st Dec 2024	37,247.53	7,650.30	44,897.83	35,053.62

INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
<u>Incoming resources from Donors</u>				
Gift-Aid - Bank	6,525.00	0.00	6,525.00	4,687.00
Gift-Aid - Envelopes	7,475.00	0.00	7,475.00	7,835.27
Tax Recoverable on Gift-Aid	16,365.95	0.00	16,365.95	0.00
Other Planned Giving	2,878.50	0.00	2,878.50	4,600.05
Loose Plate Collections	4,126.02	0.00	4,126.02	3,286.03
Donations to Garden of Remembrance	60.00	0.00	60.00	50.00
Donations to Junior Church	116.25	0.00	116.25	300.50
	<u>37,546.72</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>37,546.72</u>	<u>20,758.85</u>
<u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u>				
One off Gift-Aids gifts	50.00	0.00	50.00	500.00
Donations to Church Funds	2,328.23	0.00	2,328.23	2,537.71
200 Club	0.00	81.00	81.00	1,773.00
Flower Fund	0.00	919.50	919.50	768.00
Fabric Fund Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Restoration Fund	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
	<u>2,378.23</u>	<u>1,100.50</u>	<u>3,478.73</u>	<u>5,578.71</u>
<u>Activities in the Furtherance of the Councils Objectives</u>				
Parish Magazine Sales	534.92	0.00	534.92	329.40
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - P.C.C	2,528.00	0.00	2,528.00	1,760.00
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - M.D.B.F	2,282.00	0.00	2,282.00	1,295.00
Money raised for Charity	550.95	0.00	550.95	742.40
M.D.B.F. Funding for Childrens Works	1,800.00	0.00	1,800.00	0.00
	<u>7,695.87</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>7,695.87</u>	<u>4,126.80</u>
<u>Activities for Generating Funds</u>				
Fairs, Murder Mistery, Pancake Day,	3,826.42	1,764.00	5,590.42	3,717.42
Other Funds Generated	1,245.53	0.00	1,245.53	1,563.37
Magazine Income - Advertising	604.20	0.00	604.20	523.00
Church Queen 2023/2024	1,636.00	0.00	1,636.00	4,379.00
	<u>7,312.15</u>	<u>1,764.00</u>	<u>9,076.15</u>	<u>10,182.79</u>
<u>Income from Investments</u>				
Dividends	301.82	0.00	301.82	266.63
Bank & Building Society Interest	203.14	94.47	297.61	229.14
	<u>504.96</u>	<u>94.47</u>	<u>599.43</u>	<u>495.77</u>
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>55,437.93</u>	<u>2,958.97</u>	<u>58,396.90</u>	<u>41,142.92</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
<u>ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH</u>				
Ministry:Diocesan Parish Share	22,500.00	0.00	22,500.00	21,952.50
Working Expenses of Incumbent	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vicarage Expenses	721.68	0.00	721.68	220.00
Church running expenses -Gas	2,694.81	0.00	2,694.81	2,557.36
Church running expenses -Electric	1,973.39	0.00	1,973.39	1,207.12
Church running expenses -Water	487.53	0.00	487.53	358.87
Church running expenses -Insurance	5,525.80	0.00	5,525.80	5,175.28
Church Maintenance	634.51	0.00	634.51	959.75
Upkeep of Services	4,851.88	0.00	4,851.88	1,791.50
Upkeep of Garden of Remembrance	493.00	0.00	493.00	290.00
Upkeep of Burial Grounds	40.50	0.00	40.50	736.05
Parish Magazine expenses	1,066.00	0.00	1,066.00	1,005.44
Junior Church	49.73	0.00	49.73	24.42
Children's Works Fund	134.32	0.00	134.32	0.00
Church Queen	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interior/Exterior Decoration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Major Repairs/Installations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Restoration Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Flower Fund	120.00	891.92	1,011.92	878.42
Fabric Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
200 Club	0.00	571.45	571.45	2,146.44
	<u>41,293.15</u>	<u>1,463.37</u>	<u>42,756.52</u>	<u>39,303.15</u>
 <u>Church Management and Administration</u>				
Administration	1,780.74	0.00	1,780.74	3,702.24
Wedding/Funeral fees payable to M.D.B.F	2,300.00	0.00	2,300.00	1,252.00
	<u>4,080.74</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>4,080.74</u>	<u>4,954.24</u>
 <u>Cost of Generating Funds</u>				
200 Club	0.00	1,019.00	1,019.00	0.00
Restoration Fund	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00
Car boots,Fairs etc.	357.52	0.00	357.52	420.72
Digital Banking Costs	37.97	0.00	37.97	53.70
	<u>395.49</u>	<u>1,044.00</u>	<u>1,439.49</u>	<u>474.42</u>
 <u>Money raised for Charities (grants)</u>				
Charitable Giving	<u>827.03</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>827.03</u>	<u>555.00</u>
This includes monies given by Baptism Families				
 <u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	 <u>46,596.41</u>	 <u>2,507.37</u>	 <u>49,103.78</u>	 <u>45,286.81</u>

STATEMENT of ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Fixed Assets		2024	2023
		£	£
A1122 Investments Unrestricted		<u>7,162.83</u>	<u>7,040.35</u>
A1123 Investments Specified Funds		<u>10,951.80</u>	<u>10,523.19</u>
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		<u>18,114.63</u>	<u>17,563.54</u>
LIABILITIES	*PARISH SHARE	0.00	11,597.50

FUNDS

The Restricted Funds Comprise of all organisational funds within the PCC

FUND MOVEMENTS

Balance b/fwd - 1st Jan 2023	35,053.62
Incoming Resources	58,396.90
Resources Expended	-49,103.78
Gains on Investments	<u>551.09</u>
Balance at 31st Dec. 2023	<u>44,897.83</u>

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS by fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2024
Investments fixed assets	7,162.83	10,951.80	18,114.63
Current assets	19,055.90	7,650.30	26,706.20
cash in hand	77.00	0.00	77.00
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>26,295.73</u>	<u>18,602.10</u>	<u>44,897.83</u>
Liabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00

BALANCE SHEET DETAILED

		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
FIXED ASSETS			
	A1122 INVESTMENTS UNRESTRICTED	7,162.83	7,040.35
	A1123 INVESTMENTS SPECIFIED FUNDS	10,951.80	10,523.19
		18,114.63	17,563.54
CURRENT ASSETS			
	A1501 BANK ACCOUNT CURRENT	19,055.90	9,988.01
	A1505 ORGANISATIONAL FUND ACCOUNTS	7,650.30	7,198.70
	A1550 CASH IN HAND	77.00	303.37
	Total Current Assets	26,783.20	17,490.08
	Net Asset Surplus/Deficit	<u>44,897.83</u>	<u>35,053.62</u>
RESERVES			
	EXCESS/(deficit)to date	9293.12	-4,143.89
Z01	STARTING BALANCES	35,053.62	38,229.12
Z03	GAINS ON INVESTMENT	551.09	968.39
		<u>44,897.83</u>	<u>35,053.62</u>

REPRESENTED BY FUNDS		
	2024	2023
UNRESTRICTED	37,247.53	27,854.92
RESTRICTED	7,650.30	7,198.70
TOTAL	<u>44,897.83</u>	<u>35,053.62</u>

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FINANCIAL REVIEW 2024

PARISH ACCOUNT RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

PARISH SHARE £22,500.00 paid in full,

*We used the money claimed from H.M.R.C. of £16,365.95 (this is from Oct 2021 to Dec.2024) to pay towards Parish Share, this has meant our General Funds are in a good position moving forward to 2025.

Gift -Aided donations for 2024 totalled £14,050.00 compared to £13022.27 in 2023

INCOMING RESOURCES this is money we receive from:

Giving through bank by Standing Order. Giving through weekly envelopes, although giving via weekly envelopes has reduced. Loose plate collections at services, and single one-off donations.

Fund-raising events and Income from Investments

Notes on Investments held at Diocese

The Cost Book value of our Investments is £11,253.96

The Market value of our Investments is £18,114.63

The Market value of our investments made a gain of £551.09

Expenditure

The Church Gas, Electricity, Water and Insurance were £10,681.53 (£205.41p per week)

Other regular payments – Admin.&Digital Banking, Church Maintenance, Upkeep of Services, Upkeep of the Garden of Remembrance.(not including maintenance of Church grounds) – £6,798.10

This equates to an average of £130.73 per week.

This **does not** include payments towards the Parish Share, Donations raised for Charities, Parish Magazine Expenses, or any major or minor repairs we have had done this year,

FINAL NOTE

Looking forward to 2025 we will still need to find funding for :-

Completion of Church car park repairs (Urgent)

Damage to Drains and Water pipes, both external & underground

Choir Vestry Repairs

Carol Winterbottom (Treasurer)

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Mossley Parish Church of St George

Year ended 31 December 2024

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Mossley Parish Church of St George ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011('the Act').

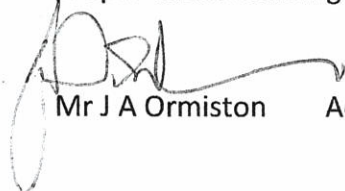
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The financial statements do not accord with these records; or
3. The financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Records) Regulations 2008 other than any requirements that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Mr J A Ormiston

Accountant

30, Grasmere Road
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Cheshire SK8 4RG

April 22 2025

Accounts

Parish of Mossley



St George's Church

Worship, Witness, Welcome

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
for the year ended 31st December 2023**



Published Apr 2024

Incumbent: Revd Denise Owen from Sep 2023

Independent Examiner: Mr Alan Brooks F.C.A

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023

The members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC), who are the trustees of the charity, present the annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Aim and purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) works with the incumbent to promote, in the ecclesiastical parish and benefice, the whole mission of the Church. It is important to remember that this is God's mission in this place and includes: pastoral care, evangelistic outreach, social events and social justice and ecumenical events and partnerships. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St George, Mossley.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to welcoming as many people as possible to worship at this church and to become part of the parish community at St George's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship in the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can better welcome and involve the people who live within the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament, always with the aim of glorifying God.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit, and particularly the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. Especially, we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, prayer, learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.
- Care for God's creation.
- Advocating for justice.

Church life & activities

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping.

Structure, governance, and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. George's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, Deanery Synod members and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC, unless there is any criterion which prevents them from doing this.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members and those with new roles are to receive advice and initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Reserves policy

The PCC does not currently have a reserves policy on unrestricted funds.

Administrative information

St George's Mossley is (with St John the Baptist Roughtown) part of the Benefice of Mossley, which is part of Mission Community 6 within the Deanery of Oldham and Ashton, the Archdeaconry of Rochdale and the Diocese of Manchester within the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended) and a registered Charity.

The Parochial Church Council – At the APM on 30th April 2023, the following were elected

Churchwardens:

Mr Nigel Hossle-Standring

current term expires
APM 2024

Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring

APM 2024

Ex Officio members of the PCC:

Dr Angela Akers

Deanery Synod Rep

2026

Mrs Kathryn Malkin

Deanery Synod Rep

2026

Mr Nigel Hossle-Standring

Warden

2024

Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring

Warden

2024

Lay roles within the PCC:

Mrs Julie Bruce

Vice-Chair

2024

Mrs Rita Brooks

Deputy Warden

2024

Mrs Debbie Mellor

Deputy Warden

2024

Mrs Carol Winterbottom

Treasurer

2024

Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring

Secretary

2024

Lay members of the PCC:

Mrs Wendy Berry

2025

Mrs Julie Bruce

2026

Mrs Rita Brooks

2026

Mrs Dorothy Dunn

2026

Mrs Jacqueline Hely

2026

(Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring currently ex officio

2026)

Mrs Kathryn Malkin

2026

Miss Charlotte Mellor

2026

Mrs Debbie Mellor

2026

Mr David Pritchard

2026

Mrs Jacqui Renshaw

2026

Mrs Carol Winterbottom

2026

Revd Denise Owen became incumbent of St George's on 14th September 2023 and is thereby the ex officio Chair of the PCC.

Dr Angela Akers is Authorised Lay Minister to St George's Church since July 2023 and is thereby an ex officio member of the PCC.

The PCC met regularly and frequently throughout the interregnum as a supportive measure. There were 8 meetings during 2023; plus the APM/APCM and one extraordinary meeting. The majority of meetings were chaired by the Vice Chair, Julie Bruce. Revd Denise chaired her first meeting of our PCC on 26th September 2023.

Jo Hossle-Standring (PCC Secretary)

The PCC

- is a charity registered with the Charities Commission.
- oversees the financial work of the Church by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and co-coordinating the stewardship of money through planned giving.
- attends to matters relating to the ministry of the Church, including work with young people.
- attends to the ministry of the Church to the community and the world.
- attends to matters relating to the stewardship of the Church Buildings and fabric, the Churchyard (which is closed to burials, and largely the responsibility of Tameside MBC). The PCCs of St George's and St John the Baptist, contribute towards costs of St John's Vicarage.

Parish Officers

Carole Hibbert	200 Club / Mothers' Union
Kathryn Malkin	Electoral Roll Officer / Magazine Editor / Junior Church
Debbie Mellor	Baptism Co-ordinator / Junior Church
Mark Akers	Hon Site Manager
Jimmy Mellor	Hon Site Manager
Sue Warburton	Parish Safeguarding Officer

Vicar's Report

First of all a very big 'Thank you' to you all. You have been amazingly welcoming and kind as I've settled into life in Mossley and at St George's. I really do appreciate your kindness and generosity. I've very much enjoyed getting to know you, St George's Church and the local area.

Since I arrived in September, the pattern of services has meant I haven't been at St George's every Sunday. I have been alternating between Roughtown and Mossley, and Stalybridge. This has meant the church has been relying on retired priests with Permission to Officiate or on occasion curates. Although this arrangement has worked so far, it can't be sustained in the long term, and in 2024 some very difficult decisions will have to be made.

I have been very privileged to work with our ALM Angela Akers, and we have had a number of conversations about outreach to young people and families. One consequence of this is our informal service Tuesdays Together which takes place at the end of the school day, and when it first began was attracting a small number of young families. We continue to consider how best to grow the congregation at St George's. This is a responsibility for the whole church and I would hope that everyone who worships regularly in the church feels it is a place they would invite others to.

I am a governor at All Saints Micklehurst and Milton St John, and I lead Collective Worship every two weeks at St George's School. The school held their Christmas service in church.

I try to visit parishioners who are unable to come to church to bring Holy Communion and Angela Akers helps with this as well.

In the coming year, a focus for the church must be inviting and welcoming new people, and looking for ways of safeguarding the fabric of the building, which in places is in poor repair.

To finish, I would like to say more 'Thank Yous.' Everyone who cares for the building, who cleans, who does the flowers; everyone who reads or intercedes; everyone who provides refreshments, or organises social events or organised and helped with the Winter Fair; to members of the Mother's Union and to anyone I haven't mentioned, a huge 'Thank You'. St George's Church would not be able to worship and do mission without you.

Revd Denise (Incumbent)

Safeguarding

Annual Safeguarding Report: Jan-Dec 2023

Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our parish churches.

(KEY MESSAGE from: Parish Safeguarding Handbook: Promoting a Safer Church)

1. Sue Warburton is the current Parish Safeguarding Officer and the DBS administrator for St George's.
2. Safeguarding is on the agenda of every PCC meeting. No concerns or issues have been raised with the safeguarding officer over the past year.
3. All members of the PCC and all church workers have an up-to-date DBS certificate. Several needed to be updated this year because certificates are now required to be renewed every three years instead of every five years.

DBS Record		
NAME	Role	Date of Issue of current DBS certificate (To be updated every 3 years)
Wendy Berry	PCC	23/09/2021
Rita Brooks	PCC	09/07/2021
Julie Bruce	PCC	01/08/2022
Dorothy Dunn	PCC	08/02/2023
Jacqueline Hely	PCC	07/06/2022
Jo Hossle-Standring	PCC Secretary Church Warden	11/11/2023
Nigel Hossle-Standring	Church Warden	10/11/2023
Kathryn Malkin	Junior Church Leader/PCC	01/06/2022
Charlotte Mellor	Junior Church/ PCC	
Debbie Mellor	Junior Church Leader/PCC	11/05/2022
David Pritchard	PCC	15/09/2023
Jacqueline Renshaw	PCC	27/03/2023
Carol Winterbottom	Treasurer PCC	11/05/2022

Safeguarding Training	
NAME	Safeguarding Training
Wendy Berry	Basic Awareness (Sept 21)
Rita Brooks	Basic Awareness (July 21)
Julie Bruce	Basic Awareness (08/02/24)
Dorothy Dunn	Basic Awareness
Jacqueline Hely	Basic Awareness (1/12/22)
Jo Hossle-Standring	Basic Awareness (6/12/22)
Nigel Hossle-Standring	Basic Awareness & Safeguarding Foundations (Oct 21)
Kathryn Malkin	Basic Awareness (12/10/21) Foundations (28/12/23)
Charlotte Mellor	Basic Awareness, Safeguarding Foundations & Leadership Safeguarding (Oct 21)
Debbie Mellor	Basic Awareness, Safeguarding Foundations & Leadership Safeguarding (Oct 21)
David Pritchard	Basic Awareness (19/03/24)
Jacqueline Renshaw	Basic Awareness (Nov 22)
Carol Winterbottom	Basic Awareness (06/09/23)

4. The following information is on display in church:

- The PCC's Safeguarding Statement on the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults.
- The Diocesan Safeguarding Policy;

- Contact details for the Parish Safeguarding Officer and Diocesan Safeguarding Team;
 - Information about where to get help with child and adult safeguarding issues, domestic abuse and key helplines e.g., ChildLine.
5. All policies and procedures are in place and up-to-date, as well as in line with Diocesan guidelines. There is access to a hard copy Parish Safeguarding Handbook and the Diocese Safeguarding Manual.
 6. We create an environment, which is welcoming and respectful and enables safeguarding concerns to be raised and responded to openly, promptly and consistently.
 7. If there were any known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults they would be effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser.
 8. We comply with all data protection legislation especially in regard to storing information about the 'church workforce', including volunteers and any safeguarding records.

Sue Warburton (Safeguarding Officer)

Churchwardens' Report

Nigel Hossle-Standring was re-elected, and his wife Jo elected, to the positions of Churchwarden at the APM on 30-April 2023 for a 1 year term.

Interregnum

The interregnum of nearly 20 months came to an end in September with the arrival of Revd Denise Owen.

From January 2023 to mid September 2023, we held 37 Eucharists, 11 Baptisms, 4 funerals, 2 weddings and an ashes committal.

Archdeacon Visitation

On 27-June Jo and Nigel Hossle-Standring were 'admitted' to the post of Churchwarden along with Rita Brooks and Debbie Mellor blessed as Deputy Churchwardens in Oldham Parish Church, at the Archdeacon's Visitation.

Confirmation

Confirmation classes were held at The Good Shepherd for 7 young candidates and one adult from St George's. They were joined by a further 8 candidates from St. George's Stalybridge and The Good Shepherd. We hosted the joint confirmation service on Sunday 21-May, officiated by Bishop Mark. Our Church piano was tuned for the first time in many-a-year in readiness for the service.

Whit Walks

We were blessed with glorious weather for the Whit Walks on Friday, 2-June. St George's led this year, brilliantly supported by St John's Band and we were joined by members of the congregations of St John's Roughtown and St George's Stalybridge.

Rose Queens

Izabel was crowned Rose Queen on Saturday 24-June. Brownie Queen Kitty and visiting Harvest Queen Abi from Christ Church Friezland and their retinues joined retiring Rose Queen Christina and new Rose Queen Izabel. After Izabel was crowned, Christina presented Nigel with a cheque for Church funds for an amazing £4379.

Collectin

In March we applied for, and were granted a free Collectin card reader (worth over £300) to allow contactless payments and donations.

As part of the Collectin account we also got a QR code that allows people to use their Smartphones to make donations. Labels with the QRcode have been printed and affixed to the Baptism cards to enable the Baptism families to make a donation; also the outside notice boards have the QR for visitors to scan and donate.

New Logo

Russ Goddard was approached to design a new logo for St.George's. He agreed and presented the PCC with 3 designs. The PCC selected the logo you see at the top of this report and thanks are sent to Russ for his time and talent.

Visits to Church

- In February Livingstone school visited Church again. Year 1 wanted to try to understand 'what makes a place sacred'.
- In April Castle Top nursery visited Church in two groups to explore the Church.
- In July All Saints Micklehurst school Years 1 and 2 walked all the way across the valley to visit Church. Y2s were learning about 'what makes a place sacred' and the Y1s were leaning about 'Baptism'. Revd. Pat Lodge asked the Y1s to bring a dolly which was used to demonstrate Baptism. Dolly Lily was 'Baptised' many times by the children and went home quite wet.

School Leavers

The three schools were contacted regarding the number of year 6 leavers in July for the presentation of Bibles. 106 Bibles for all 3 schools were generously provided by our 200 Club. St. George's Y6 held their leaving service in Church when each child was presented with their Bible which have a label inside, stating it is a gift from St George's Church.

Fundraising

During 2023 we held numerous fundraising/social events :

February Pancake coffee morning

February Murder Mystery

March Rose Queen At Home

April Easter Egg Bingo

May Coronation tea party
May Jon Courtney Rose Queen event
June Quiz night
July Sausage Sizzle

August saw the **Tarmac Party**

This was a very full day when volunteers came together to dig out and then lay cold-lay tarmac in the more serious potholes in the drive and carpark. It had been seen that the test patch repair that Mark Akers and Nigel had done in 2022 had survived the winter with no signs of failing. We asked for donations to buy bags of tarmac and we hired a rammer and borrowed a thwacker from a neighbour on Anthony Street. Jo provided PPE and completed a detailed Risk Assessment. The Archdeacon said a faculty for the repair was not required. Inside Church were refreshments and some stalls where those not working on the tarmac could browse and chat. It was all a great success with enough monetary donations raised to cover the expenses and to give over £1000 into Church funds.

September Rose Queen Bingo
October Rose Queen Sausage Sizzle
November Winter Fayre in the GLH
December Breakfast (and lunch) with Santa

Periodic testing

PAT testing is completed 3 yearly UP TO DATE next 2025
Gas appliances annually UP TO DATE
Fire extinguisher testing annually UP TO DATE
Lightning conductor every 4 years UP TO DATE Due 2024
Electrical testing every 5 years UP TO DATE Due 2024

Churchyard / Grass

Nigel met with Carl Baron & C. Roberts from TMBC cemeteries. Carl had diagrams of the parts of the churchyard that were the responsibility of TMBC. He had received the information from the Diocesan Registrar. It appears from this information that TMBC are responsible for the 1820 and 1832 grounds, but not the 1874 ground where the corner wall is collapsing. We have also been informed that under the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 Section 215, any churchyard has to be in a safe and sound condition for the council to take responsibility for it.

At this same meeting Nigel discussed with Carl Baron the several complaints from individuals to the council about the grass in the churchyard. We were told that TMBC do not have the resources or funds to cut the grass in the whole churchyard as they have done in previous years, 'as a gesture of goodwill'. It was agreed that they will now cut the grass along the Church Walk, one mower width each side the paths; cut around the Peterloo memorial and PTE Conway's WWII grave; the section up to the 'twins' grave; and spray weed killer around the Church building. Nigel also asked if they would make a single cut from the junction of paths 3 and 4 round to near the 'twins' grave.

Gutters and external lights

Mark Akers and Nigel have cleared out all the gutters again along the north wall of the Church building.

Mark and Nigel replaced two of the LED flood lights that had failed. The new lamps are twice the power of the failed units thus illuminating the Garden of Remembrance better, as well as the drive.

Jo and Nigel later replaced a third LED lamp that failed near the church door in the pouring rain !

Bells

In May, the bells rang in Mossley for 'Ring for the King'. A team of 14 ringers crammed into the bell tower to ring on our 8 bells.

The Manchester Branch Bell Ringers had a practice ring on our bells on 17-June; they also conducted a visual maintenance check of the bells and ropes. All passed in good condition. Nigel was asked to be Tower Captain which he declined, but he agreed to be the Tower Contact.

Insurance

A desktop valuation and risk management assessment of the church was carried out on 20-March with our insurers Ecclesiastical Insurance. The purpose of the exercise was to do a re-valuation of the Church re-build cost (last done in person in Dec 2013) and assess our Risk Management.

Ecclesiastical Insurance visited the Church on Monday 10-July (a month before the Tarmac Party) to do an inspection of the building. The condition of the car park was of great concern. When the report from Ecclesiastical Insurance was received, there was a 'Requirement' action. This was to repair all the potholes in the drive and car park as they posed a severe risk of personal injury to individuals, and a potential to cause damage to vehicles; for which the Church would be liable.

Following the Tarmac Party there were about 5 potholes remaining in the car park, which required it to be closed on health and safety grounds until further funding is found to complete the project.

First Aid Station

The First Aid station was refreshed and a defibrillator purchased from Karen Skeffington's legacy. The '*what3words*' location of the Church has been attached to all the equipment to help emergency services get to the Church. There is a chart to record the monthly testing of the defib; and a plaque has been mounted on the wall in Karen's memory.

Drains

Issues with the draining of the toilet sewer were noted and a CCTV survey requested. The sewers and drains around church needed to be cleared and jetted first.

All rainwater grids were cleared and 4 of them needed jetting as they were blocked.

The sewer was jetted (around 80% of it). One section was inaccessible because there is a 90 degree joint which stopped the jet passing. The fall of this sewer pipe from the toilet is insufficient for the distance, hence water and matter pooling partway along the sewer. The

syphon in the cistern has been replaced to allow a larger volume of water flow through the pipe. This seems to have fixed the issue for the time being.

Sound System Update

It is thought fitting that a £1000 legacy from the estate of the late Mel Kennerley aka Father Green of the *Biggles Wartime Band* be used to update the sound system. The system has several issues, including cracked CDs, several unplayable hymns and low level hum/hiss. It is proposed that a Hymnal Plus hymn player is purchased along with a new mixing desk to replace the pre-amp and CD player. A new rack system would be purchased to allow better air flow around the equipment. (project on-going).

Jo & Nigel Hossle-Standring (Churchwardens)

200 Club

By the end of 2023 we had 142 numbers allocated.
Efforts supported by the funds during 2023 included :-

- Coronation Afternoon Tea.
- School Leavers' Bibles.
- Family Worship 'set up' expenses.
- Christmas Trees.

Carole Hibbert

Mothers' Union

During 2023 we had 29 members and held 9 meetings throughout the year.

Our speakers during the year included :-

- Revd Hilda Wild
- Revd Denise Owen
- Barbara's December Craft Afternoon

Before Christmas in support of the "Rise Up Against Domestic Abuse" appeal we delivered fourteen 'moving in' bags to a Women's Refuge in Ashton.

This is an on going project for 2024.

On the 23rd November several members enjoyed our visit to Notcutts Garden Centre in Ashton. It was an opportunity for some Christmas shopping and sharing refreshments together.

Sadly in December we lost our good friend Gina Smith who had been an MU member since 1960.

Carole Hibbert

ST GEORGE'S C E PRIMARY SCHOOL, MOSSLEY
REPORT FROM THE HEADTEACHER TO THE PCC MARCH 2024



St George's school converted to being part of the Forward as One Multi Academy Trust in Sept 2023. Each of the Schools within the Trust have their own Local Governing Advisory Board (LAB). Each LAB has a set constitution, governing the types of members and the numbers of members in each category.

The Local Governing Advisory Board at St George's Primary continue to hold our leaders to account for performance, progress and attainment in the same way the Governing Body did. At a local level we have representation from staff, parents, church, and the wider community. Each Local Governing Advisory Board operates under delegated powers, assigned to them by the Trust Board and has their own Chairperson, elected by peers from the Local Advisory Board.

The main task assigned to our Local Advisory Board is to drive forward attainment within our schools and Safeguarding duties whilst ensuring it fulfils its wide range of legal responsibilities and to ensure that all pupils are given an equal opportunity to fulfil their potential in a caring and Christian environment.

The School and its Local Advisory Board is pleased that the links with the church community continue to grow each year and offers thanks to all the school staff and the church congregation. We were very pleased to welcome Revd Denise this year and it has been great to invite her in to lead worship in school and for the children to once again be led in worship in the church building including holding a Eucharist service for our older pupils and our annual harvest, Christingle and Carol Service. These were well attended by parents as well as children and many thanks to some of the church community for providing refreshments before and after the services.

The LAB however is very depleted and we are in desperate need of more foundation governors appointed by the PCC. We were sad to receive the resignation of our Chair of Governors, Mrs Ellen Patel this year and as we never replaced the vice chair role after Father David left, we are now without both. This makes the directing of meetings very difficult and we have been very grateful that Ian Brocklehurst has stepped in to chair the last meeting but he too has already indicated he will be stepping down at the end of this academic year. Therefore if anyone from the church can support the work of school, then I would love to hear from you. We meet 6 times a year – 3 clerked by the Trust following an agenda development by the Central Team and 3 for the further development of work in school.

Teaching and learning at St George's continues to be good across all key stages. The leadership team is now held to account by the central team of the Trust who come in to set appraisal targets and to hold staff to account for performance and progress of all the children. We still, unfortunately have to use the services of Tameside Local Authority for aspects related to Special Educational Needs, safeguarding and Social Care. This therefore continues to be an obstacle for the staff and children as the services provided are not of a high standard and the LA are struggling to deliver a good service (they have once again failed their recent OFSTED inspection and have to yet again undergo a change of policy and direction).

The Mossley and Carrbrook Schools Partnership continues to grow and St George's reaps many dividends as we work closely with the other schools in the local area. We have continued to hold meetings via zoom and plan as much as we can together. However, being part of the Trust, we now have many new and exciting opportunities. Subject leaders meet regularly in one of the 15 schools to discuss good practice, behaviour and attendance are monitored and supported centrally and we also have the use of their facilities team to ensure that our building complies with all statutory policies for health and safety.

At the end of July 2023 we said goodbye to 30 Year 6 children. They put on a leavers production which was well received by parents. They then led us in worship during the leavers' service when they were able to share memories with their families and school and church were able to give gifts of a bible, autograph book and poem bookmark. It was a lovely event.

In the last 12 months from our staffing team we have said goodbye to Mrs Kathryn Knight, our part time year 5 teacher. She moved out of education to work with Manchester City Mission. We also said goodbye to Mr Steven Mayall, our site manager. Steve had been at the school for 13 years and we were very sad to see him go. He has moved to The Heys Primary in Ashton. We have now welcomed Mr John O'Grady to school as the new caretaker who is currently being supported by the trust in the new procedures. Miss Suzanne Kay returns from her maternity leave into her previous role of teacher and Special Needs Coordinator at the end of March and we will say goodbye and thank you to Miss Holly Chadwick who has covered the maternity for the last 2 terms.

During this academic year 2023-24 we have been pleased to remember the history of the school as we celebrate its 150th birthday. Many of you may have been able to attend the tea party that we held in August last year and we are now planning for a big open weekend on 20th and 21st July where school will be open to everyone. We are currently having the old log books, dating back to the school's opening, restored to their former glory so that they will be seen by children of the next 150 years. We are also having the very first one digitalised so that it can be searched electronically. We have all the log books and school registers from 1873 to 1981 and unfortunately nothing to remember the last 40 years. We are therefore asking anyone who attended the school or who have memories of the school to please contact us so that we can record these memories for the future.

I hope that this report provides a brief picture of what is happening in school and thank the staff, children, parents/carers and governors for their continued hard work.

Carolyn Divers (Headteacher of St George's School)

Micklehurst All Saints' School - from the Headteacher

The academic year 2022 – 2023 has been a busy year at Micklehurst All Saints CE Primary School.

In the Autumn term our Year 3 children took part in a morning of Modern Foreign Languages at Mossley Hollins High School to celebrate World Language Day. This was organised by Mossley Hollins staff and the children enjoyed tasting Spanish nibbles and learning about the different Spanish traditions and culture. Year 3 also had a visit from Wayne and his collection of owls as they began their English unit of work based on the well-known story 'Owl Babies.' Our Year 6 pupils continued to take part in the Mossley Carrbrook School's Partnership Debating Society to develop their oracy and were able to demonstrate their



debating skills in a live debate. Our Year 5 children have continued to enjoy the MCSP Wondrous Book Club initiative and some of our children went to watch Mossley Hollins annual production.

In the Early Years Foundation Stage, we welcomed prospective parents to our annual open morning and they were able to meet staff and see what Micklehurst All Saints has to offer. Our Year 6 children enjoyed showing parents around and telling them all the things that they experience in school.

The children have participated in Anti Bullying Week, Black History month and have celebrated World Mental Health Day. We have also raised money for Macmillan, Emmaus and have supported the Mossley Foodbank through our Harvest festival collection.

Year 6 have taken part in a workshop about County Lines and criminal exploitation led by GMP where key safety messages were reinforced.

Our Y6 residential to Crowden Outdoor Education Centre was a huge success and the children enjoyed activities such as weaseling, archery, the crate stack challenge, water sports and river walking.

We finished the term with our own school Carol Service and Christingle in the hall. This was a very special service and a great way to end our busy term as a school community. Everyone finished school taking the spirit of Christmas into the festive period.

In the Spring term, the children enjoyed Healthy School's Week and the RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) Curriculum was delivered successfully during this week.

Our Y6 children continued to learn how to keep safe with workshops from the Safe Squad team and through Safer Internet Day. Our Digital Leaders enjoyed teaching the younger children in school how to use apps and the internet safely. They even ran workshops over lunchtime for any children that were interested in finding out more!

In school we worked alongside Mossley's Fairtrade team and celebrated Fairtrade Fortnight. The children found out more about the need for Fairtrade for farmers in other countries around the world and how we could promote this in our community. We had a successful World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March with a Book Swap event for children and their families, as well as our annual Poetry Slam which the children and staff love!

Year 5 children participated in a virtual STEM Day where they were tasked with completing THE SPACE CHALLENGE delivered by the Royal Air Force Youth STEM project. They learnt all about what being an engineer involves and became Aerospace Engineers for the morning. Their challenge was to build their own rockets and propel them through the air using a straw; the children were asked to consider which variables they could change to make their rocket travel further and they were keen to experiment and record their data. Our team of budding engineers worked brilliantly together, and they had a great morning.

The children have also taken part in a range of sporting competitions including dodgeball, athletics and an action sports festival. KS 2 music tuition has continued.

On 29th March we came together as a whole school to celebrate Easter and the Year 6 children led our service.

After Easter the children in EYFS completed the Mini Bikers programme which enabled them to develop their gross motor skills and learn to use balance bikes and two wheeled bikes with confidence.

As a whole school, we celebrated King Charles III's Coronation with an assembly to find about his special ceremony and some of the artefacts he would be presented with. This was followed by a street party in the hall at lunchtime, which was a really happy and fun event.

Also in May, our school council supported by our School Improvement Officer, completed a Junior SIAMS Inspection which mirrored a SIAMS inspection. The children observed a range of lessons throughout school, Collective Worship and observed the children at playtime and lunchtime. The inspection team left us with a couple areas for improvement but were very pleased with provision in school.

We also welcomed back our resident author David Mason who worked in Year 6 during to write a powerful piece of creative writing.

Y5 have been to Mossley Methodist Church to take part in 'Experience Pentecost.' The children moved around a number of stations to discover more about Pentecost.

Year 4 have visited Mossley library and enjoyed looking at the range of books available to borrow. Many of the children joined the library whilst they were there and were able to borrow some of the books they had chosen. We have also organised an assembly to find out more about the Tameside Libraries Summer Reading Challenge.

Our Year 5 children enjoyed taking part in their Bikeability sessions and most children passed each level of the programme and are now much more confident riding their bikes.

Our children have taken part in a range of sporting competitions including MCSP events and the Virtual Tameside Urban Dance Competition and the Cheerfest Virtual Competition.

We have thoroughly enjoyed National Sports Week and the children had an action-packed week participating in a range of sporting activities including cone it, dodgeball, Tai Chi, dance, athletics and mini activity stations. The children all pledged to complete 60 minutes of physical activity each day of Sports Week.

At the end of the Summer term we were able to celebrate our Year 6's time at Micklehurst with our Leavers Assembly which parents, carers and families were invited to. It was a great end to another busy year at Micklehurst!

Laura Trelfa (Headteacher Micklehurst All Saints CE Primary School)

Junior Church Report Jan - Dec 2023

Kathryn takes the youngest group where the children are in KS1, Debbie takes the middle group with children in KS2 and Charlotte's group are secondary school age.

We meet in the Church room on a Sunday morning during the service and we go into Church for the blessing at the end.

Our groups run from September to August to tie in with the school years. There are currently 3 children on Kathryn's register, Debbie has 5 on her register and Charlotte has 7 on her register.

Charlotte and Debbie use a scheme which links the sessions with the readings in Church. Kathryn uses different resources which she takes from sermon4kids, Danielle's place and Truwaykids.

We start each session with the collect and the Lord's prayer which we share together. Then we do a start up activity which is usually a game. This is followed by the main part of the session where we read from the Bible and discuss issues surrounding the story. We then have an activity/craft linked to the Bible reading.

Charlotte has a lot more Bible and discussion based work to help the children to gain a deeper insight into the Bible and wider thinking about the applications of faith in their lives.

Our Rose Queen for 2023-2024 was Izabel Partington and her retinue were Abigail Partington, Gracie Burgess and Felix Wilson.

In July, we had our Junior Church presentation which was about all the people who help us make a cup of tea. Debbie's group led the presentation, Kathryn's group sang a song about helping and Charlotte's group led us in prayer.

In October we had our annual prizegiving. Prizes in Charlotte's group went to Christina, Molly and Sophie. In Debbie's group Gracie, Izabel and Abigail received prizes and in Kathryn's group Annie, Felix and Martha received prizes. The Sue Carley trophy was presented to Annie Wadsworth.

In December, our Nativity was called 'The symbols of Christmas'. Due to a decline in numbers, Charlotte took on the lead role alongside our children and we had some kind parents and congregation members who were shepherds and wise men.

We are looking forward to all that 2024 brings.

Kathryn Malkin, Debbie Mellor and Charlotte Mellor (Junior Church leaders)

Electoral Roll

The Annual Review of the Electoral Roll has been completed. It was opened for additions and amendments for the statutory period prior to the APCM meeting and 1 name was removed (whom had passed away during the year), but 2 new names were added making 88 names.

Kathryn Malkin (Electoral Roll Officer)

Stewardship & Gift Aid 2023

37 people (52 in 2022, 77 in 2021) gave regularly to support the life of the Church. Of these, **16** people (31 in 2022, 44 in 2021) gave regularly by **envelope** (11 of which were Gift -Aided) and **21** people (21 in 2022, 33 in 2021) donated by **Standing Order** (13 of which were Gift-Aided).

Carol Winterbottom (Treasurer)

In 2023 the lowest monthly amount given by envelope or Standing Order = £20

The highest monthly amount given by envelope or Standing Order = £260

Financial giving is an important aspect of our discipleship. We demonstrate our care for the mission of the church, not only through the time we spend using our practical gifts and skills, but also in generosity with our money. We are encouraged to be realistic about how much it costs to maintain the life and fabric of the church, and to adjust our regular giving accordingly. In other words we are asked to consider when we last increased our regular financial contribution to the church. We have the example of the early church whose members shared 'everything in common,' and although the Church of England does not suggest going as far as that, we are meant to see our giving as a shared responsibility and as a reflection and appreciation of God's provision to us as a Church and as his children.

PCC

Deanery Synod

Deanery Synod has met via Zoom and in person. On occasion the Zoom meetings have been difficult to access as the internet connection and microphone provision have proved inadequate.

The focus for the Diocese and therefore Deanery Synod has continued to be the consolidation of the new Deanery structures and in particular, the establishment of Mission Communities. This parish is a member of Mission Community 6 and in 2023 this MC had no leader. The Synod meeting held at Oldham Parish Church in July looked at Mission Community Action Plans. They detailed a variety of initiatives in line with the Diocesan vision.

In October Synod had input from Rick Otto, the Diocesan Children's Officer. He spoke about how to make connections with church schools and encourage deeper engagement.

Deanery Synod meetings also include updates on finances, both parish share and finances in the Diocese in general. These are in a dire state and a great deal of effort is being made to encourage generosity and realistic giving.

The Deanery Eco Champion provided updates on the Churches efforts to become more eco-friendly and achieve net zero. One important aspect of this is in EFT- The Energy Footprint Tool. Synod was told that the Church of England is releasing grant funds and some of these will require that parishes complete the online EFT data.

The Area Dean Daniel Ramble, and Lay Chair Liz Dent, try hard to make meetings relevant and interesting, as well as making sure key messages are passed from Diocesan Synod and senior leaders within the Diocese.

Angela Akers, Kathryn Malkin and Revd Denise (Deanery Synod Representatives)

BENEFICE OF MOSSLEY – St George's Church ANNUAL MEETING of PARISHIONERS 30th April 2023

1. Present: J. Bruce; J. Hely; J. Renshaw; N. Hossle-Standring; J. Hossle-Standring; R. Brooks; M.L. Hainsworth; C. Winterbottom; B. Anderton; S. Howard; M. Brooks; D. Dunn; D. Shore; B. Williamson; D. Williamson; R. Ashton; J Hely; S. Butlin; B. Gartside; C. Hibbert; L. Taylor; C. Richardson; B. Kinder; K. Malkin; C. Mellor; D. Mellor; J. Mellor; W. Berry; C. Berry; A. Partington; I. Partington; R. Gerrard; L. Gerrard.

2. Welcome and opening prayer: Julie Bruce (Vice Chair) opened the meeting with a prayer. She then welcomed those members of the congregation who had remained for the meeting; she explained that this meeting was the Annual Parish Meeting and that the Annual Parochial Meeting would follow directly after.

3. Apologies: None.

4. The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners taken on 8th April 2022 were taken as correct.

5. Election of Church Warden's: The Vice Chair then announced the election of Church Wardens for the year 2023/24. There were two candidates for election – Nigel Hossle-Standring and Jo Hossle-Standring. As there were only two candidates there was no need for an election. Therefore, Nigel Hossle-Standring and Jo. Hossle-Standring were duly elected as Church Wardens for the year 2023/24.

Due to the CW being a married couple it has been decided that we will resurrect the position of Deputy Church Warden. Two people had put their names forward – Rita Brooks and Debbie Mellor. They were both duly elected as Deputy Church Wardens for the year 2023/24.

The Vice-Chair then offered a vote of thanks to Jacqueline Hely for her sterling work as CW, especially over the last two years of *interregnum*.

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners was then closed at 12.25.

PCC Secretary (Jacqui Renshaw)

BENEFICE OF MOSSLEY
Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 30th April 2023

1. Present: As Vestry meeting.

2. Apologies: As Vestry meeting.

3. The Minutes of the APCM held on 8th May 2022 – taken as correct.

4. Presentation of accounts: The Treasurer gave her report on the accounts. Unfortunately, we were unable to pay our Parish Share last year; 2022. However, we were able to pay 50%. Giving has not changed and remains the same. Although we have lost some members of the congregation, we have also gained some.

Gift-Aiding – We have been unable to claim from HMRC this year because we do not have a Gift Aid Co-ordinator. The Treasurer is in the process for sorting this out.

Notes on Investments held at the Diocese – Unfortunately, our investments made a loss of £1,083.00 last year. These investments are from legacies, sale of buildings etc. We could sell some of them if we wished but it is hoped that they will make some gains this year.

5. Appointment of Independent Examiner: The Vice Chair then reported that Mr Alan Brooks was happy to again take on the role of Independent Examiner for 2023/24. The Vice Chair gave a vote of thanks to Mr Brooks for his work.

6. Presentation of Revised Electoral Roll: Kathryn reported that there are 88 people on the Electoral Roll.

7. Annual Report: The Vice Chair turned to the Annual Report, she asked those present to read the report and if they had any observations etc., could they discuss them with the Wardens or Vice Chair at a later date.

8. Elections to PCC 2023/24: Those re-elected are Julie Bruce, Vice Chair; Nigel Hossle-Standring; Jo Hossle-Standring Church Wardens (both ex-officio); Debbie Mellor, Deputy Warden; Rita Brooks, Deputy Warden; Carol Winterbottom, Treasurer; Jo Hossle-Standring, Secretary; Kathryn Malkin, Deanery Synod Rep. and Electoral Roll co-ordinator; Jacqueline Hely; Jacqueline Renshaw; Dorothy Dunn; Charlotte Mellor; David Pritchard. The Vice Chair welcomed David Pritchard to the PCC, unfortunately he was unable to attend.

The Vice Chair then reported that we needed a new PCC Secretary as Jacqueline Renshaw was stepping down. The Vice Chair offered a vote of thanks for her work in past.

Jo Hossle-Standring had agreed to take up this post, this was proposed by Rita Brooks, seconded by Jacqui Renshaw, and was carried.

The Vice Chair closed the meeting at 12.32.

PCC Secretary (Jacqui Renshaw)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2023

Statement of Financial activities (S.O.F.A)

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS £	RESTRICTED FUNDS £	TOTAL FUNDS 2023 £	2022 £
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	20,758.85		20,758.85	22,175.37
Other voluntary incoming resources	3,037.71	2,541.00	5,578.71	6,036.62
Activities in Furtherance of the councils objectives	4,126.80		4,126.80	9,096.51
Activities for generating funds	10,112.79	70.00	10,182.79	8,298.25
Income from Investments & Bank Int.	421.42	74.35	495.77	245.97
Other Incoming Resources				
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	38,457.57	2,685.35	41,142.92	45,852.72
<u>RESOURCES USED</u>				
Cost of generating funds	474.42		474.42	296.85
Grants (money given to Charity)	555.00		555.00	300.00
HLF/ LPOW Funding Costs				
Activities relating to the work of the Church	36,398.29	2,904.86	39,303.15	36,247.70
Church management & Administration	4,859.24	95.00	4,954.24	5,713.78
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	42,286.95	2,999.86	45,286.81	42,558.33
Net incoming/ outgoing resources before transfer	-3,829.38	-314.51	-4,143.89	3,294.39
Gross Transfers between Funds -in Gross Transfers between funds - out				
Gains and losses on investments assets	968.39		968.39	-1,083.91
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	-2,860.99	-314.51	-3,175.50	2,210.48

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total Funds brought forward 1st Jan 2023	30,715.91	7,513.21	38,229.12	36,018.64
Total Funds carried forward 31st Dec 2023	27,854.92	7,198.70	35,053.62	38,229.12

INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
<u>Incoming resources from Donors</u>				
Gift-Aid - Bank	4,687.00		4,687.00	3,031.50
Gift-Aid - Envelopes	7,835.27		7,835.27	7,326.32
Tax Recoverable on Gift-Aid				1,439.46
Other Planned Giving	4,600.05		4,600.05	7,864.20
Loose Plate Collections	3,286.03		3,286.03	2,000.34
Donations to Garden of Remembrance	50.00		50.00	400.00
Donations to Junior Church	300.50		300.50	113.55
	<u>20,758.85</u>		<u>20,758.85</u>	<u>22,175.37</u>
<u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u>				
One off Gift-Aids gifts	500.00		500.00	200.00
Donations to Church Funds	2,537.71		2,537.71	3,452.37
200 Club		1,773.00	1,773.00	1,824.25
Flower Fund		768.00	768.00	560.00
Fabric Fund Income				
Restoration Fund				
	<u>3,037.71</u>	<u>2,541.00</u>	<u>5,578.71</u>	<u>6,036.62</u>
<u>Activities in the Furtherance of the Councils Objectives</u>				
Parish Magazine Sales	329.40		329.40	380.36
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - P.C.C	1,760.00		1,760.00	5,266.00
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - M.D.B.F	1,295.00		1,295.00	3,057.00
Money raised for Charity	742.40		742.40	393.15
*this includes c/q not presented in 2022				
	<u>4,126.80</u>		<u>4,126.80</u>	<u>9,096.51</u>
<u>Activities for Generating Funds</u>				
Fairs,Murder Mistery,Pancake Day,	3,717.42		3,717.42	4,022.10
Other Funds Generated	1,493.37	70.00	1,563.37	3,708.15
Magazine Income - Advertising	523.00		523.00	568.00
Church Queen 2022/23 Christina	4,379.00		4,379.00	
	<u>10,112.79</u>	<u>70.00</u>	<u>10,182.79</u>	<u>8,298.25</u>
<u>Income from Investments</u>				
Dividends	266.63		266.63	208.33
Bank & Building Society Interest	154.79	74.35	229.14	37.64
	<u>421.42</u>	<u>74.35</u>	<u>495.77</u>	<u>245.97</u>
<u>Other Incoming Resources</u>				
Archive Project Funds				
HISTORIC ENGLAND GRANT				
DCMS LPOW SCHEME				
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>38,457.57</u>	<u>2,685.35</u>	<u>41,142.92</u>	<u>45,852.72</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
<u>ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH</u>				
Ministry:Diocesan Parish Share	21,952.50		21,952.50	15,250.00
Working Expenses of Incumbent				89.65
Working Expenses of Associated Priest				
Vicarage Expenses	220.00		220.00	
Salaries, Wages & Honoraria				80.00
Church running expenses -Gas	2,557.36		2,557.36	1,362.14
Church running expenses -Electric	1,207.12		1,207.12	2,322.84
Church running expenses -Water	358.87		358.87	340.42
Church running expenses -Insurance	5,175.28		5,175.28	4,952.39
Church Maintenance	959.75		959.75	1,021.41
Upkeep of Services	1,791.50		1,791.50	1,124.32
Upkeep of Garden of Remembrance	290.00		290.00	242.00
Upkeep of Burial Grounds *	736.05		736.05	6,157.00
Parish Magazine expenses	1,005.44		1,005.44	1,000.00
Junior Church	24.42		24.42	38.70
Church Queen				
Interior/Exterior Decoration & repairs				
Major Repairs/Installations (Heating System)				
Restoration Fund				25.00
Flower Fund	120.00	758.42	878.42	568.30
Fabric Fund				
200 Club		2,146.44	2,146.44	1,673.53
	<u>36,398.29</u>	<u>2,904.86</u>	<u>39,303.15</u>	<u>36,247.70</u>
<u>Church Management and Administration</u>				
Administration	3,607.24	95.00	3,702.24	2,258.78
Wedding/Funeral fees payable to M.D.B.F	1,252.00		1,252.00	3,155.00
Refund of Wedding fees (over paid)				300.00
	<u>4,859.24</u>	<u>95.00</u>	<u>4,954.24</u>	<u>5,713.78</u>
<u>Cost of Generating Funds</u>				
200 Club				
Restoration Fund				
Car boots,Fairs etc.	420.72		420.72	296.85
Digital Banking Costs	53.70		53.70	
	<u>474.42</u>		<u>474.42</u>	<u>296.85</u>
<u>Money raised for Charities (grants)</u>				
Charitable Giving	555.00		555.00	300.00
<u>Grants for HLF/LPOW</u>				
Architects & Surveyors fees				
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	<u>42,286.95</u>	<u>2,999.86</u>	<u>45,286.81</u>	<u>42,558.33</u>

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Fixed Assets

	2023 £	2022 £
A1122 Investments Unrestricted	<u>7,040.35</u>	<u>6,636.96</u>
A1123 Investments Specified Funds	<u>10,523.19</u>	<u>9,958.19</u>
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	<u>17,563.54</u>	<u>16,595.15</u>

LIABILITIES	*PARISH SHARE	11,597.50	15,250.00
*Not carried forward to next year			

FUND MOVEMENTS

Balance b/fwd - 1st Jan 2023	38,229.12
Incoming Resources	41,142.92
Resources Expended	-45,286.81
Gains on Investments	<u>968.39</u>
Balance at 31st Dec. 2023	<u>35,053.62</u>

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS by fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2023
Investments fixed assets	7,040.35	10,523.19	17,563.54
Current assets	10,291.38	7,198.70	17,490.08
TOTAL NET ASSETS	17,331.73	17,721.89	35,053.62
Liabilities	11,597.50		11,597.50
The Restricted Funds Comprise of all organisational funds within the PCC			

BALANCE SHEET DETAILED

FIXED ASSETS		2023	2022
A1122	INVESTMENTS UNRESTRICTED	7040.35	6,636.96
A1123	INVESTMENTS SPECIFIED FUNDS	10523.19	9,958.19
		<u>17,563.54</u>	<u>16,595.15</u>

CURRENT ASSETS

A1501	BANK ACCOUNT CURRENT	9,988.01	14,120.76
A1505	ORGANISATIONAL FUND ACCOUNTS	7,198.70	7,513.21
A1550	CASH IN HAND	303.37	
Total Current Assets		<u>17,490.08</u>	<u>21,633.97</u>
Net Asset Surplus/Deficit		<u>35053.62</u>	<u>38,229.12</u>

RESERVES

	EXCESS/(deficit)to date	-4143.89	3,294.39
Z01	STARTING BALANCES	38,229.12	36,018.64
Z03	LOSSES ON INVESTMENT	968.39	-1,083.91
		<u>35,053.62</u>	<u>38,229.12</u>

REPRESENTED BY FUNDS

	2023	2022
UNRESTRICTED	27,854.92	30,715.91
RESTRICTED	7,198.70	7,513.21
TOTAL	<u>35,053.62</u>	<u>38,229.12</u>

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FINANCIAL REVIEW 2023

PARISH ACCOUNT RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

PARISH SHARE

We paid 65.4% of our Parish Share -£21,952.50

Gift -Aided donations for 2023 totalled £13,022.27 compared to £10,357.82 in 2022,

INCOMING RESOURCES this is money we receive from:

Giving through bank by Standing Order

Giving through weekly envelopes ,

although giving via weekly envelopes has reduced.

Loose plate collections at services, and single one-off donations

Fund-raising events and Income from Investments

Notes on Investments held at Diocese

The Cost Book value of our Investments is £11,253.96

The Market value of our Investments is £17,563.54

The Market value of our investments made a gain of £968.39

Expenditure

The Church Gas, Electricity, Water and Insurance were £178.81 per week

Other regular payments Church Maintenance, Upkeep of Services, Upkeep of the Garden of Remembrance.(not including maintenance of Church grounds) - £72.64 per week

This equates to an average of £251.45 per week.

This **does not** include payments towards Parish Share, Donations raised for Charities, Parish Magazine Expenses, or any major or minor repairs we have had done this year,

Looking forward to 2023 we will still need to find funding for :-

Completion of Church car park repairs (Urgent)

Updating of Sound System

Damage to Drains and Water pipes, both external & underground

Carol Winterbottom (Treasurer)

Accounts

St George's Church
Growing, nurturing, serving

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
for the year ended 31st December 2022**



Published Apr 2023

Incumbent: none - interregnum

Independent Examiner: Mr Allan Brooks F.C.A

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st DECEMBER 2022**

The members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC), who are the trustees of the charity, present the annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Aim and purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish and benefice, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St George, Mossley.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St George's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, prayer, learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

Church Life & Activities

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping.

Reserves policy

The PCC does not currently have a reserves policy on unrestricted funds.

Structure, governance, and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. George's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members and those with new roles are to receive advice and initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Administrative information

St George's Mossley is (with St John the Baptist Roughtown) part of the Benefice of Mossley, which is part of the Deanery of Oldham and Ashton, the Archdeaconry of Rochdale and the Diocese of Manchester within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended) and a registered Charity.

The Parochial Church Council – for 2022

		<i>current term expires</i>
Mrs Julie Bruce	Vice-Chair	APCM 2023
Mrs Jacqueline Hely	Churchwarden	APCM 2023
Mr Nigel Hossle-Standring	Churchwarden	APCM 2023
Mrs Dorothy Dunn	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2023
Mrs Kathryn Malkin	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2023
Dr Angela Akers	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2025
Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring		APCM 2023
Miss Charlotte Mellor		APCM 2023
Mrs Debbie Mellor		APCM 2023

Mrs Jacqui Renshaw	Secretary	APCM 2024
Mrs Carole Winterbottom	Hon Treasurer	APCM 2023
Mrs Wendy Berry		APCM 2025
Mrs Rita Brooks		APCM 2025
Mr Mark Akers		APCM 2025

The PCC

- is a charity registered with the Charities Commission.
- oversees the financial work of the Church by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and co-ordinating the stewardship of money through planned giving.
- attends to matters relating to the ministry of the Church, including work with young people.
- attends to the ministry of the Church to the community and the world.
- attends to matters relating to the stewardship of the Church Buildings and fabric, the Churchyard (which is closed to burials, and largely the responsibility of Tameside MBC). The PCCs of St George's and St John the Baptist, contribute towards costs of St John's Vicarage.

Parish Officers

Carole Hibbert	200 Club / Mothers' Union
Kathryn Malkin	Electoral Roll / Magazine Editor / Junior Church
Debbie Mellor	Baptism Co-ordinator / Junior Church
Jim Mellor	Hon Site Manager
Mark Akers	Hon Site Manager
Sue Warburton	Parish Safeguarding Officer

Vicar's Report

No Vicar's report during interregnum

Safeguarding

Annual Safeguarding Report: Jan-Dec 2022

***Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our parish churches.
(KEY MESSAGE from: Parish Safeguarding Handbook: Promoting a Safer Church)***

1. Sue Warburton is the current Parish Safeguarding Officer and the DBS administrator for St George's.
2. Safeguarding is on the agenda of every PCC meeting. No concerns or issues have been raised with the safeguarding officer over the past year.
3. All members of the PCC and all church workers have an up-to-date DBS certificate. Several needed to be updated this year because certificates are now required to be renewed every three years instead of every five years.

<u>St George's: Training Record Jan-Dec 2022</u>	
NAME	Safeguarding Training (To be updated every 3 years)
Mark Akers	Basic Awareness (June 22)
Dorothy Dunn	Basic Awareness
Jacqueline Hely	Basic Awareness (1.12.22)
Jo Hossle- Standing	Basic Awareness (6.12.22)
Jacqueline Renshaw	Basic Awareness (Nov 22)

4. The following information is on display in church:
 - The PCC's Safeguarding Statement on the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults.
 - The Diocesan Safeguarding Policy;
 - Contact details for the Parish Safeguarding Officer and Diocesan Safeguarding Team;
 - Information about where to get help with child and adult safeguarding issues, domestic abuse and key helplines e.g., ChildLine.
5. All policies and procedures are in place and up-to-date, as well as in line with Diocesan guidelines. There is access to a hard copy Parish Safeguarding Handbook and the Diocese Safeguarding Manual
6. We create an environment, which is welcoming and respectful and enables safeguarding concerns to be raised and responded to openly, promptly and consistently.
7. If there were any known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults they would be effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser.
8. We comply with all data protection legislation especially in regard to storing information about the 'church workforce', including volunteers and any safeguarding records.

Sue Warburton - April 2023

Churchwarden's Report

Jacqueline and Nigel were both re-elected to the position of Churchwarden at the APCM on 8th May 2022 for another 1 year term. They were both sworn in later at the Archdeacon's Visitation at Christ Church Ashton-under-Lyne on the 16th June 2022.

Throughout 2022 we have continued to manage the setup for all types of services required in the Church. As well as the usual Sunday services each week we had 7 weddings, 18 Baptisms, 9 funerals and 7 ashes committals in the Garden of Remembrance. Without a vicar, various legal checks for weddings now fall to the Churchwardens.

Mark and Nigel replaced the St.George flag which again was kindly donated by the Mullaney family.

All the trees on the south path around the Church were cut back by Nigel. They were already damaging the path around Church but also growing into the cracks of the building itself. Also trees growing around the first St.George's Chapel were cut back and remove along with some trees growing around some graves.

To commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee daffodil bulbs were planted either side of the Church Walk along with a tree and commemorative plaque.

The down spouts from the top roof on the south side over the chancel has been damaged and detached. Mark and Nigel replaced the damaged section but not before water had entered the building and damage plaster above the Remembrance Chapel and Vestry. Where necessary loose plaster has been remove to allow the brickwork to dry out and for safety reasons.

Mark and Nigel had a look at the clock mechanism with a view to getting the clock running again. After some time and cleaning they managed to get the clock mechanism running while disconnected from the hands on the clock faces. It was found that the hands had become seized due to the prolonged exposure to the elements while in disuse. A new project to get the clock running will require safety checks to the three clock faces and funding.

The Mullaney's donated 4 tons of best Mossley soil which was tipped in the Churchyard. This was then moved with wheelbarrows by Mark, Nigel, and a member of Emmaus to over 30 locations around the Churchyard where the ground had depressed, or holes had appeared. This has made the Churchyard safer.

A project to make safe the trees identified as needing attention in Tameside's arborist report last year have been delt with. Scaffolding was erected over the Memorial Lych gate to protect it while the trees either side of it were removed or pollarded. One lane of Stamford Street was closed, and temporary traffic lights used to control the road users. A tree with Ash die-back disease was removed and several trees by the west of the Church were cut back.

In June all the gas appliances in Church had their annual inspection. This included the six overhead burners above the pews which needed scaffolding erected to gain access, six times!

In December all the fire extinguishers had their annual check.

Social events throughout the year have included Murder Mystery evenings, a pancake day, Summer Fair, Breakfast with Santa at the Christmas fair and Teddy bears parachuting from the top of the tower. In June the Church had a tea party to celebrate the last Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

In April Livingstone Primary School Year 1 pupils visited Church to have a look around and understand 'What Makes a Place Sacred'.

The PCC members have 11 times during the interregnum to try

87 Bibles were funded by St.George's 200 Club for the Year 6 school leavers of the three Church of England Primary Schools St.Georges, Milton St.John's and Micklehurst All Saints.

Three Christmas trees were purchased this year, as the usual donor could not be found. They were put up by Mark and Nigel. Jacqueline and Jacqui then helped decorate the trees with lights 24,631 Christmas baubles!!!

It was decided to hold the annual Christmas fair in the Church and Church room again. Breakfast with Santa proved to be very successful as 3 sittings were needed to satisfy demand so it turned out to be Breakfast, Bunch and Lunch with Santa.

Jacqueline Hely & Nigel Hossle-Standing

A message from Jacqueline Hely

As I retire after six years as Churchwarden at St. Georges Church, Mossley I want to thank most sincerely all who have helped me during that time, I couldn't have done it without you. It has been difficult for Nigel and I during interregnum as we didn't expect this, but we have come through and hopefully it won't be long before we have a new incumbent, fingers crossed. So thanks once again for your help given along the way.

Jacqueline Hely

Micklehurst All Saints' School - from the Headteacher



It has been another very challenging year with the continuing pandemic affecting life for us all and preventing many of our usual events taking place. However, we tried hard to consider how we could still participate in events in our own schools, either virtually or in our individual settings.

In the autumn term our Year 3 children took part in a morning of Modern Foreign Languages to celebrate World Language Day in school. This was organised by Mossley Hollins staff and as we were unable to go up to Mossley Hollins we made the experience as enjoyable as possible at Micklehurst. The children enjoyed tasting Spanish nibbles and learning about the different Spanish traditions and culture. Year 3 also had a visit from Wayne and his collection of owls as they began their English unit of work based on the well-known story 'Owl Babies.' Our Year 6 pupils continued to take part in the Mossley Carrbrook School's Partnership Debating Society to develop their oracy and debating skills and videoed their debating presentations instead of participating in a live debate. Our Year 5 children have enjoyed the MCSP Wondrous Book Club initiative and have read 3 different genres and reviewed their favourites.

In the Early Years Foundation Stage, our annual open morning for our new EYFS parents was virtual. It was a shame we couldn't welcome prospective parents into school to see what Micklehurst All Saints has to offer but I think we did the best we could to promote school during such challenging times.

The children have participated in Anti Bullying Week, No Pens Day and have celebrated World Mental Health Day. We have also raised money for Macmillan, Children in Need, Emmaus, Cancer Research UK and have supported the Mossley Foodbank through our Harvest festival collection.

Our Year 5 children enjoyed taking part in their Bikeability sessions and most children passed each level of the programme and are now much more confident riding their bikes.

The children continued to learn how to keep safe with Year 6 welcoming the Safe Squad team into school. We also welcomed back our resident author David Mason who worked in Year 6 during the Summer term to write a powerful piece of creative writing.

Christmas was very different in school this year and due to not being able to put on our usual performances children and staff created a very special performance of our own version of 'We Three Kings' which we recorded and parents were able to download for £1. The money raised went to Mossley Foodbank. The

children also created a video to retell the very special story of 'The Nativity' and this was available for all parents to access via our website.

Our Nursery children went to Sandon House and enjoyed Carol Singing outside for their residents. We also spread some Christmas cheer by making Christmas Cards for members of the local community who might have been experiencing loneliness during the festive period.

KS 2 took part in a virtual shared Christmas Service with the other Church schools on Monday 14th December, and we finished the term with our own school Carol Service and Christingle in the playground on Friday 18th December at 2.30pm. This was a very special service and a great way to end our busy term as a school community. Everyone finished school taking the spirit of Christmas into the festive period.

In January, school was closed for a second time due to the pandemic. However, due to changes in the guidance we still had at least half of each class of children in school. The children who were not eligible to attend continued with their home learning via our online platform Seesaw.

We celebrated Fairtrade Fortnight and the children found out more about the need for Fairtrade for farmers in other countries around the world. We had a really successful World Book Day on Thursday 4th March where children designed a book character from a potato! There were some fantastic creations, and we were very impressed with the level of imagination and creativity shown by some of the children and their families. School re-opened to all children on Monday 8th March and it was lovely to have all the children back in school learning together again.

The children enjoyed Healthy School's Week and the SRE (Sex and Relationships Education) Curriculum was delivered successfully during this week.

In March we launched our new iPad project which enables our children in Years 4, 5 and 6 to have individual iPads to support and complete their learning. This created a lot of excitement with the children and they have amazed us with the skills they already can demonstrate!

On March 31st we came together as a whole school in the playground to celebrate Easter and the Year 6 children led our service with Father David.

After Easter the children in EYFS completed the Mini Bikers programme which enabled them to develop their gross motor skills and learn to use balance bikes and two wheeled bikes with confidence.

In May our Ethos council supported by our School Improvement Officer, completed a Junior Inspection which mirrored a SIAMS inspection. The children observed a virtual Collective Worship, RE lessons and interviewed the Head and Deputy as well as Father David to gain a clear view of RE and Collective Worship in school. The inspection team left us with a couple areas for improvement but were very pleased with provision in school. By the summer term some of our classes were able to enjoy a range of visits. These included a Year 6 trip to the Anderton Centre in Chorley to experience a whole host of outdoor activities. Our Year 5 class visited Stockport Air Raid Shelters and Year 2 went to St George's Church.

Our children have taken part in a range of sporting competitions including MCSP events and we were victorious in the Virtual Tameside Urban Dance Competition and the Cheerfest Virtual Competition.

The children took part in National Sports Week albeit in their class groups rather than as a whole school, but they enjoyed a range of sporting activities, including Sports Day, over the week.

On 5th July, we enjoyed another shared service with St George's and Milton St Johns Primary Schools, and it was lovely to sing and pray together at the end of another challenging year.

Laura Trelfa
Headteacher Micklehurst All Saints CE Primary School

Junior Church Report Jan – Dec 2022

Kathryn takes the youngest group where the children are in KS1, Debbie takes the middle group with children in KS2 and Charlotte's group are KS3.

This year we started off in the school but due to numbers, we have met in the Church room since January. Our groups run from September to August to tie in with the school years. There are currently 5 regular children on Kathryn's register, Debbie has 7 regular attendees in her group and Charlotte has 4 regular attendees.

Charlotte and Debbie use a scheme which links the sessions with the readings in Church. Kathryn uses Scripture Union.

Kathryn and Debbie start each session with the collect and the Lord's prayer. Then we do a start up activity which is usually a game. This is followed by the main part of the session where we read from the Bible and discuss issues surrounding the story. We then have an activity/craft linked to the Bible reading.

Charlotte also starts with an activity which links to her session, then she has a lot more Bible and discussion based work to help the children to gain a deeper insight into the Bible and wider thinking about the applications of faith in their lives.

Kathryn's group have done activities linked to a selection of well-known Bible stories. Debbie's group have linked their activities to the Gospel readings along with making gifts for those who care for them in March and June, as has Charlotte's group.

Our Rose Queen for 2022-2023 was Christina Berry and her retinue were Izabel Partington, Abigail Partington and Freya Thorp.

In July, we had our first Junior Church presentation since the pandemic. Debbie's group led a presentation linked to being a hero by helping each other (as we've all done during the pandemic). Kathryn's group sang a song about helping others and Charlotte's group led us in prayer.

In October we had our annual prizegiving for the first time since the pandemic. Prizes in Charlotte's group were:- Christina, Sophie and Molly. In Debbie's group Edward, Jack and Faye received prizes and in Kathryn's group Annie, Inigo and Freya received prizes,

In December, our Nativity was called 'The Christmas Alphabet'. The children were all fantastic as the Nativity characters and Charlotte and Debbie took the lead roles of the narrators.

We are looking forward to all that 2023 brings.

Kathryn Malkin, Debbie and Charlotte Mellor

Electoral Roll

The Roll was opened for additions and amendments for the statutory period for the APCM meeting, 4 names were removed that had passed away during the year, but 4 new names were added making 87 names.

Kathryn Malkin

Stewardship & Gift Aid

52 people gave regularly to support the life of the Church.

31 gave regularly by envelope -(14 of which were Gift -Aided)

Donations by Standing Order- 21(13 of which were Gift-Aid)

Carol Winterbottom

PARISH OF MOSSLEY – St George’s Church
ANNUAL MEETING of PARISHIONERS
8th May 2022

Present: J. Bruce; J. Hely; J. Renshaw; N. Hossle-Standring; J. Hossle-Standring; R. Ashton; C. Winterbottom; J. Mellor; E. Mellor; C. Mellor; D. Mellor; R. Brookes; W. Berry; S. Berry; M. Oldham; S. Howarth; D. Dunn; B. Anderton; M. Hancock; S. Butlin.

Welcome and opening prayer: Julie Bruce (Vice Chair) opened the meeting with prayer. She then welcomed those members of the congregation who had remained for the meeting; she explained that this meeting was the Annual Parish Meeting and that the Annual Parochial Meeting would follow directly after.

Apologies: J Jackson-Smith; K. Malkin; D Williams.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners taken on 30th May 2021 were taken as correct.

Election of Church Warden’s: The Vice Chair then announced the election of Church Wardens for this year. She explained that in an *interregnum* the Church Warden’s cannot resign, therefore, the Church Warden’s for the next twelve months will be Nigel Hossle-Standring and Jacqueline Hely.

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners was then closed at 12.25.

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 8th May 2022

Present: As Vestry meeting.

Apologies: As Vestry meeting.

The Minutes of the APCM held on 30th May 2021 – taken as correct.

Presentation of accounts: The Treasurer gave her report on the accounts. The Treasurer thanked Alan Brooks for his work as Independent Examiner. She noted that we had only paid 75% of our £21,750.00, (this includes £550.00 from the Diocese Encouragement Scheme) Parish Share last year, this in part is due to monies we knew we would have to spend on the removal of trees on the Church Walk. We also received £4,112.37 from H.M. Charities; claimed from Gift-Aided envelopes, and Gift-Aided Donations and G.A.S.D.S.

Gift-Aiding – Gift-aiding donations for 2021 totalled £12,195.95, compared to £18,335.97 in 2020. This is due to a large number of the congregation now unable to Gift Aid their donations.

Incoming Resources – This is money we receive from giving through the bank by Standing Order; Gift-Aided weekly envelopes and weekly envelopes not Gift-Aided; loose plate collections at services and single one-off donations; fund-raising events and income from investments.

Notes on Investments held at the Diocese – The ‘Cost Book’ value of our investments is £11,175.95; the market value of our investments is £17,679.06, and the Market value of our investments made £987.60.

Expenditure: The Church gas, electricity, water and insurance, plus our portion of the vicarage Council Tax and Water Rates were £9871.86. which breaks down to £190.00 per week.

Other regular expenditure e.g. Incumbent expenses, church maintenance, up-keep of services, up-keep of Garden of Remembrance and Burial Ground - £7253.62, which breaks down to £139.00 per week.

A question from the floor asked if we had to make up the amount not paid on our Parish Share. The Treasurer said we did not. She then gave a vote of thanks to Mr Alan Brooks who had stepped into the role of Independent Examiner at short notice. There were no further questions.

Appointment of Independent Examiner: The Vice Chair then reported that Mr Alan Brooks was happy to take on the role of Independent Examiner, there were no objections and the proposal was carried.

Presentation of Revised Electoral Roll: Kathryn Malkin was unable to attend the meeting but had previously presented the new figures. There are 79 people on the revised Electoral Roll, which is down on previous years. Julie Bruce then said if anybody wished to be added to the Electoral Roll they were obliged to attend church twelve times a year, and should contact Kathryn Malkin.

Elections to PCC: There were four people; apart from those to be re-elected, who wished to be elected to the PCC – Angela Akers; Mark Akers; Rita Brooks; Wendy Berry. All were duly elected.

Those re-elected are Nigel Hossle-Standring; Jacqueline Hely; (both ex-officio) Julie Bruce; Jacqui Renshaw; Dorothy Dunn; Carol Winterbottom; Jo Hossle-Standring; Debbie Mellor; Charlotte Mellor; Kathryn Malkin.

Deanery Synod: There is a vacancy for a Deanery Synod representative. As there were no candidates it will be looked at again at a PCC meeting.

Safeguarding Report: Sue Warburton is the current Parish Safeguarding Officer and the DBS administrator for St. George's

Safeguarding is on the agenda of every PCC meeting – no concerns or issues have been raised.

All members of the PCC and church workers have up-to-date DBS certificates. Safeguarding training is completed by all PCC members every three years.

The following information is on display in church:

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We create an environment which is welcoming and respectful and enables safeguarding concerns to be raised and responded to openly, promptly and consistently.

If there were any known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults they would be effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser.

We comply with all data protection legislation, especially in regard to storing information about the 'church workforce', including volunteers and any safeguard records.

Questions on reports: There were no questions on the reports.

Julie Bruce (Vice Chair) then asked all those who were newly appointed to the PCC to fill out a 'Fit and Proper Persons' form.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 12.35

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2022

Statement of Financial activities (S.O.F.A)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2022 £	2021 £
Incoming Resources				
Incoming resources from donors	22,175.37		22,175.37	28,771.45
Other voluntary incoming resources	3,652.37	2,384.25	6,036.62	4,672.08
Activities in Furtherance of the councils objectives	9,096.51		9,096.51	10,366.94
Activities for generating funds	8,298.25		8,298.25	8,608.11
Income from Investments & Bank Int.	232.60	13.37	245.97	202.84
Other Incoming Resources				
Total incoming resources	43,455.10	2,397.62	45,852.72	52,621.42
Resources used				
Cost of generating funds	296.85		296.85	27.35
Grants (money given to Charity)	300.00		300.00	74.11
HLE/ LPOW Funding Costs (architects/surveys fees etc.)				
Activities relating to the work of the Church	34,110.87	2,136.83	36,247.70	41,087.40
Church management & Administration	5,713.78		5,713.78	7,652.17
Total resources used	40,421.50	2,136.83	42,558.33	48,841.03
Net incoming/ outgoing resources before transfer	3,033.60	260.79	3,294.39	3,780.39
Gross Transfers between Funds -in				
Gross Transfers between funds - out				
Gains and losses on investments assets	-1,083.91		-1,083.91	987.60
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	1,949.69	260.79	2,210.48	4,767.99

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total Funds brought forward 1st Jan 2022	28,766.22	7,252.42	36,018.64	31,250.65
Total Funds carried forward 31st Dec 2022	30,715.91	7,513.21	38,229.12	36,018.64

INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2022	TOTAL 2021
<u>Incoming resources from Donors</u>				
Gift-Aid - Bank	3,031.50		3,031.50	5,423.50
Gift-Aid - Envelopes	7,326.32		7,326.32	6,772.45
Tax Recoverable on Gift-Aid	1,439.46		1,439.46	4,112.37
Other Planned Giving	7,864.20		7,864.20	9,002.29
Loose Plate Collections	2,000.34		2,000.34	3,310.84
Donations to Garden of Remembrance	400.00		400.00	
Donations to Junior Church	113.55		113.55	150.00
	<u>22,175.37</u>		<u>22,175.37</u>	<u>28,771.45</u>
<u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u>				
One off Gift-Aids gifts	200.00		200.00	255.00
Donations to Church Funds	3,452.37		3,452.37	2,754.04
200 Club		1,824.25	1,824.25	922.04
Flower Fund		560.00	560.00	385.00
Fabric Fund Income				30.00
Restoration Fund				326.00
	<u>3,652.37</u>	<u>2,384.25</u>	<u>6,036.62</u>	<u>4,672.08</u>
<u>Activities in the Furtherance of the Councils Objectives</u>				
Parish Magazine Sales	380.36		380.36	315.53
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - P.C.C	5,266.00		5,266.00	4,642.00
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - M.D.B.F	3,057.00		3,057.00	5,327.00
Travel Cost incurred for services at Crematorium				10.00
Money raised for Charity	393.15		393.15	72.41
	<u>9,096.51</u>		<u>9,096.51</u>	<u>10,366.94</u>
<u>Activities for Generating Funds</u>				
Fairs,Murder Mistery,Pancake Day,	4,022.10		4,022.10	5,149.71
Other Funds Generated	3,708.15		3,708.15	821.40
Magazine Income - Advertising	568.00		568.00	637.00
Church Queen 2021/2022				2,000.00
	<u>8,298.25</u>		<u>8,298.25</u>	<u>8,608.11</u>
<u>Income from Investments</u>				
Dividends	208.33		208.33	195.80
Bank & Building Society Interest	24.27	13.37	37.64	7.04
	<u>232.60</u>	<u>13.37</u>	<u>245.97</u>	<u>202.84</u>
<u>Other Incoming Resources</u>				
Archive Project Funds				
HISTORIC ENGLAND GRANT				
DCMS LPOW SCHEME				
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>43,455.10</u>	<u>2,397.62</u>	<u>45,852.72</u>	<u>57,781.27</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2022	TOTAL 2021
<u>ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH</u>				
Ministry:Diocesan Parish Share	15,250.00		15,250.00	21,200.00
Working Expenses of Incumbent	89.65		89.65	984.81
Working Expenses of Associated Priest				161.75
Vicarage Expenses				910.03
Salaries, Wages & Honoraria	80.00		80.00	270.00
Church running expenses -Gas	1,362.14		1,362.14	1,466.71
Church running expenses -Electric	2,322.84		2,322.84	2,358.52
Church running expenses -Water	340.42		340.42	305.72
Church running expenses -Insurance	4,952.39		4,952.39	4,830.88
Church Maintenance	1,021.41		1,021.41	942.65
Upkeep of Services	1,124.32		1,124.32	1,596.99
Upkeep of Garden of Remembrance	242.00		242.00	300.00
Upkeep of Burial Grounds *	6,157.00		6,157.00	2,010.00
Parish Magazine expenses	1,000.00		1,000.00	981.00
Junior Church	38.70		38.70	
Church Queen				
Interior/Exterior Decoration & repairs				
Major Repairs/Installations (Heating System)				
Restoration Fund		25.00	25.00	1,610.19
Flower Fund	130.00	438.30	568.30	393.54
Fabric Fund				
200 Club		1,673.53	1,673.53	764.61
	<u>34,110.87</u>	<u>2,136.83</u>	<u>36,247.70</u>	<u>41,087.40</u>
<u>Church Management and Administration</u>				
Administration	2,258.78		2,258.78	1,419.17
Wedding/Funeral fees payable to M.D.B.F	3,155.00		3,155.00	6,233.00
Refund of Wedding fees (over paid)	300.00		300.00	
	<u>5,713.78</u>		<u>5,713.78</u>	<u>7,652.17</u>
<u>Cost of Generating Funds</u>				
200 Club				
Restoration Fund				
Car boots,Fairs etc.	296.85		296.85	27.35
	<u>296.85</u>		<u>296.85</u>	<u>27.35</u>
<u>Money raised for Charities (grants)</u>				
Charitable Giving	300.00		300.00	74.11
<u>Grants for HLF/LPOW</u>				
Architects & Surveyors fees				
* cost of the work done to trees in Burial Grounds and Church Walk				
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	<u>40,421.50</u>	<u>2,136.83</u>	<u>42,558.33</u>	<u>48,841.03</u>

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Fixed Assets

	2022 £	2021 £
A1122 Investments Unrestricted	<u>6,636.96</u>	<u>7,273.07</u>
A1123 Investments Restricted	<u>9,958.19</u>	<u>10,405.99</u>
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	<u>###</u>	<u>17,679.06</u>
LIABILITIES		
PARISH SHARE	15,250.00	7,250.00

FUNDS

The Restricted Funds Comprise of all organisational funds within the PCC

FUND MOVEMENTS

Balance b/fwd - 1st Jan 2022	36,018.64
Incoming Resources	45,852.72
Resources Expended	-42,558.33
Gains on Investments	<u>-1,083.91</u>
Balance at 31st Dec. 2022	<u>38,229.12</u>

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS by fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2022
Investments fixed assets	6,636.96	9,958.19	16,595.15
Current assets	14,120.76	7,513.21	21,633.97
TOTAL NET ASSETS	20,757.72	17,471.40	38,229.12
Liabilities	15,250.00		15,250.00

BALANCE SHEET DETAILED

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
FIXED ASSETS			
	A1122 INVESTMENTS UNRESTRICTED	6,636.96	7,273.07
	A1123 INVESTMENTS RESTRICTED	9,958.19	10,405.99
		16,595.15	17,679.06
CURRENT ASSETS			
	A1501 BANK ACCOUNT CURRENT	14,120.76	10,839.41
	A1505 ORGANISATIONAL FUND ACCOUNTS	7,513.21	7,252.42
	A1550 CASH IN HAND		247.75
Total Current Assets		21,633.97	18,339.58
Net Asset Surplus/Deficit		38,229.12	36,018.64
RESERVES			
	EXCESS/(deficit)to date	3,294.39	3,780.39
Z01	STARTING BALANCES	36,018.64	31,250.65
Z03	LOSSES ON INVESTMENT	-1,083.91	987.60
		38,229.12	36,018.64

REPRESENTED BY FUNDS

UNRESTRICTED	30,715.91	28,215.82
RESTRICTED	7,513.21	7,802.82
TOTAL	38,229.12	36,018.64

MOSSLEY PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

FINANCIAL REVIEW 2022

PARISH ACCOUNT RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

PARISH SHARE

We only paid 50% of our Parish Share -£15,250.00

We also received £1,439.46 from H.M.Charities (claimed from Gift-aided Donations & G.A.S.D.S.)

GIFT-AIDING

Gift -Aided donations for 2022 totalled £10,357.82 compared to £12,195.95 in 2021,

INCOMING RESOURCES this is money we receive from:

Giving through bank by Standing Order

Giving through weekly envelopes ,

both giving through the bank and weekly envelopes has reduced.

Loose plate collections at services, and single one-off donations

Fund-raising events and Income from Investments

Notes on Investments held at Diocese

The Cost Book value of our Investments is £11,253.96

The Market value of our Investments is £16,595.15

The Market value of our investments made a loss of £1,083.91

Expenditure

The Church Gas, Electricity, Water and Insurance were £8,977.79 = £172.65 per week

Other regular payments Church Maintenance, Upkeep of Services, Upkeep of the Garden of Remembrance. - £2,387.73 = £49.92 per week

*Burial grounds. - £6,157.00 was spent to address the state of the trees in the Church grounds

This **does not** include the Parish Share, Donations raised for Charities, Parish Magazine Expenses, or any major or minor repairs we have had done this year,

Finally we changed our energy supplier in July & Sept with a view of trying to keep cost as low as possible.

Carol Winterbottom (Treasurer)

Accounts

St George's Church
Growing, nurturing, serving

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
for the year ended 31st December 2021**



Published May 2022

Incumbent: The Revd David Warner SCP, Vicar of Mossley
(until 31st January 2022)

Independent Examiner: Mr Allan Brooks F.C.A



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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st DECEMBER 2021**

The members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC), who are the trustees of the charity, present the annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Aim and purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend David Warner, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish and benefice, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St George, Mossley.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St George's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, prayer, learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

Church Life & Activities

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping.

Reserves policy

The PCC does not currently have a reserves policy on unrestricted funds.

Structure, governance, and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. George's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members and those with new roles are to receive advice and initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Administrative information

St George's Mossley is (with St John the Baptist Roughtown) part of the Benefice of Mossley, which is part of the Deanery of Oldham and Ashton, the Archdeaconry of Rochdale and the Diocese of Manchester within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended) and a registered Charity.

The Parochial Church Council

The Revd David Warner	Vicar of Mossley (<i>until 31/01/22</i>)	
The Revd Ian Brocklehurst	Associate Priest (<i>until 28/11/21</i>)	
	<i>current term expires</i>	
Mrs Jacqueline Hely	Churchwarden	APCM 2022
Mr Nigel Hossle-Standring	Churchwarden	APCM 2022
Mrs Dorothy Dunn	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2023
Mrs Kathryn Malkin	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2023
Dr Angela Akers	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2022
Mrs Julie Bruce		APCM 2023
Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring		APCM 2023

Miss Charlotte Mellor		APCM 2023
Mrs Debbie Mellor		APCM 2023
Mrs Jacqui Renshaw	Hon Secretary	APCM 2024
Mrs Carole Winterbottom	Hon Treasurer	APCM 2023
Mrs Wendy Berry		APCM 2022
Mrs Rita Brooks		APCM 2022
Vacancy		

The PCC

- is a charity registered with the Charities Commission.
- oversees the financial work of the Church by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and co-ordinating the stewardship of money through planned giving.
- attends to matters relating to the ministry of the Church, including work with young people.
- attends to the ministry of the Church to the community and the world.
- attends to matters relating to the stewardship of the Church Buildings and fabric, the Churchyard (which is closed to burials, and largely the responsibility of Tameside MBC). The PCCs of St George's, St John the Baptist and St George's Stalybridge (*in respect of their Vicar*), contribute towards costs of St John's Vicarage.

Parish Officers

Carole Hibbert	200 Club / Mothers' Union
Kathryn Malkin	Electoral Roll / Magazine Editor / Junior Church
Debbie Mellor	Baptism Co-ordinator / Junior Church
Jim Mellor	Hon Site Manager
Mark Akers	Hon Site Manager
Karen Skeffington	Gift Aid Secretary
Sue Warburton	Parish Safeguarding Officer

Vicar's Report

No Vicar's report during interregnum

Safeguarding

Annual Safeguarding Report 2022

***Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our parish churches.
(KEY MESSAGE from: Parish Safeguarding Handbook: Promoting a Safer Church)***

1. Sue Warburton is the current Parish Safeguarding Officer and the DBS administrator for St George's.
2. Safeguarding is on the agenda of every PCC meeting. No concerns or issues have been raised.
3. All members of the PCC and church workers have up-to-date DBS certificates. Safeguarding training is completed by all PCC members every three years.

TRAINING: St George's		
Name	Training	Date
Rita Brooks	Basic Awareness: The Church of England (v2020)	04.07.21
Sue Warburton	Safeguarding Foundations (v2020)	06.09.21
Wendy Berry	Basic Awareness: The Church of England (v2020)	12.09.21
Debbie Mellor	Basic Awareness: The Church of England (v2020)	30.09.21
Charlotte Mellor	Basic Awareness: The Church of England (v2020)	01.10.21
Debbie Mellor	Safeguarding Foundations (v2020)	02.10.21
Charlotte Mellor	Safeguarding Foundations (v2020)	02.10.21
Sue Warburton	Basic Awareness: The Church of England (v2020)	15.10.21
Nigel Hossle- Standring	Basic Awareness Safeguarding Foundations (v2020)	22.10.21
Debbie Mellor	C2: Leadership Safeguarding Training	20.10.21 27.10.21
Charlotte Mellor	C2: Leadership Safeguarding Training	20.10.21 27.10.21
Sue Warburton	C2: Leadership Safeguarding Training	01.11.21 08.11.21
Angela Akers	Basic Awareness	29.11.21
Angela Akers	Safeguarding Foundations (v2020)	10.12.21

4. The following information is on display in church:
 - The PCC's Safeguarding Statement on the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults;
 - The Diocesan Safeguarding Policy;
 - Contact details for the Parish Safeguarding Officer and Diocesan Safeguarding Team;
 - Information about where to get help with child and adult safeguarding issues, domestic abuse and key helplines e.g., ChildLine.
5. All policies and procedures are in place and up-to-date, as well as in line with Diocesan guidelines. There is access to a hard copy Parish Safeguarding Handbook and the Diocese Safeguarding Manual
6. We create an environment, which is welcoming and respectful and enables safeguarding concerns to be raised and responded to openly, promptly and consistently.
7. If there were any known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults they would be effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser.
8. We comply with all data protection legislation especially in regard to storing information about the 'church workforce', including volunteers and any safeguarding records.

Sue Warburton

Churchwarden's Report

Jacqueline and Nigel were both re-elected to the position of Churchwarden in April 2021 for another 1 year term. They were both sworn in at the Archdeacon's Visitation at Oldham Parish Church on the 3rd June 2021. We continue to manage the setup required for all types of services required in Church including Sunday services, weddings, Baptisms, and funerals. This also includes providing access to the Church building for the professional trades to carry out safety checks on the fire extinguishers, organ maintenance, lightning conductor and gas heating inspections. We continued to manage the mid-week services when covid restrictions permitted.

The St. George flag which is kindly donated each year by the Mullaney family was again replaced. They don't last long in the Mossley mistral!

The condition of the Church carpark and drive is getting very potholed in places and unpleasant to walk or drive over. Nigel was asked to obtain quotes to have the holes filled and to seek funding. After obtaining several quotes it was apparent it was going to be very expensive. Also, funding proved to be unavailable for such projects. It was decided that Mark Akers and Nigel would trial filling a couple of the holes with cold-lay tarmac. The tests proved successful as the filled trial holes have survived the frosts and snows of winter. It is hoped to fill more of the holes, particularly at the driveway entrance when the warmer weather arrives in early 2022.

It was noticed that part of the floor in the Church room floor was sagging. Specialists were called in to make an assessment and dry rot was discovered in some of the flooring joists. They proceeded to repair the damage. An access hatch was also installed at the same time to make future inspections easier.

The gullies either side of the Church walk were cleared as they get blocked by fallen leaves and need clearing in Autumn. The columns and capitols in Church have all been cleaned and the aisles were repainted red. The stained-glass windows and reredos have been gently cleaned by Mark.

Nigel pressure washes all the memorial plaques and paths in the Garden of Remembrance in spring and Autumn. This makes the paths safer, and the plaques were again readable.

Jimmy Mellor and Nigel cleared away approximately 10 bin bags worth of old bird nesting material from under the bells in the tower. We then tried to seal up as much of the old wooden shutters in the bell chamber to try and stop birds from re-entering.

Mark and Nigel cleared the gutters on the north side of the Church building and installed several new downspouts as in heavy rain, since the downspouts were not coping with the volume of water causing the gutters to overflow. The sewer drains were also rodded to clear a blockage.

The three Christmas trees, which are kindly donated each year; were put up by Mark and Fr David. Jacqueline then helped decorate the trees (with Mark doing the high one!)

It was decided to hold the annual Christmas fair in the Church and Church room and hall as the George Lawton Hall was closed for refurbishment. Breakfast with Santa proved to be very successful as 3 sittings were needed to satisfy demand.

Tameside council arborist department were asked to conduct a safety survey of the trees in the Churchyard. The subsequent report revealed 5 trees needed urgent attention. Quotes proved to be difficult to obtain as it was a large project with a grade II listed Lychgate to take into consideration. After a four month search a company was selected for the project. The project continued into 2022.

Jacqueline Hely & Nigel Hossle-Standing

St George's School - from the Headteacher

ST GEORGE'S C E PRIMARY SCHOOL, MOSSLEY REPORT FROM THE HEADTEACHER TO THE PCC MAY 2022

The Governing Body has continued to fulfil its wide range of legal responsibilities and to ensure that all pupils are given an equal opportunity to fulfil their potential in a caring and Christian environment.

The School and its Governing Body is pleased that the links with the church community continue to grow each year thanks to all the school staff and the church congregation. We were very sad to say our goodbyes to Father Ian and Father David in the last 12 months. We will miss them and thanked them on their departure for all the support they had offered the school. We hope that even during the vacancy at St George's church, the school and church will continue to work together in as many events as possible and we thank the PCC for allowing the school to still use the church building. We had a lovely Easter service in the first week of April and it was lovely to be able to welcome all the parents and families back. We had a church-full!! We are now looking forward to a visit from Bishop Mark on June 27th.

Teaching and learning continues to be reviewed and has been particularly challenging over the last 12 months when staff have had to deliver a recovery curriculum to help the children to catch up on all the learning missed from the lockdown and disruption due to the pandemic. However it has been good to have 2 full terms without closure and although we have still had individual staff and pupils having to be absent due to contracting COVID-19, the lessons on the whole have continued very well. The children in Year 2 and year 6 are now preparing for their end of Key Stage formal assessments – the first time in 3 years.

The Mossley and Carrbrook Schools Partnership continues to grow and reap many dividends as we work closely with the other schools in the partnership. We have continued to hold meetings via zoom and plan as much as we can together. We are now beginning to plan these events face to face and look forward to a brass concert and the Primary Olympics (an inter-school sports competition) in July.

At the end of July we said goodbye to 25 Year 6 children. As restrictions had been lifted in July, we were able to hold a lovely service in church which was led by Father David and Mrs Divers. The year 6 children were able to share memories with their families and school and church were able to give gifts of a bible, autograph book and poem bookmark. It was a lovely event.

In the last 12 months from our staffing team we have said goodbye to Mrs Veronica Bowley from the teaching staff team and Ms Karen Chadwick, our learning mentor. Due to the current financial situation of the school, Mrs Bowley was not replaced but Mrs Ruth Pomfret was appointed as the new learning mentor from November 2021. We have also missed Miss Jasmine Walker, the school deputy who has been on sick leave since September 2021. Her treatment is progressing well and she hopes to return towards the end of the Summer term.

I hope that this report provides a brief picture of what is happening in school and thank the staff, children, parents/carers and governors for their continued hard work.

Carolyn Divers
Headteacher of St George's CE Primary School

Micklehurst All Saints' School - from the Headteacher

It has been another very challenging year with the continuing pandemic affecting life for us all and preventing many of our usual events taking place. However, we tried hard to consider how we could still participate in events in our own schools, either virtually or in our individual settings.



In the autumn term our Year 3 children took part in a morning of Modern Foreign Languages to celebrate World Language Day in school. This was organised by Mossley Hollins staff and as we were unable to go up to Mossley Hollins we made the experience as enjoyable as possible at Micklehurst. The children enjoyed tasting Spanish nibbles and learning about the different Spanish traditions and culture. Year 3 also had a visit from Wayne and his collection of owls as they began their English unit of work based on the well-known story 'Owl Babies.' Our Year 6 pupils continued to take part in the Mossley Carrbrook School's Partnership Debating Society to develop their oracy and debating skills and videoed their debating presentations instead of participating in a live debate. Our Year 5 children have enjoyed the MCSP Wondrous Book Club initiative and have read 3 different genres and reviewed their favourites.

In the Early Years Foundation Stage, our annual open morning for our new EYFS parents was virtual. It was a shame we couldn't welcome prospective parents into school to see what Micklehurst All Saints has to offer but I think we did the best we could to promote school during such challenging times.

The children have participated in Anti Bullying Week, No Pens Day and have celebrated World Mental Health Day. We have also raised money for Macmillan, Children in Need, Emmaus, Cancer Research UK and have supported the Mossley Foodbank through our Harvest festival collection.

Our Year 5 children enjoyed taking part in their Bikeability sessions and most children passed each level of the programme and are now much more confident riding their bikes.

The children continued to learn how to keep safe with Year 6 welcoming the Safe Squad team into school. We also welcomed back our resident author David Mason who worked in Year 6 during the Summer term to write a powerful piece of creative writing.

Christmas was very different in school this year and due to not being able to put on our usual performances children and staff created a very special performance of our own version of 'We Three Kings' which we recorded and parents were able to download for £1. The money raised went to Mossley Foodbank. The children also created a video to retell the very special story of 'The Nativity' and this was available for all parents to access via our website.

Our Nursery children went to Sandon House and enjoyed Carol Singing outside for their residents. We also spread some Christmas cheer by making Christmas Cards for members of the local community who might have been experiencing loneliness during the festive period.

KS 2 took part in a virtual shared Christmas Service with the other Church schools on Monday 14th December, and we finished the term with our own school Carol Service and Christingle in the playground on Friday 18th December at 2.30pm. This was a very special service and a great way to end our busy term as a school community. Everyone finished school taking the spirit of Christmas into the festive period.

In January, school was closed for a second time due to the pandemic. However, due to changes in the guidance we still had at least half of each class of children in school. The children who were not eligible to attend continued with their home learning via our online platform Seesaw.

We celebrated Fairtrade Fortnight and the children found out more about the need for Fairtrade for farmers in other countries around the world. We had a really successful World Book Day on Thursday 4th March where children designed a book character from a potato! There were some fantastic creations, and we were very impressed with the level of imagination and creativity shown by some of the children and their families.

School re-opened to all children on Monday 8th March and it was lovely to have all the children back in school learning together again.

The children enjoyed Healthy School's Week and the SRE (Sex and Relationships Education) Curriculum was delivered successfully during this week.

In March we launched our new iPad project which enables our children in Years 4, 5 and 6 to have individual iPads to support and complete their learning. This created a lot of excitement with the children and they have amazed us with the skills they already can demonstrate!

On March 31st we came together as a whole school in the playground to celebrate Easter and the Year 6 children led our service with Father David.

After Easter the children in EYFS completed the Mini Bikers programme which enabled them to develop their gross motor skills and learn to use balance bikes and two wheeled bikes with confidence.

In May our Ethos council supported by our School Improvement Officer, completed a Junior Inspection which mirrored a SIAMS inspection. The children observed a virtual Collective Worship, RE lessons and interviewed the Head and Deputy as well as Father David to gain a clear view of RE and Collective Worship in school. The inspection team left us with a couple areas for improvement but were very pleased with provision in school.

By the summer term some of our classes were able to enjoy a range of visits. These included a Year 6 trip to the Anderton Centre in Chorley to experience a whole host of outdoor activities. Our Year 5 class visited Stockport Air Raid Shelters and Year 2 went to St George's Church.

Our children have taken part in a range of sporting competitions including MCSP events and we were victorious in the Virtual Tameside Urban Dance Competition and the Cheerfest Virtual Competition.

The children took part in National Sports Week albeit in their class groups rather than as a whole school, but they enjoyed a range of sporting activities, including Sports Day, over the week.

On 5th July, we enjoyed another shared service with St George's and Milton St Johns Primary Schools, and it was lovely to sing and pray together at the end of another challenging year.

Laura Trelfa

Headteacher Micklehurst All Saints CE Primary School

Junior Church Report

Kathryn takes the youngest group where the children are in KS1, Debbie takes the middle group with children in KS2 and Charlotte's group are KS3.

From January until August, Junior Church held zoom sessions once a fortnight with online activities each week also. There was no engagement via zoom from Charlotte's group, 2 regular attendees from Debbie's group and 3 regular attendees from Kathryn's group.

We restarted face to face Junior Church in September but changed the organisation of it, so the groups now run from September to August (like the school year). It was wonderful to see the children again and they have enjoyed the activities and seeing their Junior Church friends again. There are currently 7 regular children on Kathryn's register (with another 3 occasional children), Debbie has 7 regular attendees in her group and Charlotte has 4 regular attendees.

Charlotte and Debbie decided to continue with the current scheme which links the sessions with the readings in Church. Kathryn now uses Scripture Union.

Kathryn and Debbie start each session with the collect and the Lord's prayer. Then we do a start up activity which is usually a game. This is followed by the main part of the session where we read from the Bible and discuss issues surrounding the story. We then have an activity/craft linked to the Bible reading.

Charlotte also starts with an activity which links to her session, then she has a lot more Bible and discussion based work to help the children to gain a deeper insight into the Bible and wider thinking about the applications of faith in their lives.

Since September, Kathryn's group have looked at Noah and the flood and Jacob from the Old Testament and Jesus' life and miracles from the New Testament. Debbie's group have looked at Abraham from the Old Testament and Jesus's life from the New Testament, including Jesus calling his first disciples and his transfiguration (which has linked to the readings in Church), as has Charlotte's group.

In December, we were able to perform a Nativity for the first time in 2 years. It was called 'The New Star'. The children were all fantastic as the Nativity characters and Charlotte and Kathryn took the lead roles of New Star and Old Star respectively.

We are looking forward to all that 2022 brings.

Kathryn Malkin, Debbie and Charlotte Mellor

Electoral Roll

The Roll was opened for additions and amendments for the statutory period for the APCM meeting, sadly 3 were removed that had passed away making 79 (previously 82) names.

Kathryn Malkin

Stewardship & Gift Aid

77 (68 in 2019) people give regularly to support the life of our church: **44** through the envelope scheme and **33** by standing order. **46** (*44 in 2019*) of those are able to offer further support by gift-aiding their regular giving.

Karen Skeffington

Financial Statements Year Ended 31 December 2021

Independent Examiner's Report

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out later in this report, and is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

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

Mr Allan Brooks

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
St GEORGE'S ANNUAL MEETING of PARISHIONERS
27th September 2020

Present: Fr. David; Fr. Ian; J. Bruce; J. Hely; J. Renshaw; L. Brocklehurst; C. Hibbert; D. Shore; N. Hossle-Stranding; J. Hossle-Stranding; K. Skeffington; K. Malkin; S. Malkin; J. Jackson Smith; C. Winterbottom; J. Mellor; E. Mellor; C. Mellor; D. Mellor; P Holland; S-J Brown; M . Brookes; R. Brookes; K. Schofield; W. Berry; I. Raddings; J. Stone; M. Oldham; S. Hall; D. Dunn;

Welcome and opening prayer: Fr. David opened the meeting with prayer. He welcomed those who had remained for the meeting.

Apologies: B. Anderton; R. Ashton.

The Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of 7th April 2019. – taken as correct

Election of Church Wardens: There were three candidates for election; Jacqueline Hely, Nigel Hossle-Stranding and Dorothy Dunn. A vote taken by show of hands, adjudicated by Frs David and Ian. Jacqueline Hely and Nigel Hossle-Stranding were duly elected as Churchwardens for the year to April 2021.

Fr. David gave a vote of thanks to Julie Bruce for her past work in the position.

The Annual Vestry Meeting was then closed.

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
St GEORGE'S ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING
27th September 2020

Present: ANNUAL MEETING of PARISHIONERS.

Apologies: ANNUAL MEETING of PARISHIONERS.

The **Minutes of the APCM held on 7th April 2019** – taken as correct.

Presentation of accounts: The Treasurer gave her report on the accounts. We paid the Parish Share in full and are on the way to doing so again this year. Gift Aiding donations for the year 2019 totalled £17,573.77, up on £15,646.18 for 2018.

Expenditure: Our basic day to day running cost in 2019 was £325.00 per week, this does not include the Parish Share, donations raised from charities, Parish Magazine expenses, or any major or minor repairs. It does include Gas, Electricity and Insurance payments that average £167.50. There being no questions, Fr. David asked for the accounts to be adopted, this was moved by D. Dunn, seconded by J. Bruce and carried. Fr. David gave a vote of thanks to the Treasurer and to Karen Skeffington for all their hard work.

Appointment of Independent Examiner: Fr. David asked the Treasurer if Sumitra Jessop was prepared to carry on as the Independent Examiner. It was reported that she thought she would be prepared to carry on for the next year.

Presentation of Revised Electoral Roll: Fr. David reported that there were 83 people on the Electoral Roll which has been opened for additions and alterations earlier in the year.

Elections to PCC: Those elected to the PCC were: Julie Bruce, Dorothy Dunn, Jo Hossle-Standring, Katherine Malkin, Charlotte Mellor, Debbie Mellor, Carol Winterbottom; these were for a three-year term. Jacqui Renshaw's current term ends April 2021.

K. Malkin and D. Dunn offered themselves for the Deanery Synod. Fr. David thanked all those who had put their names forward.

Questions on reports: There were no questions from the floor.

Presentation of the Vicar's Annual Report, followed by questions: Fr. David opened with the comment that he had begun to write this report in January 2020, never thinking it would take six months for it to be finally given. He made comments on his report, as circulated.

Fr. David also thanked all members of the congregation who have been so involved in the ministry of the church, whether it is welcoming people on a Sunday, making tea and coffee, and especially for 'phoning the housebound during the Covid-19 shut down.

Fr. David thanked Fr. Ian for all the great work he has been doing since he came to join St. George's.

The beginning of 2020 saw the installation of Revd. Penny Warner as vicar of St. George's Stalybridge.

The year 2020 brought great changes to us all with the coming of the Covid-19 pandemic. The following months saw the church working in a very different way. Fr. David and Fr. Ian continued to celebrate the Eucharist. Services were seen and heard on-line and Fr. Ian kept in touch with people by telephone; he continues to do so although to a smaller number of people.

The Church Magazine was produced on-line and the first Parish Prayer Book was also produced on-line as well as a paper version.

The clergy took numerous funerals: amongst them Fr. David took the funeral of Amy Ward, a great friend to both the church and Fr. David personally. Although people could not attend her funeral many of them lined the road and placed flowers on the hearse as it passed by.

We have served the Mossley community by working with various groups.

Members of the congregation have helped to support the finances of the church through various fund-raising ideas; Barbara Anderton who raised £1000 by crocheting rainbows to support Mossley Foodbank.

We continue working with and supporting our schools, and assemblies are still continuing on Zoom.

The 200 Club supplied the money for 81 Bibles that are traditionally given to the school leavers.

There are plans to hold five Christingle Services so that all the school children are able to attend at least one of them.

VE Day was celebrated with St. John's Band, who should have sounded Reveille and the Last Post from the top of the church tower but were forced to make a recording at the War Memorial. We again commemorated the bombing of the Manchester Arena by lighting up St. John's.

Whit Friday was cancelled but took place on-line with hundreds of photographs of past Whit Friday processions gathered together. Some people went to the Market Ground and laid flowers in the shape of a cross as an act of witness.

Fr. David reported that he has been writing an article in the Tameside Reporter for about six months; all these events are keeping the church in the people's minds.

Fr. David said he is proud of all the things people are doing to support the church and parish, including raising £1000 for Mossley Food Bank.

Fr. David concluded by saying it is the privilege of his life to be the vicar of this parish, to baptise, marry and lay to rest its inhabitants.

He said thank you to Sally-Jane Brown, Pauline Holland, Pam Lakin and Val Bates for all their dedicated work as PCC members, and thank-you to Amy Ward. He then welcomed all those who had stepped forward to take up their places.

The meeting closed at 1.30 pm with the Grace.

PARISH OF MOSSLEY - St George's Church **Agendas for 8th May 2022**

Annual Meeting of Parishioners

- Welcome and opening prayer
- Apologies for Absence
- Election of Churchwardens (*elected annually*)
- Close

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

- Apologies for Absence
- Minutes of last APCM
- Presentation of Accounts
- Appointment of Independent Examiner
- Presentation of revised Electoral Roll
- Elections: **three vacancies for PCC and one vacancy for Deanery Synod**
- Safeguarding report
- Questions on reports
- Closing prayer
- All new members of PCC and Parish Officers to sign *Fit and Proper Persons* declaration

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2021

Statement of Financial activities (S.O.F.A)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2021 £	2020 £
<u>Incoming Resources</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	###		###	###
Other voluntary incoming resources	3,009.04	###	###	8,388.07
Activities in Furtherance of the councils objectives	###		###	###
Activities for generating funds	8,608.11		###	5,000.57
Income from Investments & Bank Int.	200.56	2.28	202.84	218.95
Other Incoming Resources				###
Total incoming resources	###	###	###	###
<u>Resources used</u>				
Cost of generating funds	27.35		27.35	93.60
Grants (money given to Charity)	74.11		74.11	100.00
HLF/ LPOW Funding Costs (architects/surveys fees etc.)				420.00
Activities relating to the work of the Church	###	###	###	###
Church management & Administration	7,652.17		###	6,630.06
Total resources used	###	###	###	###
Net incoming/ outgoing resources before transfer	4,883.41	###	###	###
Gross Transfers between Funds -in				
Gross Transfers between funds - out				
Gains and losses on investments assets	437.20	550.40	987.60	549.46
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	5,320.61	-552.62	###	###

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total Funds brought forward 1st Jan 2021	###	###	###	###
Total Funds carried forward 31st Dec 2021	###	###	###	###

INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2021	TOTAL 2020
<u>Incoming resources from Donors</u>				
Gift-Aid - Bank	###		###	9,785.00
Gift-Aid - Envelopes	###		###	8,550.97
Tax Recoverable on Gift-	###		###	7,762.18
Other Planned Giving	###		###	3,177.65
Loose Plate Collections	###		###	2,199.86
Donations to Garden of Remembrance				
Donations to Junior Church *from Church Queen	150.00		150.00	102.00
	###		###	###
<u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u>				
One off Gift-Aids gifts	255.00		255.00	240.00
Donations to Church Fur	###		###	5,721.54
200 Club		922.04	922.04	
Flower Fund		385.00	385.00	250.00
Fabric Fund Income		30.00	30.00	2,063.53
Restoration Fund		326.00	326.00	96.00
Bellringers Fund				3.57
Choir Fund				13.43
	###	###	###	8,388.07
<u>Activities in the Furtherance of the Councils Objectives</u>				
Parish Magazine Sales	315.53		315.53	350.51
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - P.C.C	###		###	4,075.00
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - M.D.B.F	###		###	5,343.00
Travel Cost incurred for services at Cremator	10.00		10.00	121.00
Money raised for Charity	72.41		72.41	101.70
Community Outreach Donations				200.00
	###		###	###
<u>Activities for Generating Funds</u>				
Zoom, Christmas 12, Mystery Evening, etc.	###		###	3,587.25
Other Funds Generated	821.40		821.40	1,413.32
Magazine Income - Advertising	637.00		637.00	
Church Queen 2019/2020	###		###	
	###		###	5,000.57
<u>Income from Investments</u>				
Dividends	195.80		195.80	208.83
Bank & Building Society Interest	4.76	2.28	7.04	10.12
	200.56	2.28	202.84	218.95
<u>Other Incoming Resources</u>				
Archive Project Funds				###
HISTORIC ENGLAND GRANT				5,159.85
DCMS LPOW SCHEME				###
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2021	TOTAL 2020
<u>ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH</u>				
Ministry:Diocesan Parish Share	###		###	###
Working Expenses of Incumbent	984.81		984.81	617.90
Working Expenses of Associated Pr	161.75		161.75	197.75
Vicarage Expenses	910.03		910.03	###
Salaries, Wages & Honoraria	270.00		270.00	120.00
Church running expenses -Gas	1,466.71		###	###
Church running expenses -Electric	2,358.52		###	###
Church running expenses -Water	305.72		305.72	275.87
Church running expenses -Insurance	4,830.88		###	###
Church Maintenance	942.65		942.65	###
Upkeep of Services	1,596.99		###	###
Upkeep of Garden of Remembrance	300.00		300.00	280.00
Upkeep of Burial Grounds *	2,010.00		###	###
Parish Magazine expenses	981.00		981.00	733.00
Junior Church				45.53
Church Queen				
Interior/Exterior Decoration & repairs				###
Major Repairs/Installations (Heating System)				
Restoration Fund		###	###	###
Flower Fund		393.54	393.54	410.00
Fabric Fund				###
200 Club		764.61	764.61	
Choir Fund				271.43
Bellringers Fund				###
Community Outreach Costs				191.27
50% of late Amy Ward Donations				532.50
	###	###	###	###
 <u>Church Management and Administration</u>				
Administration	1,419.17		###	###
Wedding/Funeral fees payable to M.D.B.F	6,233.00		###	###
	7,652.17		###	###
 <u>Cost of Generating Funds</u>				
200 Club				
Restoration Fund				
Car boots,Fairs etc.	27.35		27.35	93.60
	27.35		27.35	93.60
 <u>Money raised for Charities (</u>				
Charitable Giving	74.11		74.11	100.00
 <u>Grants for HLF/LP</u>				
Architects & Surveyors fees				420.00
				420.00
 *The Church is now responsible for upkeep of Burial Ground				
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	###	###	###	###

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Fixed Assets

	2021 £	2020 £
A112 Investments Unrestricted	<u>###</u>	<u>6,835.87</u>
A112 Investments Restricted	<u>###</u>	<u>9,855.59</u>
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>

LIABILITIES PARISH SHARE **###**

FUNDS

The Restricted Funds Comprise of all organisational funds with

FUND MOVEMENTS

Balance b/fwd - 1st Jan 2	31,250.65
Incoming Resources	52,621.42
Resources Expended	-48,841.03
Gains on Investment	<u>987.60</u>
Balance at 31st Dec. 2021	<u>36,018.64</u>

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS by fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2021
Investments fixed asse	7,273.07	###	###
Current assets	11,087.16	###	###
TOTAL NET ASSETS	18,360.23	###	###
 Liabilities	 7,250.00		 ###

BALANCE SHEET DETAILED

2021

2020

FIXED ASSETS

A1122 INVESTMENTS UNRESTRICTED	7,273.07	6,835.87
A1123 INVESTMENTS RESTRICTED	10,405.99	9,855.59
	17,679.06	16,691.46

CURRENT ASSETS

A1501 BANK ACCOUNT CURRENT	10,839.41	6,203.75
A1505 ORGANISATIONAL FUND ACCOUNT	7,252.42	8,355.44
A1550 CASH IN HAND	247.75	

Total Current Assets		
	18,339.58	14,559.19

Net Asset Surplus/Deficit		
	36,018.64	31,250.65

RESERVES

	EXCESS/(deficit)to date	3,780.39	-14,477.59
Z01 STARTING BALANCES		31,250.65	45,178.78
Z03 GAINS AND LOSSES OWN USE		987.60	549.46
		36,018.64	31,250.65

REPRESENTED BY FUNDS

UNRESTRICTED	28,215.82	22,895.21
RESTRICTED	7,802.82	8,355.44
TOTAL	36,018.64	31,250.65

MOSSLEY PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

FINANCIAL REVIEW 2021

PARISH ACCOUNT RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

PARISH SHARE

We only paid 75% of our Parish Share -£21,750.00 which includes £550.00 from the Diocese encouragement scheme.

We also received £4,112.37 from H.M.Charities (claimed from Gift-aided envelopes,

and Gift-aided Donations & G.A.S.D.S.)

GIFT-AIDING

Gift -Aided donations for 2021 totalled £12,195.95 Compared to £18,335.97 in 2020,

this is due to a large number of congregation now unable to Gift Aid their Donations.

INCOMING RESOURCES this is money we receive from:

Giving through bank by Standing Order

Gift-Aided weekly envelopes & weekly envelopes unable to be Gift-Aided

Loose plate collections at services, and single one-off donations

Fund-raising events and Income from Investments

Notes on Investments held at Diocese

The Cost Book value of our Investments is £11,175.95

The Market value of our Investments is £17,679.06

The Market value of our investments made £987.60

Expenditure

The Church Gas, Electricity, Water and Insurance and also our portion of the vicarage council tax and water rates were £9871.86 =£190.00 per week

Other regular payments eg Incumbent Exp. Church Maintenance, Upkeep of Services, Upkeep of Garden of Remembrance and Burial grounds. £7253.62 =£139.00 per week,

This **does not** include the Parish Share, Donations raised for Charities, Parish Magazine Expenses, or any major or minor repairs we have had done this year,

Carol Winterbottom (Treasurer)

Accounts

St George's Church
Growing, nurturing, serving

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
for the year ended 31st December 2020**

Published March 2021



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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31st DECEMBER 2020

The members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC), who are the trustees of the charity, present the annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Aim and purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend David Warner, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish and benefice, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St George, Mossley.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St George's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, prayer, learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

Church Life & Activities

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping.

Reserves policy

The PCC does not currently have a reserves policy on unrestricted funds.

Structure, governance, and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. George's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members and those with new roles are to receive advice and initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Administrative information

St George's Mossley is (with St John the Baptist Roughtown) part of the Benefice of Mossley, which is part of the Deanery of Ashton, the Archdeaconry of Rochdale and the Diocese of Manchester within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended) and a registered Charity.

The Parochial Church Council

The Revd David Warner	Vicar of Mossley
The Revd Ian Brocklehurst	Associate Priest (<i>in attendance</i>)

		<i>current term expires</i>
Mrs Jacqueline Hely	Churchwarden	APCM 2021
Mr Nigel Hossle-Standring	Churchwarden	APCM 2021
Mrs Dorothy Dunn	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2023
Mrs Kathryn Malkin	Deanery Synod Rep	APCM 2023
<i>Vacancy</i>	Deanery Synod Rep	
Mrs Julie Bruce		APCM 2023
Mrs Jo Hossle-Standring		APCM 2023

Miss Charlotte Mellor		APCM 2023
Mrs Debbie Mellor		APCM 2023
Mrs Jacqui Renshaw	Hon Secretary	APCM 2021
Mrs Carole Winterbottom	Hon Treasurer	APCM 2023
Vacancy		
Vacancy		
Vacancy		

The PCC

- is a charity registered with the Charities Commission.
- oversees the financial work of the Church by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and co-ordinating the stewardship of money through planned giving.
- attends to matters relating to the ministry of the Church, including work with young people.
- attends to the ministry of the Church to the community and the world.
- attends to matters relating to the stewardship of the Church Buildings and fabric, the Churchyard (which is closed to burials, and largely the responsibility of Tameside MBC). The PCCs of St George's and St John the Baptist (*and from January 2020 the PCC of St George's Stalybridge, in respect of their Vicar*) contribute towards costs for St John's Vicarage.

Parish Officers

Carole Hibbert	200 Club / Mothers' Union
Kathryn Malkin	Electoral Roll / Magazine Editor / Junior Church
Debbie Mellor	Baptism Co-ordinator / Junior Church
Jim Mellor	Hon Site Manager
Karen Skeffington	Gift Aid Secretary
Sue Warburton	Parish Safeguarding Officer

The Revd Ian Brocklehurst, Dorothy Dunn, Pauline Holland, Amanda Partington, Sandra Proctor and Irene Raddings are Foundation Governors of St George's School. Elaine Horridge and Chris Lyness are Foundation Governors of Micklehurst All Saints' School: these are all nominated by the PCC.

The Vicar is a member of the Diocesan Synod, a member of the Diocesan Mission and Ministry Committee, Vice-Chair of the governing bodies of St George's and Milton St John's Schools, an ex-officio Governor of Micklehurst All Saints' School and a member of the Mossley Town Team.

Vicar's report

This has obviously been a very unusual year, with lots that hasn't happened, as well as lots that has. I'm grateful to all who've continued to worship (in whatever context), to Fr Ian, our PCC, Wardens, Junior Church leaders and all who've continued above all else to pray for our work in service to our community. We have sadly lost several of our treasured and long-term fellow worshippers, and we continue to grieve for so many who have died in these past months, and the many other small losses that have affected us all.

This is a list (though not exhaustive) of what HAS happened...

- prayer for our community, NHS, schools, all involved in key-working and relief efforts, families and many others.
- celebrating the Eucharist on behalf of all, with and without congregations.
- Holy Week and Easter 2020 liturgy, addresses and poetry - available online and on paper.
- updates, videos and provision of prayer and other materials (electronic and paper).
- paper updates for our 'members' who aren't online.
- weekly 'phone calls to those not online.
- weekly e-newsletter and Junior Church activities
- Fortnightly online Junior Church session.
- parish magazine made available *free*, online and on paper.
- publishing our first Parish Prayer Book online and on paper for regular use.
- virtual coffee mornings and quizzes.
- 30+ funerals at the crematorium, cemeteries and in church when possible.
- work alongside *Action Together, Mossley Town Council* to support our community.
- fundraising and weekly practical support for *Mossley Foodbank* (approximately £2000+ cash value, including £1000 from Barbara A's rainbows!), Mothering Sunday flowers and Father's Day gifts.

- supporting schools (*governor meetings, staff talks, meeting with Heads*), businesses and charities.
- VE75 virtual event with St John's (Mossley) band and others.
- marking the anniversary of the Manchester bombing.
- Whit Friday virtual event, and flowers on the market ground with Churches Together.
- weekly articles and editorials in local newspapers.
- use of MailChimp for online newsletters and YouTube for videos.
- fundraising for our churches, including *easyfundraising* and online donation portals.
- St George's 200 club provided 81 Bibles for our Yr6 leavers.
- sacrificial financial giving to support the life of our parish.
- a commitment to make the buildings available for use.
- worship online each week.
- weekly contact with our schools, both in person (where possible) and online.

Alongside the 'usual' administrative stuff, which has been harder during this time, that's quite a list, and I thank God for all who have joined together in prayer and whatever other way in this extraordinary endeavour. There is a lot to learn from these months and we are committed to learning lessons wherever we can for our future life.

As we move towards the next phase of Covid-19 and the response to it, I am proud and humbled by the way our community has held together. Thank you for all you are and all you do, and thank you God for the joy and witness of our parish community.

It is the privilege of my life to serve as Vicar here. God bless and keep you all, and thank you.

Fr David

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our parish churches.

(KEY MESSAGE from: Parish Safeguarding Handbook: Promoting a Safer Church)

- I. Sue Warburton is the current Parish Safeguarding Officer and the DBS administrator for St George's. Contact details can be found on the Parish Newsletter. A successful handover of the role was

carried out in November 2020. Many thanks to Sally-Jane and Pauline for this and for their previous work and commitment to the role.

2. Safeguarding is on the agenda of every PCC meeting. No concerns or issues have been raised. New ways of communicating due to the current pandemic have created new challenges. All recommended safeguarding procedures are followed for all online meetings and live streaming of services.
3. All members of the PCC and church workers have up-to-date DBS certificates. Safeguarding training is only accessible online for the time being.
4. The following information is on display in church:
 - The PCC's Safeguarding Statement on the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults;
 - The Diocesan Safeguarding Policy;
 - Contact details for the Parish Safeguarding Officer and Diocesan Safeguarding Team;
 - Information about where to get help with child and adult safeguarding issues, domestic abuse and key helplines e.g., ChildLine.
5. All policies and procedures are in place and up-to-date, as well as in line with Diocesan guidelines. There is access to a hard copy Parish Safeguarding Handbook and the Diocese Safeguarding Manual.
6. We create an environment, which is welcoming and respectful and enables safeguarding concerns to be raised and responded to openly, promptly and consistently.
7. If there were any known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults they would be effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser.
8. We comply with all data protection legislation especially in regard to storing information about the 'church workforce', including volunteers and any safeguarding records.

Sue Warburton

Warden's Report

From Julie Bruce for the first part of the year.

The New Year started on a very pleasant note with the Mother's Union annual dinner at Mossley Masonic Hall, with more guests than ever

attending. Grateful thanks to all in the Mothers Union, especially Carol and Sheila who continue this wonderful work and also for the statue of Jesus and Mary, purchased in thanksgiving for the late Audrey Nield.

We would like to also wish our Archdeacon, Cherry Vann, now the 11th Bishop of Monmouth all best wishes in her new ministry and our grateful thanks for her support to St Georges over the past years.

In January we also saw the retirement of our choir and we offer a massive thank you to them for their years of work and praise.

Another cause for celebrating early in the New Year was the licensing of Mthr Penny as Vicar of St George's Stalybridge, we wish her luck and happiness and welcome her to Mossley.

During the fourth week in Lent, churches were ordered to close for the first time in 800 years at the start of the first COVID lockdown.

The postponed March APCM took place in September and Jacqueline Hely was re-elected as Churchwarden. Nigel Hossle-Standring was also elected, replacing Julie Bruce who had stood down.

In November it was with sadness and an honour for the wardens to process, with wands, before the coffin of Sheila Webb.

Later that same evening the Archdeacon's Annual Visitation was conducted via Zoom where the Church Wardens were sworn in for a new term by the new Archdeacon of Rochdale, the Ven David Sharples.

Since admission, we have assisted in funerals, with maintenance, opened the church for organ practices, attended PCC meetings over ZOOM, tolled the service bell at Remembrance and cleared the car park and Garden of Remembrance of the autumn leaf fall.

Jacqueline Hely & Nigel Hossle-Standring

St George's School - from the Headteacher

The Governing Body has continued to fulfil its wide range of legal responsibilities and to ensure that all pupils are given an equal opportunity to fulfil their potential in a caring and Christian environment. The School and its Governing Body is pleased that the links with the church

community continue to grow each year thanks to all the school staff, Father David and Father Ian. It has been lovely to welcome both David and Ian into school and a particular thanks to them keeping up with the weekly assembly via zoom during the lockdowns. Unfortunately due to the unprecedented year, in the last 12 months school has not been able to go into church or have any of the services we would normally hold. However it was lovely to still be able to hold a Christingle service over zoom in December and there are plans to do an outdoor Easter service in a couple of weeks.

Teaching and learning continues to be reviewed and has been particularly tested over the last 12 months when teachers have had to resort to remote learning for part of the year. From March to September last year most children did not attend school at all and the learning was particularly affected. Children returned in September and staff worked really hard to bridge some of the gaps.

However, as you will be aware, we had another lockdown from January to March this year. This time we had bought into a digital platform and as a result, we were able to use 'Google Classroom' to provide live teaching every day. This was really appreciated by the parents (many of whom were trying to do their own jobs from home) and helped children at home to learn at the same speed and depth as the children who were attending school due to meeting the criteria of being children of key workers or children of vulnerable families.

The Mossley and Carrbrook Schools Partnership continues to grow and reap many dividends as we work closely with the other schools in the partnership. However yet again working together face to face has not been possible in the last 12 months and all the usual events such as the Spelling Bee, Mossley Olympics and concerts have unfortunately had to be cancelled. As lockdown has been lifted and we begin to look at the future, we hope to reinitiate the events. We have however been able to meet virtually as Heads and have tried to ensure that the messages going out to all the families across Mossley is consistent.

At the end of July we said goodbye to 24 Year 6 children. As restrictions had been lifted a little in July, we were able to hold a lovely service in church which was led by Father David and Mrs Divers. Bishop Mark also shared an introduction and blessing in a recorded video message that went

out to all the primary school leavers in Manchester Diocese. Unfortunately we were not able to have whole school in church due to space restrictions but year 6 were able to share memories with their families and school and church were able to give gifts of a bible, autograph book and poem bookmark. It was a lovely event.

In the last 12 months from our staffing team we have said goodbye to Lynda Shackleton from the school office, Laura Dobb, Teresa Ellington and Irene Chew from the lunchtime assistant team, Molly Ames and Deborah Winter who both completed their NQT year and moved on to permanent teaching positions and Sylvia Ferguson who retired from her post as a teaching assistant. Due to the current financial situation of the school, none of these staff have been replaced. Other staffing changes have been linked to maternity leaves with Veronica Bowley returning in a part time role to teach Y4 and Suzanne Kay starting maternity leave. She hopes to return in July 2021.

In September 2020 school started a new venture with Castletop Nursery with the staff from the Manchester Rd site now running a satellite nursery in our school. Although they run independently, the staff work in conjunction with our reception staff and it is hoped that over time, the partnership will boost our numbers applying for a main school place with the children already having got used to coming to St George's. Castletop also run our Before and After school club and therefore St George's now provides wrap around care from 7.30am to 6pm for any children from aged 3 to 11. I hope that this report provides a full picture of what is happening in school and thank the staff, children, parents/carers and governors for their continued hard work.

Carolyn Divers

Micklehurst All Saints' School - from the Headteacher

We have had a very different and unusual time this last year at Micklehurst All Saints CE Primary School, as the pandemic hit us, and the country went into its first period of lockdown in March 2020. The year began in the as normal and we managed to engage in our usual activities from September through to March.

In the autumn term our Year 3 children visited Mossley Hollins for a morning of Modern Foreign Languages to celebrate World Language Day and they also had a visit from Wayne and his collection of owls as they

began their Literacy unit based on the well-known story 'Owl Babies.' Our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils continued to take part in the Mossley Carrbrook School's Partnership Debating Society to develop their oracy and debating skills.

The children continued to learn how to keep safe with the Year 6 visit to Safe Squad and a visit from the Fire Department to talk about Autumn Safety. We have also welcomed back our resident author David Mason who worked in Year 4 and Year 6 during the autumn on creative writing with personification in poetry with Year 4 and around the theme of Victorian children working in coal mines in Year 6. Our Year 4 class visited the Heritage centre at Park Bridge in Ashton to participate in a river study and Year 3 visited Mossley Methodist church to participate in 'Experience Harvest.'

In the Early Years Foundation Stage, the children in Nursery and Reception invited their parents/carers in for a 'Stay and Play' session. Our open morning and evening for our new EYFS parents was well attended and we had further subsequent visits from prospective parents. Nursery and Reception teachers have also led workshops for parents on Reading and Phonics and these were also well attended. Reception have been using the garden area at the back of school and have experienced a range of activities linked to knowledge and understanding of the world.

Messy Church has continued and been very successful and I would like to thank all our volunteers who have helped with preparations for each of these sessions and supported the children with their activities. We have had half termly sessions based on a range of themes and the children and families have really enjoyed them. We were hoping to welcome Bishop Mark to one of these sessions in March but unfortunately this was not possible. Hopefully, this will be something to look forward to in the future.

Our children have taken part in a range of sporting competitions including Tag Rugby, Hockey, Curling, Football and were victorious in the Tameside Urban Dance Competition. The children have participated in Anti Bullying Week, No Pens Day and have celebrated World Mental Health Day. We have also raised money for Mental Health, Macmillan and Children in Need.

As part of the Mossley and Carrbrook School Partnership our Year 5 children have continued their choral teaching and took part in the MCSP Christmas Musical evening at Mossley Hollins. This was a fantastic event! Our Year 6 children have also been part of the MCSP Student leadership meetings where they had started to plan a year of events to take place in each of the schools.

December 2019 was a magical month! Parents/carers enjoyed two KS 2 musical performances in school, one from Year 4, and one from Year 5 and Year 6. Our PTFA organised the Christmas Fair and a Christmas Film night. Our super Christmas performances took place on 12th December for KS1, Friday 13th December for KS2 and Monday 16th December for EYFS. We were very proud of all our children.

Year 1 visited Portland Basin to take part in a Victorian Christmas and some of our children enjoyed the annual Child Flight. KS 2 visited St George's Church for a shared Christmas Service on Monday 16th December, and we finished the term with our own school Carol Service and Christingle on Friday 20th December at 2.30pm. This was a very special service and a great way to end our busy term. Everyone finished school taking the spirit of Christmas into the festive period.

In January, the children enjoyed Healthy School's Week and the SRE (Sex and Relationships Education) Curriculum was delivered successfully during this week. We celebrated Fairtrade Fortnight and the children found out more about the need for Fairtrade for farmers in other countries around the world. Some of our children worked with the Mossley Fairtrade team to promote Fairtrade at the CO-OP in Mossley and shared some of their work on Fairtrade with visitors at 'The Big Brew' at Mossley Methodist church. We had a really successful World Book Day on Thursday 5th March where children designed boxes to represent their favourite books. These were fantastic creations, and we were very impressed with the level of imagination and creativity shown by some of the children and their families.

Year 6 attended the Careers Fair at Mossley Hollins where local, national and global representatives attended from many different organisations as well as 'Live and Learn', who led sessions with the students on aspiration, resilience and drive. Students received advice and career guidance from employer representatives and our students had opportunities to ask a wide range of questions. Representatives including Virgin Atlantic, the police, a

priest, a solicitor, a midwife, the fire service and Hits' Radio led sessions at the Career Fair to help our pupils to start to think about their future education and potential careers.

Year 3 visited Pizza Express in Stockport where they made their own pizzas and enjoyed eating them for their lunch! Year 2 visited Staircase House in Stockport to inspire them in their new topic about The Great Fire of London. Our Year 6 pupils thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Mossley Hollins for a Food Technology session where they looked at making healthy meals on a budget.

We have welcomed a number of visitors into school during the spring term and these have included Father David who visited Year 3 to support their RE learning, Freddie Fit who worked with our play leaders to develop further skills in leading activities at lunchtime and wake up, shake up and the 'Tooth Fairy' who visited Year 1 and Year 2 to talk about dental hygiene.

From 23rd March and during lockdown school was open for vulnerable children and children of key workers. Staff were organised on a rota and attended school to support these children with fun, physical and creative activities. All children were provided with packs of work to complete at home. Staff and children kept in regular contact with our families and the community via our Seesaw and Dojo apps and we made regular videos to keep in touch with everyone.

In June we were pleased to welcome back our Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children, if parents/carers chose to send their children back to school, and this was for the final 4 weeks of term. This looked very different to normal and children were organised in bubbles, with staggered start and finish times and different lunchtime arrangements. Classrooms looked very different and school had one-way systems in place to move around school. Sanitiser stations were introduced and lots of hand-washing took place. The children quickly got used to the new routines and systems in place and we were really impressed with how our whole school community adapted to these necessary changes. We did manage to invite our Year 6 pupils back to school for a picnic of Pizza and Burgers so they could say their goodbyes to their friends and staff. Miss Harding organised a DVD of their time at Micklehurst and PTFA bought leavers hoodies for them all which we delivered to those that were at home. We missed having

all the usual events that would normally take place during and at the end of the summer term and at this point we were not aware just how long this situation was going to last!

Laura Trelfa

Junior Church Report

Kathryn takes the youngest group where the children range in age from 3-8, Debbie takes the middle group who range in age from 7-11 and Charlotte's group are year 7 onwards.

Between January and December, Kathryn had 11 children on the register, Debbie had 5 children on the register and Charlotte had 6 children on her register.

Kathryn and Debbie start each session with the collect and the Lord's prayer. Then we do a start up activity which is usually a game. This is followed by the main part of the session where we read from the Bible and discuss issues surrounding the story. We then have an activity/craft linked to the Bible reading.

Charlotte also starts with an activity which links to her session, then she has a lot more bible and discussion based work to help the children to gain a deeper insight into the Bible and wider thinking about the applications of faith in their lives.

Prize-giving Sunday in March was a great celebration of the children's attendance and contribution. Debbie's group performed a play about Joseph and the famine, Kathryn's group sang "Any dream will do" and Charlotte's group led the prayers.

Prizes for attendance

Kathryn's group :- 1st prize – Jack Jones & Jacob Edwards, 2nd prize – Edward Mullaney, 3rd prize – Izabel Partington & Abigail Partington.

Debbie's group:- 1st prize – Sophie Mullaney, 2nd prize – Faye Driffield, 3rd prize – Molly Mullaney & Christina Berry

Charlotte's group:- 1st prize – Shannon Darraugh, 2nd prize – Eve Mullaney, 3rd prize – Harrison Duddle

The Susan Carley Memorial Trophy in March 2020 went to Charlotte Mellor for her lifelong commitment and dedication to both Junior Church and the Church community.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic from March, Junior Church tasks were set online with zoom meetings on a regular basis. We have had regular engagement from 6 children from Kathryn's and Debbie's groups on both zoom and having a go at the online activities. Unfortunately none of the senior age children have participated in any way. We hope that we will be able to restart face to face Junior Church at some point in 2021.

Kathryn Malkin, Debbie and Charlotte Mellor

Electoral Roll

The Roll was opened for additions and amendments for the statutory period before this meeting and with one addition, now contains **88** (previously 83) names.

Kathryn Malkin

Stewardship & Gift Aid

77 (68 in 2019) people give regularly to support the life of our church: **44** through the envelope scheme and **33** by standing order. **46** (*44 in 2019*) of those are able to offer further support by gift-aiding their regular giving.

Karen Skeffington

Financial Statements Year Ended 31 December 2020

Independent Examiner's Report

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out later in this report, and is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 410f of the Act; and to prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mrs Sumitra Jessop

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
St GEORGE'S ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING
27th September 2020

Present: Fr. David; Fr. Ian; J. Bruce; J. Hely; J. Renshaw; L. Brocklehurst; C. Hibbert; D. Shore; N. Hossle-Standring; J. Hossle-Standring; K. Skeffington; K. Malkin; S. Malkin; J. Jackson Smith; C. Winterbottom; J. Mellor; E. Mellor; C. Mellor; D. Mellor; P Holland; S-J Brown; M . Brookes; R. Brookes; K. Schofield; W. Berry; I. Raddings; J. Stone; M. Oldham; S. Hall; D. Dunn;

Welcome and opening prayer: Fr. David opened the meeting with prayer. He welcomed those who had remained for the meeting.

Apologies: B. Anderton; R. Ashton.

The Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of 7th April 2019. – taken as correct

Election of Church Wardens: There were three candidates for election; Jacqueline Hely, Nigel Hossle-Standring and Dorothy Dunn. A vote taken by show of hands, adjudicated by Frs David and Ian. Jacqueline Hely and Nigel Hossle-Standring were duly elected as Churchwardens for the year to April 2021.

Fr. David gave a vote of thanks to Julie Bruce for her past work in the position.

The Annual Vestry Meeting was then closed.

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
St George's Annual Parochial Church Meeting
27th September 2020

Present: As Vestry meeting.

Apologies: As Vestry meeting.

The **Minutes of the APCM held on 7th April 2019** – taken as correct.

Presentation of accounts: The Treasurer gave her report on the accounts. We paid the Parish Share in full and are on the way to doing so again this year. Gift Aiding donations for the year 2019 totalled £17,573.77, up on £15,646.18 for 2018.

Expenditure: Our basic day to day running cost in 2019 was £325.00 per week, this does not include the Parish Share, donations raised from charities, Parish Magazine expenses, or any major or minor repairs. It does include Gas, Electricity and Insurance payments that average £167.50. There being no questions, Fr. David asked for the accounts to be adopted, this was moved by D. Dunn, seconded by J. Bruce and carried. Fr. David gave a vote of thanks to the Treasurer and to Karen Skeffington for all their hard work.

Appointment of Independent Examiner: Fr. David asked the Treasurer if Sumitra Jessop was prepared to carry on as the Independent

Examiner. It was reported that she thought she would be prepared to carry on for the next year.

Presentation of Revised Electoral Roll: Fr. David reported that there were 83 people on the Electoral Roll which has been opened for additions and alterations earlier in the year.

Elections to PCC: Those elected to the PCC were: Julie Bruce, Dorothy Dunn, Jo Hossle-Standring, Katherine Malkin, Charlotte Mellor, Debbie Mellor, Carol Winterbottom; these were for a three-year term. Jacqui Renshaw's current term ends April 2021.

K. Malkin and D. Dunn offered themselves for the Deanery Synod. Fr. David thanked all those who had put their names forward.

Questions on reports: There were no questions from the floor.

Presentation of the Vicar's Annual Report, followed by questions: Fr. David opened with the comment that he had begun to write this report in January 2020, never thinking it would take six months for it to be finally given. He made comments on his report, as circulated.

Fr. David also thanked all members of the congregation who have been so involved in the ministry of the church, whether it is welcoming people on a Sunday, making tea and coffee, and especially for 'phoning the housebound during the Covid-19 shut down.

Fr. David thanked Fr. Ian for all the great work he has been doing since he came to join St. George's.

The beginning of 2020 saw the installation of Revd. Penny Warner as vicar of St. George's Stalybridge.

The year 2020 brought great changes to us all with the coming of the Covid-19 pandemic. The following months saw the church working in a very different way. Fr. David and Fr. Ian continued to celebrate the Eucharist. Services were seen and heard on-line and Fr. Ian kept in touch with people by telephone; he continues to do so although to a smaller number of people.

The Church Magazine was produced on-line and the first Parish Prayer Book was also produced on-line as well as a paper version.

The clergy took numerous funerals: amongst them Fr. David took the funeral of Amy Ward, a great friend to both the church and Fr. David personally. Although people could not attend her funeral many of them lined the road and placed flowers on the hearse as it passed by.

We have served the Mossley community by working with various groups.

Members of the congregation have helped to support the finances of the church through various fund-raising ideas; Barbara Anderton who raised £1000 by crocheting rainbows to support Mossley Foodbank.

We continue working with and supporting our schools, and assemblies are still continuing on Zoom.

The 200 Club supplied the money for 81 Bibles that are traditionally given to the school leavers.

There are plans to hold five Christingle Services so that all the school children are able to attend at least one of them.

VE Day was celebrated with St. John's Band, who should have sounded Reveille and the Last Post from the top of the church tower but were forced to make a recording at the War Memorial. We again commemorated the bombing of the Manchester Arena by lighting up St. John's.

Whit Friday was cancelled but took place on-line with hundreds of photographs of past Whit Friday processions gathered together. Some people went to the Market Ground and laid flowers in the shape of a cross as an act of witness.

Fr. David reported that he has been writing an article in the Tameside Reporter for about six months; all these events are keeping the church in the people's minds. Fr. David said he is proud of all the things people are doing to support the church and parish, including raising £1000 for Mossley Food Bank. Fr. David concluded by saying it is the privilege of his life to be the vicar of this parish, to baptise, marry and lay to rest its inhabitants.

He said thank you to Sally-Jane Brown, Pauline Holland, Pam Lakin and Val Bates for all their dedicated work as PCC members, and thank-you to Amy Ward. He then welcomed all those who had stepped forward to take up their places.

The meeting closed at 1.30 pm with the Grace. All members of the PCC and church officers completed 'Fit and proper persons' declaration forms.

PARISH OF MOSSLEY - St George's Church

Agendas for 18th April 2021

Annual Vestry Meeting

- Welcome and opening prayer
- Apologies for Absence
- Election of Churchwardens (*elected annually*)
- Close

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

- Apologies for Absence
- Minutes of last APCM
- Presentation of Accounts
- Appointment of Independent Examiner
- Presentation of revised Electoral Roll
- Elections: **four vacancies for PCC and one vacancy for Deanery Synod**
- Safeguarding report
- Questions on reports
- Presentation of the Vicar's Annual Report, followed by questions
- Closing prayer
- All new members of PCC and Parish Officers to sign *Fit and Proper Persons* declaration

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2020

Statement of Financial activities (S.O.F.A)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2020 £	2019 £
<u>Incoming Resources</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	###		###	###
Other voluntary incoming resources	5,981.54	###	###	5,781.40
Activities in Furtherance of the councils objectives	###		###	8,968.74
Activities for generating funds	5,000.57		###	8,578.42
Income from Investments	213.96	4.99	218.95	244.04
Other Incoming Resources		###	###	3,468.56
Total incoming resources	###	###	###	###
<u>Resources used</u>				
Cost of generating funds	93.60		93.60	3,110.28
Grants (money given to Charity)	100.00		100.00	460.00
HLF/ LPOW Funding Costs (architects/surveys fees etc.)		420.00	420.00	
Activities relating to the work of the Church	###	###	###	###
Church management & Administration	6,605.06	25.00	###	5,628.26
Total resources used	###	###	###	###
Net incoming/ outgoing resources before transfer	-4,168.35	###	###	###
Gross Transfers between Funds -in		###	###	
Gross Transfers between funds - out				
Gains and losses on investments assets	549.46		549.46	1,169.12
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	-3,618.89	###	###	###

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total Funds brought forward 1st Jan 2020	###	###	###	###
Total Funds carried forward 31st Dec 2020	###	###	###	###

INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
<u>Incoming resources from Donors</u>				
Gift-Aid - Bank	###		###	8,171.00
Gift-Aid - Envelopes	###		###	9,402.77
Tax Recoverable on Gift-	###		###	4,555.31
Other Planned Giving	###		###	3,800.70
Loose Plate Collections	###		###	3,249.48
Donations to Garden of Remembrance				75.00
Donations to Junior Church	102.00		102.00	73.75
	###		###	###
<u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u>				
One off Gift-Aids gifts	240.00		240.00	305.00
Donations to Church Fur	###		###	1,970.40
Choir Fund		13.43	13.43	19.00
200 Club				
Flower Fund	20.00	230.00	250.00	312.00
Fabric Fund Income		###	###	1,000.00
Bellringers Fund		3.57	3.57	75.00
Restoration Fund		96.00	96.00	338.00
	###	###	###	4,019.40
<u>Activities in the Furtherance of the Councils Objectives</u>				
Parish Magazine Sales	350.51		350.51	484.40
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - P.C.C	###		###	7,652.00
Fees for Weddings & Funerals - M.D.B.F	###		###	
Travel Cost incurred for services at Cremator	121.00		121.00	
Money raised for Charity	101.70		101.70	491.64
Community Outreach Donations	200.00		200.00	340.70
	###		###	8,968.74
<u>Activities for Generating Funds</u>				
Zoom, Christmas 12, Mystery Evening, etc.	###		###	5,743.76
Other Funds Generated	###		###	2,175.76
Magazine Income - Advertising				620.90
Church Queen 2019/2020				1,800.00
	###		###	###
<u>Income from Investments</u>				
Dividends	208.83		208.83	216.35
Bank & Building Society Interest	5.13	4.99	10.12	27.69
	213.96	4.99	218.95	244.04
<u>Other Incoming Resources</u>				
Archive Project Funds				600.00
HISTORIC ENGLAND GRANT		###	###	
DCMS LPOW SCHEME		###	###	2,868.56
		###	###	3,468.56
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
<u>ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH</u>				
Ministry:Diocesan Parish Share	###		###	###
Working Expenses of Incumbent	617.90		617.90	733.92
Working Expenses of Associated Pr	197.75		197.75	225.95
Vicarage Expenses	1,046.27		###	852.86
Salaries, Wages & Honoraria	120.00		120.00	170.00
Church running expenses -Gas	1,430.83		###	###
Church running expenses -Electric	1,417.95		###	###
Church running expenses -Water	275.87		275.87	244.30
Church running expenses -Insurance	4,826.36		###	###
Church Maintenance	5,392.18		###	###
Upkeep of Services	1,572.82		###	###
Upkeep of Garden of Remembrance	280.00		280.00	290.00
Upkeep of Burial Grounds *	1,514.00		###	
Parish Magazine expenses	733.00		733.00	893.92
Junior Church	45.53		45.53	129.14
Church Queen				
Interior/Exterior Decoration & repairs		###	###	50.00
Major Repairs/Installations (Heating System)				
Restoration Fund	3,000.00	25.00	###	###
Choir Fund		271.43	271.43	
Bellringers Fund		###	###	
Flower Fund	160.00	250.00	410.00	352.00
Fabric Fund		###	###	
200 Club				###
Community Outreach Costs	191.27		191.27	
50% of late Amy Ward Donations	532.50		532.50	
	###	###	###	###
<u>Church Management and Administration</u>				
Administration	1,262.06		###	###
Wedding/Funeral fees payable to M.D.B.F	5,343.00		###	###
	6,605.06		###	###
<u>Cost of Generating Funds</u>				
200 Club				901.00
Restoration Fund				
Car boots,Fairs etc.	93.60		93.60	###
	93.60		93.60	###
<u>Money raised for Charities (</u>				
Charitable Giving	100.00		100.00	460.00
<u>Grants for HLF/LP</u>				
Architects & Surveyors fees		420.00	420.00	
		420.00	420.00	
*The Church is now responsible for upkeep of Burial Ground				
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	###	###	###	###

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Fixed Assets

	2020 £	2019 £
A112 Investments Unrestricted	<u>###</u>	<u>6,562.59</u>
A112 Investments Restricted	<u>###</u>	<u>9,579.41</u>
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	<u>###</u>	<u>###</u>

LIABILITIES PARISH SHARE

FUNDS

The Restricted Funds Comprise of all organisational funds with

FUND MOVEMENTS

Balance b/fwd - 1st Jan 2	45,178.78
Incoming Resources	76,335.91
Resources Expended	-90,813.50
Gains on Investment	<u>549.46</u>
Balance at 31st Dec. 2020	<u>31,250.65</u>

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS by fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020
Investments fixed asse	6,835.87	###	###
Current assets	6,203.75	###	###
TOTAL NET ASSETS	13,039.62	###	###

Liabilities

BALANCE SHEET DETAILED

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	-
FIXED ASSETS			
A1122 INVESTMENTS UNRESTRICTED	6,835.87	6,562.59	
A1123 INVESTMENTS RESTRICTED	9,855.59	9,579.41	
	16,691.46	16,142.00	
CURRENT ASSETS			
A1501 BANK ACCOUNT CURRENT	6,203.75	10,372.10	
A1505 ORGANISATIONAL FUND ACCOUNT	8,355.44	18,664.68	
A1550 CASH IN HAND			
Total Current Assets	14,559.19	29,036.78	
Net Asset Surplus/Deficit	31,250.65	45,178.78	
RESERVES			
	EXCESS/(deficit)to date	-14,477.59	-15,125.34
Z01 STARTING BALANCES	45,178.78	59,135.00	
Z03 GAINES AND LOSSES OWN USE	549.46	1,169.12	
	31,250.65	45,178.78	

REPRESENTED BY FUNDS

UNRESTRICTED	22,895.21	26,514.10
RESTRICTED	8,355.44	18,664.68
TOTAL	31,250.65	45,178.78

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of Mossley Parish Church of St. George

I report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 1 to 6. This report is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the 2011 Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual 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 of an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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26th May 2021