

St George's Church
Growing, nurturing, serving

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

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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
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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 (*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	###	###	###
<u>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</u>				
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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