

**Charity registration number: 1140024**

**Community of Saint John**

**Trustees' report and financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 December 2022**

## **Community of Saint John**

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## Community of Saint John

### Legal and administrative information

<b>Charity number</b>	1140024
<b>Registered office</b>	56 St Anthony's Road Forest Gate London E7 9QB
<b>Trustees</b>	John Moloney Arnaud Cuvelier Thomas Gabriel Edwards
<b>Accountants</b>	PPS Accountants 11 Farnes Court Worksop Nottinghamshire S81 0LZ
<b>Bankers</b>	HSBC Bank Natwest Bank

## **Community of Saint John**

### **Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2022**

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

The trust is governed by the trustees named above. They meet regularly during the year to discuss the management of the trust. On a day to day basis the affairs of the Charity is managed by members of the Community of St John with the help of competent persons who are not members.

#### **Objectives and activities**

The aim of the Trust is stated in the Trust Deed in the following terms:

The advancement of Christian religion in England and Wales and throughout the European Union and beyond for the benefit of the public in accordance with the doctrines and statements of belief of the Community of St John in particular but not exclusively by assisting and encouraging the formation of priests and the activities of consecrated persons and other interested persons for the service of their respective communities in accordance with the common purpose of the community of St John

#### **Achievements and performance**

##### **The running of St Antony's RC parish in Forest Gate.**

This involved daily pastoral work, such as visiting the sick and housebound members of the parish community as well assisting in pastoral care of the sick in Newham General Hospital; the management of the parish premises; the celebration of the Sacraments; the accompanying of persons living the bereavement of a family member; the celebration of funerals and the pastoral support for the Catholic secondary and primary schools in the London borough of Newham. Post-pandemic, in-person services continued to be live-streamed via YouTube so as to serve those who are vulnerable.

The human and Christian formation of children and adolescents preparing to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. A Saturday football club continued. The organisation of outings and activities for members of the parish, such as trips to places of pilgrimage (including a hiking retreat in the Moroccan Sahara), a men's fraternity group, retreat days and several Bible study groups (via Zoom, for adults, teens and children). The formation of couples in preparation for marriage.

The brothers were involved in accompanying people wishing to be baptised or received into the Church, people wishing to be confirmed as adults, and people who want to know more about the faith with regular formation.

Before Christmas, the parish celebrated a traditional Latin-American "*Posada*" service with great success. In collaboration with St Antony's Catholic Club, the charity had fellowship on Sunday evenings for parishioners. A Homeless shelter run in collaboration with the charity New Way welcomed 10-20 people overnight in the parish hall once a week, providing meals and a bed, between January and April.

##### **The formation of young people**

The charity supported Youth 2000 retreats around the country. Brothers preached retreats and gave talks to young adults (Pure in Heart group). The charity took the altar servers of the parish to the seaside for a day out.

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#### **The Institute of St John**

During the course of the year 2022 the Community of St John offered formation to adults in philosophy and theology in central London with occasional lectures. In 2022 one brother led a monthly philosophy reading group for about 10 interested laymen in West London. One brother gave two weeks of classes to young brothers of the Community in the Philippines on the theme of philosophy of mind. One brother completed a Master's degree in philosophy at King's College London, graduating with honours. Another brother spent three weeks continuing a formation based in the US on spiritual direction.

#### **Other activities**

The brothers also accompanied married couples as chaplains to the "Our Lady Teams" (Equipes Notre-Dame) in London. One brother produced a painting on Biblical and Spiritual themes, as well as a moving crib for Advent and Christmas.

During the year 2022, the Charity also supported the priory of the Sisters of St John in Cebu, Philippines.

#### **Financial review**

The gross income of the charity was £75,046 for the financial year with total expenses of £85,856

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding activities undertaken by the charity. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirement.

#### **Risk Assessment**

The trustees are fully aware of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have taken steps to manage those risks.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The trustees aim to hold a minimum of three months running costs in reserve at any point in time

## Community of Saint John

### Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2022

#### Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees of Community of Saint John are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The law applicable to Charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the board

*thomas edwards*

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Br. Thomas Edwards

10th October 2023

## **Community of Saint John**

### **Independent examiner's report to the trustees on the unaudited financial statements of Community of Saint John.**

I report to the charity trustees on the accounts of Community of Saint John for the year ended 31 December 2022 set out on pages 1 to 12

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and In carrying out my examination I have followed all the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 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 cause to believe that in any material respect:

- \* accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act, or
- \* the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- \* the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and contents of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- \* the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

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.

*thomas ojo*

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**Thomas Ojo ( BA, BSc, FCPA)**  
**Independent examiner**

**Date: 11/10/2023**

**Statement of financial activities**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
<b>Income from:</b>				
Charitable activities	2	75,046	75,046	92,599
<b>Total income</b>		<u>75,046</u>	<u>75,046</u>	<u>92,599</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities	3	85,856	85,856	111,743
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>85,856</u>	<u>85,856</u>	<u>111,743</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	5	-10,810	-10,810	-19,144
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		-10,810	-10,810	-19,144
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		53,741	53,741	72,885
Total funds carried forward		<u>42,931</u>	<u>42,931</u>	<u>53,741</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.



## Community of Saint John

### Balance sheet as at 31 December 2022

		2022		2021	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6				6,879
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors		-		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		43,431		47,362	
		<u>43,431</u>		<u>47,362</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	-500		-500	
		<u></u>		<u></u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			42,931		46,862
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>42,931</u>		<u>53,741</u>
			<u></u>		<u></u>
<b>Funds</b>	8				
Unrestricted income funds			42,931		53,741
			<u>42,931</u>		<u>53,741</u>
<b>Total funds</b>			<u></u>		<u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 10th October 2023

and signed on its behalf by:

*thomas edwards*

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**Br. Thomas Edwards**

**Trustee**

**Community of Saint John**

**Statement of cash flows**

**for the year ended 31 December 2022**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	£	£
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources for the year	-10,810	-19,144
Depreciation and impairment	6,879	6,881
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	-	-
Increase in creditors	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net Cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<b><u>-3,931</u></b>	<b><u>-12,263</u></b>
Capital expenditure		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	<b>-3,931</b>	<b>-12,263</b>
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	<b>-3,931</b>	<b>-12,263</b>
<b>Net funds at 1 January 2022</b>	<b>47,362</b>	<b>59,625</b>
<b>Net funds at 31 December 2022</b>	<b><u>43,431</u></b>	<b><u>47,362</u></b>

## Notes to financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

### 1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding period.

#### 1.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' SORP 2015 and the Companies Act 2006.

#### 1.2 Cashflow

The charity has produced a cashflow report in accordance with FRS 102.

#### 1.3 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Income received by way of grants, donations and gifts are included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Gifts donated for resale are included as incoming resources within activities for generating funds when they are sold.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are receivable.

#### 1.4 Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes including the charity's shop.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### 1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	25% straight line
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Notes to financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

**2 Income from Charitable Activities**

	Period ended Unrestricted	Period ended 2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£
Total Charitable income	75,046	75,046	92,599
	<u>75,046</u>	<u>75,046</u>	<u>92,599</u>

**3 Costs of charitable activities - by fund type**

	Unrestricted funds £	Period ended 2022 Total £	Period ended 2021 Total £
Charitable Activities	85,856	85,856	111,743
	<u>85,856</u>	<u>85,856</u>	<u>111,743</u>

**4 Costs of charitable activities - by activity**

	Period Activities undertaken directly £	Period Grant funding activities £	ended 2022 Total £	ended 2021 Total £
Charitable Activities	85,856	-	85,856	111,743
	<u>85,856</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,856</u>	<u>111,743</u>

Notes to financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

5 Employees

Employment costs	Period ended 2022 £	Period ended 2021 £
Wages and salaries	-	-
Social security costs	-	-
Other costs	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2021 : None).

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees (including the trustees) during the year, calculated on the basis of full time equivalents, was as follows:

2022 Number	2021 Number
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January 2022	86,893	86,893
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2022	<u>86,893</u>	<u>86,893</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 January 2022	80,014	80,014
Charge for the year	6,879	6,879
At 31 December 2022	<u>86,893</u>	<u>86,893</u>
<b>Net book values</b>		
At 31 December 2021	<u>6,879</u>	<u>6,879</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**Comparative Statement of financial activities**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
<b>Income from:</b>				
Charitable activities	2	92,599	92,599	166,341
<b>Total income</b>		<u>92,599</u>	<u>92,599</u>	<u>166,341</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities	3	111,743	111,743	149,208
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>111,743</u>	<u>111,743</u>	<u>149,208</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	5	-19,144	-19,144	17,133
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		-19,144	-19,144	17,133
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		72,885	72,885	55,752
Total funds carried forward		<u>53,741</u>	<u>53,741</u>	<u>72,885</u>

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**7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other creditors	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	500	500
	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>

**8 Analysis of net assets between funds**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tangible fixed assets		0
Current assets	43,431	43,431
Current liabilities	-500	-500
Total Funds	<u>42,931</u>	<u>42,931</u>

**9 Unrestricted funds**

	<b>At 2021</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Outgoing resources</b>	<b>At 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Unrestricted funds	<u>53,741</u>	<u>75,046</u>	<u>85,856</u>	<u>42,931</u>

**10 Going concern**

There is not reason to suggest the charity will not continue as a going concern over the next twelve months.