

ST PAUL'S
WIMBLEDON
PARKSIDE

**2021 REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH
COUNCIL OF ST PAUL'S CHURCH,
WIMBLEDON PARKSIDE**



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MINISTRY REPORT

The year 2021 saw a slow but appreciable improvement over 2020 in our ability to provide ministry and outreach to our community in the midst of the Covid19 pandemic. As Covid case numbers alternatively rose and fell, many of our activities and meetings took place online. However we were able to hold services in a mixed mode of in-person and online, allowing people to choose what best suited their needs.

The pandemic has given us both reasons to lament and good reasons to rejoice. It was pleasing that, despite the real challenges of the year, we have been able to continue to offer ministry and mission in a meaningful way. We took the opportunity to reflect further on our shared identity as a church, to refine our vision and mission. We also developed our branding including a new logo and official St Paul's colours, providing continuity and consistency, enabling our community to readily recognize St Paul's in all our communications.

We have focused our efforts towards realising St Paul's new vision:

to be a growing community
where God is found
in the beauty and joy of our worship,
the warmth of our welcome,
the breadth of our outreach
and our love for our neighbour.

Our priorities therefore lie in the areas of: Nurture, Outreach, Welcome and the Environment. This report focusses on the first and second, while other reports will focus on the latter two.

Nurture: This has been a pastorally challenging year in many ways, for our congregation, as well as the wider parish. Our year began with sadness with the death of our eldest member of St Paul's in January. Several other members of St Paul's Lunch Club also died in the course of the pandemic, which caused issues in the communal

grieving process as people were unable to gather. Once restrictions lifted in the summer, we were able to hold a memorial service in church to remember them, followed by lunch in the Community Centre. At last this brought some comfort to the community. Later in the year, two very large funerals took place in church as we said our fond farewells to two important figures in our community, one of which was a beloved longstanding member, a former churchwarden of St Paul's.

Early in the year we were blessed with the celebration of our Patronal Festival presided by the Right Reverend Christopher, Bishop of Southwark, supported by his chaplain, the Reverend Alun Ford.

With the arrival of spring, and thanks to Julia Raeburn, we were able to support four Duke of Edinburgh award students from the local community. Their work included Parkside Post deliveries, sanitization of the Tea & Toys equipment and significant gardening work in the area near the vestry. The sessions with the students concluded with a barbecue in the Vicarage garden.

By the summer, with Covid cases reduced, larger numbers were allowed to congregate outdoors. This enabled St Paul's and Holy Trinity Roehampton to 'Beat the Bounds' through Wimbledon Common which concluded with a picnic. Its popularity has encouraged us to make it an annual event!

Late summer saw baptisms return to St Paul's, though most were outside of the main service due to local case numbers.

Special services this year included Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services during Holy Week, Easter Sunrise service, Blessing of the Animals service and Choral Evensong during Creationtide, All Soul's Memorial service in the autumn, Lessons & Carols service, Christingle service in Advent and a Crib service at Christmas. We owe special thanks to St Paul's Music Director, Kevin Jones and members of the

choir, who made great efforts to provide wonderful music that greatly enhanced our worship at these special services and every Sunday Eucharist.

Sunday evening prayer has been largely offered by laity, so we give thanks for the ministry of our church warden, Margaret Brown, David and Deirdre Gooderson, Eve Speare and of course, our incomparable Lay Reader, Norman Allen, who has also preached at the third Sunday morning Eucharist.

Our children's ministry has struggled to continue to offer Junior Church at the main Sunday service since the pandemic began due to limited availability of staff and volunteers and the sporadic attendance of families. We have however managed to continue with Messy Church, with some disruption while case numbers were high. We are thankful for Marc Stoneham, Jana Bruwer, Deirdre Gooderson and Kana Jones for enabling Messy Church to grow during this challenging time. It has become quite evident to many of us that a Youth & Children's worker is essential if we wish to grow this important area.

Other nurture/teaching took place throughout the year and included: a Lent course based on John-Francis Friendship's *The Mystery of Faith*; an Advent mini-course on 'Saints in the Windows' by Margaret Brown and Norman Allen; the Church of England course on sexuality, relationships and marriage *Living in Love and Faith* co-led by the Reverend Daniel Trott, team vicar of All Saints' Putney, the Reverend Steve Melliush vicar of St Michael's and myself; and baptism and confirmation preparations.

Outreach: St Paul's outreach has taken many forms and has included Tea & Toys, a group for preschool-aged children and their parents/carers. We are thankful for Katie and Mark Gilbert for organizing and running Tea & Toys (online then in church), each Tuesday during term time.

St Paul's Angels' much appreciated work has decreased since the end of lockdown, while the Pantry has continued to provide support for more than 20 families in our community. We are grateful for our Angel and Pantry volunteers, and their primary organisers Joan Endean and Helen Lowe, respectively. Helen championed the Pantry initiative as it transitioned from the vicarage to the church, organised the way in which it operates and has now handed it over to a small group of leaders who coordinate its tasks and volunteers. We are thankful to Helen for all her hard work in setting up this important part of our outreach.

St Paul's outreach included events throughout the year. Our Community Centre continues to play a vital role in our service to the wider community, offering a weekly Lunch Club and a venue to gather, learn and support one another. St Paul's Open Day in September showcased many of the activities of the church and Community Centre. It was well attended and appreciated by those who came. This was also the launch date of St Paul's successful art exhibition and fundraiser 'The HeArt of Wimbledon Parkside', organised and coordinated by local artist Sarah Ollerenshaw and featuring the work of many other local artists. We are grateful to Sarah, the artists and all who attended and supported the exhibition including our MP Fleur Anderson and our local councilor Angela Ireland. The event also provided the opportunity for people unfamiliar with St Paul's to experience the beauty of the church.

The annual Christmas Fair in November also saw a good number of people from the wider community, though fewer than previous years. Despite this, it was a successful fundraiser for St Paul's and offered the community a good experience of the church and Community Centre.

Our annual Christmas caroling raised significant funds for Glass Door while bringing good cheer to people at Southfields station and local residents.

Welcome: St Paul's has continued to maintain an open church for private prayer, access to listeners, and for pastoral support. With the generous help of several volunteers, including Doreen and John Hewitt, Terry and Kay Woolgar, Gill and Shirley Thompson, Margaret Brown, Norman and Lois Allen, Julia and Stuart Raeburn, the doors of the church were open four mornings, an afternoon and an evening during the week and a warm atmosphere of welcome has been appreciated by members of the congregation and passers-by.

St Paul's has continued to develop the website and the facilities provided by its platform Churchdesk. Our Parish Administrator, Guy Booth, plays a vital and central role in that work which is much appreciated.

We continue to have a presence on Facebook, which will be linked to our website with updates to the church diary. Our social media is a work in progress and requires additional assistance to bring that to what it could be.

Environment: This is an important topic which we have begun to explore, including the desire to become part of the Eco-church programme, strongly supported by our Diocese. We look forward to further exploration of and developments in this area.

Finally, the most important thing to be said about the ministry of St Paul's is that many people are involved in carrying it out, far beyond the ministry team. The role of the priest is not only to enable others to encounter God for themselves; it is to enable the ministry and mission of the church, undertaken by the people. At St Paul's we are blessed with many highly talented and generous individuals who wholeheartedly engage in sharing the love of God in daily life and through the work of the church and Community Centre. A special mention of our wonderful Churchwardens, and most notably Margaret Brown who will be stepping down at the APCM. She has been a stable support and enormous help in my first years in post. I

am very grateful for her presence and for all she has done in her time as Churchwarden. I am grateful too for the ministry and staff teams: Churchwarden Terry Woolgar, lay reader Norman Allen, Music Director Kevin Jones, SPA Joan Endean, Parish Administrator Guy Booth, Community Centre Manager Sam Egan and the many other members of our congregation who offer their time and talent for the ministry and mission of St Paul's. I offer my heartfelt appreciation and deepest thanks to you all!

Revd Susan Bolen, Vicar

CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT (including PCC Business and Fabric Report)

2021 was the second year of the Covid pandemic, but at least, unlike 2020, the work of the church was able to continue throughout. Although congregations and bookings were understandably smaller than at the start of 2020, they continued to grow gradually as more people had vaccinations, and as death rates and case numbers fell from their peak in January. By July we felt safe enough to go ahead with a memorial service with over 120 people attending, although as new Covid variants came into play and case numbers rose again, we were still having to constantly adapt. We continued throughout to require the congregation to wear masks and to sign in, and to queue to receive Communion in one kind only, but at least in the summer we were given permission to sing through masks!

Thanks to Sebastiaan and other helpers, livestreaming our two Sunday services from the church, and morning and evening services from the Vicarage, has continued and looks likely to be a permanent feature; our audio-visual systems have been gradually upgraded to improve broadcast quality. Other fabric issues are covered in the separate report.

These developments have as usual depended on immense commitment from a limited number of people, to whom we are very

grateful. It is good to see some newcomers contributing, but we have recently lost some key members of the congregation who either moved away or into care or sadly died, though not from Covid. We hope to see more people get involved with our many services and activities.

Margaret adds: I wanted to briefly reflect on my 6 years as Churchwarden at St Paul's. It has been quite a challenging period, with an interregnum in the middle and a pandemic at the end. I have enjoyed working closely in turn with Heinz, then Nicky and now Susan, all brilliant leaders but with rather different styles! I was greatly helped by Nicky's proposal to appoint for the first time at St Paul's, a Parish Administrator. It has always been interesting, sometimes exciting, occasionally inspiring, and often quite time-consuming. But what has always made it worthwhile are the wonderful people at St Paul's, co-wardens, staff and congregation, who have given me such great support and friendship. I am confident that my successor will find the same.

Margaret Brown & Terry Woolgar, Churchwardens

The Parochial Church Council (PCC)

The PCC continued to meet monthly via Zoom. In September we uniquely came together on a warm and sunny evening in the Vicarage garden kindly hosted by Susan, but had to finish the business with damp papers under umbrellas when a thunderstorm broke!

The work of the Fabric, Finance and Community Centre Management Committees are described elsewhere, but thanks to the Communications Committee and especially to Guy, we were able to get the new website and branding approved and implemented. A vision statement and our membership of the Parish Giving Scheme were both agreed in time to launch our 'Bridging the Gap and Moving Forward' financial appeal on March 21st and in the Easter Parkside

Post. The aim was to first balance our budget and then accumulate funds towards the employment of a youth worker and making the church building and grounds more attractive for visitors. Several funding bids were submitted by members of the PCC, a few of which were happily successful.

The APCM in 2020 was back on schedule in April but due to prevailing Covid regulations, took place again by Zoom. Sarah Peart was thanked for her service on the PCC and two new members were elected, William Fairbarns and Mark Gilbert (both had previously been co-opted as members during 2020). Kana Jones, Jo Mulaki, Elizabeth Simon and Philip Warner were all re-elected for a 3-year term.

We have continued to try to steer the church forward, through some rather choppy waters!

Margaret Brown, Secretary to the PCC

Fabric Report

There have been no major repairs or improvements to the church fabric during 2021, but there have been a number of more minor but still very important items requiring attention. We are especially grateful to several members of our congregation and other friends who have kindly devoted their time and expertise in assisting with these. In particular:

- Alan and Jennie Bryant and Sebastiaan Boelen completed a lot of work on connecting and rewiring for internet, audio and lighting.
- Mike and Helen Lowe updated our lighting, explored some improvements and maintained the system.
- Norman Allen, Mike, Helen, John Hewitt and others cleared out decades of accumulated mess in the boiler room and garden shed, and organised safe ladder storage.
- Julia Raeburn together with Gill and Shirley Thompson, Philip Warner, and others including a group of local school students

on Duke of Edinburgh awards organised by Julia, cleared up and replanted parts of our back garden so it is looking much more attractive, and can be used for social events.

- Alan Endean and Norman repaired the church bell.
- John has helped with many small-scale repairs.

Our only new item was a pair of smart noticeboards outside the main church door, funded by the Ninds Trust. There are plans for more work on church signboards.

Our specialist organ repairer had to make two visits to correct faults. We also had to repair one of the organ blower motors. The organ is now in reasonable condition, but he warned that the console needs either a complete overhaul or replacement, which is likely to be a considerable expense in future years.

Following leaks, repairs were needed to roof flashing, and the Community Centre roof and gutters were cleared of debris. Our insurer, Ecclesiastical, sent an inspector on a 5-yearly visit on 6th April to check the state and safety of our building. A detailed report suggested only one urgent requirement (the clearing of flammable material in the boiler room, now carried out). We are working our way through a list of minor recommendations, thanks to Terry Woolgar and Mike.

Looking forward, Elizabeth Simon completed a significant amount of research and consultations on our reredos and rood screen, prior to drawing up with a specialist architect a schedule for expert estimates for conserving, re-gilding and restoration. These were obtained and the required permissions are being sought. The work will mainly be funded by a generous legacy from David Leyland, a grant from the Kempe Trust and donations to which members of the congregation and community will have an opportunity to contribute.

Margaret Brown & Terry Woolgar, Churchwardens

READER REPORT

I have enjoyed the challenges of another busy year as a lay minister. Younger members are encouraged to consider readership; to serve the Church and to further their discipleship.

The statistics of my ministry in 2021 are as follows:

- Services, meditations, and studies led: 15
- Sermons delivered: 25 (grateful for feedback & challenges)
- Pastoral visits: 50.
- Funerals: 1.

Thank you for your support.

Norman Allen, Reader

READERS AND INTERCESSORS

During the last year the members on our rota have continued faithfully and their contribution to our services is very much appreciated. As, for various reasons, a few former members have had to withdraw it would be great to have some more volunteers, particularly intercessors. If you are interested, please let us know.

Eve Speare

MUSIC

Another year when Covid restrictions have largely dictated how music and singing is organised at St Paul's. For most of the year the congregation was unable to join in, and we have been very grateful for the commitment and loyalty of choir members who have led from the front every week. Although most have escaped serious illness, on occasions a number of our singers have had to stay at home having tested positive or with household members testing positive, including our Music Director. We are grateful that Julia Raeburn and Jamie Crook have been able to step in to hold the fort from time to time.

As restrictions relaxed towards the end of the year were able to add more singers and singing into the service, more verses to hymns, and greater use of the organ to accompany hymns.

This year we were pleased to welcome our wonderful guest organist Jason Edge to accompany our Harvest and Advent Evensong services to whom we express our grateful thanks.

Once again, many thanks to members of the congregation and visitors who have made a point of complimenting St Paul's musicians for our contribution to services.

Kevin Jones, Director of Music

COMMUNICATIONS GROUP

The Communications Group met several times during 2021; Margaret Brown stepped down from the Group and we welcomed Terry Woolgar to take her place (joining Reverend Susan, Guy Booth and Juliet Childs). We held some meetings via Zoom to approve new branding options for St Paul's, including colours, which had been presented by Perry Rowe, our branding consultant. We were pleased to hear that the new St Paul's logo was approved by the PCC early in the year. We also held meetings to discuss Parkside Post, use of the smart new outside noticeboards and other forms of communication such as the email newsletters.

Three editions of Parkside Post were produced and distributed widely within the Parish, but there remains a need for new deliverers. Banners were produced to hang in front of the church to advertise key services such as at Easter and Christmas.

Juliet Childs

DIGITAL REPORT

The St Paul's website (www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk) was maintained on our Churchdesk online management system by Guy Booth, Parish Administrator. This required constant attention to keep information up-to-date and to produce engaging content including text, links and images reflecting the many facets of life at St Paul's. The regular cycle of events during the year was, with a few exceptions, updated on a timely basis despite short lead times and competing demands.

Content was produced to promote St Paul's Open Day, Creationtide and the Arts Festival, HeART of Wimbledon Parkside, the Christmas Fair, the Nativity Festival, and Advent events including the lecture-recital of Holman Hunt's *'The Hireling Shepherd'* with Music Director Kevin Jones. Choral recitals and concerts by our main amateur societies were given a high profile on the home page and promoted to our contacts via links in email newsletters, using materials provided by the organisers. Posters and flyers for our own events, often produced by Revd Susan, were adapted as PNG files for use on the website where possible, so as to achieve consistency between online and offline communications.

Seasonal Orders of Service, the weekly pew sheet and sermons (when available) were published in the appropriate sections of the site. The three editions of Parkside Post were published in PDF format and linked to our email newsletters. New pages were created for the Vision & Financial Appeal Spring 2021 and the 'Giving to St Paul's' section was improved to allow us to accept one-off donations by credit card via the website. A 'What's On' section was added to the top menu. The 'News' section was updated with parish, Diocese and other relevant news.

The rolling montage of images at the top of the homepage was curated to better reflect the passing seasons and a balance of internal and external images of church life. We were gifted several high-quality images of the church interior by professional photographer Geoff Brandwood for which we are grateful.

We are becoming more comfortable at working accurately with our brand elements and better able to reproduce the St Paul's brand effectively in both online and print. Revd Susan and Guy are both now signed up to 'Canva', an online design application which allows us to create, edit and share promotional materials including designs for flyers, posters and banners. Credit to our Vicar for identifying this useful resource.

Email newsletters were a major part of our external communications. Our contact database grew to over 250 during 2021 which represents over 70% growth since 2020, albeit from a modest base. At the same time, attrition and unsubscribe rates have increased slightly, but our audience has grown and without much effort to acquire contacts.

We broadcast 19 email newsletters in 2021 on a variety of topics and themes as follows: 'Arrangements for Worship' (9 January); 'St Paul's Patronal Festival' (22 January); 'Our Vision & Financial Appeal Spring 2021' (26 March); 'Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2021' (22 April); 'You're Invited!' (5 June); 'Upcoming Events at St Paul's' (23 July); 'Living in Love & Faith (LiLF)' x 4 (30 July, 11 September x 2, 13 September); 'Art, music, dance, food and fun for all ages - Open Day' (24 September); 'Creationtide events at St Paul's' (1 October); 'HeART of Wimbledon Parkside' (6 October); 'All Souls Service' (30 October); 'St Paul's Christmas Fair' (18 November); 'St Paul's Nativity Festival' (3 December); 'Advent weekend of special events ahead' (10 December); 'Service of Lessons and Carols' (17 December); 'A very Happy Christmas from all at St Pauls' (24 December).

We sent 9 text messages to contacts with mobile phone numbers, usually as tactical reminders for worship, courses and events.

Open rates for our email newsletters averaged 56% in 2021; click-thru rates were sometimes below expectations (5-10%). Generally, there seems to be a reluctance within our contact group to click on linked text. However, some topics generated a higher click rate than normal e.g. 'St Paul's Patronal Festival' (16%); 'Our Vision & Financial Appeal' (23%); 'Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2021' (13%); 'All Souls Service' Sunday 7th November' (12%). Communications about worship and parish business generated more clicks than those about events, although content and timing affect the performance of email newsletters as well as the topic.

Guy Booth, Parish Administrator

SOUTHWARK PASTORAL AUXILIARY (SPA)

I am a Pastoral Auxiliary for St Paul's Church and I started training 22 years ago. Most of my work in the Parish has been getting alongside people, mostly elderly, and those in need, listening, and being an advocate with social services where necessary. I am also a member on our Parochial Church Council (PCC).

It is my privilege to administer communion, and I, as part of a team, usually take Home-Communion to those who cannot get to church.

Once a year I attend Southwark Cathedral to renew my ministry to work as a Southwark Pastoral Auxiliary in the Diocese of Southwark. I am also expected to attend quiet days and further training where appropriate (and no virus restrictions). I have a spiritual advisor to guide me as well. I attend staff meetings, and as I am a member of the staff team, I also have to be up to date on safeguarding training.

2021 continued the same as the previous year, but the gradual relaxing of restrictions made visiting and attending church easier towards the end of the year.

I value very much being part of the brilliant ministry team here with Susan leading us. It has been particularly challenging keeping up with the weekly Church of England and HM Government guidelines to keep everyone safe. During this busy time, we continued with Zoom meetings and on-line services. But at last things have eased and we can go back to church, cautiously with masks.

It is my belief that God is showing all of us here at St Paul's Church the way forward, to offer help in whatever way we can, to all who live in our parish, and are connected with our church and Community Centre, and in the future.

Joan Endean, Southwark Pastoral Auxiliary

ST PAUL'S ANGELS PROJECT

I am still co-ordinating Angels for those in need, including responding to initial calls/text or emails which Susan passes on to me. The need for Angels has dwindled since restrictions lifted, but we are still helping people when necessary, going out in all weathers to help people in need. Many of the Angels who offered help have gone back to work, or are helping with the Pantry now, and my thanks go to all of them.

Most importantly, if you know of someone in need, or would like to help in any way, do feel free to contact me.

Joan Endean, Southwark Pastoral Auxiliary

ST PAUL'S PANTRY

The Pantry continues to open on the first and third Thursday of the month. During 2021 we had an average of 10 attendances each week, ranging from 5-20, with a core group of 4-5 attending each week. This represents close to 270 households over the year (roughly 500 adults and 260 children). We usually do 2-3 deliveries a week too. The number of households visiting and being supported by the Pantry is now rising considerably.

We receive donations from City Harvest, a food redistribution charity, bread from Rosie's Bakery and best before dates from Co-op. Fresh leftovers are taken to Wimbledon Dons at the end of the evening. We have grocery donations from local schools, Ahmyddian women's group and individuals. Donations are supplemented with shopping using the monetary donations.

The Pantry is organised by church members Juliet Childs, Deirdre Gooderson, Helen Lowe and Michellie Brown with volunteers from church and the community. Revd Susan and Joan Endean also support the coordination and administration. Having done a wonderful job of setting up the Pantry in 2020 and being the main

organiser for well over a year, Helen Lowe has stepped back from the Pantry for a time.

Thank you to everyone who volunteers and supports the Pantry in any way by volunteering, donating and encouraging.

Juliet Childs and Helen Lowe

DEANERY SYNOD 2021

Our first Wandsworth Deanery Synod meeting took place via Zoom on Tuesday 9th February 2021. It was a well-organised meeting where representatives of 10 parishes and 13 churches shared and learnt together. The main agenda item was 'preparing for a post-pandemic Church'. Deanery representatives from each parish reflected on a downside and an upside of being church during the Covid 19 pandemic.

Care for the environment is a core commitment of the Deanery and we also discussed our 'Environment Day' on Saturday 12th June, which was open to all church members in the Deanery to explore next steps together.

The election of three lay and three clergy representatives from Wandsworth Deanery to Diocesan Synod from among the members of the Deanery Synod took place early in the summer.

We had two webinars providing an overview of the Diocesan Synod and its agenda for the 2021-2024 triennium. These were also an opportunity for potential members to ask any questions of the Diocesan Secretary and lay Chair.

Our first Deanery Synod meeting in person took place at Holy Trinity Roehampton with Revd Joshua Rey.

We are still looking for two more members to join the Deanery Synod as I am currently the only elected member for St Paul's.

Jana Bruwer

PARISH SAFEGUARDING

In March 2021, the PCC reviewed and agreed St Paul's safeguarding policies for children and vulnerable adults. St Paul's Church follows Southwark Diocesan safeguarding policies.

During 2021, all safeguarding training continued to be carried out remotely, with Basic Awareness and Foundation training courses available as e-learning modules and a Leadership training course offered over Zoom. The Southwark Diocese recommends safeguarding training for the following groups: parish workers with children and young people, e.g. Sunday School, youth clubs, Messy Church leaders; parish workers with adults, e.g. home visiting, lunch clubs and drop-ins; PCC members; and persons who hold positions of trust, for instance welcomers, servers. In 2021, the e-learning Basic Awareness and Foundation training courses were successfully completed by a number of members of these groups in St Paul's.

As the lockdown restrictions were eased, face-to-face proof of identity checks began to be carried out as part of the Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) certification for volunteers whose certificates had expired (five years post-issue) and new volunteers for the church and community groups.

In September 2021, Ann Parkin resigned from the role of Parish Safeguarding Officer for personal reasons, and the PCC is currently engaged in appointing a new Safeguarding Officer.

*Ann Parkin, Parish Safeguarding Officer
(January - September 2021)*

SERVERS

2021 was a second unusual year for all of us due to a certain virus but when the situation improved the servers were able to return to the job we all love. It has also been very nice to welcome new servers who have been a great asset while many of us were unable to serve as often as we would like.

If anyone reading this would like to join us, please see myself or Revd Susan and we will welcome you with open arms.

Chris Jones

SIDESPEOPLE

The normal rota was not resumed with the return to services in church in September. Many of the volunteers have other responsibilities on Sunday mornings or still preferred to watch online from the safety of their own homes.

This year, once again, the Churchwardens have been responsible for preparing the church for Sunday worship and for welcoming members of the congregation at the door. They have been helped by any of the original sidespeople available on the day.

Doreen Hewitt

TEA & TOYS

We were delighted to be able to restart Tea and Toys playgroup in June 2021 following the lifting of Covid restrictions. It was a joy to see young children playing together again, and clearly fulfilled a need.

We started off with small numbers for the first few sessions, then quickly gathered momentum as word spread to around 10-15 children and their parents or carers attending most weeks.

We continue to run every Tuesday in term time 9.30 am - 10.30 am, playing with the toys then finishing with a lovely short singalong!

Katie Gilbert

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY REPORT

St Paul's Youth and Children's Ministry is an essential and integral part of what we do as a church. Indeed, as a church whose vision is focused on growth, it is vital to our future. According to the Church of England's report 'From Anecdote to Evidence': 'growth [in churches] is found where there is a high ratio of children to adults. Churches which offer programmes for children and teenagers are more likely to grow'. Significant attention has been therefore placed on families and young people.

Messy Church was successfully launched during, and in spite of, the pandemic and enjoyed a relatively strong start last year. For those unfamiliar with Messy Church, it is a form of pioneering church primarily aimed at people who may not attend church otherwise. It is not only for children, but for all ages. It includes a bible story, crafts, games, music and, very importantly, food! It takes place on the first Sunday of the month in the afternoon. In 2021, we welcomed as many as 30+ people of all ages on a given Sunday.

Junior Church which normally provides children with age-appropriate lessons and activities during the main 10:00 am service, however, did not take place in 2021. This is both understandable and lamentable. It is essential that we have provisions for children and young people during the main service. Some families from Messy Church and Tea & Toys have looked for children's ministry on a Sunday morning and been sadly disappointed. That said, our Youth and Children's ministry team has diminished for various reasons, including the pandemic, families leaving the area, and volunteers simply moving on to other activities. The remaining small but faithful team has focused its energies on Messy Church. Clearly, additional resources are needed to see a return of a Sunday morning programme.

The hiring of a Youth and Children's worker is part of our vision, and we hope to see a successful appointment in 2022!

Revd Susan Bolen, Vicar

FLOWER GROUP

The whole team managed to keep fresh flowers in church throughout the year in keeping with the Church's calendar, with the exception Lent and Advent when flowers are missing. Whilst 'doing' the church flowers is a privilege, festivals are always special and this year we were able to have a small team working for all of our big occasions.

During the year we worked on a large memorial service and the funeral of Elizabeth Burgess. Both families were very appreciative of our efforts.

I am personally very grateful, as always, to those members of the congregation who strip their gardens of greenery throughout the year and for the continued encouragement and support received.

Doreen Hewitt

COFFEE ROTA

Our customary practice of meeting after the Sunday service to enjoy a hot drink and a biscuit together was put on hold for a large part of 2021 due to the Covid pandemic.

We were pleased to start up again in July, albeit with a reduced team of just six pairs of volunteers (supplemented with help from Amanda Gould and others on occasion).

We had to stop again in November due to the Omicron variant being prevalent in our Parish and could not serve coffee for the rest of the year.

Juliet Childs

THE PEW SHEET

During 2021, the pew sheet continued to be produced in a four-page format, with all editions available on the website. Printed copies are provided at the 10:00 am Sunday service and the congregation is

encouraged to take their copy with them for reference.

The first page of the pew sheet continues to list music, readings and hymns in the order in which they appear in the service. Ann usually prepares a template sent to Kevin who fills in hymn, music & reading details that includes a brief 'headline' summary of each reading taken from the Royal School of Church Music's *Sunday by Sunday* publication. Kevin then passes the draft back to Ann to add additional notices and service details.

The Notices section of the pew sheet provided information about future church services and events, such as the Lent, Thy Kingdom Come, Creationtide and Advent programmes and associated discussion sessions. Links were available during the periods when these were taking place over Zoom. In addition, notices were included for wider Church of England sessions and discussion groups, including those with local parishes, as well as joint interfaith events, including several held by the Council for Christians and Jews.

As centres reopened after the lockdown, the Notices section contained information and updates on church/community activities such as the Summer Garden Party, Christmas Fair and Nativity Fair, also detailing the range of activities happening during the innovative St Paul's Creation and the Arts Festival. It highlighted the music events coming back into the church and those happening locally that were of interest to the congregation.

The pew sheet continues to play an important role in reaching out to the congregation for help in the organisation of church activities, informing on the success of our initiatives and thanking everyone who volunteers to help make these so successful. It also gives us the opportunity to share special occasions such as births and birthdays and create a strong community bond.

Kevin Jones and Ann Parkin

CHURCH CLEANING

Cleaning takes place on Tuesday morning between 10:30 am – 12:00 noon. We have managed to continue during and throughout the pandemic. Our tasks include:

- Sweeping, kex mopping and vacuuming the floor
- Dusting and sanitising the pews, choir stalls etc.
- Cleaning brass and silver
- Removing out of date material from tables and notice board

The choir stalls were almost cleared of music and other materials.

The moth infestation continues to be monitored and new traps have been purchased and put in place. It is important that we do everything to protect the carpets, vestments and altar frontals.

The vestry is once again becoming very ‘cluttered’ and has become a dumping ground for almost everything. As far as possible we need to keep the top of the altar frontal chest clear as this makes it easier when changing the altar frontals.

I should like to thank Terry and Kay Woolgar, Doreen and John Hewitt, and Gill Thompson for their continued commitment and support each week. Anyone able to give help on a Tuesday will always be welcomed.

Shirley Thompson

ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER REPORT

The Electoral Roll of St Paul’s Church currently stands at 94.

Very sadly, we have lost some of our faithful members this year, but some new people have joined. If you consider yourself a part of St. Paul’s Church, have been worshipping with us for three months, and are not yet on the Electoral Roll, please fill in a yellow form at the back of the church and give it to a Churchwarden or to me. Being on the Church Electoral Roll allows you to vote at the Annual Parochial

Church Meeting (APCM) and to serve on the Parochial Church Council (PCC) which oversees the running of our church. Please consider it.

Joan Endean

CHURCH GROUPS

These mutual support groups ceased to be active due to reduced need following the end of Covid restrictions in 2021.

Katie Gilbert

MONEY BANKING

I took over responsibility for most of the banking of the church money in 2021. It is collected from the donation box at the back of the church and from the safe. It is banked on a regular basis. I am happy to accept cheques or cash for banking at any time.

Gill Thompson

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Bible Study Group which used to meet on Tuesday mornings has now merged with the Friday Morning Group.

Sue Chick

TUESDAY HOMEGROUP

The Tuesday homegroup ran for most of 2021 on Tuesday evenings. Up to ten of us met online and enjoyed deep discussion alternating with sessions where everyone brought pieces of music to listen to and share with the group. It was wonderful for everyone to get to know each other and share fellowship over the course of the year, particularly in the first half of the year when Covid restrictions were in place. The group took a break in September while the *Living in Love and Faith* course ran and finished off the year enjoying some Advent and Christmas music.

Mark Gilbert

FRIDAY MORNING GROUP

During 2021 the Friday Group (6-10 regulars), met mostly on Zoom to read and discuss Delia Smith's book 'Journey into God', her vision of faith, and to pray for mutual concerns.

Norman Allen

PRAYER CHAIN

We are a group of people who have agreed to pray regularly for anyone who is ill or in any form of need. Anyone can ask for people to be added to the list. Please contact any of the following: Daphne Foster, Sue Chick, Christine Brown, Bette Waller, Joan Endean, Rosemary Booth, Susie Leyland, Eve Speare, Revd Susan Bolan.

Daphne Foster

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The strict regulations in place for Covid in the early months of 2021 meant that it was not possible to organise or hold a service this year.

Margaret Brown

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

This has been an on/off year for the Social Committee since, due to the virus, we were very cautious about gathering.

We managed to have our St Paul's Open Day in September with everyone working hard to make this a successful and happy occasion, and also a Christmas Fair where 'Santa's helpers' were very busy organising and catering for the event. There was also a beautiful Nativity Festival organised by Doreen Hewitt. My special thanks go to Doreen for all her hard work and support during this year.

We are a very small group, to call ourselves a committee is slightly ambiguous. We don't usually have formal meetings, but we know who to call on when help is needed. If you feel you would like to help

at any time, do please contact me – no offer refused! I would also welcome ideas for events we can do that you would enjoy coming to.

Joan Endean

CHURCH BIRTHDAY CARD SCHEME

This continues with a birthday card given on behalf of all at St Paul's to anyone who is happy to have their birthday recognised in this way. Anyone is welcome to join. Don't be shy. Do let Daphne know if you would like to receive a card on your birthday. Adults do not have to declare their age, but it is helpful to have the age of children so that, where possible, an appropriate card can be chosen.

Daphne Foster

HAND BELL TEAM

Nothing to report as once again we haven't got the bells out again this year. We need to re-enthuse ourselves and hope new people will come forward. If you feel this is for you, please let me know.

Joan Endean

JEAN GARLING FUND

We have received no applications to the fund this year. We are hopeful that with the lifting of Covid restrictions we will be able to support members of the congregation hoping to continue their spiritual development and /or training as set out in the original objectives of the fund.

Sadly, this last year saw the death of Elizabeth Burgess one of our founder 'trustees'. We will be ever grateful for her leadership over the last twenty years and she will be sadly missed.

*"Trustees" Revd Susan Bolen, Doreen Hewitt,
Isabel Heycock, Philip Warner*

CHARITY COLLECTIONS

Due to the Covid situation, there was no street collection for Christian Aid Week in May. We managed to distribute envelopes to 19 of the rounds but only tried to collect in one or two; for the remainder, we left details of different ways to contribute. Nevertheless, from congregational and other contributions we were able to bank £3,827, of which £3,500 was gift-aided, which was a very positive result in the circumstances.

In December, our carol singers collected £607 for Glass Door (for London homeless) over two nights.

Margaret Brown

CHURCH BOOKINGS

Government restrictions affecting performances by amateur choirs and orchestras, with various modifications to guidelines, continued until 19th July 2021. As a consequence, there were no public events in the first half of the year and Wimbledon Symphony Orchestra (WSO) had to cancel their spring concert booked for 20th March.

We were pleased to welcome Putney Choral Society (PCS) at the end of May for carefully managed private rehearsals and a livestreamed concert without audience. On Saturday 26th June, Platinum Choral & Choristers put on the first concert in church since February 2020. This was permitted under the guidelines which by then allowed professional adult singers to perform, and the event took place before a limited admission, socially distanced and masked audience.

We benefitted from additional bookings for church on Sunday afternoons between January and June from Stoneleigh Youth Orchestra (SYO), who needed the additional space to run socially distanced rehearsals (permitted under the rules because of SYO's educational status). Thanks to Joanna Thomas for cheerfully and reliably providing Covid cleaning support to enable these sessions to go ahead safely between the main service and Sunday prayers.

Things felt to be returning to normal when Wimbledon Symphony Orchestra (WSO) performed their annual Macmillan charity concert at St Paul's on 27th November. We welcomed Putney Choral (PCS) back to St Paul's for two weekday rehearsals and a sublime performance of Handel's *Messiah* on Saturday 11th December.

However, by then the omicron variant was lurking in our midst and we had already taken cancelations for school carol concerts from Putney High School and The Study Prep. As infections and case numbers climbed again, we regretfully accepted the cancellation of Wimbledon Choral Society (WCS) for their double bill Christmas Concert, scheduled for 18th December. Christmas not quite as normal then, but at least we had hosted *Messiah* the week before!

Total revenue from church bookings earned during 2021 was £4,316.50, more than double the previous year owing to a determination to do what we could, safely, and within the guidelines.

Guy Booth, Parish Administrator

NOTES FROM THE VERGER

Another quiet year for the vergers team owing to the impact of Covid restrictions on church bookings. The few main weekend concerts were supported by the Parish Administrator. Special thanks to Revd Susan and family for facilitating Putney Choral Society (PCS) rehearsals in church during the week and for delivering / receiving keys at odd hours at the Vicarage.

Special services, funerals and memorials were supported by our Churchwardens, the staff team and our wonderful sidespeople willingly, efficiently and without having to ask.

Guy Booth

ST PAUL'S COMMUNITY CENTRE

We came a long way towards a return to normality during 2021. Following a change in the Government guidelines, playgroup and AA were able to restart in January. Other groups gradually came back from April onwards. For some it took a lot longer. The multiple sclerosis group did not return in 2021.

In October, Sam applied successfully for funding to 'Brighter Living' to support getting people back together, receiving a grant of £250. This was used to arrange a fish and chip lunch with entertainment.

Of the main two fundraising initiatives, bingo continued to be enjoyed by all those that attended Lunch Club, raising £431 between May and December 2021; the Community Café had to stop due to Covid 19 restrictions and did not restart in 2021, but hopefully will come back.

A big thank you to Alan and Jenny for their hard work and support during the year. We would be lost without their continued help. One of their latest projects was helping Sebastiaan to set up the new Wi Fi and phone lines in both Centre and church.

The Community Centre Management Committee continued to meet on a regular basis during 2021 via Zoom but did also manage one or two face to face meetings. Attendance at the meetings has been good. Two of our user group members left the committee during the year due to work commitments having moved to new employment.

We wish to record our thanks to the UK Government for the furlough scheme which enabled us to support and retain our wonderful staff during the pandemic when the Community Centre was closed.

Sam Egan (Community Centre Manager) and Gill Thompson

LUNCH CLUB

We were very fortunate to receive donations that enabled us to provide meals and support to the members of Lunch Club at home when we were unable to operate during the Covid restrictions. This helped so many people and gave them the confidence to come back when Lunch Club was finally able to restart on Tuesday 25th May.

Over the year, numbers increased to 20-22 each week, and we welcomed many new people.

On the 17th August 2021 we arranged a community memorial service and lunch to remember those dear friends whom we lost during the lockdowns. Susan offered a lovely service in church. After lunch, a musical entertainer came along to cheer us up with some of our favourite tunes. We also invited a member of the staff from COOK in Southfields to meet those people for whom the meals they kindly donated during lockdown had meant so much. We presented them with a card and gift to show our appreciation.

A grant received from the Co-op Community Fund in 2021 allowed us to purchase 24 place settings of new cutlery, recently complemented with 6 tablecloths for the large tables.

Our two cooks Janice O'Connor and Mary Novis worked each week, ably assisted by Chris Ward (who also acts as one of our team leaders) and our volunteers Eve Speare and Margaret McManus. We were sorry to lose Mahmoodah Masood in September when she enrolled on a course, which will hopefully lead to full time employment. A huge thank you to all Mahmoodah has contributed to the Lunch Club over the last few years. We are a small team and would welcome new volunteers. We need at least one new team leader, ideally two, to work on a rota basis to decide on the menu and do the shopping (for which you will be reimbursed).

Thank you to everyone who helps with the Lunch Club and especially Sam Egan for collecting the money, receiving and making phone calls and keeping in touch with members, which she continued to do throughout lockdown as well as delivering meals donated by COOK. Also, a big thank you to Sam for organising and running bingo each week, which is appreciated by all the members.

Shirley Thompson

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

This group has been unable to meet in 2021 and indeed has not done so since the beginning of the first lockdown. With all members being vulnerable, it seemed wisest to wait until the local situation became more stable before coming together again.

Doreen Hewitt

ST PAUL'S PCC – TREASURER'S REPORT 2021

2021 was a buoyant year for St Paul's finances, thanks largely to our community's generosity and to a quicker than expected resumption of Community Centre activities after the 2021 lockdown.

We ran an impressive operating surplus of £59,000 in 2021. This was driven in part by an increase in one off donations in response to the 'Bridging the Gap and Moving Forward' appeal, by Community Centre income returning to pre-Covid levels in the second half of 2021, but also by a reduction in PSF contributions to the Diocese due to Covid uncertainty.

This left us in a position to comfortably repay the roof loans, leaving us with £134,000 in net assets at the end of the year. From this we expect to pay a balance of around £16,000 for the replacement Community Centre windows, leaving us with almost £80,000 above the required £40,000 contingency reserves.

This puts us in a strong position to engage in projects to move forward positively and better serve our community, such as youth work, and restoring the fabric of the church (e.g. the reredos).

We were fortunate recipients of several grants in 2021: £10,200 from the Culture Recovery Fund to help with the reopening of the Community Centre, £1,500 from the NINDs Trust to re-finish the Community Centre floor, and £500 from Sainsburys towards the Pantry.

Notable fund-raising events included September's Art Auction which raised £5,000 towards youth work, and the much-missed Christmas Fair returned and raised £3,000 for St Pauls.

We note with particular gratitude the sum of £10,000 bequeathed by Jeanne Lacau (who died in 2018).

Finances at St Pauls are a real team effort, and I'd especially like to thank Amanda Gould, Helen Lowis, Philip Warner, Gill Thompson and Mike Lowe for their help with finances and the finance committee, and to Richard Holman for examining our accounts.

Mark Gilbert, Treasurer

APPENDIX: ST PAUL'S PCC ACCOUNTS 2021

St Paul's Church, Wimbledon Park
Charity Commission Ref 1142917

(Income & Expenditure)
For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	Restricted Funds							2021	2020
		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	D - Fabric Fund	D - Jean Garling Fund	R - Organ Fund	R - Youth Work	R - Reredos	R - CRF Grant	R - Pantry Fund
Income		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total Donated Income (Non-recurring)		28,507	0	0	0	0	0	960	0	0
Total Donated Income (Recurring)		61,933	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Income Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)		18,324	0	0	0	0	0	240	0	5
Total Fund Raising Income		4,034	0	0	0	0	9,872	0	0	0
Total Income from Activities		40,547	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income from Investments		26,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Grants Received		6,538	0	0	0	0	0	240	10,200	500
Total Other Voluntary Income	8	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Special Appeals Income		5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125
Total Other Incoming Resources		2,931	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sales of Product Income		119	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	1	204,332	0	0	0	9,872	1,440	10,200	630	226,474
Expenditure										
Total Activities		37,258	0	0	0	0	0	6,091	2,334	45,683
Total Costs of Generating Funds		9,062	0	0	0	4,776	0	0	0	13,838
Parish Support Fund		50,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50,000
Total Major Repairs		9,763	0	0	3,723	0	1,440	0	0	14,927
Total Management and Admin		39,571	0	0	0	0	0	4,109	0	43,680
Total Expenditure	2	145,654	0	3,723	4,776	1,440	10,200	2,334	168,128	166,701
Net Operating Surplus / (Deficit)		58,678	0	0	(3,723)	5,096	0	0	(1,704)	24,108
Other Expenses										
Gains on asset revaluation		0	0	(1,514)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Losses on asset revaluation		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	525
Net Surplus / (Deficit) before Transfers		58,678	0	1,514	(3,723)	5,096	0	0	(1,704)	23,583
Between Funds Transfers	3	(33,300)	33,300	0	0	0	0	0	0	(0)
Net Surplus / (Deficit)		25,378	33,300	1,514	(3,723)	5,096	0	0	(1,704)	23,583

(Balance Sheet)
As at 31 December 2021

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Notes to the Accounts

Note 1 - Details of Income For the year ended 31 December 2021

Income

	Unrestricted Funds					Restricted Funds					2021	2020
	Church - PCC	R - Reredos	R - Youth Work	R - CRF Grant	R - Pantry Fund						Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£						£	£
Church Collections (cash)	202	0	0	0	0						202	776
Goodbox Donations	521	0	0	0	0						521	277
Other Giving	6,549	0	0	0	0						6,549	3,378
Other Giving (Gift Aid)	21,235	960	0	0	0						22,195	7,260
Total Donated Income	28,507	960	0	0	0						29,467	11,691
Regular Giving (Gift Aid Envs)	320	0	0	0	0						320	3,440
Regular Giving (Gift Aid SO's)	34,484	0	0	0	0						34,484	46,049
Regular Giving (PGS)	18,050	0	0	0	0						18,050	0
Regular Giving (Other)	9,079	0	0	0	0						9,079	9,264
Total Donated Income (Regular)	61,933	0	0	0	0						61,933	58,753
Income Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	18,324	240	0	0	5						18,569	14,803
Fund Raising - Church	3,548	0	9,872	0	0						13,420	315
Fund Raising - Cmnty Ctr	486	0	0	0	0						486	811
Sunday Coffee	-	-	-	-	-						0	244
Total Fund Raising Income	4,034	0	9,872	0	0						13,906	1,370
Hire of Church	7,530	0	0	0	0						7,530	1,855
Hire of Community Centre	32,621	0	0	0	0						32,621	24,241
Contributions to Activities	48	0	0	0	0						48	172
Weddings & Funerals - Church	348	0	0	0	0						348	0
Total Income from Activities	40,547	0	0	0	0						40,547	26,268
Interest and Dividends	0	0	0	0	0						0	96
Rent from 90 Augustus Rd	26,400	0	0	0	0						26,400	26,400
Total Income from Investments	26,400	0	0	0	0						26,400	26,496
Grants - DCMS (VAT Refund)	-	-	-	-	-						0	2,148
Grants - HMRC (Furlough)	4,807	0	0	0	0						4,807	7,765
Grants - NINDS	1,500	0	0	0	0						1,500	2,500
Grants - Lottery Fund	0	0	0	10,200	0						10,200	0
Grants - VAT	0	240	0	0	0						240	0
Grants - Other	231	0	0	0	500						731	1,033
Total Grants Received	6,538	240	0	10,200	500						17,478	13,446
Insurance Claims	2,846	0	0	0	0						2,846	0
Other Incoming Resources	85	0	0	0	0						85	0
Total Other Incoming Resources	2,931	0	0	0	0						2,931	0
Legacy	10,000	0	0	0	0						10,000	20,000
Total Other Voluntary Income	10,000	0	0	0	0						10,000	20,000
Special Appeals (AudioVisual)	-	-	-	-	-						0	4,277
Special Appeals (Covid)	-	-	-	-	-						0	4,500
Special Appeals (Pantry)	0	0	0	0	125						125	0
Special Appeals (Other)	5,000	0	0	0	0						5,000	0
Total Special Appeals Income	5,000	0	0	0	125						5,125	8,777
Sales of Product Income	119	0	0	0	0						119	0
Total Income	204,332	1,440	9,872	10,200	630						226,474	181,604

Notes to the Accounts

Note 2 - Details of Expenditure For the year ended 31 December 2021

Expenditure

Clergy Expenses	121	0	0	0	0	0
Group Activity Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Heat (Gas)	2,083	0	0	0	1,600	0
Insurance	9,133	0	0	0	809	0
Light (Electricity)	2,897	0	0	0	350	0
Maintenance & Cleaning - Church	1,851	0	0	0	0	0
Maintenance & Cleaning - Cmmtty Ctr	8,576	0	0	0	2,578	0
Music (Organist / Choir Master)	6,373	0	0	0	0	0
Music (Other)	483	0	0	0	0	0
Pantry costs	0	0	0	0	0	2,334
Running Expenses	461	0	0	0	0	0
Salaries - Cleaners	5,205	0	0	0	717	0
Water	74	0	0	0	37	0
Total Activities	37,258	0	0	0	6,091	2,334
Costs of 90 Augustus Rd	9,062	0	0	0	0	0
Costs of Fund Raising	0	0	4,776	0	0	0
Total Costs of Generating Funds	9,062	0	4,776	0	0	0
Parish Support Fund	50,000	0	0	0	0	0
Grants (Missionary Giving)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants (Other)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Grants	0	0	0	0	0	0
Major Repairs	630	1,440	0	0	0	0
Major Repairs - Organ	0	0	0	3,723	0	0
Major Repairs - Flooring	3,083	0	0	0	0	0
Major Repairs - Windows	4,450	0	0	0	0	0
Major Works - AudioVisual	0	0	0	0	0	0
Major Repairs - Notice Boards	1,600	0	0	0	0	0
Total Major Repairs	9,763	1,440	0	3,723	0	0
Management and Admin	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finance Costs	1,718	0	0	0	299	0
IT & Systems	68	0	0	0	0	0
Printing & Photocopier	2,428	0	0	0	208	0
Salaries - Cmmtty Ctr Mgmt	12,142	0	0	0	2,511	0
Salaries - Parish Admin	15,489	0	0	0	0	0
Salaries - Tax & Pensions	4,936	0	0	0	899	0
Telephones	2,792	0	0	0	192	0
Total Management and Admin	39,571	0	0	0	4,109	0
Total Expenditures	145,654	1,440	4,776	3,723	10,200	2,334

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds					2021	2020
Church - PCC	R - Reredos	R - Youth Work	R - Organ Fund	R - CRF Grant	R - Pantry Fund	Total	Total
£			£	£	£	£	£
121	0	0	0	0	0	121	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2,083	0	0	0	1,600	0	3,682	3,382
9,133	0	0	0	809	0	9,942	11,173
2,897	0	0	0	350	0	3,247	3,018
1,851	0	0	0	0	0	1,851	3,357
8,576	0	0	0	2,578	0	11,154	6,266
6,373	0	0	0	0	0	6,373	6,400
483	0	0	0	0	0	483	661
0	0	0	0	0	2,334	2,334	0
461	0	0	0	0	0	461	1,246
5,205	0	0	0	717	0	5,922	6,898
74	0	0	0	37	0	111	206
37,258	0	0	0	6,091	2,334	45,683	42,607
9,062	0	0	0	0	0	9,062	7,322
0	0	4,776	0	0	0	4,776	0
9,062	0	4,776	0	0	0	13,838	7,322
50,000	0	0	0	0	0	50,000	60,000
-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
630	1,440	0	0	0	0	2,070	0
0	0	0	3,723	0	0	3,723	3,804
3,083	0	0	0	0	0	3,083	0
4,450	0	0	0	0	0	4,450	2,989
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,011
1,600	0	0	0	0	0	1,600	0
9,763	1,440	0	3,723	0	0	14,927	9,804
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,718	0	0	0	299	0	2,017	1,775
68	0	0	0	0	0	68	493
2,428	0	0	0	208	0	2,636	2,950
12,142	0	0	0	2,511	0	14,653	14,308
15,489	0	0	0	0	0	15,489	14,315
4,936	0	0	0	899	0	5,835	4,728
2,792	0	0	0	192	0	2,984	1,943
39,571	0	0	0	4,109	0	43,680	40,512
145,654	1,440	4,776	3,723	10,200	2,334	168,128	160,244

Notes to the Accounts

Note 3 Between Funds Transfers represent

Transfer from General Fund to Fabric Fund	
to repay Roof Loans	33,000
Transfers from General Fund	33,000
Net Balance Transfer to General Fund	(33,000)

Note 4 Current Debtors (Monies owed to us)

	2021	2020	Movement
Income tax recovered on Gift Aid	13,970	8,521	
Church Lettings	1,393	0	
Lettings Management Fee	901	0	
LPW VAT Reclaim	240	0	
Overpayment to Stationery Supplier	66	0	
Prepaid Electricity	0	1,543	
Prepaid Music Licences	0	373	
Historic England Grant for windows	0	533	
Other debtors	0	370	
	16,569	11,340	5,229

Note 5 Current Creditors (Monies we owe)

	2021	2020	Movement
Tenants Deposits	2,538	2,538	
Fees & Salaries Due	2,990	1,300	
Audio Visual Costs	2,817	2,817	
Utilities	1,350	0	
Fees to Diocese	1,241	0	
NINDS Grant (paid in advance)	0	0	
Roof Fund Loans due	600	33,300	
Other Creditors	0	0	
	11,536	39,956	(28,419)

NB The remaining Roof Fund Loans are now Current Creditors due in 2021

Note 6 Net Current Assets - Reserves

The PCC has a policy to maintain Free Reserves of at least 3 months normal expenditure.

Since consolidating the Community Centre and PPC General Fund, Weeks spend

Normal Expenditure 146,000 52

3 months expenditure Free Reserves requirement 37,000 13

The total General Fund current reserves stand at 114,823 41

We have the following Commitments within these reserves

Roof Fund Loans still due 600

Community Centre Windows 16,400

Audio Visual equipment 1,265

Total Commitments 18,265

Remaining Free reserves 96,558 34

Note 7 Loans from the congregation for Roof Repairs

	2021
Loans at the start of the year	33,300
Loans converted to gifts	0
Repayments in 2020 via General Fund	32,700
Loans Outstanding	600

The remaining loans are due for repayment

Note 8 Legacy

The PCC is especially grateful to the late Mrs Jeanne Lacau for leaving a legacy of £10,000 to St Pauls

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Paul's Wimbledon Park (charity no: 1142917).

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Parish 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 the Parish's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Parish as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed: 

Name: Richard Holman FCA

Relevant professional qualification / membership of professional bodies: Chartered Accountant

Address: 11 Genoa Avenue, Putney, London SW15 6DY

Date 13 April 22