

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1144879

Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements for the period ending 31 March 2025  
For  
St.Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge

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**St.Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge**

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# **St Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge**

## **Report of the Trustees For the year ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements for the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Effective 1 January 2015)

### **1. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES:**

- The main objective of the church is to promote the Indian Orthodox Christian faith
- The main activities of the church are conducting regular masses monthly and special masses on church festivals.
- The church does not make any grants.
- The church is run by volunteers who are not entitled for remuneration except the vicar's allowances paid to the priest for the pastoral services.
- The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance- Public Benefit: Running a Charity (PB2)

### **2. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE:**

- Regular and special masses were conducted during the year with the introduction of English Qurbana.
- In person Sunday school classes were arranged on a regular basis year.
- Ladies and youth activities were conducted on a regular basis.
- Martha Mariam Samajam meetings were periodically held after Holy Qurbana.
- The feast of St. Thomas was celebrated same as last year.
- Vacation Bible Studies during school holiday time.
- Prayer meetings were conducted routinely.
- Renovations of the church were coordinated and the church was officially consecrated in the presence of HE Abraham Mar Stephanos.

### **3. FINANCIAL OVERVIEW:**

- Church's principal source of funds is income from member's subscription, donations and offertory.
- Church reserves are held to fund its current and future activities
- There is no funds in deficit.

### **4. FUTURE PLANS:**

- Develop our social platforms and expand our reach to other fellow Christians
- Improve our dynamic website to connect beneficiaries with resources
- Influence the youth of today by teaching them about our faith and encourage participation with church activities.
- Introduce regular online meetings for our youth to continue having guidance from the church as they move away from home.

### **5. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT:**

#### **Governing document**

The Church is controlled by its governing document, a written constitution and constitutes as an incorporated charity.

#### **Recruitment and appointment of Trustees:-**

The vicar is appointed by the Bishop of Indian Orthodox Church, The Diocese of UK, Europe & Africa. The committee members of the church are elected at the Annual General Body Meeting of its members for a term of one year.

**St Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge**  
**Report of the Trustees For the year ended 31 March 2025**

**Reference and Administrative Information:-**

Name of Charity	St Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge
Charity Registration Number	1144879
Principal Address	Church Lane Papworth Everard Cambridgeshire CB23 3QN

**Trustees:-**

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Rev.Fr. Mathews Kuriakose-Vicar  
Mr. Binoj K Varghese- Hon. Treasurer  
Mr. Robin Thomas- Hon. Secretary  
Mr. Joseph Thomas  
Mr. Suku Daniel  
Mr. Jithosh John  
Mr. Reji Thomas  
Mr. Anil Raju  
Mrs. Anu Thomas  
Mr. Ranju Abraham  
Mr. Kemil Thomas  
Mr. Jacob A. Varghese

**Acknowledgments:-**

We are deeply grateful to our donors, volunteers, staff, and beneficiaries for their invaluable support. Together, we are making a difference and creating a brighter future for those in need.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Binoj K Varghese (Treasurer)

Date: 19/12/2025

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of**  
**St.Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages four to eight.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

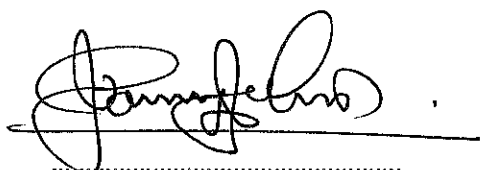
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.



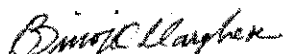
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**St.Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge**

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025**

		<b><u>Unrestricted</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted</u></b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
		<b><u>Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
Notes		<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>					
Voluntary income		53,377	-	53,377	67,081
Activities for generating funds		1,915	-	1,915	3,252
Other incoming resources		-	-	-	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>55,292</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,292</b>	<b>70,333</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<b>Costs of Generating Funds</b>					
Charitable Expenditure		34,628	-	34,628	28,484
Fundraising Expenses		-	-	-	-
Governance Cost		10,607	-	10,607	14,395
Other Resources expended		1,454	-	1,454	922
		<b>46,689</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,689</b>	<b>43,801</b>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>8,603</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,603</b>	<b>26,532</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		259,756	-	259,756	233,224
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>268,359</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>268,359</b>	<b>259,756</b>



Hon. Treasurer: Binoj K Varghese

The notes form part of these financial statements

**St.Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge**

**Balance Sheet**  
**At 31 March 2025**

		<b><u>Unrestricted</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted</u></b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
		<b><u>Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
	Notes	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Assets	4	213,518	-	213,518	210,506
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	5	9,662		9,662	19,865
Cash at bank and in Hand		45,759		45,759	29,685
		55,422	-	55,422	49,551
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(580)	-	(580)	(300)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)</b>		<b>54,842</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,842</b>	<b>49,251</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>268,359</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>268,359</b>	<b>259,756</b>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	7	-	-	-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>268,359</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>268,359</b>	<b>259,756</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted Funds	9			268,359	259,756
Restricted Funds				-	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<b>268,359</b>	<b>259,756</b>

The financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 25/05/2025 and were signed on its behalf by



Hon. Treasurer: Binoj K Varghese

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**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period Ended 31 March 2025**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting convention**

The financial statement have been prepared under historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

**Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be qualified with reasonable accuracy.

**Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and Fittings	-15% on reducing balance basis
Land and Building	-Not Provided

(The Trustees have carried out a full impairment review in accordance with FRS 11, as a result of which no depreciation is made in respect of freehold property on the grounds that the estimated residual value is not materially different from its carrying value in the Balance Sheet)

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**2 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS**

Harvest Festival and Food Festival.

**3. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024 as Trustees, but paid £9100 to Fr. Mathew Kuriakose for his service as a Vicar for the year end 2024.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the period ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.



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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024**

**4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	<b><u>Land and Building (£)</u></b>	<b><u>Fixtures and Fittings (£)</u></b>	<b><u>Total (£)</u></b>
<b><u>COST</u></b>			
At 1 April 2024	205,279	15,964	221,243
Additions	-	4,466	4,466
<b>At 31 March 2025</b>	<b>205,279</b>	<b>20,430</b>	<b>225,709</b>
<b><u>DEPRECIATION</u></b>			
At 1 April 2024	-	10,737	10,737
Charge for the year	-	1,454	1,454
<b>At 31 March 2025</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,191</b>	<b>12,191</b>
<b><u>NET BOOK VALUE</u></b>			
At 31 March 2025	<b>205,279</b>	<b>8,239</b>	<b>213,518</b>
At 31 March 2024	<b>205,279</b>	<b>5,227</b>	<b>210,506</b>

**5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	<b>2025 £</b>	<b>2024 £</b>
Gift Aid Tax Receivable	9662	19,865
Prepayments and accrued Income	-	-
	<b>9,662</b>	<b>19,865</b>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025**

**6. CREDITORS; AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2025 £	2024 £
Loans and Overdrafts	-	-
Loan from Members and others	-	-
Other Creditors	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	580	300
	<u>580</u>	<u>300</u>

**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.2024 £	Net Movement in £	Transfers between £	At 31.03.2025 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Fund	259,756	8,603		268,359
	<u>259,756</u>	<u>8,603</u>		<u>268,359</u>

Net movement in Funds, included in above are as follows

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended. £	Movement in Funds £
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	55,292	(46,689)	8,603
Restricted Funds			
TOTAL FUNDS	55,292	(46,689)	8,603

**St.Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Cambridge**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025**

	<u>2025</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>(£)</u>
<b><u>Incoming Resources</u></b>		
<b>Voluntary Income</b>		
Donations	9,534	14,110
Subscription	15,660	15,370
Offertory	8,371	9,824
Christmas Carol	3,186	2,419
Charity Fund	1,690	
Passion week	305	1,395
Gift Aid Recievable	10422	19,865
Money Box		38
Catholicate Day		165
MMVS	2,103	1,020
Diocese Day/Catholicate Day	380	950
Sunday School (OVBS)	1,725	1,925
	<b>53,377</b>	<b>67,081</b>
<b>Activities for Generating Funds</b>		
Harvest Festival	1,915	3,252
	<b>1,915</b>	<b>3,252</b>
<b>Other Incoming Resources</b>		
Rents Received	-	
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>55,292</b>	<b>70,333</b>
<b><u>Resources Expended</u></b>		
<b>Charitable Expenditures</b>		
Vicar Allowances	9,100	7,000
Remuneration: Guest Priests		2,250
Holy Week		1,295
Sunday School Expenses	2,363	2,701
Refreshments	3,959	11,695
Charity	3,345	500
Church Consecration Expenses	12,814	-
Symphony22/Sanghamam		660
Diocese Day	1,730	1,640
Youth &Choir	232	258
Awards&Memento/Miscellaneous	636	
MMVS	300	320
Catholicate	150	165
	<b>34,628</b>	<b>28,484</b>

<b>Governance Cost</b>		
Sundries	80	761
Accounting	460	480
Website	92	
Op Adj -Gift Aid,Prepayments & Accruals		1,275
Repairs	5,783	8,853
Light& Heat	2,171	1,272
Insurance	1,905	1,672
Rent		
Printing & Stationery	115	83
	<b>10,607</b>	<b>14,395</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
Fixtures and Fittings	1454	922
	<b>1,454</b>	<b>922</b>
<b>Total Resource Expended</b>	<b>46,689</b>	<b>43,801</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>8,603</b>	<b>26,532</b>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements