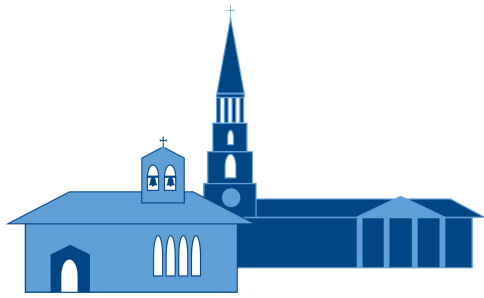


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It is interesting reading scripts submitted for this Annual Report, as the pandemic continues to loom large in people's minds, and yet 2022 really saw the parish return to a normal way of operating, with the final restrictions being removed at Pentecost. This included the restoration of the chalice, and importantly, the return of the obligation to attend mass on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation throughout the year. Our groups too have now all returned to normal, and God willing, that awful period will now be behind us, and we can re-focus on being a 'priority-led parish', that is, a parish where our priorities are shared and pursued together in all we do. These priorities are evangelism, work with children and families, our organ restoration project, finances and premises, and our social and fundraising work, and I am pleased and proud that this report for the financial year 2022 details how we have moved forward in each of these areas over the course of the past twelve months.

What, though, are the headline figures? The clearest raw data for our success in the field of evangelism comes from attendance at mass, and over 2022, the parish grew by 6% overall, which equates to roughly four additional attendees each Sunday. This returns overall attendance to an average of 78 per week. The key now will be recapturing the success of pre-pandemic growth, to return to – and exceed – the figures in 2018 and 2019, building up our congregations year on year. Christmas and Easter figures in 2022 also demonstrated a 'return of the masses', with Christmas attendance up 13% and Easter attendance up nearly 30%, both of which were pleasing figures.

Some of the success of our work with children and families can also be garnered from statistics, and since the beginning of our Children and Families Project, attendance by children has risen by 120%. On Mothering Sunday recently we had 21 children in church over three masses, which represents a phenomenal change from just three years ago. Such growth would not have happened, however, if it were not for Katherine Brackley's leadership in this area of our parish life. Supported by many willing and able volunteers – many of you will be reading this report, you know who you are! – the parish has developed its offering to make it much more inclusive of different ages, and our churches are much younger than they were, giving hope for long-term sustainability. Thank you if you have played a part in this journey.

The exciting news is that this journey is not over yet. There is much more work to do, and over the past year, I have been working to secure external funding to enable our project to move into a second three-year phase. We have so far raised £64,000 which will mean our Children

and Families Worker can continue in post; but if we raise another £37,000 we can increase her hours to full-time. Please pray for the remaining applications currently being considered by five charities, that their trustees may see the impact of, and value in, this work, and support us in this endeavour.

The beautifully-succinct reports given by our churchwardens below perhaps hide the fact that an awful lot of work has gone into our buildings this past year, from them and others. We started the year questioning how we might raise sufficient funds to repair the faulty roof at St Peter's. But God was good, and through generous support from those who live in our parish, together with grants from charitable bodies, along with careful project management, we were pleased to raise the necessary funds within about a month. It truly was an answer to prayer, as this necessary work could then be completed to keep us all dry. Heat is also a basic need, and much time and energy was spent over the course of 2022 speaking to the diocese on the replacement of the heaters at St John's. Most of these had broken – the others were on their way out – and yet the DAC was concerned that an energy-efficient solution needed to be employed. Yet this was prohibitive in various ways, and we argued our case in order to be granted faculty towards the end of the year, with the heaters now (early 2023) having been replaced. 2023's annual report will show that this too was achieved through the obtaining of external funding, without which we would simply be lost. Thanks go to our churchwardens for their continued careful management of our beautiful churches, fixing little issues whilst pursuing larger projects too. They also go to our PCC Treasurer, Richard Squires, who has worked really hard not only keeping on top of, but also developing, our finances since he took over the reins. Richard is stepping down from this role this year, but I do want to thank him profusely for all he has done to look after this important aspect of our church life.

On those larger projects I mentioned above, the PCC and Finances and Premises Committee have also been pursuing the reordering of St Peter's, which will see the Victorian vestry (i.e. present Parish Room) re-instated to its original purpose to house our choir, servers and clergy, stalls introduced to the chancel to seat the choir, kitchen and storage facilities built at the west end of church underneath the gallery, and accessible facilities installed in the present sacristy. We are also seeking to change the lighting, which long-standing parishioners will remember caused a headache to at least two of my predecessors, and which the end result was entirely unsatisfactory, as none of us can see, and the beauty of Carr's building remains hidden. A new approach to the lighting is being pursued by Bruce Kirk of Light Perceptions Ltd. Bruce's portfolio is mightily impressive and includes most Anglican cathedrals up and down the country, a number of historic royal palaces, and more: we are very fortunate to have him on board. So watch this space for major developments over the next year or so.

A lot of the questions which led to the proposals to re-order St Peter's arose from our musical developments over the past few years, and our aim of restoring our Harrison and Harrison organ. Admittedly, progress with this in 2022 has been slow. The Organ Restoration Focus Group was one of the last to be resurrected following the pandemic, though our thinking on this matter has developed over the course of the year, with us realising that to secure

sufficient funds for the organ's restoration, we need to pursue a people-led project, rather than a heritage-led project. Yet this is no bad thing, and plans are afoot to develop a children's choir as part of a pilot project, which will also tie in with our intentional missional focus on children and families. Again, watch this space for further developments.

Whilst the organ project has been slower than I would have hoped, I cannot say the same about our wider musical life. In December 2021 we appointed Leonard Sanderman as a Temporary Organist and Director of Music. Leonard began with us a PhD student, but has already risen to the dizzy heights of a professorship! He has fitted in so wonderfully in our parish, and brings with him tremendous skills and talents from which we are benefiting. In particular, his training of the choir is really paying dividends, and our musical offering at the sung mass at St Peter's has developed accordingly. Whilst this perhaps gives a slightly different feel to the mass than before, it makes St Peter's stand out in the locality as a place at the forefront of musical trends in the Anglo-Catholic world. It also means that whilst the substance of the masses in our two churches is exactly the same – the same liturgy, same readings, and same homily, as we are the same family – our offering in Horbury Bridge can cater for slightly different tastes. Thank you must go to Leonard for all he has brought to the parish over 2022. We hope he is able to continue with us for the near future, and especially as we hope to develop our organ project and children's choir in the ways described above.

Having mentioned our two employees and our two churchwardens it would be remiss of me not to mention Fr Daniel. Fr Daniel joined us as Curate following his ordination to the diaconate at Petertide 2022, and has settled into parish life really well. In his report below he talks about being receptive to comments from parishioners, but this nervousness disguises the immense skills which he brings to our church family, notably in preaching, teaching, and with children and young people. Of course we were privileged to see those skills when he came on placement with us over summer 2021 – little did we know then that we would be welcoming him back less than a year later to be part of the Horbury and Horbury Bridge family – but we are glad to have done so. Fr Daniel's particular work involves him becoming familiar with the day-to-day life of a parish priest, and so he is involved in supporting the liturgy in various ways, preaching and teaching, working in schools, building up relationships with worshippers and the wider community, and contributing in an increasing capacity to the management of our parochial life – he has recently become a Community Governor at St Peter's School, and taken over the chairmanship of the Evangelism Focus Group, for instance. He has already brought new ideas to the table, and I know that, supported by you as he grows into his ministry, he will continue to do so. Please do come and support him for both his ordination and first mass this coming Petertide, and keep him in your prayers as he prepares to receive the gift of priesthood from God.

Vocational work is very important. As you know, one of the jobs I do for the diocese is as an Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands. I am also a trustee of the Cleaver Trust, which provides book grants and financial support to ordinands in the Catholic tradition of the Church of England. But the most important work we have with vocations is on the ground,

and I am delighted that our Reader, Mark Naylor, has continued his training towards ordination over the course of the year. This has, unfortunately for us, meant that he is often away from the parish on Sundays as he has to complete placements, but we are able to benefit from his ministry as Reader when he is with us, and assure him of our continued support and prayers as he journeys towards ordination in 2024.

Other things which take me away from the parish include my work as Priest Vicar of Wakefield Cathedral, as well as my work as a trustee of The Number One Trust, who kindly helped us with our roof (before I was a trustee!). Fr Daniel and I also attend deanery chapters and synods, and the Chapter of the Resurrection, which is the chapter for Society clergy in the Diocese, which I chair. In return for this work for the diocese and others, we also benefit in the parish from support given, and in 2022, we were pleased to receive our tri-annual visitation from the Archdeacon of Pontefract, support from the diocesan stewardship team in introducing the Parish Giving Scheme – which, if you haven't joined, please consider doing so, it really makes a difference to the workload our PCC Officers have to deal with – and the Diocesan Education team, who helped us in the appointment of Mr Richard Tuddenham as Headteacher of Horbury Bridge Academy in Easter 2022 – and it has been great getting to know Richard and working with him in the school since. Towards the end of the year we also received our Quinquennial Inspection reports, and we will be considering how best to implement these in the near future to keep our buildings in top shape. We are pleased also to receive the pastoral care and sacramental ministry of the Bishop of Wakefield, who preached for our fantastic celebration of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee – which saw a pack St Peter's Church with many community leaders and groups in attendance – celebrated his Chrism Mass here, and came to confirm later on in Advent. Sadly, of course, our beloved Queen died during the year, but we were able to support the people of Horbury as they grieved their long-standing monarch, by the provision of a Book of Condolence, a church open for individuals to come and pray, and a beautiful requiem mass, at which Fr George Nairn-Briggs DL preached. In terms of visitors, we were also delighted to welcome a huge crowd in October for the Society of Mary October Devotion. This included the former Bishop of Beverley, Fr Graeme Rowlands from the SOM, the Bishop of Wakefield, ordinands from Mirfield and St Stephen's House, the Horbury Victoria Band and other musicians, and many more too. A super day was had by all. We also attended the consecration of the new Bishop of Beverley at York Minster later in the year, and we continue to keep Fr Stephen in our prayers.

As you can see, there was much in 2022 for which we need to be thankful, be that people in our church family, new worshippers, signs of growth, charitable bodies who have supported our work, members of our wider community whom we have welcomed to our buildings and activities, or plans that are slowly or quickly coming to fruition, as we seek to build up the church in this place committed to our care. Thank you for sharing the responsibility of this with me as your parish priest. Thank you for all you do sharing our priorities and working on them together. Thank you for being faithful to God. I look forward to another exciting year ahead working with you.

Fr Christopher

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The Parish of St Peter and St Leonard, Horbury, with St John, Horbury Bridge is a vibrant and living Christian community, on the edge of the city of Wakefield and part of the newly formed Anglican Diocese of Leeds. We are one church operating across two sites, and though parish life is both busy and varied, the worship of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, lies at its core. Since the days of Canon John Sharp (Vicar, 1834-99), Horbury has had a long and impressive history within the Catholic tradition of the Church of England, and displays all its hallmarks. The parish is led by Fr Christopher Johnson, who was appointed as Vicar in May 2017. Fr Christopher is supported by a Curate, Fr Daniel Heaton, two Churchwardens, Mrs Mavis Walsh and Mrs Valerie Crowther, and two Readers, Mrs Katherine Brackley and Mr Mark Naylor.

AIMS AND PURPOSES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Parish of St Peter and St Leonard, Horbury, with St John, Horbury Bridge, has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Fr Christopher Johnson, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the two churches of St Peter and St Leonard, Horbury, and St John, Horbury Bridge.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our churches and to become part of our community. Our vision is:

- to see those in our pastoral cure come to worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through regular attendance at mass and other public worship, and through daily personal prayer;
- to nurture a strong, welcoming and inclusive Christian community, whose values are underpinned by the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ;
- for all members of our church to grow in their Christian discipleship through regular Bible Study, with preaching and teaching;
- to reach out to the local community, by recognizing and pledging our individual skills and talents for the benefit of all; and
- to act as sensitive stewards of the resources we have, so that God's work can continue to develop and meet the changing needs of our parishioners.

When planning our programme of activities for the year, the Vicar and PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities for the advancement of religion by:

- offering people the opportunity to gather together for and participate in public worship, prayer and teaching at our range of Sunday and midweek services and events;
- providing pastoral care through baptism, wedding and funeral ministry as well as the visitation of the sick;
- providing a 'gathering place' for those in particular need or with particular circumstances, through our coffee mornings and social activities, two toddler groups and fellowship groups, and by giving practical help to people in need;

- offering teaching to children and young people and providing opportunity for them to explore matters of faith;
- supporting our two church schools and local convent through regular pastoral contact;
- delivering catechetical programmes; and
- promoting and supporting mission partnerships with other churches, as well as other local organisations.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of our two churches. Our achievements for 2022 are detailed above in the opening letter from the Vicar, and below, in this collection of reports.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020), and a registered charity, number 1147711.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The structure, governance and management of the parish is determined by the rules of the Church of England, in particular the Church Representation Rules 2020. This sets out the membership of the PCC, which consists of the incumbent (Vicar), other clergy licensed to the parish, and the readers (all ex-officio), together with the two churchwardens (elected at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners) and members of the laity elected to serve on the Deanery Synod or Parochial Church Council (both of which are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting).

Governance of the parish is provided by the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC, whilst day-to-day management is the responsibility of the Vicar, Churchwardens and Officers of the Parochial Church Council. Whether ex-officio or elected, together, all PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members receive initial training into the workings of the PCC.

The following people served as members of the PCC for all or part of the year 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022:

Vicar and Chairman	*Fr Christopher Johnson SSC MA MSt MLitt
Curate	*Fr Daniel Heaton BA (from 2 nd July 2022)
Licensed Readers	Mark Naylor Katherine Brackley
Churchwardens	*Mavis Walsh *Valerie Crowther
Deanery Synod Representatives	Carol Holdsworth Trevor Jones AnneMarie Patterson Janet Ramdsale
PCC Members	Ivy Beckett Pauline Fallas Barry Goalby Janice Hammerton Margaret Holwell *Carol Tattersfield Michael Turner Susan Twohig Michael Wood
Co-Opted Members	*Richard Squires

*Indicates member of Standing Committee

The following appointments were also made by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting or Parochial Church Council during the course of the year 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022:

Sidesmen	P Beckett; S Dyson; D Haigh; T Jones (from APCM); AM Patterson; S Turner (to APCM); M Turner (to APCM); M Shaw; J Squires (to APCM); R Squires (to APCM); P Taylor (from APCM); B Wilby; J Yarrow; G Allott (from APCM); M Allott; A Cole; B Goalby; M Goalby; and M Walton (to APCM).
Secretary	Carol Tattersfield
Treasurer	Richard Squires
Parish Giving Officer	Michael Turner
Health and Safety Officer	Trevor Jones
Parish Safeguarding Officer	Carol Tattersfield
Safer Recruitment Officer	Lynda Wigelsworth
Electoral Roll Officer	David Holdsworth
Deputy Churchwardens	Barry Goalby, Janet Ramsdale (from APCM)
Interim Organist and Director of Music	Leonard Sanderman
HCT Representatives	Margaret Holwell
Foundation Governors (St Peter's)	Fr Christopher Johnson (ex-officio) Neil Cudworth Kevin McGetrick
Foundation Governors (Horbury Bridge Academy)	Fr Christopher Johnson (ex-officio) Valerie Crowther

The existence of the Standing Committee is required under the Church Representation Rules. It meets prior to PCC meetings to set the agenda for the meeting and transact delegated business. The PCC has also continued to delegate its work to the following groups:

- Finances and Premises Committee;
- Social and Fundraising Committee;
- Children and Youth Focus Group;
- Evangelism Focus Group; and
- Organ Restoration Focus Group.

The PCC understands that money given for the work of the parish should be spent on the upkeep of the parish, and only kept in reserves for specific reasons. These include planning for significant known financial obligations, having some capital available for unexpected financial obligations, as well as maintaining a commitment to those who are employed by the PCC. In accordance with these aims, it is the policy of the PCC to hold in reserves the equivalent of two months general running costs and an additional one month's salary cost. In order to keep our two church buildings in good working order, it is also our policy to hold an amount for unexpected building works in the Fabric Fund, which can be comprised of restricted or designated monies. The PCC aims to use any unspecified bequests in developing the fabric of our two church buildings or furthering the mission of the parish to ensure long-term sustainability and promote church growth.

STATUTORY REPORTS

Report on Changes in the Electoral Roll since the last APCM

Once again this year many of our names remain constant. We have new additions to our parish including families, who are getting involved in parish life, including with children serving. Sadly though we have seen five deaths: Pat Brooke, Doreen Driffill, Jean Butler, Derek Johnson and Joyce Turner, all sadly missed. Our revision this year therefore gives:

Total names on roll 2022	107
RIP	5
Moved away	1
Removed from roll	3
Additions	7
Total names on roll 2023	105

Of the 105 names on the roll, 67 live within the parish and 38 live outside the parish.

David Holdsworth, Electoral Roll Officer

Report on the Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council

PCC meetings have been able to resume to full face-to-face meetings over the past year. The PCC has met six times since the APCM of 2022. The work of the PCC has been able to maintain normal activity this year after nearly two years of periods of national lockdowns due to the COVID pandemic. The hard work that was carried out during the various lockdowns has been maintained and built upon with the parish showing signs of regrowth. Most of the parish's regular activities are now able to be run in the formats they did pre-pandemic.

Carol Tattersfield, Secretary

Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council

This report is on the 2022 financial year for the Parish of St Peter's and St Leonard's, Horbury, with St John's, Horbury Bridge, and is based on the audit figures as presented to the PCC. The overall income including restricted and non-PCC Accounts items for the parish was £141,507 and overall expenditure was £142,678. Despite a small deficit we have managed to fund some significant projects and once again increased our parish share. Again, running the accounts on a cash basis, we had some balances brought forward from the previous year and hold some income for the next year but the churches have continued to be financially sound and have reserves held in the building society account to enable planning for future projects should and when this be required.

Some extremely pleasing news is that yet again we have continued to increase our parish share and this year have been able to offer up a further £7,000 from the same period of the previous year: our total payment for the financial year 2022 was £23,000 as we continue to increase this to the level we had before the pandemic struck.

We should once again thank all those who have continued to raise funds for the church. Without this valued income we would struggle to remain financially viable. Fundraising is a vital part of

what we do as a church. We managed to have an Autumn Fair, Street Fayre, and Garden Party amongst other income streams which have continued to be an excellent way to bring in finances.

Despite inflation now creeping up, alongside cost of-living increases and significant increases in gas and electricity prices we remain in a comfortable position financially. The work done before the utilities price increases has ensured that the increases have so far had an insignificant impact on the running of the churches. However, we need to remain committed to try to increase our income wherever possible to at least match these price increases going forward.

We continue to thank all those who support parish events and provide us with much needed income, as well as those who continue to give as generously as they can. Anyone who feels they can afford to donate more to the church would be gratefully appreciated, as an increase of even £2 per month per giver would increase the income annually by an estimated £1700 which is the cost of heating the church at St John's for a year.

We continue to maintain our card income streams that are growing in popularity. Online donations from the church's website, and from the donation station situated within St Peter's, are continuing to bring much needed revenue and income from these sources.

The new giving scheme was launched in 2022 and despite a slow start is continuing to grow in its use and ensures a significant reduction in administrative overheads. A huge thank you to those who so far have signed up to the scheme and we hope this continues to develop in the next financial year.

Going forward work around replacing the heaters in St John's is looking to be successful and the generosity of varying organisations in grants for work being done continues to ensure that large scale expenditure in the main is well funded.

Richard Squires, Treasurer

The Accounts and Independent Examiner's Report can be found at the end of this booklet.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Churches of the Parish

At St Peter's:

- Minor electrical repairs have been carried out on the Parish Room lights and the WC extractor fan;
- The repairs to the North Transept roof, which had begun in 2021, were completed in March;
- A leaking water pipe under the sacristy floor was repaired;
- Wakefield Council's Listed Buildings Team levelled and re-grouted the outside paving;
- The sacristy door has been repaired;
- Repairs have been carried out to the North Transept glass porch following damage;
- The water-damaged plasterwork in the North Transept has been repaired;
- The central heating boiler was serviced;
- The Lady Chapel and Parish Room gutters were cleaned in March and December;
- The fire extinguishers have been serviced; and
- The Lightning Conductor has been tested.

The following works were carried out by volunteers:

- Joinery and woodwork repairs;
- Repairs and adjustments to the speaker system and microphones;
- The regular cleaning of the interior of the church and parish room;
- The regular cleaning and keeping in good repair of the brass and silver ornaments and communion vessels; and
- The laundering of altar linen.

At St John's:

- Minor repairs to the roof, boiler and lighting have been undertaken;
- Fire extinguishers have been serviced and replaced; and
- The heating system has been replaced.

Grateful thanks are given to the individuals and teams who carry out the vital work of making sure St Peter's and St John's look inviting and function effectively.

Valerie Crowther and Mavis Walsh, Churchwardens

Report on the Proceedings of the Deanery Synod

The representatives to the Deanery Synod for the PCC are Carol Holdsworth, Janet Ramsdale, Annemarie Patterson, and Trevor Jones. Three meetings of the synods were held this year.

The first meeting was on 29th June at Sharlston with a presentation from Theo Sheridan-Watts, Lead Development Worker of The Wellsprings Together Project, which is an initiative of the Church Urban Fund and local dioceses, which supports faith communities in meeting social need via parish-based engagement.

The second meeting was on 29th November at St James, Chapelthorpe, where synod members heard a presentation from Liz Morton, Children, Young People and Families Team Leader for the Diocese of Leeds. During this session, Liz encouraged us in our work with children, and we were pleased that much of what was being proposed is already in place in this parish thanks to our Children and Families Project.

The third meeting of the synod was on 21st February at Wakefield Cathedral and was a joint deanery synod with the wider episcopal area. The main item was a presentation from Jude Smith on the Barnabas Project, with encouragement to be 'confident Christians, growing churches, transforming communities'.

Unfortunately, the first meeting above was held on St Peter's Day and the last on Shrove Tuesday, when parish commitments prevented attendance at the synods from our representatives. However, we were pleased to be kept informed via minutes. Members attended the second meeting in Chapelthorpe. Synod representatives are up for election this year, and we have pleased to serve the parish in this way over the past three years.

Carol Holdsworth, Janet Ramsdale, Annemarie Patterson,
and Trevor Jones, Deanery Synod Representatives

NON-STATUTORY REPORTS

Bell Tower

The bells are rung before the 10.30am Sunday Service. Tuesday evening practice nights are well attended and ringers from Holy Trinity, Ossett, St Michael and All Angels, Thornhill and St Helen's, Sandal regularly join us.

Visiting teams who have rung our bells this year are The Leeds University Ringers, The Huntington Ringers and The Yorkshire Association Central Branch.

On 2nd June St Peter's bells rang out with others across the country to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Following the death of Her Majesty on 8th September the bells were rung fully muffled for service ringing and no practice night took place. On 20th September St Peter's bells again rang with others across the country before the state funeral. None of the ringers had ever experienced this before.

The ringers are looking forward to the honour of ringing for the Coronation of King Charles III in May 2023.

Mavis Walsh, Tower Captain

Children and Youth

Over the past year our children and families work has continued to grow in numbers of families engaging with the parish, but also in depth of faith, with a number of families now engaging with worship as well as our more missional activities.

Kids Church continues to happen during Sunday morning Mass at St Peter's. There are currently twelve children on roll and there have been between three and eight children attending St Peter's each week and two children attending St John's each week. Kids Church continued over the summer holidays and during this time, we had several visitors with children who accessed Kids Church. The group continues to follow lectionary-based material and includes a game, a Bible reading, a short discussion around the reading, and a craft or reflection activity based on the passage. Kids Church has four regular volunteers who support Katherine with these sessions and as a result of this, when there are older children present, the group is able to be divided into two groups. To encourage faith at home, children are provided with take home sheets that allow them to continue to explore the Bible reading. Children have also been provided with their own Lent and Advent sheets to aid worship at home.

The Children's Area at the back of St Peter's Church continues to provide an area for children and young people to use both during mass and throughout the week. Themed colouring sheets and a themed display is present at the back of church, allowing children of all ages to engage in worship, through prayer, story and colouring. The children continue to sit at the front of church during mass and this has continued to encourage engagement in mass, with many children now joining in with the responses in the mass.

At St John's a weekly pack is created for the children present during mass, this includes the Bible reading and an activity to help the children explore the reading. We continue to see a positive impact of the provision and as well as growth in numbers of children and young people engaging in worship, we have also seen a deepening of faith.

Weekly toddler groups happen at St Peter's and St John's. At St Peter's toddler group, JAMS, there has been an average of ten families each week. The children have enjoyed free play, a craft activity, story and a biscuit. At St John's, or ABC toddler group, there has been an average of six families each week, which is a little lower than the previous year as we have lost a number to school, though we are pleased new families have found us and are becoming regular attendees. The children have enjoyed free play, a Bible story and a craft. Good links have begun to develop with families attending these groups and we are beginning to see some of our toddler families engage in other aspects of church life, such as messy church, activity afternoons and holiday clubs.

Peterites is continuing to go very well and has on average twenty children each week, with more on the roll. The group continue to enjoy games, craft and a time of worship. Since September, in order to cater for older children, the group meets together and then splits into two smaller groups for a time of games and teaching. Peterites have enjoyed various projects, including a project on the Lord's Prayer. Peterites had another great end of year party, and in January we ran a bowling trip for them.

In March a group of five children from the Peterites attended the Children's Pilgrimage to Walsingham and another group of young people will be attending the Youth Pilgrimage to Walsingham in the summer.

This year we have encouraged Peterites families to attend our special masses and as a result we had a significant number of children attend our Harvest mass and take part in the welcome, offertory, readings and prayers.

There has also been greater engagement with our Peterites families, with a number of the children's parents and guardians attending a social event.

Fusion, our family service, continues but on a half-termly basis. The numbers of families attending this service have been lower than before, with on average two families attending this service, which influenced the decision to run it less frequently, however, there has been increased attendance at mass by children and families, which is encouraging.

Messy Church continues to happen every Tuesday at St John's Church. Katherine leads this along with a team of volunteers. Fr Daniel now also assists with this service on a weekly basis. Messy Church has grown this year and we have seen there are an average of twelve people attending this service on a weekly basis.

Baptism Brunches continue to happen bi-monthly, these have been well attended and provide an opportunity to deliver baptism preparation in a relaxed setting.

Family events have continued to be run throughout the year. These have included a children's Good Friday event, an advent reflection afternoon, and a family fun day. Holiday Club was run each morning during February half-term. This was the first time we had tried Holiday Club then, and it was very successful with an average of twenty children attending this.

School Masses have continued at Horbury Bridge Academy, and these are now half-termly. The students participate in the masses in various ways, from writing and reading prayers, to choosing the music and serving at the altar. The masses have also been attended by a number of parents. Fr Christopher and Fr Daniel continue to lead collective worship and make weekly visits to EYFS.

At St Peter's School, Fr Christopher and Fr Daniel continue to deliver weekly collective worship and by the end of the academic year each year group will also have received an RE lesson in church. Katherine also delivered a session in school during mental health week. On St Peter's Day a mass was held for year six students.

We also continue to support our schools through governance, and are grateful to our Foundation Governors for all the 'behind the scenes' work they do in their roles.

As our children's work continues to grow and develop, I am extremely grateful to all our volunteers who give so much to support the growth of faith of children and families within the parish, this work would not be possible without your hard work.

Katherine Brackley, Children and Families Worker

Curate's Report

This is my first report to the APCM having now been with you since July. One of my most obvious jobs has been deaconing at Mass – reading the Gospel and assisting at the altar. One of my favourite things about this job is pouring the drop of water into the chalice. The different viscosities make it go all swirly for a moment as the water is taken into the wine and it's really beautiful. Combined with the prayer, 'By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity', it's a really powerful image of us being taken wholly into Christ to be offered on the altar. This ministry is an important preparation for my ordination to the priesthood when I shall no longer just assist at the Holy Sacrifice, but also offer it for you. Another particularly public aspect of my ministry is that of preaching and teaching. You have all probably heard me preach by now (if you haven't, come to church more often) but I have also been teaching on our summer course looking at Holy Order, and the Lent course looking at the Exsultet, as well as leading our Tuesday Bible Reading Group and a study on 'Mountains in Scripture' during our parish pilgrimage to Walsingham.

Slightly less obvious is my work in saying the Daily Office. Prayer is a really important part of the ministry and while the church does not obligate me to assist at Mass every day, I am required to say Morning and Evening Prayer to the glory of God and for all of you. We are joined by a faithful few in this work of prayer but there is always room for more; Fr Christopher and I are always willing to talk you through how to say the Office.

One of the parish's priority areas is our work with children. I alternate assemblies with Fr Christopher but have given assemblies on, inter alia, Christ the King, advent, the Ethiopian eunuch

(studiously avoiding using that word!), the conversion of Paul, the prophet Jeremiah and the resurrection of Christ. Assemblies are often the first encounter children have with the story of salvation; I plot the Bible story we are looking at that day on our Big Bible Timeline, tell the story, often with the help of The Child's Story Bible by Catherine Vos (if you are looking to buy a story Bible for your children/grandchildren, this is the one I recommend), think about what it means for us, and pray. My other main role in school has been teaching the RE curriculum to the reception children at Horbury Bridge with Fr Christopher. With them, I've looked at the nature of God, how Jesus saves us, the Christmas story and things Christians do in church (prayer, reading our Bibles, celebrating Holy Communion). Our children's work isn't just limited to schools though, I have also been helping out with Peterites, Messy Church and dropping into the toddler groups as well.

The Bible tells us that 'Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another' (Prov. 27.17), and the purpose of a curacy is for me to hone my skills before becoming a parish priest. To that end feedback is really useful for me, positive as well as negative; I'm very unflappable so don't worry that I might be offended if you tell me you didn't like something, I'm here to learn after all!

Fr Daniel Heaton, Curate

Evangelism Focus Group

For most of the year, the Evangelism Focus Group has consisted of Annemarie Patterson, Janet Ramsdale, Trevor Jones and Fr Christopher, with Fr Daniel joining us at his ordination. Towards the end of the year, however, membership of the group changed slightly. Trevor Jones decided to step back, and we thank him for his enthusiasm, commitment and hard work in giving a positive lead on evangelism within the church community. At the same time, we welcomed Paul Beckett to the group, who was able to join us for our most recent meeting. At this meeting, Fr Daniel also took over the chairmanship of the group.

Over the course of the year, there have been four meetings of the group. In these meetings we made plans for our Movers and Seekers initiative, where we asked regular worshippers to invite a friend on various coach trips throughout the year. The first trip to the Great Yorkshire Show occurred in the summer, and was a great success, with lots of non-regular worshippers joining us, and a good day was had by all. The second trip, to Durham, was less well attended by non-regular worshippers, but many of our regular crowd were joined by individuals from outside the parish, which made a success of the day.

The group also discussed having a presence at the 2022 Street Fayre, and thought about the evangelistic potential for The Queen's Jubilee, about which we fed back to those organising the celebrations liturgical and social – and it was very pleasing to note that on the day, our service, followed by Pimm's and Puddings was exceptionally well-attended and enjoyed by many non-regular worshippers. Much encouraging, positive feedback was received.

Plans were also made for a heritage weekend and back-to-church Sunday, although we realised that we would be unable to take part in the wider heritage weekend this past year due to the Society of Mary event hosted at St Peter's. Nonetheless, our outdoor procession with Horbury Victoria Band, laity and clergy, made a real impact on our community and was a witness of our faith to the people who live and work in the village.

It was thought that monthly requiem masses would provide an ongoing opportunity to engage with those who had been bereaved, and we were pleased to begin these in November after the annual All Souls service, which again was very well attended by bereaved families.

A new welcome pack has also been designed this year to be distributed to individuals who perhaps have visited our churches once or twice and need to know more about what we offer and how they can get more involved in our parish life. This includes information on our regular services, getting involved in worship, the availability of sacramental and pastoral care, and our social life, and also includes forms to sign up for the mailing list and electoral roll, and information on joining the giving scheme. These packs are currently being printed and will be available shortly.

Publicity was distributed at All Souls and Christmas, and will be so at Easter this year, as we return (following the disruption of the pandemic) to this very easy way of inviting those who live in our parish to engage in church life. We are grateful for those who took piles of leaflets to push through letter boxes in October and December, and would encourage all members of our church community to continue to invite friends, family and other contacts to services, groups and events in our churches, as this is how our churches will continue to grow.

Paul Beckett, Fr Daniel Heaton, Fr Christopher Johnson, Trevor Jones,
Annemarie Patterson and Janet Ramsdale

Horbury Churches Together

I am pleased to be the representative of our two churches on Horbury Churches Together. As many of you will be aware HCT runs the Breakthrough Youth Project which provides tremendous opportunities for our young people in Horbury and Sitlington. HCT also provides the opportunity to meet in our various churches and share joint worship reflecting our Christian values.

We have held joint worship at St Andrew's, Netherton last Good Friday, 15th April 2022, a united service at St John's for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity conducted by Fr Daniel on Sunday 22nd January where congregation members of all our churches were represented. A Good Friday service for this coming Easter will be held at St Luke's, Overton.

We have had opportunities to share meals together which have also helped with fundraising when our friends and supporters have come together. One such was the youth lunch on Sunday 20th November held at the Methodist Church. This was an occasion to celebrate the achievements of our young people when their various achievements were recognised. We also acknowledged the tremendous work carried out by Gary our operations manager and his team of youth workers. Also, Les and Diana from the Salvation Army who contribute so much.

We also shared another lunch at the Methodist Church recently when we held a Forum, which was very well attended and provided an excellent lunch followed by a talk given by Dr Philip Hobday, Canon Missioner at Wakefield Cathedral, who tasked us all with missionary purpose in our own lives and contacts with others. In view of the decline in Christian worship shown in the most recent census this is very important now. The Forum lunch was chaired by Councillor Darren Byford. A welcome and grace was said by Fr Christopher and a dismissal and blessing by Fr Daniel. Canon Hobday is the husband of the Rev'd Hannah Hobday, Vicar at St Mary's, Horbury Junction, whose

installation earlier in the year Fr Christopher and Fr Daniel were pleased to attend. Everyone concerned worked hard to provide a good meal and a meaningful event.

Our stalwart congregation at St John's hosted a lunch during Christian Aid Week. This was our parish contribution to Christian Aid, and again it was good to see the various churches under auspices of HCT come together in their various endeavours.

Many of us will have supported Jackie Walter when she asked for sponsors for the Great North Run and we have welcomed her husband John to our church alongside other members of the youth project to keep us informed of the activities undertaken.

HCT has had tremendous support from Horbury Co-op. We have had a presence there on various Saturday mornings to rattle the buckets for fundraising or to engage in community singing with the customers for Easter, Harvest and Christmas. These events have provided an outreach to the community at large and have been very enthusiastic with John Walter informing everyone who we were and why we were there. We were grateful for the Methodist Hymn Books for providing the words when we could not quite remember all the verses!

Another great contribution to the outreach has been the support of Horbury Academy. Not only does the Academy make access available during the daytime for youth work activities and support but also provide facilities out of school hours for sporting activity etc.

Horbury Academy also hosts the Whitsuntide party when the school and grounds are open to the public and HCT can run a major fundraising event. This takes a great deal of organisation but is well worth it. Cake stalls, bouncy castles, face painting, balloons, kite flying, food stalls are all enjoyed by all the attendees.

I hope I have given an interesting summary of Horbury Churches Together and the many and various things I have been involved with on behalf of our parish. I am grateful to all of you who have supported HCT especially our two churchwardens Mavis and Valerie. St John's has hosted many of the business meetings which take place on the first Monday of every month. Valerie, Mavis, Margaret, Maxina and Barry have always attended the lunches held at the Methodist Church. Many of you have given generously in the Co-op. Thanks also to John Walter, Business Manager, for his tremendous organisation of all HCT activities, and to all the friends I have made from other churches and finally Fr Christopher and Fr Daniel.

Margaret Holwell, HCT Representative

Music

I am very grateful to the choir for their commitment to singing the music of the mass at St Peter's. I am particularly grateful to Barbara Panton and John Cuttall, who have been generous in giving of their time and talents to cover my holidays.

Last year, we introduced the singing of psalms to plainsong during Lent at St Peter's, which was successful, and has been repeated in 2023. I am also very grateful to the clergy for introducing the singing of more of the parts of the rite which are normatively sung, especially the Gospel and Dismissal.

In the autumn, we began singing the Our Father congregationally to the plainsong set by the Missal. This has been a tremendous success, and I am grateful to everyone for 'giving it a go' initially, and then embracing it so wholeheartedly. It is a powerful testament to the universality of the Church to join in one voice with worshippers from across the last ten centuries, and from across the world.

The gradual introduction of the Propers has been a valuable addition to the Liturgy. Pedagogically, it has helped the choir to push its boundaries, as it becomes more comfortable with more complex forms of music. In Lent 2022, we began by just singing the three short antiphons at every mass, but since 2023, the proper psalm verses have also been added for the Offertory and Communion antiphons. Bringing more Scripture into the service was a core priority of the reformers of the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican. However, the texts set are not random: the Church gives us these verses for good reason. It is not by chance that we frequently find words like 'O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him' (Ps. 24.8) at Communion, when the gathered congregation finishes its preparations to receive God in the Blessed Sacrament. The Propers serve as a comfort and pastoral encouragement – expanding upon the liturgy of the day with God's own words from scripture. It could be argued that singing the Propers allows the Vox Ecclesiae (voice of the Church – which set these texts for our use and our benefit) to be heard more clearly, as it employs the Vox Dei (voice of God – using his own words from Holy Scripture) to explain, to comfort and to encourage us at the most pivotal moments in our worship.

Over the past year, I have been particularly pleased with the wonderful singing at the Christmas carol services, the expansion of the repertoire, the growth in both quality and quantity of singing at mass, and also the growing social life of the choir, which builds trust, commitment, and love between the members of Christ's body.

The introduction of the Merbecke setting at St John's has been a partial success. The Kyrie, Sanctus, Benedictus, and Agnus Dei, which we continued to sing during Advent and Lent, have been sung really well. However, I did not time the introduction of the setting well, as the longer, more complex Gloria was only sung for a few weeks before its suppression in Advent. This meant it was not sufficiently familiar when it returned at Christmas. A more familiar setting will be introduced at Easter 2023 to avoid this issue.

Much has been accomplished this year. Much is left to be done. Please keep the clergy, the choir, and me in your prayers in the year ahead as we continue to develop music as part of the mission of God's kingdom in Horbury and Horbury Bridge. Our own priest-poet, Sabine Baring-Gould, offers this encouragement:

My Lord a song is teaching
The Angels choirs on high;
They strike their harps and cymbals,
And sound the psaltery.
A song to greet the wandered,
To Heaven's gate drawing near;
'Tis mine, 'tis mine, the welcome,
If I but persevere.

Professor Leonard Sanderman

Organ Restoration Focus Group

The Organ Restoration Focus Group held three meetings during 2022, a year in which we have been able to clarify how we needed to approach the restoration of the organ. Previously, it was envisaged that funding would be sought for the restoration of the instrument on its own merit, however, the cost of such a project quickly led us to realise that we would have to do a whole host of community engagement in addition if we were to secure funds of £250,000 to complete the restoration of the instrument. Leonard's input on this has been extremely valuable, bringing to the parish a wealth of experience in, and enthusiasm for, using music for outreach and mission. We therefore began to reconceive our project as a larger-scale initiative which totalled c. £500,000, with half the money needing to be spent on operational costs, and half on the restoration of the instrument. The Focus Group then engaged in discussions with the Hamish Ogston Foundation and Bramall Foundation, and eventually we wrote to both charities to seek support for a pilot project of a year which would enable us to advance plans for a children's choir, concerts, and applications for further funding. Unfortunately, the HOF haven't got a suitable avenue open for us at present, though we are keen to continue talking to them about the possibility of this, whilst Bramall kindly sent a cheque of £2,500 to kick-start our work. This is in addition to £1,000 from the Bishops' Development Fund who have given the money for the purchase of choristers' robes. Meanwhile, in September, a series of organ recitals was begun, and in 2022 we were pleased to hear a selection of music from our own Director of Music Leonard, Dr Robert Pecksmith (now at Buckfast Abbey), and James Bowstead (Wakefield Cathedral), with more to come during the present academic year. I would encourage all our parishioners to come to these concerts to hear such a wonderful variety of music on our impressive organ, and to invite friends and family to come too. Part of the reason of introducing this series is to foster an interest and appreciation of the organ ahead of future planned work, as well as to raise a little money in the process. Larger donations are also now being invited, if you feel you would like to sponsor this project as it begins. Yet again, I would perhaps have hoped for more progress on the organ development this year, but we do continue to make progress, albeit sometimes slowly. Please pray for this project as it continues to grow and develop, so that we can achieve both of our goals – to restore the organ, and to use this project in the service of the mission of the church. Thank you finally to all those who sit on our Focus Group – though we might mentioned specifically John Cuttell, who decided to step back as he marked a significant birthday recently – your work on this project on behalf of our parish is much appreciated.

Fr Christopher Johnson

Over 50s

This has been our first full year since the pandemic. Sadly we have had a few bereavements this year but also a few new members. We had an enjoyable trip to Scarborough in the summer and our usual Christmas lunch with entertainment from the school children.

Valerie Crowther

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

The PCC has continued to comply with its duty of care of parishioners and to have due regard to House of Bishops guidance in relation to safeguarding. DBS checking is monitored and where necessary the individual is approached regarding renewal of DBS checking. New DBS checks are made when applicable. Safeguarding remains a regular item on the PCC agenda to ensure that all updates and changes that may affect the work being done within the parish are current. All notices and documents related to safeguarding are up to date, and where appropriate, displayed on the churches' notice boards. All policies continue to have a renewal date and are reviewed regularly to

keep them compliant. Safeguarding training is monitored for those members of the parish who require it. This year 95% of the PCC have completed their renewal of compulsory training regarding safeguarding. 100% of the volunteers working within the children and youth sector of the parish have completed their renewal training for working with young people. Due to the pandemic the safeguarding officer was unable to complete the face-to-face renewal training, but is now awaiting confirmation from the diocese of a place on the training course.

Lynda Wigelsworth, Safer Recruitment Officer, and Carol Tattersfield, Parish Safeguarding Officer

Serving Team

Another year has flown by and it's all happening in the serving world. The Servers' Guild is going really well, teaching us new things and also reminding us how to do old things! It also allows us to introduce new servers to the fold. This year, and following on from confirmations, we were able to bring in four new servers – Shane, Josh, Francis and Michael. This has allowed us to create six serving teams, as opposed to the usual four, and provides the opportunity to spread the load a little while also giving people the opportunity to try out new roles.

Sheila and Jack have now been trained as MCs and Simon, Shane and Sheila are now able to be thurifer. We also have a lot more flexibility with acolytes with Tia and Josh linking up here. Indeed, the serving teams are getting younger as I found recently when I was the oldest on my team by around 40 years!

We now look forward to Easter and the Paschal Triduum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. These will bring exciting opportunities for our new teams.

It really is a great team and there is always room for more servers. We have roles for all from young to old so if this is something that interests you, please have a chat with me or Fr Christopher.

Paul Taylor, Head Server

Social and Fundraising Committee, including Community Coffee Mornings

We have had several fundraising events during the course of the year, including:

- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party and Quiz;
- Pimm's and Puddings celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee;
- Street Fayre;
- Drinks and nibbles for St Peter's Day;
- Drinks to welcome the new curate;
- Margaret's Garden Party;
- BBQ on the feast of the Assumption;
- Beetle Drive;
- Autumn Fair; and
- Flower demonstration.

Concerts were also held by the St Peter's Consort and Horbury Singers. The Community Coffee Mornings on the last Saturday of the month are also very popular. A big thank you to anyone who helps in any way.

Valerie Crowther

RECEIPTS	
Voluntary Income	
St Peter's - Covenanted	19,308.00
St Peter's - Non Covenanted	1,654.00
St Peter's Open Collections	5,406.09
St John's - Covenanted	2,353.00
St John's - Non Covenanted	1,315.00
St John's - Open Collection	413.50
Christmas Card Sales	55.00
Collections-Funerals, Weddings etc.	1,792.10
Gift Aid Giving	2,846.60
Donations	450.00
Income Tax Recovered	10,804.52
Sub Total	46,397.81
Other Voluntary Income	
Leeds DBF Energy Fund	1,900.00
Common Lands Trust	2,850.00
Sub Total	4,750.00
Legacies	
Name on request-restrict to specific items R *	0.00
Sub Total	0.00
Donations for Missions (Not PCC Income - see note 1)	
See 2 items in NON PCC income section **	528.51
Sub Total	528.51
Donations	
British Legion	57.00
St John's - ABC Group Donation	642.50
St Peter's - Brownies	160.00
St Peter's - JAMS Donation	651.00
Cherry Tree Donation	150.00
Atkins	94.00
Cheryl Foulds	173.00
Ian Panton - Memorial	123.00
Christinas Crafts	70.00
Horbury Singers	59.55
EMS Device giving	1,034.86
Sum Up Payments	567.68
Parish Giving Scheme	2,168.75
Donations Misc.	668.55
Sub Total	6,619.89
Events and Advertising	
Magazine Advertising	145.00
Christmas Card Sales - L Wigelsworth	120.00
Saturday Coffee Mornings	1,790.00
St Johns - Flower Evening	190.00
St John's - Garden Party Margaret	800.00
St Peter's - Organ Recital	312.00
Beetle Drive	112.00
Pancake Party and Mardi Gras	371.00
Butterworth Party	52.50
Autumn Fayre	1,308.50
Chrim Mass Expenses Income	127.40
Recovery of Expenses relating to SOM October Devotion	1,456.95
Horbury Street Fayre income (incl Cookery Books)	2,401.24
All Souls Service Donations	20.30
All Souls Day - Candle Dedications	785.00
Sub Total	9,997.89
Other Income	
Bishop's Development Fund	1,500.00
Conference Expenses Paid in	25.00
Confirmation Gifts	262.28
Utilities refund (SSE)	757.79
Mrs Skinner Retirement	50.00
Sub Total	2,595.07

PAYMENTS	
GRANTS	
Overseas Missions and Relief Agencies	
Children's Society see NON PCC Accounting **	0.00
Sub Total	0.00
Missions and Church Societies	
Additional Curates Society see NON PCC Accounting **	0.00
Sub Total	0.00
Church Societies	
Horbury Churches Together	60.00
Sub Total	60.00
RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH	
Ministry	
Forward in Faith Subscription	222.00
Diocesan Quota & Awake	20,000.00
Sub Total	20,222.00
Clergy	
Clergy Expenses, additional items marked as FrC Expenses	2,635.07
Paid by Clergy (non Clergy related)	2,741.51
Sub Total	5,376.58
Church Running Expenses	
Water - St Peter's	1,152.15
Water - St John's	237.83
Gas - St Peter's (SSE)	2,702.67
Gas - St John's (SSE) Crown	1,848.12
Positive Energy	158.64
Electricity - St Peter's (SSE)	608.33
Electricity - St John's (SSE)	449.66
Insurance - St Peter's	6,609.65
Insurance - St John's	1,882.35
Sub Total	15,649.40
Upkeep of Services	
Hays & Finch - Wine Wafers and Candles	1,771.44
Redemptorists -Service Readings	368.91
C Farris Church Supplies	1,854.52
Purchases St Pauls York	158.90
Immaculate Conception Wine	24.00
J&M Sewing	77.63
Christingle Oranges Refund C Holdsworth	0.00
Christingle Candle Purchase	0.00
Ecclesiastical	679.29
Luzar Vestments	3,630.00
Lockie - Covenant Envelopes	313.90
Aldersons - Leaflets and signs	639.00
Visual Impact - Banners	148.80
Sub Total	9,666.39
Church Maintenance & Building Repairs	
Fire Extinguisher Service - St Peters	240.97
St John's - Roof Repairs (Heaton Wilson Roofing)	1,500.00
St John's - B Goalby Boiler Repairs	215.90
St John's - B Goalby Lock	28.80
St John's - Roof Work etc (Hardy Builders)	192.00
St John's - Refund V Crowther, Weedkiller, Expenses	174.45
St John's - V Crowther refund keys etc	92.42
St Peter's - Organ Tuning etc (Wood)	526.80
St Peter's - Lighting Conductor Service (Osborne Delta)	222.00
St Peter's - Roof Repairs (Martin-Brooks)	19,867.44
St Peter's - Insurance Claim (Omate Interiors Ltd)	19,618.80
St Peter's - Hoyles Fire Ltd	342.31
St Peter's - Electrical Repairs (RB Electrical)	819.89
St Peter's - Electrical Repair (Hoyles)	130.00
St Peter's - Premier Engineering	288.00
St Peter's - Repairs (BGB Services)	217.90
St Peter's - Eden eCommerce	214.39
St Peter's - Gutter Cleaning (A Airstone)	160.00
Sub Total	44,852.07
Parish Room and Kitchen Maintenance and Repairs	
	0.00
Sub Total	0.00
Trading	
Added Curates Society - Magazine Inserts	0.00
Sub Total	0.00

RECEIPTS (continued)	
Restricted Funds *	
St Peter's - Roof Appeal donations (restricted)	4395.00
St Peter's - Roof Grant (restricted)	8000.00
St Peter's Window Fund	5000.00
Music Fund	755.00
Vestment	3000.00
Childrens Worker Fund	19000.00
External Lighting (Common Land Trust) Grant	5000.00
WCTA - Shrine Grant	300.00
Sub Total	45,450.00
Income from Sales	
St John's Candle Sales	58.50
St Peter's Candle Sales	278.60
Sponsor a Lamp	125.00
Christinas Crafts	252.70
Church Magazine & Diaries Sales	241.20
Coffee Sales	965.63
Sub Total	1,921.63
Income from Trading	
St Johns Hall Rent	1,437.00
St Peter's Rent	770.00
St John's - Hall rent Elections WMDC	576.00
St Peter's - Hall Rent Elections WMDC	594.00
St Peters - St Peters Consort	470.00
Sub Total	3,847.00
Church Fees	
PCC Portion - Funeral	3,823.04
Panton Funeral Fees	180.00
Banns	48.00
Church Fees PCC Portion - Wedding	1,624.00
Wedding - DBF Portion	279.85
Sub Total	5,954.89
	5,627.04
	9,474.04
Bank Account Transfers etc.	
Bank Transfer from Fabric Fund *	0.00
Sub Total	0.00
Entries for items NOT PCC Income see Note 1 **	
ACS Boxes	55.00
Leaving Collection	50.00
Wedding -Verger Fee	35.00
Curates Collection	139.00
Jubilee Collection	329.45
Walsingham Payments 2022	7,402.00
Walsingham Payments 2023	445.00
Walsingham Deposits - Children's Pilgrimage	1,755.00
Walsingham and York trip Money	1,677.00
Durham Trip	570.00
Great Yorkshire Show Trip	313.00
Ukraine Appeal	680.00
Sub Total	£ 13,450.45
Total	149,057.68
Uncleared cheques as at 31st December 2022	0.00
Bank balance at 1st January 2022	26,748.76
Total Receipts 2022	175,806.44
Fabric Fund Transfers & Restricted Funds Receipts *	£ 57,197.97
Entries for items NOT PCC Income see Note 1 **	£ 14,258.81
Income (excl funds * and **)	£ 104,349.66
Actual Income (excl Bank b/f from 2021)	£ 77,600.90

Non PCC Funds
Restricted Funds

PAYMENTS (continued)	
Salaries, Wages, Honarariums	
Organist - St Peter's and St John's(includes Funeral Payment)	6,703.60
Organist and Childrens Worker - HMRC Tax payment	2,172.00
Leeds DBF Payroll Admin Fee	194.40
Church Childrens Leader - K Brackley Payroll	6,946.72
Church Childrens Leader - K Brackley Expenses	1,215.46
Church Childrens Leader - NEST Pension	1,002.18
St Peter's Organ Fund	295.00
Verger fee - Funeral	385.00
Wedding Bell Ringers	135.00
Leeds DBF - Wedding Fee	272.00
Mileage - Naylor	178.20
Organist Fee - Funeral	205.00
Visiting Organist Payment	400.00
Visiting Clergy payment	2,125.27
Sub Total	22,229.83
Administration	
Arena - Photocopier charges	1,499.87
Siemens - Photocopier Lease	2,673.12
Xerox	660.00
BOX iCloud Monthly Fee - M Wood refund	396.00
Printer Ink and Paper	62.96
Christian Copyright - St John's	169.89
Christian Copyright - St Peter's	385.17
Stephen Parker - St Gregory org membership	38.00
Batteries for Microphone	9.65
Printing - Aldersons	37.00
Lottery Licence	40.00
Catering	600.00
Sub Total	6,571.66
Other Expenditure	
Confirmation Candidates - Bowling	168.02
UNP	50.00
Childern - S Twohig - Refund	100.36
Refund Father Christopher - Stamps/Gift	39.91
The Cross Project	9.70
R Atkins	14.10
S Dyson Refund - Flowers	14.35
J Hammerton Refund Cleaning Products	7.92
Catering Reimbursement - V Crowther	244.80
Refund M Wood supplies (Macro/Costco)	266.34
T Jones Refund BBQ expenses	61.58
Payment to R Squires Gifts for organists	50.00
Payments to C Holdsworth	73.00
Horbury Vistoria Band	200.00
Event Payments	400.00
N Thistethwaite	274.15
James Bowstead	50.00
Good will Devices	195.17
A Shepherd - Architect Fees	3,651.50
Sub Total	5,870.90
Non PCC Accountable - Payments **	
Walsingham Children's Pilgrimage	910.00
Walsingham Children's Pilgrimage - C Tattersfield Expenses	516.92
Walsingham Coach	850.00
Walsingham Payment (Deposits etc.)	5,575.60
Walsingham Refunds	577.00
Great Yorkshire Show	605.00
Coach Hire for Trips	3,095.00
Actua Transport	50.00
Uncleared Cheques from previous month(s)	0.00
Sub Total	12,179.52
Total	142,678.35
uncleared cheques from 2021 as at 1st January 2022	0.00
Total Payments 2022	142,678.35
	£ 142,678.35
Total	£ 142,678.35
Fabric Fund Transfers & Restricted Funds Payments *	£ 43,116.24
Entries for items NOT PCC Payments see Note 1 **	£ 19,880.12
Community Account balance 31st December 2022	£ 33,128.09
Actual Expenditure (excl fund trans & restricted items)	£ 79,681.99

Note 1 - Items marked ** are entries for amounts that were banked/paid out that were NOT part of the PCC's Income/Expenditure. For example The Christingle Service Collection is paid directly, via the PCC bank account, to The Children's Society but in no way benefits the Parish Funds. The items are shown in this report for accounting purposes only. Also the balance of the 1 years further income for the Family Officer.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2022

Restricted Funds

The Parish of St PETER and St LEONARD HORBURY
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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st. December 2022

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds
	2021	2022	2022
	£	£	£
RECEIPTS			
Voluntary Income	40831.93	46397.81	
Other Voluntary Income	2890.00	0.00	4750.00
Restricted Funds	41115.22		45450.00
Donations/Legacies	3063.56	5951.34	668.55
Events and Activities	3710.00	6305.54	3686.35
Other Income	1541.05		2595.07
Non PCC Income	1973.95		14258.81
Income from Sales	2891.44	1921.63	
Income from Trading & Church Fees	11042.75	9474.04	48.00
Income from Investments & A/C Transfers etc			0.00
Sub Totals 2022		70050.36	71456.78
Total Receipts	£109,059.90		£141,507.14
PAYMENTS			
	£	£	£
Grants	0.00	0.00	
Missions and Church societies	50.00	60.00	
Relating to the Work of the Church	17878.31	20222.00	
Church Running Expenses	14252.11	21025.98	
Upkeep of Services	24920.35	6036.39	3630.00
Church Maintenance	38223.29	5365.83	39486.24
Parish Room and Hall	0.00	0.00	
Major Works	0.00	0.00	
Trading	0.00	0.00	
Salaries/Wages/Honoraria	16361.37	14529.23	
Administration	5400.24	6571.66	
Non PCC Expenditure	15606.62		19880.12
Other Expenditure	15833.83	5870.90	0.00
Sub Totals 2022		79681.99	62996.36
Total Payments	£148,526.12		£142,678.35
<i>Uncleared Cheques from previous period</i>	£0.00		£0.00
Surplus for Year	2021 -£39,466.22	2022 -£9,631.63	£8,460.42
Bank Deposit and Current Accounts 1st January	£66,214.98		£26,748.76
<i>Uncleared cheques as at 31st December</i>	£0.00		£0.00
Bank Deposit and Current Accounts 31st December	£26,748.76		£25,577.55

**The Parish of St PETER and St LEONARD HORBURY
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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st. December 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 1 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner.

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed

It is my responsibility to:

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

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners statement:

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *Carolyn M Oakes*

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PARISH of St PETER HORBURY with St JOHN HORBURY BRIDGE
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Fabric Fund 2022 (restricted)

	2021	2022
	£	£
RECEIPTS		
QS4 Payments	4,834.55	8,049.55
Trans from Yorkshire BS Charity a/c	0.00	0.00
Trans from Comm a/c - Parish Organ Fund	0.00	0.00
Trans from Comm a/c - St Peters Choir Fund	0.00	0.00
Trans from Comm a/c - St Peters Bell Fund	0.00	0.00
VAT Refund - Bell Payments	0.00	0.00
Interest Payments	0.66	6.64
	4,835.21	8,056.19
PAYMENTS		
St Peter's - 1st Payment to Taylors re Bells	0.00	0.00
St Peter's - 2nd Payment to Taylors re Bells	0.00	0.00
St Peter's - 3rd Payment to Taylors re Bells	0.00	0.00
St John's - Organ Repairs & Survey	0.00	0.00
Quota Payment to Leeds DBF (August 2022)	0.00	3,000.00
Part QS4 Payments to Community A/C (2019/20)	6,448.00	0.00
	6,448.00	3,000.00
	2021	2022
Surplus for Year	-1,612.79	5,056.19
Fabric Fund - 1st January	4,986.47	3,373.68
Fabric Fund - 31st December	3,373.68	£8,429.87

St Peter and St Leonard

Herbert and Ann Shaw Trust Fund Receipts and Payments Account

	2021		2022	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Investment Income	0.00		30.06	
Interest	0.00		0.12	
Total		0.00		30.18
PAYMENTS				
To St Peters Community Account	0.00		0.00	
Base Rate Tracker Account	0.00		0.00	
Total		0.00		0.00
	2021		2022	
Surplus for Year		0.00		30.18
Bank Business Premium Account 1st January		653.42		653.42
Bank Business Premium Account 31st December		653.42		£683.60

250 CLUB

	2021		2022	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Membership subscriptions (Cash)	346.00		264.00	
Membership subscriptions (Cheques to Bank)	12.00		0.00	
Cash in Hand from previous year	51.00		0.00	
Total		409.00		264.00
PAYMENTS				
Prize Draws Cash	240.00		240.00	
Choir Robes Donation (Cash)	0.00		0.00	
Gift to Church (Cheque)	0.00		0.00	
Cheques to Bank	12.00		0.00	
Total		252.00		240.00
	2021		2022	
Surplus (Cash in Hand)		157.00		24.00
Bank Deposit and Community Account 1st January		166.17		178.17
Bank Deposit and Community Account 31st December		178.17		£178.17
Bank + Cash in Hand		335.17		£202.17

