

2024 Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St Michael & All Angels, Enfield

St Michael & All Angels has charitable status as a registered place of worship under
Section 3 of the Charities Act 1993. Charity Number 1152102

Background, Aims & Purposes

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body, established by the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of St Michael & All Angels Church works with and supports the Vicar, the Rev'd Stephen Taylor, in promoting the whole mission of the church with respect to pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical matters within the parish. The PCC also has maintenance responsibilities for the church buildings, comprising the church and church Halls.

The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commissioners. PCC Members are also Charity Trustees and must ensure compliance with charity law and church (ecclesiastical) law and exercise a duty of prudence and a duty of care. In the planning of activities the PCC has considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

Matters related to church and other legislation (compliance with Health and Safety, Disability Discrimination and Child protection etc.) are brought to the notice of PCC members for review and action.

The PCC has complied with its duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, in relation to having due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the Council. The Council operates one sub-committee: the Standing Committee comprising the Incumbent, Churchwardens, Treasurer, Secretary and 1 PCC representative.

PCC Members	Appointed	Office Expires
The Revd. Stephen Taylor	Incumbent – Ex-Officio	
Andrew Lawrence - Church Warden	2018	2024
Andrew Howarth - Church Warden	2019	2025
Mark Beckwith - Co-opted Treasurer	2023	2024
Cateryn Brooks	2021	2024
Victoria Mundy	2021	2024
Simon Lee	2021	2024
Daniel Spreadbury	2022	2025
Nick Clement	2022	2025
Patrick Crowley	2022	2025
Thomas Flint	2023	2026
Nicholas Barber	2023	2026
Glynis Marshall	2023	2026
Pamela Thompson – Deanery Synod Rep	2023	2023 2026 2026

Standing Committee Members

The Revd. Stephen Taylor	Chairman (Ex-Officio)
Andrew Lawrence	Church Warden
Andrew Howarth	Church Warden
Mark Beckwith	Treasurer
Pamela Thompson	Secretary
Daniel Spreadbury	PCC Representative

PCC & Standing Committee Meetings

The 1st PCC meeting (held after the APCM) met to welcome new members and elect the Officers and a PCC representative on to the Standing Committee. Overall attendance at the PCC meetings was 98%. There were 6 PCC Meetings, 6 Standing Committee Meetings and 1 Extra Ordinary Meeting.

The principle discussions and business of the PCC can be summarised as follows: -

Church

1. Review and Renewal of the Safeguarding Policy. Fr. Stephen, Andrew L and Andrew H signed the Safeguarding Policy for 2023.
2. Safeguarding – Checklist for DBS checks online and training.
3. A safeguarding incident in the community, which was dealt with accordingly, was reported to the Safeguarding team at Church, Diocese and local schools.
4. Safeguarding Sunday – Arranged for Simon Lee to give a talk to the congregation about the role of safeguarding in church.
5. Cate, Greta, Max and Robert continued as Assistant Wardens and Debbie became an Extended Warden Team Member.
6. Discussed suggestions for celebrating our church's 150th anniversary e.g. hold fundraising and celebration events throughout the year to be organised by church groups and individuals.
7. Confirmation Service in June with Bishop John Went.
8. Prayers of Love and Faith and asking for God's blessing for same-sex couples in Civil Partnerships or Marriages.
9. Paul Merryfellow's final year of LLM training and a parish group was set up to support him.
10. A big thank you noted to Daniel, Robert and the choir for all their hard work for Choral Matins. Discussed ways the Choir are practising for our 150th Anniversary.
11. Felling and removal of the Cedar tree in the front garden. Organised a Community Day of planking and promoting the logs as a fundraising campaign.
12. Deanery Synod meetings in 2023/2024
13. The Rev Canon Dr Anderson Jeremiah, appointed to become the next Bishop of Edmonton.
14. St Michael's achieved the Eco Church Silver Award.
15. New signboard in the church garden

Church Organisations

1. Continued our strong relationship with our Brownie and Guide Organisation, Toddler Group, Sunday School Clubs and Cornerstones Youth Club – welcomed a District Explorer's Group into our fold.

Community

1. Community awareness - a regular item on the agenda to assess community needs and reaching out to people in need.
2. Promoting the Church of England's social media posts on the Church Website and Facebook.
3. Supported community events throughout the year, such as Carol Singing at The Cricketers and The Wonder. Enfield's 'The Parade of Lights'. Raising money for The Children's Society and Christian Aid.
4. The Summer Fete.

Finances

1. Approved the Accounts and Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2023.
2. End of Year financial summary at the Standing Committee meeting in December 2023.
3. Hall expenditure, rents and invoicing.
4. The Common Fund contribution for 2024. Fr John Hawkins, Archdeacon, sent a letter thanking us for our offer of £31,500 and the support we have offered for 2024
5. Promoting the use of Gift Aid envelopes in church and the card reader.
6. Discussed donations and stewardship – payments via Contactless and Easyfundraising Website.
7. Stewardship Sunday- publishing flyers, notes about finances and donations
8. Monthly projections of our hall usage and finance for the Pews Sheet and Church Website
9. Church Commissioners Fees

Hall & Church Maintenance

1. Hall Manager's role going forward for 2023/2024 – administration in hall letting, promotion/marketing and maintenance.
2. Utilising capacity for renting the halls.

3. Church roof – repairs as some flashing had come away.
4. Repairs to the Frank Burton Hall wall and guide hut roof.
5. Electric repair and maintenance of the church porch and in church.
6. Inspection of the boiler in the Celebration Hall's kitchen and church heaters
7. Gas and electrical certification.
8. Fire Extinguishers Inspection and fire safety
9. Cars parked in the church car park blocking wheelchair access.

St Michael's School

- St Michael's School Governor vacancy. Juliette Doggett came to the PCC in January to talk about the PCC/School Governing Body Policy, School Governance and the role of PCC in a Faith School
- Continued our strong relationship with our Parish School of St Michaels and new Head Mistress.

Electoral Roll

At the time of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, there were 222 parishioners on the Electoral Roll.

Pamela Thompson (Secretary to the PCC)

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St Michaels. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus;
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish;
- Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of St Michaels and the Church Halls Complex.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is of paramount importance and something which is taken extremely seriously at St Michaels. Mr Simon Lee who has long experience in Safeguarding work is our Parish Safeguarding Officer, and our Parish Safeguarding policy is reviewed and agreed each year by the new PCC at their first full meeting following the date of the APCM. The policy – together with our safeguarding information poster - is displayed both in the Church, in the Halls complex, and there are links to both on the homepage of our website. A handle is kept on DBS renewals, training needs and refresher courses using a spreadsheet supplied by the Diocesan Safeguarding team. We also use the Parish Dashboard system and have reached level three. It is our intention to use the Safeguarding Hub too. We join in with the national Church's annual Safeguarding Sunday each November. Our Lead Recruiter is Ms Donna Mitchell who ensures that DBS checks are conducted on all those who require them. One safeguarding incident was reported to the PSO this year, who dealt with it according to Diocesan guidelines and in conjunction with both the Diocesan Safeguarding Team and the Parish School Safeguarding Team

Achievements and Performance

Worship and prayer

The past year has seen a further growth spurt in numbers attending worship, and more people willing to volunteer their services which is so heartening to see. Our worship has a real sense of joy, purpose and happiness, which we hope is then reflected in people's day to day lives. We celebrated with great joy the Coronation of their Majesties King Charles III and Queen Camilla. All of our regular events and festivals have been well attended including once again our community event 'Carols at the Wonder' which attracted a crowd of over 200 people – with freshly cooked pizza and plenty of drink helping to keep people warm – and singing! – and with the added bonus this year of adding the same event at 'The Cricketers' – the pub at the other end of the Parish. Again, well received and with a completely different crowd and atmosphere which was great.

All are welcome to attend our regular services. At present (2024) there are 222 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. Our average weekly attendance is 150 (including around 35 children). We continue to provide the Sunday readings and Children's material, along with our Weekly 'Parish News' on our website each week.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged

with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping. We have celebrated 7 baptisms and conducted 5 funerals either in church or at a Crematorium or Cemetery this year. We have also conducted 2 weddings. We held our annual Confirmation Service in June (with grateful thanks to Bishop John Went) at which one of our older teenagers and eight of our children took this next step in their journey of faith, together with a candidate from St Paul, Winchmore Hill.

Deanery Synod

One member of the PCC sits on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

16th March 2023 - Christ Church, Cockfosters

Elections of new governors were announced.

The Bishop of Edmonton made a Deanery visitation prior to leaving. This was held on the 28th March and ended with a Eucharist at St Stephen's, Bush Hill Park.

Main Topic:- A Musical Devotion for Lent.

David and Nikki Hooke from Christ Church, Cockfosters led the Deanery in prayer and contemplation using the parable of the prodigal son. This was followed by a short video presentation on Local Houses of Prayer.

6th July 2023 – St Peter & St Paul, Ordnance Road

Election of officers and standing committee.

Main Topic: Report from the Sub-committee – Being a More Effective Deanery. Very interesting discussion and many ideas came forward. Followed by a Deanery Summer Party.

Saturday 30th September 2023 – Deanery Quiet Day with Bishop John Ford

Quiet day held at Clay Hill in September attended by twenty-five people. They are hoping to repeat the event next year with the new Bishop of Edmonton.

A group of five churches in the Edmonton area hold group services on Sunday afternoons each lent, and it was suggested that other parishes might want to do the same.

16th November 2023 – St Alphege, Edmonton

Main Topic: Katy and Simon led a discussion on the Grow Course which aims to help churches to grow in health, depth and impact and reach new people.

The meeting divided into groups to reflect on experiences and aims.

Members then shared with the meeting their own experiences of growth and mission.

22nd February 2024 – Christ Church, Southgate

The Bishop of Edmonton is to be consecrated in April.

There would be a welcome service for him on 8 May at St Pancras, Euston Road at 7pm.

Main Topic: Stephen Miller: Angels in Art – a reflection for Lent

S. Miller's talk was based on his book The Book of Angels – describing humans and angels as inhabiting very different parts of reality and of angels as a powerful symbol for those dimensions of the cosmos about which we have no real idea. There was a short discussion prompted by a question on how we should be open to angelic intervention.

The Church

We want our church to be open to our community for both worship and private prayer and have tried to make this possible as much as we can.

The Church Halls Complex

Now out of the COVID impact, it is pleasing to note the halls are being used now more than ever. During term time, our main hall runs at around 67% occupancy with only the less preferred days/times available. Other halls run at lower occupancy due to size and facilities.

As we look to further increase utilization, I am in early stage talks with Sharesy who are an online business connecting potential hall renters with halls! They do take a % of the revenue but I still feel this could be beneficial. I'll presents these findings to the PCC for final consideration.

In April 2023 the PCC decided, with my input, decided to increase the hall cost by 10% to all renters – this was received well with no fall out from any user and was needed to offset ongoing energy rises increase. In addition, we also tightened the payment terms to ensure all renters paid their invoices within 30 days of issue.

The hall users are generally unchanged from last year, but most have increased the time they spend with us. Regular renters remain a number of children's dance groups, various pre-school activity groups, a breakfast club, Morris Dancers, Keep-fit activities, a children's gymnastics club, a Pentecostal Church group and a dedicated daily Pre-School, as well as our own Parish groups.

We also let occasionally to one off children's parties or other events, normally one a Saturday or Sunday afternoon/evening.

I am responsible for keeping the diary, lettings, and organising on-going maintenance, in addition to producing quarterly reports to the PCC for review.

We have one regular cleaner, Sue Hoy, who comes in daily. The hall is regularly maintained with a good network of regular trades people that we can call upon at short notice.

Peter Newbury (PCC Halls Manager)

Pastoral care

We visit people in their own or Care homes as required taking Holy Communion where asked, and keep in touch with anybody in need via telephone too. We have good relationships with the local hospital Chaplains who assist where necessary. We are often called to help those who have no connection with the church, but are in need of support, and see it as a very important part of our ministry.

Community & Outreach

Cate Brooks and Debbie Delaney heading up the C and O with numerous members of the congregation lending a very helpful hand. Our community events are well received and holding annual events means the congregation look forward to attending our regular Fete or having another go at our Quiz or Murder Mystery Evening! We hold regular meetings, with extra ones scheduled when events are due—our meetings are open to all our congregation and are well attended with others happy to pitch in and help when needed. We regularly discuss ways of reaching the wider community with advertising and leaflet drops and revising our list of events to include all age groups.

RED TROLLEY BOOK STALL—our trolley continues to be regularly updated, by Kitty, with new books and other bits and pieces of interest—this has a small but steady income.

July 2023—Parish Summer Fete—this event, as usual, was well attended with local businesses generously donating to our raffle and stall. Our blue tokens continue to be a big hit making it easier for the stalls and quicker to finish up the day and calculate our Fete profit! We encourage dual facilities (money or tokens) on all stalls for those happy fete goers who had run out of tokens! Unfortunately, we missed the deadline for James Hayward advertising boards this year but thankfully this didn't seem to have an impact of the attendees.

October 2023—Enfield Sings Choir

This free concert, held in church, was well advertised and enjoyed by all with a mixture of oldies and new tunes. Refreshments and donations contributed to a profit of £132.40

November 2023—Quiz Night—a fun time was had by all with Fr Stephen as the Quiz Master and myself and Debbie having the ultimate say in marking and scores!

December 2022—Christmas Hamper

This year we had 2 Christmas Hampers and a lovely Christmas Cake in our raffle.

Each hamper cost £25

Rose Chasuble

Our very accomplished Sewing Club produced a beautiful new Rose Chasuble and Stole which was shown off for its first use on Laetare Sunday (Mothering Sunday) in Lent and will be worn again on Gaudete Sunday in Advent, while getting on with a new Banner commemorating our 150th Anniversary which will be presented on Dedication Sunday in July.

February 2024—Cedar Tree Celebration

Unfortunately, the large cedar tree in the church garden was deemed unsafe. It was taken down amidst coffee and celebration with people coming and going for most of the day. A small piece of history or large piece, depending on the size of wood, was available for a donation with a roundel being taken and carved to commemorate the loss of this beautiful old tree.

The list of forthcoming events is impressive this year as it's our 150th Anniversary and we intend to commemorate this event with all our Clubs contributing and raising money.

Saturday 18th May—Murder Mystery Evening

Sunday 7th July—Festal Evensong

Sunday 14th July—Dedication Sunday

Saturday 28th September—Boundary Treasure Hunt and Giving Plate Celebration

Sunday 19th October—Open Mic Night

Saturday 23rd November—St Michaels Annual Quiz

The C & O continues to be an excellent way to include new members of the congregation which increases every year—new ideas and events are encouraged to keep things fresh and dynamic which in turn boosts attendance and willing support.

Cate Brooks & Debbie Delaney (C & O Team Leaders)

Ecumenical relationships

The church was a member of Churches Together in North West Enfield which unfortunately fell apart some years ago. However we do our best to support our ecumenical neighbours, and the Vicar has good relationships with the leaders of all the local churches – most especially with one of the local United Reformed Ministers.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £89,707 of which £33,418 was unrestricted voluntary donations, and a further £5,596 was from Gift Aid. £89,156 was spent from unrestricted funds to provide the Christian ministry from St Michaels Church, including the contribution to the Diocesan Common Fund (£30,000). The net result for the year was a positive balance of receipts over payments of £551 on unrestricted funds. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward at 31 December on unrestricted funds totalled £43,145. We have continued to make small but regular monthly payments to Edmonton Episcopal Area towards the £20,000 loan made in 2019 for the refurbishment of the toilet facilities and replacement of the electrical system in the Parish Hall and will increase this when we prepare our budget for 2025, since emergency tree works prevented us from doing this for 2024 as planned.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to around £24,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £43,145 held on unrestricted funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, remains adequate for this.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers (a very large number), who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. Everyone is valued no matter how big or small their part is, or in what area.

Fabric Report

The year 2023-24 has seen St Michael's busily preparing for the 150th anniversary of its consecration, which will be celebrated throughout 2024.

During the year, the Vicar and Warden team have ensured that the buildings are kept in order, and fortunately there have been no major issues with either the church or halls.

The most significant work carried out during the year has been to remove the sadly deceased cedar tree from the grounds – a major and necessary exercise for safety reasons, which, although sad (the tree being the same age as the church), has been an opportunity to fund-raise and bring together parishioners around a common cause. It has, if nothing else, been timely, as a section of the tree will be used to create a commemorative object for display later in the 150th year.

During the year the church, halls and gardens have continued to benefit from ongoing maintenance, with the following having been carried out on a regular or as necessary basis:

- Regular inspections of the church and halls.
- Minor roof repairs to the lower vestry and roof repairs to the main roof flashing and gable wall, as part of a stone had dislodged and fallen into the car park.
- Clearance of litter in the outside areas.
- Removal of graffiti – fortunately only in chalk and crayon – on the church walls.
- Maintenance, service and tuning of the organ, including a minor repair to one of the rods, and a repair to the swell box mechanism.
- Fire safety checks and inspection of all fire extinguishers in the church and halls.
- Servicing of the heating system in church.
- Gutter cleaning – somewhat helped by the removal of the tree.
- Minor roof, guttering, plumbing and lock repairs to the halls.
- Hall drains unblocked and the Pre-School reminded not to allow items to be dropped in the grate.

All works carried out are recorded in the church logbook.

Churchwardens: Andrew Lawrence (Vicar's Warden) & Andrew Howarth (People's Warden)

Reports from Parish Groups

Choir and Music

The choir continues to gain strength and experience, and Robert's excellent and sensitive organ playing continues to add greatly to the worship in our services.

A particular highlight in the last year was the introduction of Choral Matins in October, when Father Stephen was enjoying a well-deserved holiday following the Harvest Festival. Taking on the responsibility of leading the worship in a service unfamiliar to the congregation was daunting, but rewarding, and the choir is looking forward to further Sundays when matins will be sung.

We continue to slowly add new musical ingredients to our services, including the Lenten Prose during this Lent, and are looking for more opportunities to add music to our services as we progress through the church's 150th year.

Daniel Spreadbury (Head Chorister)

Toddler Group

Toddlers group still runs on a Tuesday in term time. The times have changed slightly and are now 10 till 11.30. We have seen numbers to dwindle greatly over the last 12 months. We are seeing between two and six children attend a week. We still run along the same lines of free play, Bible story, Singing and the children have snacks and juice, and the parents have tea and coffee and some form of chocolate biscuit. Also due to work commitments the number of helpers has dwindled as well. There are now only two of us and depending on work commitments, Sometimes this means there can be only one of us, which proves difficult when running snack time and tidying away at the end of the morning. Thank you as always to Sonya for her continued support and help in this group, and also to Father Stephen who comes in weekly to visit us. Please pray for increased staff and also an increase in the numbers of children who attend.

Sally Pearson (Early Years Lead)

Cornerstones Youth Group

This past has seen Cornerstones maintain strong numbers every week,

This year we decided to change the year groups to even out the numbers every week.

Our younger years 3-4 numbers have continued to grow. We have seen a big bounce of numbers averaging 36 children every session.

It's always encouraging to see both our existing year four continue to attend as well as our new year threes really embracing what we do.

Our special themed nights including arts and crafts, prize nights, supper nights and end of term discos ensures Years 3 and 4 numbers have remained strong. We have reinvested back into the club with new equipment including a new console which has gone down a treat. Also, this year we have added a dedicated football room with brand new goals. Also expanded our tuck shop range which continues to be a big draw every week.

Our older years 5s and above have seen a steady number remain every session. An average of 33 children attends which is up from 29 last year. Very encouraging to see some of older children continues to attend.

We have also welcomed our highest number of young adults to volunteer with us as part of their D of E award. In total we have had 9 complete or currently helping us out which is a huge help.

We are so lucky to have a very strong group of volunteers however due to our continued growth we will be looking to add more in the new future. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to growing cornerstones further.

Martin Reilly (Youth Leader)

24th Enfield Brownies

Summer term 2023

A Brownie parent came to the meeting and taught the girls some German phrases. They also read facts about Germany and completed role plays in front of the other girls. The Brownies were able to obtain their language badge.

In the summer term 2023 the Brownies were taught First Aid skills and were able to obtain their first aid badges.

Autumn term 2023

In October the Brownies had a captivity night. This was to explain to the girls about animals that are at risk being captivated and ill treated. The girls marked a box on the church floor with masking tape and whilst pretending that they were a captive animal they drew a poster about endangered animals. This was sponsored and the girls raised £591.56p. A letter was sent to the World Wildlife Fund with the cheque and the Brownie pack received a letter, certificate and WWF necklace to say Thank you.

The Brownies also held a Bring and Buy Sale and lots of them made bookmarks, Christmas decorations, cakes, packets of sweets and sold them. The girls raised £286 for Children in Need.

The Brownies have been involved in two trips to the cinema and also a day trip last Summer.

They have completed crafts, games etc

Spring Term 2024

They had a Pancake Day celebration as this was in half term. The girls decorated their pancakes with Nutella, honey, lemon, marshmallows and other sauces. The Brownies enjoyed the evening.

The Brownies made flower arrangements for Mothering Sunday gifts for their Mums. A lady came to the pack to show the girls how to make them and they created their own arrangements. Several mothers contacted me to say how beautiful they looked.

The girls have been working on their Lead badge and have been teaching each other dance routines and organised obstacle courses in the hall.

With Easter approaching they have been learning how to make pom-poms and will be using them to make chicks and bunnies.

The Brownie Pack continues to thrive with several girls asking to join. We now have girls that attend six different schools.

We have given all our second-hand uniform to the girls to try and help parents and subscriptions remain the same at £25 per term. Some parents are unable to pay so Brownies are funding this.

We are currently working on our contribution to the church to celebrate 150 years of the church and hopefully we will be making some planters from the tree trunk that was cut down in the church garden and the girls will be filling them with flowers and taking care of them.

Annette Corry (Brown Owl)

24th Enfield Guides

Once again, the Guides have had an action-packed year. We have between 18 and 20 Guides who attend each week and take a full part in all our activities. We were delighted to welcome Megan Lewis back from university to join our leadership team. Our parents have continued to support us well by taking part in our parent rota, to ensure we always have the correct ratio of adults to girls.

We prepared to celebrate the King's Coronation by cleaning up the church garden and painting plastic bottles in which we planted summer flowers. This culminated in a Coronation party and earning a badge.

In the spring we joined with other Guides and Brownies for an exclusive screening of The Little Mermaid.

During June and July we got outside as much as possible. We had 2 visits to Tolmers Campsite. On the 1st occasion we played a wide game of Cluedo. The Guides had to look for hidden pictures of the characters, weapons and locations from Cluedo and work out who the murderer was by means of elimination. On the 2nd evening, we invited our dads to an evening of fire lighting and toasting marshmallows with us. We were also invited to a Rugby taster session which the guides really enjoyed. We finished the term with a bbq cooked by the girls.

During the autumn we focussed on badges including The History of Guiding and completing challenges to help us to know ourselves better. This involved designing covers for notebooks to show our favourite things and working in teams where everyone had to play to each other's strengths. We had a very successful activity for Remembrance Sunday. The Guides attended Church Parade in the morning and stayed in the halls for a series of spy-based activities, remembering how the guides helped M15 during the war. We had pizzas for lunch before parading to War Memorial in the afternoon.

In the Spring term we have had a visit from a Guide Dog puppy and learnt about how she is prepared for more formal training as she gets older. We marked international women's day with a craft themed evening helping the girls to focus on significant females including Emmeline Pankhurst, Frida Carlo and Taylor Swift. We treated our mums to another Pamper evening which they thoroughly enjoyed.

We held a collection for the Enfield Food Bank and with contributions from the church we donated nearly 40kg of food. Another highlight was the science evening which Father Stephen very kindly arranged for us to mark British Science Week

One of the main events of the year was at the end of January when we took 16 Guides away for the weekend to Chigwell Row for a Pamper Yourself themed weekend. The weather was good so the guides were able to spend time outside as well as experimenting with homemade beauty products, and finding different ways to make ourselves feel good.

All our units are led by volunteers and we always welcome more support and new leaders to help us deliver the best programme for the girls. If you would like to be involved and can spare a couple of hours on a Tuesday, please speak to me or to Father Stephen.

Catherine Sadler (Guide Leader)

The Rev'd Stephen Taylor
Vicar

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Taylor', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr Andrew Lawrence
Vicar's Warden

Mr Andrew Howarth
People's Warden

Mr Mark Beckwith
Treasurer

April 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St Michael & All Angels, Enfield, Parochial Church Council

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023, which are set out on the previous pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

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 the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

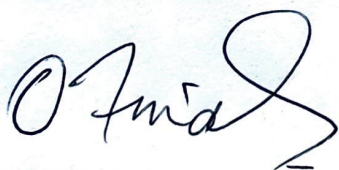
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
- to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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23rd March 2024

St Michaels & All Angels Church, Enfield **Financial Statements for the Year Ended** **31st Dec 2023**

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Regular Giving				
Planned Giving	£ 20,514		£ 19,029	
Collection & other Giving	£ 12,904		£ 14,776	
Income tax recovered	£ 5,596		£ 5,249	
Interest	£ 102		£ 10	
		£39,116		£39,064
Other Voluntary Receipts				
Parochial Fees	£ 2,960		£ 2,301	
		£2,960		£2,301
Receipts From Church / Hall Activity				
Hall Rental	£ 43,822		£ 39,202	
Corner Stones	£ 3,809		£ 3,722	
Toddlers	£ -		£ 85	
		£47,631		£43,008
Total Receipts		£ 89,707	89605.09	£ 84,373
Payments				
Church Activities				
Halls Expenses	£ 443		£ 628	
Halls Management	£ 4,180		£ 4,940	
Church Expenses	£ 8,884		£ 4,250	
Parish Worker / Youth Worker	£ 3,000		£ 2,750	
Organist	£ 4,345		£ 3,905	
Clergy Expenses	£ 1,209		£ 1,334	
Insurance	£ 5,889		£ 5,580	
Common Fund	£ 30,000		£ 29,400	
London Diocese Fees	£ 1,572		£ 731	
Vicarage Energy	£ 268		£ 157	
Church Energy	£ 3,854		£ 3,458	
Hall Energy	£ 10,326		£ 7,578	
Telephone	£ 228		£ 197	
Printing	£ 2,140		£ 2,106	
Cleaning & Hygiene	£ 7,070		£ 6,284	
Security	£ 545		£ 495	
Loan Repayment	£ 600		£ 550	
Cornerstones	£ 4,024		£ 3,126	
Toddlers	£ -		£ -	
Other Payments	£ 577		£ 1,408	
Total Payments		£ 89,156	89155.59	£ 78,875
Excess of Receipts over Payments		£551		£5,498
bank current and deposit ac 1/1		£ 42,594		37,096
bank current and deposit ac 31/12		£ 43,145		£ 42,594

St Michaels & All Angels Church, Enfield **Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st** **Dec 2023**

Receipts

Restricted Donation Transfer	£ -	£ -
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Payments

Parish Worker	£ -	£ -
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Statement of Assets, Liabilities & Debt

Cash Funds

Bank Current Account	£ 32,365	£ 31,916
Business Saver Account	£ 10,780	£ 10,678
	£ 43,145	£ 42,594

Liabilities

LDF Loan	£ 18,850	£ 19,450
	£ 18,850	£ 19,450

Notes

- 1 The Church's income (£89k) has increased on last year's (£84K) by £5k mainly due to an increase in Halls rentals, however overall expenditure has increased by £10k
The major increase in expenditure was due to Church Expenses increasing by 100% (from £4.2k to £8.8K) and Energy cost rising from £7.5k to £10.3k (36%)
- 2 The Church had an outstanding balance of £19,450 on the LDF loan at as at the beginning of the financial year .
The Church has made further repayments of £600 during this financial year. The outstanding balance is £18,850.
- 3 The Church had HMRC gift aid receipts this year of £5,596 (2022: £5,248) .
- 4 The Church is not an asset of the Parish but has to be insured by the PCC.
Insurance premiums paid in the year were £5,889 (2022 :£5,880).

St Michael and All Angels Enfield

Vicar

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