

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1156444

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
For
St Gregorios Indian Orthodox Church

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St Gregorios Indian Orthodox Church

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St Gregorios Indian Orthodox Church, Southend on sea

Report of the Trustees

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES

To promote the orthodox Christian faith to further such charitable purposes for the benefit of the public as are exclusively charitable according to the laws of England and Wales as the trustees may from time to time determine.

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

Worship & Pastoral Care

Worship & Holy Qurbana is celebrated on second & fourth Saturday of every month commencing with morning prayer at 09.00am and Qurbana from 09:30am.

Regular Sunday School, Marthamariam Samajam, Youth League meetings were conducted after Holy Qurbana at church.

Passion Week

Holy Week Services was conducted under the spiritual guidance of the Vicar.

SPIRITUAL ORGANIZATIONS

Sunday School

Sunday School classes held regularly after Holy Qurbana. Orthodox Vacation Bible Study (OVBS) classes consisting of two days was conducted in October 2023.

Martha Mariam Vanitha Samajam (MMVS)

Martha Mariam Samajam meetings were regularly held after Holy Qurbana A food festival event was conducted in November 2023.

Youth

Regular youth group meetings were held after Holy Qurbana.

Prayer Group

Regular prayer meetings were conducted by church members & prayer groups as below:

1. St. Thomas prayer group in Southend on sea regions

Acolytes (AMOSS)

On behalf of all the members of the Church like to acknowledge the dedicated service of all the acolytes assisted with duties at the Altar.

Choir

Choir has taken a great precedence in our church from the past year.

Events

Harvest Festival

Harvest Festival was conducted at our church after Holy Qurbana on 22nd July 2023.

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Food Fest

There was a food fest on 25th November 2023.

Cultural Festival- 2023

The traditional south Indian festival 'Onam' was celebrated in the month of September by providing attendees with delicious Onam Sadhya after Holy Qurbana & members dressed up in traditional Kerala attire.

Feast of St. Gregorios (Palli Perunal)

The Feast of St. Gregorios was celebrated on the 9 & 11th November 2023. We were blessed with the presence of our New Vicar Rev. Fr. Ranju K Skaria. Members from Chelmsford, Romford, Basildon and Southend attended the Perunal. The Parumala Perunal was conducted by Peda yatra followed by Sandhya namaskaram and a message by the Vicar on 10th evening. We celebrated Holy Qurbana on 11th November 2023, followed by Prathishanam, Nercha vilambu and Sneha virunnu.

Christmas Carol Visits

Church carol visited homes of church members residences in the month of December 2023.

Christmas Feast

Christmas service was conducted on 24th December 2023

Christmas & New Year celebrations were conducted after Christmas service with cultural programs performed by church members.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves

The Church reserves are held to help its current and future activities including a separate savings account for acquiring assets. The retained surplus of parish as on 31/03/2024 was £ 99093 (£ 92821 on 31/03/2023).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is controlled by its governing document, The Constitution adopted on 26th October 2013 and constitutes as an incorporated charity.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The vicar is appointed by the Diocesan Bishop and his term will be until further order from the Diocesan Bishop.

The Secretary, Treasurer and other committee members are elected by the annual general body meeting of the charity.

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Report of the Trustees
For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

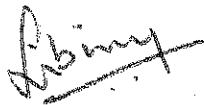
Name of Charity	St. Gregorios Indian Orthodox Church, Southend on sea
Charity Registration Number	1156444
Principal Address (Rented)	All Saints Church, 1 Sutton Road, Southend on sea, Essex, SS2 5PA

Trustees

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

Mr. K S. Abraham - Hon. Treasurer
Mr. Libini Mathews - Hon. Secretary
Mr. Jacob P Thomas
Mr. George Mathews
Mr. Roy Philipose
Mr. Rinu Raju
Mr. Blesson M Skaria
Mr. Roji Varghese
Mr. Jiji Thomas
Mrs. Thankamma Saji

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 23rd November 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Libini Mathews

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
St.Gregorios Indian Orthodox Church, Essex

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 set out on pages 5 to 7.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

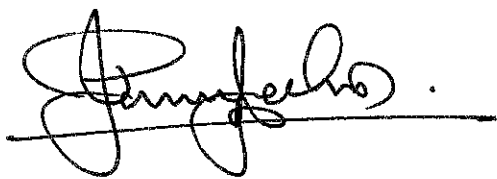
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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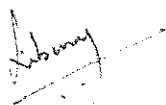
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Date 24/1/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
		<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Notes		<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income		28,497	-	28,497	26,644
Activities for generating funds		1,092	-	1,092	1,474
Other incoming resources		280	-	280	30
Total incoming resources		29,869	-	29,869	28,148
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of Generating Funds					
Charitable Expenditure		22,277	-	22,277	16,592
Fundraising Expenses		-	-	-	-
Governance Cost		1,321	-	1,321	1,618
		23,597	-	23,597	18,210
NET INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS		6,272	-	6,272	9,938
Gross transfer between funds				-	-
Net incoming resources		6,272	-	6,272	9,938
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		92,821	-	92,821	83,003
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		99,093	-	99,093	92,821



Libini Mathews(Treasurer)

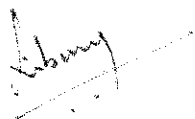
The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
At 31 March 2024

		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
		<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
Notes		<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets		0	-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors		0	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in Hand		99693	-	99,693	93,121
		99693	-	99,693	93,121
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year		(600)	-	(600)	(300)
NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		99093	-	99,093	92,821
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		99093	-	99,093	92,821
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year		0	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		99093	-	99,093	92,821
FUNDS					
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Unrestricted Funds				99,093	92,821
Restricted Funds				-	-
TOTAL FUNDS				99,093	92,821

The financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 23/11/2024 and were signed on its behalf by



Libini Mathews(Treasurer)

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.2023 £	Net Movement in Funds £	Transfers between Funds £	At 31.03.2024 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Fund	92821	6,272		99,093
Others	-	-		-
	<u>92,821</u>	<u>6,272</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>99,093</u>
Restricted Funds				
Church Property Fund	-	-		-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,821</u>	<u>6,272</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>99,093</u>

Net Movement in Funds, included in above are as follows

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended. £	Movement in Funds £
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	29,869	23,597	6,272
Others	-	-	-
	<u>29,869</u>	<u>23,597</u>	<u>6,272</u>
Restricted Funds	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>29,869</u>	<u>23,597</u>	<u>6,272</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>
<u>Incoming Resources</u>		
<u>Voluntary Income</u>		
Donations	3,336	2,906
Subscription	14,685	15,425
Offertory	6,791	5,544
Sunday School and OVBS	1,145	580
MOMS	220	260
Diocesan Day	475	65
St Gregorios Feast(Perunal)		150
Christmas	1,760	1,600
Seminary		
Holy Week		50
Birthday/wedding /Sacraments		
Catholicate Day	85	65
Gift Aid		
	<u>28,497</u>	<u>26,644</u>
<u>Activities for Generating Funds</u>		
Harvest festival	554	995
Food Festival	538	479
	<u>1,092</u>	<u>1,474</u>
<u>Other Incoming Resources</u>		
Miscellaneous Income	280	30
<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	<u>29,869</u>	<u>28,148</u>
<u>Resources Expended</u>		
<u>Charitable Expenditures</u>		
Vicar Allowances	6,100	5,800
Remuneration: Guest Priests		
Perunal(Feast)	83	1,751
Gift(Donation)	238	
Diocese Day	1,090	
Sunday School and OVBS/OCYM	1,897	997
Consumables, Food & Refreshments	2,232	1,535
MOMS	75	250
Church Rent	3,330	3,115
Christmas	93	107
Parish Day/Onam	1,001	
Holy Week	6,139	3,037
	<u>22,277</u>	<u>16,592</u>
<u>Fund Raising Expenses</u>		
Events Cost	-	-
<u>Governance Cost</u>		
Sundries	904	771
Accounting	300	240
Bank charges	67	74
Subscriptions		330
Advertising		
Travel Expense	50	204
Printing & Stationery		
	<u>1,321</u>	<u>1,618</u>
<u>Total Resource Expended</u>	<u>23,597</u>	<u>18,210</u>
<u>Net Income</u>	<u>6,272</u>	<u>9,938</u>