

2021 Annual Report of St. Anne's Church in the Parish of Chasetown
'The PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Chasetown'
Registered Charity No. 1160765

Background

St Anne's Church is situated in Church Street, Chasetown. The correspondence address is St Anne's Church, Church Street, Chasetown, Burntwood, Staffs WS7 3QL. St Anne's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the church building. This is done in co-operation with the Team Vicar, Revd. Richard Westwood and the wider Burntwood Chase Benefice. During 2021 St Anne's Church was served by the Chasetown Parish Ministry Leadership Team which comprised Revd Richard Westwood, Revd Steve Morgan, Mrs Angela Smith, Mr Chris Hawthorne and Mrs Rose Westwood, a licensed Community Minister for the Parish. Many other members of the church generously offer their gifts, time and skill in the wide range of the church's mission and ministry. The PCC thanks each of them for their faithful and willing service.

Membership

Members of the PCC are respectively either ex officio/co-opted or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During 2021 the following members of St Anne's served as members of the PCC:

<i>Team Vicar:</i>	Revd. Richard Westwood
<i>Curate (Self Supporting)</i>	Revd Stephen Morgan
<i>Community Minister</i>	Mrs Rose Westwood
<i>Wardens:</i>	Mrs Sheila Murphy
	Mr Terry Smith
<i>Secretary</i>	Mrs Anita Brookes
<i>Treasurer</i>	Mrs Joanna Orlinska
<i>Representatives on the Deanery Synod:</i>	Anita Brookes, David Buckley, Christopher Hawthorne
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Betty Stanley Brian Golding Sheila Bott
	Jim Turner Amanda Bird Esther Allen
	Carol Thomas Joanna Orlinska

Church Services and Attendance during 2021

During 2021 the attendance at church services continued to be severely affected by the Covid 19 pandemic and by the restrictions which were a part of the national response to this health emergency. The services which were able to take place and were all subject to Covid 19 guidelines and the PCC took the steps necessary to ensure that the church building could be used safely by adopting Covid secure practices which became part of the routine for those attending. Many of the church's worship services were live-streamed via the churches' Facebook page. The 'Midweek Message' on our YouTube Channel also became a regular feature of St Anne's ministry. The PCC wishes to especially thank David Buckley and all the contributors for their hard work in putting together the online worship which was offered. Once again, it is difficult to assess what the figure for usual Sunday attendance in 2021 is, given that many people were not able to attend in person and more people watched and worshipped on-line than would have attended had the church been open. Our monthly Sunday 'Worship and Walk' event was well received and offers some potential for further development and outreach. There are 97 members on the Church Electoral Roll of St Anne's Church, (45%) of whom are resident outside the parish.

Review of the year

The full PCC met 11 times during the year. The meetings were well attended with many of them taking place online via Zoom. Much of the business of PCC involved responding to the effects of the pandemic with regard to the mission and ministry of the church.

A significant part of the church's mission in 2021 was in helping work in partnership with others in the local community as part of the Burntwood Be A Friend (BBAF) initiative. St Anne's choir vestry was used for food storage and during the year became a trial space for a Community Store, supplying fresh surplus food from local supermarkets and the FareShare charity network. This was a real success and in October 2021 the

Community Store moved to dedicated local premises where it has continued to thrive in supporting local people with the cost of healthy food. St Anne's continued to be an administration base for BBAF throughout 2021. The BBAF marquee on the church lawn was used for food distribution in the first half of the year and was also used for the much appreciated weekly 'Place of Welcome' socially distanced coffee morning for anyone in the local area. An average of 22 people attended this event each week. St Anne's monthly Film Night, Messy Church, weekly Ladybirds carer and toddler group were able to restart in the summer and the 'Strollers' buggy walking group was able to continue throughout the year. In 2021 St Anne's has also been the base for a guided weekly Men's Wellbeing Walk and part of the western lawn of the church has been turned into a community garden. All of these initiatives show how St Anne's has continued to play a significant part in the local community response to the Covid 19 pandemic and the PCC believes the church has served the residents of Chasetown well in this respect.

In June 2021 Ms Millie Price joined the staff team at St Anne's for six months as a part of the UK government's Kickstart Apprenticeship Scheme. Millie undertook a wide range of tasks in this period and played a significant role developing the church's ability to live-stream its worship services. The PCC is grateful to Millie for her contribution and is pleased to note that Mille has been successful in gaining a place at university in the coming year. We wish her well in all that the future holds for her.

The PCC thanks all who have been involved in the mission and ministry of the church in 2021 and pays tribute to their work and the time, care and energy which they put into the different areas of the life of the church. A meeting for prayer, Bible study and fellowship continued throughout the pandemic and has been appreciated by all who attend. The PCC also wishes to thank the musicians and singers who help arrange and lead sung worship both in church and for our online services, in particular Jean Spraggett and Gerald Harvey.

The PCC thanks the Churchwardens who served in 2021, Sheila Murphy and Terry Smith, and Angela Smith who has acted as an Assistant Warden. Their hard work and dedication in such a challenging year has been fantastic. We thank them for all they have given in their service to God in these roles. The PCC also offers sincere thanks to Anita Brookes for her commitment and hard work in her role as PCC secretary and sacristan throughout the year and to David Buckley who helps to manage the church website and its online ministry. The PCC also wishes to record its thanks to Joanna Orlinska as Treasurer during the year supported by John Spraggett, and Tony Slater for their work on the church's giving and finances. The finances have once again been particularly challenging this year as the church has received a number of grants to support our work as a part of the Burntwood Be A Friend initiative. The church also offers grateful thanks to Mrs Margaret Taylor, employed as part time Parish Administrator and to Mr Brian Taylor for his hard work in cleaning and maintaining the church on a weekly basis. By continuing to work in the church building during the pandemic they have enabled the church's mission and ministry to continue when many other churches' life was more curtailed. We thank them warmly.

During the pandemic members of the church and wider community were grateful for the continuation of the Parish Magazine edited by Chris Hawthorne for which the PCC thanks him warmly. In addition, a monthly 'Parish Letter' was hand delivered each month by a team of willing helpers and our thanks go to them too.

The PCC is sad to report the deaths during 2021 of a number of longstanding members of St Anne's including Les Tonks, Mary Turner and Christine Lusty. In many cases their deaths were made more difficult for their family and friends by the Covid restrictions which were in place for their funerals.

St Anne's continues to support a number of charitable organisations and in 2021 donations were made to Macmillan Cancer Care, The Children's Society (through the collection from the Christingle Service), Hands at Work in Africa, Pathway Project, MAF, Action Aid, CMS, Link for Life Project and Mind. In total St Anne's donated £3,780 to charity, shared between local, national and international good causes.

Towards the close of 2021 the church was once more able to engage with the ongoing task of redeveloping St Anne's Church Building. This planning for this significant project needed to be paused during the pandemic but will be restarted in earnest in 2022.

On behalf of the PCC (Chairperson) Revd. Richard Westwood

11 April 2022

Financial Review

During the year £104,613 (2020 was £99,004) was spent to provide the Christian ministry in Chasetown parish, including the full amount of £41,601* (2020 £42,898) as the contribution to the diocesan quota, which largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy. (*The Parish Share requested from parishes by Lichfield Diocese Board of Finance in 2021 should have been £45,382 for St Anne's but, along with other parishes in the Diocese, was reduced by one month's contribution in acknowledgement of the financial strain that parishes were facing during the Covid 19 pandemic)

In 2021 for the fifth year in succession, there was an increase in giving from the regular members of the church (£47,128) as part of an overall income of £87,259. This response from the congregation is wonderful and the PCC thanks all who gave in such a wonderfully generous way despite church building being closed for a significant period of the year. In addition, the church was very grateful to receive a significant sum from donations and legacies from the estate of former church members. Added to this was the income arising from the hire of rooms to the Burntwood Be A Friend initiative. The net result for 2021 was a deficit of payments over receipts of £17,354 (2020 balance was a surplus of £55,396).

The main feature of the 2021 deficit is due to the receipt of a number of grants at the end of 2020 which were received for work to be done in the community through BBAF in 2021 – this made the 2020 income figures seem higher than normal and also the 2021 expenditure larger than normal. Despite the extraordinary challenges of the coronavirus pandemic the PCC was able to pay all the 2021 Parish Share in full. This is an encouraging achievement and the PCC thanks all who have donated so generously.

The PCC also wishes to record its thanks to the grant making trusts who made awards to St Anne's to fund our work with Burntwood Be A Friend:- The Community Foundation for Staffordshire and, Central England Co-operative, O2Virgin Together Fund, Local Giving Trust. The PCC encourages the church community to give thanks to God for his provision in 2021 in these challenging of circumstances for our locality.

The PCC is now in a position to progress with plans for the redevelopment of the building and to deepen its partnership with the wider local community too. The balance carried forward £49,261 in unrestricted funds on 31December 2021 £ (2020 was £69,095)

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Accountants Report

In accordance with instructions given to us, we have prepared,
without carrying out an audit, the attached Income &
Expenditure Account from your accounting records
and from information and explanations received by us.

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Date

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**St Annes Church
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED
31 December 2021**

	31 Decmeber 2021		31 Decmeber 2020	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Income</u>				
Donations & Legacies				
Tax efficient planned giving (offerings)		6,942.76		8,473.90
Other planned giving (S/O)		36,444.00		33,130.00
Collections & services		186.76		14.00
All other giving Inc Gift Day		4,686.11		13,517.58
Gift Aid		2,460.29		6,052.54
Grants		13,255.93		20,281.00
Activities for Generating Funds				
Church Model		1,292.84		816.36
Film Night		279.23		395.00
Christmas & Autumn Fayre				
Other fundraising		629.54		418.65
Church Activities				
Funerals		4,809.10		8,194.25
Weddings		4,692.97		3,729.00
Church Hire		1,040.00		1,755.00
Messy Church		27.37		135.18
Bookstall		148.85		205.62
Parish Magazine		333.00		561.21
Other receipts		5,794.98		460.39
Charity		130.30		
Copying & Laminating		21.60		26.00
Lichfield Diocese				
Trips				664.00
Legacy				40,237.09
Burntwood Be a Friend (BBAF)		71.82		15,235.32
Inscription		85.00		54.00
Cash banked		364.79		45.00
Transfers		3900.03	8,358.90	
Adjustments		-337.98	2,577.00	
		87,259.29		154,401.09

Expenses**Cost of Generating funds**

Stewardship	1,264.63	850.03
Cost of Fund raising		
Coffee Morning		0.00
Film Night		0.00

Charitable Activities

Mission Giving and Donations	3,779.94	3,000.55
Diocesan Parish Share	41,601.00	42,898.00
Salaries & Wages	6,505.00	5,616.00
Music & Copying		196.00
Organ Repair/ Piano Tuning	205.00	100.00
Wedding & Funeral fees (LDBF)	3,010.00	3,093.86
Verger & Organist	1,410.00	1,315.00
Clergy & Staff Expenses	1,401.86	1,222.23

Church Expenses

Mission & Evangelism	313.66	75.00
Running Expenses	2,668.77	2,313.04
Utility Bills	3,384.77	4,721.43
Web & Computer Software	163.20	477.06
Visiting Clergy		287.80

Capital Expenditure

Repairs to Church	2,324.56	2,547.82
Alarm & Security	516.00	1,730.40
New Building		2,636.00
Gardening Project	1,825.38	

Other Payments

Contra		119.06
Vicarage Decoration Fund	252.00	407.00
Other costs	5,225.66	1,888.01
Petty cash	120.00	620.00
Donation to local Community Groups		
Kickstart	157.50	
Misc Costs		88.87
Insurance	2,667.68	2,734.26
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Refunds-Trip		210.00

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Closing Bank Balances

Community Direct Account (65439784)	1,703.87	19,058.14
Community Direct Account -No2		
Account (65593604)	1,431.05	1,521.08
Business Select Instant Access -Deposit		
(65531912)	43,949.41	45,736.96
Community Direct Account- Building		
Dev Fund-65862490	116.00	116.00
Community Direct Account -Roof		
(65636529)	2,500.52	2,663.02
Community Direct Account (65700235)	1.00	
Cash		0.00
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