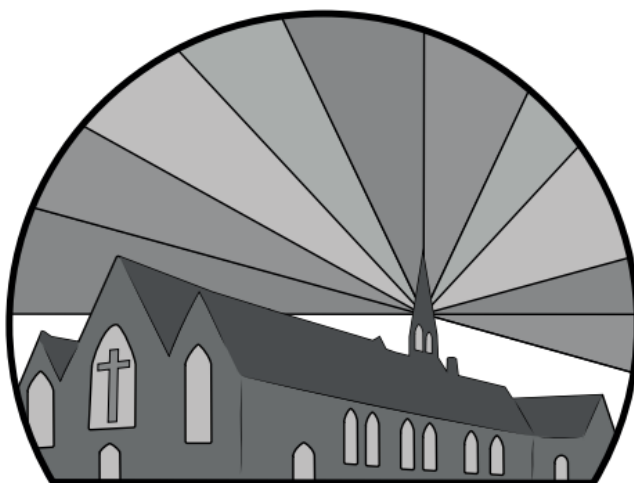


Parish Church of St Andrew, Kettering

Part of Kettering Deanery in the Diocese of Peterborough

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council

for the year ended 31st December 2022



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Vicar's Report

We had no lockdowns at all in 2022! That's not to say Covid had disappeared, in fact the aftereffects are certainly starting to be felt, but it was good to make it through a whole year without having to close things down again.

January

This month began tentatively, after the fear of closure at Christmas, but once celebrated, the fear of another lockdown began to subside. Services were quieter for the first month back, but in that time we added a few new exciting facilities to the fabric of the church; a retractable projector screen was installed and the new Arts Centre bar. I particularly have enjoyed seeing the full breadth of church members enjoy a conversation whilst leaning on the bar.

Staffing-wise we had a mixed first month back with Roger Brown sadly going on extended sick leave after suffering a fall in the early part of the year. On a more positive note, we welcomed Margaret Bell as lay reader to St Andrew's who was licensed by Bishop Donald online and projected onto the new screen.

February

February was another quieter month, and a few things were scaled back due to the worry around covid. Again, this was a good time to complete some jobs, and our new banners and flags arrived for the Arts centre. We trialled hosting the six nations rugby matches in the church, thanks to an NNC grant for a TV license, but the lack of heat was too much for many and that idea was shelved until such time the new underfloor heating is installed. A very successful wine tasting night was enjoyed by many and the Vicar learnt to be careful when tasting Gareth's homemade blackberry wine, especially when he was supposed to be preaching the next day.

On February 24th, the world was shocked, after Russia invaded Ukraine and this conflict would dominate the landscape for the rest of the year. There was a strange comfort though as we held a prayer space in the school that week. Teachers and students were so grateful as people came in and prayed for those affected by the war.

March

Despite the church being open since Easter last year, many firsts were to take place, not only for myself but also for others, as we celebrated the return of many 'first since lockdown' events. We held our first 'post covid' Ash Wednesday and Lenten services in the church as well as spending 40 days in prayer. During our Sunday sermon series we explored all 66 books of the Bible through a unique interlocking jigsaw puzzle of each book. We were also delighted to restart our home groups and four of them ran The Bible Course series with one other running an Alpha course. Encouragingly those groups have continued to meet after Lent.

The new colourful logo started to pop up around the church as our branding and vision was released. Months of listening, discussions and prayer, led to three core themes that focused

where we felt God was leading us as a church. This vision centered on growing in **Arts** (our gifts and creativity) **Belief** (our faith and love for God) and **Community** (our love for each other both inside and outside the church)

April

We had our mega Arts Centre weekend with top level comedian Andy Parsons, Empyre music gig, our first 'have a go' festival and then finished off with a Pantaloons theatre production. The 'have a go' festival brought together over 15 local artists, musicians and theatre teachers to offer workshops for free to the public. It was a great day, and we are very much looking forward to running it again in 2023.

We finished Lent with our first Easter services fully back in church. A moving Maundy Thursday service was followed by the walk of witness to a packed street outside Toller Church. Then our lay worship leaders, Bethany, David and Sandra led a moving reflective Good Friday service in the afternoon. We celebrated in style on Easter Sunday with party poppers and fizz. It was great to feel like we were almost back to normal, or perhaps a new normal.

May

In May we were joined by Canon Brian Withington (ex Rural Dean) who applied for PTO (Permission To Officiate) to the parish. Alongside this we held our first APCM in church after lockdown and Barbara Carter stood for Churchwarden as well as Bethany Roberts joining the PCC. John Weaver stepped down as churchwarden after many faithful years serving which notably included helping to lead the church through the pandemic.

Two significant Arts Centre events for me this month include the return of the RAF band; a huge thankyou to Paul and Fiona Sweeney for spearheading this fantastic event. The second was that we hosted a Ukrainian fundraiser where we asked comedians to perform. Amazingly all of them offered to perform for free and we were able to raise over £1200 for the people of Ukraine.

June

The big celebration of this year was the Queen's 70th Jubilee. The Social Committee put on a fantastic afternoon tea and we enjoyed watching different events on the 'big screen' in church. We were even asked to host a royal themed theatre production of 'The Queen's Shoes' funded by the council which showed the Arts Centre was starting to gain in recognition in the town again.

Grants have become a key way of investing in the church with so many large projects requiring resources. A much-needed grant from the NNC helped replace the old fence outside the kitchen, install a new fence between the church and the rooms and install four security cameras. Another important group who has helped raised vital funds is Chell-Perkins, and thanks to them we have been constantly celebrating redevelopment grants as they continued to steadily flow in. In June we received one of the biggest grants so far with £40,000 from The Bernard Sunley Foundation. In total for 2022 we would receive just over £120,000 in grants for the redevelopment project.

July

Kettfest started again this year and the church joined in with a theatre show, ice cream festival and comedy evening. During the school holidays we tried some cinema days which worked well at the beginning but were harder to advertise the further into the holidays we got.

The better weather enabled more community events and helped build on our vision of growing in this area. Some notable events were the Little Ands end of year picnic in the vicarage garden and when the Arts Centre went on tour joining in on the street food Saturdays in the market square and at the Pleasure Park festival.

August

Two big events dominated the summer. Holidays at home returned to great delight under the theme of country lanes. Whilst a simpler schedule than in previous years, the crafts, food and a trip to a garden centre with pub lunch were a welcome delight for so many especially those who were still not used to going out or being in large groups.

Claire oversaw a new vision for the children's holiday club with a more family friendly feel. Crafts galore were set up in the main church under the banner of 'Growing Together'. This finished with a bring and share lunch together after a very busy week. It was a great success and one we would love to repeat again next year.

The month finished with St Andrew's on tour and a large contingent of the congregation going to Greenbelt festival. Although only 'over the road' at Boughton House, some attended for the whole weekend, whilst the majority joined us for the Sunday service.

September

Never a quiet month, a lot was packed in. Claire finished her internship but was able to stay on as a Peterborough Diocesan Mission Enabler. A new intern, Mark, joined us in an unusual role as an Urban Monk, exploring rhythms of prayer especially with the Wednesday congregation. We celebrated the licensing of our three lay worship leaders as they completed their course.

On the 8th September, though, the world stood still. Queen Elizabeth died and the church became a public place of mourning. Books of condolence, photographs and the flag being lowered to half-mast were the easy parts to organise. The harder part was negotiating with a comedian who was not happy that we had postponed his gig and who threatened to hold an impromptu show outside the church in protest. Thankfully he was able to be talked into performing elsewhere and the 1000's of twitter fans he invited never turned up, so a more sedate 100 people watched him perform in the market square in the rain. Admittedly he was very funny and much of the tension disappeared once he realised that we were a working church as well as an Arts Centre.

October

Three new services began this month: Bethany leading our first monthly Café Church service on a Saturday; Claire put together an alternative to the parade service with the aptly titled 'All Together' Service. Both have gone from strength to strength and have quickly taken a special

place in the life of St Andrew's. Whilst not new, Evensong returned with a welcome addition of a bring and share supper. This has gone down very well.

November

The church leaders at St Andrew's left on mass to go to the Diocesan conference this month. Four days were spent, eating, learning and looking to the future with hope. We returned and celebrated a joint confirmation service at Christ the King church where three teenagers and a member of the Alpha Course were confirmed.

December

Compared to last year's Christmas events, there was a real celebration feel without the fear of another lockdown appearing. Sadly, we were reminded of the necessity to sort the church heating out sooner rather than later when the boiler broke for the 2 weeks before Christmas. A chilly Carol service did not put a dampener on the festivities and Barrels and Carols followed in full swing at the Shire Horse pub. A joyful Crib service was followed by a peaceful Christmas Eve Communion and we celebrated Christmas together fully with grateful thanks for all that God has done this year.

To conclude without mentioning one of the biggest life changing events for me would be an oversight, but seeing as our third child, Sophia, was not expected to arrive until the next annual report, I could almost be forgiven for doing so. However, she was so eager to see what Christmas was all about she came 22 days early. A false alarm the Second Sunday in Advent meant we had some preparation in place, and then a few days later, Emma's waters broke and we welcomed Sophia Houston to the world on the 7th December.

I must say again a huge thankyou to the church for enabling me to spend those precious first weeks with Sophia and the family, at one of the busiest periods of the year. Not to mention the Churchwardens were installing the new kitchenette in the church and having to deal with the unforeseen heating problems. I really am so grateful.

Overall this year has felt much like returning to normal, or a new normal. It has been one of rebuilding and healing. Many of us have not fully realised the pain and stress we went through these past few years with the uncertainty caused by Covid. The invasion of Ukraine and the cost of living crisis that followed have continued to leave us all in a state of mild anxiety. However despite the weather being so ferocious outside, the church has continued to offer a safe place for all in our community. We have many more stories of people new and old growing in their faith, discovering their God given gifts and building new friendships with one another.

Of course, a vision only points you in a certain direction, it takes trust to walk towards it. I am so proud of everyone at St Andrew's for following, and often leading in places, on the journey we have been on this year. There has been lots to celebrate, much that we have learnt, some things we won't try again and others that have been set aside for another time, but we continue to listen to God's voice for his people, his church and his world. I look forward to all God has in store for us in 2023.

Rev. Tom Houston

PCC Members List

St. Andrew's Kettering PCC - 8th May 2022 - Membership list after APCM

Vicar (ex-officio)	Rev Tom Houston	CRR 14(1)(a)
Team Ministry Members	Mrs Claire Barber - Intern	CRR14 (1)(c)
Churchwardens (ex-officio)	Mrs Christine Smith – Vice Chair Mrs Barbara Carter	CRR 14(1)(d)
Readers (ex-officio by PCC resolution)	Mr Don Merrifield Mrs Margaret Bell	CRR 14(1)(e)
Diocesan Synod (2021- 2024)	Rev Tom Houston	CRR 14(1)(f)
Deanery Synod (2021 - 2024)	Mr John Weaver Mrs Jane Lawrence Mr Graham Dickenson Vacant	CRR 14(1)(f)
Serving until APCM 2023	Mr N Maple Mrs C Smith Mrs S McMinn Mrs G Ogilvie-Johns	CRR 14(1)(g)
Serving until APCM 2024	Mr M Kane Mrs R Harradine - Treasurer Mrs D Cox – Secretary Mr D Carter – Deputy Warden	CRR 14(1)(g)
Serving until APCM 2024	Mrs R Connolly Mrs L Westley Mrs B Roberts	
Co-opted members (max of 2)	None	CRR 14 (1) (h)

The abbreviation CRR refers to the section of the Church Representation Rules under which the individual is a member of the Parochial Parish Council.

These may be summarised as follows:

(a)Clergy (b) Lay workers (c) Team Ministry members (d) Churchwardens (e) Readers

(f) Deanery, Diocesan and General Synod members (g) Elected Lay members (h) co-opted members.

Minutes of the last meeting

Parish Church of St Andrew, Kettering

Minutes of the

Annual Vestry and Parochial Church Meeting

Sunday 8th May 2022 at 11.15am in St Andrew's Church

1	Opening prayers – Rev. Tom Houston opened the meeting with prayers at 11.25
a.	Appointment of clerk to the joint meeting: Christine Smith Proposed: Suzanne McMinn Seconded: Claire Barber In favour: All in Favour Against: None Abstentions: None
2	VESTRY MEETING - Meeting opened at 11.30
a.	Appointment of Churchwardens Christine Smith is willing to continue in the role of Church Warden. Proposed: John Weaver Seconded: Mike Cane In favour: All Against: None Abstentions: None The following person is willing to stand for the position of Churchwarden for the coming year: Barbara Carter. She was invited to introduce herself to the meeting. Proposed: Pat Lee Seconded: Robin Cullup In favour: All Against: None Abstentions: None There being no other nominations received Christine Smith and Barbara Carter were elected as Church Wardens for the next year. Retiring warden John Weaver, was thanked by Rev Tom Houston for all his hard work and presented with a gift.
b.	Appointment of Deputy Churchwarden: David Carter Proposed: Gill Ogilvie-Johns Seconded: Rosemary Harradine In favour: All Against: None Abstentions: None

	There being no other nominations received David Carter was elected as Deputy Church Warden for the next year.
3	ANNUAL MEETING – The meeting opened at 11.45
a.	Apologies and Welcomes Present 43 See list !! Apologies for absence Margaret & Trevor Hopkins, Debbie & David Cox, Malcolm & Rosalind Robinson, John Mark-Edmundson, Tony & Pat Elmore, Sandra Reid, Bethany Roberts, Vicky Smith Observers not on the electoral roll: Maggie & Derek Price, Jackie Withington.
b.	Minutes from previous Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2021. These were taken as read as they had been circulated prior to the meeting. In favour: All Against: None Abstentions: None
c.	Matters Arising / Amendments There were no matters arising. And one amendment: David Jeremy and Barbara Carter attended 2021 APCM but were not on the list.
	The Meeting shall receive the following reports:
d.	Electoral Roll: 174 people (9 in the Parish 165 outside of the Parish) Richard Quinney thanked Graham for the report and was encouraged by the increase in numbers
e.	Annual report for 2021 Rev Tom Houston No comments were offered.
f.	Financial Statements for 2021 The Treasurer gave the financial statements of the Parochial Church Council having been independently examined and invited questions. Rosemary said it was not just her doing the accounts she thanked the team especially John for his work counting Arts Centre money with Rebecca also his work as Parish Giving Officer with Gift Aid. Rosemary also thanked the bar staff. 2021 was affected by Covid again so down on 2018/2019 results, Rosemary thanked the congregation for their support financially. Receipts, voluntary donations, and Redevelopment Fund all showed increases. We paid 100% of our Parish Share in 2021 and gave 10% to Mission Giving. Tom thanked Rosemary for all her work during the year, nothing seems to phase her; our accounts are in good hands. Question: Jane Lawrence asked who will be doing Gift Aid Answer: John will continue to do it as he was Parish Giving Officer prior to being a Churchwarden.

g.	<p>A report was given on the fabric of the church for 2021 by the Churchwardens. They invited questions.</p> <p>John advised the report had been circulated. The Quinquennial report was received in 2021, there was a couple of urgent works to be done. To clear the gutters and rainwater gulleys and seal the area where there was a leak.</p> <p>John reported that the Quinquennial report was much better than expected and even had a comment from the Architect: "We are pleased to report that this is a very vibrant and active church and, despite the threat of a pandemic, it has managed to continue its operations and its future appears bright albeit there are challenges "</p> <p>Tom thanked John and said we need to celebrate the Quinquennial, we thought they would comment about the state of the roof but as they did not condemn it, we can continue to focus on the floor / under floor heating project.</p> <p>Tom thanked John and presented him with a gift from the church for his service, in what was a particularly challenging time, including an interregnum and a global pandemic to name but a few which he has faithfully led us through. John will still be on the PCC as a Deanery Synod representative and will continue as Parish Giving Officer.</p>
h.	<p>Accounts and Report of the Trustees of Kettering St Andrew Parochial Trust for 2021</p> <p>Christine reported that the Trust has had a better year with hirers gradually returning. Now we have increased the number of hirers and we are nearly at capacity with organisation still enquiring if we have space.</p> <p>We are still awaiting the results of a grant application to the council, we applied for to put up security cameras at the back of the church and to fence off the space between the church and church rooms.</p> <p>Tom thanked Christine for her report and all her work as Churchwarden and with the Trust.</p>
4	ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS
a.	<p>Elect members to the Parochial Church Council.</p> <p>Rev Houston asked for any nominations from the floor not previously notified and gave the proposed new members of the PCC the chance to introduce themselves:</p> <p>Lucy Westley Ruth Connelly Bethany Roberts All were voted in 'en block'.</p> <p>In favour: All Against: None Abstentions: None</p> <p>Rev Houston also acknowledged the remaining members and thanked them for being willing to stand for a further year:</p> <p>Rev Houston thanked the retiring members of the PCC</p>

	<p>Gifts were presented to Rosalyn Goodfellow who had been on PCC for 40 years and to Brenda Weaver who has been on the PCC for 43 years. Tom commented on their extraordinary service and thanked them both so much for their years of devotion.</p> <p>Also standing down were Malcolm Robinson and Vicky Smith neither could attend the meeting so their gifts will be presented at a later date</p>
b.	<p>Appointment of Independent Examiner of the Accounts to the Council Mrs Harradine, Treasurer indicated that Mr Eric Lindford is happy to stand as independent examiner for the coming year. In favour: All Against: None Abstentions: None</p>
c.	<p>Any other business Don thanked Tom and his family and presented Tom with flowers for Emma, he thanked him for his energy in bringing new ways of working and worship.</p> <p>Rev Tom Houston wished the following to be recorded: He started by thanking all other PCC members present Clare Smith together with Kirsty for doing an enormous amount of work to get us to where we should be with DBS Safeguarding and Health and Safety. Claire Barber for a fantastic year so far and good news about her future Tech team: Nick Maple, David and Jeremy Carter continually working to bring sound and tech up to date Food: The Social Committee for providing great food for Senior lunches and many more events. Arts Centre Team: Rebecca, Mike and Debbie and all the volunteers for giving up their free time so willingly. Upcoming events include the RAF concert and Kids theatre and cinema. Little Ands: Big shout out to Sue Merrifield who took over when the group was not well attended, right person for the job. With her team, Janice, Barbara and Debbie 20+ families attending each week. Fundraising Team: for their work raising much needed funds. Redevelopment Fund update – Our fundraiser is now applying for larger grants. Rosemary reminded people we should celebrate the fact that we managed to pay 100% of our parish share in 2021 and 10% to Mission Giving. Tom said we should also celebrate the Quinquennial report, some things do need attention but they are not major items as we feared. Tom also advised that we need to concentrate on Children and Youth in our church and with Claire (more or less) confirmed to be with us for the next 3 years we should be able to do this. Pastoral Support has been great especially for our older member with cards/gifts at Easter, Christmas etc. Tom wants to also concentrate on Discipleship and Art in the coming year. He thanked everyone for attending.</p>
d.	<p>Closing Prayer There being no further business the meeting closed with prayers at 12.20</p>
5	PCC MEETING – CLOSED MEETING at 12.30

a.	<p>Appointments to the PCC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Secretary: Debbie Cox . P: Suzanne McMinn, S: Mike Kane b. Treasurer: Rosemary Harradine. P Graham Dickenson, S: Nick Maple c. Vice-Chair: Christine Smith. P Lucy Westley, S Jane Lawrence d. To appoint two members of the PCC to the standing committee, which already comprises: Priest in Charge, both Churchwardens, PCC Vice-Chairman, PCC Treasurer and PCC Secretary (all ex-officio). Claire Barber, Graham Dickenson were elected. e. To co-opt members to the PCC as appropriate: none co-opted

Electoral Roll Report

At the time of the last meeting in 2022 the total number of persons on the Register was 174, with 9 residing within the Parish of St Andrews and 165 residing outside the Parish.

Since last years meeting the Electoral Roll has been updated and currently stands as follows:

Electors on the Roll living within the Parish	7
Electors on the Roll living outside the Parish	164
TOTAL	171

That completes my report.

Graham Dickenson

Treasurer's Report

As at 31 December 2019 China alerted the World Health Organisation of several cases of an unusual form of pneumonia in Wuhan. However, substantive information about what has now been identified as COVID-19 only came to light early in 2020.

St. Andrew's, in accordance with Church of England guidelines, complied with Government lockdown and social distancing regulations into 2021. This resulted in effective closure of the Church building, including Arts' Centre events, until September 2021. This had an obviously adverse effect upon our finances for 2021, the comparator year, as is demonstrated in this report and the financial statements.

The PCC and the congregation have redoubled efforts and generosity since the re-opening of the Church.

The accompanying detailed financial statements have been prepared on accruals basis in accordance with The Charities Acts. They have been independently examined. This report provides the narrative behind those figures.

Total receipts on unrestricted funds, specifically to the PCC Fund including the surpluses on trading from the Arts' Centre and Bar were £87,192 (2021 - £98,130). In 2022, the PCC took the decision not to deplete the remaining legacy at the expense of our Redevelopment Fund purely in order to pay the total requested Parish Share contribution. Also, fixed Arts' Centre costs increased in 2022 as the full year effect of the end of furlough arrangements for the Administrator impacted the closing balance. Unrestricted voluntary donations remained broadly similar to the previous year amounting to £63,404 (2021 - £64,378), a further £14,343 (2021 - £15,374) arising from Gift Aid. Restricted donations of £47,977 (2021 - £12,413) were also received and are detailed in the Note 5 to the Balance Sheet contained within the Financial Statements. The planned giving through envelopes and banker's orders decreased slightly by 4.25% compared with 2021 and the associated Gift Aid decreased by 6.71%. Total income, including tax recovered but excluding the legacies, increased by 29.17% compared with last year. £88,177 (2021 - £98,130) was spent from unrestricted funds to provide the Christian ministry from St. Andrew's Church, including the contribution to the diocesan parish share, representing 75% (100% in 2021) of the sum requested by the Diocese of Peterborough. The net result for the year was a deficit of £985 (2021 –

break even) on unrestricted funds. The balances carried forward at 31st December on unrestricted funds totalled £8,960.

Reserves policy

In 2022, in common with the previous few years the PCC took the decision to allow the closing balance on the PCC fund to reduce to £3,960 (2021 - £4,945), which represents the balance we consider, using our judgement, that is required to cover working capital requirements whilst allowing us to pay as much Parish Share as we were able, as well as to continue generous support to those causes for which the congregation voted to continue to support.

The notes to the balance sheet show the details of the sums owed by and to the PCC at the year end.

We start 2023 with £97,676 (2022 - £57,589) towards work on the reordering project.

It is our policy to invest at least the value of the Essam and Martin legacies in the CCLA Church of England Investment Fund and the remainder in the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund. The PCC decided to hold the balance of the previously received legacies to allocate to the Redevelopment Project, as appropriate.

Rosemary Harradine

April 2023

PCC Accounts

THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW, KETTERING PCC Fund - Statement of Financial Activities Year ended 31st December 2022

Unrestricted Funds - PCC Fund

	Notes	£ 2022	£ 2021
Incoming resources			
Stewardship giving	1	59,652	62,301
Stewardship giving - tax recovered	1	14,343	15,374
Cash offerings	1	1,948	765
PCC Fees	1	2,639	2,359
Restart / July Appeals	2		5,844
Donations - for general use		1,805	1,313
Donations - for specified use	3	1,118	313
Hire of church		1,541	253
Magazines		740	235
Christmas Fair		441	260
Grants received		312	0
Deposit account interest		226	171
Other	4	1,195	914
		<hr/> 85,960	90,101
Transfer of surplus from Kettering Arts' Centre		(3,520)	1,386
Transfer of surplus from St. Andrew's Bar		4,752	2,513
Transfer from legacy			4,130
		<hr/> <hr/> 87,192	<hr/> <hr/> 98,130

Resources Expended

Parish share	5	54,313	72,417
Mission giving	6	4,199	7,844
Utilities		7,287	3,661
Insurance		3,438	3,529
Choir, music & PA expenses	7	2,744	2,112
Fees due		1,683	1,191
Repairs & maintenance	8	6,920	3,030

Education & youth ministry		2,691	1,717
Magazines	9	0	235
Clergy expenses		277	162
Printing, stationery & postage		901	494
Telephone & WiFi		531	378
Christmas Fair			16
Training costs		602	0
Expenditure covered by specific donations	3	1,247	270
Bank charges		251	0
Other	10	1,094	1,075
		88,177	98,130

Excess / (deficit) of expenditure over income	(985)	0
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Opening Balance 1st January	4,945	4,945
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Closing Balance 31st December	3,960	4,945
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THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, KETTERING
Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed Assets			
Church Equipment [deemed value]		5,000	5,000
Organ [cost less depreciation]		0	0
Investments at market value		4,850	5,609
		<u>9,850</u>	<u>10,609</u>

Current Assets

Debtors	1	3,052	1,287
Short term deposits	2	12,900	12,900
Cash at bank and at hand		153,095	127,981
		<u>169,047</u>	<u>142,168</u>

Current Liabilities

Accrued expenditure			
amounts falling due in one year		10,910	20,356
Charitable giving due	3	3,598	7,477
Income received in advance			466
Little Ands		801	103
Holiday at Home Fund	4	324	213

Net Current Assets		<u>163,265</u>	<u>124,162</u>
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Represented by Parish Funds:

Unrestricted		8,960	9,945
Restricted	5	154,305	114,217
		<u>163,265</u>	<u>124,162</u>

THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW, KETTERING
PCC Fund - Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31st December 2022

£
2022

£
2021

1 Stewardship giving & gift aid

These figures include accrued income for December which were received in January 2022

- 2** The PCC took the decision to hold the proceeds of the July Appeal in a restricted fund.
 See Balance Sheet notes for the detail.

3 Donations for specific use

The donations given for specific purposes are analysed as follows:

Donations - for Communion glasses	156	313
Donations - for Church Suite	125	
Donations - for notice board	50	
Donations - for Cycle Rack	787	
	<hr/> 1,118 <hr/>	313

These donations were used as follows:

Communion glasses	171	270
Church Suite	239	
Notice board	50	
Cycle Rack	787	
	<hr/> 1,247 <hr/>	270

4 Other income

Sale of jam & chutney	855	565
Other items	340	349
	<hr/> 1,195 <hr/>	914

5 Parish share

The figure included in these accounts represents 75 % of the full Parish Share requested by the Diocese of Peterborough.

6 Mission giving

Stewardship giving	59,652
Stewardship giving - tax recovered	14,343
Cash offerings	<u>1,948</u>
	75,942
@10% = year end giving budget	7,594

To be allocated as follows:

Compassion UK	504
Kettering & District Samaritans (Lent Appeal)	363
Urban Monk Internship	450
Education and Youth Ministry	2,683
Kettering Food Bank	898
Kettering Street pastors	898
Young Lives vs. Cancer (Including Advent Appeal)	898
Eve (formerly Nene Valley Christian Family Refuge)	898
	<u>7,594</u>

7 Choir, music & PA expenses

Choir expenses	1,819	1,187
Copyright / Licences	925	925
	<u>2,744</u>	<u>2,112</u>

8 Repairs & maintenance

General R & M	4,713	2,980
Quinquennial review	1,200	
Other non recurring expenditure	1,007	50
	<u>6,920</u>	<u>3,030</u>

9 Magazines

The Kettering St. Andrew Parochial Trust generously waived the costs of parish magazine printing in 2022.

10 Other expenditure

Altar requisites	170	124
Gifts	265	264
Subscriptions	203	145
Stewardship envelopes	94	93
Other	361	449
	<u>1,094</u>	<u>1,075</u>

THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW, KETTERING
Kettering Arts' Centre
Year ended 31st December 2022

Unrestricted Funds - Kettering Arts' Centre

	Notes	£ 2022	£ 2021
Incoming resources			
Ticket sales		25,415	17,155
Donations		5	19
Fund raising		981	983
Grants received		5,291	
		31,693	6,828
Resources Expended			
Artistes' fees		18,771	12,594
Purchase of materials & equipment		305	0
Booking & promotion		2,889	66
Hospitality		125	57
Salaries & wages		9,000	3,995
Donations		2,966	0
Bank charges		107	60
Other running costs		1,050	0
		35,213	9,562
Excess / (deficit) of expenditure over income		(3,520)	1,386
Opening Balance 1st January		0	0
Transfer to PCC		3,520	(1,386)
Closing Balance 31st December		0	0

THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW, KETTERING
St. Andrew's Bar
Year ended 31st December 2022

Unrestricted Funds - St. Andrew's Bar

	Notes	£ 2022	£ 2021
Incoming resources			
Bar takings		10,850	6,922
		<u>10,850</u>	<u>6,922</u>
Resources Expended			
Bar stock		5,615	3,777
Licence renewal		70	140
Bar sundries		344	452
Bank charges		69	40
		<u>6,098</u>	<u>4,408</u>
Excess / (deficit) of expenditure over income		4,752	2,513
Opening Balance 1st January		0	0
Transfer to PCC		(4,752)	(1,535)
Excess / (deficit) of expenditure over income		0	0

THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW, KETTERING
Notes to the Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
1 Debtors		
Gift aid receivable for December	667	1,287
Monies received December 2022, banked in 2023	2,385	
	<u>3,052</u>	<u>1,287</u>
2 Short term deposits		
Balance as at 1st January	12,900	12,900
Transferred to current account	0	0
Balance as at 31st December	<u>12,900</u>	<u>12,900</u>
3 Charitable giving due		
See detailed analysis on separate sheet		
4 Donations for the Elderly		
Balance as at 1st January	213	113
Donations/contributions/gift aid received	1,264	100
Holiday at Home expenses	(1,153)	
Balance as at 31st December	<u>323</u>	<u>213</u>

Notes to the Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022											
Note 3 - Current Liabilities - Mission and Charitable Giving											
	Balance B/f 1st January 2022	Donations received	Gift Aid	Transferred from PCC	Donations sent	Transferred to Redevelopment *	Lent Appeal	Advent Appeal *	Balance c/f 31st December 2022		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		
Kettering Food Bank	2,595			898	(2,595)				898		
Kettering Street Pastors	2,595			898	(2,595)				898		
Young Lives vs. Cancer	1,112		20	550	(1,112)			329	898		
Kettering & District Samaritans	1,112		81		(1,475)		283		0		
Eve (formerly Nene Valley Christian Family Refuge)	0			898					898		
Christian Aid	0								0		
Advent Appeal *	63					(63)			0		
Bungoma Boat	4								4		
Beryl Thyer Trust	0								0		
	7,481	0	101	3,245	(7,777)	(63)	283	329	3,598		
	Balance B/f 1st January 2021	Donations received	Gift Aid	Transferred from PCC	Donations sent	Transferred to Redevelopment *	Lent Appeal	Advent Appeal *	Balance c/f 31st December 2021		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		
Kettering Food Bank				2,595					2,595		
Kettering Street Pastors				2,595					2,595		
Young Lives vs. Cancer				1,112					1,112		
Kettering & District Samaritans				1,112					1,112		
Christian Aid	10				(10)				0		
Advent Appeal *			13					50	63		
Bungoma Boat	4								4		
Beryl Thyer Trust	763				(763)				0		
	778	0	13	7,414	(774)	0	0	50	7,481		
* The PCC announced that the nominated charity to which monies raised during the 2021 Advent Appeal was to be the "Safe Until Daylight" night shelter. Subsequently, they discovered that the cause had been disbanded, so the congregation were encouraged, instead, to donate to their own favoured charities. Meanwhile, one person had already made a donation which attracted Gift Aid. The donor was approached for them to advise their wishes. He requested that his donation be transferred to the Redevelopment Fund.											

THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW, KETTERING																			
Notes to the Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2022																			
Note 5 - Restricted Funds																			
	Everybody Welcome	Money Advice Centre	Sarah Burwell Memorial	Redevelopment	Mission Grant	Growing Faith Foundation	July Appeal	Legacy	Essam & Martin										
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance as at 1st January	200	200	813	1,013	391	520	57,589	63,954	1,667	32	0	0	0	0	0	47,943	48,074	5,609	6,005
Donations							2,066	5,135					1,932						
Fundraising							5,695	2,493											
Legacies/in memoriam																4,000			
Lent / Autumn / New Year Lunches							1,000												
Grants received							36,500			2,500	350								
Gift aid							525	785					259						
Donations given																			
Expenditure - Professional fees							(4,600)	(7,102)											
Expenditure - Running costs							(1,099)	(362)	(1,667)	(865)			(110)						
Expenditure - Building work								(7,313)											
Expenditure - "Light in the Darkness"						(129)													
Adjustment to market value																		(759)	(396)
Transfer out				(200)												(4,130)			
Balance as at 31st December	200	200	813	813	391	391	97,676	57,589	0	1,667	350	0	2,081	0	47,943	47,943	4,850	5,609	5,609

Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Certificate for the PCC Accounts

Report to the trustees of:

St. Andrews Church, Kettering

Parochial Church Council

On accounts for the year ended:

31st. December 2022

Charity Number (if applicable):

1163359

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and
examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and ☐ to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 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.

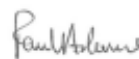
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)

**Independent examiner's
statement**

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 Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date:

12th April 2023

Paul Adams

Name:

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):

Address:

19 Wymington Park

Rushden

Northants NN10 9JP

Churchwarden's Report

The Churchwardens are pleased to give their report on the church fabric and property for the years 2022

We have had a number of roof repairs carried out, resulting in no more leaks into the archive area.

As required by our quinquennial report we have had the gutters cleared and the ivy removed from the walls of the church and are in the process of carrying out other repairs from the report.

In August 2022 we had the Archdeacons visitation, where the records and fabrics of the church are inspected. We had very few negative comments, but do need to keep a permanent registrars ink pen available for filling out the record books. We also need to update the burial records (we have an electronic copy) in the record book, our last entry appears to be 1991.

The winter of 2022 saw our heating fail on a number of occasions and we are grateful to Sean McNally for his work on keeping the system going until we have the first stage of the redevelopment project completed.

The door handle to the South door has now been permanently fixed and should no longer come off in your hands. The choir vestry door and west door have been sealed and oiled.

Much general clearing and tidying has been done and the church has now designated areas and places for service sheets and information leaflets.

The faculties for the bike rack and choir vestry handrail have been completed and are appreciated by all who use them. The faculty for a new stained-glass window has been approved and will be installed in memory of Jane Burwell later in 2023. The faculty for security fencing around the boiler room entrance was refused. We have not pursued the matter since the DAC required architect's drawings and specifications, which made the cost prohibitive.

In December we had the temporary kitchenette installed, which has made a big difference to the making of tea and coffee before and after services.

Our thanks go to Graham Dickenson who is always willing to repair almost anything!!! Also thank you to the fairies who keep the churchyard clear of rubbish.

Our personal thanks go to Jeremy and Terry who help and support us in our many and varied tasks.

Christine Smith and Barbara Carter 12.03.23

Church attendance Figures

	Usual children and young people	Usual adults	Communicants at Easter	Attendance at Easter	Communicants at Christmas including Christmas Eve	Attendance at Christmas (including Christmas Eve)
2022	10	86	138	163	125	194

BAPTISMS 2022

Under 1 year	1 – 4 years	5 – 12 years	13+ & adult	Total
5	1	1	1	8

CONFIRMATIONS 2022

Total : 4

Rotas

Readers for 2023

Barbara Cross
Beryl Maylan
Brian Reid
Christine Smith
David Cox
Debbie Cox
Graham Dickenson
Graham Litster
Hilary Whitwell
Ivor Jones
Jane Lawrence
Jill Dove
John Weaver
Judy Fullilove
Julie Kendrick
Margaret Bell
Margaret Hopkins
Mike Smith
Penny Payne
Peter Bell
Roger Payne
Rosalind Robinson
Rosemary Harradine
Ruth Connolly
Sue Merrifield
Uniformed Organisations

Welcomers for 2023

Ann Stockham
Beryl Maylan
Brenda Weaver
Christine Dornan
Christine Smith
Clare Smith
David Cox
Debbie Cox
Doreen Hancock
Heather Abrams
Hilary Whitwell
Jane Lawrence
Jenny Coombs
John Mark Edmundson
Joy Morson
Karen Osborne
Maggie Jones
Malcolm Abrams
Penny Payne
Ros Goodfellow
Sharon Craxton
Terry Smith
Val Cleaver

Kettering Deanery Synod Report

Our mission is to encourage and support the churches of our Deanery to build the Kingdom of God.

We do this by: Building relationships, sharing resources and praying for each other.

There were three meetings of the Deanery Synod in 2022, all held in person following a zoom-filled year.

News

Revd Hannah Jeffrey stepped down from the Rural Dean post in August 2022. We give thanks for all she gave to the Deanery in the role; her diligent and personable approach was much appreciated by all.

Going forward we are delighted to welcome Revd Nicki Hobbs (Rector of St Andrew's Broughton, Cransley and Mawsley) as our new Rural Dean. Furthermore we have a new Assistant Rural Dean, Revd Tom Houston (St Andrew's Kettering), licensed by Bishop Donald in November.

Other elected Deanery Officers for 2022 were:

Lay Chair: Peter Jackson

Treasurer: Revd David Walsh

Secretary: Steve Atkins

These three, along with Nicki and Tom above, are joined by Hazel Goodman, Revd Gillian Gamble and Revd Patrick Kelleher to comprise the Deanery Standing and Pastoral Committee.

The **Deanery Synod Meetings** open with Prayer and Worship. They also have some recurring business items such as Finance and Parish Share; reports from Diocesan and General Synod; and deanery pastoral matters. In 2022 each meeting also had a key focus, see below.

February 2022 (at Christ the King, Kettering)

We welcomed Diane Johnson, Founder and CEO of En-Fold. This is a growing charitable organisation, the welcome arms for those seeking information, training and support around autism (enfold.org.uk). Sharing her own testimony and many other practical examples, Diane provided a very informative talk to help churches effectively include and welcome all people, whatever their needs, as serving and receiving members of their fellowships. The over-arching aim is to help churches become places that truly value, develop and maintain an inclusive approach for those adults, children and their families with special additional needs, especially in relation to those on the autistic spectrum.

May 2022 (at St Mary Magdalene, Geddington)

The focus this time was on extended prayer and worship centered on Thy Kingdom Come, a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. (www.thykingdomcome.global)

October 2022 (at St Andrew's Broughton)

In the autumn we heard from some personnel outwith the Deanery. Pete Squires (Parish Giving Officer) and Paul Adams (Stewardship Officer) gave a presentation on all things financial, including the Parish Giving Scheme and the rollout of electronic giving terminals. This was complemented by a talk from our relatively new Archdeacon, Ven. Alison Booker, who offered valuable insight into her role and spoke about priorities for the near future.

The **Pastoral and Standing Committee** also met three times in the year.

Deanery clergy, along with many of our lay minsters, also participated in the Diocesan Ministers' Conference - four days at Yarnfield Park Training Centre in Staffordshire. Amongst many and varied times of worship and a fascinating variety of seminars, we were privileged to have extended Bible teaching from Bishop Donald on the topic Rejoice in Hope.

Looking forward, herewith a reminder that 2023 APCMs will feature the election of Parish and Benefice representatives to Deanery Synod for the period 2023 – 2026.

Steve Atkins
Deanery Synod Secretary
KettDeanSec@virginmedia.com

Choir Report

Report on Activities during 2022

On Sunday 5th June we sang a Festal Evensong in commemoration of Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee of her reign. Our own choir was augmented by some of our former choristers and others from our congregation, and the conductor was Andrew Moodie, the RSCM's Regional Manager for the London Area.

We were delighted to be able to restart Evensong in October, on a monthly (4th Sunday) basis. The uptake has been very encouraging with congregations in excess of 30 people – maybe helped by the “bring & share” supper afterwards !

The RSCM Voices (South) Choir, with which I sing tenor, resumed its activities on 2nd May, with a Choral Evensong in Rochester Cathedral. They also joined local choirs in leading the revived annual Advent Carol Service in Rothwell Parish Church on 26th November.

We were delighted to welcome one new singer joining the choir last year (John Weaver), and were sorry to lose Kathleen Marlow from the choir in January; therefore, on 31st December 2022, our choir had the following membership :-

2 x Contraltos (singing Soprano)
3 x Tenors (one singing Contralto)
3 x Basses

making a total of 8 choristers.

More singers, particularly sopranos, are desperately needed, and would be made most welcome.

Brian Reid

Choir Accounts

KETTERING ST. ANDREW'S CHOIR

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022

	<u>£</u>
INCOME	
Balance brought forward @ 01-01-2022	326.95
Bank Interest received	0.53
	<u>£327.48</u>
 EXPENDITURE	
Jubilee Festal Evensong Conductor's Fee	100.00
Choir Christmas Gifts	24.49
RSCM "Intro to 'Voice for Life'" Information Folder	50.00
Balance carried forward @ 31-12-2022	152.99
	<u>£327.48</u>

Worship Band Report

The current worship band is made up of ten full time members. Some are vocalists, instrumentalists, and multi-instrumentalists. Some are accomplished players and singers with decades of experience, others are much earlier on in their musical journey.

We also have a guitarist who comes to our practices and is prepared to be called upon occasionally to supplement the regular band.

I would like to encourage anyone, beginner, virtuoso or journeyman to do the same; to come along to the rehearsal and see what we do, and play or sing along. We are always happy to share our experience no matter what your skill level.

David and I can set up guitars and basses and undertake simple repairs (pickup replacement, switch replacement, jack socket replacement etc.) Just like playing, we'd be happy to share that knowledge.

Back to the worship songs themselves, we have found a new lease of life and resurrected some old classics (My Jesus, my saviour for example), as well as some superb new songs (Oceans, King of Kings). It's not a hard and fast rule but, I figure that if something has been on Songs Of Praise that it has reached the mainstream, that is how we found "Everything is possible", and it was delight recently to hear Cornerstone too (which incidentally is a re-working of an old hymn).

Finally this time last year we were in the middle of an experiment to place the Worship Band at the chancel. From my perspective it couldn't have worked better - the worship leader being able to see the congregation is much more engaging. While from the position of sound engineer, the sound is much easier to control – any monitor sound, or the sound of the electric drums being struck is trapped in that part of the church; which is great.

I would like to offer my thanks to all the people who give up their time to play in the worship band, and help on the technical side of things – we couldn't do it without you!

Jeremy Carter

Safeguarding Report

St Andrew's Church is committed to ensuring that Safeguarding is a priority and that the care and nurture of our community is an integral part of our faith. The safe keeping and protection of children, young people and adults who are vulnerable is the responsibility of the whole church, and everyone who participates in the life of the church has a role to play in promoting a safer church for all.

Kirsty Bathe (Safeguarding Officer) and Clare Smith (Deputy Safeguarding Officer) continue to identify new members of the church who require safeguarding training and/or DBS certification, and this is to ensure that St Andrew's Church meets all its safeguarding obligations. Both Kirsty and Clare have completed all three Church of England safeguarding courses and attended Church of England Safer Recruitment training in June 2021.

Safeguarding Policy

The Safer Church (Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults) Policy was reviewed in March 2023 and as there are no reported changes from the Diocese, the policy will be reviewed again in early 2024. A full copy of the policy document is available on the St Andrew's Church website. The PCC have also reviewed and accepted the form for Reporting a Safeguarding Concern and the Diocese Dignity at Work Policy.

St Andrew's Online & Social Media Policy and St Andrews Transport Policy

The above policies are due for review in June 2023 and November 2023 respectively.

Safeguarding Training and Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse Training

All online training requirements are up to date. Training is valid for three years, and some people's certificates will start to expire towards the end of 2023. Kirsty or Clare will contact those people in due course.

Kirsty and Clare held an in person Safeguarding refresher session in September 2022, using safeguarding scenarios as the basis for discussions. The feedback was that it was useful so another session will be arranged for later in 2023.

Safeguarding Dashboard

Our church must comply with all safeguarding requirements set by the Diocese and the Church of England and this is monitored via a Safeguarding Dashboard. We are currently working through the requirement to ensure that all groups within our church have appropriate risk assessments and clearly defined job roles. This is a huge task and is likely to take a few months to complete.

Safeguarding Officer	Kirsty Bathe	Safeguard.standrewskettering@gmail.com
Deputy Safeguarding Officer	Clare Smith	Safeguard2.standrewskettering@gmail.com

Sunday Club Report

Sunday Club has developed in its format, and grown in the number of families that are coming along since our last APCM.

Sessions begin with snacks, drinks and a catch-up on how our week has been – everyone is invited to share things they're thankful for, and things that have been difficult. We then move on to 'our time together' where we explore a theme and usually a bible story. We do quizzes, games, team activities and the story can be in video format, acting out the story, using props, or reading from *The Jesus Storybook Bible*. We've had a term of 'getting to know God', then 'getting to know Jesus' and finally, 'getting to know the holy spirit'. In December we looked at angels and we've focussed on prayer, creating our own prayer space. We have a postbox in Sunday Club and children and adults are invited to post questions about God, Jesus, church and anything else – then we discuss our ideas of how to answer them.

Children and adults have a time of 'free play' where playdoh, lego, and different art materials are available for them to respond to the theme or story. We finish with prayer, and everyone is asked if there is anything they would like to pray for, or they would like me to pray for, before we rejoin the church service.

Sunday Club has developed into a little community where we share what's going on in our lives outside of church on Sunday, and we develop a faith that we can share at home, at school, or in other places. Some older children come without parents, but it's special to have parents and grandparents coming with their children to explore faith together.

Some families from St Andrew's School are coming to both Sunday Club and All Together Sunday, it's great to have crossover between these two communities.

Thank you for supporting Sunday Club!

Claire

Little Ands Report

Since the report in 2022 Little Ands has gone from strength to strength. We were delighted to have Sue Crawford join us as a regular helper and Rebecca Wright from Perrywood House has started coming too.

Sadly, Marion Quinney left us to go and live in Wales, but she left us 10 jars of marmalade that is served each week with our tea and toast! New 'washer uppers' volunteered from Mothers Union and Maggie Jones kindly organises a rota.

We now have between twenty and thirty families attending each week and we have a wonderful time. Indoors we have lovely activities and toys and outside there are cars and bikes, sand and water, bubbles, cars and gutters and plenty of space for play. We finish each session with a special time of worship for under-fives including songs, stories and prayers.

In July we said goodbye to 10 children who were starting school or nurse and we gave them each a leavers certificate and a pot of bubbles. Afterward there was a picnic in the Vicarage Garden (Thanks Tom and Emma). The weather was perfect, and the children loved playing with Tilda and Clara's toys and trampoline.

In Advent we began our Travelling Crib that journeyed from house to house reminding us of Mary and Joseph travelling to Bethlehem. The families wrote a diary each day that you can read in the Feb Parish Magazine.

At Christmas we had a proper Christmas party with party food, games and a visit from Father Christmas who gave each child a Nativity Story book and a chocolate coin. We were pleased to see some of our families at the Crib Service and one or two coming on Sundays too.

Thank you to everyone who helps and supports us at Little Ands and especially all of you who regularly pray for us; it is much appreciated.

Sue Merrifield

17th Kettering St Andrew's Scout Grout Report

2022 has seen the numbers of Young People increase, we are now at capacity in Beavers and we have increased our Cub numbers, which is what we wanted to achieve.

All sections have had the chance to have a night away experience. The Beavers and Cubs held a Space themed sleepover at McQueen House in Twywell and a joint camp at Thorpe Malsor in the summer. The Scouts attended a big international Scout Camp held at Lincolnshire Showground in the summer, where they got the opportunity to take part in lots of different activities, and trips out. Our Young Leaders were given the chance to do gliding. The older Scouts got to drive cars and go scuba diving, the younger ones enjoyed the inflatables, axe throwing, go karts.

We joined the District at Wicksteed Park to celebrate St George's Day. Daniel Bathe went to Windsor to collect his Queens Scout Award. Several adults from the group attended the County St Georges Day Award Ceremony, Mark one of our Scout Leaders was presented with the Silver Acorn award, this is awarded for exceptional service, Mark has been involved in several world jamborees, leading the last one and now holds a county appointment and Daniel and Adam were both presented with a commissioner commendation award for the work they did volunteering at the Corona Kitchen. A proud evening for the group.

All 3 sections have been busy earning badges including Book Reading, Space, Faith, Gardening, Global Issues, Hobbies and International, as well and we have awarded several top awards this year too. All 3 sections enjoyed trip out including Gallones Ice Cream Parlour, Beavers went to see the mini donkeys, Scouts have enjoyed kayaking. All 3 sections met at JLC and enjoyed sparklers and marshmallows in November round the fire.

We held a meeting at JLC at the beginning of September and invited parents along to have a go and join in with their children. Activities on offer were Archery, Go Karts, Den Building, Smores.

At Christmas we were pleased to welcome parents, grandparents and friends to Church for our Carol Service and Leader Pantomime, always a good night.

All the Young People met the following week at Thunderbowl and enjoyed a couple of games of bowling.

Our Fundraising Team have been busy this year, we held our first fundraiser for a couple of years. We have held a Bingo Night, Quiz Night, Fashion show and a Beetle Drive. Along with Scout Post at Christmas and Gift Aid, we have had a successful year. We are after a couple of new members for our Fundraising Team, if you are interested then please speak to Christine Smith.

None of this would be possible though without the Leaders, who give up their time and plan and run the activities along with our Young Leaders and as always my thanks go to them.

We are now looking forward to 2023, we have just been given the go ahead to open a Squirrel Drey for 4 – 6 year olds, exciting times to come.

Karen Osborne, Group Scout Leader

20th Kettering St Andrew's Girlguiding Report

St Andrew's Girlguiding has 4 units consisting of Rainbows (4-7 years), Brownies (7-10 years), Guides (10-14 years) and Rangers (14-18 years).

Despite the pressure of Covid lockdown our units continued to thrive whilst meeting online. Our Rainbow and Brownie units are full with Guides and Rangers working at excellent numbers. Please do contact us using the details at the end of this report for information about how to join or volunteer as a helper.

Our leadership team has also grown. Carly Swanell has taken over Rainbows with additional new leaders and volunteers. Brownies have also welcomed a new leader in Lauren Parker, whilst Guides welcomed Emma Jeeves who is an old Guide of ours and Bernadette Pye, a new Guide leader who recently moved to Kettering.

RAINBOWS

This year St Andrew's Rainbows reached full capacity at 15 girls and have a waiting list. The girls have had great fun making fruit salads, chocolate chip muffins, pancakes and Easter Nests! We explored our family trees, the history of Guiding, celebrated the Queens Platinum Jubilee and crafted poppies for Remembrance Day. We made cards to celebrate Valentines Day, Mother's Day and Father's Day, and grew our own cress! To end the year we had a fantastic end of term Christmas Disco with the Brownies! For 2023 we will be looking towards the 'Be Well' theme and our 'Healthy Mind' badge and related activities.

BROWNIES

24th St Andrew's Brownies were very busy working towards a variety of badges and tasks. We celebrated the Queen's jubilee at Wicksteed Park and joined the nation in mourning Her Majesty just a few months later. We have supported local charities including Kettering Foodbank and the Guide Dogs for the Blind association. We have been on a variety of trips including a day at Stanwick Lakes and a trip to the cinema as well as a tour of the church led by members of the worship team. We look forward to more trips and our sleepover at a trampoline centre next year.

GUIDES

20th Kettering Guides has had a really busy 2022, with girls coming up from Brownies, getting their glow bands on and meeting bands at Girlguiding's 'Wellies and Wristband Festival' in Hampshire. Five of our Guides have gained their Bronze award, four their Silver and one their Gold award (the top award in Guides)

Guides have supported many charities including Kettering Foodbank via their shop a full days meal for a tenner, as well as ice skating and visits to the Cinema

RANGERS

Our Ranger unit continues to grow and has also supported local charities as well as attending the 'Wellies and Wristband festival' with the guides.

Girls have not only worked on interest and theme badges but have developed cooking and independence skills as well as teaching each other about their specialist hobbies.

Many of our Rangers also work as Young Leaders within the younger Guiding units, and like the Guide unit have been ice skating and visited the cinema. We look forward to more initiatives in the new year including a live London Monopoly challenge.

As you can see our units have not only survived but continue to grow and thrive due to the hard work our leaders: Carly Swannell (Rainbows); Julia Grunhill, and Alyson Seaton (Brownies); Susan Tillsley, Sarah Mowbray (Guides); Kara Earl (Guides and Rangers). This is at a time post covid when many units closed.

2023 news: St. Andrew's 24th Brownies celebrates its 70th Birthday having started in April 1953. The Guide unit, which was reopened by Kara Earl in 2002, also celebrates its 21st Birthday this November.

We are grateful to St Andrew's Church and Trust for continuing to support all our units.

Kara Earl

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Social Committee Report

Unfortunately, due to Covid still being a problem we had to cancel the New Year's Lunch in January.

Lent Lunches were organised each Friday in Lent from 12 noon – 2pm. These were popular and we were able to give a cheque for £1000 to the PCC. As usual on Good Friday we had a Hunger Lunch and the money raised was given to Christian Aid.

On Sunday 27th February we had a “late” New Year Lunch and this was much enjoyed.

The Senior Members Lunches on the 16th March and the 18th May went off very well.

It was the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June and we organised an Afternoon Tea in the Church Rooms at 3pm on Sunday the 5th June. We decorated the Room and it was a great success.

We organised a Senior Members Lunch on the 20th July and they all enjoyed themselves.

“Holiday at Home” was organised by another Committee in August for the Senior Members of the Church. Monday and Wednesday we served lunch in the Rooms and they all enjoyed games and entertainment. On the Tuesday we all went on a coach to a Garden Centre and on the way home we had lunch in a pub. It was organised very well and everyone had a lovely time.

Senior Members Lunch was held on the 21st September and Harvest Lunch on the 16th October. Also a Senior Members Lunch, which is now called the “Wednesday Club” was on the 16th November and was well attended.

The Christmas Fair was held in Church on the 1st and 3rd December. We served food and drinks in the Rooms and were very busy. We were able to give £500 to the PCC.

We purchased plants and these were delivered to the elderly people of the Church.

Sunday morning coffee is now being served in Church.

During 2023 the Committee will continue to serve meals and refreshments whenever we are asked. Many thanks to everyone who has helped us over the year in so many different ways, especially our husbands.

Mrs S.J. Lawrence
Hon. Secretary

Social Committee Accounts

	Expenses	Income
St. Andrew's PCC	£500	
New Years Lunch	£146.70	£334
Reg Payne's funeral		£22.40
Lent Lunches	£399.22	£1262.80
Arts Day		£81
Senior Lunch	£59.75	£123
Donation – Sandra Reid		£30
St. Andrew's PCC	£1000	
Hunger Lunch	£25.20	
Senior Lunch	£96.80	£246
Jubilee Lunch	£615.07	£408
Donation - Quinney's		£50
Sylvia Billows Funeral	£336.10	£400
Senior Lunch	£179.23	£221
Holiday At Home	£347.33	
Senior Lunch	£167.58	£190
Harvest	£339.18	£377
Wednesday Club	£109.15	£246
Payment For Room		£25
Funeral	£356.55	£356.55
Funeral	£300	£300
Christmas Fair	£380.71	£645
Funeral	£378.70	£378.70
Change	£100	
Coffee	£3	
Plants For Elderly	£129.28	
Carol Service	£28.14	£5
Bank Charges	£103.92	
Sunday Morning Coffee	£110.70	£475.86
TOTALS	£6212.31	£6132.31
Balance B/Forward		£1382.93
Current Account	£1120.59	
Cash In Hand	£182.34	
TOTALS	<u>£7515.24</u>	<u>£7515.24</u>

St Andrew's Ladies Report

In January we held our AGM and a Bring and Buy. At this meeting it was decided to meet from 2-4pm on a Friday afternoon during the winter months.

Our February meeting was cancelled as members were concerned about driving in the high winds.

In March we welcomed Kamran Iran who told us about his role as a volunteer motorbike rider for 'Blood, Bikers, Babies'. They deliver blood, plasma, platelets and small surgical instruments from blood banks and deliver them to hospitals. They also deliver milk expressed by mothers to premature babies.

The April meeting brought Sheila Jolley from Kettering Library to talk to us about its history. She got us in the mood by doing music and movement and signing a song with actions that she does with the children. She then read some exam blunders and ended by giving us a free paperback.

May was a trip to the Lighthouse Theatre to see Stephen Sondheim's 'Company' which was really good. Also in May we had an informative talk by Karen Hayes from Citizens Advice.

In June the church held a flower festival to celebrate Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee. St Andrew's Ladies dressed a window for New Zealand and quite a few members were able to contribute items to be displayed. Also in June we had a garden visit to Redhill Lodge Gardens, just outside Barrowden, Rutland. This was lovely as were the tea and cakes we enjoyed afterwards.

We had an Open Meeting in July when we had a quiz followed by a bring and buy.

In August we had a guided tour around Kings Cliffe with Sue Trow-Smith. It was a lovely way to spend an afternoon which again ended in tea and cake!

For our September meeting Sandra Shelley gave us a talk on her job as a Coach Tour Rep which was really interesting. Sandra is a volunteer courier getting a small amount of pay but she very much enjoys the role.

October saw us having a talk on Home-Start from Nikki Farra-Hayton. This was started in 1994 and she has personally worked in Kettering for 25 years. They work with volunteers who work alongside parents in their own homes to help them cope with the stresses and strains of life and give them the skills, time and strength to nurture their children.

Russell Attwood gave us a talk on the Baha'i faith in November. This was started by Baha Allah who was born into a wealthy family in Persia in 1817 but he gave it all up to follow his beliefs. He believed in the unity of mankind and that all people matter. He wrote down everything we need to know to be able to build a better life here on earth. It was an extremely interesting talk.

December was a busy month; we had a 'Pick a Parcel' stall at the church's Christmas Fair on the Thursday evening and Saturday morning. We also delivered parcels to those over 80's in the congregation. For our Open Meeting Joy Morson, along with fellow members of the Singing For Pleasure choir, sang Christmas songs and carols which was followed by a buffet.

Doreen

St Andrew's Ladies Accounts

INCOME		2022	2021
Subscriptions (25 members)		500	
Coffee		267	74
Visitors fees		14	
Collection -Blood, Babies, Bikes		50	
Fees:-	Redhill Lodge	252	
	Kings Cliffe	126	
Bring and Buy		77.70	39
HSBC -Banking Ombudsman claim		125	
Christmas Fair		268.20	238
 TOTAL INCOME		 1679.90	 351
 Balance brought forward		 646.22	 402
 Turnover		 £2,326.12	 753

EXPENDITURE		2022	2021
Flowers		10	7
Donations:-			
PCC 250			
Trust 150			
Cransley Hospice 100		500	100
 Blood, Bikes, Babies (Serv.OBN)		 50	
Redhill Lodge		241.50	
Kings Cliffe Heritage		126	
 TOTAL EXPENDITURE		 927.50	 107
 Balance carried forward		 1398.62	 646
 Turnover		 £2,326.12	 753

* The cheque payable to Redhill Lodge has not yet been debited to our bank account.

M. Jones
Treasurer
18-Dec-22

Mother's Union Report

Branch Leader's Report

Our first meeting of the year was our Epiphany Party, at the time we were still in the grip of corona virus so we were all trying to be as careful as possible. In February we held our AGM at which it was agreed to continue to send out our Newsletters but that they would become bi-monthly. Our committee members were thanked for all the work they had done during the year. We then had a talk from Claire Barber our Church intern.

We welcomed Kay Short to our March meeting at which she gave a Lent Meditation which was very thought provoking. March also saw our Lady Day Service held at St. Michael and All Angels Church, our MU Diocesan Festival held at Peterborough Cathedral and Mothers' Union taking an active part in our Church's Mothering Sunday Service. Our members brought along items of special significance and talked about them at our April Meeting. In May we talked about 'where we had been born and why did we come to Kettering'. This took longer than we had hoped so we decided to hold part 2 at our July meeting. May was also the time when we said goodbye to Marian and Richard Quinney who were returning to Wales. Marian had been a member of our MU branch for a number of years and also our branch leader.

In June we were invited to Maggie and Ivor's garden for Tea and Cakes to raise money for MU Summer of Hope. It was a lovely sunny afternoon spent in a beautiful garden and we were delighted that we were able to raise £200. In July we continued with our theme 'where were you born and why did you come to Kettering'. We were also able to present Angela James with her 60 year membership of the Mothers' Union certificate and we had another one for Kathleen Marlow but it was decided that as she was not too well we would give it to her daughter Sandra to present to her. Some time later we received a lovely photo of Kathleen being presented with her 60 year certificate.

There was no MU meeting in August but a number of us attended the Mary Sumner Service held at Rothwell Holy Trinity Church. Joy gave a very interesting talk on her MU holiday to South Africa with Sylvia Billows and we were very lucky to see Joy's many photos on the big screen, in church, courtesy of Barbara Carter. We were also delighted to welcome Claire Barber as a member of our Mothers' Union at our Corporate Communion Service in September and in October we held a quiet meditative meeting led by Sue Ogden.

In November we had a member of North Northamptonshire Council come to talk to us about recycling. It was a very worthwhile talk during which we learned that we hadn't always used the correct bins when disposing of our rubbish. At the end of the month Margaret Bell lead us in a lovely Christingle Service during which we all made our own Christingles

We had our usual stall at the Church Christmas Fair in December. This was very successful raising around £220. A very big thank you to Joy who provided most of the items for our stall and also raised another £247 with her knitting throughout the year. Thank you to our other members who did knitting and also those who helped on the stall on the Thursday and Saturday.

It was with much sadness that we learned, towards the end of the year, of the deaths of two of our long standing members, Rene Barnes and Enid Loake and also the death of our member Anne Toms's husband Vernon. We were pleased that members of our Mothers' Union Branch were able to attend all of these funerals.

We have continued to support Francis Lunch Club, provided coffee after the Wednesday Communion Services each week, helped with washing up at 'Little ands' each week and this year joined with other groups to sell poppies at Morrisons.

Hilary Whitwell – Branch Leader.

Kettering Arts Centre Report

Although we did not have events scheduled every week the program in 2022 was busier than 2021 resulting in improved ticket sales. Consequently bar sales also improved over the prior year.

We have a larger pool of volunteers to help with events in all areas, door sales, greeting, bar etc. It feels like we are building a good team as we all gain experience. Everyone gladly pitches in to help.

The new bar has greatly improved our work area and looks much more professional to the customers. The glass door fridge allows for better merchandising and holds the products at the correct serving temperature. We look forward to using the new sink and hot water boiler to enable us to offer tea and coffees as required.

We also plan to use walkie- talkie radios to enhance safety and security.

So much has happened over the past year we have a tendency to forget some of the improvements we now have – such as the improved lighting; the screen and projector etc., all of which improve the audience experience. We have found that with smaller events that using the dividing screens to bring the audience closer to the stage makes a better experience for the performers.

Events 2022:

John Bramwell 22nd Apr; 42 sales

RITA 23rd Apr; 54 sales

Shaparak Khorsandi 30th Apr; 173 sales

Stand Up For Ukraine 11th May; 97 sales (monies donated to charity)

The RAF Wyton Area Voluntary Band Concert 21st May; Sales estimated 109+ (Paul Sweeney sent the monies raised to the Royal Air Force Association to help fund welfare support for serving and former RAF personnel)

Cinema - Encanto 30th May; 169 sales (license fee cost £130.55)

Her Majesty's Shoes; 32 audience - no income from ticket sales - funding was obtained

Paul Kerensa 10th June; 31 sales

Songbirds 25th June; Sales estimated 150+ - no income, a fee was donated to the church

The Three Musketeers 1st July; 40 sales

Alfie Brown & Sean Collins 2nd July; 40 sales

No live events ran during August. We tried the Summer Cinema but didn't attract a great deal of attendance.

Summer Cinema:

The Lion King 4th Aug; 43 sales

Sing 15th Aug; 29 sales

The Lego Movie 25th Aug; 14 sales

Bright Sparks Comedy Workshops held weekly in Aug and Sept. A few regulars attended, no live performance staged. The project leaders are hoping to return to repeat the process in 2023. We are liaising regarding days and times.

RITA 24th Sept; 84 sales

7th Oct EMPYRE 128 sales

8th Oct Nick Helm 125 sales

12th Oct Martin Carthy 47 sales

21st Oct Alun Cochrane 47 sales

22nd Oct RITA 51 sales

29th Oct ISM Music Academy Showcase - no income from ticket sales, donation made to KAC/St Andrew's

5th Nov The Incredible Makers Market 600+ footfall £350 hire charge

16th Nov Rob Halligan 44 sales

23rd Nov Mark Watson 176 sales

25th Nov SWHW Fundraiser - no income from ticket sales, only bar takings

26th Nov RITA 44 sales

10th Dec Comedians & Carols 102 sales

16th Dec The Melody Christmas Choir Concert 157 sales - all ticket sales were to be donated to the Redevelopment Fund

Mike Kane and Rebecca Szoltysek

Walking Group Report

The “season” runs from March to December and in 2022 twelve walks took place which attracted a total of 121 walkers (and one dog) none of whom got lost. These included an evening walk and a Sunday afternoon stroll and most involved café or other refreshment stops.

On the inaugural walk of the year we had our very first ever casualty leaving the pub at Maidwell (no alcohol involved). Thanks go to the Sweeneys for acting as first aiders/patient transfer service. During the year, as ever, the countryside was explored and appreciated, a phone was lost and found, oil seed rape was contended with, and fields with cows that turned out to be bulls negotiated.

The walks were Maidwell, Geddington, Lyveden, Harrington, Ashton and Oundle, Twywell, Ringstead and Stanwick Lakes, Ise Valley, Lamport, Loddington and Cransley, Apethorpe and Wicksteed Park.

Thanks go to all who supported the walks. All are welcome for a time of exercise and fellowship. Details of forthcoming walks will be in the Church Magazine and Notices.

Rosalind and Malcolm Robinson

Art Group Report

The group has had a successful year with a varied programme which included several new artistic themes and a couple of outdoor meetings. After the meeting at Grafton Underwood we retreated to 'The Star' at Geddington for lunch.

For the late Queens's Jubilee, we decorated a window in the South Aisle to represent South Africa; this included diamonds, a gold ingot and some protea flowers. The flowers were more expensive than the gold or the diamonds!

Sadly, soon after the Platinum Jubilee, we lost a very loyal member of our group. Paula was an extremely good artist and came just as much for the banter which she so enjoyed.

Starting in September we had 3 new members start with us. All had some previous experience and have settled in very well. This has filled our group for the moment, although I am sure we could somehow find space for a member of St Andrew's should they wish to join.

We closed the year by attending The Christmas Fair on both the Thursday and the Saturday when several pictures were sold, not that we made a fortune. They will only fetch millions in 200 years' time! (so, get them now at bargain prices!)

Jeff Pell

Community and Fellowship Report

The aim of this group is to promote and support the social activities which take place at St Andrew's; either in its buildings or in its name. The support we offer ranges from practical moving of chairs and tables to making sure the posters and notices are published and everything in between.

The first event in 2022 we supported was the first Have a Go Arts Day in March. This was followed by the community film afternoons for children, the Senior's Holiday and Home, the Children's Holiday club. Possibly the most notable date was the Queen's Jubilee Celebration Tea and Choral Evensong not to mention the wonderful flower displays which adorned the windows for the weekend.

Later in the year discussion was held around the Senior Lunches. It was decided that to attract a wider number of diners the name would be changed to The Wednesday Lunch Club.

The idea of a church 'Diary of Events' was discussed and, while this was thought to be a good idea, in reality very few organisations were willing to let us know what they had planned. The church diary on the website lists all events at church and in the rooms for the coming 6 weeks and if anyone would like their organisations events adding to this then please do contact Debbie Cox or Rev. Tom.

Debbie Cox

Pastoral Committee

- Pastoral Committee meets alternate months and is open to anyone.
- The main areas of activity are visiting the housebound and members in Care Homes and providing home communion.
- There is a dedicated confidential email address for people to make contact about pastoral concerns for themselves or others.
- At meetings the members bring each other up to date with news on the people they have contact with. Details are kept confidential.
- There are currently 9 people on a list to provide transport to Wednesday lunch and other special events. Rosalind Robinson is responsible for checking insurance, driving licences and that drivers have a DBS check through St Andrew's Safeguarding team.

Margaret Bell

Café Church

Café Church had its launch in October 2022 and has run on the 3rd Saturday of every month ever since. A team of wonderful volunteers has assembled and we meet every 2 - 3 months to plan forthcoming events at The Trading Post in Kettering.

We have had, on average, 22 attending each Café Church and we are eager to expand that over the coming months, listening to the feedback of those attending and advertising to the wider community.

The ethos for Café Church is to provide a friendly, comforting, informal community space for people in every stage of their faith journey to meet with God. We start by sharing refreshments of Fairtrade filter coffee, purchased from Kingdom Coffee, and homemade cakes which have kindly been provided by our volunteers and church family. I am keen to find more regular sponsorship of refreshments from local companies. We have explored themes of Harvest, Advent, Christmas, wellbeing and love.

In the future we have plans to explore mothering and the Easter story. Donations have been very generous, including a start-up fund provided by the PCC, which has funded our activities and purchasing the coffee. Unfortunately the coffee machine we had been using stopped working, a new 'factory refurbished' one was purchased but, at the time of writing, this too is not working. As a key part of Café Church, prayers would be appreciated for this to swiftly be resolved!

Bethany Roberts - Lay Worship Leader

Make and Natter Group

The Make and Natter group began in September 2022.

It is a craft group that currently has 7 regular members and an additional 3 or 4 that come when work patterns allow. The members are from both church and the wider community.

It meets during term time, in the good weather in church – where we make the church open for visitors and during the colder months we have met in the Robinson Room.

Various activities are undertaken by those that attend; some knit, crochet, make cards, stitch and sew. Advice and help is always available from the group.

Sessions run from 10am to 12 noon on Tuesdays and there is always plenty of chat, tea and coffee available to those who come.

Fancy having a go at something? We have some “stash” around for visitors to try out if they are unsure. Talk to Debbie Cox or Barbara Carter if you want to know more.

Barbara and Debbie

Fundraising

During 2022 the following events were run by the fundraising team, other fundraising events happened during the year but are not included in this report. As we move into 2023, we will be taking a more holistic view and will include total fundraising activities in the 2023 report.

WINE TASTING – Saturday 11th February

The wine tasting was an extremely successful evening with 42 tickets sold and the church hall being transformed into a Mediterranean bistro. The evening took attendees on an interesting and enjoyable journey through a selection of 6 wines with accompanying food which complemented the wine.

Funds Raised: £545.47

PETER RABBIT FAMILY FILM AFTERNOON WITH CRAFT ACTIVITY - Saturday 5th March

Off the back of a successful Christmas film night in 2021, we decide to try another family film afternoon. 48 tickets were sold for this event but it was not as popular as the Christmas Film Night, this may be due to the film being aimed at a younger preschool audience. We did however have some new families join who had not attended any events before. Feedback was good and the craft table went down very well, giving the younger children an activity to do in the run up to the film starting.

Funds Raised: £347.08 including reclaiming the cost of LunaFlix and the film licence from Kettering Restart Fund.

MESSY EASTER CHURCH - Saturday 2nd April

Messy Easter Church was a great success attracting lots of new families. The crafts all went down really well, the chocolate tombola was a sell out and we raised funds through selling Easter Bunny food, an Easter Trail and selling cakes. Although this event was more about community outreach than fundraising, we did raise some funds.

Funds Raised: £123.67

ICE CREAM FAIR - Saturday 2nd July

As part of Kett Fest we held an Ice Cream Festival on Saturday 2nd July. In addition to our own stalls, we also had various charities represented on the day, feedback was positive. Visitors were steady throughout the day which meant we didn't get overwhelmed on any of the stalls. We sold a total of 95 ice creams as well as a cake stall full of home baked goodies, jams & chutneys, bottle tombola, fairground games and free crafts.

Funds Raised: £345.80 excluding jams and the bar takings.

CHRISTMAS FAIR – Thursday 1st and Saturday 3rd December

A key event in the church's calendar, this is not really a fundraising event but a community event that raises money for charities and different church groups. The Major of Kettering opened the

Fair which was well attended, with positive feedback. In addition to the stalls the Fair offers hot food, a full programme of entertainment and a chance to meet Father Christmas.

Funds Raised: £123.00 excluding jams and the bar takings.

Ruth Connolly and team

St Andrew's Kettering Parochial Trust

Registered Charity No: 259712

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For The Year Ended 31st December 2022



Kettering St Andrew
PAROCHIAL TRUST

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Trust Annual Report

Background

The Kettering St Andrew Parochial Trust, established in 1951, is a Registered Charity (No 259712) whose objects include any charitable purpose within the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Andrew, Kettering.

Trustees

The Trust Deed provides for 3 ex-officio Trustees and 4 appointed Trustees. Appointment of new Trustees is by the other Trustees and it is required that they shall be 'persons who through residence, or occupation or employment, or otherwise have special knowledge of the area of benefit' namely the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Andrew, Kettering'.

During the year the following served as Trustees:

Ex-Officio:	Revd Tom Houston	Vicar	
	Mr John Weaver	Churchwarden	to May 2022
	Mrs Christine Smith	Churchwarden	
	Mrs Barbara Carter	Churchwarden	from May 2022
Appointed:	Mrs Maggie Jones		to February 2023
	Mrs Debbie Cox	Secretary	from May 2021 to May 2026
	Mr Hugh Marks	Treasurer	to April 2026
	Mrs Ailish Avery	Trustee	from June 2022 to June 2027

Documents governing the operation of the Trust

The Trust was registered as a Charity in 1951 on the basis of its definition in a clause of a Conveyance dated 11th May 1951 and a Scheme regarding the Charity was approved by the Charity Commissioners on 31st Oct 1997.

Income Tax

There are no covenants in operation for the benefit of the Trust.

Review of the year

The Trustees met formally on four occasions in 2022. Following the retirement of Mr Ted Burwell we were pleased to welcome Mrs Ailish Avery to the team in June.

2022 was the first full year since the Covid lockdowns, our rooms are more popular than ever with potential new hirers continually making enquiries.

We have completed one big project in 2022 with the help of a £5,000 grant from NNC for:-

New fencing installed between the church and the church rooms, fencing also replaced opposite the kitchen door. CCTV cameras were also installed in 3 places and signs installed. Broken drainpipes and gutter replaced the drainpipes repaired following vandalism.

Internal signs were renewed and the big notice board at the entrance to the church rooms has been given to hirers and church members to advertise events.

Christine Smith

Trust Accounts

Trust Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Independent Examiners Report