



The Parish Church of St Barnabas, Southfields

Annual Report 2021



St Barnabas Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Ian Tattum, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church and the Church Hall complex adjacent to the Church.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to sustaining the liberal catholic tradition and ethos of the parish and maintaining a pattern of services rooted in Eucharistic worship, but in an open way which welcomes as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of the church community at St Barnabas. The PCC reviews our services regularly. When planning our activities for the year, we have sought to follow the principles in the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance

on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Liturgy and prayer; learning about the Christian faith; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus Christ
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Through opening the church up to the community by sharing our facilities with as many groups as possible as a sign of the Kingdom of God.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of St Barnabas and the adjacent halls.

Achievements and Performance:

Worship and Prayer

During 2021 we sustained our pattern of a 9 am said Common Worship Eucharist followed by a 10.30 am Choral Eucharist and at least two other services during the week, where possible.

Our Sunday School was planned to start again as soon as possible.

Like most churches we developed online services during the pandemic and are intending to continue with a mixed liturgical culture in the future.

We became more flexible in our baptism practice during the pandemic and held a number after the main morning service or in the afternoon. 16 were conducted during the year.

Three funeral services were held at St Barnabas and eight were conducted elsewhere. One wedding was conducted.

We continue to benefit from the ministry of Joy Boyce, who continues to help us regularly now that she is no longer licensed to the parish but has permission to officiate. Other people in the congregation have also helped with leading worship in the last year and a thorough review is taking place concerning what we offer in the light of new circumstances.

Greg Skidmore, Director of Music, has continued to help us with choral music and develop a programme of regular services of compline. Sandy May is now our lead organist, and he is ably supported by Robert Stewart and others.

Deanery Synod

Only one member of the PCC sits on the Deanery Synod at the moment and we are very conscious that we need more representation. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. During the year there was plenty of deanery wide cooperation on Mission- especially focussing on Eco-Church and Living in Love and Faith. Our vicar Ian continues in post as Area Dean, and has been taking a lead in supporting a neighbouring parish through a vacancy caused by retirement.

The Church

In a normal year we have had many concerts (classical and contemporary) and numerous school visits - from Riversdale Primary School, St Cecilia's Church of England Academy and Southfields Academy. All such activities continued to be greatly curtailed by Covid 19, but the church still managed to host a few concerts, by the Ismena Collective, Wandsworth Symphony Orchestra and a few visiting concert pianists. We have maintained a store for a mini Foodbank which was there to help local families when looked for. The church itself was a vaccination hub throughout the year up until mid November, when it closed. During the year the church replaced its Victorian era piano with a refurbished modern version to allow for more musical events.



The Church Garden

This continues to be maintained by a small team. David Mcollum has now retired after a decade of service and Martin Whittaker has taken over so that it continues to provide a space for leisure and a haven for wild-life. It was used by the wider community for the annual Southfields Harvest event in the autumn.



The Church Halls

During the week throughout 2021 our four halls were used by a number of groups, whenever it was permitted, and with appropriate restrictions following health and safety advice for Covid.

Southfields Ballet, NCT, Cygnet Players, Little Kickers, Monkey Music, various fitness groups, Southfields Grid Residents Association, Tiny Tunes, Baby Bounce, Perform, Sing and Sign, Teddy Tennis, Me-Spot Pilates, Bruno Groning Circle of Friends, Yogima, Your Time Pilates, Macmillan Move More, Vital Pilates, Keep on Moving, Busy Lizzy have been regular users. Church members ran drop in events weekly for senior citizens. We seek to maintain all our facilities in a good state of repair so that they can be a long term community asset.

Our Church Office

This is run by Claire Fox, who is in the office for 14 hours per week and also now manages our halls. She is supported by Krista Ovist, in a voluntary capacity.

Pastoral care

Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. Reverend Ian Tattum takes communion at home to those who request it and some lay members of the church do regular home visiting to the housebound. Under Covid 19 we have kept in touch with those who are housebound or have been isolating with regular newsletters and phone calls. The Monday Club for senior citizens operated whenever it was safe to do so-sometimes using the church garden.

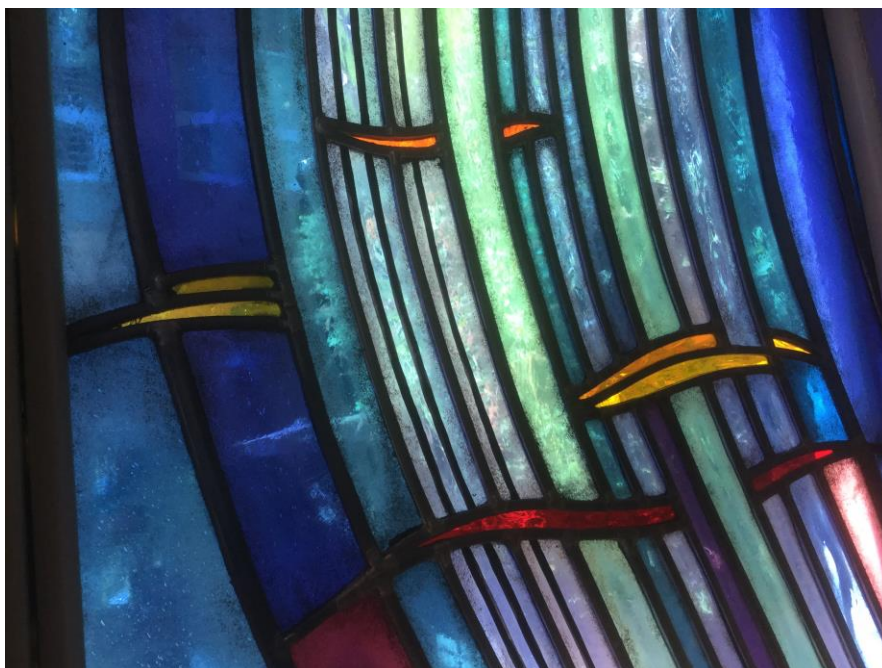


Mission and Evangelism

We supported a number of charities and have a strong presence in the community through active participation in community life and a vibrant web-site and use of Twitter. We have supported Wandsworth and Earlsfield Foodbanks, The Ace of Clubs, Ibba Girls' School in South Sudan and Christian Aid . This year we did not host the Glass-Door project by hosting guests who are homeless due to council restrictions imposed because of Covid. Immediately the lockdown came into effect The vicar, Ian Tattum, continued as Chair of Governors at Riversdale School, stepped down as Director of the Nicholas Stewart Project, but remained a member of the Independent Advisory Committee to the Metropolitan Police in Wandsworth.

Ecumenical Relationships

These have been greatly weakened by the Covid pandemic and there has been little activity in this area as the church seeks to get back on its feet.



Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is a Registered Charity.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Barnabas the membership of the PCC consists of the Vicar, churchwardens, the reader, our honorary curate and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and participate fully in the life of the parish. The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members receive initial training into the workings of the PCC. The full PCC met six times during the year with an average level of attendance of 8.



Administrative Information:

St Barnabas Church is located at 146 Lavenham Road, SW18 5EP. It is part of the Diocese of Southwark within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Church Office, 146 Lavenham Road, Southfields, London SW18 5EP.

Registered Charity Number: 1163989

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2019 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex Officio Members:

Incumbent: The Reverend Ian Tattum (Chairman)

Churchwarden: Helen Hotten (from November 2016)

Andy Hansen (from April 2019)

Treasurer: Nicole Lee

PCC Secretary: Caroline Jopp

Deanery Synod Reps: Krista Ovist from 2021

I know most of this is wrong. Suzanne Ross (Safeguarding) (April 2017)

Elected members: Jennie Allen (2019)

Iain Dunlop(2019) Kate Winter (2020)

Caroline Jopp (PCC Secretary) (April 2019) Floyd Easton(2020)

Co-opted members Revd Joy Boyce

Approved by the PCC on and signed on their behalf by Reverend Ian Tattum (PCC Chairman)

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We are cautiously optimistic about a gradual resumption of normal activity in 2022, allowing us to rebuild the general fund and to increase our contribution to the diocese.

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St Barnabas Church Southfields

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of the Parochial Church Council and examiner

As charity's trustees you 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;

have not been met; or

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

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St Barnabas Church Southfields
Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31 December 2021

	2021			2020
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted and designated funds	Total	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Planned giving	29,106		29,106	30,472
Income tax recoverable	6,535		6,535	8,211
Collections	1,528		1,528	1,670
Donations	7,865		7,865	3,665
Total giving	45,033	-	45,033	44,018
Grants		4,150	4,150	4,500
Fund raising	1,859		1,859	518
Banns	814		814	175
Fees	1,415		1,415	812
Hall lettings	39,647		39,647	19,893
Interest received	35		35	74
Sundry receipts	-		-	-
Other income	43,770	4,150	47,920	25,972
Total incoming resources	88,803	4,150	92,953	69,990
Expenditure				
Home mission	(761)		(761)	(5,414)
Diocesan assessment	(45,000)		(45,000)	(44,333)
Utilities	(8,122)		(8,122)	(7,180)
Insurance	(5,531)		(5,531)	(5,853)
Music and organist	(3,816)	(579)	(4,395)	(2,251)
Church Sundries	(809)		(809)	(1,044)
Hall cleaning	(2,352)		(2,352)	(2,925)
Hall administration	(9,586)		(9,586)	(9,396)
Office and stationery	(990)		(990)	(569)
Communications	(602)		(602)	(1,452)
IT	(1,035)		(1,035)	(896)
Building/major equipment repairs and maintenance	(10,685)	(3,529)	(14,214)	(14,498)
Bank Accounts Charges	-		-	(220)
Church mission and donations	(531)	(166)	(696)	(249)
Total resources expended	(89,820)	(4,274)	(94,094)	(96,280)
Surplus/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	(1,017)	(124)	(1,141)	(26,290)
Funds brought forward	82	35,944	36,026	62,316
Transfers	7,200	(7,200)	-	-
Funds carried forward	6,265	28,620	34,886	36,026

St Barnabas Church Southfields
Balance Sheet
At 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Current assets					
Amounts due to PCC	2				
Income tax recoverable		7,155		8,132	
Church hall debtors		1,747		721	
Other debtors/accrued income/prepayments		-		239	
			8,902		9,092
CCLA deposits	3				
CCLA Building Project		342		341	
CCLA - Altar Fund		3		3	
CCLA - Capital and Building Fund		10,858		10,824	
			11,203		11,168
Cash at bank					
Main account	4	4,582		8,441	
Church Hall Account		2,826		8,141	
Building account		3,169		669	
			10,577		17,251
Cash in transit			-		65
Fixed assets			6,372		-
Total current assets			37,054		37,576
Creditors amounts due from PCC within one year			(2,169)		(1,550)
Creditors		(1,500)		(700)	
Accrued expenses		(669)		(850)	
Total net assets			34,885		36,026
Represented by					
Designated funds					
Fabric fund	5		19,006		22,110
Ninds Trust Fund	5		1,225		-
Total designated funds			20,231		22,110
Restricted funds					
Hall garden fund	5		-		-
Margarita Venn funeral fund	5		-		7,200
Piano/organ fund	5		5,555		6,134
Nicholas Stewart fund	5		-		-
Area Dean funding	5		2,834		500
Total restricted funds			8,389		13,834
General fund			6,265		82
Total equity			34,885		36,026

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Notes to the accounts

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Funds

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Income tax recoverable

Income tax recoverable on covenanted or gift aid donations is recognised when claimable.

Note 2 Amounts due to PCC

	2021	2020
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	7,155	8,132
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Other debtors/accrued income/prepayments	0	239
Funds held by Diocese (CBF trust account)	0	0
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Note 3 CCLA Deposit Accounts

The cash held in CCLA deposit accounts is available for PCC's general use.

Note 4 Cash at bank

	2021	2020
	£	£
Main account	4,582	8,441
Church Hall Account	2,826	8,141
Building account	3,169	669
	10,577	17,251

During the ongoing covid crisis the PCC continued to waive its policy of retaining 2 months' operating expenses (=£18k) cash in hand. In spite of reducing its contribution to the diocese to £3,750 per month compared with £5,667 pre-crisis, total cash fell by £6,674, due to the utilisation of the piano fund to buy a new grand piano for the church.

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Note 5 Equity reconciliation

	Brought forward £	Received in year £	Expensed in year £	Transfers in year	Carried forward £
<i>Designated funds</i>					
Fabric and hall fund	22,110	0	(3,104)	0	19,006
Ninds fund	0	1,650	(425)	0	1,225
Total designated funds	22,110	1,650	(3,529)	0	20,231
<i>Restricted funds</i>					
Designated fund re Hall Garden	0	0	0	0	0
Designated fund re Margarita Venn funeral	7,200	0	0	(7,200)	0
Piano/organ	6,134	0	(579)	0	5,555
Area Dean	500	2,500	(166)	0	2,834
	0				
Total restricted funds	13,834	2,500	(745)	(7,200)	8,389
General fund	82	88,803	(89,820)	7,200	6,265
Total funds carried forward	36,026	92,953	(94,094)	0	34,885

£274 of the fabric reserve was utilised for general expenditure during the year at a point when the general fund was completely depleted. The remainder of the fabric reserve utilisation related to roof and lighting repair. £1,650 was received from the Ninds Trust to replace the church lighting, which was partially utilised during 2021. During the year Margarita Venn confirmed that the funds designated for her funeral expenses could be released to the general fund, which was duly performed, with thanks. The utilisation of the piano fund during the year related to depreciation over 10 years of the capitalised cost of our new grand piano.

The Piano/Organ fund comprises the funds raised in 2018 towards the cost of a new piano, together with the Organ fund in fond memory of Joan Cairns, a long-time parishioner of St Barnabas.

Area Dean fund comprises funds specifically given by the Diocese for expenses arising in Ian's role as Area Dean.

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	2021	2020
	£	£
Main account	4,582	8,441
Church Hall Account	2,826	8,141
Building account	3,169	669
	10,577	17,251

During the ongoing covid crisis the PCC continued to waive its policy of retaining 2 months' operating expenses (=£18k) cash in hand. In spite of reducing its contribution to the diocese to £3,750 per month compared with £5,667 pre-crisis, total cash fell by £6,674, due to the utilisation of the piano fund to buy a new grand piano for the church.

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Note 5 Equity reconciliation

	Brought forward £	Received in year £	Expensed in year £	Transfers in year	Carried forward £
<i>Designated funds</i>					
Fabric and hall fund	22,110	0	(3,104)	0	19,006
Ninds fund	0	1,650	(425)	0	1,225
Total designated funds	22,110	1,650	(3,529)	0	20,231
<i>Restricted funds</i>					
Designated fund re Hall Garden	0	0	0	0	0
Designated fund re Margarita Venn funeral	7,200	0	0	(7,200)	0
Piano/organ	6,134	0	(579)	0	5,555
Area Dean	500	2,500	(166)	0	2,834
	0				
Total restricted funds	13,834	2,500	(745)	(7,200)	8,389
General fund	82	88,803	(89,820)	7,200	6,265
Total funds carried forward	36,026	92,953	(94,094)	0	34,885

£274 of the fabric reserve was utilised for general expenditure during the year at a point when the general fund was completely depleted. The remainder of the fabric reserve utilisation related to roof and lighting repair. £1,650 was received from the Ninds Trust to replace the church lighting, which was partially utilised during 2021. During the year Margarita Venn confirmed that the funds designated for her funeral expenses could be released to the general fund, which was duly performed, with thanks. The utilisation of the piano fund during the year related to depreciation over 10 years of the capitalised cost of our new grand piano.

The Piano/Organ fund comprises the funds raised in 2018 towards the cost of a new piano, together with the Organ fund in fond memory of Joan Cairns, a long-time parishioner of St Barnabas.

Area Dean fund comprises funds specifically given by the Diocese for expenses arising in Ian's role as Area Dean.

