

# THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF HOLT ST KATHARINE

England & Wales - Charity number 1165383

## Details

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Other names	ST KATHARINE'S HOLT
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2016-02-02
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

**Activities:** We are a village church that is above all a family of believers. We are friendly, welcoming and happy to reach out with a helping hand. We are trying to show everyone something of what Christ is like. In our Sunday Worship we offer a range of styles of services, modern and traditional , lively, and quiet and reflective.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Wiltshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£273,597	£172,539	-	-
2023-12-31	£159,325	£150,020	-	-
2022-12-31	£135,043	£123,303	-	-
2021-12-31	£156,072	£123,303	-	-
2020-12-31	£114,419	£156,503	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Rev ANDREW ERIC EVANS</b>	Chair	2016-02-02
ALAN JAMES COTTLE		2016-02-02
ANTHONY DAVID MATTHEW		2016-02-02
Alan Tyghe		2016-02-02
CATHERINE AYERS		2016-02-02
Celia Joy Waghorn		2025-04-09
Heather Marshall		2016-04-21
Ian Peter Thomas Firth		2020-09-08
JULIA ELIZABETH GRIFFITH		2016-02-02
Kenneth Stephen Marshall		2022-04-06
MARK RICHARD MECREDY		2016-02-02
Teresa Dauncey		2025-04-09
Timothy Mason		2021-04-22
Yvonne Bennett		2016-02-02

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# Accounts

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## ST KATHARINE'S ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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### OUR VISION STATEMENT

**We are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all.**



### A message from Canon Andrew Evans (Rector)

I encourage you to read this report in its entirety because it is very encouraging. And as I say that, I do sometimes wonder why God has chosen to bless a little village church like ours and to give us favour over an area well beyond our parish boundaries. Saying that does in the same breath, cause me to encourage us all to greater humility before the Lord, because this is his doing; and humility, as we are learning, is one of the things that attracts his presence, his favour and his attention.

We are certainly not the perfect church, but it feels like we have momentum, and that God is taking us on a journey to be *revival ready*. As we have taken the book of that name by Steve and Esther Uppal chapter by chapter on a Sunday morning, I have noticed a new energy and enthusiasm among a growing number of my brothers and sisters in Christ in St Ks. God is doing something in our homegroups, in our worship and particularly in individuals who are taking the messages and putting them into practice.

When I wrote something in last year's annual report, we were finding running indoor and outdoor church every week something of a challenge to resource and it sometimes felt thin in terms of numbers for our services in the building. We were about to move into the service structure we now have with two café churches a month to aid unity by being altogether on at least two Sundays in the month. This has worked well and we have grown. None of the services now feel thin. Outdoor church and café church are models of church that are very open to unchurched folks. They are missional. Our models must remain flexible as we continue to reach out to others with the gospel and deepen our compassion for the lost.

It seems to me that God is currently shaking our nation and the church. 'Consumer Christianity', a Christianity that asks, 'What's in it for me?' and causes us to place the emphasis on our preferences and our experience, is on the wane simply because the critics tend to leave. God is calling for our repentance and for church to start to be more about what we give than what we get. I can already see this starting to happen in St Ks. We are meeting monthly for a church prayer gathering and more folks are joining the online prayer opportunities. For café church to work, we all need to be serving, choosing wisely which table we sit on, enabling the discussion there to go well and for everyone to feel welcome, being prepared to share our story and minister with the laying on of hands as the need arises etc. The Archbishop Temple quote comes to mind – 'The Church is the only society that exists for the benefit of those who are not its members'.

There are current challenges to focus on. Here are three . . .

- Café Church is full with little room for growth.
- How do we do better at making disciples who make disciples?
- Do we need to introduce more services to feed the faithful?

### **Music and Worship report from Ben Jarvis**

The beginning of last year marked a new start as we emerged from COVID restrictions. Fast-forward a year and we find ourselves in a new place. We have a tighter grip over songs, which has been helped by narrowing down our repertoire. We lead with growing clarity and continue to improve musicianship and listening skills. Our worship leaders have developed greater proficiency and confidence, and we are generally finding more space to nurture individual gifts. Long may this continue.

We continue to welcome new members, including some highly skilled musicians and worship leaders (with years of experience). On Thursdays we emphasize the importance of scripture, prayer, and fellowship – and we have seen God answer prayer. Members comment on the sense of authenticity and warmth at our meetings. We offer a good welcome, sense of togetherness, and quite a bit of humorous banter.

For a village church I think we have a rather unique and extraordinary music ministry. And the group is becoming large, which makes me wonder what is coming next.

Our fresh approach to the Christmas service was a success, with the worship group taking a leading role in hosting and designing the entire event. An innovative approach led to an exceptional and powerful worship service and season. It also provides a model for how we could tap into more gifts and create events that are stress free but high-impact – easy for invitation, gospel orientated, and a representation of an authentic St Ks.

We are currently in a season of refreshing and expanding our repertoire. We hope to explore the topic of worship looking ahead: We are a church that worships. We are also planning to work on tech challenges, and get more out of the sound desk.

Thank you to all the committed members of the worship team. They make a concerted effort to attend weekly meetings, and lead the congregation faithfully in worship each week, along with those who help on the desk. Thank you. Special thanks to Tim Mason and Ken Marshall who have stepped up to lead outdoor church many times over the last year.

Most of all we want to thank God – the Lord our banner.

## St. Katharine's Youth (SKY) report from Harvey Bennett



Over the past year SKY has continued to grow and we are so encouraged by the work that God has done in bringing so many young people from the village and local area into our space on Friday evenings. In last year's report we mentioned that we had just invited the year 6's from the two local schools (Holt & Broughton Gifford Primary), and as a result welcomed 17 young people into our SKY session – 8 being years 6's. We have continued to grow and over the last year we have welcomed an average of around 26 young people on Friday evenings – the most being 30. However, on the 24 February 2023 we invited all year 6's to join us again and, amazingly, 36 young people joined us for our Friday evening session – double the number from last year and 14 of which were at SKY for the first time. Over the next few months, we will aim, again, to support our year 6's as they make the transition from primary to secondary school.

Since the last report, we have continued with the aim of providing a safe and valuable space for all young people to have fun, socialise and grow together as a community. We believe that our space is accessible to all, however we have continued to look for ways to learn and improve our space – including adding new equipment in January 2023, particularly aimed at those with additional needs.

Over the past year, SKY+, our additional and optional time of looking deeper into faith, has become a really important part of the evening for those who are interested and choose to stay for another half-an-hour after SKY. We have tended to have around 7 young people stay for SKY+ which has been really encouraging. SKY+ has given us an amazing opportunity to talk about and discuss faith with questions such as “do we have a soul?” and “can we find Jesus in the Old Testament?”, and the topic of ‘love languages’.

In July, we took 15 young people away to Spree Central in Northamptonshire. We had an amazing weekend of activities and teaching, and it was great to see relationships being built, not only between the young people, but between our young people and the SKY leaders. We enjoyed the weekend so much that this year we will be taking our young people for a weekend away in June at Spree Southwest, near Exeter. We hope to take a similar number of young people as last year.



Looking back over the last year, all the SKY leaders are so encouraged by what God has been doing. We are all so passionate about working with young people and are continuously looking for God's guidance for this area of youth ministry so that we can continue to see our young people grow both in themselves and with God.

## Lay Pastoral Assistants (LPA) report from Rachel Firth

The LPA team continue to minister behind the scenes to support people across the Benefice, providing meals, practical support, prayer and pastoral visits. It was sad to say goodbye to Sue Osman and Jane Scheuber, who retired from the team after faithful and fruitful service over a number of years. We were therefore delighted to welcome three newly trained LPA's this year; Dawn Farmer, Jayne Gibbons and Betty Last who have swelled the ranks with great enthusiasm.

We have been invited back to the Old Parsonage in Broughton Gifford to assist with a monthly communion service, and some of the team are keen to administer communion there themselves, which is a lovely development. We also have fresh initiatives to form firmer links with baptism families.

### **Communications report from Dawn Farmer**

Social media is an important way we connect with our church members, local communities and further afield. It is a platform for getting the message out, communicating points of interest. It provides an opportunity to show the wider world that we are an active church, interested in our communities and concerned about topics that they value.

During 2022 various social media posts have been uploaded by the team including fund raising events at the schools, coffee mornings, concerts, scarecrow trail let alone all the variety of services taking place week by week and our interest in the climate with the Eco committee sending in content to share. As ever there is always huge effort in communicating about in particular Easter and Christmas so plenty of posting done during those periods of time! If you have not already done so and have a Facebook or Instagram account, please do follow us [@faithinourvillage](#)

Publicity via posters and flyers still have their place and the displaying of these on notice boards, gates at the Coach House, sent out via email to church members and via the schools and their parent mail has been significant during 2022 and on-going. Credit to Beth Evans for her creative talent for our posters, Christmas card and pictures which we have then used on social media.

Communication monthly via Church Life Matters has continued and we appreciate the time and effort put in by Therese Underwood in compiling such a professional looking magazine during 2022 and especially as she had moved away from the area but kindly continued until the end of the year.

There are weekly emails sent out each Monday and Thursday to the entire benefice (as well as 'one off' notices) and a really important way to keep up to date and informed.

A Church Near You and our website are also tools for communication and need to be maintained and kept up to date. The Church of England for seasonal times of year produce for use themes for example around Easter (*Live Lent* in 2022) and Christmas (*Follow the Star: the great invitation* in 2022) and churches can use all of their materials or some to help promote events and services during these times.

### **Eco Church report from Jane Scheuber**

Our Eco-Church team met three times during the year, firstly to reassess our status on the A Rocha framework then plan a way forward.

We continue to encourage the use of Fairtrade and Eco-friendly supplies for the church housekeeping. Many thanks to Chris Flannery who ensures we have supplies of everything from tea and coffee to recycled toilet rolls. Arthur Baston is now taking the altar candle ends to Bath Abbey who collect them for recycling into new candles.

Three special very successful Coffee Mornings were held to raise awareness and funds for three charities, Christian Aid in May, Farm Crisis Network at Harvest and Traidcraft before Christmas.



The churchyard has developed into a 'wilder' space with the lower area now supporting a greater variety of wildflowers. On one occasion the Outdoor church congregation made 'Thank You' posies from our own wildflowers. We also have a population of Slowworms which may be spotted under their 'sun bed' on warm days.

In June we had a focus on worship and outdoors when Robert Floyd from Great Chalfield kindly set up his moth trap overnight. We we're delighted to discover a whole new world of insects that call our space home, both children and adults celebrating the glory of God's creation then staying on for a picnic in the spring sunshine.

Anthony Matthew continues to help enormously with mowing, keeping edges and pathways tidy while letting other areas grow. We will be encouraging No Mow May again this year. Sadly, one of our great Hazel trees had to be coppiced as its ageing boughs were unsafe.

We continue to encourage the use of the churchyard as a place of peacefulness and contemplation for anyone to enjoy and of course for our Sunday outdoor celebrations.



In the other Eco-Church categories, we have made less progress. Of course, this is not an exercise in ticking boxes but a way of steering us in the direction of Christian Care for the world. God created it and everything in it and saw that it was very good.

Now we are in a climate emergency and need to put things right. Could you join our team and help fill the gaps? Thank you.

### **Outdoor Church report from Rev. Katie Jackson, Harvey Bennett and Heather Marshall**

Outdoor church takes place twice a month, whatever the weather, and continues to be enjoyed by people of all ages. It provides an amazing opportunity to worship within nature, celebrating God's creation and involving it in our talks and activities. Gathering around the fire pit for our times of worship, teaching and prayer enables the whole community to participate, and it is wonderful that contributions to the prayers and discussions increasingly come from the youngest to the oldest.



This service continues to have children and young people at the heart of all that takes place and it has been exciting to observe the growing number of grandparents who feel comfortable bringing their 'unchurched' grandchildren along to join in. The worship group who brave the cold and wet have been a real blessing and often continue to play whilst the activities are going on, creating an atmosphere of praise and thankfulness throughout the whole service.

### **Café Church report from Rev. Katie Jackson, Harvey Bennett and Heather Marshall**

Café church is a wonderful space for the entire family of St Katharine's to come together to worship. The relaxed atmosphere has enabled many who are new to church to feel comfortable and new relationships develop each week around the tables. Everyone has a part to play in this service as there is so much going on, and it particularly needs everyone to be welcoming; at the door, around the tables, serving refreshments, noticing when someone isn't quite sure what to do or where to sit. Recently we have started specific discussion groups for our children and young people, and these have been a wonderful addition, as it gives space for our youngest members to engage more fully in the Bible passages and think about what they might mean for us today. We aim to bring something for everyone at this service and it continues to be a work in progress, as we listen to the Holy Spirit and sense when

we need to try something a bit different. We are shortly going to trial taking the children to the Coach House for part of the service, so that we can offer more focused time for them so watch this space. But at the heart of this service is a sense of family; of us as a church being family together through worship, sharing food, breaking open God's word and sharing our stories and thoughts and prayer. Sometimes it can feel a bit like organised chaos but that is what family life often looks like and it is something to be celebrated!

### **Home Groups report from Rev. Katie Jackson**

Our home groups are a source of joy and are growing on a weekly basis. We now have twelve groups and one more on the way which is incredible for a village church and something to be celebrated. Our groups cover a range of topics, sometimes joining in with the theme of the sermon series, such as 'We are a church who...' and 'Revival Ready' and at other times choosing their own material. But they are also a place for people to come and share personal stories, encourage each other, pray and grow as disciples together. There is always space for others to join so if you or anyone you know would like to be a part of a home group then do let me know.

### **Tiny Tots report from Rev. Ruth Mecedry**



Summer terms in 2022 saw the number of families visiting Tiny Tots continue to rise and by the end of the summer term we had welcomed 43 families. Our Summer theme of "taste and see that the Lord is good" enabled us to introduce our little ones to stories of people who met Jesus for a meal and the fruit of the spirit being displayed in people's lives.

Since September 2022 Tiny Tots has had the privilege of welcoming 36 families so far. Some families we only see the once, but we hope that it was a lovely warm experience for them on that day. Some families have returned with new little people as their families expand. Some families are regular attenders and hopefully enjoy the themed stories and songs that build a simple understanding of Jesus as a powerful, loving friend who is interested in listening to them and wants to be part of their lives. We usually welcome between 10 and 12 families each week.

Some of our little people express eagerness to enter as they see St. K's in the distance, some of them have favourite songs that are either golden oldies or made up to suit our theme. As always, we try to make a connection between play, craft and God's story for the day.

Staffing Tiny Tots, we have:

Julia Wade, (3 Tuesdays per month)

David and Betty Last (1 Tuesday per month)

Alan Tyghe (as available)

Marilyn Stubbs (as available)

Helen Hall (as available)

Ken and Heather Marshall (as available)

Ian Gibbons, helping to set up on a Monday, and to step in to help with music when Ken and Alan are not available

We wish to thank Holt Scarecrow trail for funding a beautiful climbing frame which enhances our play and development. Enabling the children also to learn how to take turns, share and care for one another as they play on the equipment.

Terms 1 and 2 of 2022/23 saw us learn about God creating our world and us. We used the title, "God Said!" and then introduced the Christmas story by learning how God spoke to Prophets, Mary, Joseph, the Shepherd's and King's and how he wants to speak to us as well. We adapted well known nursery rhymes to help us sing to God, and used craft and play to embed the stories we tell.

Terms 3 and 4 are called "Come and See"; and we learn about people invited to meet Jesus and the amazing way he changed their lives. This will lead into our Easter encounter journey.

Please do look at our display board as it builds each term and pray for our families. We long for them to make the link with Sunday church. We also pray for more volunteers. Especially at least one person who has the desire and commitment to be present every week.

As an organisation our greatest weakness is its heavy reliance of setting up, (to help Ian and myself, more hands make light work!) and running by myself. If I was unavailable, it would be difficult to hand over at short notice. So, I am praying for a companion leader.



### **Safeguarding report from Jacque Bennetts, Benefice/Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)**

It's been another busy year in the Safeguarding world! It is so important that we keep up to date with our DBS checks and training and I really appreciate your help in responding to that when deadlines have been due. The law has recently changed. The DBS renewals need repeating every three years instead of every five years. You may find me contacting you again, sooner than you think! There is a new online training course related to 'Domestic Abuse'. It is appropriate for certain roles to access this through the Church of England portal.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about your role and its requirements.

If you are a leader of a group, I would appreciate it if you could let me know when there are changes to the team, so that I can ensure I have the current information.

There are no changes to policies and procedures.

In September 2022, we had a Parish Triennial Inspection. One of the areas that was covered was Safeguarding, of which all parts were passed.

I have started meeting with Dawn on a monthly basis, to ensure that other aspects of safeguarding are covered and remain up to date.

My new email address for all safeguarding issues is [safeguarding@stkatharinesholt.org](mailto:safeguarding@stkatharinesholt.org)

Thank you again for your cooperation with this aspect of church life.

## **Alpha report from Yvonne Bennett, Ian and Rachel Firth**



### **Alpha face-to-face report from Yvonne Bennett**

The first face to face Alpha course, since before the pandemic, began on Tuesday 1 November 2022 and was completed on Tuesday 7 February 2023. The course was attended by a very small group of three with two people returning after the Christmas break, to take part in the Holy Spirit Day and subsequently complete the course.

Unlike previous Alpha courses which were held at the Tollgate Inn, this course took place at the Coach House which proved to be a suitable venue given the small number of attendees. (The Tollgate manager was not opposed to the Alpha course taking place there but finding a mutually convenient evening in the week was not possible at the time).

The next step for those who completed the Alpha course has been to join a home group where they will be discipled, study the bible, grow in their faith and be encouraged by other believers.

### **Alpha Online report from Ian and Rachel Firth**

After a very fruitful course last spring, in which all our guests made firm commitments of faith, followed by the joy of baptism, there was a pause in the summer and autumn while we waited for enough interest to begin again. Our prayers were answered at the start of 2023, and we now have five enthusiastic guests for our current course, which is so encouraging. Online Alpha therefore continues to be a vital contribution to mission, offering the gospel in such an accessible format.

### **Financial Review 2022 report from Jeremy Bradshaw**

Total receipts on the General Fund were £128,283, of which £17,418 came from Gift Aid. Receipts on the General Fund included one-off gifts totalling £12,750, and pledges of new or increased monthly giving totalling just under £1,000 per month, resulting from the Stewardship Day held on 2 October.

Receipts for the Kadugli mission amounted to £1,125, for India (pastors and homes) £300, and for the fund to cover a Youth Worker £3,945.

The General Fund spent £116,102 to provide the Christian ministry from St Katharine's, including the full payment of the contribution to the Diocesan Parish Share. The year saw an increase in the Parish Share, and significant increases in the cost of utilities. During the year, the shortfalls in the Churchyard (£911) and Building (£5,589) Funds were covered by the General Fund income.

The annual tithe for mission giving amounted to £11,600. At the time of preparing this report the allocation of gifts from this tithe is yet to be decided.

Restricted donations of £4,987 were also received, the majority of which were for the Building Fund.

The Building Fund covers the repayment of the Diocesan loan (£52,000) started in 2019. A further £6,000 plus interest was paid off in 2022 and the amount outstanding at the end of the year was £26,500. At the year end the cash balance was nil.

The Fabric Fund balance at the year-end was £25,450, there were some works undertaken electrical connections for the music group. The Fabric fund is retained towards meeting the upkeep of the Church and the Building fund was established for the Church re-ordering and the conversion of the Coach House.

For the designated funds, the £1,000 paid as a deposit to Sidholme Hotel (Conference) was refunded.

Anthony Matthew continued to maintain the churchyard throughout the year.

Further details are shown in the Financial Statements.

### **Buildings and the churchyard report from Ian Firth**

You may have noticed that there are times when a historic stone church building has its limitations, when stretchy elastic walls would actually be quite useful! God is bringing more and more people to St Katharine's, which is very exciting, and in order to accommodate our growing family there have been several times this year when we have been bursting at the seams. This is a wonderful, if challenging situation to be in, and is certainly giving us food for thought. We have recently bought more of the smaller round tables so that we can fit in more people on café church Sundays and make them comfortable. And we are reviewing the use of the space behind the kitchen and other spaces in the building to determine how we can make the best use of the available spaces inside the church.

We are also re-visiting the planned development of the Coach House. We are reviewing the current design to obtain the best possible uses of the building, both as the office and central hub for the management of all our events, and also as a series of meeting rooms to facilitate things like Youth Work, Alpha and countless other activities. In order to make this project possible, we are exploring suitable sources of funding and financial assistance, with the expectation that we will be able to present detailed plans for the development of the building to the congregation later this year.

Outside, the churchyard continues to be enjoyed by those who attend Outdoor Church and by many others who pass through frequently. Our thanks go to Jane Scheuber, Anthony Matthew and others who lovingly tend the churchyard to make it the place of peace and beauty, respectful of nature and our precious environment, which we are fortunate enough to enjoy.

The old noticeboard by the road and the two inside the porch are all due to be replaced as they have reached the end of their useful life, and we are just awaiting the necessary approvals from the Diocese of Salisbury to enable this to happen.

### **St. Katharine's Coffee Morning Team report from Arthur & Lynnette Baston**



2022 was the last of our usual format of monthly coffee mornings after running for seventeen years. It was a good year and we happily handed over the reins to others to carry on the good work. It was pleasing to see January and February (2023) well supported and are sure all will continue with good fellowship and friendly coffee mornings to come. We wish to thank everyone for their support in the past and also a big thank you for our lovely parting gifts. With kind regards from the newly retired coffee team.

### **Church Flowers report from Sue Osman**

At St Katharine's we are very fortunate to have a very talented and creative flower arranging team with Sue Bolden, Fiona Drysdale, Margaret Murray, Jenny Mizen, Joanna Smith and Sue Osman. Over the last couple of years some valued members of the team have retired and we would be so happy for anyone who might be interested in flower arranging to come and join in. It does not call for qualifications in floristry just simple displays are all that is needed!

The annual church celebrations of Mothering Sunday, Easter, Pentecost, Red Carpet Sunday, Harvest Festival, Remembering a Loved One, Remembrance Sunday and Christmas are all accompanied with floral decorations which require quite a lot of planning in buying of flowers, picking greenery, arranging and considerable watering! In addition, when there is a funeral or a wedding the family may ask for the team to prepare flowers.



I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone in the team who play such a conscientious part. Without their support, hard work, willingness and skill our church would not enjoy the benefit of such creative displays.

Finally, I would like to thank Beth Evans, Catherine Ayers and Harvey Bennett for offering to decorate the Christmas tree - and it looked beautiful!! Quite a finale to the year.

### How is the Church led?

In the Church of England (C of E) there is a shared leadership of Incumbent and PCC. St. Katharine's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting within the village community the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic and social (in accordance with the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956).

We are in a Benefice with St Mary's, Broughton Gifford and All Saints, Great Chalfield and we share a **ministry team** which comprised during 2022 as follows:

Rector:	Canon Andrew Evans
Curate:	Rev. Katie Jackson
Associate Priest:	Rev. Ruth Mecredy
Licensed Lay Ministers:	Anthony Matthew, Rachel Firth, and Keith Hamilton
Retired Priests:	Rev. Jenny Davis and Rev. Ann Fielden
Director of Music:	Ben Jarvis
Children & Youth Worker:	Harvey Bennett – from May 2022
Lay Worship Leader:	Dawn Farmer
PA to the Rector:	Dawn Farmer

Those who served on the **PCC in 2022** were:

Rector, Canon Andrew Evans	(Chair)
Ian Firth and Heather Marshall	(Churchwardens)
Rev. Ruth Mecredy	(Associate Priest, Deanery Synod Rep)
Rev. Katie Jackson	(Curate)
Rachel Firth	(Licensed Lay Minister)
Mark Mecredy	(PCC Secretary) (2020-2023)
Jeremy Bradshaw	(Treasurer)
Anthony Matthew	(Licensed Lay Minister)
Julia Griffith	(Deanery Synod Rep)
Ben Jarvis	(Director of Music) Co-opted
Alan Cottle	2021-2024
Jane Scheuber	2020-2023
Catherine Ayers	2021-2024

Alan Tyghe	2021-2024
Jacque Bennetts	(Parish Safeguarding Officer) 2021-2022
Yvonne Bennett	2020-2023
Mark Bennett	2021-2024
Tim Mason	2022-2025
Beth Evans	2022-2025
Harvey Bennett	(Children & Youth Worker) 2022-2025
Ken Marshall	2022-2025

Elected members of the PCC stand for a term of three years and the years stated above indicate when members terms of office expire or if they have stood down from PCC during the year.

**Electoral Roll** - at the end of 2021 there were 96 on the roll and at the end of 2022 there were 107.

**Church Inventory and Terrier** - the Inventory and Terrier was checked by the Churchwardens, and duly signed at the 2023 APCM held 21 March 2023



### **Message from the Rural Dean, Canon Andrew Evans**

As I step down as Rural Dean after 15 years, I am aware of the challenges that lie ahead for us as a deanery. In 2022, it became clear to us that not everyone was going to return to churchgoing after the interruption of the pandemic. This has affected some parishes more than others and produced a knock-on effect on finances. The census has been seized upon by the media as evidence of the decline in Christian faith in our society. That is not news to us, but the spin the media has given to it is unhelpful to the message we are trying to get across. As Christians, I think we are all aware that we are increasingly living in a world that is not going our way. What then to do?

I think we all need to do a bit of soul searching. Are we prioritising the things that really matter in the light of eternity? Are we prioritising the things that are proven to attract the presence, favour and attention of God? Are we making disciples who make disciples? Those are three big questions, all of which take some unpacking and thinking about.

The Archbishop of Canterbury came up with the idea of 'Simpler, Humbler, Bolder' and I hope some of that will come into our Diocesan strategy emerging in 2023. Bishop Stephen has stated that there will be no reduction in clergy numbers in 2023, but after that I am sure that there will have to be a balancing of the books.

The simple truth is that we each need to be clear about the positive difference Jesus makes to our lives and to share that with others.

### **Synod meetings in 2022**

- 09 February via Zoom
- 18 May St. John's Parish Centre Upper Studley
- 12 October St. Michael & All Angels in Melksham

## Speakers in 2022

February	Grace McSharry, Communications Department at Diocese of Salisbury
May	Anna Hardy, Giving Advisor Diocese of Salisbury
October	Rev. Tessa Mann, Associate Priest, and Zoe Yeomans, Children and Families Worker and both from North Bradford- On Avon & Villages

Grace spoke about all things communications and shared some very helpful thoughts and encouragements for churches to consider implementing during the year and tried to demystify social media and what can seem like a tricky field to navigate.

Anna spoke passionately about finances and provided some examples of what other churches have done to fund raise, shared about the installation of online and onsite giving, and offered to speak to PCCs, Treasurers about all things finance. She was inspiring and very excited about what can be achieved even in difficult financial circumstances.

Rev. Tessa and Zoe spoke about the wonderful success of their outdoor forest church and it was brilliant to hear about this positive and encouraging new service for this particular benefice.

## Synod meetings

Synod meetings are open to all those who wish to attend with meeting dates and locations arranged well in advance. The intention is to share good practice around the Deanery, and for it to be a place where ideas can be shared. As part of the meetings there is always opportunity to share what has been taking place and to learn from each other, offer support and receive encouragement whether during the business part of the meeting or during the comfort break.

## Officers

Information Officer	Dawn Farmer
Lay Chairman	John Joy
Lay Pastoral Officer	Marilyn Stubbs
Secretary	Dawn Farmer
Treasurer	David Robinson

## Clergy and laity news

Rev. Jake Eggertsen licensed as Rector for St. James' Trowbridge and St. Leonard's Keevil  
Rev. Joy Albone licensed as Associate Priest to Canalside Benefice

## Deanery Share 2022 – David Robinson (Treasurer)

### Share

2022 has been yet another challenging year for all our PCCs, and for the Diocese. As of 31 January we had paid 87.8% of Share requested by Salisbury, or £616,591. This was, disappointingly but not surprisingly, lower again than last year when we had paid £677,885 or 93%.

Although I am pleased to report that we are close behind the Diocesan average of 88.5%, I fear the ramifications for the future and our clergy numbers.

100% of Share was paid by all but five parishes, three of which had made significant efforts to pay what they could. We must thank them and all PCCs for the efforts and dedication to have paid Share, often using dwindling reserves.

## **Kadugli**

In spite of the struggles to pay Share, we still received donations from our parishes for Kadugli – some £5,500 in 2022 of which £3,200 was sent there. And we have some £3,990 available for transfer. And to be noted that since January 2012 we have raised over £73,000 with £69,000 so far distributed.

## **Deanery Account**

The account ended the year in credit in the amount of £643.67.

To note that Share has gone up for this new year by 3% across the Diocese and across our Deanery. The increase comes after a 5% increase last year, all in order to try to reduce the Diocesan budget deficit. However, the lower collection of Share does nothing to reduce the deficit and can only put pressure on the number of stipendiary clergy we have in this Diocese – 2<sup>nd</sup> highest in the country at the last published account – as well as all other aspects of Parish Ministry and an even greater workload on the clergy remaining.

So please do your utmost to ensure that Share is paid fully.

## **Report on Deanery link with Kadugli – John Joy**

The highlight of 2022 came in August when, following the Lambeth Conference, Bishop Hassan visited the deanery, accompanied by Bishop Ismail of El Obeid. It was a pleasure to renew our friendship with Bishop Hassan, and to meet with Bishop Ismail, and we learned much about the current situation in Sudan and something of the recent history of the church there.

Last year we expressed concern for the physical welfare of the people of Kadugli and of Sudan as a whole. The military coup in October 2021 has damaged the economy, terrorist incidents continue, and law and order are not being maintained. As an example, recently one of the kindergarten staff was murdered on her family's farmstead. Sudan continues to suffer from international sanctions, and these make it difficult to transfer money there.

Peace Primary School, which opened in 2021 in Kadugli, and the new kindergarten, continue to thrive. Currently there are about 450 pupils. Education in Sudan, however, is not free, and we wish to support the children of the poorest families. Many in the deanery have contributed to this, and we endeavoured to send £3,200 for school fees for these families. Unfortunately, banks have been unable to transfer this money, and have not disclosed the reasons. We suspect the obstacle is the international sanctions mentioned earlier. We continue to look for means to get this money to Kadugli.

We look for an opportunity to visit Kadugli again. We hoped to be able to do so last year, but it was not considered safe to do so; perhaps things will improve this year. Among other things, we should like to encourage the existing Rooted in Jesus groups and to strengthen the church in Kadugli.

Kadugli Diocese is part of the Episcopal Church of Sudan (ECS), and in November ECS held a synod. Archbishop Ezekiel, who has visited Bradford Deanery, was due to retire, but the synod altered the retirement age so he could remain in post. While we would not wish him to forgo a well-deserved retirement, we welcome the continuation of his wise and godly leadership. The synod also decided to divide Kadugli Diocese and create a new diocese based on Heiban. We have no further information, but it may take some time to create and launch the new diocese.

We mentioned the military coup. This has given rise to demonstrations, which continue, particularly in Khartoum. The military government has promised to move to a more democratic form of government, and progress, albeit slow, is being made.

Please remember our brothers and sisters in Kadugli and the whole of Sudan in your prayers.

## Diocesan Synod Meetings in 2022 report from Chris Hicks, Lay Member of Diocesan Synod

The Diocesan Synod and Diocesan Board of Finance met three times during last year, as follows:

- Meeting held on 12 February online using Zoom
- Meeting held on 21 June at St Paul's Church, Fisherton Street, Salisbury
- Meeting held of 24 September at St Nicholas, Corfe Mullen, Dorset

### A) February mtg of Diocesan Synod (& Diocesan Board of Finance)

This online meeting had 124 attendees from the three houses of Bishops, Clergy and Laity. It was chaired by the **Acting Bishop of Salisbury, Rt Revd Karen Gorham** who gave the Presidential address. She had visited several parishes and was struck by those who had a vision for the future and those who did not. This echoed the famous biblical verse that states that without vision the people perish.

She had spent weeks in meetings including the General Synod, which had looked at the future of the church. This underlined the difference of approach of those people who can and those who cannot plan for the future.

Please refer to previous report that was given to Bradford Deanery Synod held on 18 May 2022 for further information.

### B) June mtg of Diocesan Synod (& DBF)

This was the first meeting to welcome the new **Bishop of Salisbury, Rt Revd Stephen Lake**. The House of Laity Chair introduced **Bishop Stephen – the 79th Bishop of Salisbury**. In his presidential address he mentioned that he and his wife Carol have been 'bowled over by the welcome we received'. He shared some of the inspirational stories following his gift to all attendees and invitation during the Inauguration – *"This £10 talent is for you to take home and to make it grow as a sign of the Kingdom of God."* – "Salisbury's got talent".

Headlines from the presidential address:

'The Diocese of Salisbury can be and should be one of the jewels in the crown of the Church for England. We ought to be leading the way in generosity and evangelism, in social engagement and community resilience. To do this requires understanding the future we are already in and deciding together what we are going to do about it. This is a theological task, a leadership task and an organisational task for our time and place.'

'We need a good strategy that fulfils the priorities of the Gospel today that is an investment in who we are and who we can be. The task is clear. Pastoral care and evangelism need to go hand in hand. The bishop must be ambitious, must ensure alignment and action, and together we must hold ourselves accountable to God and to each other.'

Here is a link to his Presidential Address which is well worth viewing and hearing:-

[\(28\) Bishop Stephen Presidential Address June 2022 - YouTube](#)

### This was also the AGM for the Diocesan Board of Finance (DBF)

**Outgoing Chair of the DBF – Nigel Salisbury** introduced the AGM section of the meeting – an encouraging story with progress and innovation in the DBF.

Liz Ashmead gave an overview of the accounts accompanied by slides (Accounts Slides) Salient points on the 2021 DBF annual accounts include:

- Overall positive movement in funds by £2.8m mainly due to investments increasing in book value (most of this increase has already been 'lost' in Q1 of 2022 due to the volatile markets)
- The balance sheet is strong at £128m which gives us option; however, 72% / £92m is tied up in clergy property
- Of investments £34m, 26% (£12m) is Glebe and although we have a disposal strategy for part of this it is not a very liquid asset. Cash, if needed, can only come from a) Sale of surplus clergy houses (not many), b) Sale of investments (not advisable at present and we are reliant on investment income) and c) Sale of Glebe lands (some development potential and some sales prospects 2023-2024)
- Our current surplus cash will quickly be used in 2022-24 by the structural deficit and the bank loan repayment
- The external auditors are currently content that the DBF is a going concern as we have some options to utilise our assets such as investments, Glebe and the sale of Church House; we have a plan to eliminate the deficit by 2025; total return does give us a bit more security/options but must be carefully used.

### C) September mtg of Diocesan Synod (and DBF)

The meeting started with a welcome to representatives of the Cathedral Chapter. Then followed a short service of Eucharist with Loyal address and the National Anthem.

The Dean of Salisbury Cathedral, Very Revd Nicholas Papadopoulos presented the Annual Report of the Cathedral's life and events.

The presidential address from Bishop Stephen was given and a related discussion of **Vision and Strategy 'Your Kingdom Come: here and now'** took place.

Approval of the Diocesan Board of Finance Budget for 2023 was given.

[ NB. A guide to the budget was circulated after approval by the Bishop's Council, 15 September] please see here: [2023-budget-guide-sept-22-dbffin.pdf \(d3hgrrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net\)](https://d3hgrrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/2023-budget-guide-sept-22-dbffin.pdf)

This guide contains the need to balance the budget where **the request is for each Parish to increase their contribution by 3%. This is a straight increase for all parishes** except where there has been a change in share deployment in the benefice.

As trustees of the DBF, Bishop's Council must ensure that **the charity remains a 'going concern'**. **This is at risk.** Synod was asked **to approve a budget which takes us forward to 2025, as per our 5-year plan**, with a targeted reduction of deficit each year. This still leaves a substantial operating deficit for 2022. As well as a £642k deficit, which will be funded by the selling of clergy houses, it includes a drawdown of £250k from unapplied Total Return which will come from selling of Glebe land and will be used to subsidise stipend payments.

**A Business Plan will be developed in response to the strategy, covering all areas of income and expenditure.** There was then an update from the Exploring Options Share survey, and next steps given by the new DBF Chair, Jane McCormick.

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### Bradford Deanery Synod Meetings for 2023 at 19:30 taking place as follows:

15 February St. Katharine's Church, Holt  
 14 June Holy Trinity Church, Bradford on Avon  
 18 October St. James' Church, Trowbridge

# **ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH, HOLT**

## **End of Year Financial Statements**

**For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

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## *Aim and purposes*

St Katharine's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Andrew Evans, within the village community the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic and social (in accordance with the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956).

It is part of a Benefice with St Mary's, Broughton Gifford and All Saints, Great Chalfield. The Benefice forms part of the Melksham group of churches which includes the Melksham Team Ministry and the Benefice of Atworth with Shaw and Whitley.

St Katharine's has ecumenical links with the URC in Holt. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of The Coach House, Ham Green, Holt.

## *Objectives and activities*

### St Katharine's Church Vision Statement

We are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all

- We honour God in our village by being generous, hospitable and valuing people for who they are.
- We stay close to God through bible teaching, in worship and in prayer, and we sense His presence and hear His voice.
- We respond to His call to help those on the margins, to heal the sick and to make disciples.
- We offer support and work with other churches to be a gateway for heaven to come to earth.
- We release people to take God's love and blessing to the village and beyond.

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Incoming resources</b>						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income	113,870	4,987	750	—	119,608	147,519
Activities for generating funds	2,448	—	—	—	2,448	202
Investment income	—	—	324	—	324	499
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4,455	—	—	—	4,455	6,138
Other incoming resources	7,509	400	297	—	8,207	1,713
<b>Total income</b>	<b>128,283</b>	<b>5,387</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>135,043</b>	<b>156,072</b>
<b>Resources used</b>						
Cost of generating funds	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	—	—	—	—	—	15
Charitable activities	116,102	11,894	1,641	—	129,638	123,018
Governance costs	280	—	—	—	280	270
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>116,382</b>	<b>11,894</b>	<b>1,641</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>129,918</b>	<b>123,303</b>
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	(2,384)	—	(2,384)	(1,264)
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>11,900</b>	<b>(6,506)</b>	<b>(2,653)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>31,504</b>
<b>Transfers</b>						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	6,500	—	6,500	6,166
Gross transfers between funds - out	(6,500)	—	—	—	(6,500)	(6,166)
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>						
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>5,400</b>	<b>(6,506)</b>	<b>3,846</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>31,504</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>39,091</b>	<b>18,638</b>	<b>254,918</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>44,491</b>	<b>12,131</b>	<b>258,764</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>315,388</b>	<b>312,647</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General fund	44,491	—	—	—	44,491	39,091
<b>Designated</b>						
Conferences & Camps	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dominica	—	256	—	—	256	256
India	—	180	—	—	180	371
Kadugli	—	98	—	—	98	188
Youth worker	—	11,596	—	—	11,596	17,821
<b>Restricted</b>						
Bells - Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	44	—	44	44
Churchyard	—	—	(3,315)	—	(3,315)	(931)
Conferences & Camps	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gateway Healing	—	—	20	—	20	20
New Buildings and alterations	—	—	235,850	—	235,850	229,591
Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	25,450	—	25,450	25,728
Tiny Tots	—	—	715	—	715	464

## Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets (Note 1)	264,000	264,000
Investments (Note 2)	15,385	17,770
	<b>279,385</b>	<b>281,770</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors (Note 3)	9,388	7,394
Cash at bank and in hand	68,506	73,384
	<b>77,894</b>	<b>80,778</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year (Note 4)	15,392	17,402
	<b>15,392</b>	<b>17,402</b>
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>62,502</b>	<b>63,376</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>341,888</b>	<b>345,147</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year (Note 5)	26,500	32,500
	<b>26,500</b>	<b>32,500</b>
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<b>315,388</b>	<b>312,647</b>
<b>Represented by</b>		
<b>Unrestricted</b>		
General fund	44,491	39,091
<b>Designated</b>		
Conferences & Camps	—	—
Dominica	256	256
India	180	371
Kadugli	98	188
Youth worker	11,596	17,821
<b>Restricted</b>		
Bells - Repairs and Maintenance	44	44
Conferences & Camps	—	—
Gateway Healing	20	20
Tiny Tots	715	464
Churchyard	(3,315)	(931)
Repairs and Maintenance	25,450	25,728
New Buildings and alterations	235,850	229,591
<b>Funds of the church</b>	<b>315,388</b>	<b>312,647</b>

## Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Fixed assets - Investments</b>						
CBF Fixed interest shares -	616	—	14,769	—	15,385	17,770
<b>Totals</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>14,769</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>15,385</b>	<b>17,770</b>
<b>Fixed assets - Tangible assets</b>						
Coach House -	—	—	260,000	—	260,000	260,000
Leasehold Land -	—	—	4,000	—	4,000	4,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>	<b>264,000</b>
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>						
Lloyds Bank Account -	46,504	12,039	9,962	—	68,506	73,384
<b>Totals</b>	<b>46,504</b>	<b>12,039</b>	<b>9,962</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>68,506</b>	<b>73,384</b>
<b>Current assets - Debtors</b>						
Accounts Receivable -	7,947	92	33	—	8,072	5,274
Other Debtors and Prepayments -	1,315	—	—	—	1,315	2,120
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9,262</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>9,388</b>	<b>7,394</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Creditors - Long Term Loans -	(500)	—	27,000	—	26,500	32,500
<b>Totals</b>	<b>(500)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>27,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>26,500</b>	<b>32,500</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year</b>						
Accounts Payable -	—	—	3,000	—	3,000	3,315
Other Creditors & Accruals -	12,392	—	—	—	12,392	14,087
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12,392</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>15,392</b>	<b>17,402</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>44,491</b>	<b>12,131</b>	<b>258,764</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>315,388</b>	<b>312,647</b>

## Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Journals	Closing
<b>Bells - Bells - Repairs and</b>							
Restricted	44	—	—	—	—	—	44
<b>Sub-total for Bells</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>CONF - Conferences &amp; Camps</b>							
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Sub-total for CONF</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Dominica - Dominica</b>							
Designated	256	—	—	—	—	—	256
<b>Sub-total for Dominica</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>256</b>
<b>India - India</b>							
Designated	371	308	500	—	—	—	180
<b>Sub-total for India</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>Kadugli - Kadugli</b>							
Designated	188	1,133	1,224	—	—	—	98
<b>Sub-total for Kadugli</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>1,224</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Star - Gateway Healing</b>							
Restricted	20	—	—	—	—	—	20
<b>Sub-total for Star</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>TinyTots - Tiny Tots</b>							
Restricted	464	250	—	—	—	—	715
<b>Sub-total for TinyTots</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>715</b>
<b>Youth - Youth worker</b>							
Designated	17,821	3,945	10,170	—	—	—	11,596
<b>Sub-total for Youth</b>	<b>17,821</b>	<b>3,945</b>	<b>10,170</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>11,596</b>
<b>General - General fund</b>							
Unrestricted	39,091	128,283	116,382	(6,500)	—	—	44,491
<b>Sub-total for General</b>	<b>39,091</b>	<b>128,283</b>	<b>116,382</b>	<b>(6,500)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>44,491</b>
<b>Churchyard - Churchyard</b>							
Restricted	(931)	442	1,353	910	(2,384)	—	(3,315)
<b>Sub-total for Churchyard</b>	<b>(931)</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>1,353</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>(2,384)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(3,315)</b>
<b>Fabric - Repairs and Maintena</b>							
Restricted	25,728	—	278	—	—	—	25,450
<b>Sub-total for Fabric</b>	<b>25,728</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>25,450</b>
<b>Building - New Buildings and al</b>							
Restricted	229,591	680	10	5,589	—	—	235,850
<b>Sub-total for Building</b>	<b>229,591</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5,589</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>235,850</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>135,043</b>	<b>129,918</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(2,384)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>315,388</b>

## Analysis of income and expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>						
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Voluntary income</b>						
Tax efficient planned giving (net of Tax)	70,412	2,251	528	—	73,191	84,350
Other planned giving	16,273	852	20	—	17,146	28,808
Other collections at services	2,213	94	—	—	2,307	816
All Other Recurring giving/donations	100	—	—	—	100	—
All Non Recurring giving/donations (inc)	7,451	1,240	70	—	8,761	12,121
All tax recovered through Gift Aid	17,419	549	132	—	18,101	20,420
Legacies Received	—	—	—	—	—	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>113,870</b>	<b>4,987</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>119,608</b>	<b>147,519</b>
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Activities for generating funds</b>						
Gross Income from fundraising activities	2,448	—	—	—	2,448	202
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>202</b>
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Investment income</b>						
Dividends, Interest, Income from Property	—	—	324	—	324	499
<b>Total</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>499</b>
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>						
Statutory fees retained by PCC (weddings)	3,852	—	—	—	3,852	5,625
Gross income from trading	603	—	—	—	603	512
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,455</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4,455</b>	<b>6,138</b>
<b>Other incoming resources</b>						
Recurring Grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-Recurring or one off grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other incoming resources	7,509	400	297	—	8,207	1,713
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,509</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>8,207</b>	<b>1,713</b>
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>128,283</b>	<b>5,387</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>135,043</b>	<b>156,072</b>

## EXPENDITURE

### Cost of generating funds

Cost of Generating Funds (cost of events)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—

### Cost of generating funds - Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs

Cost of Trading (Magazine, room hire, bo)	—	—	—	—	—	15
Total	—	—	—	—	—	15

### Charitable activities

All Missions Giving, charitable grants & Parish Share paid to Diocese	14,281	1,774	—	—	16,055	19,458
Salaries/Honoraria	50,515	—	—	—	50,515	49,590
Expenses (Clergy, Pastoral, youth worker)	19,373	7,440	—	—	26,813	20,036
Mission and evangelism costs	1,710	345	—	—	2,055	2,948
Church running expenses(insurance cleaning)	678	—	—	—	678	160
Church Utility Bills	16,431	575	1,631	—	18,638	20,530
Major Repairs to Church Blds incl redecoration	13,113	—	—	—	13,113	7,681
Major repairs to Church Hall or other PC	—	—	—	—	—	462
New Bld work, Church, other PCC property	—	—	10	—	10	385
Other outgoing resources	—	1,759	—	—	1,759	1,765
Total	116,102	11,894	1,641	—	129,638	123,018

### Governance costs

Governance Costs	280	—	—	—	280	270
Total	280	—	—	—	280	270
<b>EXPENDITURE TOTAL</b>	<b>116,382</b>	<b>11,894</b>	<b>1,641</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>129,918</b>	<b>123,303</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>11,900</b>	<b>(6,506)</b>	<b>(268)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5,125</b>	<b>32,769</b>

## Notes to the Accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

### 1 FREEHOLD PROPERTIES

a) The Coach House. This property was purchased during the year to 31.12.14 and is used as the Church offices and other Parish functions. Planning permission has been approved for change of use and for extending the building.

b) Leasehold Land A long lease has been purchased on a small strip of land at the rear of St Katharine's Church.

### 2 INVESTMENTS

11222.37 Income Shares in the CBF Church of England Fixed Interest Fund valued at £15,385.87.

### 3 SUNDRY DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2022 £	2021 £
Benefice Expenses		
St Mary's	1,164	951
All Saints	<u>574</u>	<u>451</u>
	1,738	1,402
Sidholme Deposit		1,000
Gift Aid Claims	6,334	3,873
Insurance prepaid	598	675
CCLI licences prepaid	<u>718</u>	<u>673</u>
	7,650	6,221
	<u>9,388</u>	<u>7,623</u>

### 4 SUNDRY CREDITORS

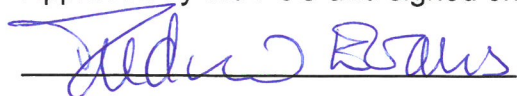
	2022 £	2021 £
A Matthew, churchyard	-	315
Tithes & giving	11,600	8,000
Peru	300	-
Help in Holt Appeal	212	5,092
Retirement gift	-	725
Accountancy Fees	<u>280</u>	<u>270</u>
	<u>12,392</u>	<u>14,402</u>

### 5 LONG TERM CREDITORS

	2022 £	2021 £
Diocese loan	<u>26,500</u>	<u>32,500</u>
	<u>26,500</u>	<u>32,500</u>

This report dated: 14/03/2023

Approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Andrew Evans (PCC Chairman)





**Section A Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name  
**ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH HOLT  
 PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

On accounts for the year ended

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**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.

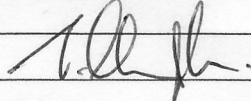
**Independent examiner's statement**

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

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

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

Signed



Date

**30.3.23**

Name

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose

Report to the trustees/members of

On accounts for the year ended

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It is my responsibility to

to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 142(2)(b) of the Charities Act), and

to examine the accounts under section 142 of the Charities Act.

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 an opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

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

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

to keep accounting records in accordance with section 140 of the Charities Act.

(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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# Accounts

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## ST KATHARINE'S ANNUAL REPORT 2021

Benefice Office, The Coach House, 386a Ham Green, Holt, Wiltshire BA14 6PZ Tel: 01225 782717

### OUR VISION STATEMENT

**We are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all.**



### **Emerging from the Pandemic with a positive outlook, embracing a new future – Canon Andrew**

2021 was another challenging year but our shared life began to open again as the vaccine programme was rolled out and the restrictions on our operation were gradually removed. The Pandemic provided an opportunity for all churches to do some soul searching, and to ask whether, when it was all over, we wanted to go back to doing things as we had before we had ever heard of Covid. These 4 questions helped us shape our thinking:

In the pandemic:

- What have we lost we value?
- What have we lost that we don't need?
- What have we gained that is just for this season?
- What have we gained that we want to keep?

We were clear that the things we had lost that we valued were singing, hugging (because we have for long been a hugging church), prayer with the laying on of hands and we longed for the day when we no longer needed the masks, or to sit in socially distanced seats.

We were not convinced that we needed to put all the monthly services back as before and we wanted to be open to different ways of thinking about our times of worship together that might help a whole raft of new people find God for themselves.

The video services on YouTube seem to have been 'just for the season' but we have tried to put up other content on YouTube that of its nature is shorter and more easily shared by social media.

Outdoor church was something we gained that we wanted to keep. Being outdoors suited not just younger families but all sorts of people. The style was relaxed, very relational, encouraging everybody's contributions and God encounters - and always with an underlying eco ethos. Online we moved from pre-recorded YouTube services to the more interactive Zoom format with a pre-recorded sermon. The Zoomers liked to discuss the sermon and to pray into the matters it raised. The Zoom community bonded. After a long fight with BT we finally had Wi-Fi installed in St K in the autumn, and it became possible to connect the Zoomers to the live service indoors. Allowing the Zoomers to have opportunity to discuss the sermon seemed an important element to hold onto.

Having three 10.30 services has been challenging at times and there were moments when we have felt that we were stretched rather thin! But God has been in it and the Outdoor, the Zoom and the Indoor have all grown numerically. With all our usual rotas abandoned in lockdown, it has proved hard to find folks to serve in readings, prayers, refreshments, sound desk, and welcomers. This has largely been due to the fact that two thirds of the congregation have been in the other two services, so there is a smaller pool to fish from.

Going forward, we want to hold onto what is good, but to avoid becoming three separate congregations. Having Zoom connected to the indoor service by Wi-Fi has helped. Café church has proved very popular, and again is bringing new people in. We are moving towards combining Indoor and Outdoor on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays and running Outdoor church only on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

The once-a-month evening Revival Service is proving popular and is maybe a replacement for what we used to do under the Gateway banner. Monthly Evensong has also returned at the earlier time of 16:00 followed by tea and cake.

None of this is written in stone, and the idea is to continue to be guided by God as to what he wants as St K grows and develops.

In all this it feels like we used the opportunity to take a step forward rather than a step backwards.

### **Music and Worship report from Ben Jarvis**

This year we have been free to sing in church again! There have been some seasons when worshippers have had to wear masks (challenging for singing), but now we seem to be free to make some proper noise again. 'Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands', long may it continue!

From the summer of 2021 our group has gained some new and enthusiastic members, this has been a blessing. We continue to meet regularly for preparation, fellowship, and prayer. We find that reading scripture at our meetings helps to keep our focus right.

We had some good Christmas opportunities, including the chance to get some singers together, lead a carol service, welcome a guest choir, and sing around the village.

Along with leading singing inside and out, the music ministry continues to be responsible for running the audio-visual system. Pete Waterman moving away was a big loss, creating quite a vacuum to fill. And since the beginning of 2022, we have also been getting to grips with zoom capabilities. Special mention to Harvey Bennett, Beth Evans, Will Jones, Ian Firth, and Andy Bennetts – all of which have made delivering our current model(s) of church possible. Others are now in the pipeline for training as well. Thank you all.

We are in a season of rebuilding. This involves looking at our underlying values and building a more carefully curated repertoire (from the ground up). We are looking to establish a body of confident songs, less random and less whimsical, from which we can move away from technical challenges and distractions. We hope this will strengthen our ability to lead songs, full of truth and joy, pleasing to God, and with which the congregation feels comfortable, happy, and free to worship. It is a new start.



## **St. Katharine's Youth (SKY) report from Harvey Bennett and Rob Jackson**

In the summer of 2021 as we began to re-open from lockdown, we asked the parents and young people of St. Katharine's church about the church Youth Ministry, particularly what they would like to see happening. In response to those discussions, St. Katharine's Youth (SKY) which meets fortnightly on Friday

evenings was re-started in September 2021 with a new team of leaders from within the church family. Over the last seven months the number of young people attending on a Friday night has steadily increased and in February 2022, with an aim of supporting our Y6 young people in the benefice in their journey into secondary school, we liaised with the local schools (Holt & Broughton Gifford Primary) to invite their Y6's to Sky. To our absolute delight, we had seventeen young people attend on the 4<sup>th</sup> March session with eight being Y6's from Holt Primary. The feedback from young people and parents was overwhelmingly positive with two Y6's commenting "it's been way better than we expected, we are definitely coming again".

Over the last seven months, SKY has provided a valuable and precious space in which the young people of St. Katharine's, as well as the village and further afield, can gather together in a safe space to socialise. We transform the church into a 'cafe-style space' with the table tennis table and the Wii proving particularly popular. We have, in response to 4 of our young people suggesting ideas for how we could make Sky less like a church building, provided a 'snug' area with sofas, cushions, comfy chairs, lights and plants which is proving popular within the wider activities of the church (Parents who come to TinyTots have been amazed at the snug being a 'youth led' initiative) and have also enjoyed using the 'snug' for their weekly session. Recently, coinciding with our growing number of volunteer leaders, the young people have had the opportunity to take part in craft activities.

As well as providing over an hour of entertainment for our young people, we also have a short segment as a group that aims to develop Godly perspectives by addressing issues such as love, friendship, guilt, forgiveness and perfectionism, and relating them to our faith. In this we hope that we can give the opportunity for every single young person to hear about how Jesus influences our perspectives on societal difficulties, and we hope, by sharing our own journey of faith, to encourage them to live their lives with Godly perspectives in mind.

In the coming weeks we will be adding another segment to our Friday nights – an extra half an hour of optional teaching after SKY where we will look deeper into faith and the bible. At SKY we want to create a space in which young people can socialise in community and escape, but we are also desperate for our young people to hear the Good News. We understand that this can be difficult, especially as a lot of them do not attend church and do not live in households that have faith. We want to be open with our youth and not force them into anything they're uncomfortable with and therefore we think this extra half an hour, to go alongside the short segment during SKY, could provide deeper faith-based teaching to those who are really interested.

### **Youth Ministry Vision:**

- To provide a safe space in which young people can be in fellowship and community with one another.
- To encourage our young people in their daily lives with societal issues and struggles in mind.
- To guide our young people in showing love (The way Jesus did) – encouraging one another and the people they meet.
- To give every young person the opportunity to hear about, learn about, and know Jesus.
- To provide an opportunity for young people to talk & share about their own life / faith journey.

- To ensure that each young person knows that they are deeply loved by God and how they can access his love.
- To equip our young people as they grow in age and faith so that they can live their lives in a relationship with God, to be guided by Him and spread the Good News to the people around them.

SKY has been an answer to prayer for many of us who are passionate about providing for our young people in church. We know that there is more we can do to provide for **all** of our young people, but we have been greatly encouraged by the work God has done over the last seven months. We have many ideas as to the type of activities and events SKY can be involved with in the future and we have also spoken about training & developmental needs. There are so many village, local and regionally opportunities for SKY but first and foremost, as we grow in relationship with one another, we will continue to look to God for his guidance. We look forward to seeing where God will take St. Katharine's Youth in the future, and we're excited by the endless possibilities. Please uphold SKY's leaders and youth in your prayers (especially on alternate Friday evenings) as we continue to grow.

### **Lay Pastoral Assistants report from Rachel Firth**

This year has continued to be challenging for us all, and whilst continuing to give regular pastoral support to people in the Benefice, some of the LPA's have had considerable personal challenges health wise, combined with the impact of personal bereavements. We are down to five team members, so are looking for more recruits, including men, to swell the ranks! Despite all this, the core team continue to support those in need with visits, telephone support, prayer, meals, practical advice, and help. They are an integral part of the Remembering a Loved One service team, by providing a lovely tea and a pastoral presence, which really adds to the welcoming atmosphere of the service. They are looking to pick up more of an active role in nurturing the relationship with non-churched families that come to have their children baptised.

### **St K Out and About in the village**

It is difficult to sum up the interactions in village life by members of St K because there are so many of them, and most go unnoticed and unacknowledged. But it would be good to mention a few...

The work of our LPAs as noted above give support to many. It was great to again play an active role in the Advent Windows and Holt Scarecrow Trail.



Carol singing round the village brought some welcome Christmas cheer especially when the Omicron variant had made things difficult again. We were able to welcome some new village residents with a carol when we sung in the Tannery development. The Nativity on the Ham Green with donkey was back by popular demand, and by virtue of Covid restrictions. It seems likely that we will continue this instead of our indoor crib service, as the new idea seems to be a good connection, (and the shelter on the green does make a Christmas card perfect Bethlehem stable!)

We provided a bank account for the Help in Holt appeal to provide Christmas cheer to those who needed a little extra help.



Tim and Joy Mason started a lunch in the village hall and the Rector even volunteered to cook one of the lunches!

We also opened the church on Thursday mornings for coffee for part of the year.

## Communications

Social media is now a vital part of the way we connect with our church members and with our villages. It is a platform for getting the message out, communicating points of interest. It provides an opportunity to show the wider world that we are an active church, interested in our communities and concerned about topics that they value.

During 2021 various social media posts have been uploaded by the team including fund raising events at the schools, advent and scarecrow trails taking place in the village, services taking place and a huge effort to communicate about the Christmas services last year, concerts, the churches being open for call in for coffee, Eco Church, the celebration of life events including weddings and baptisms, and so much more. If you have not already done so and have a Facebook or Instagram account, please do follow us [@faithinourvillage](https://www.facebook.com/faithinourvillage)

Publicity via posters and flyers still have their place and the displaying of these on notice boards, sent out via email to church members and via the schools and their parent mail has been significant during 2021 and on-going. Credit to Beth Evans for her creative talent.

Communication monthly via Church Life Matters has continued and we appreciate the time and effort put in by Therese Underwood in compiling such a professional looking magazine.

## Eco Church report from Jane Scheuber

From slow progress with Eco-Church at the beginning of the year we have now gathered a team to take on the task of improving our eco credentials to move towards a Silver Award. We are now re-registered with the scheme.

The COP26 talks in the Autumn focused our thoughts on the environment and the Climate Crisis during Creationtide and we continue to have these issues covered regularly in Sunday prayers.



We provide Fairtrade tea, coffee, and sugar for our refreshments alongside recyclable cups. Eco-friendly cleaning products, toilet rolls etc are used in St Katharine's and the Coach House. We are now registered as a Fairtrade Church.

Understanding and promoting Fairtrade is a way of engaging with global issues of climate change and trade justice. Some home groups followed study courses from Christian Aid and Tearfund.

Posters for church events are now printed on weatherproof paper which is recyclable saving on the use of laminating with plastic.

The success of Outdoor Church has given the opportunity to encourage those attending to be immersed in our little patch of God's creation as part of our worship.

Understanding more about our wildlife and caring for it has come through gardening and observational and creative activities. We took part in Churches Count on Nature in June 2021, inviting members of the local community who walk through the churchyard to join in and comment too. Over fifty different plants were recorded.

Further development of the churchyard mowing regime encouraged an increase in wildflowers and created winding pathways and seating areas. We were awarded our first Living Churchyard certificates for 2020 and 2021.

The Church of England has set a target of achieving net zero by 2030. We have made small strides in the right direction. What more can we do to play our part in this?



Please join the team if you have a heart for this.

### **Outdoor Church report from Rev. Katie Jackson and Heather Marshall**



Outdoor Church continues to be a very important part of our Sunday worship at St Katharine's. We have recently taken the decision to have this service twice a month, reflecting the growing role of Cafe Church and the joy of being together as a church family.

At the heart of outdoor church is a desire to have our children at the centre whilst providing a place for people of all ages to worship. We have continued to see new families join us and our children are blessed by the freedom to be who they are designed to be, in the wonder and joy of God's creation. Our times of pondering around the fire have enabled the youngest to the oldest to feel safe to share their thoughts and prayers, enabling us to grow as disciples together.

Outdoor church is led by collaboration, and we have recently been blessed with two new people joining the team; however, there is room for more so do think about whether God is calling you to be involved with this. We continue to listen for the voice of God to show us where he wants to take this next. It's an exciting journey to be on!



### **Café Church report from Rev. Katie Jackson and Heather Marshall**



Café Church is a new style of service and is evolving all the time. It is wonderful to have the opportunity to share fellowship and worship together in a new way. It has proved so popular for all ages that we are now having café church twice a month. This service is a new way of 'being church'; sitting around tables whilst we worship, reflecting together and eating wonderful breakfasts! It has been exciting to hear the words of encouraging feedback about the service, including from those who are visitors to the church and have been struck by the relaxed nature and wonderful welcome.

The snug, which the young people from St Katharine's Youth (SKY) asked for, has also proved to be very popular with the young people at cafe church! As with all things, we continue to seek God's guidance as to the way forward and look forward to watching how it develops.

### **Tiny Tots report from Rev. Ruth Mcreddy**



Tiny Tots was relocated and relaunched in September 2021, bringing our group into St. Katharine's Church on a Tuesday morning. Thanks to our Churchwardens for facilitating space for storage, we set out on a new journey of faith.

Everything we do in Tiny Tots is intentional, from the welcome, the café style refreshments, the interactive play and story, to our craft time. Alan Tyghe brings his unique musical accompaniment, and we have a lovely team to refresh and chat with parents, grandparents, and carers.

We still need your help. It would be great to have a group of people who could check the diary on the toilet door and assist in putting out the café style tables and chairs after the Sunday morning service. Especially on a second Sunday after Communion!

It would be wonderful to have a few more helpers in the café, so that others are released to spend time with our visitors.



Come and see what we do by looking at our blue boards by the font in church.

Please pray for us and consider how you may help.



### **Bell Ringing report from Martin Moyes, Tower Captain**

It has been a difficult year, struggling with COVID and vulnerable ringers, but more particularly with Murray Ager having to retire and the untimely death of Philip Lucas. Philip had rung the bells in Holt from his early teenage years and his father Jack was a ringer here for many years before that.

Philip gave a substantial legacy to the Llewellyn Edwards Bell Restoration Fund (a Salisbury Diocesan charity) and the Trustees have enquired whether there is work that needs doing to Holt's bells, which were installed nearly a century ago. There is, and during 2022 we will seek advice and maybe submit an application for a grant. The total cost may be in the region of £15,000+ and we would expect to be able to get grants covering perhaps 1/3 of this.

We have been able to return to practices – practice night has now moved to Fridays, as it was for a very long time before being moved sometime in the 1960s, and we are now able to ring for Sunday services on a regular basis.

We welcome Anne Wilks joining us – she moved into The Tannery last year and had already started to learn to ring. We are critically short of adult ringers and if anyone is interested in taking up this fascinating art in support of St Katharine's, we are always ready to teach and train.

### **Safeguarding report from Jacque Bennetts, Benefice/Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)**

#### **Policies and Procedures**

There have been no updates to current policies during this year. The Diocese have updated a policy on the use of their Microsite with regards to storing information, which I have signed but this does not affect us as a church.

#### **DBS renewals, checks and training**

There are two outstanding DBS renewals- awaiting the Diocese to clear. My task currently, is to check that all our training is up to date. It is now mostly online, although if people prefer face to face, a few courses are being advertised on the Salisbury Diocese website. Please feel free to contact me if you wish to check your training needs. Please also let me know if your role within the church changes so that I can be confident that the appropriate DBS and training is all in place. From April 1st I will be planning on completing a short document for volunteers. Again-please keep me informed of changes to roles etc.

Beth Evans produced a wonderful short clip to raise our awareness of the use of social media and its link to safeguarding. We will play this throughout the year, so that we can all be reminded as to the importance of taking responsibility for our use of photos. It is important that I am aware of those who do not wish any images of themselves being used. A consent form for children is required too. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this.

We hope to run a first aid course this year too for those who require it.

Thank you for your support and patience through my first year of taking on this role.

### **Online Alpha report from Ian and Rachel Firth**



The Alpha course has continued to be held online and we are just coming to the end of our 4<sup>th</sup> online Alpha. The course works well online, and many actually prefer it, particularly those with small children or with work schedules that make it difficult to come out to attend an evening course in person. This time, we were however able to meet in person, Covid-free, for the Holy Spirit Day, which was wonderful, all the more so because everyone met with God in a meaningful and special way.

As we begin to be able to hold face-to-face courses again, we will respond to the preferences of the guests as far as possible. So subject to there being sufficient numbers, those who prefer to do Alpha online can do it online, and those who prefer the face-to-face version can do it face-to-face. Both courses use the same excellent video material, and both come very highly recommended. Speak to anyone who has been on the current course if you are in any doubt! Everyone should do it and preferably bring along a non-Christian friend or two with them. Please all start thinking now who you could invite to do the next course; the more the merrier!!

If anyone wants to know more about the course and what it entails, please ask any member of staff or one of us, or better still, find someone who has just done it. The next course will be starting soon, so keep an eye or an ear open for the dates.

### **Financial Review 2021 report from Jeremy Bradshaw**

Total receipts on the General Fund were £128,244 of which £112,482 were planned voluntary donations and a further £15,762 came from Gift Aid. Receipts on the General Fund included donations to several specific appeals, including the Help in Holt Christmas Appeal. Without these receipts, the total would have been £116,785.

Receipts for the Dominica fund amounted to £275, for the Kadugli mission amounted to £140, for India (pastors and homes) £2060, and for the fund to cover a Youth Worker £11,865.

The General Fund spent £103,617 to provide the Christian ministry from St Katharine's, including the full payment of the contribution to the Diocesan Parish Share. 2021 saw an increase of 6 percent overall in the expenditure of the Church, reversing the 5 percent reduction from 2019 to 2020. There were increases in the Parish share, salaries (including pension) and utilities. During the year, the shortfalls in the Churchyard (£667) and Building (£4,500) Funds were covered by the General Fund income.

Further assistance was given to Mission Aviation Fellowship (£1000), Deanery Kadugli Fund (£1000), Haven Homes/Kingdom Associates (£1000), Mathetes Trust (£1000), Disasters Emergency Committee (for their Ukraine Appeal, £1000), Open Doors (£600), Christians Against Poverty (£600), People Against Poverty (£600), Jungle Children (£600), and Dominica (for barrel transport, £600).

Restricted donations of £13,414 were also received, the majority of which were for the Building Fund.

During the year the total giving received into the Building Fund amounted to £12,863 including gift aid. The expenditure included clearing the balance of the architect/associated planning fees for the Coach House (£12,138). The building fund also covers the repayment of the Diocesan loan (£52,000) started in 2019. A further £6,000 plus interest was paid off in 2021 and the amount outstanding at the end of the year was £32,500. At the year end the cash balance was £446.

The Fabric Fund balance at the year end was £25,728, there were some works undertaken electrical connections for the music group and the new kitchen. The Fabric fund is retained towards meeting the upkeep of the Church and the Building fund was established for the Church re-ordering and the conversion of the Coach House.

For the designated funds, the £1,000 paid as a deposit to Sidholme Hotel (Conference) had not been returned, this may not be returned until the Hotel is sold.

Further details are shown in the Financial Statements.

Anthony Matthew continued to maintain the churchyard throughout the year.

### **Buildings and the churchyard report from Ian Firth**

The re-ordered church interior has really come into its own and is serving us very well, allowing considerable flexibility in the way we can use it, both for various different types of church service and for the many activities that take place during the week. The addition of a snug at one end of the stage, suggested and implemented by St. Katharine's Youth (SKY), is the latest development and one that is already very popular, not just with the younger members.

The installation of Wi-Fi in the church, although fraught with frustrating difficulties at the time, has also been a great step forwards, and has allowed us to integrate into our services and events those members of our congregation who prefer to join us remotely on Zoom. This facility also opens all sorts of other opportunities for streaming music and video into our events and is a very helpful tool allowing us to download useful material of all sorts.

We thank God for the church building and facilities that we now enjoy and pray that more people will join us so that we can put it all to even greater use in His service.

Outside, the churchyard continues to be home for outdoor church and is a beautiful and peaceful environment enjoyed by all. The large cherry tree which had grown too big and was obscuring the east end window has been removed, and not far away there is now a beautiful new bench in memory of George Kent. We are grateful to the Eco Church Team for the love and care they regularly devote to looking after the churchyard and keeping it so beautiful.

The plans for redevelopment of the Coach House were put on hold while we reconsider the use of the various internal spaces in the light of the developments in outdoor church, Sky and other aspects of the church life. That review will now take place in the coming months as we emerge from the Covid season (we hope!), so we can once again look forward to the exciting opportunities for further growth in our ministry to Holt afforded by the use of that building.

## Church Flowers report from by Sue Osman

With the St Katharine's opening again after the forced closure due to the Covid Pandemic it has been such a pleasure to be doing flower arrangements again to welcome the Church families and visitors each Sunday as well as all the other meetings that are held in the church during the week. A weekly flower display is made by a member of the flower team and in addition church celebration such as posies for Mothering Sunday, Easter, Pentecost, Red Carpet Sunday, Harvest Festival, Remembrance Sunday and Christmas sees the church generously decorated by our conscientious team who are Sue Bolden, Fiona Drysdale, Wendy Ladd, Margaret Murray, Jenny Mizen, Sue Osman and we welcome a new member Joanna Smith who has recently moved to Holt.



All these special events would not happen but for the hard work that goes into organising flowers, picking greenery, and finally preparing the arrangements - and keeping them watered!!

There have been three weddings this year for local Holt families. Each family meet the team and discuss with their help what flowers, colours, and arrangements they would like to have for the occasion. The cost is met by the family and the small profit that is made is put into the Flower Fund.

I would like to thank Fiona Gaunt and family who generously help every year to decorate the Christmas Tree. It seemed extra special in 2021!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a very big Thank You to Jilly Heath, Meg Slade and Julia Ingram who have decided to stand down, and express our appreciation for their many years of hard work, dedication, and skill in giving the Church many wonderful displays.

In addition, an enormous thank you as well to our Church Flower team for their hard work, their willingness, and their floristry skills because without them we would not enjoy the beautiful displays that are created.

## St. Katharine's Coffee Morning Team report from Arthur & Lynnette Baston

We have happily resumed our monthly coffee mornings on the 4th Saturday of the month {excepting December which is a week earlier}. The first being in August which coincided with the annual scarecrow trail. We meet in church instead of the Coach House which gives us more space to circulate, and we seem to have achieved a good system, although it has to be said we miss the cosy atmosphere of the Coach House. The welcome funds generated help towards our church, and we appreciate our regular helpers and supporters.



The ongoing sales table set up in church during the covid pandemic continues to thrive for which we also give thanks.

## How is the Church led?

In the C of E there is a shared leadership of Incumbent and PCC. St. Katharine's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting within the village community the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic and social (in accordance with the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956).

We are in a Benefice with St Mary's, Broughton Gifford and All Saints, Great Chalfield and we shared a **ministry team** which comprised during 2021 as follows:

Rector:	Canon Andrew Evans
Curate:	Rev. Katie Jackson
Associate Priests:	Rev. Ruth Mecredy and Rev. Helen Begley (who moved away from the benefice in September 2021)
Licensed Lay Ministers:	Anthony Matthew, Rachel Firth, and Keith Hamilton
Retired Priests:	Rev. Jenny Davis and Rev. Ann Fielden
Director of Music:	Ben Jarvis
Youth & Children's Pastor:	Stella Voaden – June – August 2021
Lay Worship Leader:	Dawn Farmer – from May 2021
PA to the Rector:	Lucy Waterman – until April 2021
PA to the Rector:	Dawn Farmer – from April 2021

Those who served on the **PCC in 2021** were:

The Rector, Canon Andrew Evans	(Chair)
Ian Firth and Heather Marshall	(Churchwardens)
Rev Ruth Mecredy	(Associate Priest, Deanery Synod Rep)
Rev Helen Begley	(Associate Priest until September 2021)
Rev Katie Jackson	(Curate)
Rachel Firth	(Licensed Lay Minister)
Mark Mecredy	(PCC Secretary) (2022)
Pete Waterman	(Treasurer until April 2021)
Jeremy Bradshaw	(Treasurer from April 2021)
Anthony Matthew	(Licensed Lay Minister & Deanery Synod Rep)
Julia Griffith	(Deanery Synod Rep)
Angela Greatwood	(Electoral Roll Officer) (2022)
Ben Jarvis	Co-opted
Katy Brown	Resigned during the year
Alan Cottle	2023
Jane Scheuber	2022
Catherine Ayers	2023
Alan Tyghe	2023
Jacque Bennetts	(Parish Safeguarding Officer) (2023)
Yvonne Bennett	2022
Mark Bennett	2023
Tim Mason	2024

Elected members of the PCC stand for a term of three years and the years stated above indicate when members terms of office expire.

**Electoral Roll** - at the end of 2020 there were 126 on the roll. At the end of 2021 there were 96 on the roll.

**Church Inventory and Terrier** - the Inventory and Terrier was checked by the Churchwardens, and duly signed at the 2022 APCM held 06 April 2022.

# **ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH, HOLT**

## **Financial Statements**

**For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

**CHIPPENDALE & CO**  
*Accountants & Tax Advisors*

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## *Aim and purposes*

St Katharine's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Andrew Evans, within the village community the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic and social (in accordance with the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956).

It is part of a Benefice with St Mary's, Broughton Gifford and All Saints, Great Chalfield. The Benefice forms part of the Melksham group of churches which includes the Melksham Team Ministry and the Benefice of Atworth with Shaw and Whitley.

St Katharine's has ecumenical links with the URC in Holt. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of The Coach House, Ham Green, Holt.

## *Objectives and activities*

### St Katharine's Church Vision Statement

We are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all

- We honour God in our village by being generous, hospitable and valuing people for who they are.
- We stay close to God through bible teaching, in worship and in prayer, and we sense His presence and hear His voice.
- We respond to His call to help those on the margins, to heal the sick and to make disciples.
- We offer support and work with other churches to be a gateway for heaven to come to earth.
- We release people to take God's love and blessing to the village and beyond.

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Incoming resources</b>						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income	120,189	14,415	12,914	—	147,519	110,847
Activities for generating funds	202	—	—	—	202	90
Investment income	—	—	499	—	499	622
Incoming resources from charitable activities	6,138	—	—	—	6,138	2,679
Other incoming resources	1,713	—	—	—	1,713	180
<b>Total income</b>	<b>128,244</b>	<b>14,415</b>	<b>13,413</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>156,072</b>	<b>114,419</b>
<b>Resources used</b>						
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold	15	—	—	—	15	503
Charitable activities	114,791	3,992	4,234	—	123,018	155,735
Governance costs	270	—	—	—	270	265
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>115,076</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>4,234</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>123,303</b>	<b>156,503</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>13,167</b>	<b>10,422</b>	<b>9,179</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32,769</b>	<b>(42,084)</b>
<b>Transfers</b>						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	6,166	—	6,166	1,743
Gross transfers between funds - out	(6,166)	—	—	—	(6,166)	(1,743)
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>						
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	(1,264)	—	(1,264)	648
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>10,422</b>	<b>14,080</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>31,504</b>	<b>(41,435)</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>32,090</b>	<b>8,215</b>	<b>240,837</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>322,578</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>39,091</b>	<b>18,638</b>	<b>254,918</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General fund	39,091	—	—	—	39,091	32,090
<b>Designated</b>						
Dominica	—	256	—	—	256	31
India	—	371	—	—	371	151
Kadugli	—	188	—	—	188	48
Youth worker	—	17,821	—	—	17,821	7,984
<b>Restricted</b>						
Bells - Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	44	—	44	44
Churchyard	—	—	(931)	—	(931)	648
Gateway Healing	—	—	20	—	20	—
New Buildings and alterations	—	—	229,591	—	229,591	212,614
Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	25,728	—	25,728	27,096
Tiny Tots	—	—	464	—	464	432

## Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets (note 1)	264,000	264,000
Investments (note 2)	17,770	19,035
	<b>281,770</b>	<b>283,035</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors (note 3)	7,394	7,070
Cash at bank and in hand	73,384	51,912
	<b>80,778</b>	<b>58,982</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year (note 4)	17,402	22,375
	<b>17,402</b>	<b>22,375</b>
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>63,376</b>	<b>36,607</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>345,147</b>	<b>319,643</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year (note 5)	32,500	38,500
	<b>32,500</b>	<b>38,500</b>
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>
<b>Represented by</b>		
<b>Unrestricted</b>		
General fund	39,091	32,090
<b>Designated</b>		
Dominica	256	31
India	371	151
Kadugli	188	48
Youth worker	17,821	7,984
<b>Restricted</b>		
Bells - Repairs and Maintenance	44	44
Gateway Healing	20	—
Tiny Tots	464	432
Churchyard	(931)	648
Repairs and Maintenance	25,728	27,096
New Buildings and alterations	229,591	212,614
<b>Funds of the church</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>

## Statement of assets and liabilities

	General Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Fixed assets – Investments</b>					
CBF Fixed interest shares	18,386	—	(616)	—	17,770
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18,386</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(616)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>19,035</b>
<b>Fixed assets - Tangible assets</b>					
Coach House -	—	—	260,000	—	260,000
Leasehold Land -	—	—	4,000	—	4,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>					
Lloyds Bank Account -	28,504	17,563	27,316	—	73,384
Cash in Hand -	—	—	—	—	100
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28,504</b>	<b>17,563</b>	<b>27,316</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>51,912</b>
<b>Current assets – Debtors</b>					
Accounts Receivable -	5,166	75	33	—	5,274
Other Debtors and PrePayments	1,120	1,000	—	—	2,058
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6,286</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7,070</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>					
Creditors - Long Term Loans	—	—	32,500	—	38,500
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32,500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>38,500</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year</b>					
Accounts Payable	—	—	3,315	—	1,007
Other Creditors & Accruals	14,087	—	—	—	21,367
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14,087</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,315</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>22,375</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>39,091</b>	<b>18,638</b>	<b>254,918</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>281,143</b>

## Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
<b>Bells - Bells - Repairs and Restricted</b>	44	—	—	—	—	44
<b>Sub-total for Bells</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Dominica - Dominica Designated</b>	31	275	50	—	—	256
<b>Sub-total for Dominica</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>256</b>
<b>India - India Designated</b>	151	2,060	1,840	—	—	371
<b>Sub-total for India</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>2,060</b>	<b>1,840</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>371</b>
<b>Kadugli - Kadugli Designated</b>	48	140	—	—	—	188
<b>Sub-total for Kadugli</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>188</b>
<b>Star - Gateway Healing Restricted</b>	—	20	—	—	—	20
<b>Sub-total for Star</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>TinyTots - Tiny Tots Restricted</b>	432	32	—	—	—	464
<b>Sub-total for TinyTots</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>464</b>
<b>Youth - Youth worker Designated</b>	7,984	11,940	2,102	—	—	17,821
<b>Sub-total for Youth</b>	<b>7,984</b>	<b>11,940</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>17,821</b>
<b>General - General fund Unrestricted</b>	32,090	128,244	115,076	(6,166)	—	39,091
<b>Sub-total for General</b>	<b>32,090</b>	<b>128,244</b>	<b>115,076</b>	<b>(6,166)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>39,091</b>
<b>Churchyard - Churchyard Restricted</b>	648	499	1,481	666	(1,264)	(931)
<b>Sub-total for Churchyard</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>(1,264)</b>	<b>(931)</b>
<b>Fabric - Repairs and Maint Restricted</b>	27,096	—	2,367	1,000	—	25,728
<b>Sub-total for Fabric</b>	<b>27,096</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,367</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>25,728</b>
<b>Building - New Buildings Restricted</b>	212,614	12,862	385	4,500	—	229,591
<b>Sub-total for Building</b>	<b>212,614</b>	<b>12,862</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>229,591</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>156,072</b>	<b>123,303</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(1,264)</b>	<b>312,647</b>

## Analysis of income and expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
					<b>Total</b>	
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>						
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Voluntary income</b>						
Tax efficient planned giving	64,240	9,860	10,250	—	84,350	75,534
Other planned giving	26,223	2,515	70	—	28,808	10,163
Other collections at services	816	—	—	—	816	—
All Other Recurring giving/donations	—	—	—	—	—	5
All Non Recurring giving/donations	12,089	—	32	—	12,121	8,128
All tax recovered through Gift Aid	15,818	2,040	2,562	—	20,420	17,015
Legacies Received	1,000	—	—	—	1,000	—
Total	120,189	14,415	12,914	—	147,519	110,847
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Activities for generating funds</b>						
Gross Income from fundraising	202	—	—	—	202	90
Total	202	—	—	—	202	90
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Investment income</b>						
Dividends, Interest, Income	—	—	499	—	499	622
Total	—	—	499	—	499	622
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>						
Statutory fees retained by PCC	5,625	—	—	—	5,625	2,351
Gross income from trading	512	—	—	—	512	328
Total	6,138	—	—	—	6,138	2,679
<b>Other incoming resources</b>						
Other incoming resources	1,713	—	—	—	1,713	180
Total	1,713	—	—	—	1,713	180
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	128,244	14,415	13,413	—	156,072	114,419

## EXPENDITURE

### Cost of generating funds - Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs

Cost of Trading	15	—	—	—	15	503
Total	15	—	—	—	15	503

### Charitable activities

All Missions Giving, charitable grants	17,568	1,890	—	—	19,458	15,505
Parish Share paid to Diocese	49,590	—	—	—	49,590	47,900
Salaries/Honoraria	17,613	2,102	—	—	19,716	16,704
Expenses (Clergy, Pastoral, youth)	3,268	—	—	—	3,268	1,244
Mission and evangelism costs	160	—	—	—	160	3,962
Church running expenses	17,144	—	3,386	—	20,530	13,737
Church Utility Bills	7,681	—	—	—	7,681	8,662
Major Repairs to Church	—	—	462	—	462	480
New Building work, Church	—	—	385	—	385	47,538
Other outgoing resources	1,765	—	—	—	1,765	—
Total	114,791	3,992	4,234	—	123,018	155,735

### Governance costs

Governance Costs	270	—	—	—	270	265
Total	270	—	—	—	270	265

<b>EXPENDITURE TOTAL</b>	<b>115,076</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>4,234</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>123,303</b>	<b>156,503</b>
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<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>13,167</b>	<b>10,422</b>	<b>9,179</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32,769</b>	<b>(42,084)</b>
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## Notes to the Accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

### 1 FREEHOLD PROPERTIES

a) The Coach House. This property was purchased during the year to 31.12.14 and is used as the Church offices and other Parish functions. Planning permission has been approved for change of use and for extending the building.

b) Leasehold Land A long lease has been purchased on a small strip of land at the rear of St Katharine's Church.

### 2 INVESTMENTS

11222.37 Income Shares in the CBF Church of England Fixed Interest Fund valued at £17,770.62.

### 3 SUNDRY DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Benefice Expenses		
St Mary's	951	1,176
All Saints	<u>451</u>	<u>586</u>
	1,402	1,762
Gift Aid Claims	3,873	3,250
Insurances prepaid	675	538
CCLI licenses prepaid	673	521
Sidholme Deposits	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>£7,623</u>	<u>£7,071</u>

4	<b><u>SUNDRY CREDITORS</u></b>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Architects and Planning Fees	-	11,536
	A Matthew, churchyard	315	3,000
	Parish Share to Diocese	-	-
	Tithes & giving	8,000	6,400
	December expenses	-	1,174
	Help in Holt Appeal	5,092	-
	J Davies, retirement gift	725	-
	Diocese loan interest	-	-
	Accountancy Fees	270	265
		<u>£14,402</u>	<u>£22,375</u>
5	<b><u>LONG TERM CREDITORS</u></b>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Diocese loan	32,500	38,500
		<u>£32,500</u>	<u>£38,500</u>

This report dated: 13/01/2022

Approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Andrew Evans (PCC Chairman)

**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name  
**ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH HOLT  
 PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

On accounts for the year ended

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Charity no (if any)

**1165383**

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**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,
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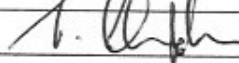
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# **ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH, HOLT**

## **Financial Statements**

**For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

**CHIPPENDALE & CO**  
*Accountants & Tax Advisors*

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## *Aim and purposes*

St Katharine's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Andrew Evans, within the village community the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic and social (in accordance with the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956).

It is part of a Benefice with St Mary's, Broughton Gifford and All Saints, Great Chalfield. The Benefice forms part of the Melksham group of churches which includes the Melksham Team Ministry and the Benefice of Atworth with Shaw and Whitley.

St Katharine's has ecumenical links with the URC in Holt. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of The Coach House, Ham Green, Holt.

## *Objectives and activities*

### St Katharine's Church Vision Statement

We are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all

- We honour God in our village by being generous, hospitable and valuing people for who they are.
- We stay close to God through bible teaching, in worship and in prayer, and we sense His presence and hear His voice.
- We respond to His call to help those on the margins, to heal the sick and to make disciples.
- We offer support and work with other churches to be a gateway for heaven to come to earth.
- We release people to take God's love and blessing to the village and beyond.

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Incoming resources</b>						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income	120,189	14,415	12,914	—	147,519	110,847
Activities for generating funds	202	—	—	—	202	90
Investment income	—	—	499	—	499	622
Incoming resources from charitable activities	6,138	—	—	—	6,138	2,679
Other incoming resources	1,713	—	—	—	1,713	180
<b>Total income</b>	<b>128,244</b>	<b>14,415</b>	<b>13,413</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>156,072</b>	<b>114,419</b>
<b>Resources used</b>						
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold	15	—	—	—	15	503
Charitable activities	114,791	3,992	4,234	—	123,018	155,735
Governance costs	270	—	—	—	270	265
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>115,076</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>4,234</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>123,303</b>	<b>156,503</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>13,167</b>	<b>10,422</b>	<b>9,179</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32,769</b>	<b>(42,084)</b>
<b>Transfers</b>						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	6,166	—	6,166	1,743
Gross transfers between funds - out	(6,166)	—	—	—	(6,166)	(1,743)
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>						
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	(1,264)	—	(1,264)	648
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>10,422</b>	<b>14,080</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>31,504</b>	<b>(41,435)</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>32,090</b>	<b>8,215</b>	<b>240,837</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>322,578</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>39,091</b>	<b>18,638</b>	<b>254,918</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General fund	39,091	—	—	—	39,091	32,090
<b>Designated</b>						
Dominica	—	256	—	—	256	31
India	—	371	—	—	371	151
Kadugli	—	188	—	—	188	48
Youth worker	—	17,821	—	—	17,821	7,984
<b>Restricted</b>						
Bells - Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	44	—	44	44
Churchyard	—	—	(931)	—	(931)	648
Gateway Healing	—	—	20	—	20	—
New Buildings and alterations	—	—	229,591	—	229,591	212,614
Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	25,728	—	25,728	27,096
Tiny Tots	—	—	464	—	464	432

## Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets (note 1)	264,000	264,000
Investments (note 2)	17,770	19,035
	<b>281,770</b>	<b>283,035</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors (note 3)	7,394	7,070
Cash at bank and in hand	73,384	51,912
	<b>80,778</b>	<b>58,982</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year (note 4)	17,402	22,375
	<b>17,402</b>	<b>22,375</b>
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>63,376</b>	<b>36,607</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>345,147</b>	<b>319,643</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year (note 5)	32,500	38,500
	<b>32,500</b>	<b>38,500</b>
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>
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New Buildings and alterations	229,591	212,614
<b>Funds of the church</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>

## Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Fixed assets – Investments</b>						
CBF Fixed interest shares	18,386	—	(616)	—	17,770	19,035
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18,386</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(616)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>17,770</b>	<b>19,035</b>
<b>Fixed assets - Tangible assets</b>						
Coach House -	—	—	260,000	—	260,000	260,000
Leasehold Land -	—	—	4,000	—	4,000	4,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>	<b>264,000</b>
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>						
Lloyds Bank Account -	28,504	17,563	27,316	—	73,384	51,812
Cash in Hand -	—	—	—	—	—	100
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28,504</b>	<b>17,563</b>	<b>27,316</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>73,384</b>	<b>51,912</b>
<b>Current assets – Debtors</b>						
Accounts Receivable -	5,166	75	33	—	5,274	5,011
Other Debtors and PrePayments	1,120	1,000	—	—	2,120	2,058
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6,286</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7,394</b>	<b>7,070</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Creditors - Long Term Loans	—	—	32,500	—	32,500	38,500
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32,500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32,500</b>	<b>38,500</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year</b>						
Accounts Payable	—	—	3,315	—	3,315	1,007
Other Creditors & Accruals	14,087	—	—	—	14,087	21,367
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14,087</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,315</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>17,402</b>	<b>22,375</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>39,091</b>	<b>18,638</b>	<b>254,918</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>312,647</b>	<b>281,143</b>

## Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
<b>Bells - Bells - Repairs and Restricted</b>	44	—	—	—	—	44
<b>Sub-total for Bells</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Dominica - Dominica Designated</b>	31	275	50	—	—	256
<b>Sub-total for Dominica</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>256</b>
<b>India - India Designated</b>	151	2,060	1,840	—	—	371
<b>Sub-total for India</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>2,060</b>	<b>1,840</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>371</b>
<b>Kadugli - Kadugli Designated</b>	48	140	—	—	—	188
<b>Sub-total for Kadugli</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>188</b>
<b>Star - Gateway Healing Restricted</b>	—	20	—	—	—	20
<b>Sub-total for Star</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>TinyTots - Tiny Tots Restricted</b>	432	32	—	—	—	464
<b>Sub-total for TinyTots</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>464</b>
<b>Youth - Youth worker Designated</b>	7,984	11,940	2,102	—	—	17,821
<b>Sub-total for Youth</b>	<b>7,984</b>	<b>11,940</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>17,821</b>
<b>General - General fund Unrestricted</b>	32,090	128,244	115,076	(6,166)	—	39,091
<b>Sub-total for General</b>	<b>32,090</b>	<b>128,244</b>	<b>115,076</b>	<b>(6,166)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>39,091</b>
<b>Churchyard - Churchyard Restricted</b>	648	499	1,481	666	(1,264)	(931)
<b>Sub-total for Churchyard</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>(1,264)</b>	<b>(931)</b>
<b>Fabric - Repairs and Maint Restricted</b>	27,096	—	2,367	1,000	—	25,728
<b>Sub-total for Fabric</b>	<b>27,096</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,367</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>25,728</b>
<b>Building - New Buildings Restricted</b>	212,614	12,862	385	4,500	—	229,591
<b>Sub-total for Building</b>	<b>212,614</b>	<b>12,862</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>229,591</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>156,072</b>	<b>123,303</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(1,264)</b>	<b>312,647</b>

## Analysis of income and expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
						<b>Total</b>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>						
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Voluntary income</b>						
Tax efficient planned giving	64,240	9,860	10,250	—	84,350	75,534
Other planned giving	26,223	2,515	70	—	28,808	10,163
Other collections at services	816	—	—	—	816	—
All Other Recurring giving/donations	—	—	—	—	—	5
All Non Recurring giving/donations	12,089	—	32	—	12,121	8,128
All tax recovered through Gift Aid	15,818	2,040	2,562	—	20,420	17,015
Legacies Received	1,000	—	—	—	1,000	—
Total	120,189	14,415	12,914	—	147,519	110,847
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Activities for generating funds</b>						
Gross Income from fundraising	202	—	—	—	202	90
Total	202	—	—	—	202	90
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Investment income</b>						
Dividends, Interest, Income	—	—	499	—	499	622
Total	—	—	499	—	499	622
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>						
Statutory fees retained by PCC	5,625	—	—	—	5,625	2,351
Gross income from trading	512	—	—	—	512	328
Total	6,138	—	—	—	6,138	2,679
<b>Other incoming resources</b>						
Other incoming resources	1,713	—	—	—	1,713	180
Total	1,713	—	—	—	1,713	180
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>128,244</b>	<b>14,415</b>	<b>13,413</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>156,072</b>	<b>114,419</b>

## EXPENDITURE

### Cost of generating funds - Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs

Cost of Trading	15	—	—	—	15	503
Total	15	—	—	—	15	503

### Charitable activities

All Missions Giving, charitable grants	17,568	1,890	—	—	19,458	15,505
Parish Share paid to Diocese	49,590	—	—	—	49,590	47,900
Salaries/Honoraria	17,613	2,102	—	—	19,716	16,704
Expenses (Clergy, Pastoral, youth)	3,268	—	—	—	3,268	1,244
Mission and evangelism costs	160	—	—	—	160	3,962
Church running expenses	17,144	—	3,386	—	20,530	13,737
Church Utility Bills	7,681	—	—	—	7,681	8,662
Major Repairs to Church	—	—	462	—	462	480
New Building work, Church	—	—	385	—	385	47,538
Other outgoing resources	1,765	—	—	—	1,765	—
Total	114,791	3,992	4,234	—	123,018	155,735

### Governance costs

Governance Costs	270	—	—	—	270	265
Total	270	—	—	—	270	265

<b>EXPENDITURE TOTAL</b>	<b>115,076</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>4,234</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>123,303</b>	<b>156,503</b>
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## Notes to the Accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

### 1 FREEHOLD PROPERTIES

a) The Coach House. This property was purchased during the year to 31.12.14 and is used as the Church offices and other Parish functions. Planning permission has been approved for change of use and for extending the building.

b) Leasehold Land A long lease has been purchased on a small strip of land at the rear of St Katharine's Church.

### 2 INVESTMENTS

11222.37 Income Shares in the CBF Church of England Fixed Interest Fund valued at £17,770.62.

### 3 SUNDRY DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Benefice Expenses		
St Mary's	951	1,176
All Saints	<u>451</u>	<u>586</u>
	1,402	1,762
Gift Aid Claims	3,873	3,250
Insurances prepaid	675	538
CCLI licenses prepaid	673	521
Sidholme Deposits	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>£7,623</u>	<u>£7,071</u>

4	<b><u>SUNDRY CREDITORS</u></b>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Architects and Planning Fees	-	11,536
	A Matthew, churchyard	315	3,000
	Parish Share to Diocese	-	-
	Tithes & giving	8,000	6,400
	December expenses	-	1,174
	Help in Holt Appeal	5,092	-
	J Davies, retirement gift	725	-
	Diocese loan interest	-	-
	Accountancy Fees	270	265
		<u>£14,402</u>	<u>£22,375</u>
5	<b><u>LONG TERM CREDITORS</u></b>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Diocese loan	32,500	38,500
		<u>£32,500</u>	<u>£38,500</u>

This report dated: 13/01/2022

Approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Andrew Evans (PCC Chairman)

**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name  
**ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH HOLT  
 PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

On accounts for the year ended

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Charity no (if any)

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Date

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# Accounts

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## **ST KATHARINE'S ANNUAL REPORT 2020**

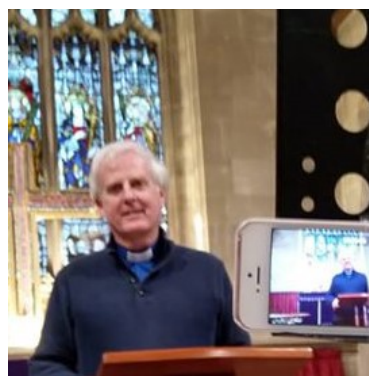
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### **OUR VISION STATEMENT**

**We are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all.**

As a church and congregation who thrive on giving the warmest welcome to each other and to visitors, the impact of not being able to meet in person during the Covid pandemic and resulting lockdowns was very keenly felt by all.



St Katharine's rose to the challenge at very short notice to take that warmth and sense of community online in March 2020. From a standing start, the creativity and life that flowed through YouTube services soon attracted a good number views and sparked the creation of an online resource that meets our vision statement with passion and energy. Sharing the gospel online opened up a whole new "congregation" joining with us online.

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The video team have this insight to share:

In March 2020 we started making videos in reaction to COVID-19. It was a way for us to join as church in a time when we all needed to know, and be reminded of, God's truth and love amid extraordinary circumstances. We learnt basic skills and built a team. Different members developed individual strengths; this released a lot of ideas and creativity. Eventually we learnt how to present content effectively and in a style that was true to our benefice. We have all been innovative and adaptive. It has been a steep learning curve!

We hoped to build community and encourage our church families amid social distancing. We also succeeded in reaching out to people we did not yet know. This was unexpected and exciting.

We created over 160 videos during 2020, many of which were full services. These mostly functioned as the main Sunday offering. In July 2020 we built a YouTube channel and started managing content through playlists. This allowed us to streamline our efforts and develop a more accessible online presence. Recently we have had success with a move into Zoom services. This has helped the church to reconnect and allowed more interaction as a community. We plan to bring this facility into the church building and add an online point of connection for all services. The team's focus is now on making higher quality materials, with an aim to build up a legacy of timeless resources which can be used for teaching and discipleship. We have learnt a lot in the past 12-months and have many new tech capabilities. We hope that these will be used by the church in a post-lockdown world. There are some exciting new projects ahead.

Along with the ministry team, many people have been involved in making content. It has somehow been an opportunity to give voice to those who have less of a platform. There is something in this. Well done to all! Our overall vision is to provide online ways to connect people to God and a community. We aspire to be relevant to all generations, to connect with those on the outside, and to promote the gospel.

Special thanks to Ben Jarvis, Mark Brown, Ken Marshall, Beth Evans, Therese Underwood, Will Jones, Pete and Lucy Waterman, Ian Firth, and many others. Well done! God is faithful.



The initial services were extended by a series on Discipleship, short inspirational videos in the form of Thoughts from the Shed and a collection of My Stories that speak about God's work in our daily lives.

Home group leaders were able to support those who were shielding or self-isolating through telephone support and post. As we became more familiar and confident with Zoom, home groups moved to this using this technology as well.

We were able to celebrate our church re-ordering on March 8 2020 with a service led by Bishop Andrew and a meal afterwards. The last time we would be able to enjoy fellowship and food together for a year. It was a great chance to make use of the beautiful new kitchen facilities.



As the lockdown continued and restrictions were increased, we were pleased to be connected to the Help in Holt initiative. This involved offering pastoral support by telephone both to our own congregational members in the Benefice and the wider community. We were able to help out with running errands and connecting with those who were shielding, and were a key part of helping the fledgling Holt Food Bank get off the ground, identify those households who needed help and delivering to those families. We offered much practical support with printing and other resources as the Help in Holt group got off the ground, and continued to work in the community to provide much valuable help in this time.

With no services permitted in the building until lockdown lifted in June, the return to the church building brought both a sense of joy but also a feeling of loss as there was no singing permitted and masks had to be worn. With hand sanitising and social distancing, it was an unusual time but to be reconnected physically was important.



Creative ways of reaching out to our community with the good news of the gospel continued. The church porch became a place of peace and connection with God and there were lovely flower displays arranged in this area. Thank you to the dedicated team of ladies who plan and display such beautiful arrangements in our church throughout the year. Huge thanks are also due to the regular members of the cleaning teams who care for our building with care and commitment.

In the porch over Easter, a table was beautifully set out, offering prayer suggestions and practical ways to remember family and friends. At first egg shaped prayer cards were provided which were hung in the tree at the front of the churchyard. This quickly became known in the village as the prayer tree and used by many people. This has continued to develop with a range of new resources. This was a very tangible way of loving and supporting our community



in a difficult time.



Church Life matters continued to be produced each month under the capable editorial skills of Therese Underwood who took this on as a project in 2020. Huge thanks to her for all the work involved in producing such a lovely monthly update. The use of Facebook and Instagram also increased significantly as we found the community sharing photos and thoughts online, especially commenting on the

prayer tree and the children's activities. We continued to build our online presence in this way and extend our connection with local groups and organisations.

The development of a children's activity station was also warmly welcomed as children were suddenly at home and the



online schooling system was not fully in place. A team from the church and the village sourced and supplied activities for children that were put out for Covid-safe collection. This continued through the year even after lockdown had lifted.



Community connection and involvement has probably grown in 2020 as we have been seen to be the church in action in new and innovative ways.

### **Worship** Ben Jarvis

At the beginning of lockdown, we met regularly on Thursday evenings for prayer and fellowship on Zoom. Whilst a blessing to many, it grew a little tiresome (as Zoom does) and I broke the worship team up into buddy groups. Some of these have continued since then and provided a place for fellowship, discipleship, and prayer. Some strong friendships have also developed in the group over the last year. The choir have not met.

In the autumn of 2020, when we could have some live worship, we cycled through a rota which allowed different members to lead. This was restricted to 3 members, with a maximum of 2 singers. We were blessed with some Christmas opportunities, including the chance to lead some carol services and have a guest choir. These were very meaningful and remarkable under strict circumstances. We sang around the village with the plan to take some carols and love to those who could not come out. This gave rise to multiple testimonies of new connection, blessing and hope. Already planned again for next year!

Harvey Bennett, Alan and Sarah Tyghe have been leading us in our Zoom worship. Heather, Ken Marshall, and Amy Jarvis around the campfire. Many have relayed what a blessing it has been to have some homegrown worship again. Even through zoom(!) and campfires, it has been amazing to see God continue to develop worship gifts.

We eagerly await the day that we will be able to sing again. There will be some rebuilding to do and some refocused prayer to find out how God would like us to lead our worship in the future. What has lockdown taught us? What do we need to keep? What can we let go of? Perhaps there is something that we need to bring back from long ago?

We so often set the agenda and then ask God to bless it, but we need to go further than that. I believe we are called to find out what he is doing, to find out his agenda, and then join in with that. We need to re-wild (as Andrew has been teaching), we need to go back to the drawing board, to leave our fixed ideas, our

preconceptions, our misconceptions, we need to pray that God will use us in whatever he wants to do. We need to be childlike.

But Lord, wherever you put us, however you use us, please let us sing again!

### **Advent Trail and Ham Green Nativity**



As the darkness of Winter set in and another lockdown took hold, the idea of an Advent window trail took root. The village school and pre-school had similar thoughts and we were all able to work together to create a fabulous trail of 55 windows lit up around the village. These brought light and hope to the village during

the dark evenings and new windows were set up each Sunday to be seen as Advent progressed and Christmas drew near. Many families were out and about in the dark evenings looking forward to seeing the new windows each week.

Our heartfelt prayer to be able to sing was granted at Christmas when we were able to hold a Nativity on the Green, complete with Chewy the donkey. The evening was cold and clear and the village turned out in large numbers, staying in their family groups or bubbles and expressing absolute joy at being able to share the Nativity story and sing carols.

The challenge of being church during the pandemic year has led to a great outpouring of creativity, and a deep and meaningful reconnection with the community in which we live and worship. Perhaps above all we will remember this year as a time of coming together with village groups and new initiatives to work and serve our neighbours wholeheartedly. Living as salt and light in the world in a dark time; showing God's love in practical and caring ways.



### **Eco church** Jane Scheuber

It has not been possible to make strides towards bettering our eco credentials this year although environmental topics were included in one or two of our earlier YouTube videos and we have been reminded and encouraged to adopt our own lifestyle changes at home through articles in CLM. We have been also unable to hold our regular Fairtrade sales pre-Christmas and to mark Fairtrade Fortnight.

The one real and unexpected stride forward has been in our development of the churchyard for contemplation and recreation by the church and local community as encouraged in our Churchyard development plan. During the first lockdown we,

along with much of the nation began to reconnect with the outdoors, recognising this was good for both body and soul. A number of people on their daily exercise wandered through the churchyard. Late in the autumn COVID restrictions led us to think about using our grounds for Outdoor Church, born on a very wet first Sunday in November.

The maintenance regime for the churchyard now needs to be altered a little to meet the needs of larger gatherings. The earlier clearance of the garden waste bonfire site provided the ideal spot for the central fireplace around which worship, storytelling and learning can now take place.



Activities which are becoming integral are gardening and appreciating the flora and fauna of this special space.

If, moving forward, we as Church are seriously concerned about the Climate and Ecological Emergency and our Christian response to it, WE MUST have a dedicated

team to carry it forward in all areas of the Eco-Church scheme 'for churches who want to demonstrate that the gospel is good news for God's earth'.

- 1 Worship and Teaching
- 2 Buildings
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- 4 Community and Global Engagement
- 5 Lifestyle

**Outdoor Church** has become a very important feature of our life together. While it started as a new way of thinking about our all-age service on the first Sunday of each month, as of April 2021 we are operating it weekly. This has fully engaged our children who love it and we are developing our thinking to see whether God is calling us to this as a model for the 10:30am service going forward. We are considering whether the services always need to be outside, and as restrictions ease, we want to see how we could develop the Outdoor Church principles for worship services inside the building as well. Some of the key principles that we see emerging are:

Providing space for children and adults to encounter God at their pace/in their way (i.e. sometimes on the outside looking in, sometimes in pairs, sometimes in a bigger group)

The central place of prayer and inviting the Holy Spirit to guide our planning (as opposed to planning and then inviting the Holy Spirit to be in it)

Building relationships as a vital part of discipleship

Unified vision of the team

Making less of ourselves (i.e. how much we say). Storytelling, sharing both biblical stories and experiences from our own lives and walk with God

Sensory worship: understanding that what we touch, feel, see, and experience links with the words being used. The importance of the natural world in this.

Wonder – at God revealed in His creation and at our responses to Him and His word (wondering questions)

Outdoors/indoors – freedom to be and to relax together, hearing and seeing the things that Jesus talked about in His parables

Sense of belonging and being family together – having fun, laughing and listening, talking, praying and encouraging as a supernaturally natural part of doing life together

Our prayer is that we can develop these important principles, partnering with God as we ask Him about the way forward, and moving into a new season with the Holy Spirit leading and guiding.

### **Report on bell ringing:** Martin Moyes, Tower Captain

We have rung the bells very little since I last wrote - there have been no practices for exactly a year now, but we rang the bells at Christmas as well as just a few times for services in August, September and October when we were allowed to do so. I inspect the bells from time to time, and all is well, mechanically speaking.

On the human front things are not quite so positive - we shall lose lovely Lucy when she emigrates to Wales and at least two of our established band of ringers may not be able to return to ringing for non-COVID-related health reasons after our long layoff.

### **Safeguarding at St Katharine's** - Lucy Waterman

#### **Policies and procedures**

Updates and essential policy changes from the Diocese and passed on to each PCC in the Benefice. These are reviewed at PCC meetings and any necessary changes made to our parish documents. During 2020 there was a lot of involvement from the PSO with writing risk assessments with the church wardens.

This helped to ensure that we are keeping the churches, congregations and services Covid-compliant, helping to keep everyone as safe as possible. Churches were able to apply for the Good to Go certificate. This was set up to help organisations record and assess their Covid-19 procedures with Visit England. We were awarded this in 2020 and as a result we are able to display the Good to Go logo on our posters and communications. This helps to provide reassurance to members of the public and visitors that Covid-safe requirements are in place.



#### **DBS renewals and checks**

These are all up to date and in place for those working with vulnerable adults and with children in St Katharine's parish and the benefice. Much training is now online for the basic and foundation levels with Zoom training available for other modules. A new micro-site has been set up by the Diocese so that all records can be stored centrally. The PCC and clergy have continued to offer strong support for safeguarding and show an understanding of its importance at all levels. This support is greatly appreciated.

#### **Online Alpha** Ian and Rachel Firth

We have recently started our third online Alpha course which is going well, and when this course finishes in May there will be 20 people who will have completed the course online, which is wonderful. We started back last summer when it was clear that the Covid restrictions meant we would not be able to hold conventional

Alpha courses (or any other courses for that matter) and we have found that the online format is very popular. Churches all around the world are now running Alpha online and the take-up has been phenomenal. Alpha seems to have been given a fresh impetus, thanks to the strange circumstances of the past 12 months.

The online version of the course works very well, and although it would never replace the physical in-person course in my view, it has certain advantages which mean that we will most likely keep it going so that many more people can do it online, even after lockdown ends. There is certainly a good reason to run both styles of course, each one perhaps appealing to different groups of people. I think that perhaps the best solution for the online version would be a combination of meeting in person for a part of the course with the rest being online, and I know that this is a model which has worked very successfully elsewhere.

The course remains as vibrant and as relevant as ever, and there is something in it for everyone, at whatever stage of their Christian journey they are on. It is, of course, primarily designed to introduce people to the basics of the Christian faith, whether they are just starting out or not yet even considered it. But it is also helpful to those long-standing Christians who wish to revisit the basics or who need to ink-in some aspect which they are not quite sure of. And it's a lot of fun! Each evening we look at a question tackling some key aspect of our faith such as "Who is Jesus?" or "Why and how should I pray?" or "How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?" and "Does God heal today?". Each of these and the other questions are addressed in a short video which we watch together and then we discuss it afterwards. It is a very relaxed and friendly way to consider such meaty topics.

Those doing our course have included those who are new to the Christian faith or just exploring it, as well as some with a more mature faith wishing to brush up on the basics. It is a fun thing to do with a friend, so why not come along and bring a friend or two with you, albeit that you may each be sitting at home in your own living room! It is too late to join this current course, but we will be starting another one after this one finishes in May, or sooner if there is sufficient demand. So, get in touch with us or Andrew and come on the Alpha journey with us. It will be one of the best journeys you ever make!

### **Financial Review 2020 – Pete Waterman**

Total receipts on the General Fund were £93,939 of which £69,314 were planned voluntary donations and a further £14,857 came from Gift Aid. Overall, the General Fund receipts were up by 8% from 2019, which is remarkable given the lockdown situation.

The areas we were down on were weddings/funerals (statutory fees down by £1,250) and trading income £1,600.

Receipts for the Dominica fund amounted to £1,726, for the Kadugli mission amounted to £1,199, for India (pastors and homes) £4,810 and for a new fund to cover a Youth Pastor of £7,984.

Restricted donations of £4,762 were also received, the majority of which were for the Building Fund (£3,066).

The General Fund spent £98,174 to provide the Christian ministry from St Katharine's, including the full payment of the contribution to the Diocesan Parish Share. 2020 saw a reduction of 5% overall in the expenditure of the Church.

Although there were increases in the Parish share, salaries (including pension) and utilities, these were offset by savings in the areas of clergy expenses, the general Church expenses and the trading expenses. Net movement in funds for the General Fund was £-18,540. During the year, the shortfalls in churchyard (£-1,553) and Gateway (£-191) were covered by the General Fund income.

For the designated funds, there is £1,000 paid as a deposit to Sidholme Hotel (Conference) which has not been returned, this may not be returned until the Hotel is sold. Further assistance was given to Dominica of £1,726, to Kadugli £1,150 and to the Pastors and Houses in India £4,659.

The Fabric Fund balance at the year-end was £27,902, there were some works undertaken on the chancel floor costing £480.

During the year the total giving received into the Building Fund amounted to £3,066 including gift aid. The expenditure amounted to £47,538 with the major elements being completion of lighting (£3,000), completion of the faculty including kitchen, toilet and cupboards (£31,789) and the architect/associated planning fees for the Coach House (£12,138).

The building fund also covers the repayment of the Diocesan loan (£52,000) started in 2019. A further £6,000 plus interest was paid off in 2020 and the amount outstanding at the end of the year was £38,500. At the year end the cash balance was £857.

The Fabric fund is retained towards meeting the upkeep of the Church and the Building fund was established for the Church re-ordering and the conversion of the Coach House.

Further details are shown in the Financial Statements.

Anthony Matthew continued to maintain the churchyard throughout the year.

### **Mission giving:**

Our focus is:

to give support to charities who share the good news of Jesus, to establish mission partners

(Bishop Hassan in Sudan, Dave and Becky Waterman with MAF in Uganda, & Tina and Harry Alexander with Lifeline in Dominica),

to support the struggling and those on the margins and that our charities are able to rely on regular income from us.



### **Giving for 2020 amounts to £6400**

Kadugli  
MAF

900  
1,500

Mathetes Trust	1,000
Haven Homes (Gospel of Kingdom Associates India)	1,000
Jungle Children (Peru)	500
Christians against poverty	300
People against poverty	300
Open Doors	300
Dominica (6 barrels of clothing and goods)	600

## **Church re-ordering and planning**

### Buildings Fit for Purpose

Our vision is to have a church which is a flexible building, capable of a variety of uses, which is welcoming and fit for purpose for the 21st century with a suite of church rooms equipped for smaller meetings. We are part-way through achieving this vision with the work in the Church completed our attention now turns to the Coach House.

### Church

The work for our internal re-ordering project was finally finished and signed off in 2020 this included completing the kitchen, a second toilet, and the much need storage cupboards for all the groups that operate within the Church. The work was fully funded, and no grants have been obtained.

## **2020 Summary**

The story of this year is not just about the pandemic, the isolation and the lockdowns. The bigger story is that we saw God moving and we joined in. Right in the middle of the pandemic. During those days we remembered that we are a church united in our mission to love God, love people, and make disciples of Jesus Christ. And that is what we did. 2020 was a year in which we lived out our vision in new ways, showing that we are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all.

## **How is the Church led?**

In the C of E there is a shared leadership of Incumbent and PCC. St. Katharine's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting within the village community the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic and social (in accordance with the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956).

We are in a Benefice with St Mary's, Broughton Gifford and All Saints, Great Chalfield and we share a **ministry team** which comprises:  
 the Rector Canon Andrew Evans, a curate Katie Jackson, Ruth Mecredy and Helen Begley, (Associate Priests)  
 Anthony Matthew LLM, Rachel Firth LLM and Keith Hamilton (LLMs)  
 and Jenny Davis and Ann Fielden (retired priests.)  
 We have Ben Jarvis as our Director of Music and Lucy Waterman is the Rector's P.A. and Benefice Administrator.

Katie Jackson joined us as our curate in June 2020 and she was ordained deacon at Salisbury Cathedral in September. The service was very restricted in numbers and we were not able to go down to the Cathedral to support her. It has been wonderful

to welcome Katie, her husband Rob and their children Lottie and Matty, who have all settled in well to the life of the Benefice. Just as it has been an extraordinary year for us all, it has been such a year for Katie to start her curacy. She has fully been a part of the team as we have re-thought ourselves on a weekly basis, surely the best training you could have as we have become more dependent on God for everything.

Those who served on the **PCC in 2020** were:

The Rector, Canon Andrew Evans (Chair)  
Ian Firth and Heather Marshall (Churchwardens)  
Rev Ruth Mecredy (Associate Priest, Deanery Synod Rep)  
Rev Helen Begley (Associate Priest)  
Ruth Mecredy  
Katie Jackson (Curate)  
Rachel Firth  
Mark Mecredy PCC (Secretary)  
Pete Waterman (Treasurer)  
Anthony Matthew (Deanery Synod Rep)  
Julia Griffith (Deanery Synod Rep)  
Angela Greatwood (Electoral Roll Officer)

Ben Jarvis	Katy Brown	Alan Cottle
Jane Scheuber	Catherine Ayers	Alan Tyghe
Jacque Bennetts	Yvonne Bennett	Mark Bennett

### **Electoral Roll**

At the end of 2019 there were 129 on the roll. At the end of 2020 there were 126 on the roll.

### **Church Inventory and Terrier**

The Inventory and Terrier was checked by the Churchwardens, and duly signed at the 2021 APCM held 22 April 2021

## **Synod report 2021**

### **BRADFORD DEANERY SYNOD REPORT FOR 2020**

Message from the Rural Dean, Canon Andrew Evans

2020 was an exceptionally challenging year for our Deanery Churches, but we have met those challenges head on. In the first lockdown it was remarkable to see how so many churches managed to develop some kind of online church service almost immediately and from a standing start. Not many organisations are that adaptable, especially if they are institutional! As lockdown progressed, we became more adept at these technological advances, and more imaginative ideas emerged as to how to connect with our communities within the rules of lockdown. It is amazing how fresh challenges cause God to inspire ingenuity among his people.

2020 turned out to be a bit more of a marathon than most of us had, at first, imagined. We had to cope with more lockdowns, changing rules, and tiers and for some of us, having to tell our wedding couples that the thirty people who had been

invited to their wedding needed to be reduced to fifteen! We had to learn how to do communion in one kind in a COVID-19 safe manner, and how to cleanse our buildings from possible COVID-19 infection. Risk assessments became the norm. Masks were on and singing stopped. The usual fundraising events were cancelled, and we had to do stewardship talks online and write to everyone to keep levels of giving up ensuring Diocesan share was paid. Many churches used reserves to make sure their full share was met. Online Alpha Courses (and similar) have thrived, community engagement has grown, and we have worked diligently to keep in touch with our fellow church members. On top of this we managed to celebrate Easter in lockdown and Christmas with severe restrictions, and in many cases with a more significant engagement with our communities than in previous years.

This is a big well done from your Rural Dean.

Synod meetings in 2020

11 February @ St. Katharine's Church, Holt

17 June cancelled and replaced with a written report due to the country wide lockdown

15 October via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Then in November 2020 we were invited by Bishop Andrew to join a Zoom meeting entitled "Beyond the present". This provided an opportunity to give thanks to God for all that had been done within the Deanery and Diocese and time to listen and reflect together on how to move beyond the present and confidently approach an uncertain future.

Speakers in 2020

At the February meeting we welcomed the following Children & Families Workers as we thought about "Exploring the value of engaging children and families in our Deanery":

Hannah Tarring Melksham Team Ministry

Zoe Yeomans Churches of North Bradford on Avon & Villages

Tom Bullock St. James' Church, Trowbridge

We were posed some questions to consider and then share our thoughts and ideas:

Where do you find Children, Families & Young People?

Who do we want to reach and see blossom in faith?

What could the blossom of the tree represent?

What could the fruit of the tree represent?

What fruit do we see within our miniseries?

Our June meeting was cancelled and replaced with a written report which shared many encouraging ways in which churches have adapted during the pandemic and how they have reached out to their communities, schools and created services online including Messy Church live on Facebook!

The October meeting was our first experience of Deanery Synod on Zoom! We did not have a guest speaker; however, a full agenda of business was carried out including hearing about fund raising for Kadugli, how churches are using their outside spaces for worship outdoors, elected officers to roles (please see below for details), how online services and Alpha groups were progressing, a finance report from the Treasurer, how churches were reaching out and supporting families and school ministry and training opportunities were shared from local and national organisations.

At the October meeting the following Deanery Officers were elected:

Information Officer Dawn Farmer

Lay Chairman John Joy

Lay Pastoral Officer Marilyn Stubbs

Secretary Dawn Farmer

Treasurer David Robinson

Clergy and laity news

Rev. Joy Albone Priested to Canalside Benefice

Rev. Katie Jackson Welcomed as Curate to Broughton Gifford, Great Chalfield and Holt

Keith Hamilton Welcomed as LLM to Broughton Gifford, Great Chalfield and Holt

Rev. Jill Perrett PtO ministering in Canalside Benefice

Claire Horton Welcomed as LLM to Canalside Benefice

Lay Pioneers Six candidates were licensed in February 2020 from the following three churches: St. James, St. Katharine's and St. Thomas'

## Deaths

Simon Ruslings Lay Worship Leader, Churchwarden and Treasurer in the Benefice of North Bradley, Southwick, Heywood, and Steeple Ashton

Deanery Share 2020 – David Robinson (Treasurer)

In spite of the pandemic, the 25 parishes of the Deanery together paid £691,120 (94.5%) of the Share allocation of £731,531 for the year which is hugely heartening. In fact only two parishes [of the same Benefice] were significantly behind. I know that all parishes have had to dig into their reserves to achieve this but after all it is just this type of unforeseeable event for which Reserves are there. So a huge thank you to all PCC members, particularly Treasurers, for making this happen and for your continuing resolve to overcome the situation.

The overall Share paid across the Diocese totalled 89.6% so our Deanery should feel proud to have achieved what we have contributed to Share, itself being 90% of the costs of our stipendiary clergy in the Diocese.

Much as we would like to hope differently, 2021 will still be a challenge. For information, there is no increase to Share over 2020 for any parish.

At the same time, we have also contributed over £11,700 to our Kadugli fund in 2020 (and a 13% increase over 2019) and from which nearly £9,000 had been distributed.

## Report on Synod link with Kadugli John Joy

This has been an eventful year for Sudan, and for Kadugli in particular. For Sudan there has been a gradual extension of democratic government, and alterations in the law so it is no longer an offence to convert from Islam to Christianity.

Freedom of religion, and the rule of law may be the theory, but they need to be accepted and applied in practice, and this may take some time. There have, for example, been outbreaks of violence in the Kadugli area, and some of it seems to have been terrorist inspired. This, and perhaps the threat of Coronavirus, have impeded the progress of the Rooted in Jesus course we took out in 2019. We remain in touch with the church, however, and steps are being taken to re invigorate the course.

Peace Primary School in Kadugli opened at the beginning of 2021 with 11 teachers and over 200 pupils. It has raised considerable interest in Kadugli, and by next year may have as many as 350 pupils. This would call for the premises to be enlarged, and we wait to hear what is proposed. Meanwhile Bishop Hassan is concerned that the children of poorer families should not be excluded through inability to pay the

fees. The United Benefice ( Broughton Gifford and Great Chalfield) therefore raised over £1,000 for the school.

In response to the distress and displacement caused by the violence, the deanery raised £ largely through a sponsored walk (thank you to everyone who contributed) topped up by the deanery.

We also raised over £1,000 through a takeaway cream tea organised by Sue Cottle in Steeple Ashton (thank you Sue).

Other good news from Kadugli is that currently there is no Coronavirus there, and that without any overt evangelism, several Muslims have become Christians. There is still much progress to be made, so please take to heart the words of Archbishop Ezekiel

“Please do not grow tired of praying for Sudan”.

#### Wedding Fair

Three synod members represented the Deanery at a Wedding Fair at the Civic Centre in March 2020, just before lockdown. Several very good conversations had taken place with wedding couples. The table was attractive with a nice sample wedding cake, flower display, flyers with suggested readings and hymns and where to find information on the C of E website. In addition the Deanery had purchased a C of E wedding banner and the three members wore lanyards.

#### Synod meetings

Synod meetings are open to all those who wish to attend with meeting dates and locations arranged well in advance. The intention is to share good practice around the Deanery, and for it to be a place where ideas can be shared. At present due to the pandemic all Synod meetings are being held via Zoom. During 2020 there was opportunity at each meeting to share what has been taking place and to learn from each other, offer support and receive encouragement.

Meeting dates for 2021 which at present shall take place remotely via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic are as follows: 10 February, 16 June, and 20 October.

# **ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH, HOLT**

## **Financial Statements**

**For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

**CHIPPENDALE & CO**

*Accountants & Tax Advisors*

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## *Aim and purposes*

St Katharine's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Andrew Evans, within the village community the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic and social (in accordance with the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956).

It is part of a Benefice with St Mary's, Broughton Gifford and All Saints, Great Chalfield. The Benefice forms part of the Melksham group of churches which includes the Melksham Team Ministry and the Benefice of Atworth with Shaw and Whitley.

St Katharine's has ecumenical links with the URC in Holt. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of The Coach House, Ham Green, Holt.

## *Objectives and activities*

### St Katharine's Church Vision Statement

We are a welcoming community, loving and worshipping Jesus and expressing His message in ways that are attractive and accessible to all

- We honour God in our village by being generous, hospitable and valuing people for who they are.
- We stay close to God through bible teaching, in worship and in prayer, and we sense His presence and hear His voice.
- We respond to His call to help those on the margins, to heal the sick and to make disciples.
- We offer support and work with other churches to be a gateway for heaven to come to earth.
- We release people to take God's love and blessing to the village and beyond.

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Incoming resources</b>						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income	90,989	15,719	4,138	—	110,847	112,710
Activities for generating funds	90	—	—	—	90	77
Investment income	—	—	622	—	622	740
Incoming resources from charitable activities	2,679	—	—	—	2,679	5,543
Other incoming resources	180	—	—	—	180	65
<b>Total income</b>	<b>93,938</b>	<b>15,719</b>	<b>4,761</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>114,419</b>	<b>119,137</b>
<b>Resources used</b>						
Cost of generating funds	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	503	—	—	—	503	591
Charitable activities	97,405	7,535	50,795	—	155,735	207,697
Governance costs	265	—	—	—	265	265
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>98,173</b>	<b>7,535</b>	<b>50,795</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>156,503</b>	<b>208,553</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>(4,234)</b>	<b>8,184</b>	<b>(46,033)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(42,084)</b>	<b>(89,415)</b>
<b>Transfers</b>						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	1,743	—	1,743	3,096
Gross transfers between funds - out	(1,743)	—	—	—	(1,743)	(3,096)
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>						
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	648	—	648	402
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(5,978)</b>	<b>8,184</b>	<b>(43,641)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(41,435)</b>	<b>(89,012)</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>38,068</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>284,478</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>322,578</b>	<b>411,591</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>32,090</b>	<b>8,215</b>	<b>240,837</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>322,578</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General fund	32,090	—	—	—	32,090	38,068
<b>Designated</b>						
Dominica	—	31	—	—	31	31
India	—	151	—	—	151	—
Kadugli	—	48	—	—	48	—
Youth worker	—	7,984	—	—	7,984	—
<b>Restricted</b>						
Bells - Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	44	—	44	44
Churchyard	—	—	648	—	648	—
New Buildings and alterations	—	—	212,614	—	212,614	257,086
Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	27,096	—	27,096	26,951
Tiny Tots	—	—	432	—	432	395

## Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets (note 1)	264,000	264,000
Investments (note 2)	19,035	18,386
	<b>283,035</b>	<b>282,386</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors (note 3)	7,070	5,278
Cash at bank and in hand	51,912	99,650
	<b>58,982</b>	<b>104,928</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	22,375	20,236
	<b>22,375</b>	<b>20,236</b>
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>36,607</b>	<b>84,692</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>319,643</b>	<b>367,078</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	38,500	44,500
	<b>38,500</b>	<b>44,500</b>
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>322,578</b>
<b>Represented by</b>		
<b>Unrestricted</b>		
General fund	32,090	38,068
<b>Designated</b>		
Dominica	31	31
India	151	—
Kadugli	48	—
Youth worker	7,984	—
<b>Restricted</b>		
Bells - Repairs and Maintenance	44	44
Tiny Tots	432	395
Churchyard	648	—
Repairs and Maintenance	27,096	26,951
New Buildings and alterations	212,614	257,086
<b>Funds of the church</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>322,578</b>

## Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Fixed assets - Investments</b>						
CBF Fixed interest shares -	18,386	—	648	—	19,035	18,386
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18,386</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>19,035</b>	<b>18,386</b>
<b>Fixed assets - Tangible assets</b>						
Coach House -	—	—	260,000	—	260,000	260,000
Leasehold Land -	—	—	4,000	—	4,000	4,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>264,000</b>	<b>264,000</b>
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>						
Lloyds Bank Account -	15,543	7,035	29,233	—	51,812	99,550
Cash in Hand -	100	—	—	—	100	100
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15,643</b>	<b>7,035</b>	<b>29,233</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>51,912</b>	<b>99,650</b>
<b>Current assets - Debtors</b>						
Accounts Receivable -	4,809	180	22	—	5,011	4,573
Other Debtors and PrePayments -	1,058	1,000	—	—	2,058	705
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5,868</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7,070</b>	<b>5,278</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Creditors - Long Term Loans -	—	—	38,500	—	38,500	44,500
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>38,500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>38,500</b>	<b>44,500</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year</b>						
Accounts Payable -	977	—	30	—	1,007	12,537
Other Creditors & Accruals -	6,831	—	14,536	—	21,367	7,699
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7,808</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>14,566</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>22,375</b>	<b>20,236</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>32,090</b>	<b>8,215</b>	<b>240,837</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>281,143</b>	<b>322,578</b>

## Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
<b>Bells - Bells - Repairs and</b>						
Restricted	44	—	—	—	—	44
<b>Sub-total for Bells</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Dominica - Dominica</b>						
Designated	31	1,726	1,726	—	—	31
<b>Sub-total for Dominica</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1,726</b>	<b>1,726</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>India - India</b>						
Designated	—	4,810	4,658	—	—	151
<b>Sub-total for India</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4,810</b>	<b>4,658</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>151</b>
<b>Kadugli - Kadugli</b>						
Designated	—	1,198	1,150	—	—	48
<b>Sub-total for Kadugli</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Star - Gateway Healing</b>						
Restricted	—	352	543	190	—	—
<b>Sub-total for Star</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>TinyTots - Tiny Tots</b>						
Restricted	395	95	57	—	—	432
<b>Sub-total for TinyTots</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>432</b>
<b>Youth - Youth worker</b>						
Designated	—	7,984	—	—	—	7,984
<b>Sub-total for Youth</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7,984</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7,984</b>
<b>General - General fund</b>						
Unrestricted	38,068	93,938	98,173	(1,743)	—	32,090
<b>Sub-total for General</b>	<b>38,068</b>	<b>93,938</b>	<b>98,173</b>	<b>(1,743)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32,090</b>
<b>Churchyard - Churchyard</b>						
Restricted	—	622	2,176	1,553	648	648
<b>Sub-total for Churchyard</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>2,176</b>	<b>1,553</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>648</b>
<b>Fabric - Repairs and Maintena</b>						
Restricted	26,951	625	480	—	—	27,096
<b>Sub-total for Fabric</b>	<b>26,951</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>27,096</b>
<b>Building - New Buildings and al</b>						
Restricted	257,086	3,066	47,538	—	—	212,614
<b>Sub-total for Building</b>	<b>257,086</b>	<b>3,066</b>	<b>47,538</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>212,614</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>322,578</b>	<b>114,419</b>	<b>156,503</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>281,143</b>

## Analysis of income and expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>	
					<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>						
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Voluntary income</b>						
Tax efficient planned giving	59,615	12,980	2,939	—	75,534	75,423
Other planned giving	9,698	350	115	—	10,163	6,036
All Other Recurring giving/donations	—	—	5	—	5	—
All Non Recurring giving/donations	6,818	965	345	—	8,128	12,426
All tax recovered through Gift Aid	14,856	1,424	734	—	17,015	18,604
Legacies Received	—	—	—	—	—	219
Total	90,989	15,719	4,138	—	110,847	112,710
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Activities for generating funds</b>						
Gross Income from fundraising	90	—	—	—	90	77
Total	90	—	—	—	90	77
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Investment income</b>						
Dividends, Income from Property	—	—	622	—	622	740
Total	—	—	622	—	622	740
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>						
Statutory fees retained by PCC	2,351	—	—	—	2,351	3,593
Gross income from trading	328	—	—	—	328	1,950
Total	2,679	—	—	—	2,679	5,543
<b>Other incoming resources</b>						
Other incoming resources	180	—	—	—	180	65
Total	180	—	—	—	180	65
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>93,938</b>	<b>15,719</b>	<b>4,761</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>114,419</b>	<b>119,137</b>

## EXPENDITURE

### Cost of generating funds - Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs

Cost of Trading	503	—	—	—	503	591
Total	503	—	—	—	503	591

### Charitable activities

All Missions Giving, charitable grants	9,371	6,133	—	—	15,505	12,430
Parish Share paid to Diocese	47,900	—	—	—	47,900	46,676
Salaries/Honoraria	16,704	—	—	—	16,704	14,389
Expenses (Clergy, Pastoral)	1,244	—	—	—	1,244	4,980
Mission and evangelism costs	2,260	1,401	300	—	3,962	11,565
Church running expenses	11,260	—	2,476	—	13,737	30,808
Church Utility Bills	8,662	—	—	—	8,662	8,201
Major Repairs to Church Buildings	—	—	480	—	480	2,721
New Building work, Church	—	—	47,538	—	47,538	75,088
Other outgoing resources	—	—	—	—	—	834
Total	97,405	7,535	50,795	—	155,735	207,697

### Governance costs

Governance Costs	265	—	—	—	265	265
Total	265	—	—	—	265	265

<b>EXPENDITURE TOTAL</b>	<b>98,173</b>	<b>7,535</b>	<b>50,795</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>156,503</b>	<b>208,553</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>(4,234)</b>	<b>8,184</b>	<b>(46,033)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(42,084)</b>	<b>(89,415)</b>

## Notes to the Accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

### 1 FREEHOLD PROPERTIES

a) The Coach House. This property was purchased during the year to 31.12.14 and is used as the Church offices and other Parish functions. Planning permission has been approved for change of use and for extending the building.

b) Leasehold Land A long lease has been purchased on a small strip of land at the rear of St Katharine's Church.

### 2 INVESTMENTS

11222.37 Income Shares in the CBF Church of England Fixed Interest Fund valued at £19,035.38

3	<u>SUNDRY DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Benefice Expenses		
	St Mary's	1,176	1,875
	All Saints	<u>586</u>	<u>531</u>
		1,762	2,406
	Gift Aid Claims	3,250	2,168
	Insurances prepaid	538	505
	CCLI licenses prepaid	521	-
	Sidholme Deposits	<u>1,000</u>	<u>200</u>
		<u>£7,071</u>	<u>£5,279</u>

4	<b><u>SUNDRY CREDITORS</u></b>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Architects and Planning Fees	11,536	-
	Electrical contractor	3,000	-
	Parish Share to Diocese	-	11,745
	Tithes & giving	6,400	6,600
	December expenses	1,174	792
	Diocese loan interest	-	834
	Accountancy Fees	<u>265</u>	<u>265</u>
		<u><u>£22,375</u></u>	<u><u>£20,236</u></u>
5	<b><u>LONG TERM CREDITORS</u></b>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Diocese loan	<u>38,500</u>	<u>44,500</u>
		<u><u>£38,500</u></u>	<u><u>£44,500</u></u>

This report dated: 18/01/2021

Approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Andrew Evans (PCC Chairman)



# Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name  
ST KATHARINE'S CHURCH HOLT  
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

On accounts for the year ended

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Charity no (if any)

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### 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.

### Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Signed

Date

27. 1. 21

Name

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