

## Treasurer's Report 2022

The Bishop's Lenten Appeal raised over £200 from the Sunday soup lunch after costs were deducted. As a result of specific donations from members of the congregation, a replacement Church Candle stand was set up in the Church at a cost of £490. Our Charity giving amounted to £2500 during the year which included donations to Water Aid, Friends of Essex Churches Trust, Churches together in Basildon and UNICEF (Ukraine relief mission). The annual collection and lunch for Christian Aid came to £185.

The Memorial service for our deputy organist, David Frostick in July played for by James O'Donnell, organist of Westminster Abbey received £644 in donations, and this was passed on to St. Luke's Hospice, Basildon.

During the year the PCC gave £3000 towards the refurbishment and internal improvements of the Rectory. Damage to a window in the Chancel from high winds was repaired at a cost of £1922 and was covered by insurance. New heaters in the Pastoral Centre have been fitted and new LED lights costing about £2900 altogether including certifying and testing. A new dishwasher has also been purchased.

The organ has benefitted from a blower booster being added which cost £1675.

In the summer a digital giving terminal was installed in the church foyer, and this now provides an alternative to collection plate giving. Overall, giving has increased from the previous year and the contribution the terminal can add from Gift Aiding is still to be worked out. Fund raising continues to hold up fairly well, particularly the winter Fayre although receipts from Bargain Box fluctuate a lot from week to week.

Church heating costs have come down which is welcome, and we were successful in our bid to the Diocese for a winter fuel grant. This coming year poses a financial challenge in meeting a considerable increase in our Parish Share after an unsuccessful appeal about the size of increase.

Mike Lowe

## **Independent examiner's report to the PCC of Basildon St Martin of Tours**

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are attached.

### **Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an Independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiners Statement.**


My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
  - to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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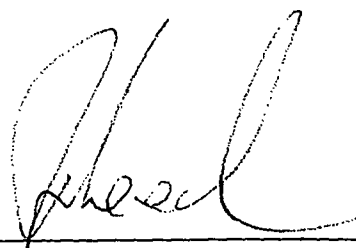
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**Basildon St Martin of Tours Charity No - 1167400**

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)**


**As at: 31 December 2022**

		Balance	Previous balance
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>			
<b>6501: HSBC 400917 11509217 - Asset</b>			
General fund	Unrestricted	15,680.03	35,898.85
Anniversary Fund	Designated	(1,201.55)	(716.55)
Bell Tower Fund	Restricted	1,442.55	1,511.54
Christmas Tree Festival	Designated	627.79	627.79
Church Links Officer Fund	Restricted	2,809.80	886.18
Evangelism Fund	Restricted	160.06	160.06
Fabric Fund	Designated	15,000.00	—
Fabric Fund	Restricted	135.65	135.65
Flower Fund	Restricted	95.80	95.80
Garden Fund	Restricted	360.00	50.00
Organ Fund	Restricted	1,456.93	3,492.73
Rector's Discretionary Fund	Designated	15.00	15.00
Rector's Projects	Restricted	563.34	563.34
Training Fund	Designated	120.00	120.00
Youth Fund	Restricted	404.00	404.00
		<b>37,669.40</b>	<b>43,244.39</b>
<b>6591: Cash in hand - Flowers - Asset</b>			
Flower Fund	Designated	60.48	289.73
Flower Fund	Restricted	240.00	—
		<b>300.48</b>	<b>289.73</b>
<b>6599: Monies for Banking - Asset</b>			
General fund	Unrestricted	829.35	—
		<b>829.35</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>		<b>38,799.23</b>	<b>43,534.12</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>38,799.23</b>	<b>43,534.12</b>



**Basildon St Martin of Tours Charity No - 1167400**  
**Statement of Financial Activities - summary**  
**For the period from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Total income</b>	83,126.63	1,946.50	3,300.66	—	88,373.69	85,988.51
<b>Total expenditure</b>	86,856.10	2,900.75	3,351.73	—	93,108.58	64,918.22
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	(3,729.47)	(954.25)	(51.17)	—	(4,734.89)	21,070.29
Gross transfers between funds - in	3,700.09	16,201.00	3,159.09	—	23,060.18	3,455.04
Gross transfers between funds - out	(19,360.09)	(961.00)	(2,739.09)	—	(23,060.18)	(3,455.04)
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	(19,389.47)	14,285.75	368.83	—	(4,734.89)	21,070.29
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	35,898.85	335.97	7,299.30	—	43,534.12	22,463.83
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	16,509.38	14,621.72	7,668.13	—	38,799.23	43,534.12
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General fund	16,509.38	—	—	—	16,509.38	35,898.85
<b>Designated</b>						
Anniversary Fund	—	(1,201.55)	—	—	(1,201.55)	(716.55)
Christmas Tree Festival	—	627.79	—	—	627.79	627.79
Fabric Fund	—	15,000.00	—	—	15,000.00	—
Flower Fund	—	60.48	—	—	60.48	289.73
Rector's Discretionary Fund	—	15.00	—	—	15.00	15.00
Training Fund	—	120.00	—	—	120.00	120.00
<b>Restricted</b>						
Bell Tower Fund	—	—	1,442.55	—	1,442.55	1,511.54
Church Links Officer Fund	—	—	2,809.80	—	2,809.80	886.18
Evangelism Fund	—	—	160.06	—	160.06	160.06
Fabric Fund	—	—	135.65	—	135.65	135.65
Flower Fund	—	—	335.80	—	335.80	95.80
Garden Fund	—	—	360.00	—	360.00	50.00
Organ Fund	—	—	1,456.93	—	1,456.93	3,492.73
Rector's Projects	—	—	563.34	—	563.34	563.34
Youth Fund	—	—	404.00	—	404.00	404.00



## CHURCHWARDENS REPORT

This report reflects from the financial year the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 20022  
until the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2022

Once again, we take this to thank members who gave their time to voluntarily to ensure the smooth running of St. Martin of Tours. Brian, Sacristan, despite being well to be steadfastly contributing. Also, Lori who has not been well continues to do her secretarial bit. We are sorry that Tracy Whitt, due to her illness has not been able to continue as PCC Secretary. We thank her for her invaluable input and work and wish her well for the future. Julia and Ancelin for taking on the Sunday School; the flower ladies Eileen and Julia; Sylvia for her catering skills; Brian Fry for his for his DIY skills and forgetting Roger who stepped up to cover Brian Knight while he was away, also for his bell ringing function and team of bell ringer. To the readers and intercessors contribution is much appreciate, especially the very young children who seem to enjoy taking part. We how ever lost sidespersons from the effect of covid-19.

The Social Committee set up last year has been functioning well and has been able to deliver a number of successful activities –

5/6/22 – The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration

4/7/22 - Strawberry Tea

8/10/22 – Harvest Supper

26/10/22 – Christmas Market

11/11/22 – 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner at the Gun, Pitsea

26/3/23 - Lent Lunch

Pastoral Centre : the electrical work to the heating and lighting has been completed to a good standard. Plastering the wall is done and now ready for decorating.

Churchwardens : Daphne Plant and Elkin C. Neblett

# **Basildon Bell Tower Report 2022**

In 2022 the bells were rung on 111 occasions.

Including ringing to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of HM The Queen and subsequently to mark her death.

We also marked three funerals with a passing bell tolled, including those of our former bellringer Ron Whitt and the former Churchwarden at the time that the bell tower was built, Brenda Austin.

We hosted three groups of visiting ringers and rang for special occasions such as the annual Civic Service and to mark the New Year.

Roger Hobson