



Following Jesus, Serving our Community

**Financial Statements and Associated Reports for
1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022 presented
to the Annual Parochial Church meeting held on
14th May 2023**

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1. Vicar's Report

Rev'd Paul Neville, Vicar's Report to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) Sunday 14th May 2023

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Welcome to Holy Trinity with St Mark APCM, and thank you for those joining us here today and those following online.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting - (APCM) is a legal requirement when the PCC present financial accounts and reports from all departments of our Church, and where we are reminded of our purpose and calling as the Church in this community: that is...

The Church is called to be pastoral – to look after the individual people; to be evangelistic – to tell people the Good News and invite them to accept it; to be social – to help the poorer members of society, and those suffering from racial, economic and other forms of injustice; and to be ecumenical – to encourage good relations with other Christian denominations.

The challenges of two years of Covid 19 and its after effects are still very much with us. We continue to livestream our morning worship and the numbers who attend have improved marginally. We have also had quite a number of our church family taken ill with one thing or another and they continue to be in our prayers. I am pleased that we have dispensed 'almost' with Zoom meetings and have more or less resumed face to face meetings with school and the diocese.

The church 'Whats App group' continues to be a vital source of communication and support. It has been wonderful to see so many looking out for each other and praying for each other through Whats App. The challenges of finance and parish share continue to be a cause for concern, but eased with a £30,000 bequest from a dearly loved member of our church family. Some of that gift enabled the PCC to purchase and install an AED on the wall located near the front door of the church.

Last year I was given the opportunity by Bishop Paul as I reached my 60th year to take a sabbatical, which also coincided with my wife Christine's retirement. It was a real blessing to spend quality time together travelling and recharging batteries. I left the church in the very capable hands of church wardens and the ministry of Rev John Hearn and Connie Robinson I would like to thank John and Connie, our churchwardens – Barbara Porritt, Gemma Robson, supported by David Patterson (Deputy Church Warden) for everything they did to enable me to take some time out. Thank you for your remarkable commitment to serving our church and God's purpose for us. I was impressed by the way Gemma chaired the PCC and got a lot done especially the maintenance of the floor and the installation of the AED; thank you also to Mark Kennedy for leading to so meticulously on this and for the way he continues to monitor the equipment.

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Thank you to Doreen Crinson for her role as PCC secretary. Thank you to Connie Robinson for coordinating Baptisms so well. Thank you to Sue Gordon and the way that she has continued to keep our church administration running smoothly. To Kelly for her work as PCC member and PSO Parish Safeguarding Officer. It was a blessing to know that there were no safeguarding issues for Kelly and myself to deal with. Safeguarding is a high priority for our church so that everyone who comes to church for whatever reason is safe.

A huge thank you to Mike Blake as treasurer, for his careful management of church finances. Despite a challenging year we managed to honour our pledge to the diocese parish share of £38,000 we made at the beginning of 2022. Thank you to all those who give so generously to our church.

All the usual ways in which we have served our community over the years have now fully resumed with the addition of Morning Prayer at 11.00am on a Tuesday.

Gener8 continues to be served well with four teams of volunteers and offers a valuable service to those in our church and community as well as school staff. Thank you to all those who give to this important lunch club and the vital fellowship that is enjoyed by those who come.

Ignite youth club is booming with lots of young people coming on a Friday evening. Once again we could not do this important ministry with the fantastic team of over a dozen people. It is wonderful to see the young people of our parish come and enjoy time with friends. It is good for their mental health and for them to have a space they feel is their own. We are still looking to appoint a youth pastor to grow the work with our children and young people.

Boomerang has had a very challenging time as a result of the pandemic and a big thank you to Jo Ford Leadbeater and her team for working so hard in keeping Boomerang going so well. Also to Barbara Burns, a PCC representative appointed to the management committee to assist Jo with managerial support, also to Connie for stepping into my shoes as chair while I was on my sabbatical.

I am always blessed when the children of Holy Trinity School come into church for Collective Worship on a Tuesday morning. It has been good to introduce Holy Communion twice a term when we invite parents and carers to join us for this service, which is well attended. Last year we had eight young people get confirmed at St Peters Church Yarm Road. St Marks School has had a change of senior staff recently. Thank you to Bruce for serving on the LAB (Local Advisory Board) of the school until his resignation recently. We now have two vacancies of the LAB to consider.

Ian Ramsey has taken the decision to amalgamate with a larger academy called Northern Lights. A new structure of governance is under review and I have been asked if I would join as Ex-officio governor as Vicar of the parish.

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In closing, I am so very aware of the many people that have been taken ill during the past few years and some still unwell. Thank you to all of you that have prayed and visited each other, kept in touch with those still isolated because of health problems. As we have looked back over the past year and revisited all that we have done together, it is with joy to look forward too. Our fellowship is essential to our well-being and faith. I feel that we seem to discover more and more just how important we are to each other often under challenging circumstances.

I take comfort from 2 Corinthians 4:8,9,16-18

We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair, persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us and eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

As we approach Easter let us remember that Christ is Risen over every circumstances of life.

Thank you all once again for being a blessing to me and to Christine.

Peace and Joy

Rev Paul

2. Independent Examiner's Report

HOLY TRINITY WITH ST MARK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

I REPORT TO THE pcc ON MY EXAMINATION OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE CHURCH FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2022 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the accounts.

REPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect.

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with my examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

SIGNED:



DATE:

01 / 03 / 2023

3. Financial Accounts

HOLY TRINITY WITH ST MARK
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

INCOMING RESOURCES	2022		2021
	Unrestricted	Designated Total	
A. Voluntary Income/Receipts			
1. Tax Efficient Planned Giving	27,588	27,588	33,346
3. Collections at Services	8604	8604	645
		36,192	33991
4. All other giving, inc. Special Appeals, Youth Bibles etc.		372	372
6. Gift Aid Recovery	8,844	0	8844
7. Legacies	30,319	0	30,319
8. Grants including Youth Support/Community	2,561	10,000	12,561
			9,729
Total Voluntary Income	41724	10372	52096
		88,288	54452
B. Activities for Generating Funds			
9. Gross income from Fund Raising activities	4,289	4289	2038
Income from Investments			
10. Dividends and Interest	522	522	20
Church Activities			
11. Statutory fees retained by PCC (weddings, funerals etc)	482	482	554
12. Gener8 Luncheon Club	2,785	2785	1,102
12.1 Children and Youth Work	6,215	6,215	1,162
12.2 Gross Income from Boomerang (childcare provision)	11,850	11,850	4,950
12.3 Gross Trading income (Hall letting, Parish mag, Book stall)	5,492	5492	3,997
	31635	0	31635
			9597
C. Other Income			
Pre-school Ins. Settlement, Church Ins., DBF transfers of Reserves		0	34,371
A+B+C Total Incoming Resources		119,923	98420

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

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	2022	2022	Total	2021
	Unrestricted	Designated		
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Cost of generating Income				
17 Fundraising activities	4663		4663	1148
Church activities				
18 Mission and donations	173		173	832
19 Parish share	37800		37800	37356
20 Salaries, wages, honoraria	4952		4952	4680
21 Clergy and staff expenses	7335		7335	3223
	50260	0	50260	46091
Church expenses				
23 Church running expenses	8765		8765	4270
24 Utility Bills	4050		4050	3221
25 Cost of trading (Lettings, Parish magazine etc)	113		113	150
	12928		12928	7641
Major capital expenditure				
28 Church buildings - floor repairs and redecoration	7258		7258	0
				0
23.1 Governance costs	698		698	1895
Other outgoing resources/payments				
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	68549	0	68549	56775

	2022	2021	2020	2019
ASSETS				
Tangible fixed assets	8800	8000	8000	8026
Bank current account	55472	27523	9449	10722
Cash in hand	24	24	47	194
Durham Board of Finance account	70243	39699	39699	60498
Total	134,539	75246	57195	79440

Holy Trinity with St Mark

Notes on Funds

Designated funds represent fundraising for a specific project for Youth Work and the employment of a Youth Worker to support our community. Our Youth Worker was employed part time from September 2018.

St Mark's capital fund is held with the Durham Diocesan Board of Finance. The fund is unrestricted and regarded by the PCC as for use to support the parish.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and signed on their behalf.

P. Nuthall

(Minister for Holy Trinity with St Mark)

M.D. Blake

(PCC member)

17.4.23

(Date)

Independent Examiner:

Mr J Gates

105 Upsall Grove

Fairfield

Stockton-on-Tees

Date: 17.4.23



Boomerang Financial report 2022

Income

Parent fees	
Jan	£9132
Feb	£10896
March	£9175
April	£9855
May	£10111
June	£9701
July	£10071
August	£8054
September	£9119
October	£10531
November	£11561
December	£10545
Local Authority Funding	£37671
<u>Total</u>	<u>£156422</u>

Expenditure

Salaries	£120618
Accountancy fees	£2280
Sundries	£ 7123
Peninsular	£2253.
Insurance	£1132
OFSTED fees	£ 255
Utilities	£1446
Pest control	£0
Food	£2590.
Rental	£11820
<u>Total</u>	<u>£149517</u>

Balance as of 31/12/2021 £37556.22

Last year £26134.04

4. PCC Report

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting held 3rd April 2022

- 1 **Welcome** Chairman Rev'd Paul Neville welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayers.

There were 26 people in attendance.
- 2 **Minutes of the Vestry Meeting** – held on 25th April 2021 were read approved and signed as a true record.
- 3 **Election of Church Wardens:**
Mrs Barbara Porritt: - (proposed by Sue Gordon, seconded by Doreen Crinson) **Mrs Gemma Robson:**-(proposed by Sue Gordon, seconded by Doreen Crinson)
They were duly elected at the Meeting.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) 3rd April 2022

- 1 **Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting** –held on 25th April 2021 were read, approved and signed as a true record.
- 2 **Matters Arising** - There were no Matters Arising.
- 3 **Presentation of Annual Accounts** – The accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner. Thank you to both Mike and Sue for all their work. Michael Blake and Sue Gordon have done a great job, Mike coping with our accounts and Sue claiming a substantial amount of tax back from HMRC. There has been improvement in the Accounts but there is still a way to go to get back to where we were before Covid 19 struck.
Rev'd Paul proposed the Annual Accounts be accepted, seconded by Anne Daly. All were in favour.
- 4 **Election of New PCC Members**
It was decided not to apply the 3 year rotation rule on this occasion. We have had 3 nominations for the PCC, they are:-
David Patterson (proposed by Gemma Robson, seconded by Kathryn Kennedy) **Shirley Perkins** (proposed by Kathryn Kennedy, seconded by Heather Bamforth) **Christine Robertson**(proposed by Gemma Robertson, seconded by Kathryn Kennedy)
Everyone was happy for the newly elected PCC Members to represent them.

5 Election of Deputy Church Wardens

Ivor Cassell and Barry Winter have indicated they are happy to continue as Deputy Church Wardens.

David Patterson has expressed an interest in being a Church Warden. When he is on the PCC he will be able to learn more about being a Church Warden, from Ivor Cassell and Barry Winter.

Kelly Adekunle has agreed to continue as Parish Safe Guarding Officer (PSO)
Proposed by Rev'd Paul Neville, seconded by Gemma Robson.
All were in favour.

6 There are so many people to whom I owe thanks for what they do because without the Team we have here I couldn't do what I do. A big thank you to you all.

Margaret Blake has played the piano every week since the return to live church services, and it is only right we give her and the Music group a rest, which is why we want to further develop the music, like today when we had words and music on the screens, which everyone seemed to enjoy.
It means Margaret and the Music Group can have a break and enjoy being part of the congregation for a change.

There is a new Software out called "iSing", which is Musical Software which costs about £147 per year which enables easy access to music on the internet.

It was proposed by Rev'd Paul Neville seconded by Anne Daly that we pay £147.00 per year for this new "iSing" Musical Soft Ware.

All were in favour.

Rev'd Paul suggested that for 2 weeks we can have live music and the other weeks can use "iSing" Soft Ware.

We will still continue to live stream the service on a Sunday, the internet is OK but it is not that great. It is hoped in the future we will be able to improve the reception of the live streaming with new equipment. At the next PCC costs of this will be investigated.

Thank you to Rev'd John Hearn for all he does for Holy Trinity Church.

It's been a difficult couple of years for Boomerang but Jo Ford-Leadbeater and Staff ably assisted by Barbara Burns have managed very well. Thanks to them all for their hard work involved with Boomerang, which is starting to show signs of improvement.

Collective worship is back once more this is split into 2 sessions, KS1 and KS2.

Holy Trinity with St. Mark PCC Meeting

The next PCC Meeting is 25th April 2022 at 7pm. Usually it is the 3rd Monday but on this occasion it is the 4th Monday as the 3rd Monday is Easter Monday.
Doreen will send a list of PCC meetings to the PCC ASAP.

P. North.
14.5.23

Election of Treasurer & Secretary.

Mike Blake indicated he was happy to continue to be Treasurer.

It was proposed by Sue Gordon, seconded by Karthyn Kennedy that Michael Blake be Treasurer.

All were in Favour.

Doreen Crinson agreed to continue as Secretary.

Proposed by Barbara Porritt, seconded by Sue Gordon.

All were in favour.

It was mentioned by Rev'd Paul that we have to be aware that there needs to be assistants in all of the jobs. If you think "I can't be a Treasurer or Secretary or do any of the jobs" please reconsider. You don't have to be qualified in a certain job, none of it is complicated, training would be given.

Sue Gordon is willing to continue as Parish Administrator. This is a non elective post.

Electoral Role – the number of names on the Electoral Role at 2021 was 137, sadly since then 2 people have died and 5 have moved. The Electoral Roll now stands at 130 people.

Thank you to Kathryn Kennedy for organising the Electoral Roll.

Sabbatical – Rev'd Paul will be finishing straight after the Easter Services 2022 and will be back with you all in September 2022 being fully refreshed and re-energised.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) closed after prayers were said.

5. PCC Secretary's Report

Well here we are at another year. 2022 has been a year when people have been a little tentative about mixing and having the freedom to do so. The PCC as usual have been meeting and have had some interesting meetings and discussions on all aspects of the Church. Rev'd Paul went on Sabbatical during which time Gemma Robson took over the role as Chair and very good she was too.

We still operate the 3 year rolling programme, which means you join the PCC and are on for 3 years and then come off for a year then can rejoin should you wish to. This gives everyone the chance to understand the working of the church. The only difference to that is you are automatically on the PCC if you are on Deanery Synod, Safeguarding Officer, a Reader, Church Warden or Deputy Church Warden. Treasurer and Secretary are elected each year.

Doreen Crinson
PCC Secretary.

6. Church Warden's Report

It's a privilege to serve you all as church warden for another year with the help and dedication from Barbara.

This year we are back to 'normal' and we can finally sit together and share tea and coffee.

We have enjoyed our traditional church fayres at Easter, in the summer and at Christmas, which were all a success.

Paul spent some time away on sabbatical after Easter and returned in September. Everything ran very smoothly and I'm thankful to the team for the great communication and commitment from them. We hope that this time away has enriched his life and ministry and we are thankful for the work he does in our church especially everything that goes on behind the scenes.

This year we got our floor sanded and re sealed which made a wonderful difference to the look of the hall. This next year we are looking at other ways we can update and freshen up the church.

Our WhatsApp group is a great way of reaching out to our church family and sharing prayers. This continues to be a success.

We welcomed Rev Jane to our church before Christmas and look forward her time here with us.

Thank you to Rev Paul, John and Connie for leading our services so passionately, Sue for being a friendly face in the office. Her hard work doesn't go unnoticed. Mike for all the time he puts into our finances, Ann, Pat and David for the music, Mark for helping with the screens and the whole of the PCC and Doreen our Secretary.

Our prayers are with lots of our church family who are missed so dearly especially Ivor, Margaret and Barry.

Here's to another blessed and faithful year.

Gemma Robson
Church Warden

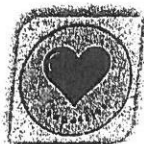
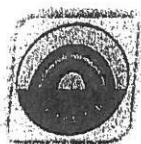
7 Chair of Governor's Report – Holy Trinity Rosehill C of E Primary School

Writing on behalf of Mrs Swift, the staff and governors, we would like to share news from Holy Trinity Rosehill.

What a busy year in school. Mrs Swift, Mrs Whelerton, leaders and all staff continue to work extremely hard to provide high quality education and experiences for our children

This year, Mrs Swift, senior leaders and staff have worked with Jo Warner to ensure the school vision and values reflect distinct Christian values and support our children, school and community. The vision and values are now embedded throughout school; they have been shared with parents and carers and staff continue to embed them through their daily practice.

The children continue to amaze staff with their enthusiasm for learning and behaviour. Leaders have worked hard to embed a new Thrive behaviour policy to support learning and work with children on Mental Health and Wellbeing. The Christian Values have helped children to talk about their feelings and also celebrate the wonderful things they do. Lots of the wonderful things, including weekly certificates linked to the school values, can be found on the school Facebook page. <https://en-gb.facebook.com/HTRosehill/> or find out more information about school at <https://www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/>
Below are the school values.



Continuing with the children, a group of Year 5 and 6s, have been working hard with Mrs Green on becoming *Leading Lights*. The *Leading Lights* team, lead worship as part of the school worship programme and aim to help their peers to 'Let their Lights Shine.'

Worship continues daily, based on planned themes and scripture throughout the year. Children and staff are invited to lead and take part in worship. Worship takes place regularly in church or in the school halls; in Friday worship, staff and children celebrate the school values and house points. It has also been lovely for Mrs Swift and staff to invite parents and carers back into school for class worships, open afternoons and events.

Continuing with worship, staff create prayer spaces around school, at which children can have time for reflection, including the new outdoor prayer station on the Holy Trinity field.

At Easter time, a group of children took part in their first Holy Communion and in November, five children were confirmed at St Peter's.

October saw the first iSing pop concert held for the children, staff and parents. A wonderful time was had by all. Then the children had a range of activities celebrating and preparing over Christmas. School was filled with joy, reflection, singing, proud parents and staff, wonderful costumes and smiling faces! The Year 5 children also went along to the Thornaby Pavilion to celebrate the joy of singing with parents and carers at Snappy Christmas.

Staff continue to plan, teach and assess using the RE framework. Mrs Swift, all leaders and staff, work hard to continue to embed the school's distinctive Christian vision throughout everyday school life, with the children at the centre of their decisions. The school values are promoted throughout the school and enable pupils and adults to flourish.

Governors have thanked John Britton for his service as a governor for many years and have welcomed Councillor Niall Innes to our Governing Body. We continue as a Governing Body to attend training in order to support Mrs Swift and school moving forward.

Governors continue to talk with staff about specific areas of the School Development Plan, meet at committees and Governor Development Days. We ensure reflection questions based on the school vision and values are discussed at every meeting. Foundation Governor, Andrew McClone, has continued to send reports to the PCC this year, sharing news from school and involving the PCC in school life.

We thank Mrs Swift and Mrs Whelerton for guiding our children this year and for encouraging all children, staff and governors to *Let their Lights Shine*.

Sophie Huggins
Vice-Chair of Governors

8. Electoral Roll Report

The number of names presented to the A.G.M. on April 3rd 2022 was 130 a decrease of 7 on the previous year.

Katherine Kennedy

9. Boomerang Childcare Report

We have had a very busy, successful year with lots of new children joining us.

The activities we provide are open ended and focused around the childrens interests so every day is different.

We include festivals and celebrations in our planning and adapt the learning to meet the childrens individual needs, for example, their age.

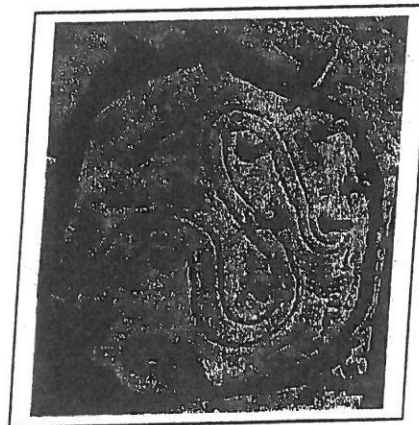
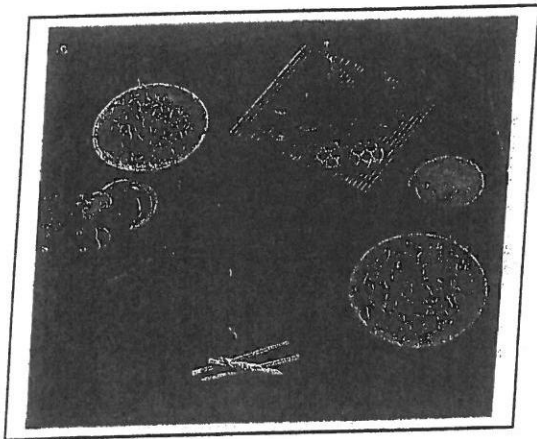
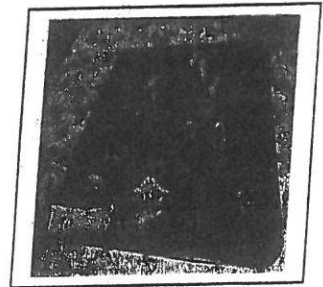
One thing most children have in common is that they like to get dirty. We do a lot of sensory activities, slime, playdough, gloop... to name a few - these are always popular.

We have taken the children on many walks and on a bus trip and wrote postcards to our families and posted them in the postbox. It was lovely to see pictures of the children receiving their post cards through the post at home, this helped them to understand the postal service and how it works.

Outdoor play is a firm favourite for the children; they have chance to run, climb, build and experience all weathers. We are hoping to develop the outdoor play area very soon so it is accessible all year round as there is a large grassed area that becomes very muddy in wet weather.

We are excited about the year ahead and the exciting things we have planned!

In April we will be celebrating 19 years of Boomerang!



Jo Ford Leadbeater
Boomerang Childcare Manager

10. Cafe Generate Report

Generate continues to provide Thursday luncheon serving from 12 noon until 1.15 pm. The menu is varied and now consists of remarkable soups, a good choice of tasty sandwiches and lately hot sandwiches i.e. chicken and stuffing – fish finger sandwich – plus a variety of “normal sarnies”. A main course of special quiches, hot pies and curries.

Our team of excellent cake bakers continue to provide delicious bounty. As householders are so aware, the cost of ingredients has increased enormously and thus has resulted in Generate also increasing costs. This has been kept as contained as is possible.

Challenges remain – but ALL are assured of a warm welcome, numbers are slightly down but we hope to tempt a wider clientele – so we encourage patrons to continue and perhaps bring a friend.

Thanks must go to our willing volunteers for the time they afford to Generate – cooks, bakers, taxi services.

Barbara Burns

11. Safeguarding Officer's Report

1) Report Details

Period of 1 January 2022 – 31 December 2022

Submitted by Kelly Adekunle (Parish Safeguarding Officer)

Date: 11 January 2023

2) Disclosures

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3) Policy / Procedure

The safeguarding policy is displayed on the church notice board. Incident forms are kept in the church office.

4) Contact Information

Details for Kelly Adekunle PSO (Telephone: 07595 711814) can be found on the church website and notice board.

5) Training

All staff & volunteers are up to date with the relevant training for their role. To be reviewed early 2023.

Kelly Adekunle, Safeguarding Officer

12. Magazine Report

NEWS & VIEWS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

There have been six issues of the news & Views in the last year. You may remember that we had to stop doing the Magazine because we were no longer able to send it out via the children of the two schools during the Covid crisis. We are still not able to start again so at the moment, this is where we are. We produce 80 plus copies every two months and feel it is not feasible to ask advertisers to sponsor it as there are not many copies going to the same addresses each time.

However, it is nice to keep in touch with everyone, especially those who cannot come to church at the moment.

Please keep the articles coming in to either myself annedaly111@gmail.com or to Sue at the office holytrinitywithstmarkoffice@gmail.com

Thank you.

Anne Daly

13. Music Report

This last year has seen a change in the way we play music on a Sunday morning. We started using a programme called Ising. This plays words, music and voices through the speakers and allows us to sing along.

Together Margaret and I started Sing for Joy on a Sunday evening once a month to help introduce new songs, this gave us an opportunity to learn new hymns and become familiar with them so we could start to play them in our Sunday morning services. We had around 15 to 20 people attend. I would like to thank Margaret for her dedication and love of music.

We enjoyed our Christmas services with lots of fun music and carols.

Thank you to Anne, Pat and David for leading our worship by singing on a Sunday morning.

We use Pro Presenter to display our services on the screens and have recently updated this.

Thank you to Mark who runs the screen so smoothly.

Gemma

14. Fundraising/Social Events Report

We did not have quite so many events this year due to COVID/Flu and other illnesses. However, as usual we enjoyed Anne Daly's Barn Dance, always popular with all age groups which raised £516.00. The Easter Coffee Morning which was well supported and raised £657.00. Northallerton Choir, once again provided a wonderful musical evening. The Jubilee Tea Party, once in a Royal lifetime which was very well supported – sherry trifle well consumed. The Church family occasion which raised £863.00. Trinity Children's' Fun Day, organised by Gemma and team which was a fun day for all the children (not all Church children). That was good news for the future of our Church which raised £512.00. The Christmas Fayre was a poor weather day but we had a good turnout and much jollification at the coffee tables – which all helped raise £1206.00. The Harvest Tea Party – all safely gathered in raised £274.00.

To all the helpers and producers and not forgetting everyone who attended and the usual "taxi deliverers" thank you and well done

In total our Church family's efforts raised £4,289.00 (gross).

Barbara Burns

15. Trinity Tots Report

Where does the time go ? One Thursday morning we're welcoming a new baby and before we know it they're sitting on the mat playing with toys or walking across the floor with the aid of a walker, and then finally we lose them to nursery or school.

However it is a joy and a pleasure to have so many new Mums, Dads, childminders and grandparents making friends and getting to know each other over a cup of tea or coffee .

We have increased our fee to £2 due to the cost of beverages and biscuits but nobody has complained !!!

As always our Summer and Christmas parties prove very popular with inflatables and a "new " Father Christmas this year giving presents to a lot of excited youngsters. It is so important for the Church to reach out to the community and get these families together and maybe enjoy a homemade lunch at Generate afterwards.

Due to my hip replacement grateful thanks to Kathryn and Shirley for continuing to give their devoted time and energy and to Heather and Thelma for stepping in to help.

Thank you all so much We look forward to another successful year ahead

Barbara Porritt

16. Ignite Youth Club

Ignite has been running each Friday during term time with at least 50 children attending from year 3 to year 6. Children come from not only our schools but other schools in our community.

We have enjoyed a summer fayre with inflatables and football goals where we had a great number of children attending. It was great to see everyone together outdoors having ice cream and fun.

We had a disco in October where we had an attendance of over 100 children. This is always a great evening with lots of dancing and games.

We have 12 volunteers on the rota and I can't thank you enough for the time you put in after a busy week to help set up, run and tidy away Ignite. I'd especially like to thank David for taking on the role of the attendance register and keeping key information up-to-date and in order.

We look forward to discussing how we can introduce new things to ignite over the next year.

Gemma Robson

17. Deanery Synod Report

2022 saw four meetings of Stockton Deanery Synod – the group that meets regularly to connect the Church of England churches in our area, share good practice and mutual support and encourage each other in mission and ministry.

February 2022 we met at Christchurch and heard from Jennie Sharp how the parish is addressing poverty through a new venture – Chad's Pantry which sells short dated or donated food and supports the local community.

May 2022 the meeting was at St Michael's Norton. We heard from an American mission team, and Catherine Simpson spoke on growing in faith. September 2022 we met at St Albans, Trimdon Grange. John Cottey from Stockton Parish Church challenged us about how we can disciple others, particularly through adult mentorship.

November 2022 we met at St Peter's, Yarm Road. The theme of the evening was Diocesan Transformation – how the Church of England needs to develop and change in the next 10 years. Duncan Podbury spoke and the meeting was open to anyone who wanted to attend.

Over 2023 the meetings will focus on some of the Diocesan priorities- Growth, Youth and Children's work, Caring for God's Creation and Tackling Poverty.

Lucy Falcus (Lay Chair)

