



Parish of Christ the King 2023 Annual Report



2023 Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of Christ the King, Newcastle

Aim and Purposes

The Parochial Church Council of Christ the King, Newcastle, in collaboration with the Clergy Team, aims to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical across the ecclesiastical Parish. The Team Parish was established in 1988. The PCC has oversight of four districts: St Matthew's Dinnington and St Cuthbert's Brunswick; St Columba's Wideopen; and St Aidan's Brunton Park.

Objectives and Activities

The following ten priority areas for development emerged from discussions during 2019.

- 1 New Housing: Each district in the parish has significant new housing developments. We need to discover more about how best to relate to those who move into our districts and support community building.
- 2 Health and Wellbeing: We believe that the church has an important contribution to make in this area and we are actively exploring how best we can offer support to tackle the issues of isolation and support mental wellbeing especially.
- 3 Young People: As well as encouraging young people in their faith journeys we are also concerned to reach out to young people to show that we care about them and the challenges they face.
- 4 Mission / Building Bridges: We are keen to build effective bridges and make common cause with the many active and caring groups that also seek to address important current issues. We look for opportunities to work in partnership with others.
- 5 Communications: We are working to improve the way we communicate within the parish and how we make effective use of social media as we communicate more widely.
- 6 Prayer: We recognise that we will only be effective in our mission if we are tuned into God's purposes and will, and enrich our prayer lives together.
- 7 Discipleship: We are exploring ways to encourage confident disciples who relate their faith with the issues and concerns they meet in daily life and work.
- 8 Ministry: We are encouraging more lay development in leading aspects of ministry in leading worship, pastoral care and community development.
- 9 Evangelism: We are looking for more opportunities to encourage new disciples and grow our faith communities.
- 10 Team synergy: We are exploring ways to maximise the benefits of being together as a team and to simplify ways of working.

Achievements and Performance

Team Parish Report

2023 saw the Team continue to join together for fellowship, prayer, study and worship. Some highlights of our work together as a team in 2023 were:

Regular Team Evensong services, hosted at each of the churches in the Parish. These included a choir led by Rev'd Chris Clinch where possible. A particular highlight was the Team Evensong for the King's Coronation on 7th May and a chance to celebrate the official start to his reign. Another highlight of Team worship was a joint service, hosted by St Matthew's this year, for the feast of Christ the King. This included a chance to welcome Hannah Malcolm to the Parish after her ordination and to hear her preach for the first time.

It was a joy, also on the feast of Christ the King, to welcome candidates for Confirmation, and one for Baptism and Confirmation, with Bishop Helen Ann presiding over the service.

Over the summer we welcomed another Ordinand on placement with us. James Brown spent a two week block-placement experiencing life and ministry across the Parish. It was wonderful to have his ministry among us, and he appreciated the chance to experience church life in a different context to his usual placement at St Thomas' Newcastle.

The summer also saw the ordination of Hannah Malcolm who joined the Parish as Curate. She continued her maternity leave until January 2024, but joined us for occasional services in the lead up to her full return to work. It is wonderful to have her, her husband Caleb, and baby Evelyn as part of the church family.

Over Lent, the Team held its regular events both together and with other local ecumenical partners. St Cuthbert's hosted our Lent course which was led by Rev'd Dr Hannah, and used material from 'The Prayer Course' exploring different aspects of prayer, from intercessory to contemplative. We also held our Lent Lunches with other churches in the area, with each church hosting an afternoon of reflection and fellowship through the Wednesdays in Lent.

Individual Reports

Each of the churches in the team has also been active in their ministry and includes a report:

St Matthew's and St Cuthbert's – Rev'd Mark Edwards

Acknowledgement of church officers.

Before delving into the report, I wish to extend heartfelt gratitude to Tom and Elsie, who have served as the Church Wardens of St. Matthews for what feels like an eternity. My Thanks to my church wardens Sharon and Dorothy at St Cuthbert's together with Pat and Jenny who serve as deputy church wardens. As for Elsie and Tom, their commitment and dedication to our Church and parish have been exemplary, and we owe them a debt of gratitude for their tireless service. Sadly, they have made the decision to step down as full Church Wardens due to the

increasing burden of bureaucracy. I understand completely their reason and support them in that decision.

However, I am delighted to announce that Tom and Elsie have graciously agreed to continue serving as Deputy Church Wardens, allowing them to focus on the aspects of church life they are passionate about and love and enjoy without the constraints of red tape. They will continue with the same commitment they have always shown. Thank you Tom and Elsie!!! I would also like to thank Ann Cuskin of St Cuthbert's who also has served the church faithfully as Safeguarding officer as step down from her role. We are grateful for all the hard work she put into being our safeguarding officer. Ann Adcock, Dorothy winters and Lesley who continues in their role as treasurers/assistant treasurer and we are so grateful to them for keeping our accounts and maintaining our books, and thank you to Eileen duck and Charlene my church secretaries. You both do a Stirling job and are very much appreciated.

Appreciation for Church Volunteers:

In addition to Tom and Elsie, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Carol for her two decades of dedicated service as the flower lady for the church, and to Val for her care of our memorial garden. Furthermore, I want to express my gratitude to Sylvia and Joyce for their continued commitment to enhancing our worship through their music ministry. Our thanks to all the volunteers who also look after our Church Yard and thanks to Tom who helps co-ordinates that and for the WI who have also this years helped maintained the graves with their weeding and other member of the village who simply get involved to help keep our church yard neat tidy and presentable.

Church Presence in the Community:

Our church's presence in the community remains a cornerstone of our mission. Despite the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, we have continued to support initiatives such as the food bank and special services at Christmas and Easter, special services throughout the years, lent courses, Church Fairs and coffee mornings, the occasional offices funerals baptisms and wedding which serve to make Christ known and fulfil our mission of outreach and service, and not let us forget the dedication and commitment of St Matthews Social committee and to Ruth who co-ordinates those meetings and events and all those volunteers who help and assist Ruth.

Mission Focus for the Future:

St Matthew's and St Cuthbert's remain actively engaged with their local communities. This steadfast commitment has been a consistent aspect of our ministry. I personally invest in community involvement, including participation in schools and broader community initiatives, to foster meaningful connections. Our core focus remains unwaveringly centred on mission, engagement, and the Gospel. We prioritise welcoming individuals of all faiths and backgrounds into our parish church

Moving forward, I will continue to prioritise community engagement and inclusivity, in our ministry efforts. While remaining mindful of past experiences, we will explore opportunities for growth and diversity within our congregation. Our dedication to mission and inclusivity will remain at the forefront as we navigate the evolving landscape of church development.

A church without mission is a church without reason to continue to exist. Discerning how to prioritise our resources and efforts in mission will be the focus of our church life for the next year. Despite all the difficulty that COVID-19 has caused us, it will not impede us from discerning God's call on us for mission! That is reaching out and being relevant to the wider community.

It has been lovely to have welcomed Dinnington first school back into St Matthews this year (after Covid) for the Christmas and Easter services and class visits. I continue in my role as Governor of the school to maintain the link between the School and the Church and visit the school weekly. We continue to engage and be generous to all with Christ being our example. Despite the challenges and uncertainties, we remain committed to our mission of outreach and service.

As a parish priest, I have consistently advocated for shared leadership among the laity within my churches. From church wardens and stewards to those involved in intercession and scripture reading, I have encouraged active participation in various roles. Indeed, without this collaborative approach to leadership, my effectiveness in ministry would be greatly diminished. Echoing a sentiment borrowed from a former Prime Minister, both of my churches uphold the belief that **"we are all in it together."** As a faith community, we aspire to grow, serve, and share life's joys and sorrows as one family under God. Drawing from the Apostle Paul's analogy, we see ourselves as interconnected parts of one body, each serving the other with Christ as our guiding head. This shared leadership and mutual support are integral to our identity and mission as a church community.

Personal Commitment and Spiritual Growth:

I want to assure you all that despite my half-time status and the demands placed upon me, personal and professional, I am deeply committed to serving the Churches communities and parishes entrusted to my care. Under God's direction, I endeavour to reach out and minister to all those he has called me to serve. I am grateful for your support and understanding as I strive to fulfil my responsibilities with passion, integrity, and faith.

Appreciation for Church Community:

Finally, I wish to express my profound gratitude to the incredible team of individuals who make our church community a welcoming and hospitable place. Every single member of the body of Christ is indispensable; the consistent feed back I get from occasional visitors is just how welcoming both churches. I value you all and appreciate you so much. Your dedication and commitment do not go unnoticed, and I am deeply thankful for each and every one of you. Whether through your service in various church ministries or your quiet acts of support behind the scenes, you are essential to the life and ministry of our parishes.

Closing Thoughts:

In conclusion, I am filled with gratitude for the faithfulness and dedication of our church community and for those who serve. Despite the uncertainties of life, the church remains a beacon of hope and a source of good news in a world filled with challenges. As we move forward, let us continue to worship, grow, and engage in mission with enthusiasm and dedication, knowing that our efforts are building God's kingdom here on earth in not in vain. The world struggles but we the Church continue to reach out with a message of faith hope and love. Thank you to all who have contributed to the life and ministry of our parishes. Together, let us continue to shine the light of Christ in our community and beyond.

St Columba's – Mr Bill Lomas (Churchwarden)

This was a special year with many highlights and yet moments of sadness too. In May we marked the Coronation of King Charles with a Vigil service on the Friday and a shared lunch in church watching the service on the Saturday - it was very welcoming meeting like that and it did attract some people in who would have been watching it on their own otherwise.

The Ruby celebrations of the previous year reached their conclusion in June with a service on June 9, St Columba's day, where the Bishop of Berwick, Mark Wroe, presided and which was followed by a much enjoyed shared meal. The next day we had a Ruby tea and then could sit back and enjoy the delights of the Ravensworth Singers - a real treat. This was the climax of the year's celebrations but the committee which orchestrated all the events continues to meet and inspire more similar occasions throughout the rest of the year and beyond.

As part of the weekend featuring the Church Summer Fayre there was a wedding festival held at St Columba's where those who had been married in church during the previous forty years were invited to bring in any available items like dresses or orders of service and photos for display. This was very successful and brought back many happy memories. It was followed by a service of hymns and Pimms which rounded off the weekend perfectly.

The way in which the Ruby year has affected church life is most encouraging - there have been film afternoons, quiz nights, a series of autumn musical evenings and a Christmas Tree Festival - all of which have raised the awareness of the church within the local community and have brought people into the church who may not otherwise have ventured in. These are important events and although they do take some organising bring their own rewards.

And to round off all the Ruby celebrations there was a final Ruby service in November along with a shared tea and the launch of a commemorative booklet of memories and recipes marking the 40 years since the church was dedicated. The booklet was the work of the Reverend Pauline whose tireless work in this regard was appreciated by all.

The role of the community in the life of the church is very much at the forefront of Susan Brimer and Hilary Temperley's thoughts as they organise their programme of weekly Warm Space meetings on a Monday from September to March. These attract a really appreciative sizeable group of local residents who much enjoy the diet of craftwork, quizzes, singing and soup – and as this is being written they are all looking forward to it starting again in September.

To fund Warm Space the church is very fortunate to receive a grant from North Tyneside which is very welcome. The church finances as is evident in the treasurer's comments need as much help as possible and we do organise fundraisers such as coffee mornings, a Fayre at Summer and a market at Christmas. These are excellent occasions in that they both provide some much needed cash but also are a hub of social activity within the church, especially the Summer Fayre with Pedro the Shetland pony!

Now 40 years old the church building is in good condition but still needs updating to provide the service expected these days - so it is that the DCC agreed to install a more sophisticated camera too allow more effective streaming. This is for the excellent reason of enabling those who can't get to church to follow the service on line more easily.

Now at the beginning of this report I said that there was both joy and sadness in the church year and indeed it was really sad to lose a number of very committed members of the congregation and I'm thinking of Sylvia Kay, Audrey Greenwell, Norma Tully, Tom Brimer and John Shaw. There is no doubt they will all be missed.

Also sad is the departure of our vicar, the Reverend Pauline Pearson. She has worked with great commitment for the church guiding us through COVID and helping us develop links to the community as well as digital links for the congregation in church and at home. She too will be missed.

And since early in March the church has been in a vacancy, awaiting the arrival of our next vicar. This process is quite complicated and may take more than a year so the warden's report in 2025 may find us still without a vicar. However we are very fortunate to be in a team so our Rector at St Aidan's is supporting us are the team itself and particularly the Reverend Bill Miller - all their help is most appreciated.

Finally I would like to offer my deepest thanks to my fellow warden, Marjorie, and her husband, Maurice, of whose wholehearted support and advice I am most appreciative.

St Aidan's - Rev'd Gerard Rundell

Looking back through my diary for 2023 as I prepared to write this, has been a surprisingly moving activity. There is much to remember and celebrate that has happened over the last year. These moments can often get lost in the day-to-day activity of church life, so this report is a chance to highlight and mark a few significant moments, both joys and sorrows, since the last AGM.

The report begins on a high, with the Coronation celebrations in May last year as we watched King Charles III being crowned. We collaborated with local community groups, particularly the Scouts and local businesses, with some funding from the Parish Council, to hold a Coronation Picnic with bouncy castle, games, food, and even a singalong accompanied by a group rehearsing in the Community Centre!

Not long after we marked a 'P'/'pea' themed Christian Aid week, with a 'peatle' drive, pizza, percussion and pancakes. With our door-to-door collection, the church raised £3200 for Christian Aid. That theme of generosity was one that continued. In a difficult year globally it was wonderful to see a warm-hearted and open-handed response from the church. Including the Saturday Café's giving, and our Christmas donations, we further raised over £5,000 to support causes including victims of the earthquake in Turkey and flooding in Libya, the crisis in Afghanistan, and wars in Ukraine and Palestine. Sofiia, a Ukrainian member of our congregation, was particularly grateful for our support of her father and their church's work helping young people affected by the war over Christmas.

Alongside giving we committed ourselves to prayer, with a particular focus in the week leading to Pentecost for the national prayer initiative 'Thy Kingdom Come'. We hosted 24 hours of continuous prayer offering our intercession for the sake of our world and our local community.

September brought a joyful celebration of 60 years since St Aidan's church was dedicated. Bishop Mark joined us for a St Aidan's Day Family Service and celebration. He didn't quite live up to the saint himself (played excellent by Bernie), but he did well! He also joined us for refreshments, games and celebrations afterwards. It was a wonderful occasion to mark the legacy of the church over 60 years and to look to future that lies ahead.

In September we also marked a Safeguarding Sunday and invited Sarah Troughton to share some of the work she has been doing to help churches respond better to survivors. Her work is deeply important and it was a privilege to have her with us to share it.

October held a joyful Harvest Family Service, with collections once again from local community groups, schools and Snakes and Ladders nursery, and was followed by the return of our fellowship lunch. It was the first we've held since Covid and a wonderful chance to join together for food, fellowship and fun.

Food was also a feature at our first ever Alpha Course. We welcomed both explorers to faith, and regular church members, for six weeks of increasingly delicious food, and increasingly deep discussion. It was supported by a dedicated team who cooked, welcomed, and helped lead the conversation.

One of the members of that group was later baptised and confirmed at another highlight of the year already mentioned, as two young people, and two adults from St Aidan's were confirmed. It was a privilege to celebrate their commitment to faith.

The year continued with the traditional markers of Remembrance, with the scouts joining us in full force, All Souls and a chance to remember those we've loved and lost, as well as the feast of Christ the King as we joined with the whole Team to worship, this year at St Matthew's Church.

Advent and Christmas brought it's usual packed schedule of events. A team went into both Brunton First School, and Havannah First School to offer a day of craft and story-telling (they went again at Easter as well!), and Brunton First also came to us for their Christmas assemblies, continuing to develop the link we've built through regular assemblies and presence at the schools. We again welcomed Snakes and Ladders nursery to the church as well for their nativity visit.

A particular highlight this year, alongside a packed nativity and an ever-growing Carols on the Green, was our Carol Service where we were joined by a full orchestra and choir, directed by Rev'd Chris Clinch for a feast of festive music.

Then an early Easter meant a quick shift into Lent, with our Team Lent Course much appreciated. Holy Week and Easter held the passion and joy that it always does as we marked the great movement from the cross to the empty tomb.

Alongside these highlights there are other more gradual developments that are worth noticing. Our Family Service has continued to grow and now welcomes 20-30 children with their families for monthly worship. Our Messy Church evolved into a more 'event' based outreach, meeting less frequently but with a more substantial offering. Our Halloween, Christingle, Pancake, and Good Friday events were very well attended with some attracting around 70-80 children and their families. Particular praise should go to the pancake cooks for pancake day! We've continued to host our local community and welcome them into the church for music, art, meetings and more. The various groups and committees that make up church life have been as busy as ever. From the Social Committee to the Saturday Café, the Bible Study to the Men's Group, there are many signs of a thriving life that are surely part of the work of the Spirit at St Aidan's. It is a joy to see that work in amongst the day-to-day life of the church.

Of course there have also been sorrows in the year. We have marked several funerals of people closely associated to the church, and it's been with great sadness that we've said our farewells to Alan Philips, Howard Cleeve, Pauline Kalas, Jack Murgatroyd, Shirley Pentland, Alan Gregg, and Bruce Smith. May they rest in the peace of Christ and rise with him in glory.

On a personal note, I've felt hugely privileged to continue to be part of, and minister to the St Aidan's church community. As my third annual report now since joining the church, I've found it moving to look back at all that has happened over the last year and see the work of God weaving through it. Sometimes that work is easy to spot, at other times more clouded, but I'm incredibly grateful to play my part in working with you all to listen for his voice and follow it in our life together.

Most importantly, though I need to finish with thanks. The church stands on the work of so many dedicated and selfless acts of service. I'm particularly grateful to the team of Churchwardens, assistant wardens, administrator and retired clergy

and curate who meet with together weekly and oversee so much of the life of the church. They offer so much service s selflessly, but I hope they know how deeply grateful I am. And to each person who serves the church in every way, sung and unsung, thank you! All you offer is profoundly valued, and I look forward to seeing what God has in store for another year ahead.

Safeguarding

The Parish continues to comply with its duties under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, to safeguard children and vulnerable adults. Each of the churches in the Parish are working towards full engagement with the Parish Dashboard system and have reached level three in all the churches in the Parish.

Deanery Synod

Central Deanery Synod met several times in 2023, and continued it's work on the Deanery Development Plan. The new plan is intended to cover 5 areas: Leadership & Governance; Mission & Pastoral Care; Buildings fit for purpose; Development of lay ministry; Generous Giving. It was decided to add Environmental concerns as this seemed to be a cross cutting theme which was important to us. Feedback on the plan was received from all the churches in the Deanery and they were encouraged to consider how they could play a part in turning the plan into action. A particular success so far has been the Deanery Youth event for Good Friday, which was joined by members of St Aidan's Youth Group, and co-coordinated by Rev'd Gerard Rundell.

Electoral Roll

At the Annual Parochial Meeting of April 2022 it was declared that 303 names were entered on the combined Electoral Roll.

Financial Review

The aggregated accounts for the parish as a whole, incorporating the accounts of the PCC in respect of its own transactions and those of the four DCCs, including the Church in the Park as a subcommittee of St Aidan's DCC, are attached to this report. Across the parish, there was an overall surplus of £6,900 during the year (receipts £180,700, payments £174,800).

On unrestricted general funds there was a deficit of £4,100. The impact of the Covid-19 pandemic continues to be felt across the parish. The major source of income was planned giving and service collections (£84,000), a reduction of £7,000 compared with 2022 (partly attributable to the ending of planned giving at the Church in the Park), and well below pre-pandemic levels. The next highest income source, gift aid reclaimed (£19,000), was also down. Fundraising (£13,750) was higher than in 2022, but also still below the pre-pandemic level.

The major item of expenditure, the diocesan parish share which largely goes towards the salary and housing costs of clergy, was more or less unchanged from 2022 at £90,000, but again well below the pre-pandemic level.

The situation at the individual DCCs regarding their unrestricted general funds was:

- St Aidan's – surplus of £7,200, attributable to a £10,000 legacy for the Church in the Park, in part offset by non-recurring building works at St Aidan's Church
- St Columba's – deficit of £7,400, largely attributable to non-recurring expenditure on their camera system
- St Cuthbert's – surplus of £1,400
- St Matthew's – deficit of £5,400.

There was a small deficit on unrestricted designated funds at St Columba's, and a net surplus of just over £11,600 on restricted funds, mainly attributable to a £10,000 grant at St Aidan's towards the cost of the proposed appointment of a children and families worker.

At the end of the year the PCC and DCCs had total funds of just under £336,700. Of this, just over £200,000 was in unrestricted funds, mainly at St Aidan's and St Columba's, largely derived from generous unrestricted legacies over the past few years. Just over £136,000 was in funds restricted for specific purposes, mainly at St Cuthbert's and St Matthew's, largely derived from a major legacy for buildings and fabric received in 2015, as well as the restricted fund at St Aidan's for the children and families worker.

The PCC expresses its deep gratitude to all those who have contributed and continue to contribute to maintaining the finances of the parish at this time.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. In the Christ the King Team we have four Districts each with a church, and remaining structure in place for Church in the Park, a Fresh Expression. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (The Team Rector), the Team Vicars, the Assistant Curate, the Readers, the Churchwardens of each church, Deanery Synod representatives, and two members elected by members of the congregation in each District who are on the electoral roll of each church. All those who attend our services or are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the relevant Electoral Roll and may stand for election to the relevant District Church Council, or to the PCC.

The PCC members delegate to individual Districts, through the relevant DCCs, responsibility for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance, including decisions on how the funds of the DCC are to be spent. Each DCC reports back to the PCC regularly with reports being received by the full PCC and discussed as necessary. The PCC retains overall responsibility for strategic direction and decisions affecting the parish. New members receive initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Administrative information

The Christ the King Team Parish was established under the Pastoral Measure 1983 and confirmed by the Queen in Council November 1988. It is one of the largest parishes in the Diocese of Newcastle. Part of Newcastle Central Deanery, it covers an area of approximately 20 square kilometres. The Parish is a Team Ministry made up of four Districts: St Aidan's Brunton Park (including the Church in the Park serving Newcastle Great Park), St Columba's Wideopen, St Matthew's Dinnington and St Cuthbert's Brunswick Village. The correspondence address is 60 Barmoor Drive, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE3 5RG.

Charitable Status

The PCC is a charitable body and a registered charity no 1174195

Members of the PCC

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Meeting in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

Following the Annual Parochial Meeting in April 2023, the following served on the PCC at any time during 2023/24 until the date this report was approved:

Ex Officio

Incumbent: Rev'd Gerard Rundell

Team Vicar: Rev'd Mark Edwards MBE

Team Vicar: Rev'd Dr Pauline Pearson (to 9th March 2024)

Assistant Curate: Rev'd Dr Hannah Malcolm (from 2nd July 2023)

Reader: Ken Newitt, Christopher Sayers

Churchwardens

St Aidan's: Catherine Stewart, Susan Armstrong

St Columba's: Marjorie Fairbairn; Bill Lomas

St Cuthbert's: Dorothy Winter, Sharon Craggs

St Matthew's: Tom Laidler; Elsie Docherty

Deanery Synod

St Aidan's: Margaret Urquhart

St Columba's: Bill Lomas

St Cuthbert's: Margaret Jennings

St Matthew's: Lesley Edwards

Elected members

St Aidan's: Dorothy Clasper (PCC Treasurer);

Julie Seaton (Lay vice chair); Julie Smith

St Columba's: Joyce Elrod

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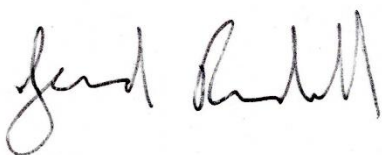
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Approved by the PCC Standing Committee, 23rd April 2024, and signed on their behalf by:



Rev'd Gerard Rundell, Team Rector

The Parochial Church Council of the Team Parish of Christ the King, Newcastle

Aggregated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023


Receipts and Payments Accounts

2022		Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total
Total		General	Designated	Funds	Funds
£		£	£	£	£
	<u>Receipts</u>				
91,155	Planned giving and service collections	83,947			83,947
22,501	Donations and grants	14,743		10,200	24,943
24,164	Gift aid reclaimed	19,945			19,945
5,940	Legacies	11,000			11,000
10,630	Fundraising	13,776	0		13,776
19,797	Other receipts	25,126	0	1,954	27,080
<u>174,185</u>	Total Receipts	<u>168,537</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,154</u>	<u>180,691</u>
	<u>Payments</u>				
90,272	Parish share	90,000			90,000
10,329	Mission giving and donations	6,262		138	6,400
62,273	Church activities and expenses and other payments	70,102	600	375	71,078
2,530	Major capital expenditure	6,269	45	0	6,313
<u>165,404</u>	Total Payments	<u>172,633</u>	<u>645</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>173,791</u>
8,781	Excess of Receipts over Payments (before transfers)	-4,097	-645	11,642	6,900
<u>0</u>	Transfers between funds	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
8,781	Net Receipts/(Payments)	-4,097	-645	11,642	6,900
321,012	Balance b/f at 1 January	193,664	11,380	124,750	329,793
<u>329,793</u>	Balance c/f at 31 December	<u>189,567</u>	<u>10,735</u>	<u>136,392</u>	<u>336,693</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total
	General	Designated	Funds	Funds
	£	£	£	£
<u>Cash in Hand, at Bank and in Deposit Accounts</u>				
PCC	303	0	0	303
St Aidan's	112,827	0	16,047	128,875
St Columba's	55,422	10,735	3,146	69,303
St Cuthbert's	13,689	0	32,043	45,732
St Matthew's	7,326	0	85,156	92,482
Total Assets at 31 December 2023	<u>189,567</u>	<u>10,735</u>	<u>136,392</u>	<u>336,694</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Total Liabilities at 31 December 2023	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Approved by the PCC Standing Committee, 23 April 2024


The Revd Gerard Rundell
Team Rector


Dorothy Clasper
PCC Treasurer

The Parochial Church Council of the Team Parish of Christ the King, Newcastle

Notes to the Aggregated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The aggregated financial statements of the PCC are produced in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and the guidance issued by the Church of England in its publication PCC Accountability, 5th edition 2017.

The aggregated financial statements comprise the accounts of the the PCC in respect of its own direct receipts and payments and those of the four individual DCCs, after eliminating transactions between the PCC and the DCCs and between individual DCCs.

The income of the parish being less than £250,000, the PCC has chosen to produce accounts on a receipts and payments basis and has opted for independent examination of its accounts.

In line with all charity accounts, the PCC and the DCCs hold two types of funds, which are accounted for separately:

- Unrestricted funds, divided between:
 - o General fund: money given to or raised by the PCC/DCCs which they may spend in any way associated with the mission and ministry of the church; and
 - o Designated funds: money which is still unrestricted but earmarked by the PCC/DCCs for particular purposes, eg for spending on a future project, but which may be moved at any time, either to other earmarked purposes or to the general fund, if the PCC/DCCs so decide;
- Restricted funds: money given to the PCC/DCCs (as donations, legacies or through special collections) or raised by fundraising for specified purposes, which the PCC/DCCs must spend on the purposes specified and may not use for any other purpose.

The notes below and on the following pages set out the summarised accounts of the PCC in respect of its own transactions and those of the individual DCCs. Full sets of the independently examined accounts of the individual DCCs are available from the respective DCC secretaries or treasurers.

PCC-only Accounts

	Unrestricted General Fund £
Receipts - Service collections	0
Receipts - Donations and grants	706
Receipts - Other	210
	<hr/> 916
Payments - Church activities and expenses	876
Net Receipts/(Payments)	<hr/> 40
Balance b/f at 1 January	263
Balance c/f at 31 December	<hr/> 303

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St Aidan's DCC Summarised Accounts (including Church in the Park)

2022		Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
Total		General	Designated	Funds	
£		£	£	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>					
47,533	Planned giving and service collections	43,130			43,130
17,524	Donations and grants	8,638		10,200	18,838
11,216	Gift aid reclaimed	10,398		0	10,398
3,000	Legacies	10,500			10,500
1,587	Fundraising	2,712			2,712
10,208	Other receipts	15,727		535	16,262
<u>91,068</u>	Total Receipts	<u>91,105</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,735</u>	<u>101,840</u>
<u>Payments</u>					
42,772	Parish share	43,000			43,000
7,297	Mission giving and donations	5,239		138	5,376
35,045	Church activities and expenses and other payments	35,685		312	35,997
1,349	Major capital expenditure	0			0
<u>86,463</u>	Total Payments	<u>83,924</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>449</u>	<u>84,373</u>
4,604	Net Receipts/(Payments)	7,181	0	10,285	17,467
0	Transfers between funds				0
106,804	Balance b/f at 1 January	105,646	0	5,762	111,408
<u>111,408</u>	Balance c/f at 31 December	<u>112,827</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,047</u>	<u>128,875</u>

In addition to the income recorded above, £939 was received in special collections and specific fundraising activities and paid over to other charities and missions. This sum is excluded from the accounts in accordance with Church of England guidance.

Analysis of St Aidan's unrestricted general funds

	Balance b/f	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
St Aidan's Church	93,788	80,279	-83,993		90,075
Church in the Park	11,858	10,826	69		22,753
	<u>105,646</u>	<u>91,105</u>	<u>-83,924</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>112,827</u>

Details of St Aidan's restricted funds

	Balance b/f	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
Audio Visual Fund	625	300	-312		613
Children and Families Worker	5,000	10,435			15,435
Church in the Park Mission	137		-137		0
	<u>5,762</u>	<u>10,735</u>	<u>-449</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,048</u>

The Audio Visual Fund is for the costs of maintaining the audio visual system for streaming church services.

The Children and Families Worker Fund represents grants towards the cost of the proposed employment of a children and families worker in 2024.

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St Columba's DCC Summarised Accounts

2022 Total £		Unrestricted Funds General £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS £
	<u>Receipts</u>				
23,240	Planned giving and service collections	20,772			20,772
1,670	Donations and grants	3,484			3,484
7,572	Gift aid reclaimed	4,899			4,899
1,940	Legacies	500			500
3,462	Fundraising	5,067			5,067
6,560	Other receipts	7,250			7,250
44,443	Total Receipts	41,974	0	0	41,974
	<u>Payments</u>				
30,000	Parish share	30,000			30,000
219	Mission giving and donations	0			0
12,270	Church activities and expenses and other payments	13,090	600	64	13,754
1,181	Major capital expenditure	6,269	45		6,313
43,670	Total Payments	49,359	645	64	50,067
773	Excess of Receipts over Payments (before transfers)	-7,385	-645	-64	-8,093
0	Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0
76,623	Balance b/f at 1 January	62,807	11,380	3,210	77,396
77,396	Balance c/f at 31 December	55,422	10,735	3,146	69,303

In addition to the income recorded above, £1,371 was received in special collections and services and paid over to other charities and missions. This sum is excluded from the accounts in accordance with Church of England guidance.

Details of St Columba's designated and restricted funds:

	Balance b/f £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Designated Funds:					
Parish Mission	3,380		-45		3,335
Magazine	3,000		-500		2,500
Church Windows	5,000				5,000
	11,380	-	-545	-	10,835
Restricted Funds:					
Organ fund	600				600
Youth Work	587				587
New Testaments	160		-64		96
Chapel Fund	1,863				1,863
	3,210	-	-64	-	3,146

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St Cuthbert's DCC Summarised Accounts

2022 Total £		Unrestricted Funds General £	Designated £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS £
	<u>Receipts</u>				
8,049	Planned giving and service collections	7,926			7,926
559	Donations and grants	382			382
2,123	Gift aid reclaimed	1,979			1,979
-	Legacies	0			0
1,775	Fundraising	2,049			2,049
319	Other receipts	169		238	407
<u>12,824</u>	Total Receipts	<u>12,505</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>12,744</u>
	<u>Payments</u>				
3,500	Parish share	5,000			5,000
120	Mission giving and donations	120			120
6,373	Church activities and expenses and other payments	5,960			5,960
-	Major capital expenditure	0			-
<u>9,993</u>	Total Payments	<u>11,080</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,080</u>
2,831	Net Receipts/(Payments)	1,425	-	238	1,664
41,237	Balance b/f at 1 January	12,264	-	31,804	44,068
<u>44,068</u>	Balance c/f at 31 December	<u>13,689</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,043</u>	<u>45,732</u>

Details of St Cuthbert's restricted funds:

	Balance b/f £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Restricted Fund:					
Building and Restoration fund	31,804	238	0		32,043

The Building and Restoration fund derives from a restricted legacy received in 2015.

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St Matthew's DCC Summarised Accounts

2022		Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	TOTAL
Total		General	Designated	Funds	FUNDS
£		£	£	£	£
	<u>Receipts</u>				
12,333	Planned giving and service collections	12,118			12,118
2,748	Donations and grants	2,239			2,239
3,253	Gift aid reclaimed	2,669			2,669
1,000	Legacies	0			0
3,807	Fundraising	3,947			3,947
2,797	Other receipts	2,066		1,182	3,248
<u>25,938</u>	Total Receipts	<u>23,040</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,182</u>	<u>24,221</u>
	<u>Payments</u>				
14,000	Parish share	12,000			12,000
2,694	Mission giving and donations	903			903
8,627	Church activities and expenses and other payments	15,495			15,495
0	Major capital expenditure	0			0
<u>25,320</u>	Total Payments	<u>28,398</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>28,398</u>
617	Net Receipts/(Payments)	-5,359	0	1,182	-4,177
96,042	Balance b/f at 1 January	12,685	0	83,974	96,659
<u>96,659</u>	Balance c/f at 31 December	<u>7,326</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>85,156</u>	<u>92,482</u>

Details of St Matthew's restricted funds:

	Balance b/f	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Fund:					
Building and Fabric fund	83,974	1,182	0		85,156

The Building and Fabric fund derives from a restricted legacy received in 2015.

**Independent examiner's report to the members of the Parochial Church Council
of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ the King, Diocese of Newcastle**

I report to the members on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ the King, Diocese of Newcastle, prepared on a receipts and payments basis, for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As members of the Parochial Church Council you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). You consider that the audit requirements of section 144 of the 2011 Act do not apply and that an independent examination is required.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts are not required to be audited, I report in respect of my examination of the accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2) the accounts do not accord with those accounting records.

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



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