

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN, GOMERSAL

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Details

Other names	ST MARY'S PCC, GOMERSAL
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2018-05-22
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

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

Activities: We are a local church working on mission and ministry.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Kirklees

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£95,901	£95,901	-	-
2023-12-31	£76,666	£76,666	-	-
2022-12-31	£63,567	£67,992	-	-
2021-12-31	£54,858	£62,768	-	-
2020-12-31	£66,624	£70,394	-	-

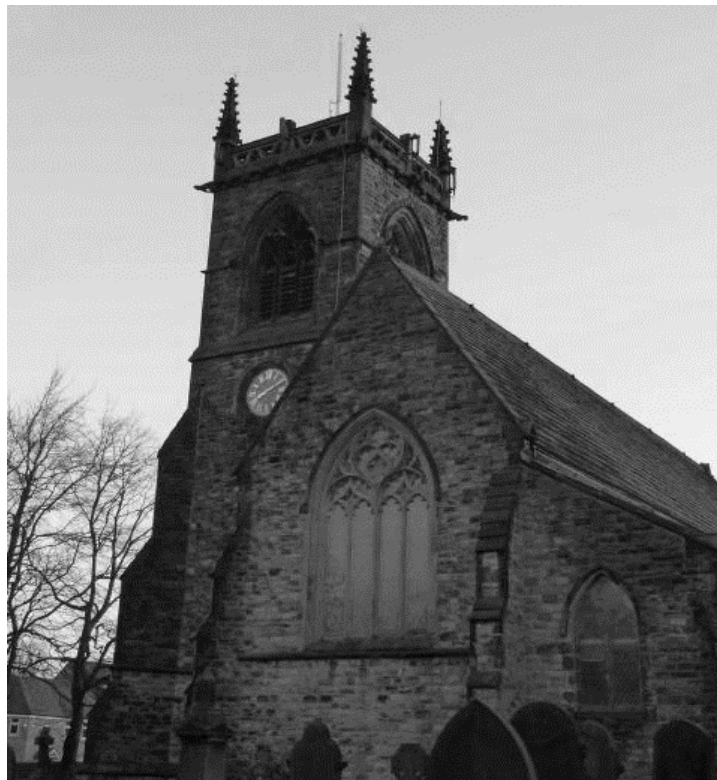
Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Emily Ann Tidball	Chair	2024-09-11
Christine Milsom		2024-05-19
FRANCES MARGARET WILKINSON		2017-04-30
HELEN ELIZABETH NICHOLL		2017-04-30
JENNIFER MARY HOYLE		2018-04-22
JOYCE JACKSON		2018-04-22
Linda Mumford		2018-04-22
PAUL GRAHAM WILKINSON		2018-04-22
Theresia Anna Maria Fewster-Verhaar		2017-04-30

Accounts

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin

Spen Lane, Gomersal, BD19 4LS



CHURCH REPORTS FROM PARISH ORGANISATIONS

For the year ending 31st December 2024

**Priest in Charge
The Revd Emily Tidball
6 Vicarage Gardens
Birkenshaw
BD11 2EF**



PCC Annual Report for 2024/25

Background

St Mary's Parish Church Council is responsible for co-operating with the resident Vicar, including the Church Wardens. The aims and purposes of the PCC is to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Church has been in vacancy from the 1st of February 2023 until September 11th, 2024, when the Revd Emily Tidball was licensed as our new Priest in Charge with whom we share the priesthood with the Birkenshaw Church of St Paul's.

The PCC also have maintenance responsibilities for the Church and its Churchyard. The Churchyard is closed which means that Kirklees Council are responsible for the external walls of the graveyard and surrounding trees and cut the grass along the graveyard walkways but not between/around the graves. In addition to graves there are 2 ashes plots.

Membership of the PCC.

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, elected members serve for 3 years, also Deanery Synod Members serve for 3 years. Wardens, Deanery Synod members and Licensed Readers serve on the PCC as ex-officio.

During the year, the following served as members of the PCC:

Vicar: The Church had not had a resident Vicar from 31/01/23 – 11/09/24. Emily Tidball is now resident vicar & served as Chair on the PCC from Sept 11 th /24.		Committees: Standing Committee: It has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the PCC. Members, 2024/25: - Priest, Wardens, Secretary. The standing committee have met twice during 2024/2025. The PCC have met 9 times during 2024/25.
Wardens:		
Mrs Trees Fewster (served from May 2024) ex-officio		
Mrs Brenda Swinton (served from May 2023) ex-officio		
Deanery Synod:	Year Elected	
Mrs Joyce Jackson	May 2023 ex-officio	
Mrs Christine Milsom	May 2024 ex-officio	
Mr Paul Wilkinson	May 2024 ex officio	
Elected Members	Year Elected	
Linda Mumford Licensed Reader	May 2024 ex-officio	
Laity:		
Jenifer Hoyle	May 2024	
Sarah Taylor	May 2024	
Rupinder Khaira	May 2024	
Jean Holmes	September 2022	
Gill Greaves	May 2023	
Susie Bell Proctor	May 2023	
Helen Nicholl	May 2023	
Frances Wilkinson	May 2023	

Parish Statistics:	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
(January through December)											
Communicants	5909	5077	5004	5532	5296	4830	4606	4700	4057	3994	4219
Confirmations	4	1	2	6	4	0	0	6	0	2	0
Baptisms	19	26	17	23	32	26	21	17	20	16	6
Marriages	4	3	8	3	5	2	1	3	7	2	4
Burials	4	1	2	1	2	0	1	3	4	0	0
Burial of ashes	5	6	8	2	5	2	5	10	8	2	6
Funerals					11	3	7	19	6	4	7

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Communicants	3474	903	1009	1590	1943	2075					
Home Communicants	237	55	0	13	301	6					
Confirmations	4	0	2	0	1	1*					
Baptisms	8	1	3	6	6	7					
Marriages	2	0	2	2	0	0					
Burials	1	1	1	3	0	1					
Burials of ashes	6	1	3	4	3	6					
Funerals	5	1	6	8	4	7					

*at Huddersfield Parish Church

The APCM meeting was held on the 19th of May 2024 in the Church after the morning Eucharist.

The PCC have met 9 times during 2024/5. The standing committee have met twice. A big thanks to all the members of the PCC for all work done at St Mary's during this period.

Paul Wilkinson Churchwarden has completed a 12-year term of office and Brenda Swinton Churchwarden has completed a one-year term of office as Churchwardens.

The 6-year term of office rule was instigated in the case of Paul Wilkinson, this was as a consequence of election of a new Church Warden, Trees Fewster.

Brenda Swinton was re-elected and carried on as Church Warden.

Linda Mumford stood down as Deanery Synod member, Joyce Jackson was re-elected, Christine Milsom and Paul Wilkinson were both elected as new members onto the Deanery Synod.

Jenifer Hoyle, Sarah Taylor, Rupinder Khaira were elected as new Laity Members of the PCC.

At the PCC Meeting held on the 18th of August/24, Brenda gave her resignation as Church Warden, Andrew Wardman has now taken over as Churchwarden from December 1st/2024.

Sarah Taylor resigned as a member of the PCC due to work commitments, a letter was read to the members of the PCC at the meeting on the 9th of April, Sarah was thanked for her time on the PCC and for her commitment.

The church council has complied with the duty under section 5 of the safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016(duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). The PCC approved a safeguarding policy 'Promoting a Safer Church' on 20/9/23. The Safeguarding Dashboard generates an Action plan which is presented to the PCC for discussion and approval. The Safeguarding Officer is committed to informing PCC of any Safeguarding issues should any arise.

The PCC have approved the following List B faculty work:

1. 27/11/24 Plaster removal and painting of the South Wall and SW corner area above the internal toilet/kitchen/meeting room ceiling, in addition the stonework below this area was repointed with a lime cement, also the south wall of the sanctuary needs to be re-plastered and painted. ref 2024-107262.
2. 03/08/24 Felling of dead and deceased trees in the Churchyard, ref 2024-101589.
3. 03/01/25 Repair leaded glass windows. 2025-108151.
4. 30/01/25 Fit 2 handrails to external steps into cellar. 2025-109258

Work has started on Nos 1,2, and 4.

During this past year we were without a resident Priest due to Rev Karen Nicholl's retirement on the 31st of January 2023 due to long term ill health, we were fortunate enough to welcome a new Priest Rev Emily Tidball on her Licensing, on the 11th of September 2024.

Paul Wilkinson was elected as PCC Chair at the short meeting to elect officers, held on the 19th of May after the APCM. This position was held until September 2024 when our new Priest took over as chair, and Paul maintained the position of Vice Chair.

Paul Wilkinson, Vice Chair, On behalf of the PCC. 18th April 2025.

Vicar's APCM Report 2025

This is only a short report as I began well into the year, in September. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard keep things going during what I'm sure felt like a long period in vacancy.

It was wonderful to be welcomed to the parish at my licensing service, thank you to everyone who was involved in organising this, and to those who came. The first few months here have helped me to get to know St Mary's, and some of the community links such as Gomersal St Mary's Primary School.

Advent and Christmas were really busy, but it was lovely to welcome lots of people from the community into church for services and other events, particularly for the Activity Morning, Carol Service and Christmas Eve services.

2025 will be a time of getting to know the church and community more and us being able to pray and think together a little more about what direction God might be calling us to travel in. Please pray for us as we seek God's will.

Rev Emily Tidball
Priest-in-charge

Church Fabric Report, 2023/24.

Annual preventative maintenance work has been carried out: This includes boiler service, lightning conductor, church internal and roof alarms, fire extinguishers, gutters cleaned.

The following documents have been reviewed, updated and where necessary approved by the PCC: Fire safety risk assessment, fire procedures, Health and Safety policy and church inventory updated.

When Trees Fewster became church warden her first priority was to look why the church seemed to use so much electricity. With the help of Neil Langdale, and finally confirmed by Northern Grid in October, it appeared that the church is paying for the electricity for the phone masts. This has been going on for many years. We should receive a sizeable compensation. At the time of writing this hasn't been settled yet and is in the hand of the solicitors. We haven't been paying any electric bills since October.

Bob on Building has repointed the exterior wall of the church room as far as the south porch and southwest side of the church room. The gutter down pipes have been upgraded to stop water running down the wall. Grates around the base of the wall have been replaced allowing air to circulate underneath the building.

The choir vestry roof has been mended, the ceiling in the toilet and wash area has been replastered by Bob on Building. The damaged lino on the floor has been removed and the whole area repainted by Paul Wilkinson.

The cabinet for the Mother's Union banner has been fixed. The cabinet will go back on the wall when we are sure the wall has dried out completely.

The notice board has been kept up to date by Andrew Wardman.

The leaking water boiler in the kitchen has been replaced by James Illingworth, who also replaced a boiler in the wash area of the choir vestry.

Steven Bonham has replaced the Christus lights, which hadn't been used for a long time. It was good to get this done before the licensing of Revd Emily. Stephen has also replaced the outside security vestry light.

Handrails down the cellar steps have been installed on advice of the Health and Safety Committee.

We had to have the organ covered by Spinks so Bob on Building could replaster the interior South-West corner above the church room. This will be painted again by Chris Walker at the same time as when the sanctuary walls have been replastered and will be ready for painting.

7 Dead trees have been removed. Every tree has to be replaced with 3 others. This will be done in Autumn 2025.

The churchyard gates were locked for 24 hours on August Bank Holiday Monday. This is to maintain the churches ownership over the right of way.

In September we had our third Heritage Open Day when anyone can come and enjoy a guided tour round the church and church yard.

Before Emily's licensing there were 3 churchyard working parties and 1 church cleaning day. There was another church yard working party this spring. Special thanks to Malcolm Edward Fewster for taking all the waste in the tractor and trailer.

Thanks also to the ladies keeping up with the church garden on a regular basis.

In the pipeline

- New notice board near the gates on Spen Lane
- Lightning conductor surge protection
- Repair Boundary Wall
- Kirklees Metropolitan Council has asked St Mary's if the church could be a polling station for May 2026.
- Because of St Mary's high electricity use we were offered a free energy audit.

After that we were encouraged to apply for £10,000 match funding: Give To Go Green (G2GG). On 9 April we were told that we have been successful in our application. The funding can only be used to make the church more energy efficient.

Items we have included in the application are:

Mending the leaded window behind the organ, which has about 8 panes missing, draught proofing the main outside door, the sacristy outside door, the porch and lobby glass doors. The porch/lobby door will also be re-aligned to make it close again. We have also applied to install PIR (Passive Infra-Red) lighting outside the main door, in the porch, lobby, toilet, kitchen, sacristy, choir vestry, and the hall, wash area and toilet behind the choir vestry.

The fundraising has to be done within a 6-week period between 18 May and 28 September. Full details will follow.

Trees Fewster and Andrew Wardman – Churchwardens

18 April 2025

Safeguarding Report January- December 2024

The Parish continues to use the Church of England Parish Dashboard to ensure approved policies and practices are up to date. An Action Plan was presented for approval at PCC in August.

A video about the Clewer Initiative was presented to PCC in March to raise awareness and facilitate discussion.

In August a Health and Safety group was set up to review Risk Assessments and a Hiring Agreement for the church room.

Five DBS checks were completed and Confidential Declaration forms for previous checks have been signed for the coming year.

Training and refreshing training online continued to be a priority for PCC members and volunteers at Children's Activity mornings and Tots' Praise. To support volunteers copies of a 'Code of Safer Working Practice' are available. The Safeguarding Officer, Reader and Pastoral Minister have completed additional training appropriate to their role.

The commitment to training ensures promotion of a safe, compassionate and healthy culture within our church. We are blessed that so many are willing to give of their time to complete this.

Jennifer Hoyle
April 2025

Electoral Roll report

Electoral Roll Report April 2025
Parish Church of St. Mary's, Gomersal

Every six years a new roll is prepared. The old roll is destroyed, a new Electoral Roll form is made available, and Church members are invited to reapply. The rules for membership are on page two of the form.

From the last count in April 2023 the present number of people elected to vote on the electoral roll is 102.

2 members have sadly passed away.
1 member has been added.

All previous records have been destroyed.

Anna Clapham
Electoral Roll Officer

Dewsbury and Birstall Deanery Synod

The Synod met three times in 2024.

February 6th College of Resurrection Mirfield

The Area Dean Canon Hugh Baker opened the meeting at the New Refectory.

Members were welcomed by Dr Janet Williams (Vice Principal St Hild College)

The meeting started with Evening Prayer and then reconvened at the New Refectory.

Dr Williams explained that St Hild College is concerned with training for the Ordained Ministry and Reader Ministry. The college is named after St Hilda of Whitby and was given her original name.

Bishop Mark told us that the Community of Resurrection was founding in 1903 being of the Catholic tradition. The purpose is to educate women and men. To try to shape new priests.

June 27th Thornhill Parish Church of St Michael and All Angels Thornhill Dewsbury

The area Dean Canon Hugh Baker opened the meeting.

Churchwarden Brian Pearson was then invited to speak about the church Brian pointed out that the parish of St Michael and All Angels that there has been Christian worship on this site since

Anglo Saxon times. It is also mentioned in the Domesday Book and is a grade one listed building. Keith White from Leeds spoke on Christians in Politics.

October 10th St John the Evangelist Church Carlinghow Batley

The meeting was opened by the Area Dean Canon Hugh Baker. Father Jay welcomed members to Carlinghow. He pointed out two features which were the Rood Screen installed in 1929 and the Stations of the Cross around the Church carved by Ferdinando Stuflesser from Italy. Elaine Wilkes from Thornhill was elected to represent the Deanery on Diocesan Synod.

Canon Hugh then went on to tell us how he was very fortunate to be able to go to Taizé with his wife Janet on a pilgrimage led by Bishop Smitha. He then went on to tell us that the next trip is from the 19th to 27th October 2025 cost will be in the region of £300 per head Graeme Blackwell from Mirfield is hoping to get a group together for this.

Joyce Jackson

Deanery Synod member

OTHER REPORTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Gomersal St Mary's School

It has been an interesting year at school. We had the Ofsted Inspection which went very well with the fantastic rating of This is a Good School.

We are looking forward to our new school building beginning (date to be confirmed) as the present building and separate units are dated and very tired.

The whole school has been into church on all Feast and Festival occasions. Paul and Frances Wilkinson, Ruth Wilcox and I always attend these events, and I am sure they would agree with me when I say how absolutely wonderful it is to see our church filled with our children and listen to the services they practice and deliver so confidently. We are so very proud of them all.

On Ash Wednesday with the year six children, Revd Emily burnt some Palm Crosses. Together they added the oil to make the Ash into a paste for the children to receive the cross on their foreheads.

Revd Emily then delivered a lovely service to the whole school in this service the year six children Ashed the rest of the school.

We have had two Pause Days one at Advent the other in Lent. when the whole school for the whole day is dedicated to God. Ruth Wilcox and I attend these days which are wonderful and even at our great age we learn things from the children which is lovely.

Ruth is retiring at the end of this academic year, and I know the Governors and staff will miss her so along with the PCC we thank her for the many years Ruth has been a Foundation Governor and wish her and Brian all the very best.

As the academic year comes to an end. I always find it sad to say goodbye to our year six children as they move to high school and this year is particularly hard as it is Lily's turn to move on. We pray the children are happy in their new schools and may they remember we will always be here for them as a church and as friends.

Brenda Swinton

Foundation Governor

Pastoral Minister

Children's Activity Mornings 2022

These take place at Easter and Advent; they are greatly enjoyed by the Church and Community. 17 helpers on the day at Easter plus families including 39 adults with 55 children at Easter. Advent brought 19 helpers, plus families including 24 adults and 31 children. Amazing that the children

A relaxed and enjoyable morning was had by all, taking part in themes that reveal the true meaning of the festival through many crafts and festive food, story and puzzles, candles and prayers, music and chatting, children's tombola, plus much more.

Families come year on year and tell us of things they have made that come out at these special times, e.g. Christmas wreaths and table decorations. Easter wreaths and beautiful crosses Children can make things to give as presents. Cards and Blessing trees etc.

There is no charge for entry or any activity, including the refreshments, however if people wish to donate anything there is the opportunity to do that, but no obligation. All monies go to the work of the church.

During the past 4 years, volunteers to run the event have been required to undergo some safeguarding training, which delightfully hasn't put everyone off from supporting the running of these events and we are very grateful and delighted for the support received from the whole church, from prepping items for the activities to bringing items for the tombola and especially your prayers for the events to reach as many people as possible.

Frances Wilkinson

Tots Praise

May I begin with thanking the Tots Praise Team for their dedication, enthusiasm and commitment to ensuring each term time, the fortnightly service flows beautifully. Come rain wind or shine.

Tots Praise remains a well-loved asset, particularly used by 3 of our local nurseries. It is not unusual for us to be welcoming 40 + children and their carers to St Mary's Church. (all are eager to come, we are told the children regularly ask, "is it tots praise this week") It does feel a pleasure and a blessing to be part of the young people's experiences, seeing them grow in confidence and participation.

Our topics for the services follow as closely as possible to the church lectionary. We open with the lighting of the Easter candle and the following prayer: - Jesus you are light, Jesus you are Love, fill us with your light, fill us with your Love. Amen. Followed by Song, Bible Story, Craft, Song again if time, Refreshments and prayer. Recently the children reminded us of the prayer time, thinking we had forgotten, and the following routine now takes place. Each nursery after snack, leads one of their favourite songs and they all chip in with parts of the Thank you Prayer to close with.

Wonderful.

The children are very much at home in "their" church, this is how they refer to St Mary's, despite the awesome size of the church, as they sit on their kneelers, the Christus hanging above their heads. Some of the children recognise us at times when we are out and about, their bright and happy faces are a joy to see, in fact we met 14 of them recently at the bus stop, they arrived to catch the bus to go to story time at Birstall library and they chatted while their bus came. The children also pass on to others their experiences of visits to St Mary's.

Most of the children were new in September to Tots Praise, they are now well settled, becoming confident in : - remembering singing, prayer, taking part in story time and love the craft activities and meeting other children We are lucky to have one really long check vinyl picnic table cover that we put on the floor and can all sit around, in unity at snack time. Giving thanks for all we have learnt, shared and done during today. "Feeling Blessed"

Frances Wilkinson

Tots Praise, on behalf of the team. Brenda Swinton, Jennifer Hoyle, Christine Milsom, Dianna Brook, Joan Oddy, Joyce Jackson, Paul Wilkinson.

Christian Aid

During 2024 and 2025 our Church has raised through Big Brekkie, envelope and collecting box giving in Christian Aid Week, the fantastic sum of £553.64.

People from the community and congregation enjoyed a fantastic Big Breakfast Buttie, organised and cooked by Sarah and a team of helpers. Raising £161.50

The congregation also supported the envelope, and collecting box donating. In addition, £301 from the envelope giving of which £275 of this total was gift aided. £91.14 from the donation boxes making the grand total of £553.64.

In October, St Mary's additionally raised money for the people of Gaza who are enduring terrible suffering from effects of the war there. £89 was raised at a Sunday emergency Christian Aid Appeal.

During April this year Christian Aid also announced an emergency appeal on behalf of the earthquake devastation in Myanmar that affected around 90% of the country. Again, it was through a Sunday service collection.

A Huge Thank You for everyone's generous efforts to support others.

Frances Wilkinson
Christian Aid Representative

Mother's Union

The GOMERSAL branch of the Mothers Union, within the Huddersfield Episcopal area, is run by a committee. We have not had a branch leader for three years, but between myself as Secretary; Pat Bonham as Treasurer, alongside 5 other stalwart dedicated committee members, we have kept the branch running. We meet as a committee several times throughout the year, to arrange our monthly branch activities. We have upheld a membership of 21 members of the branch for the last 3 years. I feel that this is a successful organisation, raising funds for the worldwide Mothers Union organisation, together with support for our church here at St Marys.

In summary, I will now highlight our activity during the last calendar year 2024.

In **January**, we joined in the MU "Wave of Prayer" led by Trees Fewster, who prayed for, and thought about MU members in other countries around the world. A very thought-provoking occasion, raising our awareness of this worldwide organisation, working together for families.

Later in the month our monthly meeting was an entertaining magic show by a local amateur magician - a fascinating time raising £68 for Guide Dogs.

February's event was a "Pancake Day lunch" on Shrove Tuesday, where we had over 40 diners participating and Maureen Gaunt and Ann Ramsbottom cooked over 80 pancakes. In total £242 was raised split equally for church funds and MU. All the pancake ingredients, home baked cakes and condiments were donated by the MU committee. **March was our annual MU Lunch -18** people enjoyed the three-course lunch in the church room, 13 of which were MU members, and 3 lunches were taken out as they were not able to attend due to illness.

April brought us a very enlightening talk by Trees Fewster entitled "My retreat at the Community of the Resurrection" 26 people attended including 13 members. Trees gave a detailed summary of

her two separate visits. One was an individual guided retreat (9 days in silence) in Autumn 2023; and the other was her experience of spending Holy Week there with mainly students and visiting clergy.

Following Trees's talk we had a MU visit to the Community of the Resurrection in **May** - 19 attended.

In **June** we were supporting Rev Ann Pollards 21st anniversary celebrations at St Paul's, and as a branch later that month we joined the Episcopal Area meeting held at St John's church in Rastrick. 7 members of our branch attended this informative meeting learning about MU activities in the wider area and also meeting other MU members from other local branches.

In the summer we had a visit to Tong Garden Centre for Afternoon Tea.

The now annual MU Afternoon Tea was held in **September** in church. We aimed for and met 80 covers at two sittings - our largest fund-raising event of the year. This successful event was supported by many members and the committee, together with parishioners, and Haigh's Farm shop, who all provided cakes, pastries and scones.

Our speaker for **October** was Maureen and Bill Jones who presented a talk on "Women in Tanzania". This was a fascinating insight into this African country where the speakers had lived and worked within the communities for several years. We had 25 attendees including 3 MU members from St John's Rastrick and 2 from St Paul's Birkenshaw.

At our **November** meeting, we were transported into the shoes of a local head teacher. Gill Edge Evans gave a really interesting presentation entitled "Why don't you get a proper job!" These were the words her father said when she planned to enter teaching following her role as a Sunday School teacher. Gill gave her working life story through ups and downs in education; overseas visits; taking in refugees and ending up being awarded an MBE for services to education. The event raised £50 for "Brainkind" a charity close to her family.

The MU calendar was concluded in **December** by our Advent Service, written and led by our new vicar Reverend Emily Tidball. 11 members and 2 non-members attended this appropriate and lovely start to the Christmas celebrations. The committee provided Christmas refreshments of mince pies Christmas cake and cheese after the service.

Gillian Greaves
Secretary
GOMERSAL MU
May 2025

The Children's Society

The people of St Mary's Parish have once again been generous with their donations to the Children's Society during 2024.

The total for the Children's Society Collection Boxes for 2024 is £182.90 which will go towards valuable work of the Children's Society. The amount from Christingle Services this year is £222.31. The amount from Christingle candles totalled £59.40.

The total from collection boxes is the same as 2023 hopefully next year will see more giving. Thank you once again for all your donations.

The Children's Society does an enormous amount for children who desperately need help and whose lives are in danger of being irreparable damaged.

It is by generous donations such as these from St Mary's that this kind of help can continue.

Thank you again from
Joyce Jackson

approved 09/04/2025. PCC Meeting.
Rev Wilkin Vice Chair.

Here to love and serve God and all people

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin Spen Lane, Gomersal



Diocese of Leeds



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2024

Independent Examiner

Mr B J Wilcox FCMA
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Incumbent

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THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

The Parish of St Mary the Blessed Virgin, Gomersal

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7) (b) of the Act to be found in the guidance from the CBF. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.
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 record in accordance with section 41 of the act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with requirements of the Act, as also contained in the Church accounting Regulations 1997 have not been met.

Or

(2) To which in my opinion, attentions should be drawn in order to enable a proper Understanding of the accounts to be reached.



J Wilcox FCMA
3rd February 2025

**PARISH OF ST MARY GOMERSAL
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

GENERAL

The 2024 accounts of the PCC of St Mary's Gomersal are presented on a receipts and payments basis. All funds shown are unrestricted unless denoted R in the notes to the accounts.

RECEIPTS

For accounting purposes, receipts are recorded when received.
Cash receipts are recorded weekly as received on Sundays.
Bank credits are recorded monthly as shown on bank statements.
Credits are not considered due until payment is received.

PAYMENTS

For accounting purposes, payments are recorded when cheques are issued or cash payment is made.
Cash payments are recorded weekly as made each Sunday.
Bank debits are recorded monthly as shown on bank statements.
Debts are not considered due until payment is made.

PARISH OF ST MARY
THE BLESSED VIRGIN, GOMERSAL
FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2024

In the year 2024 the accounts show surplus of £18,316

Receipts

The amount received from the covenanting of both gifts and regular giving adds a substantial amount to your income. Giving increased on 2023 by 3% nearly £788

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Payments

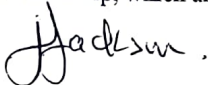
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In total payments have increased by 1% as previously stated this is mainly due to church repairs

Outlook

I would once again like to say a very big thank you for the generosity of everyone involved with St Mary's Parish Church, whether it is for the fund raising, donations or the giving. The common fund for 2025 has decreased this year by £728 again hopefully as in previous years we can manage to pay at least £25,000 of the £36,753 amount due. Once again 2025 will be a very difficult year as we have quite a lot of repairs to complete

On behalf of the PCC I would like to thank you all for your continued support, commitment and stewardship, which are the main factors behind our continued financial stability.



Joyce Jackson
PCC Honorary Treasurer

RECEIPTS					
		2024	NOTES	2023	%
1. DIRECT GIVING					
	Envelopes/Pledged giving	23,724.80		22,936.85	3%
	Open Collections	2,229.89		3,123.29	-29%
	Baptisms/Wedds/Funerals	705.39		942.00	-25%
	Covenant Recoveries	8,224.50		6,327.25	30%
	Total Direct Giving	34,884.58		33,329.39	5%
	Fete	1,745.37		1,695.44	0%
	Others	1,343.30		1,441.78	0%
	Total Efforts	3,088.67		3,137.22	-2%
3. OTHER RECEIPTS					
	Fees	2,173.00		2,308.15	-6%
	Special Collection	912.19	R2	160.00	0%
	Refreshments	497.15		521.49	-5%
	Childrens Activity	375.84		258.35	45%
	DCMS vat reclaimed	0.00		0.00	0%
	Fabric a/c interest received	9.58		16.33	-41%
	Organ Fund Interest Received	394.76		206.74	91%
	Sum Up Donation	2,105.05		1,690.27	25%
	Childrens Society	687.01		460.83	49%
	Donations	1,538.79		1,115.45	38%
	Lottery	626.00	R3	617.00	1%
	Keep Fit	0.00		0.00	0%
	Mara	24.89	R4	17.93	39%
	Legacy	30,775.90	R5	5,000.00	0%
	Knit & Natter	550.00	R2	300.00	0%
	Organ Fund	0.00		0.00	0%
	Wolsingham	2,358.00		4,104.00	0%
	Candles	188.06		132.69	42%
	Christian Aid	89.00	R1	530.29	0%
	Flowers	0.00		0.00	0%
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	Refund Bank Charges	0.00		0.00	0%
	Children and Youth Work	0.00		0.00	0%
	Benefact Trust Grant	0.00		1,800.00	0%
	Donation Mothers Union	491.00		560.75	0%
	Hire of Hall	0.00		450.00	0%
	Donation Brenda	40.00		0.00	0%
	Inscription	0.00		0.00	0%
	Renewal Repairs	0.00		5,860.00	0%
	Total Other Receipts	57,926.96		40,201.01	44%
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	95,900.21		76,667.62	25%

PAYMENTS

		2024		2023	%
4. EXPENSES AND WAGES					
	Clergy Expenses	320.32		0.00	#DIV/0!
	Wages	2,512.00		1,565.00	61%
	Total Expenses & Wages	2,832.32		1,565.00	81%
5. CHURCH COSTS					
	Heat, Light and Water	11,463.29		16,593.51	-31%
	Insurance	5,387.72		5,277.84	2%
	Repairs and Renewals	10,711.08		9,241.57	16%
	Altar Requirements/Worship	737.10		836.45	-12%
	Service Fees	1,470.48		948.00	55%
	Churchyard Upkeep	0.00		0.00	0%
	Total Church Costs	29,769.67		32,897.37	-10%
6. ADMINISTRATION					
	Office Expenses	1,335.48		951.98	40%
	Total Administration	1,335.48		951.98	40%
7. DIOCESAN COSTS					
	Parish Share (current year)	25,000.00		25,000.00	0%
	Parish Quota (outstanding)	0.00	(7a)	0.00	0%
	Total Diocesan Costs	25,000.00		25,000.00	0%
	Extra Parochial Giving	600.30		800.00	0%
	Special Collections	984.38		280.00	0%
	Total Giving	1,584.68		1,080.00	47%
9. OTHER PAYMENTS					
	Mission & Ministry	100.50		0.00	0%
others	Holy Island	0.00		0.00	0%
	Efforts Expenses	0.00		47.00	0%
	Fete Expenses	0.00		0.00	0%
	100 Club	126.00	R3	204.00	0%
others	Refreshments	108.80		14.30	0%
others	Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Christian Aid	89.00	R1	530.29	0%
others	Inscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	Trans to Organ a/c	600.00		616.33	0%
others	St Marys School	1,300.00	R5	500.00	0%
others	Susbscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	Bank Chgs	0.00		0.00	0%
	Tots Praise	0.00		50.00	0%
others	Childrens Society	464.61		466.45	0%
others	Wolsingham	3,428.00		4,946.00	0%
	Donation	0.00		0.00	0%
	Mara	90.34	R4	0.00	0%
	Roof Repairs	10,350.00		7,347.16	0%
others	Flowers	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Windows	0.00		0.00	0%
	Activity morning	0.00		0.00	0%
	Total Other Payments	16,657.25		14,721.53	13%
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	77,179.40		76,215.88	1%

ST MARY ORGAN FUND ACCOUNT

B/F FROM 31/12/24	23,390.37
Deposits	17,947.75
Trans	0.00
Interest	0.00
Balance C/F 31/12/2025	41,338.12

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

	2023	Ref 2024	2023	EXPENDITURE	Note Ref	2024
£	INCOME	£	£	£	£	£
	VOLUNTARY GIVING			THE MINISTRY		
22,432	Covenanted Giving	23,725		0 Vicarage/Housing Expenses		0
6,327	Tax Refund	8,225		0 Clergy Expenses of Office		320
505	Pledged Giving	0		THE CHURCH AND SERVICES		
3,123	Collections-Ordinary	2,230		16,594 Heat,Light & Water		11,463
942	Collections-Meddings/Fu:	705		5,278 Insurance		5,388
160	Collections-Special App	912		16,589 Repairs & Maintenance		21,061
1,009	Collections-Designated	801		0 Restoration		0
1,115	Donations	1,539		125 Cleaning		770
5,000	Legacy	30,776				
46,473	Renewal Repairs	0	68,913	0 Upkeep of Churchyard		0
	ORDINARY INCOME			948 Service Fees		1,470
2,308	Fees-Weddings/Funerals/:	2,173		836 Upkeep of Services		737
0	Graveyard Income	0		1,440 Organist/Choir/Music Group		1,742
14,091	Phonemast Income	14,091		0 Sunday School Grant		0
0	Restoration	0		952 Books/Printing/Stationary		1,335
16,399	Insurance Claims	0	16,264	0 Magazine Printing		0
	EVENTS/ACTIVITIES GROSS INCOME			47,758 4,996 Sundries		3,428
0	100 Club	0		THE DIOCESE		
1,800	Grant	0		25,000 Parish Share		25,000
1,695	Fete	1,745		0 Parish Quota Outstanding		0
617	Lottery	626		EVENTS/ACTIVITIES COSTS		
258	Childrens Activity	376		0 Fete		0
521	Refreshments	497		14 Refreshments		109
561	Mothers Union	491		0 Mothers Union		101
0	Community Funding	0				
6,694	Social Events	1,343	5,078	47 Other Efforts		0
	SUNDRY INCOME			GRANTS/SUPPORT COSNS		
6,677	Sundry Income	5,241	5,241	204 100 Club Prizes		126
	INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS			500 St Mary's School-Governors Ac		1,000
0	Bank Interest-Current A	0		0 St Mary's School-Bibles		300
223	16 Bank Interest-Deposit A	10		0 Activity Morning		0
	207 Bank Interest-CAF Ac	395	405	MISSIONARY/CHARITABLE GIVING		
	CLOSURE OF TRUST ACCOUNTS			280 Special Collections		984
	Capital Realisation			997 Collections-Designated		644
0	Income Accrued	0		300 Church Overseas-Mission Aid		600
				500 Home Mission		0
				0 Secular Charities/Causes		0
				2,077 0 ROUNING DIFFERENCES		2,228
				(2)		2
				ROUNDING DIFFERENCES		
76,666	TOTAL INCOME		95,901	75,598		76,580
				TRANSFER RESTRICTED/DESIGNATED FUNDS		
				0 Fabric Fund		610
				0 Other		395
				1,068 SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		18,316
						18,316
						95,901

ST MARY'S GOMERSAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/12/2021

£	2023	BALANCE SHEET	Note Ref	2024	£
		CURRENT ASSETS			
	27,731	Yorks Bank-Current A/c		46,047	
	23,390	Organ Fund		41,338	
	16,943	Deposit No.2 A/c		0	
		0 CAF Cash Gold A/c		0	
68,064		0 Cash		0	87,385
		0 Stock-Traidcraft		0	
		0 Debtors to P.C.C.		0	
0		0 Prepayments by P.C.C.		0	0
68,064					87,385
		Less :			
		CURRENT LIABILITIES			
	0	0 Creditors of P.C.C.		0	
0		0 Receipts in Advance		0	0
68,064		TOTAL NET ASSETS			87,385
		Represented by :			
		ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
0	25,211	P.C.C. (General Fund) B.F.		26,456	
25,456	245	Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		18,316	44,772
		Restricted/Designated Funds			
	105	Kneelers	R	105	
	0	Creche	R	0	
	0	Charitable Giving	R	0	
	1,000	Service Worship	R	1,000	
	24,390	Organ Fund	R	23,785	
	0	Youth Club	D	0	
	0	Community Centre	D	0	
	16,943	Fabric	D	17,553	
42,608	170	P.P.C. Projects	D	170	42,613
68,064					87,385

PARISH OF ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN

BUDGET FOR 2025

YEAR WEEKLY

PARISH STAFF AND WORKING COSTS
(administration, expenses, clergy housing,
organist etc.)

5638 108

CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING
(heating, lighting, insurance, running cost,
repairs, service requirements etc.)

28299 544

PARISH SHARE

36753 707

OUTWARD GIVING
Our church's direct giving to mission and
Charitable organisation

ORGAN

3000 58

MISSION OUTREACH

1000 19

TOTAL EXPENDITURE PER WEEK £1479

TOTAL 74690 1436

Our projected income for 2024

From the collection plate (cash)

2230 43

From Planned Giving
(Envelopes, Banker's standing orders)

23725 456

Tax reclaimed on Gift Aid, Covenants, etc

8225 158

Fundraising

3089 59

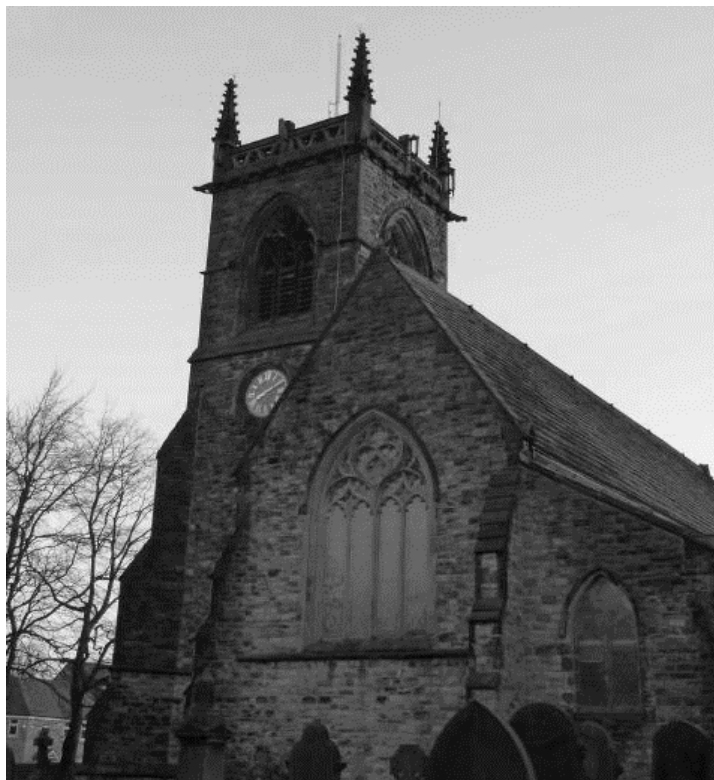
From Mobile Phones

14091 271

51360 988

TOTAL INCOME £988 per week
shortfall £448 per week

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin
Spen Lane, Gomersal, BD19 4LS



Minutes for Annual Parochial Church
Meeting

Held Sunday 19th May 2024

Priest in Charge
The Revd Emily Tidball
6 Vicarage Gardens
Birkenshaw
BD11 2EF

ST. MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN, GOMERSAL.

MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY 19st May 2024 FOLLOWING THE PARISH EUCHARIST AT 9:30am

Present: Paul Wilkinson (chair), Helen Nicholl, Susie Bell Proctor, Pat Sheard, Gillian Greaves, Rupinder Khaira, Sandra Lightowler, Jean Holmes, Audrey Mills, Jennifer Hoyle, Sarah Taylor, Andrew Wardman, Anna Clapham, Trees Fewster, Solveig Rawlings, Pat Macintosh, Ann Ramsbottom, John Neville, Frances Wilkinson, Linda Mumford, Brenda Swinton, Sarah Jones, Joyce Jackson, Ruth Wilcox, Diana Brook, Peter Yates, Pauline Yates, Christine Milsom, Ann Wilby, Joan Oddy, Pat Bonham.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Linda Mumford.

VESTRY MEETING

Paul Wilkinson has completed his 11 year term of office as church warden.

Brenda Swinton has completed 1 year term of office as church warden.

Minutes of meeting held 14th May 2023

Paul Wilkinson read minutes of last meeting. Minutes agreed as true and correct.

Proposed: Brenda Swinton

Seconded: Susie Bell Proctor

All in favour.

Elections of churchwardens

Brenda Swinton

Proposed: Paul Wilkinson

Seconded: Anna Clapham

Theresia Fewster-Verhaar

Proposed: Gillian Greaves

Seconded: Christine Milsom

Candidates to be accepted was proposed by Joyce Jackson **and seconded by** Ruth Wilcox.

All were in favour.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

1	Apologies for absence Clive Milsom, Maureen Luckoo and Jenny Wear.
2	Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on the 14th May 2023 Paul Wilkinson read the minutes out and the minutes were agreed to be true and correct. Proposed: Peter Yates Seconded: Jean Holmes All in favour.
3	Electoral Roll Report From the last count in April 2023 the present number of people elected to vote on the electoral roll is 101. 2 members have sadly passed away. 1 member has been added. There are: 80 female members, 21 male members. Proposed by Linda Mumford seconded by Trees Fewster. All in favour.
4	Statement of financial activities year ending 31st December 2023 Joyce Jackson informed those present that there was a surplus of £1245. A legacy of £5000 was received. The accounts are looking healthy though there is a lot of work that is needed to be carried out on the building. The Diocese has been informed that we intend to pay £25,000 towards the parish share again. The deposit account has been closed due to the bank no longer doing book accounts so the fund have been put into the Organ fund £24,000 in this account is for use for the organ. Proposed by Susie Bell Proctor seconded by Jean Holmes. All in favour. Joyce Jackson thanked Peter and David for all the work they do to help with Gift Aid money back. Paul Wilkinson thanked Joyce Jackson for all the work she does for the church.
5	Appointment of independent Examiner Brian Wilcox has agreed to stand again as independent examiner. Proposed by Joyce Jackson seconded by Peter Yates. All in favour.
6	Reports PCC annual report Paul Wilkinson read the report out and explained the report. Paul Wilkinson thanked Peter Yates for his work on the PCC who decided to not stand again. Paul Wilkinson also thanked Sarah Taylor for her hard work as Lay pastoral minister. Linda Mumford and Brenda Swinton were thanked for their time on the Deanery Synod. Proposed by Susie Bell Proctor seconded by Linda Mumford. All in favour. Review of the year Paul Wilkinson read the review. Paul Wilkinson thanked Susie Bell Proctor for the hard work for her work on Tot's Praise. He also thanked Sarah Taylor for her efforts to raise money for the church. Paul Wilkinson thanked Gillian Greaves for her hard work on the Brass Band evening that was held in church. Proposed by Susie Bell Proctor seconded by Frances Wilkinson. All in favour.

Inventory

Paul Wilkinson explained the report and explained the changes that have been made.
Rupinder Khaira thanked Paul Wilkinson for all his hard work.

Proposed by Peter Yates **seconded by** Linda Yates. All in favour.

Fabric Report

Paul Wilkinson read out and explained parts of the report.

Proposed by Linda Mumford **seconded by** Sarah Taylor. All in favour.

Children's activity mornings/Tots praise

Frances Wilkinson read the report. She thanked Susie Bell Proctor for her hard work behind the scenes and for volunteering to lead Tot's praise as well as all the volunteers that have helped with both Children's mornings and Tot's praise.

Proposed by Branda Swinton **seconded by** Anna Clapham. All in favour.

Safeguarding

Jennifer Hoyle explained about the Safeguarding policy that is in place in church. The church is part of Parish Dashboard which shows what a parish needs to do to ensure they are up to date with their policies and practices.

Paul Wilkinson thanked Jennifer Hoyle for all the hard work she does behind the scenes.

Proposed by Peter Yates **seconded by** Joyce Jackson. All in favour.

Deanery Synod

Linda Mumford read the report.

Proposed by Peter Yates **seconded by** Peter Yates. All in favour.

Gomersal St Mary's School

Brenda Swinton read the report.

Proposed by Joyce Jackson **seconded by** Sarah Taylor. All in favour.

Mother's Union

Gillian Greaves read the report.

Proposed by Jean Holmes **seconded by** Trees Fewster. All in favour.

7 Elections

- (a) Parochial Church Councillors**
- (b) Deanery Synod**

- (a)** Jennifer Hoyle

Proposed: Frances Wilkinson

Seconded: Brenda Swinton

All in favour.

Sarah Taylor

Proposed: Linda Mumford

Seconded: Brenda Swinton

All in favour.

Rupinder Khaira

Proposed: Paul Wilkinson

Seconded: Brenda Swinton

All in favour.

(b) Paul Wilkinson
P: Brenda Swinton
S: Linda Mumford
All in favour.

Christine Milsom
Proposed: Joyce Jackson
Seconded: Linda Mumford
All in favour.

Any Other Business

Jean Holmes informed those present the annual church fayre would be held on 13th July in church.

Trees Fewster thanked Paul Wilkinson for all his years of hard work he has done for the church. All present were in agreement.

Linda Mumford closed the meeting with a prayer.

Meeting closed approximately 12:20pm.

Accounts

Here to love and serve God and all people

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin
Spenn Lane, Gomersal



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Diocese of Leeds



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2023

Independent Examiner
Mr B J Wilcox FCMA
18 Latham Court
Gomersal
BD19 4DE

Incumbent

Bankers
Yorkshire Bank PLC
12 Bradford Road
Cleckheaton
BD19 3RJ



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

The Parish of St Mary the Blessed Virgin, Gomersal

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7) (b) of the Act to be found in the guidance from the CBF. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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 record in accordance with section 41 of the act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with requirements of the Act, as also contained in the Church accounting Regulations 1997 have not been met.

Or

(2) To which in my opinion, attentions should be drawn in order to enable a proper Understanding of the accounts to be reached.



B J Wilcox FCMA

3rd February 2024

**PARISH OF ST MARY GOMERSAL
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

GENERAL

The 2023 accounts of the PCC of St Mary's Gomersal are presented on a receipts and payments basis. All funds shown are unrestricted unless denoted R in the notes to the accounts.

RECEIPTS

For accounting purposes, receipts are recorded when received.
Cash receipts are recorded weekly as received on Sundays.
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PAYMENTS

For accounting purposes, payments are recorded when cheques are issued or cash payment is made.
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PARISH OF ST MARY
THE BLESSED VIRGIN, GOMERSAL
FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2023

In the year 2023 the accounts show surplus of £1,245

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On behalf of the PCC I would like to thank you all for your continued support, commitment and stewardship, which are the main factors behind our continued financial stability.

Joyce Jackson
PCC Honorary Treasurer

RECEIPTS

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Covenant Recoveries	6,327.25		6,243.25	1%
Total Direct Giving	33,329.41		30,445.72	9%
Fete	1,695.44		968.43	0%
Others	1,441.78		186.59	0%
Total Efforts	3,137.22		1,155.02	172%
3. OTHER RECEIPTS				
Fees	2,308.15		4,778.60	-52%
Special Collection	160.00	R2	0.00	0%
Refreshments	521.49		306.52	70%
Childrens Activity	258.35		363.73	-29%
DCMS vat reclaimed	0.00		0.00	0%
Fabric a/c interest received	16.33		15.72	4%
Organ Fund Interest Received	206.74		68.38	202%
Sum Up Donation	1,690.27		1,542.97	10%
Childrens Society	460.83		519.63	-11%
Donations	1,115.45		1,900.72	-41%
Lottery	617.00	R3	722.00	-15%
Keep Fit	0.00		50.00	0%
Mara	17.93	R4	15.58	15%
Legacy	5,000.00	R5	0.00	0%
Knit & Natter	300.00	R2	400.00	0%
Organ Fund	0.00		0.00	0%
Wolsingham	4,104.00		3,910.00	0%
Candles	132.69		120.98	10%
Christian Aid	530.29	R1	62.00	0%
Flowers	0.00		76.70	0%
Mobile licence fee	14,090.74		14,090.74	0%
Refund Bank Charges	0.00		49.58	0%
Children and Youth Work	0.00		143.00	0%
Benefact Trust Grant	1,800.00		2,000.00	0%
Donation Mothers Union	560.75		800.00	0%
Hire of Hall	450.00		0.00	0%
Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	0%
Inscription	0.00		0.00	0%
Renewal Repairs	5,860.00		30.00	0%
Total Other Receipts	40,201.01		31,966.85	26%
TOTAL RECEIPTS	76,667.64		63,567.59	21%

PAYMENTS

		2023		2022	% INCREASE
4. EXPENSES AND WAGES					
	Clergy Expenses	0.00		68.25	-100%
	Wages	1,565.00		1,300.00	20%
	Total Expenses & Wages	1,565.00		1,368.25	14%
5. CHURCH COSTS					
	Heat, Light and Water	16,593.51		9,760.75	70%
	Insurance	5,277.84		4,798.08	10%
	Repairs and Renewals	9,241.57		5,482.97	69%
	Altar Requirements/Worship	836.45		1,089.39	-23%
	Service Fees	948.00		1,884.00	-50%
	Churchyard Upkeep	0.00		13.00	0%
	Total Church Costs	32,897.37		23,028.19	43%
6. ADMINISTRATION					
	Office Expenses	951.98		1,096.71	-13%
	Total Administration	951.98		1,096.71	-13%
7. DIOCESAN COSTS					
	Parish Share (current year)	25,000.00		25,000.00	0%
	Parish Quota (outstanding)	0.00	(7a)	0.00	0%
	Total Diocesan Costs	25,000.00		25,000.00	0%
	Extra Parochial Giving	800.00		1,250.00	0%
	Special Collections	280.00		65.00	0%
	Total Giving	1,080.00		1,315.00	-18%
9. OTHER PAYMENTS					
	Mission & Ministry	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Holy Island	0.00		0.00	0%
	Efforts Expenses	47.00		0.00	0%
	Fete Expenses	0.00		0.00	0%
	100 Club	204.00	R3	120.00	0%
others	Refreshments	14.30		0.00	0%
others	Miscellaneous	0.00		45.00	0%
others	Christian Aid	530.29	R1	62.00	0%
others	Inscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	Trans to Fabric a/c	616.33		615.72	0%
others	School Grant	500.00	R5	0.00	0%
others	Susbscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	Bank Chgs	0.00		49.58	0%
	Tots Praise	50.00		42.00	0%
others	Childrens Society	466.45		243.61	0%
others	Wolsingham	4,946.00		4,726.00	0%
	Donation	0.00		0.00	0%
	Mara	0.00	R4	0.00	0%
	Roof Repairs	7,347.16		10,113.86	0%
others	Flowers	0.00		57.75	0%
others	Windows	0.00		0.00	0%
	Activity morning	0.00		108.46	0%
	Total Other Payments	14,721.53		16,183.98	-9%
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	76,215.88		67,992.13	12%

ST MARY DEPOSIT/FABRIC AC

B/F FROM 31/12/23	16,327.08
Deposits	600.00
Trans	0.00
Interest	16.33
Balance C/F 31/12/2024	16,943.41

ST MARY ORGAN FUND ACCOUNT

B/F FROM 31/12/23	24,183.63
Deposits	0.00
Trans	1,000.00
Interest	206.74
Balance C/F 31/12/2024	25,390.37

ST MARY'S GOMERSAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/12/2023

2022	INCOME	Ref 2023	2022	EXPENDITURE	Note Ref 2023
£	£	£	£	£	£
	VOLUNTARY GIVING			THE MINISTRY	
22,134	Covenanted Giving	22,432		0 Vicarage/Housing Expenses	0
6,243	Tax Refund	6,327	68	68 Clergy Expenses of Office	0
(1,034)	Pledged Giving	505		THE CHURCH AND SERVICES	
2,179	Collections-Ordinary	3,123		9,761 Heat, Light & Water	16,594
924	Collections-Weddings/Fu	942		4,798 Insurance	5,278
0	Collections-Special App	160		15,597 Repairs & Maintenance	16,589
597	Collections-Designated	1,009		0 Restoration	0
1,950	Donations	1,115		0 Cleaning	125
0	Legacy	5,000			
33,023	30 Renewal Repairs	5,860	46,473	13 Upkeep of Churchyard	0
	ORDINARY INCOME			1,884 Service Fees	948
4,779	Fees-Weddings/Funerals/	2,308		1,089 Upkeep of Services	836
0	Graveyard Income	0		1,300 Organist/Choir/Music Group	1,440
14,091	Phonemast Income	14,091		0 Sunday School Grant	0
0	Restoration	0		1,097 Books/Printing/Stationary	952
18,870	0 Insurance Claims	0	16,399	0 Magazine Printing	0
	EVENTS/ACTIVITIES GROSS INCOME			40,459 4,920 Sundries	4,996 47,759
722	100 Club	0		THE DIOCESE	
2,000	Grant	1,800		25,000 Parish Share	25,000
968	Fete	1,695	25,000	0 Parish Quota Outstanding	0 25,000
50	Keep Fit	617		EVENTS/ACTIVITIES COSTS	
364	Childrens Activity	258		0 Fete	0
307	Refreshments	521		0 Refreshments	14
800	Mothers Union	561		0 Mothers Union	0
0	Community Funding	0		0 Other Efforts	47
5,398	187 Social Events	1,442	6,894	120 120 100 Club Prizes	204 265
	SUNDRY INCOME			GRANTS/SUPPORT COSTS	
6,194	6,194 Sundry Income	6,677	6,677	0 St Mary's School-Governors Ac	500
	INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS			0 St Mary's School-Bibles	0
0	Bank Interest-Current A	0		108 108 Activity Morning	0 500
16	Bank Interest-Deposit A	16		MISSIONARY/CHARITABLE GIVING	
84	68 Bank Interest-CAF Ac	207	223	65 Special Collections	280
	CLOSURE OF TRUST ACCOUNTS			306 Collections-Designated	997
0	Capital Realisation			250 Church Overseas-Mission Aid	300
	Income Accrued		0	1,000 Home Mission	500
				0 Secular Charities/Causes	0 2,077 0.00
	ROUNDING DIFFERENCES			1 1 ROUNDING DIFFERENCES	(2)
63,569	TOTAL INCOME		76,666 67,377	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	75,598
				TRANSFER RESTRICTED/DESIGNATED FUNDS	
				0 616 Fabric Fund	616
				660 44 Other	(793) (177)
				SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	1,245 1,245
63,569			(4,468) (4,468)		76,666
			76,666 63,569		

ST MARY'S GOMERSAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/12/2023

2022		BALANCE SHEET	Note Ref	2023	
£	£				£
		CURRENT ASSETS			
	26,486	Yorks Bank-Current A/c		27,731	
	24,184	Organ Fund		23,390	
	16,327	Deposit No.2 A/c		16,943	
		0 CAF Cash Gold A/c		0	
66,997		0 Cash		0	
		0 Stock-Traidcraft		0	68,064
		0 Debtors to P.C.C.		0	
0		0 Prepayments by P.C.C.		0	0
66,997					68,064
		Less :			
		CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		0 Creditors of P.C.C.		0	
0		0 Receipts in Advance		0	0
66,997		TOTAL NET ASSETS			68,064
		Represented by :			
		ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
0	29,679	P.C.C. (General Fund) B.F.		25,211	
25,211	(4,468)	Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		1,245	26,456
		Restricted/Designated Funds			
	105	Kneelers	R	105	
	0	Creche	R	0	
	0	Charitable Giving	R	0	
	1,000	Service Worship	R	1,000	
	24,184	Organ Fund	R	23,390	
	0	Youth Club	D	0	
	0	Community Centre	D	0	
	16,327	Fabric	D	16,943	
41,786	170	P.P.C. Projects	D	170	41,608
66,997					68,064

PARISH OF ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN

BUDGET FOR 2024

	YEAR	WEEKLY
PARISH STAFF AND WORKING COSTS (administration, expenses, clergy housing, organist etc.)	3465	67
CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING (heating, lighting, insurance, running cost, repairs, service requirements etc.)	31943	614
PARISH SHARE	37481	721
OUTWARD GIVING Our church's direct giving to mission and Charitable organisation		
FABRIC ACCOUNT	2000	38
ORGAN	1000	19
MISSION OUTREACH	1000	19
TOTAL	76889	1479
TOTAL EXPENDITURE PER WEEK£1479		
Our projected income for 2024		
From the collection plate (cash)	3123	60
From Planned Giving (Envelopes, Banker's standing orders)	22937	441
Tax reclaimed on Gift Aid, Covenants,etc	6327	122
Fundraising	3137	60
From Mobile Phones	14091	271
	49615	954
TOTAL INCOME £954 per week shortfall £525 per week		

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin

Spen Lane, Gomersal

 **THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND**
Diocese of Leeds



Annual Parochial Church meeting

Minutes

For the meeting held 14.5.23

ST. MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN, GOMERSAL.

**MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY 14th May
2023 FOLLOWING THE PARISH EUCHARIST AT 9:30am**

Present: Paul Wilkinson (chair), Helen Nicholl, Gillian Greaves, Pat Bonham, Vicky Clarke, Linda Mumford, Brenda Swinton, Christine Milsom, Anna Clapham, Jennifer Hoyle, Pat Sheard, Joan Oddy, Ann Wilby, Frances Wilkinson, Sarah Jones, Susie Bell Proctor, Sarah Taylor, Audrey Mills, Sandra Lightowler, Christine Evans, Pam Inward, Maureen Gaunt, Peter Yates, Pauline Yates, Maureen Luckoo, Ann Ramsbottom, John Neville, Joyce Jackson, Jean Holmes

Linda Mumford opened the meeting with a prayer.

VESTRY MEETING

Paul Wilkinson read the minutes from the previous year's (1.5.22) meeting. He also read the minutes of the extraordinary General meeting held on 22.5.22.

Minutes proposed by Linda Mumford and seconded by Brenda Swinton. All in Favour.

Election of churchwardens.

Trees Fewster is unable to stand again as churchwarden this year.

Paul Wilkinson has stood as Churchwarden for 10 years. The PCC has approved for Paul Wilkinson to stand again. For this to happen the 6 year term rule needs to be revoked. This was proposed by Susan Bell-Proctor, seconded by Joyce Jackson and all present were in favour of revoking the 6 term rule to allow Paul Wilkinson to stand again for the position of churchwarden.

Nomination of Paul Wilkinson:

Proposed: Jean Holmes

Seconded: Brenda Swinton

Nomination of Brenda Swinton:

Proposed: Paul Wilkinson

Seconded: Linda Mumford

The acceptance of the nominees to the position of churchwarden was proposed by Jennifer Hoyle and seconded by Frances Wilkinson. All were in favour.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1	Apologies for absence Trees Fewster, Andrew Wardman and Kathleen Dyson
2	Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on the 1st May 2022 The minutes were agreed to be true and correct. P: Peter Yates S: Maureen Gaunt All in favour.
3	Electoral Roll Report From the last count in April 2022 the present number of people elected to vote on the electoral roll has decreased from 106 to 104. 5 members have sadly passed away. 3 members have been added. There are 83 female members, 21 male members Proposed by Sarah Jones and seconded by Peter Yates
4	Reports The reports were available to read. Paul Wilkinson informed those present about information in the fabric report, that we in the process of raising the money to be able to do the work in the north wall and that all the preventative maintenance has been carried out. Frances Wilkinson said, in relation to the children's activity morning reports, that the church is great in the way they are able to pull together to be able to do what we do. Frances Wilkinson thanked Joyce Jackson for all the work she has done for the church. The reports were proposed by Maurine Gaunt and seconded by Susie Bell Proctor. All were in favour.
5	Treasurer's Report and Accounts The finance report showed a deficit of £4,068 in 2022. This was mainly due to the inability to hold fund raising events due to the lasting effects of the Covid lockdown. The number of funerals had increased. The cost of energy etc has increased so these payments had increased. Joyce Jackson thanked everyone for their generosity. She also thanked Peter and David for all their help with claiming Gift Aid and every one who has helped her. A grant was applied for to help with the work that is needed for the north wall. £26,000 is needed and only £3,800 has been received. The Finance report was proposed by Linda Mumford and seconded by Sarah Jones. All were in favour.
6	Appointment of Auditor Brian Wilcox agreed to stand again. Proposed by Sarah Jones and Seconded by Susie Bell Proctor.

All were in favour.

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Elections

(a) Parochial Church Councillors

(b) Deanery Synod

(a) Frances Wilkinson

P: Linda Munford

S: Brenda Swinton

Susie Bell Proctor

P: Gillian Greaves

S: Paul Wilkinson

Gillian Greaves

P: Susie Bell Proctor

S: Trees Fewster

Christine Milsom

P: Trees Fewster

S: Gillian Greaves

Helen Nicholl

P: Paul Wilkinson

S: Joyce Jackson

Proposed by Brenda Swinton and seconded by Sarah Taylor. All in favour

(b) Joyce Jackson

P: Jean Holmes

S: Paul Wilkinson

All in favour.

Annual Review

Paul Wilkinson read the annual review for those present. He then added that there had since been a meeting with the Archdeacon and the vacancy has been advertised. The report was proposed by Frances Wilkinson and seconded by Susie Bell Proctor. All were in favour.

PCC report

Paul Wilkinson read the PCC report. He explained that there has been a decrease in communicants. There has also been new safeguarding measures put in within the church.

Any other business

Helen Nicholl thanked Jean Holmes, who has stepped down from the role of vergers, for all the work that she has done over the years as vergers of the church.

Linda Mumford closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting closed at approximately 11:40AM.

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin

Spenn Lane, Gomersal



CHURCH REPORTS

For the year ending 31st December 2023

St Mary's Parish Church

Parish Annual Review 2023/24

The year didn't start very well. Rev Karen was off sick during January, which was a confirmation of her health problems, culminating in her taking early retirement at the end of January 2023. Since that date the Church has been without a resident Priest for 15 months and have been relying on Retired Priests to carry out our Sunday Eucharist Service. We are immensely grateful to the Priests who have carried out this role, particularly Rev Ann Pollard who has taken the lion's share of this work and is still here with us. Linda Mumford our Licensed Reader has been a Great Help in supporting the retired Priests and running the various Advent and Easter Church Groups.

We had a new Churchwarden, Brenda Swinton replacing Trees Fewster, and Jean Holmes retired after many excellent years as Verger, being replaced by Susie Bell Proctor.

At the request of the School, Tots Praise fortnightly children's service was moved to St Mary's School Nursery up to the end of July, this was and has been for many years run by Frances Wilkinson with help from a further 8 Church Members.

Stepping Stones Nursery were wanting to get involved again with Tots Praise and hence the Church was again used as the meeting place with up to 30 young children attending. Numbers rose again to just short of 50, when Gummy Bears Nursery started to attend again at the Church.

The average Church Sunday attendance is ~~approx~~ 40, which is the same as last year and whilst we have a few new Communicants, sadly some regular Parishioners have passed away: including Jenifer Dicker, Malcolm Fewster, and our Organist Arwel Price, may they RIP & Rise in Glory.

St Mary's School with parents in attendance have attended the Church covering all their yearly services plus Christmas Concerts, which culminates in the year 6 Leaving Service, for the Children when they move onto High School.

The Church attended the yearly Pilgrimage to Walsingham in October ably led by Linda Mumford our Licensed Reader.

Sarah Taylor our Pastoral Minister has continued her Ministry of visiting Holme House to lead the service and give Home Communion to the residents. We also have 1 other Church Member who takes out home Communion. In addition, Sarah has run 2 Clothes sales raising much needed funds for the Church.

The Church has run the Seasonal Activity Mornings at Easter and Advent, with Summer and Christmas Fairs, and Christingle Nativity in support of the Childrens Society, also the Church raised money for Christian Aid by having a BIG BREKKIE and envelope collection. Finally early 2024, the Church hosted Hammonds Brass Band in a Valentines Concert.

The Church is still used by the Ladies in their Knit & Natter time together on Monday afternoons, and Thursday afternoons are still used by the Keep Fit Group.

We have got no further with the election of a Resident Priest, whom we will share with St Pauls Birkenshaw. The congregation of both our Churches have started a more interactive relationship with each other and are looking forward to this developing in the future.

Paul Wilkinson, Vice Chair. May 2024.

St Mary the Blessed Virgin Gomersal

PCC Annual Report for 2023/24

Background

St Mary's Parish Church Council is responsible for co-operating with the resident Vicar, including the Church Wardens. The Church has been in vacancy since the 1st February 2023. During the remaining months, February thro to 31st December 2023 the PCC have worked with the Archdeacon Bill ~~Burrows~~ & Rural Dean Hugh Baker. The PCC also have maintenance responsibilities for the Church and its Churchyard.

Membership of the PCC.

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. elected members serve for 3 years, also Deanery Synod Members serve for 3 years. Wardens and Deanery Synod members serve on the PCC as ex-officio. The Vicar Rev. Karen retired from the position of Vicar on 31st January 2023 due to health grounds, and hence only served as Vicar/PCC Chair during the month of January 2023. During the year, the following served as members of the PCC:

Vicar: The Church has not had a resident Vicar from 31 st January 2023.		Committees:	
Wardens:		Standing Committee: It has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the PCC. Members, 2023/24: - Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary, Linda Mumford. The standing committee have not met during 2023/2024	
Mr Paul Wilkinson (served from 2013) ex-officio			
Mrs Brenda Swinton (served from May 2023) ex-officio			
Deanery Synod:	Year Elected		
Mrs Joyce Jackson	May 2023 ex-officio		
Mrs Linda Mumford	May 2021 ex-officio		
Mrs Brenda Swinton	May 2022 ex-officio		
Elected Members	Year Elected		
Jennifer Hoyle	May 2021		
Peter Yates	May 2021		
Jean Holmes	September 2022		
Christine Milson	May 2023		
Bill Greaves	May 2023		
Sue Bell Proctor	May 2023		
John Nicholl	May 2023		
Frances Wilkinson	May 2024		

Parish Statistics:	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Communicants	5900	5077	5004	5532	5296	4830	4606	4700	4057	3994	4219
Confirmations	4	1	2	6	4	0	0	6	0	2	0
Baptisms	10	26	17	23	32	26	21	17	20	16	6
Marriages	4	3	8	3	5	2	1	3	7	2	4
Burials	4	1	2	1	2	0	1	3	4	0	0
Burial of ashes	5	6	8	2	5	2	5	10	8	2	6
Funerals					11	3	7	19	6	4	7
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Communicants	3474	903	1009	1590	1943						
Home Communicants	237	55	0	13	301						
Confirmations	4	0	2	0	1						
Baptisms	8	1	3	6	6						
Marriages	2	0	2	2	0						
Burials	1	1	1	3	0						
Burials of ashes	6	1	3	4	3						
Funerals	5	1	6	8	4						

The PCC have met 6 times during 2023/4. The standing committee have not met. A big thanks to all the members of the PCC for all work done at St Mary's during this period.

2 members has completed their term of office and grateful thanks are given to Jenifer Hoyle and Peter Yates, a big thanks to each person for their time and commitment to the PCC, they are both eligible for re-election.

Additionally, Paul Wilkinson Churchwarden has completed an 11-year term of office and Brenda Swinton Churchwarden has completed a one-year term of office. A special extraordinary Vestry Meeting was held on the 14th of May 2023 to elect the Churchwardens. The six-year rule was revoked at this meeting to allow Paul Wilkinson to stand again due to no other person being available. Mrs Linda Mumford has completed her 3-year term of office on the Deanery Synod and thanks are given to Linda for her work. Linda is eligible for re-election. Brenda Swinton has completed 2 years on the Denery Synod and is standing down, thanks also to Brenda for her time on the Synod.

The following documents have been reviewed, updated where necessary and approved by the PCC: Fire Safety Risk Assessment, Fire Procedures, H&S Policy, Church Inventory.

The total Communicants has continued to rise since the reduction from 2020 when we started to suffer from the Covid Pandemic. The home communicants have risen sharply which is due to Sarah Taylor our new Pastoral Minister, a Huge Thanks Sarah, Well Done.

The church council has complied with the duty under section 5 of the safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016(duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). The PCC approved a safeguarding policy 'Promoting a Safer Church' on 20/9/23. The Safeguarding Dashboard generates an Action plan which is presented to the PCC for discussion and approval. The Safeguarding Officer is committed to informing PCC of any Safeguarding issues should any arise.

During this past year we have been without a resident Priest due to Rev Karen Nicholl's retirement on the 31st of January 2023 due to long term ill health, it was a sad event to lose our resident Priest, and we wish Rev Karen a full recovery.

Paul Wilkinson was elected as PCC Chair at the short meeting to elect officers, held on the 14th of May after the APCM.

Paul Wilkinson, Vice Chair, On behalf of the PCC.
May 2024

Church Fabric Report, 2022/23.

All annual Preventative Maintenance work has been carried out, this includes Boiler Service, Lightning Conductor, Church Clock, Church Internal and Roof Alarms, PAT testing on Electrical Items and 5 the yearly complete Electrical check.

The following documents have been reviewed, updated where necessary and approved by the PCC: Fire Safety Risk Assessment. Fire Procedures, H&S Policy, Church Inventory.

Major Building work has been carried out on the:

North Aisle Roof to improve the water discharge from the roof to the fall pipes, this was completed February 2023 and the necessary Replastering and Painting of the internal North Aisle Wall due to the excessive water overflowing the gutters was completed November 2023.

3 Elm Trees removed from the Churchyard by the Council due to Dutch Elm Disease, have been replaced with 3 sapling Silver Birch Trees by the Churchwarden, which is along the wall line at the side of the main road.

A new Fibre cable fitted into the Telecommunication equipment on the Church upper floor by Virgin Media.

New work is in the process of starting, by repointing the South Aisle wall from the West side to the South Porch, the CI guttering which covers this section needs resealing to prevent water from leaching through into the wall. The South Aisle West side wall also needs repointing.

As part of this List B building works, the Choir Vestry roof is to be repaired covering the WC area. This is due to start 21st May 2024.

Churchwardens:

Paul Wilkinson, Brenda Swinton May 2024

Safeguarding Report January- December 2022

The Parish continues to use the Church of England Parish Dashboard as a means of keeping approved policies and practices up to date. Details are provided at PCC meetings.

During the year 5 DBS checks have been completed.

New members of PCC have completed 'Safer Awareness', 'Safeguarding Foundations' and 'Domestic Abuse' online training courses.

I completed training on 'Modern Slavery' and this and the work of the 'Clever Initiative' will be shared with PCC in the new year.

All PCC and volunteers have willingly given their time to ensure their training is up to date and deserve special thanks for this. We can be confident that children and vulnerable adults are welcomed safely in our church.

Jennifer Hoyle

April 2024

Electoral Roll report

Electoral Roll Report April 2024

Parish Church of St. Mary's Gomersal

From the last count in April 2023 the present number of people elected to vote on the electoral roll is 101.

2 members have sadly passed away.

1 member has been added.

There are:

81 female members

21 male members

All previous records have been destroyed.

Anna Clapham

Electoral Roll Officer

Deanery Synod report

We attended 2 out of the 3 meetings held in the last year. The spring and winter meeting. Unfortunately, we were unable to attend the one in October where the Bishop Smitha of Huddersfield was the guest speaker.

At the meeting in June 2023 the speaker was Janet Edmond who is the Leeds Diocesan Stewardship Officer who is very much involved in the Parish Giving Scheme. The speaker stated that parishes should have a regular Planned Giving Scheme. Donation can be made by direct debit monthly, quarterly, or annually.

We attended the one held at the House of Resurrection at Mirfield early 2024 and the speakers that evening were from the college at Mirfield and St Hild's. They informed us how the numbers of people studying for ordination has decreased and how this is affecting the number of Priests in our area. We were enlightened into how the teaching methods from the 2 colleges were done differently, but the paths of the two did cross on occasions.

Both meetings highlighted how in our Diocese we are short on priests and that the diocese was looking at ways they could fill the empty vacancies.

We continue to have 3 members of the PCC who attend these meetings.

Linda Mumford

Licenced Lay Minister

OTHER REPORTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Gomersal St Mary's School

Relationships between School and Church continue to be strong, the whole School visits Church for religious festivals. Reverend Anne kindly opens with prayer and closes with a blessing and the services are led by the children. Through the Christmas period, all rehearsals are done in Church culminating in their fantastic performances where parents, grandparents and carers attend. The children from Nursery and Reception attend Church every other week for Tots Praise. I attend school for their assemblies whenever I am able which is such a blessing.

Brenda Swinton

Foundation Governor, Church Warden, Lay Pastoral Minister

Children's Activity Mornings 2022

Over this year we have had Advent and Easter activity mornings. It is a Blessing that volunteering is in such good shape at St Mary's. All safeguarding trained and thanks to Jennifer who oversees this for us. Thank you team, for all your commitment, it really is a morning to celebrate, which is rewarding in many ways, as we meet regular and new attendees, additionally sharing fellowship with each other too. Thank you to Susie who volunteered to co-ordinate this year's Easter Activity Morning.

There are also many who volunteer behind the scenes who, print, cut out, prep activities and advertise, either on Facebook page, word of mouth etc. For, Providers of chocolate and items for the much-loved Tombola stall, and especially all your prayers for the children and families who come to enjoy the morning. In our thanks I would also like to include the schools, who advertise, promote and remind their pupils and families of the event.

There continues to be no charge for the event in the hope that no one feels unable to take part in the activities that are based around the true meaning of the season, and everyone feels comfortable, at home and welcome here at St Mary's. For those who wish to donate towards the event there is the opportunity.

Our number of attendees continues to rise after the drop, (due to Covid restrictions) and the atmosphere that greets you is one of interested excitement, soft relative music with background hum of contented chatter, the sharing of skills and experiences from one generation to another.

Activity wise, there continues to be a mixture of new and well loved ideas. The programme is changing and developing at each event.

We would welcome new thoughts, ideas and also volunteers, so please let us know if you would like to know more about it, or join us at Advent, you would be very welcome, how much or how little you want to take up, is entirely up to you. Don't let online, safeguarding training put you off. Soon done and lasts 3 years.

Frances Wilkinson

Tots Praise

Tots Praise remains a popular and well loved pre-school church service which runs school term time on a fortnightly basis. Following the covid years, recovery was excellent until September 2023 when the much needed repairs to the Church North wall began, meaning two of our services had to be cancelled and a third session due to inability of the nurseries to attend, meaning only 2 of the five planned sessions could take place this term. It was however wonderful for the team to be part of the services that took place.

The new year was also under threat of cancellations, myself and Paul had to take some time out. However, thanks to pre-planned sessions and the dedication and enthusiasm of the Tots Praise team the services went ahead

under the temporary lead of Susie with full support from the team. A big thank you to everyone.

During this period our friends from Gummy Bears were welcomed back to St Mary's and attendance numbers increased to over 50 children again, which stretches resources to the limit.

The children remain at home in "their" church, they recognize us at times when we are out and about, their bright and happy faces are a joy to see, they pass on to others their experiences of visits to St Mary's, they are becoming confident in: singing, prayer, taking part in story time and love the craft activities, which enable them to retell the story they have heard during the service to others. They also love, and say thank you for our time and friendship with each other, and for BISCUITS.

Don't ever under estimate their young years, they can see simply how it is and ask very difficult, pertinent questions. Keeps us on our toes.

Frances Wilkinson

Tots Praise lead.

Mother's Union

MU report to the APCM - year ended December 2023

Our buoyant MU group is now 21 in number, and we hold regular monthly activity, with very good attendance at most of our meetings. Many of our events have now become annual events, raising funds for the MU and also church funds too. Our annual MU lunch was again well attended in March with 16 diners, most of whom were MU members. The external catering provided a delicious three course meal with coffee and mints to finish. September saw another full house for our Annual Afternoon Tea, with two sittings, catering for 80 covers in total. A lot of hard work for a small number of MU members.

Unfortunately, we didn't manage to arrange a visit to the Community of the Resurrection this year, but plans are already in place for a visit in the next year (later this month).

The MU committee who continue to run the branch as a team, work hard to fill our monthly meeting slots with entertaining speakers, or activity to keep our branch vibrant and interesting. We had a coach trip to the east coast this year with lunch as part of the visit. This was a new activity and one we hope to replicate in the next years calendar.

We are all aware that we are part of the wider MU movement, and as such take part in the "Wave of Prayer" each January, as part of the Leeds Diocesan movement. This is a time for prayer when we meet in church and think about MU branches in far off lands. We are allocated a time slot and this continues the "wave" throughout the diocese. Additionally, many of our members attend the quarterly MU meetings in the wider episcopal area of Huddersfield. A useful time to meet other members and hear more of the world wide Christian movement we are a part of.

We have as a branch built a closer relationship with Julia Tum our Area President, following her talks to the branch over the last two years. Julia gave a fascinating interactive talk to our branch on the Luddites this year, all about their activities in our local area. Members were asked to participate in a role play to really get a feel for the desperate lives lived by the Luddites and their families in and around this parish. A well attended event which then led on to several of our members joining other MU members from the Huddersfield Episcopal area in a 5 mile walk along half of the "Luddite Trail". A real integration of fellowship in our local branches.

In a change to our usual speakers, last year we were educated and entertained by a local speaker - Geoff Broadhead, who raises funds for "Guide Dogs for the Blind". Geoff gives his time free of charge and a collection is made for his charity. The total raised for this very worthy cause amounted to £126. Our last speaker of 2023, gave another fascinating talk on living and working in India. Phillipa Kaye a recent author on this subject as a previous charity worker for the local charity Focus4hope, raised £26 by contributions from our members.

Gill Greaves, GOMERSAL MU Branch Secretary, May 2024

The Children's Society

The people of St Mary's Parish have once again been generous with their donations to the Children's Society during 2023.

The total for the Children's Society Collection Boxes for 2023 is £182.90 which will go towards valuable work of the Children's Society. The amount from Christingle Services this year is £223.31 the amount from Christingle candles totalled £59.41 we did not have as many events as normal hopefully next year we can raise more.

The total from collection boxes is slightly higher than 2022 hopefully next year will see more giving Thank you once again for all your donations.

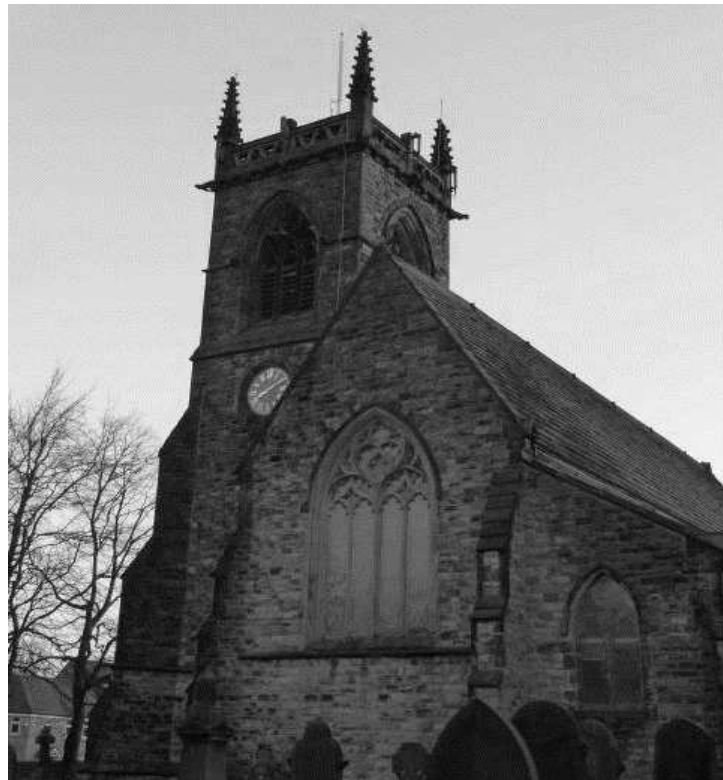
The Children's Society does an enormous amount for children who desperately need help and whose lives are in danger of being irreparable damaged. It is by generous donations such as these from St Mary's that this kind of help can continue.

Thank you again from

Joyce Jackson

Accounts

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin Spen Lane, Gomersal



CHURCH REPORTS

For the year ending 31st December 2022

„St Mary’s Parish Church
Parish Annual Review 2022/23

2022 was to be Rev Karen’s Sabbatical year, which is how it started, but very sadly finished at the end of January 2023 with Rev Karen’s early retirement on sick health grounds.

This of course made for a very difficult year but Trees Fewster on her first year as Churchwarden rose to the challenge and ensured that we had a Priest for 80% of the year on Sunday mornings, which enabled the congregation to receive Communion.

We are very grateful to the retired clergy who have come along to take our services particularly Rev Ann Pollard who also came along to do our Tuesday morning services, & to Rev Bruce Carlin who has come regularly, particularly covering all the Easter Season.

We regularly have morning prayer.

Linda Mumford has stepped into the breach on the occasions when we have not had a Priest, Linda was Licensed as our Reader in October at Christ the King Mirfield, this was the week before we went on our Pilgrimage to Walsingham where Linda led us and pastorally looked after us.

Sarah Taylor has started her Pastoral Ministers training and having now completed her first year she is taking the word of God to Holme House on a regular basis. Our Pastoral Team is now taking communion to the elderly and house bound, Brenda Swinton has taken over from Rev Karen with the School Governor’s Role and things are starting to get back to what is the new normal.

Our congregation numbers has dropped unfortunately to an average of 40 plus a few children, which is approximately 60% of our pre Covid numbers. The main things is that we have a new normal, where we can look forward to our Church being open every Sunday with unlimited numbers, not having to book in for services, no one way systems, not having to keep a meter apart, no face masks, we can and have been sharing the Peace, taking communion with the wine; in addition to the bread, taking communion to the housebound, and also the congregation taking part again in the running of the service.

We held our Advent Group in Church which was run by Linda Mumford and the Lent Group is also being held in Church and run by Ordinand Vicky Angell. Many Thanks to both.

Traditional Church Social/Fund Raising activities have started again, these include, The Annual Church Fete, Christmas Fayre. Pancake Lunch, & our final event was Sarah Taylors “New to You” clothes sale.

Two regular events occur each week in Church, on Mondays we have a Knit and Natter group, on Thursdays we have a keep fit class, both meet weekly. We have an active Mothers Union who meet monthly.

The Childrens services, Tots Praise and Christingle Service (2) both started up again in 2022, also the children's Activity Mornings, Easter, and Advent in Church.

A team of 5 went into the local Church School, Gomersal St Mary's Primary, recently to mark the beginning of lent by producing the ash from palm crosses, Ashing year 6 who then went on to ash All the school. The Church also went into School to support pause for Easter Day where we planted bulbs with the children to signify new life and made Jewelled Easter Crosses. The whole School (200) have recently been to Church for their Easter Service, organised and run by year 4. A team of ladies have been attending School each week to do knitting with the children.

Christian Aid week and the Christian Aid Earthquake appeal for Turkey and Syria have been held, both raising much welcome funds for these two important charities.

A big Thanks to all our ladies who helped in whatever way with these events.

The electoral roll numbers for this year have dropped to 103, however our maximum number of elected laity members on the PCC stops at 9.

Finally, we cannot forget our elderly members who have passed away these past 12 months, Audrey Pinder, Christina Clake, Marlene Senior, Vera Wilson, and our organist Arwel Price, God Bless them all, may they RIP & Rise in Glory.

Finally, we welcomed Rev Karen to a Social in Church on the afternoon of the 10th of March, where both St Mary's & St Paul's presented Karen with gifts and expressed Many Thanks for all she has done and meant to both our Churches, wishing Rev Karen a long and Healthy Retirement.

We now have a vacancy for a new Priest and two members of the PCC have been given the task of producing a Parish Profile, which has gone out to the PCC for approval, after which both members will continue with the Parish Brochure for sending out to advertise for our new Priest.

Paul Wilkinson

Vice Chair PCC, 2022/23

St Mary the Blessed Virgin Gomersal

PCC Annual Report for 2022/23

Background

St Mary's Parish Church Council is responsible for co-operating with the Vicar, the Rev Karen Nicholl who they have worked very closely with, including the Church Wardens, they have promoted in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical. The PCC also have maintenance responsibilities for the Church and its Churchyard.

Membership of the PCC.

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, elected members serve for 3 years, also Deanery Synod Members serve for 3 years. Wardens and Deanery Synod members serve on the PCC as ex-officio. Rev Karen's position in the Church changed from Priest in Charge to Vicar, this took place on the 20th of September 2015.

During the year, the following served as members of the PCC:

Vicar: Rev Karen Nicholl from June 2010, ex officio.		Committees: Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the PCC. Members, 2022: - Vicar*, PCC Vice Chair, Wardens, Treasurer. Secretary, Linda Mumford Licensed reader. *Not been available. The standing committee met twice during 2022/23.
Wardens:		
Mr Paul Wilkinson (served from 2013) ex-officio		
Mrs Trees Fewster (served from May 2022) ex-officio		
Deanery Synod:	Year Elected	
Mrs Joyce Jackson	November 2020 ex-officio	
Mrs Linda Mumford	May 2021 ex-officio	
Mrs Brenda Swinton	May 2022 ex officio	
Elected Members	Year Elected	
Mrs Frances Wilkinson	Nov 2020	
Mrs Helen Nicholl	Nov 2020	
Mrs Jeanette Vaines	Nov 2020 Resigned Sept 2022	
Mrs Susie Bell Proctor	Nov 2020	
Mrs Gillian Greaves	Nov 2020	
Mrs Jenifer Hoyle	May 2021	
Mr Peter Yates	May 2021	
Mrs Sarah Taylor	May 2022	
Mrs Jean Holmes	September 2022	

Parish Statistics:	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Communicants	5909	5077	5004	5532	5296	4830	4606	4700	4057	3994	4219
Confirmations	4	1	2	6	4	0	0	6	0	2	0
Baptisms	19	26	17	23	32	26	21	17	20	16	6
Marriages	4	3	8	3	5	2	1	3	7	2	4
Burials	4	1	2	1	2	0	1	3	4	0	0
Burial of ashes	5	6	8	2	5	2	5	10	8	2	6
Funerals					11	3	7	19	6	4	7
		2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024				
Communicants		3474	903	1009	1590						
Home communicants		237	55	0	13						
Confirmations		4	0	2	0						
Baptisms		8	1	3	6						
Marriages		2	0	2	2						
Burials		1	1	1	3						
Burials of ashes		6	1	3	4						
Funerals		5	1	6	8						

The PCC have met 5 times during 2022 and twice during 2023. The standing committee have met twice. A big thanks to all the members of the PCC for all work done at St Mary's during this period.

5 members have completed their term of office and grateful thanks are given to France Wilkinson, Helen Nicholl, Susie Proctor, Gillian Greaves, & Jeanette Vaines, a big thanks to each person for their time and commitment to the PCC, they are all eligible for re-election.

Additionally, Paul Wilkinson Churchwarden has completed a 10-year term of office and Trees Fewster Churchwarden has completed a one-year term of office. 1 new Churchwardens is required for 2023/4.

A special extraordinary Vestry Meeting was held on 22nd May 2022 in order to elect the Churchwardens, no elections were made at the APCM on the 1st of May. The six-year rule was revoked at the meeting on the 22nd May which allowed Paul Wilkinson to stand again and make up the necessary number to 2 wardens following the approval of Trees Fewster as Churchwarden.

During this past year we have been without our Vicar Rev Karen Nicholl who has been on sick leave all year and has retired 31st January 2023 due to her health. Due to Karen's illness Paul Wilkinson has taken over the role of Chair.

Also, we have had to find a Priest each week to take our Parish Eucharist, and a big thanks to Trees Fewster Churchwarden for carrying out this task.

The electoral roll numbers during 2022/23 have dropped down to 103 from 106, this doesn't affect the maximum number of elected members of the laity which can be elected to the PCC, we are allowed 9 elected members of the Laity in accordance with the Church Representation Rules Part 9 M15 (8) (b). Since 5 members have completed their term of office, 5 newly elected members are required.

The PCC has approved the setting up of a Trustee Group of 3 PCC members to deal with serious safeguarding incidents reported to PSO (Parish Safeguarding Officer). This was set up in July 2019 and 'Template A : Safeguarding Incidents' was forwarded to Gail O'Neill at the Diocesan Office on 22/07/2016. All safeguarding issues are sent directly to the Diocese Safeguarding Officer, the Parish Dashboard keeps us updated with safeguarding document approval and is minuted at PCC meetings, and safeguarding is an agenda item at every PCC meeting.

The church website gives details of how to contact the PSO as does the Safeguarding noticeboard in the church porch.

A separate report has been written detailing the activities of the Parish: Parish Annual Review 2022/23.

Paul Wilkinson, Vice Chair, On behalf of the PCC.
May 2023

Church Fabric Report, 2022/23.

All preventative maintenance work has been carried out; this includes the following services:

Boiler, Fire Extinguishers + Fire Blanket, Lightening Conductor, Church Clock, Church Internal and Roof Alarms, PAT test on Electrical items.

The following documents have been reviewed & updated where necessary:

Fire Safety Risk assessment, Fire Procedures, H&S Policy, Church Inventory.

The major building work required is the South Porch Roof and guttering sealing requirement and the North Aisle wall

replastering. The grant applied for recently was not sufficient to enable these two projects to be carried out.

Churchwardens

April 2023

Safeguarding Report January- December 2022

Safeguarding is an item on every PCC meeting agenda. The Parish continues to comply with Parish Dashboard requirements which in line with national and local policies ensures policy is put into action and reviewed regularly. We are currently working towards level 3 - Safer Practices. As we no longer have an incumbent some sections will need advice from the Archdeacon before completion.

During the year, four DBS checks have been completed. Linda Mumford has been approved by the diocese to administer DBS checks in addition to myself.

There has again been an increase in training. Members of the PCC have completed online training on 'Domestic Abuse'. New members have also completed 'Safer Awareness' and 'Safeguarding Foundations' online courses.

The Parish Dashboard serves to ensure that children's activities have PCC authorisation, risk assessment and relevant insurance. Helpers are given a volunteer contract to explain their role and given details of a contact for support should they need it. This has enabled highly successful Children's events at Christmas and Easter.

In March with PCC approval the parish requested information on becoming a 'Dementia Friend'. We look forward to learning how we might learn to make our church more dementia friendly.

Finally, I would like to thank all volunteers and PCC members who have given of their time to complete the necessary safeguarding training which has allowed us to welcome children and adults safely into our church.

Jennifer Hoyle

April 2023

Electoral Roll report

From the last count in April 2022 the present number of people elected to vote on the electoral roll has decreased from 106 to 104.

5 members have sadly passed away.
3 members have been added.
There are:
83 female members
21 male members
All previous records have been destroyed.

Anna Clapham
Electoral Roll Officer

Deanery Synod report

Joyce, Linda and myself have been to 2 meetings over the last year.

The first was held at St Peter's Birstall and we had a guest speaker who was able to tell us all about the work that goes on in Mara. The speaker gave examples of the work going on around Female Genital mutilation and how this affected women and children. She was able to show us how the money sent from our Diocese was being used to educate women and girls and support them through a "safe house".

Our Second meeting was held at St James church Scholes. Our Guest speaker was Archdeacon Bill Braviner. He gave a very interesting speech on the background of how he had got to where he is today. He focused on the struggles the Church of England has getting Priests to stay in the North after training and said he was trying to persuade people to look at relocating to Yorkshire a beautiful rural area. He was also looking forward to being able to do the job he was employed to do and be able to support churches without priests to move forward once the new Bishop of Huddersfield is settled in. He understood the frustration we are all experiencing and that times are difficult for local churches at this time of uncertainty.

Brenda Swinton

Lay Pastoral Ministry

Brenda continues taking Home Communion to people in the parish.

She does do some visiting for people in their homes and is always available should anyone need to talk or for prayer.

Brenda is a Foundation Governor and is very much involved with school.

Sarah is visiting Holme House for communion, prayer and conducts a service.

Sarah is currently training as a Spiritual Care volunteer at Kirkwood, training to be completed by June, will visit in-patients on a one to one basis offering spiritual care to patients, family and staff.

Brenda Swinton, Sarah Taylor

OTHER REPORTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Gomersal St Mary's School

We certainly believe the connection between church and school is good and strong. Ruth and I are involved in and invited to attend Worship at school.

The whole school attend church for their children led services on most feast and festival events with members of our church opening with prayer and closing with a blessing.

The children from nursery visit church for Tots Praise fortnightly where they hear a story and have an activity then of course juice and biscuits all this is led by Frances and Paul.

We have burnt Palm crosses with children then "ashed" them on ash Wednesday.

We have planted bulbs and made lolly pop crosses at Easter for "New Life"

I judged the Easter Egg competition.

Ruth attends school for "reading friends" if you get chance to speak to Ruth she definitely has some lovely little tales to tell about the things the children say.

It is definitely a special relationship we share with school.

Foundation Governors - Brenda Swinton and Ruth Wilcox

Children's Activity Mornings 2022

The first children's activity morning following Covid outbreak was Easter 2022. It was good to welcome families back into our church. Aply supported by our activity event team, which is fantastic that over 20 parishioners have trained and are involved in this ministry. It wouldn't take place without this commitment. A big thanks to everyone.

Much of the craft activity was already prepared due to Covid breaking out just before 2020 Easter. It was a real blessing to meet and greet the people of Gomersal again. Some regulars, others new to the event. There is no charge for the morning, in the hope we reach as many children as possible. There is an optional donation box for those families who wish to donate towards the craft etc. Over 50 children attended with their parents.

We had 18 families attend the Advent activity preparation for Christmas, which was far less than usual. However, we did discover that there was an outbreak of illness which lasted about a month and affected concerts and Christingle services, as children were ill and missing from their parts in nativities etc.

An upside to this dilemma was, quality time was spent at activities, with the children really engaging with the adults. They had time and space to comfortably enjoy making what was on offer. From Christmas wreaths and mangers to biscuit decorating and Angel display on the Children's activity Board. Not forgetting the refreshment area.

Anyone wishing to join us have a word with Jennifer Hoyle or myself.

Frances Wilkinson
Activity morning co-ordinator

Tots Praise

At the request of Gomersal St Mary's Primary school Tots, praise re-opened September 2022 following the 2year Coved 19 lockdown and restrictions. It was wonderful to hear the restrains of "Early Birds", "If your happy and you know it" and "Jesus' love is very wonderful" again sung with enthusiasm.

This was Tots praise with a difference however, it took place in school for nursery and reception children and was once a month with Paul, Brenda, and me. It was much valued, but space was

limited, and the non-surroundings of the Church retracted from full benefit of the service.

Stepping Stones Nursery, enquired about Tots Praise when they visited at Christmas for their concert and were keen to attend as before.

Tots Praise have now returned to meeting at Church where we have an enthusiastic and dedicated team of 9 volunteers available for the return of fortnightly services which started again on the 25th of January 2023.

2 team members support St Mary's school by helping to escort the children to and from church. Two families from the community also attended, and Steppingstones Nursery. The first session was attended by 46 children, to which we thank God that we were able to supply enough craft materials and BISCUITS, which the children always include in their prayer of thanks to finish. Numbers have settled at approximately 25 children which is far more manageable and provides a better experience for the children attending.

The children are at home in "their" church, their bright and happy faces are a joy to see, they are becoming confident in: - singing, prayer, taking part in story time and love the craft activities, which enable them to retell the story they have heard during the service to others. Don't ever under estimate their young years, they can see simply how it is and ask very difficult, pertinent questions. Keeps us on our toes.

Frances Wilkinson

Tots Praise lead.

Mother's Union

Our Mothers Union branch is at present run by a 6-strong committee as there is no branch leader. This has worked very well over the last year and continues with an amicable and efficient group of people. No one individual is burdened with responsibilities as all tasks are shared.

The group has sadly lost members who have died over the last couple of years, but this year we are delighted to report that we have attracted 4 new members.

Following the cessation of the group during covid we have now managed over the last 12 months to hold branch meetings every

month, with interesting speakers and activities. The now annual MU lunch attracted 18 guests, both members and non-members. We continue to fund raise for the Mothers Union, and also raise money for church funds too. The highlight of this years fundraising activity was our very successful Afternoon Tea. This raised over £800 for church funds. Our monthly raffle keeps a steady small income for the group, and this year we were left a legacy from the now defunct lunch club, enabling us to donate over £600 to the MU "Summer of Hope" fund. Our "Make a Mothers Day" fund raised £200 for MU, not just from the group, but from the wider church congregation too. A very generous and worthwhile cause, remembering our mothers or someone who has been like a mother to you.

Several of our branch members have in the past attended the wider MU Area gatherings, held each quarter. An interesting way to meet new people and also learn much more about the work of the MU in the Huddersfield Episcopal area. We have been invited to attend the summer gathering at St John's in Rastrick in June, as host branch. We will provide cakes and serve refreshments to the meeting. This task is shared by a different branch each quarter. As the meeting falls on the same day, we are taking members to this event instead of holding a meeting at St Mary's.

So, on entering my second year as branch secretary, I can honestly say that the group is buoyant and very well supported.

Gill Greaves
MU Branch Secretary
St Mary's Gomersal

May 2023

The Children's Society

The people of St Mary's Parish have once again been generous with their donations to the Children's Society during 2022. The total for the Children's Society Collection Boxes for 2022 £179.72

This will go towards valuable work of the Childrens Society. The Christingle Services raised £286.73 unfortunately the Christingle candles were not distributed this year as we were just trying to get back to normal hopefully next year will be in a better position. We would like to thank you once again for all your donations. The Children's Society does an enormous amount for

children who desperately need help and whose lives are in danger of being irreparable damaged. It is by generous donations such as these from St Marys that this kind of help can continue.

Joyce Jackson

Social committee

Following coming out of lockdown the only social events in 2022 were the Fete in June and the Christmas Fayre. The proceeds of which were donated to church funds.

Jean Holmes

Here to love and serve God and all people

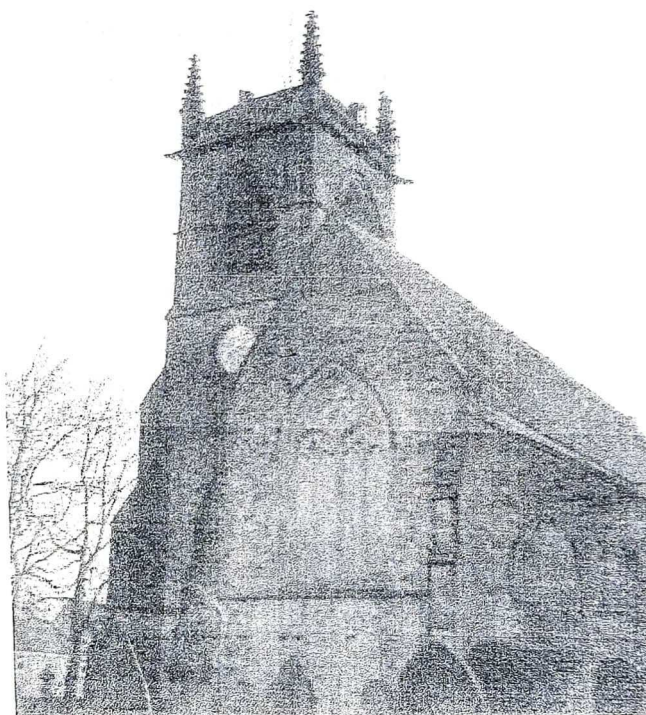
The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin

Spen Lane, Gomersal



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Diocese of Leeds



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2022

Independent Examiner

Mr B J Wilcox FCMA
18 Latham Lane
Gomersal
BD19 4DE

Incumbent

Bankers
Yorkshire Bank PLC
12 Bradford Road
Cleckheaton
BD19 3RJ



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

The Parish of St Mary the Blessed Virgin, Gomersal

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7) (b) of the Act to be found in the guidance from the CBF. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.
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 record in accordance with section 41 of the act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with requirements of the Act, as also contained in the Church accounting Regulations 1997 have not been met.

Or

(2) To which in my opinion, attentions should be drawn in order to enable a proper Understanding of the accounts to be reached.



B J Wilcox FCMA
3rd February 2023

PARISH OF ST MARY GOMERSAL
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL

The 2022 accounts of the PCC of St Mary's Gomersal are presented on a receipts and payments basis. All funds shown are unrestricted unless denoted R in the notes on the accounts.

RECEIPTS

For accounting purposes, receipts are recorded when received.
Cash receipts are recorded weekly as received on Sundays
Bank credits are recorded monthly as shown on bank statements.
Credits are not considered due until payment is received.

PAYMENTS

For accounting purposes, payments are recorded when cheques are issued or cash payment is made.
Cash payments are recorded weekly as made each Sunday
Bank debits are recorded monthly as shown on bank statements.
Debts are not considered due until payment is made.

PARISH OF ST MARY
THE BLESSED VIRGIN, GOMERSAL
FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2022

In the year 2022 the accounts show deficit of £4,468.

Receipts

The amount received from the covenanting of both gifts and regular giving adds a substantial amount to your income. Giving decreased on 2021 by 10% nearly £3,343

Receipts from fund raising efforts decreased considerably on 2021. Without the continuous support from everyone involved in money raising efforts Knit and Natter and Keep Fit to name just two. Once again we received £14,090 from the mobile phone mast. This is again to be reviewed in 2023 but hopefully, we still receive payments from them, as this is a significant income stream for the church budget..

Fees income from funerals and weddings increased by 23% although this is beyond our control.

Interest received on all bank accounts increased on 2021.

The level of fund raising activities increased from 2021 this is mainly due to being able to carry on activities which we were not able to do in lock down and reopening the church.

In total, receipts increased.

Payments

Expenses and wages have slightly increased on 2021. Church costs overall increased this is mainly due to the increase in gas and electric.

In total payments have increased by 7% as previously stated this is main due to increase gas and electric also repairs .

Outlook

I would once again like to say a very big thank you for the generosity of everyone involved with St Mary's Parish Church, whether it is for the fund raising, donations or the giving. The common fund for 2023 has unfortunately increased once again hopefully as in previous years we can manage to pay at least £25,000 of the £41,821 amount due. Once again 2023 will be a very difficult year as the next phase of the repairs are due to start. I am sure with your continued support we will come through in the end.

On behalf of the PCC I would like to thank you all for your continued support, commitment and stewardship, which are the main factors behind our continued financial stability.

Joyce Jackson
PCC Honorary Treasurer

RECEIPTS

		2022	NOTES	2021	% INCREASE
1. DIRECT GIVING					
	Envelopes/Pledged giving	21,099.60		24,979.30	-16%
	Open Collections	2,179.27		968.57	125%
	Baptisms/Wedd's/Funerals	923.60		350.00	164%
	Covenant Recoveries	6,243.25		7,490.82	-17%
	Total Direct Giving	30,445.72		33,788.69	-10%
	Fete	968.43		0.00	0%
	Others	186.59		136.50	0%
	Total Efforts	1,155.02		136.50	746%
3. OTHER RECEIPTS					
	Fees	4,778.60		586.10	715%
	100 Club	722.00	R2	0.00	0%
	Refreshments	306.52		62.00	394%
	Activity Morning	363.73		133.00	173%
	Energy and Grant	2,000.00		0.00	0%
	Fabric a/c interest received	15.72		9.08	73%
	CAF Interest Received	68.38		31.12	120%
	Sum Up Donation	1,542.97		364.77	323%
	Childrens Society	519.63		357.44	45%
	Donations	1,900.72		969.36	96%
	Keep Fit	50.00	R3	64.00	-22%
	Social Committee	0.00		0.00	0%
	Mara	15.58	R4	12.82	22%
	Bible Fellowship	0.00	R5	45.00	-100%
	Knit & Natter	400.00	R2	0.00	0%
	Organ Fund	0.00		23.55	0%
	Walsingham	3,910.00		170.00	2200%
	Candles	120.98		59.21	104%
	Christian Aid	62.00	R1	0.00	0%
	Flowers	76.70		0.00	0%
	Mobile licence fee	14,090.74		14,090.74	0%
	Donation Windows	49.58		10,749.00	0%
	Children and Youth Work	143.00		0.00	0%
	Magazine	0.00		309.00	0%
	Donation Mothers Union	800.00		50.00	0%
	Hire of Hall	0.00		0.00	0%
	Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	0%
	Inscription	0.00		0.00	0%
	Renewal Repairs	30.00		3,000.00	0%
	Total Other Receipts	31,966.85		31,086.19	3%
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	63,567.59		65,011.38	-2%

PAYMENTS

		2022		2021	% INCREASE
4. EXPENSES AND WAGES					
	Clergy Expenses	68.25		154.25	-56%
	Wages	1,300.00		776.00	68%
	Total Expenses & Wages	1,368.25		930.25	47%
5. CHURCH COSTS					
	Heat, Light and Water	9,760.75		7,149.58	37%
	Insurance	4,798.08		4,932.55	-3%
	Repairs and Renewals	4,891.61		6,134.24	-20%
	Altar Requirements/Worship	1,089.39		1,353.20	-19%
	Service Fees	1,884.00		92.00	1948%
	Churchyard Upkeep	13.00		50.00	0%
	Total Church Costs	22,436.83		19,711.57	14%
6. ADMINISTRATION					
	Office Expenses	1,096.71		1,308.93	-16%
	Total Administration	1,096.71		1,308.93	-16%
7. DIOCESAN COSTS					
	Parish Share (current year)	25,000.00		25,000.00	0%
	Parish Quota (outstanding)	0.00	(7a)	21,339.00	0%
	Total Diocesan Costs	25,000.00		46,339.00	-46%
	Extra Parochial Giving	750.00		0.00	0%
	Special Collections	65.00		565.00	0%
	Total Giving	815.00		565.00	44%
9. OTHER PAYMENTS					
	Mission & Ministry	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Holy Island	0.00		0.00	0%
	Efforts Expenses	0.00		0.00	0%
	Fete Expenses	0.00		0.00	0%
	100 Club	120.00	R3	120.00	0%
others	Refreshments	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Miscellaneous	45.00		0.00	0%
others	Christian Aid	62.00	R1	0.00	0%
others	Inscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	Trans to Fabric a/c	615.72		13,750.08	0%
others	Bible Fellowship	0.00	R5	0.00	0%
others	Susbscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	CAF Bank Chgs	49.58		0.00	0%
	Children and Youth Work	42.00		187.58	0%
others	Childrens Society	243.61		340.58	0%
others	Wolsingham	4,726.00		150.00	0%
	School Grant	500.00		0.00	0%
	Mara	0.00	R4	0.00	0%
	Roof Repairs	10,113.86		741.02	0%
others	Flowers	57.75		0.00	0%
others	Windows	591.36		0.00	0%
	Activity Morning	108.46		0.00	0%
	Total Other Payments	17,275.34		15,289.26	13%
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	67,992.13		84,144.01	-19%

PARISH OF ST MARY GOMERSAL
CAF GOLD/DEPOSIT/FABRIC 2022

Deposits			2022 DEPOSIT SUMMARY	
B/F from 31/12/2021	9,434.24			
Deposits	0.00		Interest received	24.17
Interest	24.17		Vodafone	0.00
Total Deposits	24.17		Trans from Current Account	0.00
			Total Deposits:	24.17
Total Deposits	24.17			
Total Payments	9,458.41		2022 PAYMENTS SUMMARY	
Balance C/F: 31/12/22	0.00		Trans to Current	9,458.41
			Trans charge	0.00
			Total Payments:	9,458.41

ST MARY DEPOSIT/FABRIC AC

B/F FROM 31/12/21	15,711.36
Deposits	600.00
Trans	0.00
Interest	15.72
Balance C/F 31/12/2022	16,327.08

ST MARY ORGAN FUND ACCOUNT

B/F FROM 31/12/21	24,139.42
Deposits	0.00
Trans	0.00
Interest	44.21
Balance C/F 31/12/2022	24,183.63

ST MARY'S GOMERSAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/12/2022

2021	2022	Ref 2022	2021	2022	Note Ref	2022	
£	£	£	£	£		£	£
	INCOME			EXPENDITURE			
	VOLUNTARY GIVING			THE MINISTRY			
	25,212 Covenanted Giving	22,134		5 Vicarage/Housing Expenses		0	
	7,111 Tax Refund	6,243		220 Clergy Expenses of Office		68	68
	(1,924) Pledged Giving	(1,034)		THE CHURCH AND SERVICES			
	1,573 Collections-Ordinary	2,179	225	6,756 Heat, Light & Water		9,761	
	257 Collections-Weddings/Fune.	924		4,686 Insurance		4,798	
	0 Collections-Special Appa.	0		6,132 Repairs & Maintenance		15,597	
	693 Collections-Designated	597		0 Restoration		0	
	1,409 Donations	1,950		0 Cleaning		0	
	0 Legacy	0		0 Upkeep of Churchyard		13	
34,331	0 Renewal Repairs	30		1,605 Service Fees		1,884	
	ORDINARY INCOME			1,383 Upkeep of Services		1,089	
	3,871 Fees-Weddings/Funerals/Ba)	4,779		1,110 Organist/Choir/Music Group		1,300	
	0 Graveyard Income	0		150 Sunday School Grant		0	
	14,091 Phonemast Income	14,091		1,055 Books/Printing/Stationary		1,097	
	0 Restoration	0		0 Magazine Printing		0	
17,962	0 Insurance Claims	0		67 Sundries		4,920	40,459
	EVENTS/ACTIVITIES GROSS INCOME			THE DIOCESE			
	0 100 Club	722		25,000 Parish Share		25,000	
	0 Grant	2,000		0 Parish Quota Outstanding		0	25,000
	0 Fete	968		EVENTS/ACTIVITIES COSTS			
	64 Keep Fit	50		0 Fete		0	
	133 Childrens Activity	364		7 Refreshments		0	
	62 Refreshments	307		0 Mothers Union		0	
	0 Mothers Union	800					
	0 Community Funding	0					
1,701	1,442 Social Events	187		0 Other Efforts		0	
	SUNDRY INCOME			0 100 Club Prizes		120	120
841	841 Sundry Income	6,194		GRANTS/SUPPORT COSTS			
	INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS			0 St Mary's School-Governors Ac		0	
	0 Bank Interest-Current Ac	0		0 St Mary's School-Bibles		0	
	23 Bank Interest-Deposit Ac	16		0 Activity Morning		108	108
24	1 Bank Interest-CAF Ac	68		MISSIONARY/CHARITABLE GIVING			
	CLOSURE OF TRUST ACCOUNTS			565 Special Collections		65	
	Capital Realisation			13,977 Collections-Designated		306	
	Income Accrued			0 Church Overseas-Mission Aid		250	
0				50 Home Mission		1,000	
				0 Secular Charities/Causes		0	1,621
				ROUNDING DIFFERENCES		0	1
	ROUNDING DIFFERENCES			TOTAL EXPENDITURE			67,377
54,859	TOTAL INCOME						
				TRANSFEE RESTRICTED/DESIGNATED FUNDS			
				0 (13,261) Fabric Fund		616	
				0 Other		44	660
				SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		(4,468)	(4,468)
							63,569

ST MARY'S GOMERSAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/12/2021

2021	BALANCE SHEET	Note Ref	2022	
£	£			£
	CURRENT ASSETS			
	21,520 Yorks Bank-Current A/c		26,486	
	24,139 Organ Fund		24,184	
	15,711 Deposit No.2 A/c		16,327	
	9,434 CAF Cash Gold A/c		0	
70,804	0 Cash		0	66,997
	0 Stock-Traidcraft		0	
	0 Debtors to P.C.C.		0	
0	0 Prepayments by P.C.C.		0	0
<u>70,804</u>				<u>66,997</u>
	Less :			
	CURRENT LIABILITIES			
	(67,307) Creditors of P.C.C.		0	
(67,307)	0 Receipts in Advance		0	0
<u>3,497</u>	TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>66,997</u>
	Represented by :			
	ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
0	(42,953) P.C.C. (General Fund) B.F.		29,679	
(37,628)	5,325 Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		(4,468)	25,211
	Restricted/Designated Funds			
	105 Kneelers	R	105	
	0 Creche	R	0	
	0 Charitable Giving	R	0	
	1,000 Service Worship	R	1,000	
	24,139 Organ Fund	R	24,184	
	0 Youth Club	D	0	
	0 Community Centre	D	0	
	15,711 Fabric	D	16,327	
41,125	170 P.P.C. Projects	D	170	41,786
<u>3,497</u>				<u>66,997</u>

PARISH OF ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN

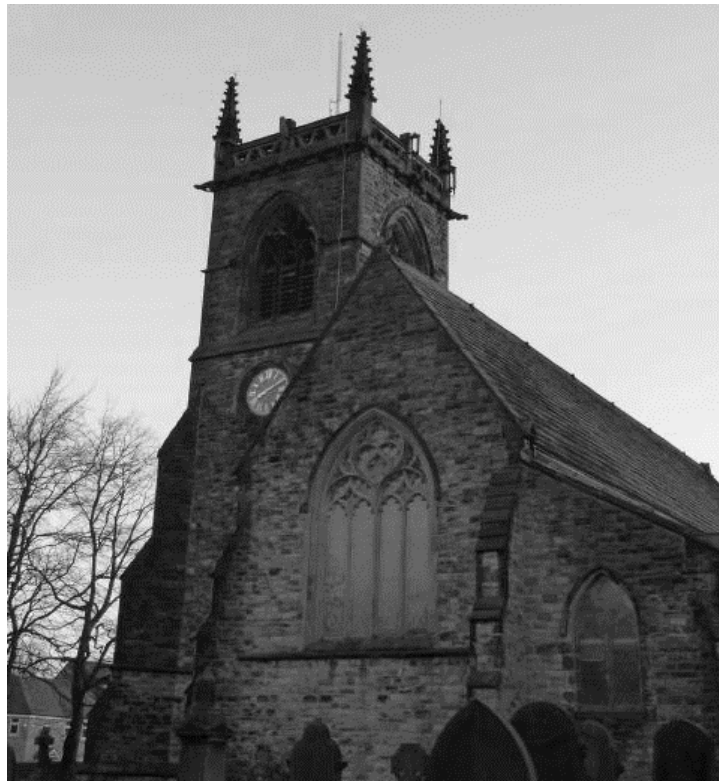
BUDGET FOR 2022

	YEAR	WEEKLY
PARISH STAFGF AND WORKING COSTS (administration, expenses, clergy housing, organist etc.)	3995	77
CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING (heating, lighting, insurance, running cost, repairs, service requirements etc.)	18958	365
PARISH SHARE PARISH SHARE OUTSTANDING OUTWARD GIVING Our church's direct giving to mission and Charitable organisation	44022	847
FABRIC ACCOUNT	2000	38
MISSION OUTREACH	1000	19
TOTAL EXPENDITURE PER WEEK £1346	69975	1346
Our projected income for 2022		
From the collection plate (cash)	1573	30
From Planned Giving (Envelopoes, I Banker's standing orders)	23289	448
Tax reclaimed on Gift Aid, Covenants etc.	7111	137
Fundraising	1442	28
From Mobile Phones	14091	271
TOTAL INCOME £914 shortfall of £432	47506	914

Accounts

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin

Spen Lane, Gomersal



CHURCH REPORTS and MINUTES from last APCM

For the year ending 31st December 2021

**Incumbent
The Revd Karen Nicholl
6 Vicarage Gardens
Birkenshaw
BD11 2EF**



MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY 9th May 2021 FOLLOWING THE PARISH EUCHARIST AT 9:30am

Present: Paul Wilkinson (Chair), Frances Wilkinson, Helen Nicholl, Trees Fewster, Gillian Greaves, Joyce Jackson, Jennifer Hoyle, Peter Yates, Pauline Yates, Ruth Fretwell, Sarah Jones, John Tanner, Solvig Rawlings, Vicky Angell, Jean Holmes, Anna Clapham, Sarah Taylor, Vicky Clark.

Paul Wilkinson Welcomed everyone to the meeting and Vicky Angell lead those present in a prayer.

Vestry Meeting to Elect Churchwardens

Nominations of Church Wardens

Paul Wilkinson

P: Jean Holmes

S: Helen Nicholl

All in favour.

John Tanner

P: Paul Wilkinson

S: Jean Holmes

All in favour

1	Apologies for absence
	Linda Smith, Caroline Dent, Linda Mumford, Jeanette Vaines, Marlene Senior, Ann Ramsbottom, Audrey Walker, Andrew Wardman, Karen Nicholl and others due to Covid restrictions.
2	Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on the 22nd April 2018
	The minutes were agreed to be true and correct. P: Joyce Jackson S: John Tanner All in favour.
3	Electoral Roll Report
	The present number of people registered is 108. This is down from the previous roll that was 109. 2 members have moved away and 1 person has been added. There are 85 female and 23 male. Anna Clapham was elected as Electoral role officer. P: Sarah Jones S: Trees Fewster Paul Wilkinson thanked Anna Clapham for coming forward to take up the role.

4	Reports
	Reports sent out via email. No one hand any questions. Fabric report Safeguarding report Deanery Synod Property register All accepted. P: Peter Yates S: Solvieg Rawlings All In Favour
5	Treasurer's Report and Accounts
	For 2020 the accounts showed a deficit of £17,544, this was mostly to do with Covid 19 and all the restrictions and national lockdown. Hopefully 2021 will be different. The parish share was to be £46,349. A form was received by Joyce Jackson and Karen Nicholl from the diocese and there has been a discussion and we will aim to pay £25,000. Giving has been reduced due to the pandemic. Joyce Jackson thanked everyone for their generosity and everyone that had helped St Mary's church through their giving and fund raising and hopes that 2021 will be a better year. P: Jean Holmes S: Solvieg Rawlings All in favour. Trees Fewster thanked Joyce Jackson for all her work this year. Paul Wilkinson thanked Trees Fewster and Caroline Dent for all their work.
6	Appointment of Auditor
	The treasurer informed the meeting that Brian Wilcox has agreed to stand again as auditor with a stipulation that Joyce Jackson remains as treasurer. P: Trees Fewster S: Jennifer Hoyle
7	Elections (a) Parochial Church Councillors (b) Deanery Synod (c) Sides people
	Brenda Swinton has taken the decision not to run again for the PCC. Paul Wilkinson thanked her for all the hard work she has done during her term on the PCC. (a) Jennifer Hoyle P: Paul Wilkinson

S: Frances Wilkinson

All in favour.

Peter Yates

P: Paul Wilkinson

S: Frances Wilkinson

All in favour

(b) Linda Mumford

P: Paul Wilkinson

S: Frances Wilkinson

All in favour.

(c) We will be continuing to have stewards rather than sides persons due to the pandemic therefore there will be no elected side persons.

There is 1 seat available on the PCC and 1 on the Deanery Synod.

11 **Annual Review**

Paul Wilkinson wrote the annual review.

2020/21 has been a difficult year for everyone, after the outbreak at the early part of the year with Covid 19, which very quickly turned into a Pandemic.

This effected all aspects of our life as we tried to come to terms with Lockdowns and all the restrictions which this placed upon everyone. our Church life changed as we started to meet through Zoom or U Tube, via the internet. This for many has been difficult since not everyone has access to the internet.

In order for the Church to be reopened when allowed to, the Church layout was changed in order to socially distance in accordance with Government guidelines and to ensure a one-way system. Risk Assessments were done by Rev Karen.

Here at St Mary's, we have been extremely fortunate in our Priest Rev Karen, her Husband Kevin and our 2 Trainee Readers, Caroline & Linda. Kevin has been instrumental in setting up all the Tech to allow the congregation to safely take part in the Eucharist Services, which is also streamed for people who cannot attend Church.

Rev Karen who has responsibility for two Churches has ensured that we have Eucharist Services when we are allowed to, daily Psalm at Six & Daily Compline with the help of our Trainee Readers.

There have been weekly services- "Worship at Home" run by the congregation; at Noon on a Sunday on Zoom using the Time to Pray Service, which has proved a Tonic for many people. Additionally, on Tuesdays at One, on Zoom, we have "Cuppa and a Chat."

Easter Services were done via Zoom and were available to both Churches.

They consisted of:

The 6-week Diocesan Lent Course "The Rhythm of Life" this was well attended by members from both St Paul's, & St Mary's and proved very thought provoking, enlightening and enjoyable.

Holy Week Reflections: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday

Maundy Thursday. Finished with watch of Prayer in Church.
Good Friday Stations of the Cross, with members from both Churches taking a station each.
Holy Saturday: this was run by the Children's Jonas Club. Also Psalm at Six with reflection.
Easter Day – in Church, this was streamed and online on the day.
A BIG Thankyou Rev Karen for these Services.
Thank you to our two Churchwardens who in turn have been in Church every week during this past 12 months to look after the fabric of our Church, and especially to John for organizing the stewarding of our Church during the Eucharist Services.
There are other people who have contributed to the life of our Church, the PCC have met when necessary, Jennifer has looked after Safeguarding, Joyce has looked after the Finances and kept them in safe hands, Trees has helped with the Finances and looked after communications ensuring that the congregation are kept informed of what is happening, Helen who has looked after the Secretariat, Peter who has looked after the envelope giving, Jean our Verger, David for his work with the Inland Revenue, Brenda & Linda who Pastorally have kept in touch with people, Arwel our Organist, Frances and her team of Sunday Club Teachers , Caroline and her team of Jonah Club helpers, and all the people who have acted as stewards during the Eucharist services which we have held.
I do know there are many of you who have thought, prayed, and looked out for each other – THANKYOU.
I think the above shows what a strong Church we are, and that we can look forward to some sort of normality with confidence.
Paul Wilkinson
Churchwarden & PCC Vice Chair

12	Any Other Business
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Peter Yates and Vicky Angell thanked everyone, especially the church wardens, for looking after everyone.
Paul Wilkinson wanted to highlight all the hard work the Rev. Karen has done over this time and asked to keep her in their prayers as she recovers her health.
John Tanner thanked everyone for coming to church over this time and thanked everyone that has helped.

PCC Annual Report for 2021/22

Background

St Mary's Parish Church Council is responsible for co-operating with the Vicar, the Rev Karen Nicholl who they have worked very closely with, including the Church Wardens, they have promoted in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical. The PCC also have maintenance responsibilities for the Church and its Churchyard.

Membership of the PCC.

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, elected members serve for 3 years, also Deanery Synod Members serve for 3 years. Wardens and Deanery Synod members serve on the PCC as ex-officio. Rev Karen's position in the Church changed from Priest in Charge to Vicar, this took place on the 20th of September 2015.

During the year, the following served as members of the PCC:

Vicar: Rev Karen Nicholl from June 2010, ex officio.		Committees: Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the PCC. Members, 2021: - Vicar, Wardens, Treasurer. The standing committee have not met during 2021/22
Wardens:		
Mr Paul Wilkinson (served from 2013) ex-officio		
Mr John Tanner (served from 2019) ex-officio		
Deanery Synod:	Year Elected	
Mrs Joyce Jackson	November 2020 ex-officio	
Mrs Linda Mumford	May 2021 ex-officio	
Elected Members	Year Elected	
Ms Caroline Dent	April 2019	
Ms Sarah Jones	April 2019	
Mrs Ruth Fretwell	April 2019	
Mrs Trees Fewster	November 2020	
Mrs Frances Wilkinson	November 2020	
Mrs Helen Nicholl	November 2020	
Mrs Jeanette Vaines	November 2020	
Mrs Susie Proctor	November 2020	
Mrs Gillian Greaves	November 2020	
Mrs Jenifer Hoyle	May 2021	
Mr Peter Yates	May 2021	

Parish Statistics:	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Communicants	5909	5077	5004	5532	5296	4830	4606	4700	4057	3994	4219
Confirmations	4	1	2	6	4	0	0	6	0	2	0
Baptisms	19	26	17	23	32	26	21	17	20	16	6
Marriages	4	3	8	3	5	2	1	3	7	2	4
Burials	4	1	2	1	2	0	1	3	4	0	0
Burial of ashes	5	6	8	2	5	2	5	10	8	2	6
Funerals					11	3	7	19	6	4	7
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Communicants	3474	903	1009								
Home communicants	237	55	0								
Confirmations	4	0	2								
Baptisms	8	1	3								
Marriages	2	0	2								
Burials	1	1	1								
Burials of ashes	6	1	3								
Funerals	5	1	6								

The PCC have met 5 times during 2021 and twice during 2022. The standing committee have not met. A big thanks to all the members of the PCC for all work done at St Mary's during this period.

2 members have completed their term of office and grateful thanks are given to Ruth Fretwell, and Sarah Jones for their time and commitment to the PCC, they are both eligible for re-election. Sadly, Caroline passed away on the 11th May 2021.

Additionally, Paul Wilkinson Churchwarden has completed a 9-year term of office and John Tanner Churchwarden resigned December 2021 after a 3-year term of office. 2 new Churchwardens are required.

Annual review

2021/22 has been another difficult year for everyone, after the Covid 19 outbreak and the lockdowns we have had to go through since 2020.

Our congregation has been reduced by approximately 50% since the outbreak and our Parish Priest Rev Karen has been on sick leave + sabbatical during this period.

We are now back to what is probably the new normal with most of the restrictions removed. Starting at the back end of 2020 and early 2021 things started to change gradually, during 2021 the one-way system went, we were allowed to sing, face masks were not mandatory, we could shake hands during the peace, there was no limit on numbers, and tea and biscuits were being served after the service.

We have been fortunate in having Rev Mike Green, Assistant Curate from Brownhill, who has been taking services during the time whilst Rev Karen was off.

Grateful Thanks to Jean Holmes Verger, who came back as Assistant Church Warden to step into John Tanners shoes December 2021.

The Church booked pilgrimages to Holy Island and Walsingham during 2021, these were sadly cancelled. The Walsingham weekend has been moved forward to 2022.

Paul Wilkinson, Vice Chair, On behalf of the PCC.
May 2022

Electoral Roll Report

From the last count in 2021 the present number of people elected to vote on the electoral roll has decreased from 108 to 106.

3 members have passed away.

1 member has been added.

There are:

84 female members and 22 male.

All previous records have been destroyed.

Anna Clapham, electoral role officer

Fabric report

The Church Terrier and Inventory have been updated.

The Fire Alarm Risk Assessment Document has been updated.

The Health & Safety Document has been updated.

All preventative Maintenance has been carried out.

Boiler, and a gas safety certificate obtained, fire extinguishers, church security system, roof alarm, Church Clock, lightening conductor, & PAT testing of all the electrical items.

The Stone Archway gate and the boundary wall on the Shirley Roadside of the Church has been repaired. This has been done by Brick-Tie and organised through Kirklees Council.

The north aisle roof, gutters and downpipes have all been repaired and 2 north bays nearest to the Tower have been repointed using lime mortar. The internal walls are drying out, which will require re plastering and painting when fully dry.

The work to replace the window covering has been completed.

The work is still required doing on the Porch Roof which is leaking and has contributed to the Distortion of the Porch entrance doors. The faculty has been put through by the Diocese and we are awaiting results of grant applications. Further replastering and painting work will be required when this has been completed and fully dried out.

The conversion of all the battery-operated smoke alarms in the church to mains operated through the Hall & Rhodes Security Alarm System has not yet been done, this will ensure that if the smoke alarms are activated it will set off the Security alarms in Church, which will provide a safer more reliable system.

The Music/Video and Lottery Licenses have all been renewed

Paul Wilkinson

Church Warden

Safeguarding Report January - December 2021

During the year 3 DBS checks have been completed. There has been an enormous increase in training completed by volunteers to facilitate the children's Advent Activity Day and by PCC members to comply with the requirements of the Parish Dashboard. This is an on-line facility which allows the parish to keep a check on safeguarding requirements and to up-date them as necessary. The PCC has approved a policy on recruitment of ex-offenders and a procedure to deal with safeguarding concerns or allegations.

DBS checks now need to be completed every 3 years instead of 5 years. All will need to be updated by end of 2022. Training also has to be renewed every three years.

Finally, I would like to thank all volunteers and PCC members who have given of their time to complete the necessary safeguarding training which has allowed us to welcome children safely into our church.

Jennifer Hoyle

April 2022

Birstall Deanery Synod

The Synod met three times in 2021

15th March via Zoom

Rev. Simon Cash Area Dean welcomed everyone to the meeting the first the deanery has organized via Zoom. The meeting was opened with prayers.

Officers were elected for the next three years.

Lay chair David Ashton MBE

Secretary John Ferrett

Treasurer David Ashton

Standing committee Richard Bland, Lesley Mattacks Gordon Newton and Janice Dawson

Simon then asked How are we and what have we been doing where various members reported on how their parishes were coping with the lock down.

What will the future look like was also discussed

We need to regain worship, fellowship and singing was agreed by all.

28th June via Zoom

The Lay chair David Ashton welcomed members to the meeting in the absence of the Area Dean Revd Simon Cash. Opening worship was then led by the Revd Lesley Mattacks

The pandemic has affected the number of people going to church but Christianity will survive. He thanked Canon Sam Corley who has been appointed Suffragan Bishop of

Stockport and Bradford Dean Jerry Lepine who is retiring this summer. Archdeacon Anne is also retiring on the 31st October 2021

There was an in depth discussion on the state of the Diocesan Finances and the Bishop of Ripon led a presentation on Living in Love and Faith.

David then invited Canon Mark from the Batley group of parishes to speak about how things have developed since the sad death of MP Jo Cox.

11TH October St Mary's Church Mirfield

The Interim Area Dean the Revd Hugh Baker opened the meeting explaining that Canon Mark Umpleby has had to self isolate due to a positive Rapid Flow Test. Hugh explained that St Mary's is one of three churches in Mirfield. The architect of this magnificent church is the famous George Gilbert Scott it being completed in 1871. This year is its 150th anniversary.

He further informed the meeting that the Revd Simon Cash had stepped back so Canon Mark and himself had taken over his work as Interim Area Deans up to the end of the year when new Licenses will be granted.

The Children's Society

The people of St Mary's Parish have once again been generous with their donations to the Children's Society during 2021.

The total for the Children's Society Collection Boxes for 2021 £243.61 which will go towards valuable work of the Children's Society. Unfortunately the Christingle Services did not take part again in 2021 which also meant the Christingle candles were not distributed in the church. We would like to thank you once again for all your donations. The Children's Society does an enormous amount for children who desperately need help and whose lives are in danger of being irreparable damaged. It is by generous donations such as these from St Mary's that this kind of help can continue.

Joyce Jackson/Marlene Senior

Here to love and serve God and all people

The Parish of St. Mary The Blessed Virgin Spen Lane, Gomersal



Diocese of Leeds



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2021

**Independent Examiner
Mr B J Wilcox FCMA
18 Latham Court
Gomersal
BD19 4DE**

**Incumbent
The Revd Karen Nicholl
St Mary's Vicarage
Birkenshaw
BD11 2EF**

**Bankers
Yorkshire Bank PLC
12 Bradford Road
Cleckheaton
BD19 3RJ**



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

The Parish of St Mary the Blessed Virgin, Gomersal

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2021

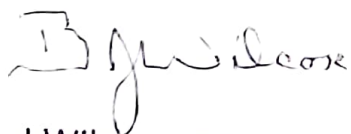
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7) (b) of the Act to be found in the guidance from the CBF. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.
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 record in accordance with section 41 of the act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with requirements of the Act, as also contained in the Church accounting Regulations 1997 have not been met.

Or

(2) To which in my opinion, attentions should be drawn in order to enable a proper Understanding of the accounts to be reached.



J Wilcox FCMA

7th March 2022

**PARISH OF ST MARY GOMERSAL
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

GENERAL

The 2021 accounts of the PCC of St Mary's Gomersal are presented on a receipts and payments basis. All funds shown are unrestricted unless denoted R in the notes to the accounts

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On behalf of the PCC, I would like to thank you all for your continued support, commitment, and stewardship, which are the main factors behind our continued financial stability.

Joyce Jackson
PCC Honorary Treasurer

ST MARY'S GOMERSAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
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2020	INCOME	Ref	2021	2020	EXPENDITURE	Note Ref	2021
£	£		£	£		£	£
	VOLUNTARY GIVING				THE MINISTRY		
24,219	Covenanted Giving	25,212			0 Vicarage/Housing Expenses	5	
6,831	Tax Refund	7,111		154	154 Clergy Expenses of Office	220	225
760	Pledged Giving	(1,924)			THE CHURCH AND SERVICES		
969	Collections-Ordinary	1,573			7,150 Heat, Light & Water	6,756	
350	Collections-Weddings/Fu	257			4,933 Insurance	4,686	
0	Collections-Special App	0			7,875 Repairs & Maintenance	6,132	
415	Collections-Designated	693			0 Restoration	0	
12,378	Donations	1,409			176 Cleaning	0	
0	Legacy	0					
48,922	3,000 Renewal Repairs	0	34,331		50 Upkeep of Churchyard	0	
	ORDINARY INCOME				92 Service Fees	1,505	
	586 Fees-Weddings/Funerals/	3,871			1,353 Upkeep of Services	1,383	
0	Graveyard Income	0			600 Organist/Choir/Music Group	1,110	
14,091	Phonemast Income	14,091			0 Sunday School Grant	150	
0	Restoration	0			1,309 Books/Printing/Stationary	1,055	
14,677	0 Insurance Claims	0	17,962		0 Magazine Printing	0	
	EVENTS/ACTIVITIES GROSS INCOME			23,876	338 Sundries	67	22,944
	309 Magazine Sales	0			THE DIOCESE		
0	Magazine Adverts	0			25,000 Parish Share	25,000	
0	Fete	0		25,000	0 Parish Quota Outstanding	0	25,000
755	100 Club	64			EVENTS/ACTIVITIES COSTS		
20	Keep Fit	133			0 Fete	0	
96	Refreshments	62			0 Refreshments	7	
50	Mothers Union	0			0 Mothers Union	0	
0	Community Funding	0					
1,367	137 Social Events	1,442	1,701		0 Other Efforts	0	
	SUNDRY INCOME			120	120 100 Club Prizes	0	7
1,594	1,594 Sundry Income	864	864		GRANTS/SUPPORT COSTS		
	INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS				0 St Mary's School-Governors Ac	0	
0	Bank Interest-Current A	0			0 St Mary's School-Bibles	0	
9	Bank Interest-Deposit A	23		0	0 Luncheon Club	0	0
40	31 Bank Interest-CAF Ac	(23)	0		MISSIONARY/CHARITABLE GIVING		
	CLOSURE OF TRUST ACCOUNTS				565 Special Collections	565	
0	Capital Realisation	0			341 Collections-Designated	13,977	
0	Income Accrued	0			0 Church Overseas-Mission Aid	0	
					0 Home Mission	50	
				906	0 Secular Charities/Causes	0	14,592
	ROUNDING DIFFERENCES			(1)	ROUNDING DIFFERENCES	0	0
66,600	TOTAL INCOME		54,858	50,055	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		62,768
					TRANSFER RESTRICTED/DESIGNATED FUNDS		
				0	13,750 Fabric Fund	(13,261)	
				12,774	(976) Other	26	(13,235)
				3,771	3,771		
66,600			54,858	66,600	SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		5,325
							5,325
							54,858

2020	BALANCE SHEET	Note Ref	2021	
£	£			£
	CURRENT ASSETS			
	16,172 Yorks Bank-Current A/c		21,520	
	24,137 Organ Fund		24,139	
	28,973 Deposit No.2 A/c		15,711	
	9,433 CAF Cash Gold A/c		9,434	
78,715	0 Cash		0	70,804
	0 Stock-Traidcraft		0	
	0 Debtors to P.C.C.		0	
0	0 Prepayments by P.C.C.		0	0
78,715				70,804
	Less :			
	CURRENT LIABILITIES			
	(67,307) Creditors of P.C.C.		(67,307)	
(67,307)	0 Receipts in Advance		0	(67,307)
11,408	TOTAL NET ASSETS			3,497
	Represented by :			
	ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
0	(25,409) P.C.C. (General Fund) B.F.		(42,953)	
(42,953)	(17,544) Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		5,325	(37,628)
	Restricted/Designated Funds			
	105 Kneelers	R	105	
	0 Creche	R	0	
	0 Charitable Giving	R	0	
	1,000 Service Worship	R	1,000	
	24,133 Organ Fund	R	24,139	
	0 Youth Club	D	0	
	0 Community Centre	D	0	
	28,973 Fabric	D	15,711	
54,361	170 P.P.C. Projects	D	170	41,125
11,408				3,497

		2021	NOTES	2020	% INCREASE
1. DIRECT GIVING					
	Envelopes/Pledged giving	23,288.50		24,979.30	-7%
	Open Collections	1,572.95		968.57	62%
	Baptisms/Wedd's/Funerals	257.30		350.00	-26%
	Covenant Recoveries	7,110.88		7,490.82	-5%
	Total Direct Giving	32,229.63		33,788.69	-5%
	Fete	0.00		0.00	0%
	Others	1,441.72		136.50	0%
	Total Efforts	1,441.72		136.50	956%
3. OTHER RECEIPTS					
	Fees	3,870.85		586.10	560%
	Magazine	0.00	R2	309.00	-100%
	Refreshments	61.97		96.00	-35%
	Donation Malcolm 80th	133.32		0.00	0%
	DCMS vat reclaimed	0.00		0.00	0%
	Fabric a/c interest received	22.76		9.08	151%
	CAF Interest Received	-22.60		31.12	-173%
	Sum Up Donation	686.91		364.77	88%
	Childrens Society	260.79		357.44	-27%
	Donations	1,408.85		969.36	45%
	Keep Fit	63.55	R3	20.00	218%
	Lottery	0.00		755.00	0%
	Mara	8.88	R4	12.82	-31%
	Bible Fellowship	0.00	R5	45.00	-100%
	Knit & Natter	140.00	R2	0.00	0%
	Organ Fund	25.97		23.55	0%
	Wolsingham	0.00		170.00	-100%
	Candles	11.34		59.21	-81%
	Christian Aid	423.16	R1	0.00	0%
	Flowers	0.00		0.00	0%
	Mobile licence fee	14,090.74		14,090.74	0%
	Donation Windows	0.00		10,749.00	0%
	Children and Youth Work	0.00		0.00	0%
	Craft Group	0.00		0.00	0%
	Donation Mothers Union	0.00		50.00	0%
	Hire of Hall	0.00		0.00	0%
	Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	0%
	Inscription	0.00		0.00	0%
	Renewal Repairs	0.00		3,000.00	0%
	Total Other Receipts	21,186.49		31,698.19	-33%
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	54,857.84		65,623.38	-16%

		2021		2020	% INCREASE
4. EXPENSES AND WAGES					
	Clergy Expenses	224.50		154.25	46%
	Wages	1,110.00		776.00	43%
	Total Expenses & Wages	1,334.50		930.25	43%
5. CHURCH COSTS					
	Heat, Light and Water	6,756.45		7,149.58	-5%
	Insurance	4,685.94		4,932.55	-5%
	Repairs and Renewals	6,132.30		6,134.24	0%
	Altar Requirements/Worship	1,382.88		1,353.20	2%
	Service Fees	1,605.00		92.00	1645%
	Churchyard Upkeep	0.00		50.00	0%
	Total Church Costs	20,562.57		19,711.57	4%
6. ADMINISTRATION					
	Office Expenses	1,055.16		1,308.93	-19%
	Total Administration	1,055.16		1,308.93	-19%
7. DIOCESAN COSTS					
	Parish Share (current year)	25,000.00		25,000.00	0%
	Parish Quota (outstanding)	0.00	(7a)	21,339.00	0%
	Total Diocesan Costs	25,000.00		46,339.00	-46%
	Extra Parochial Giving	50.00		0.00	0%
	Special Collections	565.00		565.00	0%
	Total Giving	615.00		565.00	9%
9. OTHER PAYMENTS					
	Mission & Ministry	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Holy Island	150.00		0.00	0%
	Efforts Expenses	0.00		0.00	0%
	Fete Expenses	0.00		0.00	0%
	100 Club	0.00	R3	120.00	-100%
others	Refreshments	6.95		0.00	0%
others	Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Christian Aid	423.16	R1	0.00	0%
others	Inscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	Trans to Fabric a/c	612.96		13,750.08	0%
others	Bible Fellowship	0.00	R5	0.00	0%
others	Susbscriptions	0.00		0.00	0%
	CAF Bank Chgs	0.00		0.00	0%
	Children and Youth Work	67.00		187.58	0%
others	Childrens Society	260.79		340.58	0%
others	Wolsingham	0.00		150.00	0%
	Wilfs Poems	0.00		0.00	0%
	Mara	0.00	R4	0.00	0%
	Roof Repairs	0.00		741.02	0%
others	Flowers	0.00		0.00	0%
others	Windows	13,292.64		0.00	0%
	McMillan	0.00		0.00	0%
	Total Other Payments	14,813.50		15,289.26	-3%
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	63,380.73		84,144.01	-25%

CAF GOLD/DEPOSIT/FABRIC 2021

Deposits		2021 DEPOSIT SUMMARY	
	B/F from 31/12/2020	9,433.29	
	Deposits	0.00	
	Interest	0.95	Interest received 0.95
	Total Deposits	0.95	Vodaphone
			Trans from Current Account 0.00
	Total Deposits	0.95	Total Deposits: 0.95
	Total Payments	0.00	
	Balance C/F: 31/12/21	9,434.24	2021 PAYMENTS SUMMARY
			Trans to Current 0.00
			Trans charge 0.00
			Total Payments: 0.00

ST MARY DEPOSIT/FABRIC AC

B/F FROM 31/12/20	28,972.60
Deposits	600.00
Trans	-13,884.00
Interest	22.76
Balance C/F 31/12/2021	15,711.36

ST MARY ORGAN FUND ACCOUNT

B/F FROM 31/12/20	24,137.00
Deposits	0.00
Trans	0.00
Interest	2.42
Balance C/F 31/12/2021	24,139.42

RESTRICTED FUNDS SUMMARY

R1 - Special Collections

Receipts	0.00
Payments	0.00
Balance	0.00

R5 - Mara

Balance b/f	49.87
Receipts	8.88
Payments	0.00
Balance	58.75

PARISH OF ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN

BUDGET FOR 2022

	YEAR	WEEKLY
PARISH STAFF AND WORKING COSTS (administration, expenses, clergy housing, organist etc.)	3995	77
CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING (heating, lighting, insurance, running cost, repairs, service requirements etc.)	18958	365
PARISH SHARE PARISH SHARE OUTSTANDING OUTWARD GIVING Our church's direct giving to mission and Charitable organisation	44022	847
FABRIC ACCOUNT	2000	38
MISSION OUTREACH	1000	19
TOTAL EXPENDITURE PER WEEK £1346	69975	1346
Our projected income for 2022		
From the collection plate (cash)	1573	30
From Planned Giving (Envelopes, Banker's standing orders)	23289	448
Tax reclaimed on Gift Aid, Covenants etc.	7111	137
Fundraising	1442	28
From Mobile Phones	14091	271
TOTAL INCOME £914 shortfall of £432	47506	914

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