

ALYN MISSION AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1178802

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2018-06-15

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION OF THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH, PASTORAL, EVANGELISTIC, SOCIAL AND ECUMENICAL, IN THE PARISH.

Activities: Activities with all ages across the community to promote the Christian Gospel.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Wrexham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£464,821	£586,492	-	-
2023-12-31	£323,406	£381,208	-	-
2022-12-31	£426,940	£402,268	-	-
2021-12-31	£446,920	£426,744	-	-
2020-12-31	£394,775	£409,240	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Story		2025-06-01
CAROL ANN DOUGLAS-JONES		2025-06-01
David Weir		2025-06-01
Jill Roberts		2025-09-24
Johanne Bebb		2023-04-29
LYNDA VICTORIA ELLIS-BRERETON		2017-01-01
Patricia Edwards		2018-04-29
Paul Gaade		2025-06-18
RACHEL ELIZABETH BELLIS		2017-01-01
Raymond Evans		2025-06-01
Rebecca Evans		2025-06-01
Rev HELEN BARNES		2025-06-24
Rev Tracey Francis Byrne		2025-09-24
SHARON GRIFFITHS		2017-01-01
SHEILA WOOLRICH		2017-01-01
Steven Paul Smith		2023-04-29
Susan Elizabeth Roden		2017-01-01
Sylvia Veronica Partington		2017-05-06

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Accounts

Alyn Mission Area Annual Report 2024

In early January 2024 the Mission Area *Shared Ministry Team* were funded to go on Retreat to Gladstone's Library Hawarden, to consider the future of the Mission Area in terms of church groupings. This led to a *Vision Day* in April, the outcomes of which we are working through. January also saw the announcement that Will Marshall was leaving. Sadly, he had been experiencing acute family difficulties in relation to the health of his parents and was relocating to care for his parents. Will served faithfully within the Mission Area (especially within the communities of Southsea, Pentre Broughton, Brymbo and Coedpoeth) since 2016. In mid-June, All Saints Southsea hosted the Mission Area Coffee Morning for the Diocesan Offering 2024 *Blood Bikes Wales* which raised £456.78. Despite the awful weather it was a busy and uplifting occasion where Blood Bikes riders hosted the raffle!



On June 29th, St. Asaph Cathedral saw the priesting of Ana Evans and Emma Dale, our Alyn Assistant Curates. It was a truly joyful day as both looked forward to celebrating their first Eucharist in the church communities the following day.



On June 30th, (left) we said farewell to Father Tudor Hughes who has served the communities of Gresford & Holt so faithfully as their vicar over so many years. We look forward to welcoming him back as part of our 'cover' team.

In July, Vicki Burrows was appointed to be the Mission Area Leader and Vicar of Gresford and Holt. Her welcome and licencing took place in late November.





September saw a visit from Bishop Gregory for the Confirmation of candidates from Wrexham and Alyn Mission Areas at St. Margaret's in Garden Village. Six of these candidates were from Alyn MA.

Following interview, in mid-November we were delighted to hear that Helen Barnes had taken up the post of (part time 0.5) vicar of Minera & Southsea, with her Licencing to take place early in 2025.

From Around the Churches...

All Saints Gresford

Baptisms	6
Weddings	4
Funerals	20
Christmas 2024	213
Easter 2024	92
Average Sunday	70

Fr. Tudor left in June 2024 with his successor appointed in late November 2024. Therefore, All Saints' Gresford was in vacancy between July and November 2024.

All Saints Southsea

Baptisms	
Weddings	
Funerals	
Christmas 2024	-
Easter 2024	30
Average Sunday	24

All Saints' Southsea was in vacancy during 2024.

Christ Church Bwlchgwyn

Baptisms	5
Weddings	1
Funerals	3
Christmas 2024	13
Easter 2024	No figures available
Average Sunday	17

Christ Church Bwlchgwyn was in vacancy during 2024.

The 2024 Christmas service numbers were up from 2023. It was noted that although the average attendance is 12, we have 16 regular people at the service on Sunday morning. In 2023, the crib service had 82 people and the Carol service 38.

We cannot pay the parish share, but we may be able to pay half. We still have to pay the insurance, music licence and service on the fire extinguishers. The electricity and water rates are covered by the collection. We discussed putting a notice in the village news sheet asking for regular donations. People in the village

would be really concerned if the church closed, but need to be aware that we need funds to keep going. We also discussed needing to have reserves in the account for a 'rainy day'.

Christ Church Rossett

Baptisms	6
Weddings	1
Funerals	15
Christmas 2024	30
Easter 2024	54
Average Sunday	35

Throughout the year, we have continued to serve the spiritual needs of our community. Our midweek Eucharist has maintained a smaller, yet dedicated group of 7 attendees. The Welcome Eucharist has offered an accessible and inclusive space for all to receive the sacrament.

With an average attendance of around ten, this small but deeply valued gathering ensures that everyone, regardless of circumstance, can participate in worship and experience the grace of the Eucharist. We have hosted several successful craft events, which have proven to be a popular form of outreach, especially around significant dates like Mothering Sunday, Father's Day, and Christmas.

In February, we delivered another large shoebox of postage stamps to the RNLI in Llandudno. In March, we were thrilled to host St. Peter's School for *Easter Experience activities*. Then in July, the whole school came together for rehearsal and for Mrs. Pritchard's leaving service, after 17 years of dedicated service. We also had several candidates from Rossett in the Confirmation Service at St Margaret's Garden Village.

We saw greater involvement from cadets, Scouts, and Beavers at St. Peter's School Harvest Service in October and on Remembrance Sunday in November. A *Teams4U* Shoebox Blessing was held in church and an assembly at St. Peter's where the school delivered their contributions to the warehouse. In December, we celebrated the *Eve of St. Nicholas* with the annual tree lighting and service. The children also took part in the Christingle Service at school.

Church hosted the school's Christmas Service and Lantern Parade, followed by the *Come and Sing* Christmas event with the Rossett Community Choir. Baptism Classes were held to prepare families. During Lent, we held a special study group on *The Chosen*.

We would like to acknowledge the ongoing support and activity of the *Mothers' Union* throughout the year.

Holy Trinity Gwersyllt

Baptisms	11
Weddings	2
Funerals	25
Christmas 2024	15
Easter 2024	11
Average Sunday	12

We fully paid our Share and CCLI in 2024. All bills were all paid on time, e.g. water, electric, oil, plus others. Fundraising included Bingo, a quiz night, and a beetle drive.

The last Quinquennial was late 2022. The electrical upgrade was completed. The regular checks and services have been done annually, as required. The Churchyard is being maintained with grass mowing and trimming of hedges and trees. Several other small repairs have been completed. The gutters, roof tiles and plaster issues must still be addressed. We also require additional work to the organ's D.O.L. electrical system.

During Lent, we held for all four churches a special study group on *The Chosen*. We have welcomed GCSE classes from Bryn Alyn to the church. Regular assemblies have been held at the CP Primary School, alongside lessons covering key elements of Christian life and worship. A strong connection has been formed with the new headteacher at Bryn Alyn.

In December, we were delighted to welcome schools into church for their nativity play, and earlier in the academic year, we led a Christingle assembly at one school. This year's Remembrance Sunday service was well attended by members of the community, and it was especially heartening to see so many young people present. Advent services were a real highlight of the year, and the Crib Service in particular, was well attended and full of warmth and joy.

St. Chad, Holt

Baptisms	1
Weddings	3
Funerals	5
Christmas 2024	92 at Crib Service
Easter 2024	25
Average Sunday	20

Church Warden's Report: This year saw the completion of works to replace sections of mullions on the east window and the introduction of an electric organ for which a retrospective faculty has been applied for. Next year's tasks include the replacement of the flood lights with modern LED units, minor repairs the lightning conductor and church roof, plus initiating maintenance identified in the quinquennial.

Treasurer's Report: Our share for 2024 was paid in full - albeit from reserves. Our fundraising for the year raised £2521 minus the prize money for the *1-2-3 Club* (£654). Other funds were raised from serving tea and cake during our *Rush bearing celebrations, Gift Day, our Harvest Tea and refreshments* and various stalls at the Christmas Fayre. The above table excludes the Holt School Christmas Service where 90 attended.

St. Chad's Holt was in vacancy between July and November 2024, following Fr. Tudor retiring in June. His successor Reverend Vicki Burrows arrived late November.

St. Martin of Tours, Llay

Baptisms	11
Weddings	1
Funerals	23
Christmas 2024	28
Easter 2024	57
Average Sunday	30

In accordance with the Quinquennial Report (30th May 2024) the building was found to be in generally a sound condition at the time of the inspection. Minor repairs are required to some of the pointing, also localised repairs to the guttering. Routine maintenance work is recommended to some of the protective mesh panels on some of the windows. Remedial work is required to the lightning conductor; this has been carried out by appropriate contractors. In order to raise the funds to carry out the above work it is necessary to sell some of our investments – this process is underway.

St. Martin's Church Llay paid their Parish Share of £ 31,476.00 in time to St Asaph along with the other Churches in the Alyn Mission Area. Gift aid and tax repayments received every month goes a long way to support our monthly payment of the Parish Share. Unfortunately, even with a very successful year of fund raising we still ended up with a deficit for the year. We have one investment which is a Restricted Account for the Fabric of the Church, which has increased in value.

The midweek Eucharist has maintained a smaller, yet dedicated group of 8 attendees. The numbers combined reflect the continued engagement and participation of our congregation in the life of the church.

Key Church Services and Events: During Lent, we held for all four churches a special study group on *The Chosen*. The Strawberry Tea in June was a delightful social event for the community. The May Fayre saw us welcome Blood Bikes Wales, which was a great success, and raised significant funds. Our July Coffee Morning was another opportunity for the congregation and community to support the ongoing work of the church. A fun and unique event, our International Cheese and Wine Evening in September brought the community together for an evening of good food, fellowship, and international flavour. The Harvest Coffee Morning in October was filled with fellowship and a spirit of thanksgiving.

The Mother's Union celebrated a special milestone in October: the 90th birthday of Joan, a cherished member of our congregation. It was a joyous occasion to honour her legacy and contribution to the church.

Father Huw led the Annual Service of Commemoration at the Memorial Wheel in Pandy in October for the Greenford Colliery Disaster 90th anniversary. This service was an important moment of remembrance for those lost in the disaster.

Our Remembrance Service was held in November, as was our Memorial Service to remember those who have passed. It offered a special time of reflection and prayer for families and the congregation.

In November, we hosted our Autumn Fayre, which proved to be a tremendous success, raising a significant amount of money for our church and mission activities. This event brought the community together in support of our ongoing work.

The Christmas season in December brought the community together: Christmas Tree Lighting & Carols with Llay Band, Llay Park School Christingle, Llay Park School Crib Service, and our Carol Service, and Midnight Mass.

In December we also had a service to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the tragic loss of nine miners at Llay Main Colliery. It was a moment of solemn remembrance for their sacrifice. We are especially grateful to the Friends of St. Martin's, whose unwavering support has played a pivotal role in the success of many of our events. Additionally, we offer our deepest gratitude to the Mother's Union, whose ongoing work has been a pillar of support in our community.

St. Mary Minera

St Mary's was in vacancy during 2024.

Baptisms	8
Weddings	0
Funerals	6
Christmas 2024	42
Easter 2024	41
Average Sunday	25

We have a regular congregation at Sunday services of 20 – 22 attendants with some weeks being as high as twenty-eight. We have also welcomed some past members of St Tudfils congregation.

Mission - Various activities were held during the year, including Messy Easter and tree rubbing, which were successful and enjoyed by members of the community. There is a plan for a general tidy-up and introduction of planters within the piece of ground known as the 'Triangle' to create a useful space.

The huge efforts made by Church committee were acknowledged, including raising funds for church maintenance and major repairs to the church building. Their efforts have enabled the complete refurbishment of the roof; which has been a recurring QQI recommendation for several years. The roof repairs are now complete, as is the additional work of repointing of the exterior of the stone walls of the church. The work was funded by successful applications for major grants, church reserves and additional fundraising.

St Paul, Isycoed

Baptisms	0
Weddings	1
Funerals	6
Christmas 2024	18
Easter 2024	15
Average Sunday	12

Treasurer's report: St Paul's Isycoed's financial situation at the end of 2024 was better than anticipated earlier in the year. Two thirds through the year there was concern that we would not have sufficient unrestricted funds to meet our expenditure without going into our reserves. The Church Committee agreed to transfer £3000 from the Penk NatWest bank account. This account accumulates interest on investment bonds. However, due to unexpected funerals, a large funeral donation, a wedding and a £500 company donation, our finances were improved. Substantial fundraising also helped. Our Diocese Share was paid in full. Expenditure for the year exceeded income.

Worship and Attendance: Throughout the year, we have continued to serve the spiritual needs of our community. We have celebrated one wedding, held 6 funerals, and had no baptisms. These numbers combined, for a small rural church, reflect the continued engagement and participation of our congregation in the life of the church.

Key Church Services and Events: During Lent, we held for all four churches a special study group on *The Chosen*, a popular television series. It allowed us to explore the life of Christ in a modern and engaging way.

This was well attended and resulted in a further event - A Church Cinematic Experience in Rossett Hall Hotel.

This past year has been a testament to the enriching partnership between our church and the local school. Our continued collaboration has fostered a nurturing environment where both institutions thrive through shared initiatives. One of the highlights of this ongoing relationship was the heartwarming nativity play hosted in December, which took place in our church. It was a memorable event that not only showcased the talents of the young students but also underscored the unity and support between the school community and our congregation.

Throughout the year, this collaboration has provided numerous opportunities for growth, learning, and mutual enrichment. The ministry's efforts in engaging with the school have been particularly rewarding, helping to strengthen the bonds that tie us together. With each passing year, the connections between our church and the school community continue to grow, promising a future filled with shared purpose and collective success.

In Isycoed, fundraising and community events have a rich tradition of success, and this year has been no exception. From the delightful afternoon teas to the lively dog shows, and the sophisticated cheese and wine evenings to the scenic community walks, each event has been a memorable and well-organised affair. These gatherings not only demonstrate Isycoed's commitment to community spirit but also its proficiency in hosting events that bring us all together. A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who has contributed their time and effort to make these events a success. Your involvement has been invaluable and truly appreciated.

Rogation Sunday was, as always, a wonderful day, steeped in rich rural and local tradition. The congregation came together to celebrate this time-honored observance, which connects us deeply to the land and the community. With prayers for the growth of the crops and the well-being of the local farmers, it was a time of reflection on the blessings of nature and the work of the earth. The day was filled with joy and reverence, a reminder of the importance of sustaining the relationship between faith, the land, and the people who rely on it. It was a truly special occasion, one that continues to resonate with the heart of our rural heritage.

St. Paul, Pentre Broughton

St Paul's Pentre Broughton was in vacancy during 2024.

Baptisms	14
Weddings	0
Funerals	14
Christmas 2024	15
Easter 2024	25
Average Sunday	21

Elected MAC Members, Churchwardens & Worship Leaders 2025 - 2026

Role/Church	MAC Trustees	MAC Members	Churchwardens	Worship Leaders
Priest	Vicki Burrows			
Priest	Helen Barnes			
Priest	Tracey Byrne			
MA Warden & Safeguarding Officer	Sian H Jones			
MA Warden	Sheila Woolrich			
MA Treasurer	Sylvia Partington			
MA Reader		Jenny Creed PTO		
		Kathleen Evans PTO		
Bwlchgwyn	Ray Evans		Steve Tilston	Steve Tilston
	Rebecca Evans		Rebecca Evans	Rebecca Evans
	Clare Darlington (reserve)			Ray Evans
Coedpoeth	Pat Edwards		Pat Edwards	
Gresford	Sue Roden		Sue Roden	
	Jill Roberts		Mike Edwards	
Gwersyllt	Sharon Griffiths		Sharon Griffiths	Sharon Griffiths
	Johanne Bebb		Johanne Bebb	Brenda Trickett
	Julie Edwards (reserve)			Julie Edwards
Holt	Steve Smith		Steve Smith	
	Paul Gaade		Paul Gaade	
Isycoed	Lynda Ellis Brereton		Lynda Ellis Brereton	
	Rachel Bellis		Rachel Bellis	Rachel Bellis
	Lilian Lloyd (reserve)			
Llay	Sheila Woolrich		Sheila Woolrich	
	Pat Edwards		Pat Edwards	
	Sue Randles (reserve)			
Minera	Carol Douglas Jones		Carol Douglas Jones	Carol Douglas Jones
	Alan Story		Sylvia Partington	Alan Story
	Menna Story (reserve)			
Pentre Broughton		Deborah Edwards	Francis Roberts	
Rossett	Stephen Hatton		Siân H Jones	
	David Weir			
Southsea	Kate Williams		Kate Williams	
	Rob Williams		Rob Williams	
	Sue Davies (reserve)			

Diocesan Conference

The business part of the conference '*Growing Faith*' was held online on Thursday 17th October and in person at Ysgol Llanfyllin on Saturday 19th October 2024.

Business - budget, accounts and amendments to the constitution.

In Person - the day included Faith in Action stories from around the diocese • Growing Faith keynote session with the Venerable Mones Farah Archdeacon Missioner in the Diocese of St Davids • Question Time with Bishop Gregory and the Venerable Mones Farah • What Christian Faith Is discussion session • Presentation on the Energy Footprint Tool • Launch of the 2025 Diocesan Offering for RABI Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution (RABI), a charity that provides crucial support to the farming community. RABI offers financial assistance, practical care and guidance to those in need, helping farmers and their families through difficult times. Their work relies heavily on donations to continue making a difference. Conference closed with worship.

The Archdeacon's Visitation was held on Monday 15th July at 7pm at St. Giles' Church, Wrexham

Siân M H Jones August 2025

Alyn Mission Area

Statement of financial activities

For the year end 31. December 2024

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Prior year total funds £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	241,291	-	94,420	-	335,711	201,801
Other trading activities	28,864	1,259	6,976	-	37,098	38,640
Other income	300	-	-	-	300	8,000
Income from charitable activities	30,666	852	33,514	-	65,032	53,095
Investments	24,376	658	1,645	-	26,680	21,870
Total income	325,497	2,769	136,555	-	464,820	323,406
Expenditure on:						
Expenditure on charitable activities	412,451	76,857	83,603	-	572,910	377,335
Raising funds	2,523	-	60	-	2,583	3,773
Other expenditure	10,999	-	-	-	10,999	100
Total expenditure	425,973	76,857	83,662	-	586,492	381,208
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(100,477)	(74,088)	52,892.30	-	(121,672)	(57,802)
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - In	101,389	263,257	35,433	-	400,079	234,000
Gross transfers between funds - out	(298,690)	(25,062)	(76,328)	-	(400,079)	(234,000)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on Investment assets	16,014	(2,491)	20,266	2,257	36,045	57,578
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(281,764)	161,616.66	32,263.12	2,256.82	(85,627)	(224)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	1,192,474	34,959	648,504	55,977	1,931,915	1,932,139
Total funds carried forward	910,710	196,576	680,767	58,234	1,846,287	1,931,915

Alyn Mission Area

Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2024	At 31/12/2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Heritage assets	-	155,000	-	-	155,000	155,000
Investments	360,389	11,610	475,295	58,234	905,528	1,022,276
	<u>360,389</u>	<u>166,610</u>	<u>475,295</u>	<u>58,234</u>	<u>1,060,528</u>	<u>1,177,276</u>
Current assets						
Debtors	-	-	-	-	-	3,695
Investments	7,626	6,440	-	-	14,067	28,381
Cash At Bank And In Hand	542,695	23,525	205,473	-	771,693	722,563
	<u>550,321</u>	<u>29,966</u>	<u>205,473</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>785,760</u>	<u>754,638</u>
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net current assets less current liabilities	<u>550,321</u>	<u>29,966</u>	<u>205,473</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>785,760</u>	<u>754,638</u>
Total net assets less liabilities	<u>910,710</u>	<u>196,576</u>	<u>680,767</u>	<u>58,234</u>	<u>1,846,287</u>	<u>1,931,915</u>

Represented by**Unrestricted**

Unrestricted - General Fund	910,710	-	-	-	910,710	1,192,474
Designated						
Designated - Gresford Church	-	155,000	-	-	155,000	-
Designated - Coedpoeth portion St David's church sale	-	3,237	-	-	3,237	3,237
Designated - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Churchyard Designated	-	9,939	-	-	9,939	8,652
Designated - Designated	-	-	-	-	-	6,205
Designated - Friends of St Mary Minera	-	1,259	-	-	1,259	-
Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - E & E Jackson	-	6,440	-	-	6,440	6,127
Designated - Holiday Hunger	-	-	-	-	-	115
Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk	-	3,636	-	-	3,636	5,304
Designated - Remembrance100	-	-	-	-	-	308
Designated - Restoration Fund	-	3,921	-	-	3,921	3,921
Designated - Minera Roof Repair Fund	-	13,143	-	-	13,143	-
Designated - Rossett Sunday School Fund	-	-	-	-	-	391
Designated - Youth	-	-	-	-	-	699
Restricted						
Restricted - Churchyard/Ashes	-	-	7,732	-	7,732	7,732
Restricted - Bell fund	-	-	7,472	-	7,472	7,472
Restricted - Brymbo Churchyard	-	-	11,489	-	11,489	7,472
Restricted - Collin Glynne-Jones Bequest	-	-	-	-	-	25,000
Restricted - COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund	-	-	2,805	-	2,805	2,600
Restricted - Church MaintRepair	-	-	28,727	-	28,727	28,727
Restricted - Churchyard Fund	-	-	3,433	-	3,433	3,248
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Churchyard Restricted	-	-	49,180	-	49,180	30,455
Restricted - Rossett Churchyard	-	-	35,086	-	35,086	33,358
Restricted - St Paul's Isycoed - Churchyard	-	-	7,053	-	7,053	6,033
Restricted - Fabric fund	-	-	79,275	-	79,275	73,487
Restricted - Rossett Clock Repair	-	-	1,612	-	1,612	2,512
Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance Fund	-	-	-	-	-	10,903
Restricted - Community Use Fund	-	-	-	-	-	7,604
Restricted - Craft Events Fund	-	-	303	-	303	-
Restricted - Broughton Churchyard	-	-	8,375	-	8,375	9,782
Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance	-	-	47	-	47	47
Restricted - Holt Churchyard Fund	-	-	(309)	-	(309)	279
Restricted - Minera Fabric Fund (from Legacy Incl Graves)	-	-	8,184	-	8,184	7,759
Restricted - Gresford Fabric Fund	-	-	35,000	-	35,000	-
Restricted - Fr Graham Canham Bequest	-	-	55,271	-	55,271	52,578
Restricted - Friends Of St Mary Minera	-	-	2,108	-	2,108	2,108
Restricted - Friends Of St Tudfil's Coedpoeth	-	-	-	-	-	8,106
Restricted - Glyn Rogers Bequest	-	-	-	-	-	10,000
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Holiday Hunger	-	-	47	-	47	47
Restricted - Rossett Hymn Books	-	-	-	-	-	105
Restricted - COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis	-	-	34,743	-	34,743	33,590
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - OAP Work	-	-	200	-	200	200
Restricted - Broughton Money Market 1383	-	-	27,000	-	27,000	22,000
Restricted - COIF PT1730 Trevor ParkIns Trust	-	-	159,627	-	159,627	154,188
Restricted - A.Prince	-	-	24,253	-	24,253	23,079
Restricted - Minera Roof Repair Fund	-	-	-	-	-	357
Restricted - Hylida Turner	-	-	64,776	-	64,776	61,640
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Schools, Children And Young People	-	-	8	-	8	8
Restricted - Minera Churchyard fund	-	-	27,270	-	27,270	23,502
Endowment						
Endowment - Broughton Berse Drelincourt Charity	-	-	-	32,515	32,515	30,827
Endowment - Minera Mary Jones Legacy	-	-	-	13,522	13,522	13,223
Endowment - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk	-	-	-	12,196	12,196	11,927
Fund Totals	910,710	196,576	680,767	58,234	1,846,287	1,931,915

Alyn Mission Area
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As at 31 December 2024

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2024	At 31/12/2023
	£	£	£	£		£
Fixed Asset Investments						
6431: Standard Life Investment-St Martins Llay	499	-	-	-	499	636
6431: Broughton CIF	122,617	-	-	-	122,617	179,531
6431: CCLA - COIF Hylde Turner 127810003R	-	-	64,776	-	64,776	61,640
6431: St Paul's Isycoed - COIF PENK INVESTMENT	-	-	-	12,196	12,196	11,927
6431: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Investment Fund Mary Jones Legacy	-	-	-	13,522	13,522	13,223
6431: Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - RBCIW CIF 0583 2208	-	8,373	-	-	8,373	7,938
6431: Rossett RBCIW COIF Investment	32,471	-	-	-	32,471	30,785
6431: Brymbo CIFS 4165	24,759	-	-	-	24,759	23,472
6432: RBCIW CIF Investment-St Martins Llay	-	-	79,275	-	79,275	73,487
6432: Berse Charity CIF	-	-	-	32,515	32,515	30,827
6432: CCLA - COIF Arthur Prince 127810002R	-	-	24,253	-	24,253	23,079
6432: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Deposit Fund Mary Jones Legacy	2,197	3,237	-	-	5,433	4,812
6432: Brymbo CIFS 4272	5,155	-	-	-	5,155	4,887
6433: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Investment Fund	42,960	-	-	-	42,960	42,011
6434: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Deposit Fund	1,517	-	-	-	1,517	48,088
6435: Minera CCLA COIF Churchyard Investment Fund	-	-	11,360	-	11,360	11,109
6436: COIF PT1730 Trevor Parkins Trust	-	-	159,627	-	159,627	154,188
6436: Minera RBCW Ms Helen Griffiths Legacy	-	-	8,184	-	8,184	7,759
6437: COIF PT2227 Alexandra Lucy Worsley	46,448	-	-	-	46,448	43,035
6437: MINERA X PCC RBCW St David's Land	20,326	-	-	-	20,326	67,991
6438: COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis	-	-	34,743	-	34,743	33,590
6438: ex-Minera PCC RBCW St David's church	8,998	-	-	-	8,998	8,998
6439: COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund	-	-	2,805	-	2,805	2,600
6440: Gresford Church House valuation	-	155,000	-	-	155,000	155,000
6441: ex-Minera PCC RBCW St Tudfil's land sale	18,104	-	-	-	18,104	18,104
6442: CCLA - COIF Jones June Isabel 127810001R	34,337	-	35,000	-	69,337	65,980
6443: CCLA - COIF Fr Graham Canham Bequest	-	-	55,271	-	55,271	52,578
Total	360,389	166,610	475,295	58,234	1,060,528	1,177,276
Current Asset						
6501: Current Account	133,498	-	23,297	-	156,795	102,591
6501: Current Account - St Martins Llay	6,173	-	-	-	6,173	10,679
6501: All Saints Church Current Account	11,125	-	47	-	11,172	15,508
6501: St Paul's Isycoed - NW No.2 Account	4,786	3,921	-	-	8,706	7,946
6501: Minera Current Account	10,085	14,402	2,782	-	27,269	6,515
6501: Saint Tudfil's, Coedpoeth	1,297	-	-	-	1,297	2,799
6501: Holy Trinity Gwersyllt Current Account	4,691	1,566	49,434	-	55,691	44,717
6501: Rossett NatWest Current Account	(421)	-	5,611	-	5,191	16,220
6501: Holt Nat West current account	7,457	-	(309)	-	7,148	11,175
6502: St Paul's Isycoed - NW Churchyard Account	-	-	7,053	-	7,053	6,033
6502: Minera Churchyard Account	-	-	15,236	-	15,236	12,528
6502: Bonus Ball & Grant Account	-	-	-	-	-	9,107
6503: NW Penk Account	82	3,636	-	-	3,719	5,387
6503: Rossett NatWest Church Yard Account	-	-	-	-	-	15,913
6505: Deposit Account	-	-	-	-	-	2,205
6505: Deposit Account - St Martins Llay	2,663	-	-	-	2,663	2,624
6505: Business Reserve	4,146	-	43,931	-	48,077	82,653
6505: Rossett CCLA General Investment Fund	67,290	-	-	-	67,290	3,078
6505: Holt COIF Charities deposit fund	289,304	-	-	-	289,304	324,945
6506: deposit a/c organ fund	-	-	27,000	-	27,000	22,000
6507: Rossett CCLA Church Yard Account	468	-	31,390	-	31,858	17,445
6509: Rossett CCLA Sunday School Account	-	-	-	-	-	391
6521: Gift Aid receivable	-	-	-	-	-	3,695
6531: Term deposit Money Market7393	-	-	-	-	-	15,000
6534: Edward Jackson Legacy	-	1,565	-	-	1,565	1,489
6535: Ethel Jackson Legacy	-	4,875	-	-	4,875	4,637
6536: COIF General Investment Fund	7,626	-	-	-	7,626	7,254
6590: Cash in hand	50	-	-	-	50	103
Total	550,321	29,966	205,473	-	785,759	754,638
Liabilities: Creditors: amounts falling due within one year						
6602: Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
6699: Agency collections	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net total assets	910,710	196,576	680,767	58,234	1,846,287	1,931,915

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1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)' (as amended for accounting periods commencing 1 January 2016).

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005, which has since been withdrawn.

The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The charity's presentation currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the members have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are created when a donor or the trustees specify that a gift invested and only the income earned on the investment may be spent for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount in known and receipt is expected. Of the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income /(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

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1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and other bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially measured at transaction unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	176,524	-	19,318	-	195,842	174,603
Legacies receivable	24,287	-	25,000	-	49,287	14,528
Grants receivable	40,480	-	50,102	-	90,581	21,670
	241,291	-	94,420	-	335,711	210,801

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	30,666	852	33,514	-	65,032	53,095
	30,666	852	33,514	-	65,032	53,095

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	23,894	1,259	6,326	-	31,479	29,454
Other funds generated	1,356	-	150	-	1,506	2,264
Hall rental income	3,223	-	-	-	3,223	1,174
Sundry income	392	-	500	-	892	5,749
	28,864	1,259	6,976	-	37,098	38,640

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Dividends / investment income	6,710	646	700	-	8,055	6,539
Bank interest	17,666	12	946	-	18,624	15,331
	24,376	658	1,645	-	26,681	21,871

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sale of investments	300	-	-	-	300	8,000
	300	-	-	-	300	8,000

8 Gains / losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gains on investments	16,014	(2,491)	20,266	2,257	36,045	57,578
	16,014	(2,491)	20,266	2,257	36,045	57,578

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9 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of fund raising	2,523	-	60	-	2,583	3,773
	2,523	-	60	-	2,583	3,773

10 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Parish share	213,957				213,957	218,647
Clergy expenses	7,108				7,108	6,186
Parsonage expenses	4,253				4,253	2,391
Maintenance of services	6,076		105		6,181	3,613
Costs of vergers and choir	7,868				7,868	6,116
Music and performances	2,143				2,143	5,245
Costs of digital services	-				-	319
Costs of copyright licences	2,035				2,035	2,844
Bank charges	302				302	357
Costs of printing and post	1,118				1,118	897
Telephone / internet	255				255	131
Office and general expenses	2,292				2,292	1,544
Parish administrator	3,767				3,767	6,446
Gifts to individuals	1,002				1,002	708
Church costs - insurance	17,556		1,579		19,135	14,697
Church costs - electricity	11,853				11,853	10,877
Church costs - gas	5,657				5,657	7,709
Church costs - water	1,939		102		2,041	2,043
Church costs - other	2,122		99		2,221	2,226
Church costs - heating oil	5,739				5,739	6,135
Church costs - repairs	16,482		900		17,382	35,102
Cleaning	611				611	14
Church yard management	7,745		16,312		24,057	25,581
Church yard structural repairs			2,397		2,397	-
Church hall - electric	871				871	857
Church hall - gas	503				503	534
Church hall - insurance	1,312				1,312	1,111
Church hall - repairs	477				477	612
Church hall - telephone	667				667	1,197
Church hall - water	873				873	304
Major building renovations	65,335	76,857	48,095		190,287	1,753
Young people activity costs	485		197		682	70
Church publications	284				284	30
Mission and Evangelism	392				392	778
Parish mission costs	403				403	474
Cost of maintaining websites	765				765	809
Church charity and projects	420				420	833
External charities	1,742				1,742	2,723
Professional fees	16,043		13,816		29,859	7,199
	412,451	76,857	83,603	-	572,911	377,335

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11 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Purchase of assets	10,999	-	-	-	10,999	100
	10,999	-	-	-	10,999	100

12 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

13 Employees

There was 1 employees during the year. (0: 2023)

14 Related party transactions

There were no diclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
	£
Cost or valuation	
at 1 January 2024	1,177,276
Additions / reallocations	- 116,748
At 31 December 2024	1,060,528
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2024	1,060,528

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO
ALYN MISSION AREA PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act)
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

(Name)

Lorraine Hughes

(Date)

9th October 2025

(Qualification, if any)

FMAA1

(Address)

25 Grosvenor Road

Wrexham

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Mission Area Leader's Report

If you have a very good memory, you may have noticed that we have the same Gospel reading for our Mission Area Songs of Praise as we had last year. As I said last year, the account of the disciples travelling on the way to Emmaus is, I would say, my favourite of all the resurrection appearances ([Luke 24:14-35](#)). I make no apology for using it again this year, especially since in Year B of the 3-year cycle of the Lectionary it does not appear on any Sundays during Easter!

This isn't the only reason I have chosen it once again, because travelling together in the presence of Jesus is essentially what the Christian life is all about.

As we come to this Annual Mission Area Vestry meeting it is a stopping place for us as fellow disciples travelling together along the journey of faith. It provides an opportunity to reflect upon those times when we have recognised Jesus in our midst and to remember, of course, that Jesus is always travelling alongside us even during those times when we fail to recognise Him, especially in the changes and challenges that we inevitably face along the way.

As we reflect upon 2023, we acknowledge that it was, once again, a year of significant change – a mixture of joys and celebrations tempered with disappointments and unforeseen developments. At this point in time last year, we looked forward to welcoming 2 new curates to be ordained as deacons at the end of June. It was certainly a joy to welcome Emma and Ana to share in mission and ministry with us. We give thanks for their flourishing in ministry, and we now look forward to their ordination as priests at the end of June this year.

Our regular worship Sunday by Sunday and travelling together through the festivals of the church calendar has continued around the churches. Strong links are maintained

with our 5 church schools (Brymbo, Minera, Gresford, Rossett and Isycoed) and many of our state schools as well - schools mission and ministry being a key mark of our common life together. Study and prayer groups and the beginnings of new initiatives for families and young people (such as "Wild Church") are very encouraging signs. In addition, many social and fundraising events are organised throughout the year within the various church communities. A huge amount of work is undertaken in terms of caring for our buildings and grounds, and the daily routine tasks to ensure our churches are available for the communities around us and to welcome those who visit.

I would like to particularly thank the members of the Mission Area Executive, my clerical colleagues Tudor, Will, Ana and Emma, our 3 Readers (Siân Hatton Jones, Jenny Creed and Kath Evans) and visiting and retired clergy (especially Steve Green, James Harris and Hugh Jones) who have been greatly assisting us. Our MA Wardens Siân Hatton Jones and Steve Tilston and acting MA Treasurer Sylvia Partington, also all those who have served as MAC Members, local church wardens, treasurers and secretaries, and our team of 9 Worship Leaders across the various church communities who offer a dedicated and faithful ministry.

(This is an invaluable ministry and if you feel that you may like to consider training to be a worship leader, please speak with one of the clergy – there is a simple training course to follow over a few weeks and you can then be commissioned as a worship leader within your church community).

There are simply too many people to thank because so much wonderful work is being done by all of you, borne out in the annual report which will be published in the coming weeks. I take so much encouragement from you all in offering your worship, gifts, talents, time, energy, generosity, understanding and support in so many ways.

All of this together is such a powerful sign and witness of faith, hope and love in action!
Thank you all so much. Diolch o galon!

In the midst of the joys, we must also acknowledge that we have encountered, and are continuing to face, some significant challenges.

The process of closure for St. Mary's Brymbo has taken much longer than envisaged. However, it is now very close to completion. Once passed over to the *Friends of St. Mary's Community Group* we will see how as a MA we can build a partnership together. The churchyard remains the responsibility of the MA – this will also need to be coordinated in terms of management and volunteers.

Following an enthusiastic new beginning at Coedpoeth with Will and Emma pioneering to revitalise the church community during last summer, sadly we encountered some very serious unforeseen health & safety issues meaning that there was no option other than to close the building until these issues could be addressed. The challenges are significant and at this point in time the future of St. Tudfil's remains uncertain. Archdeacon Hayley is in consultation with the Friends community group (including the community café members) and other partners to look into possibilities and the future direction for the church as a special project in revitalising the building and worshipping community at Coedpoeth.

We were disappointed not to be able to appoint a new priest for the Minera group of churches after the post was advertised on two separate occasions during 2023.

I also had to take a period of absence during October and November last year meaning that Ana and the rest of the ministry team had to step up in order to maintain ministry

during this time. I would like to thank Ana who was confronted with quite a learning experience just 3 months after being ordained, together with all my colleagues for their care and concern during my time of absence.

We encountered another major unforeseen development at the very end of 2023 with Revd Will Marshall making the very difficult decision to resign his post in order to move to Leeds to care for his elderly parents.

These issues added together have had a significant impact upon Emma in terms of her curacy and ministry. From this year Emma has been focusing her energies upon Minera, Bwlchgwyn, Southsea and Pentre Broughton to a much greater extent that would have been envisaged. I feel I must commend her for doing such a sterling job under very challenging circumstances!

Given these developments over the past year, we now find ourselves having to completely reimagine our vision for Alyn MA due to Will's departure and we need to be particularly mindful of our financial sustainability as we move into the future. This means that we will probably now be looking to formulate a new pattern of mission and ministry based around 3 stipendiary clergy rather than 4.

Canon Tudor Hughes will retire at the end of June.

I would like to take the opportunity at his last annual vestry meeting to thank him for his lengthy and distinguished ministry at Gresford and Holt extending over 20 years serving as Area Dean of the old Gresford Deanery amongst many other things during this time.

The decision has been taken to appoint a new priest to the church communities at Gresford and Holt which is a key appointment for us. It will be advertised at the end of May with interviews taking place on 16th July. This position will also include taking on the responsibility of Mission Area Leader. I will continue as MAL for the rest of this year until an appointment has been made.

Gwersyllt will remain under my oversight within the Llay, Rossett and Isycoed group with Ana concentrating much of her ministry there, building stronger links with the schools and care homes.

We continue to hope and pray for faithful and dedicated new priests to be appointed to Gresford & Holt, and of course, also to Minera, Bwlchgwyn, Pentre Broughton and Southsea. The actual pattern for ministry and oversight in this western part of the MA is complex and, following the recent Vision Meeting with Archdeacon Hayley, is still to be fully discerned in order for us to pursue a more stable environment for mission and ministry which I appreciate has been very challenging over the past year and, I'm afraid, will continue to be so throughout this coming year.

I do thank you for your understanding and continued faithfulness as we travel this difficult stretch of our journey as Alyn Mission Area Family together.

Ironically, I end this report in a similar way to last year which turned out to be eerily prophetic. The disciples travelling along never reached their planned destination of Emmaus as they were expecting to do. Instead, because of their experience of encountering the risen Christ they made a different decision, and in their case returned to Jerusalem instead. As disciples, followers, of Jesus we need to travel together, seek to recognise His presence with us and prompted by the Holy Spirit, not be afraid to sometimes change our direction and our decision making. The meaning, and in fact

the whole point of being a disciple is to be found in the travelling together with Jesus in our midst. May this continue to be the pattern of our common life together in Alyn Mission Area, as we move into the coming year.

Canon Huw Butler
Mission Area Leader
 28th April 2024

Elected MAC Members, Church Wardens & Worship Leaders 2024 – 2025

ROLE / CHURCH	MAC MEMBERS	CHURCH WARDENS	WORSHIP LEADERS	E.R '23-'24
Priest	Huw Butler			
Priest	Tudor Hughes			
Curate	Emma Dale			
Curate	Ana Evans			
MA Warden	Sian Hatton Jones			
MA Warden	Steve Tilston			
MA Reader	Jenny Creed			
Bwlchgwyn	Raymond Evans Steve Tilston	Cynthia Hughes Rebecca Evans	Steve Tilston	9
Coedpoeth	Pat Edwards	Pat Edwards	-----	-----
Gresford	Sue Roden Pauline Jarvis	Sue Roden Michael Edwards Meirion Lewis Jones Pauline Jarvis	-----	118
Gwersyllt	Sharon Griffiths Johanne Bebb	Sharon Griffiths Johanne Bebb	Brenda Trickett Sharon Griffiths Julie Edwards	26
Holt	Steven Smith	Steven Smith Paul Gaade	-----	46
Isycoed	Rachel Bellis Lynda Ellis-Brereton	Rachel Bellis Lynda Ellis- Brereton	Rachel Bellis	9
Llay	Sheila Woolrich Patricia Edwards	Sheila Woolrich Patricia Edwards	-----	40
Minera	Alan & Menna Story Carol Douglas-Jones	Sylvia Partington Carol Douglas- Jones	Alan Story Carol Douglas- Jones Elin Jones	31
Pentre Broughton	Deborah Edwards Kevin Holmes	Francis Roberts	Jane Parr Mhairi McKlaren	24
Rossett	Colin Brown Stephen Hatton	Siân Hatton Jones	-----	64
Southsea	Harry Reed Philippa Reed	David Price Kate Williams	-----	21

Safeguarding Officer's Report

[The Kingdom is not for the strong, but for the weak.](#)

[The Kingdom is not for the rich, but for the poor.](#)

[The Kingdom is not for the powerful, it is for the powerless.](#)

[The Kingdom is not for the proud, it is for the meek.](#)

Increasingly, we find that we must balance our responsibilities within church with the secular world; we hold this in tension, aware that those who attend church on a regular basis are in a tiny minority of the population. It can be hard when we as church communities who know and trust each other, and feel so safe within the familiarity of our home church, with people we have worshipped with for many years. However, our stewardship of our buildings and each other should look exactly like it does in the rest of the world. One of these requirements is the DBS check – Disclosure and barring – the old CRB check. Checking for criminal convictions (not speeding!)

Every Diocese and Mission Area of the Church in Wales sets its own guidelines for those who want to be involved in an official role, anyone who holds a Bishop's Licence including myself and Jenny as Readers and all the clergy, have a DBS check carried out through the Diocese, and, those who hold roles that are commissioned through the MA e.g. pastoral assistants, and worship leaders have a DBS check carried out through the MA because they are commissioned through the MA.

We appoint people to these roles where we (the MA) have taken responsibility to carry out the references or checks that the rest of the world would expect us to. We carry out risk assessments because that's what the insurance company requires of us, to outline how we make sure that we look after each other at events and in our buildings.

We apply for faculties, because for one thing, we are probably not insured to have work carried out without one, and in doing so we show we have planned to look after the building properly using appropriate materials and methods. And for the church *not* to do these things through poor professionalism, or lack of the appropriate response, is not only wrong in social terms, it is also wrong, in spiritual terms.

We are asked to embody, to wear, to inhabit those duties and those approaches, because not doing so can have disastrous, hurtful and damaging consequences for us all. What will help us to grow? The thought that new people might walk through the door and we actually want to be ready and equipped to respond!

It's easy to dismiss all this and think it doesn't apply to me, or that it's one more thing to get done that we don't need to do. Well, from July 1st we will have one member of stipendiary clergy, and we are going to struggle to staff services, we will have ministers for the later services who will be among the last to arrive and if they are the only person DBS checked, then we will have a problem.

Hence, as churchwardens we have the responsibility for opening up, and potentially are the only official people on site, the MA has taken the decision that anyone holding this role will be required to have a DBS check carried out. The downside is that the rules require this to be in addition to any DBS that you might have in a role outside of

the church, but the upside is that we may have the flexibility to hold more services more often.

All new Worship Leaders, Pastoral Assistant and church wardens will be added to the main MCP database over the next few weeks when the return is submitted. I will then make contact by phone or email with anyone who doesn't have a DBS check and we will start the process. Most people will be able to complete their application online, and once that is done, you meet a verifier with the documents you have used in your application and the triangulation is completed. This is going to be a lot of work meeting people... hence this will take place at the coffee morning at Southsea Church on Saturday 15th June where they have WiFi, which means I can box off lots of you in a morning and we can enjoy a brew together!

DBS is part of the Safeguarding agenda. Honor will send out a link to complete Module A which is online. If there is demand to hold this again in person at Southsea we will arrange that, along with Module B training.

Finally – the Diocesan Offering - Thank you especially to Rossett Mother's Union who helped to support the Mission Area Coffee Morning for Wrexham Foodbank as part of the 2023 Diocesan Offering with so much help, donations of raffle prizes, cake stall, craft stall, raising a total of £713. We now turn to Southsea to host the Coffee Morning for the 2024 Diocesan Offering for Blood Bikes on Saturday 15th June and look forward to seeing you there, posters will be out soon.

Siân Hatton Jones
MA Warden & Safeguarding Officer

Christchurch Bwlchgwyn

The lack of spiritual leadership and guidance, in the form of a Vicar for Christchurch Bwlchgwyn, continues to hinder attempts to encourage new followers of Christ, thus inhibiting any desire to "grow the church". However, unphased by the retirement and relocation of Clergy from Christchurch over recent years, the regular church goes optimistically continue to maintain the church building and support church services. The continuing success of our Remembrance and Christmas services are serving to showcase Christchurch.

Since coming out of lockdown, changes in the makeup of the County Borough, and Brymbo Community Councils (BCC) had challenged our long-established political connections, fortunately these have been maintained.

Bwlchgwyn Primary School, the Scouts, W.I., the Residents Association, and others, now share the organisation, and the work during these Church / Community services.

A period of consultation and engagement preceded the reduction of Sunday Services at Christchurch, this social dialogue helped prepare regular attenders to adjust to a new pattern of Worship. For those able, and/or willing to travel, shared services with St. Mary's Minera have resulted in the delivery of Holy Communion twice monthly. The reliance on volunteer Worship Leaders to cover for Ordained Ministry has been eased by the much welcomed, albeit temporary inclusion of two Deacons in our Mission Area.

Warden Steve Tilston

All Saints, Gresford

We have held several fundraising events to raise money for church funds that were well attended by the church and local community. These included coffee mornings where handmade craft items were also on sale; a sing-along afternoon tea organised by our choir members and a brass band and choir concert.

The Sirenian singers held a concert in our church and were joined by Gresford handbell ringers.

A Festival of Light was held in church to raise funds and the proceeds were donated to both Hope House and Nightingale House Hospices.

A number of repairs have become necessary to the church, including replacing much of the church lighting. The Bell Chamber has suffered severe water damage due to the heavy rainfall over the winter and poor condition of the roof, and we are in the process of ensuring that the bell housing is safe and making application to carry out the repairs to the tower and north aisle roof.

Warden Sue Roden

Holy Trinity Church Gwersyllt

Over the last year there have been new changes for the church and the congregation of Holy Trinity. We have had several events, with a focus on fund raising, such as bingo, quiz nights and a beetle drive.

Unfortunately, as can be the case, some events proved to be more popular than others. As a result, our focus for the coming year will be to concentrate more on successful events.

The issues that had arisen with our churchyard have been addressed and we have now a new contractor to maintain our church grounds. We have been able to undertake our usual checks within the church such as electrics, heating, fire equipment, and organ maintenance.

We would like to thank all our clergy and our worship leaders, and congregation for all their hard work and continued support, in every aspect of our church life here at Holy Trinity.

The last thing I would like to say is a big thank you to Johanne who has been helping and supporting me the last 12 months in doing all the administrative duties plus other things that go on in church, I am very grateful and appreciate it.

*With grateful thanks
Sharon Griffiths
Church Warden*

St. Chad, Holt

St. Chad's is blessed with a small but very faithful congregation who recognise the need to engage with the wider community. During the year the monthly lunches for the housebound and monthly community coffee mornings have continued and receive good support from people outside the worshipping community. A small number of people have joined us for regular worship.

We have joined the St. Chad network, a fellowship of churches throughout the country dedicated to St. Chad. The secretary of the network visited us recently to chat to parishioners and explain the purpose of the organisation. We hope to arrange a pilgrimage to Lichfield Cathedral where relics of St. Chad are held.

Engagement with the village school has been a priority this year with seeking visits for collective worship from the parish priest and groups of children visiting the church for project work.

We continue to care for our beautiful church building, major repairs to the East window, installation of a new electronic organ and possibility of new light fitting for the church are some of the projects undertaken.

During the year we lost a number of faithful parishioners, among them, the Rev'd Clive Tucker. We give thanks for them all and for the privilege of sharing our earthly pilgrimage with them.

Canon Tudor Hughes

St. Paul's, Isycoed

In April, St. Paul's Church hosted an afternoon tea in the village hall, with a selection of freshly made sandwiches and homemade cakes. The tables were set out with fine bone china tea services brought out from the back of cupboards, and the afternoon was very successful both socially and financially.

On Rogation Sunday in May we walked from church to the river Clywedog and back. Then our Rushbearing services in July gave both church and school a chance to welcome our new curate, Ana. The school processed to church carrying rushes, which the vicar cut out from the ditch, by the side of the road.

In September the fun dog show took place, which was better supported than last year, maybe because the sun was shining. The tombola stall was set up outside so that those manning it could watch the show. We had to move it under an oak tree for some shade, as it was too hot for the stall holders and the chocolate prizes were melting.

The Harvest Festival was held in October followed by refreshments in church. In November we held our annual Cheese and Wine with Quiz evening, which is always very popular. Also, in November we had our evening Remembrance Sunday service, in which a wreath was laid at the war Memorial in the churchyard. We celebrated Christmas with a joyous Crib Service and the Sunday after Christmas we hosted the joint communion service for our group of churches.

Wardens Rachel Bellis & Lynda Ellis-Brereton

St. Martin of Tours, Llay

Another year begins with some return to normality to pre-pandemic times.

We had services for Stations of the Cross, followed by hot cross buns and tea & coffee. At Easter we were able to have read and wine (by Chalice) at our Eucharist.

In May we celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III by having a Coronation Lunch in the Church Hall.

We had successful Spring and Autumn Fayres which were held in Church. A lunch was held in the hall during the Autumn Fayre, a new venture, this was also very successful. In June we held a welcome Service for Rev'd Ana Evans for all three churches, a lovely introduction for Ana's curacy.

St. Martin's hosted a concert in June in aid of 'Your Space', when we heard the magnificent voices of two choirs – The London Welsh Rugby Male Choir and the Rhos Orpheus Male Choir.

The Church lighting system has been greatly improved by the installation of LED's.

Father Huw was made a Canon in July; and a lovely service was held at the Cathedral which was attended by many of our parishioners.

Our strong links with Llay Park School have continued. The children came into church for services for King Charles III's Coronation, the Remembrance Service, Harvest Festival, Christingle and Crib Service.

St Martin's has a reputation for hospitality and 'get togethers', we have certainly lived up to this by holding a strawberry tea, a fabulous international cheese & wine evening, a harvest supper, and coffee mornings.

Finally, we would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the smooth running of St. Martin's during the last twelve months. Please continue with your help, it is very much appreciated.

Pat Edwards – Vicar's Warden

Sheila Woolrich – People's Warden

St. Mary, Minera

We are very grateful to everyone for working so hard during the last year as we still did not have a Vicar. Thank you to worship leaders Carol and Alan for help in maintaining regular Sunday services. Revd. Emma is now working with making connections with Minera School and also the Welsh School in Coedpoeth.

All-age activities have been well supported and we will build on these. Open Prayer is to continue on from the Lent Prayer, which has more recently been held at Southsea.

Further actions taken this year in relation to the last quinquennial inspection have been that the heating update has been completed and feedback has been good. Currently

our attention is on problems with the increase in damp to interior walls, affecting interior decoration. Fundraising / grant applications are ongoing for the replacement of the roof, which we hope will commence in the near future.

Wardens Sylvia Partington & Carol Douglas Jones

St. Paul, Pentre Broughton

The church is in a period of transition following the unexpected departure of Will Marshall. Currently there is one service a week on a Sunday morning as the afternoon service stopped in December. There have been some challenges with regards to the building, however the congregation has worked well together to ensure that all works have been carried out in an expedient manner.

The church is looking forward to the imminent toilet connection, which will allow them to offer other opportunities for worship and discipleship to the wider community. They are seeking to capitalise on their position next to the busy cemetery, as well as make connections with the large numbers of houses which are being built.

The Christmas services involving a local school and Male Voice Choir had an excellent attendance. There is a weekly assembly in St. Mary's, Brymbo and the church are exploring ways to offer something to the other 3 primary schools. St. Pauls remains a popular choice in the local community for both baptisms and funerals.

Revd. Emma Dale

Christ Church Rossett

We were blessed right at the beginning of 2023 when a friend of Christ Church [made a video](#) of the grounds and interior of the church building; it's a beautiful record of a bright winter's day in and around **Christ Church, Rossett** at Christmas.

At the end of January, we had a Christingle for Candlemas Service, one of the latest dates that a Christingle can be held while still being in the Christmas season. In April Rossett church joined [WINGS Wreccsam](#). This means that anyone can pop in to church to pick up period products - supplies are replenished regularly and are easy to find just inside the church door.

Since the summer Christ Church has had a regular page in [Essentials Magazine](#), including short articles about interesting things going on in and around church. On Coronation Day a group of children, staff and parents of St. Peter's School came to church to #RingForTheKing, a truly memorable event where everyone had the opportunity to ring the bells. The day after, the community were invited to church for a light tea followed by Songs of Praise, and a retiring collection for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme Resilience Fund was made.

In June, Foundation Governors Richard and Sian accompanied the Year 6 class of St. Peter's School on a trip to the Senedd where pupils presented their Project Seagrass campaign. This supports the protection and restoration of seagrass around the Welsh

coastline. The children met the then Minister for Climate Change, Julie James, among with lots of other Senedd workers and members.

It was a joy to welcome Rev'd Ana who was ordained as a Deacon in June, and she settled quickly into church life. A Yoga class started up in July and has grown into a twice weekly booking which has made a huge contribution to running costs of the Church Room.

At the end of July, we hosted a Coffee Morning on behalf of Alyn Mission Area to raise money for Wrexham Foodbank which was the Diocesan Offering for 2023. On the morning itself, we raised £681.10. Some who attended also brought donations of food, filling four crates which we were also able to deliver to the Foodbank Warehouse.

In September we started a new event, namely the Makers and Bakers Coffee Morning, which replaced another long-standing fundraising event. People were baking, planting, and making home-made items to sell in church, including a raffle, and this looks and this looks like becoming a regular church event.

Fundraising is a vital way of reaching out to the community and strengthening relationships between church people. It takes a lot of hard work and commitment to keep annually running these events and we are very grateful to Lesley and Mary who run events regularly as the years go by, raising thousands of pounds for church funds.

In September, Rossett Mothers Union hosted St. Asaph Mother's Union at Christ Church with everyone coming together to sing and celebrate St. Asaph 1450. MU Members from all over St Asaph diocese attended on a very rainy Saturday afternoon and enjoyed a lovely tea afterwards. In December we held our first Children's Craft Morning which was very successful and is a model we will definitely build on.

Siân Hatton Jones
Rossett Church warden

All Saints, Southsea

All Saints church has a good-sized congregation of varied ages, and is in a period of transition after the unexpected departure of Will Marshall. There are now two midweek services, and on a Tuesday evening there is a group exploring prayer. Thursday morning sees a small group meet for breakfast church and Bible study.

There has been some support for the all-Age events such as Wild Lent. The carol concert and crib service were very well attended at Christmas which could present future opportunity for growth. Weekly assemblies are taken in Ysgol Tanyfron and St. Mary's Brymbo.

In the coming year the church faces substantial financial challenges and will need to seek creative solutions to achieve a sustainable financial position.

Revd. Emma Dale

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Church in Wales is governed by its Constitution, set up under section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body. The MAC is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedures and powers are regulated by the Constitution, which provides that before assuming office, every member must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Constitution provides that the members of the MAC shall be: The Incumbent, Vicars and Assistant Curates; two Church Wardens, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM); two Sub-warden for each Church where there is more than one Church in the Mission Area, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the AVM; Up to 25 lay members elected at the AVM; co-opted Secretary and Treasurer (if not already ex-officio or elected); and up to 7 further co-opted members. Lay, communicant persons over the age of 16 may be entered on an Electoral Roll (subject to certain conditions) and all such persons, so entered, are entitled to vote and to stand for election.

OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

As required by the Charities Act 2011, the MAC has given due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission in respect of the operation of the public benefit requirement. The activities undertaken to fulfil the MAC's purposes for the public benefit are described and detailed hereunder. The Church in Wales is a Province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission. It is the responsibility of the MAC and the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Mission Area for the promotion of the mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Mission Area. The MAC is responsible, inter-alia, for the parochial budget and all expenditure thereunder, the care and maintenance of Church fabric and of the Churchyards, and for any action or other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution, and is the normal channel of communication between parishioners and the Diocesan Bishop.

The MAC provides a benefit to the public by:

- a) The provision of regular public worship
- b) The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation.
- c) Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved.
- d) Teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups
- e) Taking of Assemblies in local schools
- f) Promotion of Christianity through staging of events and services, and the distribution of literature
- g) The provision of a youth club with Christian ethos.
- h) Promoting the whole mission of the Church in Wales in aiding community cohesion through provision of activities for older people, mothers and toddlers and other specific groups]

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report. "Free" unrestricted reserves shown by the Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Cash Funds, plus Other Monetary Assets, plus Investments, less Liabilities) at year end totalled £1,931,915.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC aims to retain a balance of unrestricted "free" reserves to provide working capital, and to meet any future shortfalls in receipts or unexpected payments. The unrestricted reserves amount detailed above is in line with this policy.

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(Name) Honor Parkinson
Mission Area Administrator

Statement of financial activities
For the year end 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Prior year total funds £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	187,717	-	14,084	-	201,801	303,269
Other trading activities	32,762	-	5,878	-	38,640	35,285
Other income	8,000	-	-	-	8,000	16,876
Income from charitable activities	31,764	714	20,617	-	53,095	60,917
Investments	20,618	520	732	-	21,870	10,593
Total income	280,861	1,234	41,311	-	323,406	426,940
Expenditure on:						
Expenditure on charitable activities	359,373	19	17,944	-	377,335	397,353
Raising funds	3,773	-	-	-	3,773	4,384
Other expenditure	100	-	-	-	100	531
Total expenditure	363,245	19	17,944	-	381,208	402,268
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(82,384)	1,215	23,367	-	(57,802)	24,672
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	139,402	5,000	60,400	29,198	234,000	81,974
Gross transfers between funds - out	(94,115)	(5,001)	(134,884)	-	(234,000)	(81,974)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	31,870	419	21,528	3,760	57,578	(74,944)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(5,226)	1,633	(29,589)	32,958	(224)	(50,272)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	1,197,700	33,327	678,093	23,018	1,932,139	1,982,411
Total funds carried forward	1,192,474	34,959	648,504	55,977	1,931,915	1,932,139

Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2023	At 31/12/2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Heritage assets	155,000	-	-	-	155,000	155,000
Investments	530,673	15,597	420,029	55,977	1,022,276	979,055
	<u>685,673</u>	<u>15,597</u>	<u>420,029</u>	<u>55,977</u>	<u>1,177,276</u>	<u>1,134,055</u>
Current assets						
Debtors	3,695	-	-	-	3,695	1,458
Investments	22,254	6,127	-	-	28,381	32,819
Cash At Bank And In Hand	480,852	13,236	228,475	-	722,563	765,687
	<u>506,801</u>	<u>19,362</u>	<u>228,475</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>754,638</u>	<u>799,964</u>
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due in One Year	-	-	-	-	-	1,881
	-	-	-	-	-	<u>1,881</u>
Net current assets less current liabilities	<u>506,801</u>	<u>19,362</u>	<u>228,475</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>754,638</u>	<u>798,084</u>
Total net assets less liabilities	<u>1,192,474</u>	<u>34,959</u>	<u>648,504</u>	<u>55,977</u>	<u>1,931,915</u>	<u>1,932,139</u>
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
Unrestricted - General Fund	1,192,474	-	-	-	1,192,474	1,197,700
Designated						
Designated - Coedpoeth portion St David's church sale	-	3,237	-	-	3,237	3,237
Designated - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Churchyard Designated	-	8,652	-	-	8,652	7,519
Designated - Designated	-	6,205	-	-	6,205	6,206
Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - E & E Jackson	-	6,127	-	-	6,127	5,869
Designated - Holiday Hunger	-	115	-	-	115	134
Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk	-	5,304	-	-	5,304	5,059
Designated - Remeberance100	-	308	-	-	308	308
Designated - Restoration Fund	-	3,921	-	-	3,921	3,921
Designated - Rossett Sunday School Fund	-	391	-	-	391	375
Designated - Youth	-	699	-	-	699	699
Restricted						
Restricted - Churchyard/Ashes	-	-	7,732	-	7,732	9,898
Restricted - Bell fund	-	-	7,472	-	7,472	8,060
Restricted - Colin Glynn-Jones Bequest	-	-	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
Restricted - COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund	-	-	2,600	-	2,600	2,421
Restricted - Church MaintRepair	-	-	28,727	-	28,727	28,727
Restricted - Churchyard Fund	-	-	3,248	-	3,248	3,248
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Churchyard Restricted	-	-	30,455	-	30,455	26,990
Restricted - Rossett Churchyard	-	-	33,358	-	33,358	30,667
Restricted - St Paul's Isycoed - Churchyard	-	-	6,033	-	6,033	6,437
Restricted - Fabric fund	-	-	73,487	-	73,487	22,375
Restricted - Rossett Clock Repair	-	-	2,512	-	2,512	2,828
Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance Fund	-	-	10,903	-	10,903	9,660
Restricted - Community Use Fund	-	-	7,604	-	7,604	7,604
Restricted - Broughton Churchyard	-	-	9,782	-	9,782	10,350
Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance	-	-	47	-	47	-
Restricted - Holt Churchyard Fund	-	-	279	-	279	-
Restricted - Minera Fabric Fund (from Legacy incl Graves)	-	-	7,759	-	7,759	7,349
Restricted - Fr Graham Canham Bequest	-	-	52,578	-	52,578	50,370
Restricted - Friends Of St Mary Minera	-	-	2,108	-	2,108	100
Restricted - Friends Of St Tudfil's Coedpoeth	-	-	8,106	-	8,106	4,235
Restricted - Broughton Good Causes	-	-	-	-	-	416
Restricted - Glyn Rogers Bequest	-	-	10,000	-	10,000	-
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Holiday Hunger	-	-	47	-	47	47
Restricted - Rossett Hymn Books	-	-	105	-	105	105
Restricted - Jones June Isobel Bequest	-	-	-	-	-	88,098
Restricted - COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis	-	-	33,590	-	33,590	31,269
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - OAP Work	-	-	200	-	200	200
Restricted - Broughton Money Market 1383	-	-	22,000	-	22,000	22,000
Restricted - COIF PT1730 Trevor Parkins Trust	-	-	154,188	-	154,188	145,265
Restricted - A.Prince	-	-	23,079	-	23,079	20,538
Restricted - Minera Roof Repair Fund	-	-	357	-	357	-
Restricted - Hylida Turner	-	-	61,640	-	61,640	54,855
Restricted - COIF PT2227 Alexandra Lady Worsley	-	-	-	-	-	40,062
Restricted - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Schools, Children And Young	-	-	8	-	8	8
Restricted - Minera Churchyard fund	-	-	23,502	-	23,502	18,913
Endowment						
Endowment - Broughton Berse Drelincourt Charity	-	-	-	30,827	30,827	-
Endowment - Minera Mary Jones Legacy	-	-	-	13,223	13,223	12,110
Endowment - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk	-	-	-	11,927	11,927	10,908
Fund Totals	<u>1,192,474</u>	<u>34,959</u>	<u>648,504</u>	<u>55,977</u>	<u>1,931,915</u>	<u>1,932,139</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As at 31 December 2023

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Asset Investments					
6431: Standard Life Investment-St Martins Llay	636	-	-	-	636
6431: Broughton CIF	179,531	-	-	-	179,531
6431: CCLA - COIF Hylda Turner 127810003R**	-	-	61,640	-	61,640
6431: St Paul's Isycoed - COIF PENK INVESTMENT	-	-	-	11,927	11,927
6431: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Investment Fund Mary Jones Legacy	-	-	-	13,223	13,223
6431: Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - RBCIW CIF 0583 2208	-	7,938	-	-	7,938
6431: Rossett RBCIW COIF investment	30,785	-	-	-	30,785
6431: Brymbo CIFS 4165	19,813	3,660	-	-	23,472
6432: RBCIW CIF investment-St Martins Llay	-	-	73,487	-	73,487
6432: Berse Charity CIF	-	-	-	30,827	30,827
6432: CCLA - COIF Arthur Prince 127810002R	-	-	23,079	-	23,079
6432: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Deposit Fund Mary Jones Legacy	4,812	-	-	-	4,812
6432: Brymbo CIFS 4272	4,125	762	-	-	4,887
6433: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Investment Fund	42,011	-	-	-	42,011
6434: Minera CCLA COIF Charity Deposit Fund	44,851	3,237	-	-	48,088
6435: Minera CCLA COIF Churchyard Investment Fund	-	-	11,109	-	11,109
6436: COIF PT1730 Trevor Parkins Trust	-	-	154,188	-	154,188
6436: Minera RBCW Ms Helen Griffiths Legacy	-	-	7,759	-	7,759
6437: COIF PT2227 Alexandra Lucy Worsley	43,035	-	-	-	43,035
6437: MINERA X PCC RBCW St David's Land	67,991	-	-	-	67,991
6438: COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis	-	-	33,590	-	33,590
6438: ex-Minera PCC RBCW St David's church	8,998	-	-	-	8,998
6439: COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund	-	-	2,600	-	2,600
6440: Gresford Church House valuation	155,000	-	-	-	155,000
6441: ex-Minera PCC RBCW St Tudfil's land sale	18,104	-	-	-	18,104
6442: CCLA - COIF Jones June Isabel 127810001R	65,980	-	-	-	65,980
6443: CCLA - COIF Fr Graham Canham Bequest	-	-	52,578	-	52,578
Total	685,673	15,597	420,029	55,977	1,177,276
Current Asset					
6501: Current Account	77,752	2,906	21,933	-	102,591
6501: Current Account - St Martins Llay	10,679	-	-	-	10,679
6501: All Saints Church Current Account	18,215	-	(2,706)	-	15,508
6501: St Paul's Isycoed - NW No.2 Account	4,025	3,921	-	-	7,946
6501: Minera Current Account	4,186	-	2,329	-	6,515
6501: Saint Tudfil's, Coedpoeth	(5,307)	-	8,106	-	2,799
6501: Holy Trinity Gwersyllt Current Account	13,294	714	30,709	-	44,717
6501: Rossett NatWest Current Account	13,603	-	2,617	-	16,220
6501: Holt Nat West current account	10,896	-	279	-	11,175
6502: St Paul's Isycoed - NW Churchyard Account	-	-	6,033	-	6,033
6502: Minera Churchyard Account	-	-	12,528	-	12,528
6502: Bonus Ball & Grant Account	1,503	-	7,604	-	9,107
6503: NW Penk Account	82	5,304	-	-	5,387
6503: Rossett NatWest Church Yard Account	-	-	15,913	-	15,913
6505: Deposit Account	205	-	2,000	-	2,205
6505: Deposit Account - St Martins Llay	2,624	-	-	-	2,624
6505: Businees Reserve	968	-	81,685	-	82,653
6505: Rossett CCLA General Investment Fund	3,078	-	-	-	3,078
6505: Holt COIF Charities deposit fund	324,945	-	-	-	324,945
6506: deposit a/c organ fund	-	-	22,000	-	22,000
6507: Rossett CCLA Church Yard Account	-	-	17,445	-	17,445
6509: Rossett CCLA Sunday School Account	-	391	-	-	391
6521: Gift Aid receivable	3,695	-	-	-	3,695
6531: Term deposit Money Market7393	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
6534: Edward Jackson Legacy	-	1,489	-	-	1,489
6535: Ethel Jackson Legacy	-	4,637	-	-	4,637
6536: COIF General Investment Fund	7,254	-	-	-	7,254
6590: Cash in hand	103	-	-	-	103
Total	506,801	19,362	228,475	-	754,638
Liabilities: Creditors:amounts falling due within one year					
6602: Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
6699: Agency collections	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-
Net total assets	1,192,474	34,959	648,504	55,977	1,931,915

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)' (as amended for accounting periods commencing 1 January 2016).

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005, which has since been withdrawn.

The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The charity's presentation currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the members have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are created when a donor or the trustees specify that a gift invested and only the income earned on the investment may be spent for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known and receipt is expected. Of the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

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1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and other bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially measured at transaction unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	165,191	-	9,412	-	174,603	177,842
Legacies receivable	4,528	-	10,000	-	14,528	85,074
Grants receivable	17,998	-	3,672	-	21,670	40,353
	187,717	-	23,084	-	210,801	303,269

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	31,764	714	20,617	-	53,095	60,917
	31,764	714	20,617	-	53,095	60,917

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	23,576	-	5,878	-	29,454	22,384
Other funds generated	2,264	-	-	-	2,264	4,348
Hall rental income	1,174	-	-	-	1,174	405
Sundry income	5,749	-	-	-	5,749	8,148
	32,762	-	5,878	-	38,640	35,285

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Dividends / investment income	5,287	520	732	-	6,539	7,116
Bank interest	15,331	-	-	-	15,331	3,476
	20,618	520	732	-	21,871	10,592

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	16,876
Sale of investments	8,000	-	-	-	8,000	-
	8,000	-	-	-	8,000	16,876

8 Gains / losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gains on investments	31,870	419	21,528	3,760	57,578	(74,944)
	31,870	419	21,528	3,760	57,578	(74,944)

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9 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of fund raising	3,773	-	-	-	3,773	4,384
	3,773	-	-	-	3,773	4,384

10 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Parish share	218,647				218,647	228,991
Clergy expenses	6,186				6,186	3,492
Parsonage expenses	2,391				2,391	2,312
Maintenance of services	3,613				3,613	4,670
Costs of vergers and choir	6,116				6,116	7,117
Music and performances	4,657		588		5,245	30,406
Costs of digital services	319				319	325
Costs of copyright licences	2,844				2,844	4,227
Bank charges	327		30		357	467
Costs of printing and post	897				897	1,356
Telephone / internet	131				131	147
Office and general expenses	1,464		80		1,544	1,283
Parish administrator	6,446				6,446	3,081
Gifts to individuals	708				708	862
Church costs - insurance	14,697				14,697	12,674
Church costs - electricity	10,877				10,877	11,546
Church costs - gas	7,709				7,709	5,977
Church costs - water	1,941		102		2,043	1,744
Church costs - other	2,226				2,226	6,170
Church costs - heating oil	6,135				6,135	5,620
Church costs - repairs	34,786		316		35,102	16,348
Cleaning	14				14	122
Church yard management	8,752		16,828		25,581	28,221
Church hall - electric	857				857	1,246
Church hall - gas	534				534	337
Church hall - insurance	1,111				1,111	913
Church hall - repairs	612				612	1,189
Church hall - telephone	1,197				1,197	209
Church hall - water	304				304	308
Church hall - equipment					-	1,560
Major building renovations	1,753				1,753	2,835
Young people activity costs	51	19			70	650
Church publications	30				30	222
Mission and Evangelism	778				778	2,065
Parish mission costs	474				474	1,336
Cost of maintaining websites	809				809	1,231
Diocesan projects support	-				-	193
Church charity and projects	833				833	2,949
External charities	2,723				2,723	1,480
Professional fees	7,199				7,199	1,472
	359,373	19	17,944	-	377,335	397,353

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11 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Purchase of assets	100	-	-	-	100	531
	100	-	-	-	100	531

12 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

13 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

14 Related party transactions

There were no diclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
Cost or valuation	£
at 1 January 2023	1,134,055
Additions / reallocations	43,221
At 31 December 2023	1,177,276
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2023	1,177,276

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO
ALYN MISSION AREA PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act)
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

(Name) Lorraine Hughes (Date) 8th October 2024

(Qualification, if any) FMIAAT

(Address) 25 Grosvenor Rd. Wrexham

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CLERGY & MAC REPRESENTATIVES 2022

Role/Church	MAC Member	Church Warden
Priest	Huw Butler	-----
Priest	Tudor Hughes	-----
Priest	Will Marshall	-----
MA Warden	Sian Hatton Jones	-----
MA Warden	Jenny Creed	
Brymbo		Bernard Davies
Brymbo		Brenda Lewis
Bwlchgwyn	Steve Tilson	Steve Tilson
Bwlchgwyn		Cynthia Hughes
Coedpoeth	Pat Edwards	Pat Edwards
Coedpoeth		Myra Jones
Gresford	Sue Roden	Sue Roden Ian Morris
Gresford	Pauline Jarvis	Pauline Jarvis Meirion Lewis Jones
Gwersyllt	Sharon Griffiths	Sharon Griffiths
Gwersyllt		Johanne Bebb
Holt	Marian Woodfine	Steven Smith
Holt	Marlies Pridding	Paul Gaade
Isycoed	Rachel Bellis	Rachel Bellis
Isycoed	Lynda Ellis- Brereton	Lynda Ellis-Brereton
Llay	Sheila Woolrich	Sheila Woolrich
Llay	Patricia Edwards	Patricia Edwards
Minera	Menna Storey	Carol Douglas- Jones
Minera	Sylvia Partington	Sylvia Partington
P. Broughton	Jane Parr	Francis Roberts
P. Broughton		
Rossett	Colin Brown	Roger Dutton
Rossett	Stephen Hatton	Sian Hatton Jones
Southsea	Philippa Reed	Glyn Davies
Southsea	Harry Reed	Shelagh Watkinson

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE	Last year	This year
Members on Mission Area Electoral Roll	As of 04/22: 451	As of 04/23: 418 (+25)

The Electoral Roll 2023

St. Mary, Brymbo	(15)	St. Paul, Isycoed	11
Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn	21	St. Martin, Llay	43
St. Tudfil, Coedpoeth	(10)	St. Mary, Minera	25
All Saints, Gresford	126	St. Paul, Pentre Broughton	24
Holy Trinity, Gwersyllt	45	Christ Church, Rossett	62
St. Chad, Holt	46	All Saints, Southsea	15

Alyn Mission Area Leader's Report for 2022

I would say that the gospel account of the disciples travelling on the way to Emmaus has become my favourite out of all of the resurrection appearances (c.f. Luke 24:13-35).

The reason being, that it speaks directly to us as the pattern of how we too meet our risen Lord as followers of Jesus many centuries after this event was recorded.

"Didn't our hearts burn within us, as He unfolded the scriptures" and "they recognised Him in the breaking of the bread".

As we come to this Annual Mission Area "Vestry" meeting it is a stopping place for us as fellow disciples travelling together along the journey of faith. It provides an opportunity to reflect upon those times when we have recognised Jesus in our midst and to remember, of course, that Jesus is always travelling alongside us even during those times when we fail to recognise Him, especially in the changes and challenges that we face.

So then, how have we been travelling together over the past year?

As we look back at 2022, I think it is fair to say that it marked a turning point in us moving out of "pandemic mode" as we now learn to live with COVID. This is certainly something that we all give thanks for! However, 2022 also marked a turning point in others ways. Looking at the Mission Area itself, we embarked upon a serious process of change with the retirement of Rev'd James Harris during June after faithfully serving within the Mission Area for 14 years and principally overseeing the communities of Minera, Coedpoeth and Bwlchgwyn.

We also said farewell to Rev'd George Bearwood who completed his curacy with us during the summer to move on to new pastures in ministry in Borderlands Mission Area and then Rev'd Paulette Gower who moved to a new chapter in ministry at Montgomery at the end of October. I took on the additional responsibility of becoming Mission Area Leader in November. In effect, we lost half of our clergy last year.

This has inevitably created some significant challenges for us and a re-evaluation of how we negotiate mission and ministry throughout our 12 church communities. We continue to negotiate this significant journey of change – we are actively searching for a new priest to join us who will live at Minera (including oversight of Bwlchgwyn and Pentre Broughton) and we also look forward to 2 new curates joining us in the summer – Ana Davies who will live in Llay and Emma Dale who will live in Brymbo - following their ordination on 24th of June at St. Asaph Cathedral.

After careful and prayerful consideration our vision will be for Gwersyllt to be more closely linked with Llay and Rossett as we move forward. It has also been decided that the vicarage at Gwersyllt will be sold and there is no plan at this stage to have a clergy house in the village of Gwersyllt. There will be significant new directions in mission and ministry in relation to the communities at Brymbo and Coedpoeth. St. Mary's Church, Brymbo celebrated its 150th anniversary of consecration during September 2022 in thanksgiving for its Christian witness within the heart of the village and its proud history particularly in relation to Brymbo Steelworks. Sadly, however, the challenges of the upkeep of the church building had become too much for the small congregation to cope with, and the painful decision was taken to formally close St. Mary's church building with a Community Carol Service held on 18th December.

Even though the building itself is now closed we are determined that the church community will continue in a new way being based at St. Mary's Church School (currently a monthly Sunday afternoon service is being held there) and one of our new curates, Emma Dale, will live in Brymbo in a new house purchased by the diocese.

Coedpoeth has also faced difficulties in sustaining worship which ceased within St. Tudfil's early in 2022. However, the Community Café continues to open on two mornings a week and the links and our partnership with the Salvation Army are very strong with messy Church and Children's ministry taking place in the church building which is so encouraging. Signs of new life, then, are beginning to grow in both these communities. Our future vision, once we have appointed a new priest to join our team, includes Rev'd Will Marshall relinquishing his oversight of St. Paul's, Pentre Broughton, remaining as vicar of All Saint's, Southsea but also taking on the pioneer ministry role of overseeing the communities of Brymbo and Coedpoeth assisted by Emma Dale.

I am not going to address the life of the other church communities within this short report, but travelling around them all, I do feel that they are in good heart and you are able to read about them in the main body of the Mission Area Report which will be available electronically with a printed version for each church.

Once our staffing levels have increased, we can create a more stable environment for mission and ministry which I appreciate is very challenging at the moment and I thank you for your understanding and continued faithfulness. There have certainly been many joys and celebrations within the life of the Mission Area as well as difficulties and challenges.

I would like to thank in particular the members of the Mission Area Executive, my clerical colleagues Tudor and Will, MA Wardens Jenny and Sian and MA Treasurer Sylvia, also all those who have served as MAC Members, local church wardens, treasurers and secretaries, our team of Worship Leaders which has grown to ten people across the various church communities and who are offering a wonderful ministry, our three Readers and visiting and retired clergy who have been assisting us. There are simply too many people to thank because so much wonderful work is being done by all of you. Particularly within the current challenges that we are facing I take so much encouragement from you all in offering your worship, gifts, talents, time, energy, generosity, understanding and support in so many, many ways. All of this together being a powerful sign and witness of faith, hope and love in action! *Thank you all so much. Diolch o galon!*

So then, our journey together through 2022 has not been an easy one, with many twists, turns and mountains to climb. If we return to our Gospel reading, interestingly, there is a problem with Emmaus. Scholars have debated and deliberated over where this place may be – but nobody knows where it is for certain.

Is this telling us something important in relation to the journey of faith? Ironically, it is the travelling together which is important and not necessarily the destination that we feel that we are attempting to reach. The disciples on the road never reached Emmaus as they were expecting to do. Instead, because of their experience of encountering the risen Christ they made a different decision, and in their case returned to Jerusalem instead.

As disciples, followers, of Jesus we need to travel together, seek to recognise His presence with us and, prompted by the Holy Spirit, not be afraid to sometimes change our direction and our decision making. The meaning, and in fact the whole point of being a disciple is to be found in the travelling together with Jesus in our midst. May this be the pattern of our common life together as Alyn Mission Area as we move into the coming year.

Rev'd Huw Butler (Mission Area Leader)

Holy Trinity, Gwersyllt

Getting back to 'normal' was our main theme at the beginning of 2022, being able to stand up and sing in church and being able to receive wine at Communion. It has also been a year of change. To begin the year Sharon and Barbara were the Church Wardens, we had our Lent Study Group - meeting in person and our Easter Services in church. We continued with our Craft Group *Crafty Angels* and church cleaning, monthly Zoom quiz and daily Evening Prayer at 5pm which still take place. During the summer Barbara left us for pastures new and I took over as Vicar's Warden in August.

We had our Harvest Festival in September with our Fish and Chip Harvest Supper with Beetle Drive at the Vicarage. Paulette announced she was leaving the parish to take up a role in Montgomery and on 23rd October she took her final service as vicar at Holy Trinity. November 6th was Bishop Gregory's Visitation to Llay. Also, in November, we had our Quinquennial and as a result works needed to be carried out on the church including the electrical wiring. December saw our Angel Christmas Tree Festival and Raffle. The church was decorated with trees by our local Primary Schools, Guiding and Scouting groups and members of the congregation. The festival ended with a Carol Service.

One of the focuses of the Wardens has been the finances of the church. There had been no Treasurer in place for some time and the church accounts were an ongoing issue. In November, after some training, Sharon took on this daunting task of collating and inputting the figures into the online accounting program. It has taken much hard work and determination to get to the point where we can present the accounts for 2022. Well done Sharon!

We would like to thank our Worship Leaders for all of their hard work, with Brenda and Julie leading our Morning Worship Services and Sharon assisting when possible. A thank you also to Betty our Verger and Sacristan who is also our Church flower coordinator. We would also like to thank Rev'd Steve Green and Rev'd Huw Butler for their commitment to the continuation of our Holy Eucharist Services. Last but by no means least we would like to thank the Congregation at Holy Trinity, our Church Family, for their continued help and support. The happy band who clean and polish the church, who read the lessons at services, make the tea and coffee, use their DIY skills, support events and services - always with a smile. We move into 2023 a great team with a new hope and determination that, with prayer, we will move forward as a church in our Community with social activities and be a welcoming place for everyone who comes through our open door.

St Mary, Brymbo

St. Mary's Church, Brymbo celebrated its 150th anniversary of consecration during September 2022 in thanksgiving for its Christian witness within the heart of the village and its proud history particularly in relation to Brymbo Steelworks. Sadly, however, the challenges of the upkeep of the church building were becoming too much for the small congregation to cope with and during the course of the year the painful decision was taken to formally close St. Mary's church building. This was marked with a Community Carol Service held on 18th December.

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There are plans for the building itself to be leased from the Church in Wales by a community group *The Friends of St. Mary's* who will care for the building and utilise it for community events and occasional services.

As a church community we are very saddened to relinquish our church building which is so close to our hearts but are thankful for the devotion and faithfulness of our church members and are hopeful for new beginnings in partnership with St. Mary's School and the community.

ChristChurch, Bwlchgwyn

During 2022 we said farewell to Revd. James Harris in June who has offered oversight at Bwlchgwyn during various periods during the 14 years he was priest at Minera. Later in the year we adopted a pattern of shared Eucharistic services with St. Mary's, Minera. The first Sunday of the month being held here at Christ Church and the third Sunday being held at St. Mary's.

The other two Sundays are currently faithfully conducted by our Worship Leaders. As we emerged from the pandemic we have been delighted to begin to rebuild our good relationship with Bwlchgwyn Community Primary School located opposite to the church. The school visit the church occasionally and we were so pleased that they reinstated their Community Carol Service this year.

Both the Carol Service and Christmas Eve Crib service were very well attended by adults and children. We have good links with our community and have grown the Remembrance Sunday service at the cenotaph in the village significantly in recent years. Another special event at Bwlchgwyn is the early morning outdoor Ascension Day service held at the picturesque *Viewing Point*.

St. Mary, Minera

During 2022 we said farewell to Revd. James Harris in June who has offered faithful ministry as our vicar for the past 14 years. We now prayerfully await the appointment of a new priest. We remain faithful to worship and are blessed with a devoted and committed congregation. We have embraced a pattern of shared Eucharistic services with Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn and appreciate the fellowship and partnership which is being fostered. We have also recently commissioned some new Worship Leaders to assist with the regular pattern of ministry, demonstrating our level of commitment and faithfulness to worship. We have a dedicated and proactive church committee membership and a committed organist.

We seek to build upon our community links and outreach initiatives such as the successful "Carols at Tyn y Capel" (the pub directly opposite the church) and the community "Christmas Lights". Strong historic ecumenical links also exist with the Salvation Army who are based in Coedpoeth. As a church community we are deeply committed to building upon the strong links which already exist with our school.

During 2022, following a great deal of hard work in raising funds and applying for grants, we completed the refurbishment of the bells which are now ringing very sweetly! Work is currently ongoing in relation to the flooring in the nave and there are further plans to develop a new heating system and to begin to make provision for a major project to replace the roof. We are very proud of our beautiful churchyard and thankful to the Community Council in assisting with grants for maintenance and upkeep. Plans are also being considered to apply for the bronze Eco Church awards and a survey to be undertaken by the Wildlife Trust.

St. Tudfil, Coedpoeth

2022 has been a challenging year for St. Tudfil's. Our regular congregation has become very small proving difficult to sustain worship which ceased early in the year. We find ourselves seeking a new vision for mission and ministry at St. Tudfil's and outreach into the wider community. However, the Community Café continues to open on two mornings a week and the links and our partnership with the Salvation Army are very strong with messy Church and Children's ministry taking place in the church building which are signs of encouragement and new beginnings.

All Saints, Gresford

We continue to implement some of the lessons learnt during the pandemic, particularly about the use of IT. Communication is now mostly through the newly reconstructed Church website and Facebook page although we still produce the weekly bulletin and are about to reintroduce the monthly newsletter. The building continues to occupy some of the Church Council's time and there have been a number of repairs and improvements over the year. A recent quinquennial inspection means we are discussing with our architect a programme of ongoing maintenance.

The Church and Church House are beginning to be used by the community again but we are not yet back to pre-pandemic days. The Church School, however uses the church building a great deal. We are so pleased that this is happening again. Monthly collective worship, project work and various displays in church are all taking place. The school has also made a tour of the church, one for adults and one for children which can be accessed through a Smartphone.

The choir are back at full strength and we are very grateful for their hard work and for the way they contribute to our worship. We are beginning a monthly evensong on the third Sunday in May this year. The small but faithful Welsh congregation are also meeting again on the afternoon of the third Sunday monthly. This year we want to focus on stewardship (again) and putting back in place some of the social events we have not been able to have over the last few years.

St. Chad, Holt

During the year we have continued the process of returning to how we were before the pandemic, some things are the same and some things we are doing differently. We have begun to publish a monthly newsletter on the village website and also now use this and Facebook to publicise events. We hold a monthly coffee morning in the church for the village, as a time of fellowship and during the winter months extended this to meet in the village hall as a means of encouraging people to come together for a chat in a warm space.

We have also reinstated our monthly late morning Eucharist with light lunch for the housebound. Contact with the County Primary School continues through Fr. Tudor's weekly visit to conduct collective worship. The school have also visited the church on a number of occasions for worship and project work.

There were the usual events for Rushbearing last year with the addition of a memorial service to which we invited families who had lost loved ones during the year. The short service and tea afterwards were much appreciated by those who came. We have decided to hold this annually. A number of the congregation attended the on-line *Lycig* [*Leading your Church into Growth*] course and we have followed this up with a visit from Tracey White and Sarah Wheat, Diocesan Officers, as we look for new ways to engage with our community.

St Paul's, Pentre Broughton

Sunday services are largely back to normal, though we continue to receive in both kinds via 'priestly intinction', as early this year a few in the congregation were ready to move back to sharing a common cup. Like most churches, we have experienced a drop in attendance compared to pre-Covid levels, but this is improving as we move into spring this year. We started a new afternoon service in June 2022, especially aimed at families and the un-churched in both time and format, though of course all are welcome as at all services. This has had an encouraging start, with a small but faithful core of a few families who attend regularly, and others who attend occasionally. It is through their growing involvement in this service that Mhairi and Jane have just become new Worship Leaders at the church.

We have been able to get back to regular church socials at significant times of the year, which have been enjoyed by many and help to knit us together as a church family. We had a lovely celebration for the Platinum Jubilee, with the church decorated and a Songs of Praise that was well attended. As with other churches, we were then able to be a focal point for community mourning following the Queen's death, with many people signing a book of remembrance.

The Bishop also came to consecrate the new section of Broughton Cemetery, which was well attended by the local council, with excellent refreshments provided by the church. The complete lifting of Covid restrictions on numbers also meant that this was the first time since 2019 that we were able to hold our annual memorial service, for people to come and remember lost loved-ones. Personal invitations went out to all who had had a funeral at St. Paul's in the past three years, and this was much appreciated.

It was also wonderful to be able to return to our full normal Christmas celebrations. The carol service with the Brymbo Male Voice Choir and choir of Black Lane School was a highlight and very well attended. We also hosted the community carol service again, which had begun in 2021, in conjunction with the council, and are encouraged for this to continue – an example of things begun out of necessity during the pandemic proving to be opportunities.

We also hosted our usual crib service and midnight communion, which were lovely services, but relatively low attendance was a reminder that more needs to be done to publicise events that people used to attend regularly but then missed for a few years over Covid. We have regular inquires regarding baptisms, and regular baptism preparation courses held again at the vicarage.

We have been re-connecting with our local schools, with Rev'd Will able to return to going in to do assemblies, and groups from the schools coming to learn about the church. We continue to be very grateful to Beverley Parry-Jones for playing the organ for us alongside commitments in other churches, and are also delighted that Dilwyn Roberts, who had been the organist at St. Peter's Brynteg, has started being able to play for us again when Beverley isn't available.

All Saints, Southsea

The regular Sunday service at Southsea has seen encouraging growth over the past year, with several new and regular worshippers, including both younger families and older people. An undoubted contributor to this has been the new Sunday School, started up by Ana – our ordinand on placement, soon to be curate in Llay. This has been a great success, and building up the team of leaders and volunteers to enable the continuation and growth of this ministry is a priority for the church. The Thursday service also continues to go well, and is a good opportunity for various members of the congregation to participate in leading this more informal service. As part of our pattern of discipleship, we held a Bible Course, which was valued by the small group who attended.

We had a lovely celebration for the Platinum Jubilee, with the church decorated and a street party tea held on the Saturday, with a Jubilee service on the Sunday. The local council also held a community BBQ at the church on the Sunday afternoon. As with other churches, we were then able to be a focal point for community mourning following the Queen's death, with many people signing a book of remembrance.

Two other excellent social and fundraising events have been held – with 'Tales by Candlelight' with Mellt the Storyteller in December, and pancakes and a quiz on Shrove Tuesday. It has been excellent to be able to get back to holding regular socials, which have always been a much valued feature of church life, and a way of making further contact with our community. The local WI group continues to meet in the church building, and a local history photo exhibition was held by the Brymbo Heritage Foundation. We hope to build on our being a good venue for local groups and events.

We sought to serve our local community in the cost of living crisis by being available as a Warm Hub during Tuesdays and Wednesdays from the end of January until mid March, which was well supported by church volunteers. Unfortunately, despite widespread publicity, few people made use of this. However, the community was aware that we were doing this, and we received many positive comments about the care for the community that this showed.

At Christmas, our Crib service was very well attended, with many people who had missed the past couple of years delighted to see its return, and we also held a Christingle service. All Saints continues to see a greater number of families requesting baptisms at the church than the few years prior to the pandemic, with regular baptism preparation held.

Sadly, the departure of Rev'd Paulette has meant that we have had to pause the MA youth group, which was meeting weekly at Southsea and growing, but it is hoped that this can be re-started from the Autumn. We have been re-connecting with our local schools, with Rev'd Will able to return to going in to do assemblies.

We are hugely grateful for the work of 'The Churchyard Crew', a small but highly dedicated group of local volunteers, who give generously of their time and efforts to maintain the churchyard and assist people with inquiries about family graves. A 'find a family grave day' was held in October '22, which helped 16 different families.

St. Paul's Church, Isycoed

St. Paul's Church community, although small in number, is one where everyone gets involved and helps in any way they are able using their many talents – church cleaning, flower arranging, grass cutting and organizing our successful social events. We celebrated our Easter service with a beautiful Easter garden incorporated within the Altar. We had our Rogation Sunday walk in May, which included dogs and an owl, beginning and ending at the church.

In July we held our traditional Rush Bearing service with the congregation carrying rushes in to church. St. Paul's School also held their Annual Rush Bearing pilgrimage on the Friday before and now visit church each half term for a school service. In September a Fun Dog Show was held with a cake stall and tombola raising money for church funds.

This year, for the first time, the Harvest Thanksgiving was held during the afternoon. Following the service, we sliced and shared the Harvest Loaf along with an assortment of nibbles. In November we held our cheese and wine evening including a quiz which has become a very popular social and fundraising event. On the Sunday after Christmas we welcomed our sister churches of Rossett and Llay for a combined Holy Eucharist which has become a beautiful custom in recent years.

St. Martin's Church, Llay

As 2022 unfolded we took encouragement as we gradually began to emerge out of 'pandemic mode'. The Mothers' Union took the initiative in February to hold a joint service with Rossett Branch followed with a delightful tea shared in St. Martin's Church. Fr. George ran a USPG Lent Course as we gathered physically together but which was also made available online. Weddings resumed in March with a long awaited Marriage Blessing for Kirsty and Rob and Baptisms began in April with many occasional offices to follow throughout the year.

Holy Week services in church were re-instated with Holy Communion being available in both bread and wine from Easter Sunday. Successful spring and autumn fayres were held during the year as well as other events which greatly contributed towards church funds. A celebration for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee during June was held with people decked out in 1950's style clothing!

We said farewell to our curate Fr. George on 26th June as he prepared to move to new pastures of ministry at Bistre but he did return to St. Martin's the following month to 'go out with a bang' by holding the Church of Noise rock concert (which will never be forgotten!) at the end of July. Harvest Thanksgiving is always a favourite celebration and an opportunity to focus upon our partnership with Wrexham Foodbank, the satellite station open at the church hall on Thursday afternoons.

We hosted the Mission Area service on 6th November where Bishop Gregory presided at the Eucharist and also commissioned Fr. Huw as the new Mission Area Leader for Alyn. Remembrance Sunday is always a significant community event in the village of Llay with a packed church, the school taking part in the service and shared with Rev. David Gilmour (Pastor of the Community Church in Llay).

The year drew to a close with two wonderful Christingle services – a well attended Sunday afternoon event on the second Sunday of Advent and then a very moving school Christingle service during December and culminating with our Christmas Carol Service and Midnight Mass.

ChristChurch, Rossett

Worship and Mission - 2022 has marked a turning point in many ways as we moved out of Covid restrictions, then in the summer we said Goodbye to Fr. George as he took up his first appointment in the Bistre churches. In late October we marked the 130th anniversary of the current church building in Rossett with a successful celebration weekend. The Remembrance service continues to be important for the whole village with the Act of Remembrance including Darland School as well as St. Peter's and a good number assembled on the pavements as well as within the church grounds. At Harvest, Holy Week, Advent, including St Nicholas' Day and Christmas we welcome the schools for many services and events. Fr. Huw was very pleased to resume school assemblies and visits during the year. Numbers on a Sunday are growing slowly and there is a steady increased attendance at the mid-week service compared to pre-Covid.

Finance and Fundraising - Church Fabric, Churchyard and Grounds - Progress towards getting the font lid mechanism tested has been ongoing since February 2022, it comes under H&S and LOLER (lifting tests and regulations).

In May the gutters were repaired and cleared, rafters and surrounding wood were treated with Cuprinol, new cast iron downpipe shoes were fitted to agreed downpipes. Identified areas of stonework were pointed with lime mortar, completed by Paul Williams in August. In May, a leak in the North aisle roof was kindly and unexpectedly easily fixed by TS Perry's.

One remaining item from the QI in 2021 is to repair chicken wire on the stone louvred window

behind the clock face. We have a good band of churchyard volunteers and receive invaluable assistance from the Community Payback Scheme.

Mothers' Union – This group has around twelve members, meeting on the last Thursday of the month. In June there was a visit by coach to Pennant Melangell where we attended the midday service then enjoyed a packed lunch in the beautiful grounds and surrounding area. Also in June we journeyed by car, taxi, bus and foot to attend a joint MU service at St. Giles Wrexham followed by a light afternoon tea. At Thursday meetings we hold a short act of worship including hymns. During Lent and Advent there have been seasonal reflections followed by seasonal refreshments. Officials are Jenny Creed Branch Leader and Jean Roberts Enrolling Member and Treasurer.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Church in Wales is governed by its Constitution, set up under section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body. The MAC is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedures and powers are regulated by the Constitution, which provides that before assuming office, every member must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Constitution provides that the members of the MAC shall be: The Incumbent, Vicars and Assistant Curates; two Church Wardens, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM); two Sub-warden for each Church where there is more than one Church in the Mission Area, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the AVM; Up to 25 lay members elected at the AVM; co-opted Secretary and Treasurer (if not already ex-officio or elected); and up to 7 further co-opted members. Lay, communicant persons over the age of 16 may be entered on an Electoral Roll (subject to certain conditions) and all such persons, so entered, are entitled to vote and to stand for election.

OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

As required by the Charities Act 2011, the MAC has given due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission in respect of the operation of the public benefit requirement. The activities undertaken to fulfil the MAC's purposes for the public benefit are described and detailed hereunder. The Church in Wales is a Province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission. It is the responsibility of the MAC and the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Mission Area for the promotion of the mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Mission Area. The MAC is responsible, inter-alia, for the parochial budget and all expenditure thereunder, the care and maintenance of Church fabric and of the Churchyards, and for any action or other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution, and is the normal channel of communication between parishioners and the Diocesan Bishop.

The MAC provides a benefit to the public by:

- a) The provision of regular public worship
- b) The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation.
- c) Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved.
- d) Teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups
- e) Taking of Assemblies in local schools
- f) Promotion of Christianity through staging of events and services, and the distribution of literature
- g) The provision of a youth club with Christian ethos.
- h) Promoting the whole mission of the Church in Wales in aiding community cohesion through provision of activities for older people, mothers and toddlers and other specific groups]

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report. "Free" unrestricted reserves shown by the Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Cash Funds, plus Other Monetary Assets, plus Investments, less Liabilities) at year end totalled £1,932,139.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC aims to retain a balance of unrestricted "free" reserves to provide working capital, and to meet any future shortfalls in receipts or unexpected payments. The unrestricted reserves amount detailed above is in line with this policy.

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	299,613		3,657		303,269	317,113
Other trading activities	24,509		10,776		35,285	55,299
Other income	16,876				16,876	39,357
Income from charitable activities	46,259		14,658		60,917	4,648
Investments	9,784	388	421		10,593	30,503
Total income	397,040	388	29,512	-	426,940	446,920
Expenditure on:						
Expenditure on charitable activities	370,807		26,545		397,353	401,306
Raising funds	4,384				4,384	2,703
Other expenditure	531				531	22,734
Total expenditure	375,723	-	26,545	-	402,268	426,743
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	21,317	388	2,967	-	24,672	20,177
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	2,147	20	79,807		81,974	355,634
Gross transfers between funds - out	(80,692)	(20)	(1,262)		(81,974)	(355,634)
Other recognised gains / losses:						
Gains/losses on investment assets	(38,005)	7,519	(41,449)	(3,009)	(74,944)	105,605
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use					-	66,500
Net movement in funds	(95,233)	7,907	40,062	(3,009)	(50,272)	192,282
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	1,292,933	25,420	638,031	26,027	1,982,411	1,790,129
Total funds carried forward	1,197,700	33,327	678,093	23,018	1,932,139	1,982,411

Balance Sheet

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2022	At 31/12/2021
Fixed assets						
Heritage assets	155,000	-	-	-	155,000	155,000
Investments	483,258	15,179	457,600	23,018	979,055	1,008,235
	638,258	15,179	457,600	23,018	1,134,055	1,163,235
Current assets						
Debtors	1,458	-	-	-	1,458	923
Investments	26,950	5,869	-	-	32,819	32,695
Cash At Bank And In Hand	532,292	12,279	221,116	-	765,687	790,109
	560,700	18,148	221,116	-	799,964	823,727
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	1,258	-	623	-	1,881	4,551
	1,258	-	623	-	1,881	4,551
Net current assets less current liabilities	559,442	18,148	220,493	-	798,084	819,176
Total assets less current liabilities	1,197,700	33,327	678,094	23,018	1,932,139	1,982,411

Represented by

Unrestricted						
Unrestricted - General Fund	1,197,700	-	-	-	1,197,700	
Designated						
Designated - Coedpoeth portion St David's church sale	-	3,237	-	-	3,237	
Designated - Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - Churchyard Designated	-	7,519	-	-	7,519	
Designated - Designated	-	6,206	-	-	6,206	
Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - E & E Jackson	-	5,869	-	-	5,869	
Designated - Holiday Hunger	-	134	-	-	134	
Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk	-	5,059	-	-	5,059	
Designated - Remeberance100	-	308	-	-	308	
Designated - Restoration Fund	-	3,921	-	-	3,921	
Designated - Sunday school fund	-	375	-	-	375	
Designated - Youth	-	699	-	-	699	
Restricted						
Restricted - Churchyard/Ashes	-	-	9,898	-	9,898	
Restricted - Bell fund	-	-	8,060	-	8,060	
Restricted - Colin Glynne-Jones Bequest	-	-	25,000	-	25,000	
Restricted - COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund	-	-	2,421	-	2,421	
Restricted - Church Maint/Repair	-	-	28,727	-	28,727	
Restricted - Churchyard Fund	-	-	3,248	-	3,248	
Restricted - Churchyard	-	-	57,657	-	57,657	
Restricted - St Paul's Isycoed - Churchyard	-	-	6,437	-	6,437	
Restricted - Fabric fund	-	-	22,375	-	22,375	
Restricted - Clock repair	-	-	2,828	-	2,828	
Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance Fund	-	-	9,660	-	9,660	
Restricted - Community Use Fund	-	-	7,604	-	7,604	
Restricted - Minera Fabric Fund (from Legacy incl Graves)	-	-	7,349	-	7,349	
Restricted - Fr Graham Canham Bequest	-	-	50,370	-	50,370	
Restricted - Friends Of St Mary Minera	-	-	100	-	100	
Restricted - Friends Of St Tudfil's Coedpoeth	-	-	4,235	-	4,235	
Restricted - Holiday Hunger	-	-	47	-	47	
Restricted - Hymn Books	-	-	105	-	105	
Restricted - Jones June Isobel Bequest	-	-	88,098	-	88,098	
Restricted - COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis	-	-	31,269	-	31,269	
Restricted - OAP work	-	-	200	-	200	
Restricted - COIF PT1730 Trevor Parkins Trust	-	-	145,265	-	145,265	
Restricted - A.Prince	-	-	20,538	-	20,538	
Restricted - Hylda Tumer	-	-	54,855	-	54,855	
Restricted - COIF PT2227 Alexandra Lady Worsley	-	-	40,062	-	40,062	
Restricted - Schools, Children and Young people	-	-	8	-	8	
Restricted - Church yard	-	-	10,350	-	10,350	
Restricted - Minera Churchyard fund	-	-	18,913	-	18,913	
Restricted - Good Causes	-	-	416	-	416	
Restricted - Money Market 1383	-	-	22,000	-	22,000	
Endowment						
Endowment - Minera Mary Jones Legacy	-	-	-	12,110	12,110	
Endowment - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk	-	-	-	10,908	10,908	
Fund Totals	1,197,700	33,327	678,094	23,018	1,932,139	

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total
Fixed Asset Investments					
6431: Standard Life investment-St Martins Llay	660	-	-	-	660
6431: Broughton CIF	172,876	-	-	-	172,876
6431: CCLA - COIF Hylda Turner 127810003R	-	-	54,855	-	54,855
6431: St Paul's Isycoed - COIF PENK INVESTMENT	-	-	-	10,908	10,908
6431: Minera CCLA Capital Mary Jones Legacy	-	-	-	12,110	12,110
6431: Holy Trinity Gwersyllt - RBCiW CIF 0583 2208	-	7,519	-	-	7,519
6431: Rossett COIF Investment	29,158	-	-	-	29,158
6431: Brymbo CIFS 4165	18,572	3,660	-	-	22,232
6432: RBCiW CIF investment-St Martins Llay	45,030	-	22,375	-	67,404
6432: Berse Charity CIF	29,198	-	-	-	29,198
6432: CCLA - COIF Arthur Prince 127810002R	-	-	20,538	-	20,538
6432: Minera CCLA Interest Mary Jones Legacy	4,256	-	-	-	4,256
6432: Brymbo CIFS 4272	3,867	762	-	-	4,629
6433: Minera CCLA Treasurer's Investment Fund	38,475	-	-	-	38,475
6434: Minera CCLA Interest Treasurer's Investm	31,560	3,237	10,000	-	44,797
6435: Minera CCLA St Mary's Investment Fund	18,052	-	-	-	18,052
6436: COIF PT1730 Trevor Parkins Trust	-	-	145,265	-	145,265
6436: Minera RBCW Ms Helen Griffiths Legacy	-	-	7,349	-	7,349
6437: COIF PT2227 Alexandra Lucy Worsley	-	-	40,062	-	40,062
6437: MINERA X PCC RBCW St David's Land	64,402	-	-	-	64,402
6438: COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis	-	-	31,269	-	31,269
6438: ex-Minera PCC RBCW St David's church	9,047	-	-	-	9,047
6439: COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund	-	-	2,421	-	2,421
6440: Gresford Church House valuation	155,000	-	-	-	155,000
6441: ex-Minera PCC RBCW St Tudfil's land sale	18,104	-	-	-	18,104
6442: CCLA - COIF jones June Isabel 127810001R	-	-	73,098	-	73,098
6443: CCLA - COIF Fr Graham Canham Bequest	-	-	50,370	-	50,370
Total	638,258	15,178	457,600	23,018	1,134,054
Current Assets					
6501: Current Account	56,703	-	-	-	56,703
6501: Current Account - St Martins Llay	12,602	-	-	-	12,602
6501: Current Account	43,872	1	10,350	-	54,223
6501: All Saints Church Current Account	10,381	-	13,550	-	23,931
6501: St Paul's Isycoed - NW No.2 Account	5,547	3,921	-	-	9,468
6501: Minera Current Account	10,736	-	265	-	11,001
6501: Saint Tudfil's, Coedpoeth	1,204	-	4,235	-	3,032
6501: Current Account	1,456	-	3,248	-	4,704
6501: Holy Trinity Gwersyllt Current Account	13,369	-	27,245	-	40,614
6501: Current Account	13,333	-	3,113	-	16,446
6501: Current Account	7,852	2,924	9,660	-	20,437
6501: Nat West current account	5,490	-	-	-	5,490
6501: Current Account	3,757	-	-	-	3,757
6502: Good Causes Account	-	-	416	-	416
6502: St Paul's Isycoed - NW Churchyard Accoun	-	-	6,437	-	6,437
6502: Minera Churchyard Account	-	-	8,748	-	8,748
6502: Bonus Ball & Grant Account	-	-	7,604	-	7,604
6503: NW Penk Account	-	5,059	-	-	5,059
6503: Current Account Church Yard	-	-	13,955	-	13,955
6505: Deposit Account - St Martins Llay	7,582	-	-	-	7,582
6505: Businees Reserve	-	-	73,135	-	73,135
6505: Deposit Account	2,949	-	-	-	2,949
6505: Deposit Account	201	-	-	-	201
6505: COIF Charities deposit fund	337,630	-	-	-	337,630
6506: deposit a/c organ fund	-	-	22,000	-	22,000
6507: Deposit Account Church Yard	-	-	16,712	-	16,712
6509: Sunday School Deposit Account	-	375	-	-	375
6523: Other debtors	1,458	-	-	-	1,458
6531: Term deposit Money Market7393	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
6534: Edward Jackson Legacy	-	1,427	-	-	1,427
6535: Ethel Jackson Legacy	-	4,443	-	-	4,443
6536: COIF General Investment Fund	6,950	-	-	-	6,950
6590: Cash in hand	35	-	-	-	35
Total	560,700	18,149	220,673	-	799,523
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year					
6602: Other liabilities	1,258	-	180	-	1,438
Total	1,258	-	180	-	1,438
Net total assets	1,197,700	33,327	678,094	23,018	1,932,139

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)' (as amended for accounting periods commencing 1 January 2016).

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005, which has since been withdrawn.

The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The charity's presentation currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the members have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are created when a donor or the trustees specify that a gift invested and only the income earned on the investment may be spent for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

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1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and other bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially measured at transaction unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	176,753	-	1,089	-	177,842	184,865
Legacies receivable	85,074	-	-	-	85,074	12,597
Grants receivable	37,785	-	2,568	-	40,353	119,652
	299,613	-	3,657	-	303,269	317,114

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	46,259	-	14,658	-	60,917	55,299
	46,259	-	14,658	-	60,917	55,299

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	18,922	-	3,461	-	22,384	15,196
Other funds generated	3,067	-	1,281	-	4,348	11,029
Hall rental income	405	-	-	-	405	215
Sundry income	2,114	-	6,034	-	8,148	12,916
	24,509	-	10,776	-	35,285	39,356

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Dividends / investment income	6,442	387	288	-	7,116	4,593
Bank interest	3,342	-	134	-	3,476	55
	9,784	387	421	-	10,593	4,648

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	16,876	-	-	-	16,876	8,428
Sale of investments	-	-	-	-	-	22,075
	16,876	-	-	-	16,876	30,503

8 Gains / losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gains on investments	(38,005)	7,519	(41,449)	(3,009)	(74,944)	105,605
Gains on revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	66,500
	(38,005)	7,519	(41,449)	(3,009)	(74,944)	172,105

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9 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of fund raising	4,384	-	-	-	4,384	2,703
	4,384	-	-	-	4,384	2,703

10 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Parish share	228,991				228,991	254,245
Clergy expenses	3,492				3,492	4,946
Parsonage expenses	2,312				2,312	2,324
Curate expenses					-	40
Maintenance of services	3,249		1,422		4,670	3,302
Costs of vergers and choir	7,117				7,117	6,172
Music and performances	30,378		29		30,406	2,319
Costs of digital services	325				325	-
Costs of copyright licences	4,227				4,227	137
Bank charges	407		60		467	103
Costs of printing and post	1,356				1,356	1,492
Parish - telephone / internet	147				147	558
Office and general expenses	1,283				1,283	500
Parish administrator	3,081				3,081	3,072
Gifts to individuals	862				862	116
Church costs - insurance	12,674				12,674	14,798
Church costs - electricity	11,546				11,546	8,960
Church costs - gas	5,977				5,977	6,397
Church costs - water	1,650		94		1,744	2,288
Church costs - other	6,170				6,170	2,966
Church costs - heating oil	5,620				5,620	1,773
Church costs - repairs	15,312		1,036		16,348	17,717
Cleaning	122				122	182
Church yard management	8,103		20,118		28,221	25,179
Church hall - electric	1,246				1,246	2,343
Church hall - gas	337				337	280
Church hall - insurance	913				913	769
Church hall - repairs	1,189				1,189	2,767
Church hall - telephone	209				209	-
Church hall - water	308				308	281
Church hall - equipment	1,560				1,560	66
Major building renovations			2,835		2,835	16,442
Young people activity costs	148		502		650	657
Church publications	222				222	46
Mission and Evangelism	1,885		180		2,065	4,518
Parish mission costs	1,336				1,336	710
Cost of maintaining websites	1,231				1,231	-
Diocesan projects support	193				193	4,058
Church charity and projects	2,679		270		2,949	760
External charities	1,480				1,480	3,419
Professional fees	1,472				1,472	4,606
	10,644	-	3,787	-	397,352	401,308

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11 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Purchase of assets	531				531	22,734
	531	-	-	-	531	22,734

12 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

13 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

14 Related party transactions

There were no diclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
Cost or valuation	£
at 1 January 2022	1,163,235
Additions / reallocations	(29,180)
At 31 December 2022	1,134,055
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2022	1,134,055

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO
ALYN MISSION AREA PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act)
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

Whilst carrying out the independent examination of Alyn Mission area, the following issues have come to my attention:

- Charities with an income exceeding £250k are required to prepare accounts on an accrual basis. However, some churches within the Mission Area had prepared receipts and payments accounts instead, causing potential cut-off issues.
- Bought forward reserves did not agree to the closing reserves balances in the previous accounts. Again, care must be taken to ensure all funds are included.
- Balances on documentation provided did not agree with the balances on the accounting software. Care must be taken to ensure that all information agrees.

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(Qualification, if any) FMAAT
(Address) 25 Grosvenor Road
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ALYN MISSION AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1178802

Accounts

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CLERGY & MAC REPRESENTATIVES 2021

CHURCH	CLERGY	MAC REPS
BRYMBO <i>St. Mary</i>	Paulette Gower Simon Piercy	Jim Soulsby
BWLCHGWYN <i>Christ Church</i>	James Harris	Steve Tilston
COEDPOETH <i>St. Tudfil</i>	James Harris	John Williams Pat Edwards
GRESFORD <i>All Saints</i>	Tudor Hughes	Sue Roden Peter Ridgway
GWERSYLLT <i>Holy Trinity</i>	Paulette Gower Simon Piercy	Sharon Griffiths Barbara Jones
HOLT <i>St. Chad</i>	Tudor Hughes	Marion Woodfine Marlies Pridding
ISYCOED <i>St. Paul</i>	Huw Butler George Bearwood	Lynda Ellis-Breerton Rachel Bellis
LLAY <i>St. Martin</i>	Huw Butler George Bearwood	Pat Edwards Sheila Woolrich
MINERA <i>St. Mary</i>	James Harris	Menna Story Sylvia Partington
PENTRE BROUGHTON <i>St. Paul</i>	Will Marshall	Jane Parr
ROSSETT <i>Christ Church</i>	Huw Butler George Bearwood	Stephen Hatton Colin Brown
SOUTHSEA <i>All Saints</i>	Will Marshall	Rebecca Preest Ana Davies

The Electoral Roll 2021

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE	Last year	This year
Members on Mission Area Electoral Roll	As of 04/20: 537	As of 04/21: 451

St. Mary, Brymbo	15	St. Paul, Isycoed	11
Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn	21	St. Martin, Llay	43
St. Tudfil, Coedpoeth	10	St. Mary, Minera	25
All Saints, Gresford	131	St. Paul, Pentre Broughton	24
Holy Trinity, Gwersyllt	45	Christ Church, Rossett	62
St. Chad, Holt	50	All Saints, Southsea	15

Alyn Mission Area Leader's Report 2021

(Sung to the tune of I've been a wild rover)

As your Mission Area Leader I am part of a crew
With ordained and lay colleagues, including you.
Honor as Administrator tries to organise me
along with Jenny, Barbara & Sylvia and the wider M A E

*And its build God's Kingdom,
Build God's Kingdom some more
In our lives, church and communities
That's what we're here for.*

With COVID still with us, another year has been strange
With many things cancelled and others rearranged
But new things have started face to face and online
Like Forest church in Brymbo, nicer when the weather is fine!

In June in the Cathedral George Priest was ordained
And others from the Mission Area are being trained
Barbara will be leaving us to pursue ordinations' call
And Simon went back to Boarderlands but that is not all

James is retiring after over 14 years
And we know that his going brings with it some fears
We thank him for his ministry, all that he has done
And we know that his legacy will be built upon

Some churches are struggling with money almost gone
And the challenge of Brymbo's building still rumbles on
But with all we are doing Mission Area wide
We are aiming to grow Churches not their deaths to preside.

Holiday Hunger and Foodbanks, holding Ukraine in prayer
Weddings, funerals and baptisms our churches are there
Our gift of coasters at Christmas and Easter people adored
And Rossett's worked hard, gained its bronze eco award

As things are opening up we are now doing more,
with schools work and messy church and science at Xplore.
Coffee mornings and socials and St Tudfil's cafe,
Crafty angels in Gwersyllt, and the Queen's Jubilee

Holy Trinity Gwersyllt
(Sung to the tune You are my sunshine)

The other year here when all was normal
Before COVID closed our door
And changed how we do things together
Looking anew at what God's called us for

*This is the church here, we the people
We grow in faith and hope and love
To serve this community and grow in numbers
And see God's kingdom come from above*

We've lost many over lockdown
Some gone to heaven, some moved away
But each person will be remembered
And the part in our lives they played.

We said goodbye to our curate Simon
And Pam Wedley is now being trained
And Barbara too is preparing to leave us
She's been selected to be ordained

The use of technology has become normal
With services, socials, and prayer on Zoom
As well as meetings and school assemblies
And Teddy Bible stories are a boon.

It's good we can now meet for worship
And sing together once again
Crafty angels can meet in person
And other things are ha-ppen-ing

So thank you to our Worship Leaders,
Pastoral Assistants, Betty and Cleaning crew,
To Barbara and Sharon our Church Wardens
Sidespeople, readers and all others do.

Thank you to all our church family
For all you have done this year past
And together we'll build God's kingdom
Of a faith, hope and love that will last.



St Mary Brymbo

(Sung to the tune John Brown's Body)

**Grow grow grow grow St Mary's
Grow grow grow grow St Mary's
Grow grow grow grow St Mary's
In love, in faith, in numbers**

At services we gather together as a family
The church as a body of people, called St Ma-ry
We learn and grow together, in faith and love and prayer
And included in our numbers are those for whom we care.

We phoned and spoke to people in lockdown regularly
Held services on Zoom and sent them to our church family
Weekly Teddy Bible stories have lots of different fans
And Forest Church and God in the Mix are showing our new plans

On Monday we have assembly although it's still by Zoom
But our youth group now meets face to face which is a real boom
Families have joined us for Sunday Science at Wrexham Xplore
And also help with holiday hunger as well as a whole lot more

We've had the slates repaired on our roof thanks to the diocese
And meetings with the community to discuss what the future is
We are looking at how to keep serving God in the community
Which may mean we need to relocate as well as raise money.

Thank you to our church family, to each and every one
Especially Bernard, Jim and Brenda for all that you have done
To Matt and Jen and Lynne for the other things you do
Together we are a most amazing crew.



ChristChurch Bwlchgwyn & St. Mary Minera

- Christchurch Bwlchgwyn is looking forward to hosting more weddings and baptisms this year than it has seen for some time - even before the pandemic struck.
- As things return to normal the church committee looks forward to working on the mission action plan for Bwlchgwyn, with the support of the mission area, to exploit the potential of this church well-located in the community.
- Like many churches in the mission area, ChristChurch enjoyed an outdoor Christmas carol service - in the car park of the King's Head pub, benefitting on a cold night from a sheltered outdoor seating area and fortified further by mulled wine provided by the pub.
- St Mary's, Minera has held together well during the pandemic, despite various key supporters being incapacitated at times by a range of health issues. Minera VA school has tentatively resumed its use of the church building after a long absence. The first steps have also been taken to resume Messy Church, which was much missed in recent years. An Easter messy church was appreciated by those who attended.
- The church has begun to be used for senior residents' coffee mornings organised by the Minera community agent. This is a welcome development.
- The church committee has been busy planning for the next phase of church refurbishment, which will - importantly - include an improved heating system to make the church more suitable for year round use.
- Much thought has been given to ensuring that the part of the burial ground in use is tidily maintained while the older parts are cared for in a way that encourages wildlife to flourish.

St. Tudfil, Coedpoeth

- Prayerful consideration will need to be given regarding the future of St Tudfil's church. Over the past year its regular congregation has mostly dispersed to other churches such as Minera and Bwlchgwyn, passed away, or become incapacitated or required to care for others who are. Yet other evidence suggests a need for this church in the centre of the community, even if not as a place for regular, traditional sacramental worship that can better be provided at other nearby churches.
- Messy church has worked well in the past and there is a demand for it, as was shown when it resumed after a long absence.
- The community cafe too was much missed during lockdown and it is now back.
- St Tudfil's church grounds are being lovingly maintained to a high standard by a team of local volunteers. With flowers blooming in them they are not just tidier but more colourful now than they have ever been.
- The church grounds were the setting for the first ecumenical worship in Coedpoeth for quite some time - an act of witness led by the Salvation Army at the Winnie Davies memorial cross on Saturday in Holy Week (Winnie Davies was a midwife and missionary from Coedpoeth martyred in the Congo in 1967 by anti-western Simab rebels).

All Saints Gresford & St. Chad Holt

Regular worship resumed at Easter 2021 and has continued uninterrupted since then with one service each Sunday in each church and a weekly Eucharist on weekdays. At Easter this year the 8 o'clock celebration of the Eucharist in Gresford resumed and celebrations of the Eucharist on holy days.

We have continued to deliver written worship sheets for those who have not yet returned to church after lockdown hardcopies and online copies have been published weekly and delivered to those who are not online attendances at worship are about 25% down on pre-lockdown attendance. We intend to contact those who have not yet returned to church with the hope that attendances will increase over the next few months.

Churchwardens and Fr Tudor have kept in touch with parishioners during lockdown and afterwards with regular phone calls and deliveries of various seasonal devotional material.

We are exploring the possibility of live streaming Sunday worship from Gresford and the All Saints website has been completely redesigned. We are publishing a monthly newsletter on the Holt village website

The church councils have resumed their bimonthly meetings to review regular maintenance of buildings and various aspects of mission and ministry in both churches.

Thanks to those parish officers in both churches who have completed their term of office and welcome to new officers who took up various roles at this years Vestry.

St Paul's Pentre Broughton

St. Paul's has been meeting every Sunday since last Easter, following the levels of precaution given by government and CinW rules as these have evolved. The congregation was especially pleased to be able to begin singing without masks recently, and church life is slowly moving 'back to normal', with appropriate precautions still in place to enable us to meet safely, with the monthly family service followed by refreshments back too.

Whilst some Christmas activities and services were still not possible, we were able to enjoy a crib service and midnight communion. And a new venture was started, with us hosting an outdoor community carol service in partnership with the local council – this was a success, which we plan to repeat, and an example of the new opportunities that can arise when having to plan differently due to circumstance.

The local WI group collected food parcels & presents for local families in need, and, liaising with a local school, the church facilitated the WI receiving the necessary information to provide appropriate food & presents, and the delivery of these parcels to the school for distribution.

Many families have been in touch with requests for baptisms. At first I ran baptism prep online, then held it in Southsea church building, and now am back to hosting this at the vicarage. It has been good to welcome baptisms back in church, and we have many booked for the coming months.

We held a lovely social event where people brought their wedding photos and other memorabilia, and refreshments provided by our dedicated team at the church. We hope to plan regular social events going forward, with the Jubilee in mind for the next.

Glyn Hughes retired from playing the organ after an incredible 52 years of dedicated and humble service. We held a celebration service with refreshments to follow on Advent Sunday, the anniversary of Glyn officially becoming church organist. The outstanding nature of Glyn's service was recognised by the diocese permitting us to put up a plaque next to the organ thanking Glyn. We have been delighted to welcome Beverley Parry-Jones as our new organist at St. Paul's, being very grateful to her for playing for us alongside commitments in other churches.

All Saints Southsea

All Saints has been meeting every Sunday since last Easter, following the levels of precaution given by government and CinW rules as these have evolved. The informal Thursday service began from Remembrance day. The congregation was especially pleased to be able to begin singing without masks recently, and church life is slowly moving 'back to normal', with appropriate precautions still in place to enable us to meet safely.

We were able to hold crib-services this Christmas, which were greatly appreciated by local families who had missed them last year.

We have held the Bible Course and the 3, 2, 1 Christian basics course – the latter including a meal, as opportunities for people to grow in their faith, and these were greatly appreciated by those who attended and engaged well.

All Saints has recently seen a greater number of families requesting baptisms at the church than for several years. At first I ran baptism prep online, then held it in Southsea church building, and now am back to hosting this at the vicarage. It has been good to welcome baptisms back in church, and we have a few more booked for the coming months.

Southsea has continued to host the Mission Area youth group, led by Rev'd Paulette & myself (Rev'd Will), which meets on Sunday evenings when the Mission Area Forrest Church and Explore Science & Faith are not meeting. Last summer we welcomed a group of international students on a YWAM placement, and the young people had a great time meeting them, participating in the activities they ran, and listening to their teaching.

The local WI group has re-started meeting in the church building.

Led by Ana, our ordinand on placement, we have started a wellbeing peer-support group at the church, which is valued by the small number of regular attenders.

We have replaced our ageing covers for the stained-glass windows, and these now look so much better from both outside and within the church – the latter especially now the light can properly shine through. Thanks to David for all his hard work on this project, and diocesan architect Michael for this support.

St. Paul's Church, Isycoed

As we embarked upon 2021, we were forced to embrace yet another "lockdown" reverting back to patterns of online worship through livestream, video and zoom with occasional outdoor services and events. The long reign of lockdown finally came to an end with a cry of **Alleluia!** on 2nd April as we celebrated our first service in church during 2021 on Easter Day!

Outdoor Worship has certainly been a feature of life at St. Paul's during 2021 – weather permitting even the preference for many Sundays during the spring and summer.



Rogation Walk 9th May



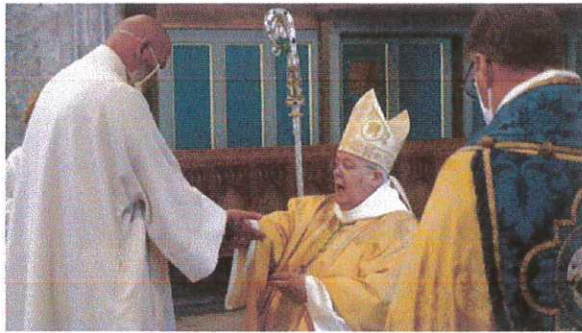
Rush Bearing 4th July



Sunday Morning Worship Easter 3



The joy of a Spring Wedding with Joanna & Roger and their family on 15th May



We celebrated Fr. George being ordained a priest by Bishop Gregory on 26th June at St. Asaph Cathedral and his first celebration of the Eucharist at Isycoed on 27th June where his wife (Rev'd Alex Mayes, Vicar of Connah's Quay) was awarded a prize for being the "most exuberant preacher" of the day!



St. Paul's School Rush Bearing Pilgrimage is always a well-loved event, the children taking it in turns to carry the cross in procession and this year also laying crosses they had prepared remembering relatives and pets who have passed away. Continuity of life and faith being a strong theme within the Rush Bearing tradition.

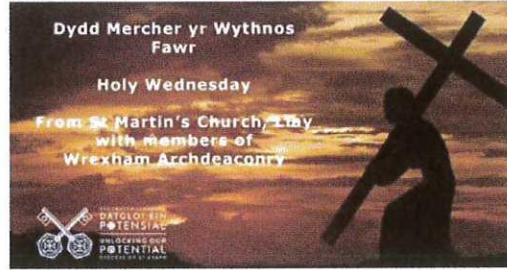


The Fun Dog Show held during September was a new initiative this enjoyed by both canines and humans alike raising over £360 for Church Funds (Molly was very pleased with her rosette!) A rare visit to St. Paul's School to collect Harvest Gifts to be donated to Wrexham Foodbank.

Once again, a very challenging year for everyone and yet heartening to witness our resilience of faith and our commitment to worship and care and concern for one another throughout.

St. Martin's Church, Llay

As we embarked upon 2021, we were forced to embrace yet another "lockdown" reverting back to patterns of online worship through livestream, video and zoom with occasional outdoor services and events. Packs of Holy Week cards provided by the Mission Area were distributed widely for people to reflect upon the events of each day from Palm Sunday to Easter and St. Martin's hosted the Diocesan video for Wednesday in Holy Week.



The long reign of lockdown finally came to an end with a cry of **Alleluia!** on 2nd April as we celebrated our first service in church during 2021 on Easter Day! As we moved into the Spring a successful Plant Sale was held raising over £300 for church funds! Another illuminating idea by Maureen and Tracy was the sale of "Light up Bottles" raising for St. Martin's!



We celebrated Fr. George being ordained a priest by Bishop Gregory on 26th June at St. Asaph Cathedral and his first celebration of the Eucharist at Llay on 27th June with guest preacher Canon Martin Batchelor.



We celebrated 6 Baptisms during the year - welcoming Cora Suter-Tibble to the church family having a long continuity of faith at St. Martin's Church, her great-grandfather being Vicar of the parish during the 1950's. Social events began once again during August with a Mothers' Union Cuppa, Cake & Catch-up!



Moving into the Autumn we celebrated Harvest Thanksgiving, welcoming children from Llay Park School bringing gifts to be donated to Wrexham Food Bank.



The Remembrance Sunday service was held back in church once again with British Legion, Ifton Colliery Band, Cadets and children from Ysgol Y Parc, Llay reading the names of the fallen from the village. The WI and Church Members prepared a beautifully moving Poppy Fall tribute for the occasion. Sadly 25 funerals were conducted at church during the year, our annual Memorial Service for the departed taking place on 21st November remembering with love those who had passed away during 2020 and 2021.

As the year drew to a close, there were some new initiatives with a Silent Auction and Autumn Fair held in church (rather than the hall) which proved very successful in welcoming people into St. Martin's having never been inside the church before. A walk in "Christmas Stations" event was organized during the afternoon of Christmas Eve where around 40 children/adults came along to travel the journey following the star to the crib.



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ChristChurch Rossett

As we embarked upon 2021, we were forced to embrace yet another lockdown reverting back to patterns of online worship through livestream, video and zoom with occasional outdoor services and events - such as following the Way of the Cross stations around the churchyard and an Easter Garden in the church porch. Packs of Holy Week cards provided by the Mission Area were also distributed widely for people to reflect upon the events of each day from Palm Sunday to Easter. The long reign of lockdown finally came to an end with a cry of Alleluia! on 2nd April as we celebrated our first service in church during 2021 on Easter Day!

Amazingly, despite Covid restrictions some imaginative fundraising events were held as we entered into the Spring with a Plant Sale, Coffee Mornings at the Golden Lion and Car Boot Sale with the proceeds for Church Funds. There was also a major appeal for the Clock Repair with the target of raising £3400. We were overwhelmed with the response and generosity of individuals, local businesses and grants meaning our target was reached by the end of the summer. By the end of the year the clock was once again happily chiming and punctuating time for the village. A huge thank you to all who organized and supported these events and a wonderful example of community spirit within the village to bring this about.

We celebrated Fr. George being ordained a priest by Bishop Gregory on 26th June at St. Asaph Cathedral and his first celebration of the Eucharist at Rossett on 27th June.

Fr. George also officiated at his first wedding on 1st August. Em and Neil's happy day fittingly included a rock theme beginning with Metallica and ending with Duran Duran! We celebrated 3 weddings during the year and a Diamond Wedding anniversary with a service of renewal of vows, a very special moment.

Something a bit different, Richard Huxley's video of bell ringing for the virtual Rossett Village Festival at the end of August. Still available to watch on the Church Facebook page..

We celebrated 7 Baptisms this year - Eric Hedd Roberts travelling all the way from Switzerland to join the church family! Sadly 10 funerals were conducted at church during the year, our annual Memorial Service for the departed taking place on the First Sunday in November being followed with a moving outdoor Remembrance Service on the next Sunday which was very well attended by villagers and local schools.

Advent Stations and Christmas Tree Lighting to celebrate St. Nicholas Day with children from St. Peter's School with a surprise visit from Santa Claus! A walk in Christmas Stations event during the afternoon of Christmas Eve where over 100 children/adults came along to travel the journey following the star to the crib.

Once again, a very challenging year for everyone and yet heartening to witness our resilience of faith and our commitment to worship and care and concern for one another throughout.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Church in Wales is governed by its Constitution, set up under section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body. The MAC is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedures and powers are regulated by the Constitution, which provides that before assuming office, every member must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Constitution provides that the members of the MAC shall be: The Incumbent, Vicars and Assistant Curates; two Church Wardens, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM); two Sub-warden for each Church where there is more than one Church in the Mission Area, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the AVM; Up to 25 lay members elected at the AVM; co-opted Secretary and Treasurer (if not already ex-officio or elected); and up to 7 further co-opted members. Lay, communicant persons over the age of 16 may be entered on an Electoral Roll (subject to certain conditions) and all such persons, so entered, are entitled to vote and to stand for election.

OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

As required by the Charities Act 2011, the MAC has given due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission in respect of the operation of the public benefit requirement. The activities undertaken to fulfil the MAC's purposes for the public benefit are described and detailed hereunder. The Church in Wales is a Province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission. It is the responsibility of the MAC and the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Mission Area for the promotion of the mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Mission Area. The MAC is responsible, inter-alia, for the parochial budget and all expenditure thereunder, the care and maintenance of Church fabric and of the Churchyards, and for any action or other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution, and is the normal channel of communication between parishioners and the Diocesan Bishop.

The MAC provides a benefit to the public by:

- a) The provision of regular public worship
- b) The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation.
- c) Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved.
- d) Teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups
- e) Taking of Assemblies in local schools
- f) Promotion of Christianity through staging of events and services, and the distribution of literature
- g) The provision of a youth club with Christian ethos.
- h) Promoting the whole mission of the Church in Wales in aiding community cohesion through provision of activities for older people, mothers and toddlers and other specific groups]

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report. "Free" unrestricted reserves shown by the Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Cash Funds, plus Other Monetary Assets, plus Investments, less Liabilities) at year end totalled £1,982,411.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC aims to retain a balance of unrestricted "free" reserves to provide working capital, and to meet any future shortfalls in receipts or unexpected payments. The unrestricted reserves amount detailed above is in line with this policy.

ADVISORS

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W. Hughes FMAAT
29th September 2002.

APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on _____ (Date)

and signed on its behalf by :

(Signature) _____

(Name) _____

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	296,214	4,680	16,220	-	317,114	346,275
Income from charitable activities	22,421	-	32,878	-	55,299	22,601
Other trading activities	31,295	-	8,061	-	39,357	19,855
Investments	2,531	318	1,799	-	4,648	6,044
Other Income	30,503	-	-	-	30,503	-
Total income	382,964	4,998	58,958	-	446,920	394,775
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	2,703	-	-	-	2,703	2,811
Expenditure on charitable activities	368,936	4,680	27,690	-	401,306	405,838
Other expenditure	734	-	22,000	-	22,734	591
Total expenditure	372,374	4,680	49,690	-	426,744	409,240
Net Income / (expenditure)	10,590	318	9,267	-	20,176	(14,465)
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	180,275	91,717	69,958	13,684	355,634	478,895
Gross transfers between funds - out	(151,634)	(161,899)	(42,101)	-	(355,634)	(478,896)
Gains / losses on investment assets	(31,880)	77,821	58,125	1,539	105,605	43,114
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	66,500	-	-	-	66,500	-
Net movement in funds	73,852	7,957	95,249	15,223	192,282	28,648
Total funds brought forward	1,219,081	17,463	542,782	10,803	1,790,129	1,761,482
Total funds carried forward	1,292,933	25,420	638,031	26,027	1,982,411	1,790,130

Balance sheet

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2021	At 31/12/2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Heritage assets	155,000	-	-	-	155,000	88,500
Investments	527,601	7,659	446,949	26,027	1,008,235	922,972
	682,601	7,659	446,949	26,027	1,163,235	1,011,472
Current assets						
Debtors	923	-	-	-	923	668
Investments	26,883	5,813	-	-	32,695	32,694
Cash at bank and in hand	583,198	11,949	194,962	-	790,109	745,930
	611,004	17,762	194,962	-	823,727	779,291
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	672	-	3,879	-	4,551	633
	672	-	3,879	-	4,551	633
Net current assets less current liabilities	610,332	17,762	191,083	-	819,176	778,658
Total assets less current liabilities	1,292,933	25,420	638,031	26,027	1,982,411	1,790,130

Represented by

Unrestricted

Unrestricted - General fund 1,292,933 - - 1,292,933

Designated

Designated - Sunday school fund - 371 - - 371
 Designated - Youth - 699 - - 699
 Designated - Coedpoeth portion St David's church - 3,237 - - 3,237
 Designated - Designated - 6,205 - - 6,205
 Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - E & E Jackson - 5,813 - - 5,813
 Designated - Holiday Hunger - 134 - - 134
 Designated - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk - 4,733 - - 4,733
 Designated - Remembrance100 - 308 - - 308
 Designated - Restoration Fund - 3,921 - - 3,921

Restricted

Restricted - Churchyard/Ashes - - 13,785 - 13,785
 Restricted - Church MaintRepair - - 29,662 - 29,662
 Restricted - Churchyard - - 60,224 - 60,224
 Restricted - Churchyard Fund - - 1,610 - 1,610
 Restricted - St Paul's Isycoed - Churchyard - - 7,988 - 7,988
 Restricted - Clock repair - - 1,939 - 1,939
 Restricted - Community Use Fund - - 6,061 - 6,061
 Restricted - Minera Churchyard fund - - 15,130 - 15,130
 Restricted - Minera Fabric Fund (from Legacy inc) - - 8,211 - 8,211
 Restricted - Bell fund - - 8,066 - 8,066
 Restricted - Good Causes - - 1,248 - 1,248
 Restricted - Holiday Hunger - - 47 - 47
 Restricted - Hymn Books - - 105 - 105
 Restricted - Jones June Isobel Bequest - - 96,354 - 96,354
 Restricted - COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis - - 34,237 - 34,237
 Restricted - Agency collection - - 543 - 543
 Restricted - Church yard - - 10,699 - 10,699
 Restricted - OAP work - - 200 - 200
 Restricted - Money Market 1383 - - 22,000 - 22,000
 Restricted - COIF PT1730 Trevor Parkins Trust - - 157,361 - 157,361
 Restricted - G.L.price - - 2,057 - 2,057
 Restricted - A.Prince - - 22,268 - 22,268
 Restricted - Hyda Turner - - 60,111 - 60,111
 Restricted - COIF PT2227 Alexandra Lady Worsley - - 43,864 - 43,864
 Restricted - Schools, Children and Young people - - 8 - 8
 Restricted - Fabric fund - - 24,998 - 24,998
 Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance Fund - - 6,612 - 6,612
 Restricted - COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund - - 2,642 - 2,642

Endowment

Endowment - Minera Mary Jones Legacy - - - 13,684 13,684
 Endowment - St Paul's Isycoed - M E Penk - - - 12,343 12,343

Funds of the church 1,292,933 25,420 638,031 26,027 1,982,411

Statement of assets and liabilities

		General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	This year £
Fixed Asset Investments						
Gresford - Colf Hylda Turner	6431			55,426		55,426
Rossett - Quoted Investments	6431	32,577				32,577
Llay - Standard Life Ordinary Shares	6431	855				855
Brymbo - Cifs 4165 - M E Hughes	6431	21,179	3,660			24,839
Minera - Mary Jane Jones capital colf	6431				13,684	13,684
Broughton - Berse Dreilincourt Charity	6431	32,621				32,621
Broughton - Church in Wales CIF PT3746	6431	189,982				189,982
Isycoed - COIF Investment Fund - M E Penk	6431				12,343	12,343
Gresford - COIF A Prince	6432			13,855		13,855
Llay - Common Investment Fund	6432			24,998		24,998
Llay - RBCIW CIF	6432	48,240				48,240
Brymbo - Cifs 4272 - M E Hughes	6432	4,410	762			5,172
Minera - Mary Jane Jones interest colf	6432	3,854				3,854
Minera - Treasurers fund	6433	43,475				43,475
Minera - Churchyard fund	6434			10,000		10,000
Minera - St David's church sale	6434		3,237			3,237
Minera - Treasurers fund interest	6434	29,983				29,983
Minera - Investment Fund Income Units	6435	20,398				20,398
Gresford - Miss T Parkins Trust	6436			157,361		157,361
Minera - Ms Helen Griffiths Legacy	6436			8,211		8,211
Gresford - A L Worsley Trust	6437			43,864		43,864
Minera - St David's building plot	6437	71,953				71,953
Gresford - Dr H Mostyn Lewis Trust	6438			34,237		34,237
Minera - St David's church sale	6438	9,968				9,968
Gresford - Chancel Repair Fund	6439			2,642		2,642
Gresford - Heritage asset - Church House Valuation	6440	155,000				155,000
Minera - St Tudfil's land sale	6441	18,104				18,104
Gresford - COIF Jones June Isobel Bequest	6442			96,354		96,354
Total		682,601	7,659	446,949	26,027	1,163,235
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Gresford - Current account	6501	31,178				31,178
Southsea - Current account	6501	1,438		2,593		4,030
Alyn Mission Area - Agency collection	6501			443		443
Alyn Mission Area - Current account	6501	58,096				58,096
Bwlchgwyn - Current account	6501	7,845				7,845
Rossett - Current account	6501	14,783		4,433		19,216
Gwersyllt - Current account	6501	2,799		34,019		36,818
Holt - Current account	6501	11,113				11,113
Llay - Current account	6501	15,457				15,457
Brymbo - Agency collection	6501					-
Brymbo - Current account	6501	5,436	2,944	6,612		14,992
Minera - Current account	6501	11,929				11,929
Broughton - Current account	6501	51,132		10,699		61,831
Isycoed - Current account	6501	6,487	3,921			10,408
Coedpoeth - Current account	6501	1,546				1,546
Southsea - Bonus ball account	6502	45		6,061		6,106
Bwlchgwyn - Special purposes account	6502	8,227				8,227
Minera - Churchyard maintenace account	6502			5,130		5,130
Broughton - Good causes account	6502			1,248		1,248
Isycoed - Churchyard current account	6502			7,988		7,988
Rossett - Churchyard account	6503			11,399		11,399
Isycoed - NW Penk account	6503		4,733			4,733
Gresford - Business Reserve account	6505			65,686		65,686
Rossett - Deposit account	6505	2,921				2,921
Holt - COIF charity deposit account	6505	344,295				344,295
Llay - Deposit account	6505	7,574				7,574
Broughton - Organ fund	6506			22,000		22,000
Rossett - Deposit account	6507			16,551		16,551
Rossett - Sunday School deposit	6509		371			371
Southsea - Cash account	6590	935				935
Brymbo - Cash in hand	6590	39	20			59
Brymbo - Cash in hand - Agency collection	6590			100		100
Total		583,198	11,949	194,962	-	790,109

Current assets - Debtors

Rossett - General fund	6523	923				923
Total		923	-	-	-	923

Investments

Broughton - Money Market	6531	20,000				20,000
Isycoed - E & E Jackson	6534		1,413			1,413
Isycoed - E & E Jackson	6535		4,400			4,400
Isycoed - COIF Geneal Investments fund	6536	6,883				6,883
Total		26,883	5,813	-	-	32,695

Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year

Rossett - Other liabilities - churchyard	6602			1,490		1,490
Rossett - Other liabilities - clock repair	6602			2,389		2,389
Rossett - Other liabilities - general fund	6602	656				656
Total		656	-	3,879	-	4,535

Accounts payable

Llay - General fund	Z04	16				16
		16	-	-	-	16

1,292,933	25,420	638,031	26,027	1,982,411
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)' (as amended for accounting periods commencing 1 January 2016).

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005, which has since been withdrawn.

The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The charity's presentation currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the members have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are created when a donor or the trustees specify that a gift invested and only the income earned on the investment may be spent for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income /(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and other bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially measured at transaction unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	178,515		6,350		184,865	205,416
Legacies receivable	12,597				12,597	24,966
Grants receivable	105,102	4,680	9,870		119,652	115,893
	296,214	4,680	16,220	-	317,114	346,275

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	22,421		32,878		55,299	22,601
	22,421	-	32,878	-	55,299	22,601

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	15,196				15,196	14,137
Other funds generated	11,029				11,029	1,048
Hall rental income	215				215	1,432
Sundry income	4,855		8,061		12,916	3,238
	31,295	-	8,061	-	39,357	19,855

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Dividends / investment income	2,478	318	1,797		4,593	4,929
Bank interest	53		2		55	1,115
	2,531	318	1,799	-	4,648	6,044

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	8,428				8,428	-
Sale of investments	22,075				22,075	-
	30,503	-	-	-	30,503	-

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

8 Gains / losses on Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gains on investments	(31,880)	77,821	58,125	1,539	105,605	43,114
Gains on revaluations	66,500				66,500	-
	34,620	77,821	58,125	1,539	172,105	43,114

9 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of fund raising	2,703	-	-	-	2,703	2,811
	2,703	-	-	-	2,703	2,811

10 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Parish share	254,245				254,245	234,478
Clergy expenses	4,946				4,946	10,709
Personage - water	2,324				2,324	2,965
Curate expenses	40				40	-
Maintenance of services	3,302				3,302	3,433
Costs of vergers and choir	6,172				6,172	6,449
Music and performances	2,319				2,319	2,704
Costs of copyright licences	137				137	-
Bank charges	98		5		103	65
Costs of printing and post	1,492				1,492	1,012
Parish - telephone / internet	558				558	378
Office and general expenses	500				500	599
Parish administrator	3,072				3,072	4,879
Leasing and hire purchase	-				-	120
Gifts to individuals	116				116	-
Church costs - insurance	14,798				14,798	17,887
Church costs - electricity	8,960				8,960	7,798
Church costs - gas	6,397				6,397	5,105
Church costs - water	1,855		433		2,288	1,594
Church costs - other	2,966				2,966	14,302
Church costs - heating oil	1,773				1,773	-
Church costs - repairs	13,037	4,680			17,717	9,274
Cleaning	182				182	412
Church yard management	3,694		21,485		25,179	16,714
Church hall - electric	2,343				2,343	1,133
Church hall - gas	280				280	478
Church hall - insurance	769				769	1,901
Church hall - repairs	1,573		1,194		2,767	824
Church hall - telephone	-				-	473
Church hall - water	281				281	166
Church hall - equipment	66				66	-

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

Charitable activities continued

Bought forward	338,293	4,680	23,117	-	366,090	345,852
Major building renovations	16,442				16,442	47,036
Young people activity costs	257		400		657	280
Church publications	46				46	365
Mission and Evangelism	1,105		3,413		4,518	412
Parish mission costs	710				710	1,243
Diocesan projects support	4,058				4,058	521
Church charity and projects	-		760		760	2,099
External charities	3,419				3,419	4,470
Professional fees	4,606				4,606	3,560
	368,936	4,680	27,690	-	401,306	405,838

11 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Purchase of assets	734.4		22000		22,734	591
	734	-	22,000	-	22,734	591

12 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

13 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

14 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none).

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed Investments
Cost or valuation	£
at 1 January 2021	1,011,472
Additions / reallocations	151,763
At 31 December 2021	1,163,235
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2021	1,163,235

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO ALYN MISSION AREA PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act)
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

Whilst carrying out the independent examination of Alyn Mission area, the following issues have come to my attention:

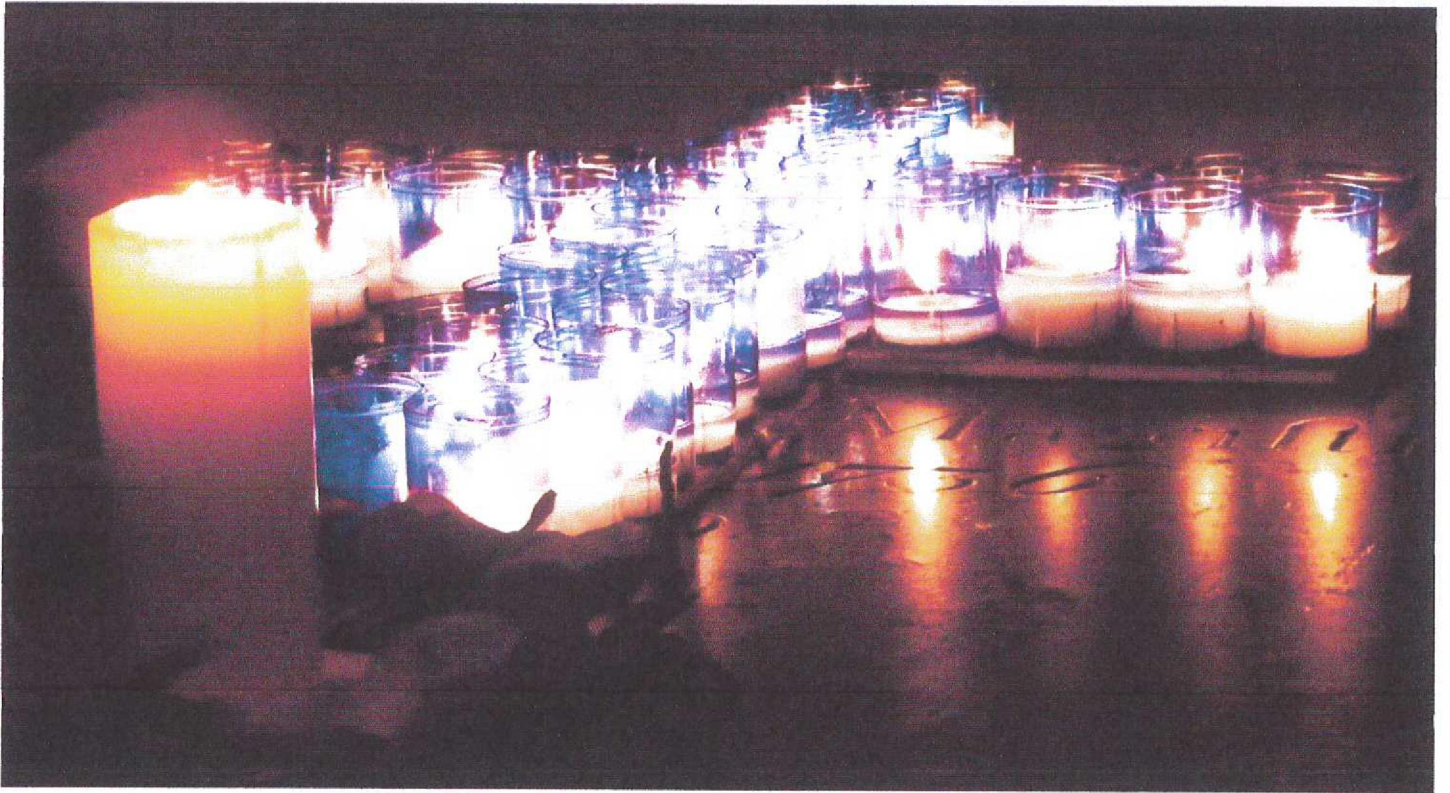
- Charities with an income exceeding £250k are required to prepare accounts on an accrual basis. However, some churches within the Mission Area had prepared receipts and payments accounts instead, causing potential cut-off issues.
- Bought forward reserves did not agree to the closing reserves balances in the previous accounts. Again, care must be taken to ensure all funds are included.
- Balances on documentation provided did not agree with the balances on the accounting software. Care must be taken to ensure that all information agrees.

ALYN MISSION AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1178802

Accounts

Alyn Mission Area



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CLERGY & MAC REPRESENTATIVES 2020

CHURCH	CLERGY	MAC REPS
BRYMBO <i>St. Mary</i>	Paulette Gower Simon Piercy	Jim Soulsby Sue Monti
BWLCHGWYN <i>Christ Church</i>	James Harris	Steve Tilston
COEDPOETH <i>St. Tudfil</i>	James Harris	John Williams Pat Edwards
GRESFORD <i>All Saints</i>	Tudor Hughes	Sue Roden Peter Ridgway
GWERSYLLT <i>Holy Trinity</i>	Paulette Gower Simon Piercy	Sharon Griffiths Janet Hill
HOLT <i>St. Chad</i>	Tudor Hughes	Marion Woodfine Marlies Pridding
ISYCOED <i>St. Paul</i>	Huw Butler Dominic Cawdell George Bearwood	Lynda Ellis-Brereton Rachel Bellis
LLAY <i>St. Martin</i>	Huw Butler Dominic Cawdell George Bearwood	Pat Edwards Sheila Woolrich
MINERA <i>St. Mary</i>	James Harris	Menna Story Sylvia Partington
PENTRE BROUGHTON <i>St. Paul</i>	Will Marshall	Jane Parr
ROSSETT <i>Christ Church</i>	Huw Butler Dominic Cawdell George Bearwood	Stephen Hatton Colin Brown
SOUTHSEA <i>All Saints</i>	Will Marshall	Kath Evans

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE	Last year	This year
Members on Mission Area Electoral Roll	As of 04/19: 585	As of 04/20: 537

The Electoral Roll 2020

St. Mary, Brymbo	18	St. Paul, Isycoed	17
Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn	27	St. Martin, Llay	51
St. Tudfil, Coedpoeth	36	St. Mary, Minera	28
All Saints, Gresford	143	St. Paul, Pentre Broughton	18
Holy Trinity, Gwersyllt	70	Christ Church, Rossett	65
St. Chad, Holt	51	All Saints, Southsea	13

Mission Area Leader's Report 2020

The Churches of our Mission Area began 2020 as normal
And 95 years of St Martins, was celebrated with the Bishop in Llay
But just before Mothering Sunday church buildings closed for worship
And to normal life, services and activities we had to say goodbye.

Although we could not gather together in our church buildings
Or even meet with friends and family
Churches explored different ways of holding worship
And we learnt a whole new vocabulary

Lockdown, furlough, unprecedented and pandemic
Facemasks, social distance and the two-metre rule
Zoom, 'you are muted,' 'just click in the corner'
Working from home and not going to school.

As Churches we rose to the occasion,
We delivered worship bags, sent out service sheets and cards
We learnt how to record and upload services and reflections
And zoomed worship, which at first was very hard.

We phoned and spoke to people in lock down
Held Crafty Angels, Quiz nights and Advent groups on Zoom
Did virtual school assemblies and teddy Bible stories
But missed being together in the same room.

On Zoom we watched George's ordination as our new Curate
Said goodbye to Dominic when he went to pastures new
Saw Simon Priested in the Cathedral
And held Mission Area Conference meetings too.

As lock down eased, we gathered for worship
Covid secure services outside then in,
Limited numbers meant booking for services,
And definitely no chance of singing a hymn.

Honor designed our 25 Advent postcards
And 500 packs of these were sent out
Cake deliveries from Churches were also appreciated
There have been lots of things to be proud about.

So thank you to all our Mission Area Clergy,
To our Worship Leaders, Pastoral Assistants and Readers too
To Jenny and Barbara our Mission Area Wardens
And to Sylvia and Honor for all they do.

Thank you to all our MAC and Church members
For all you have done this year past
And together we'll go forward to build God's kingdom
Of a faith, hope and love that will last.

St. Mary, Brymbo and Holy Trinity, Gwersyllt

- Our Curate Simon Piercy was priested in October
- The Advent card packs initiative was a success, 500 packs being given out to those who are isolated and posted online also.
- Crafty angels was organised by Barbara Jones and was very successful.
- Barbara Jones read from The Advent Calendar by Steven Croft, throughout December, via YouTube and this was very popular.
- Quiz nights were held on Zoom
- Monthly reflective services were held via Zoom
- Revd. Paulette's Bible stories with Teddy Francis-John have been ongoing throughout lockdown and have attracted many followers.
- Wednesday morning prayer via Zoom was initiated in the autumn.

Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn, St. Tudfil, Coedpoeth & St. Mary, Minera

- *Christchurch Bwlchgwyn* looks for prayers and practical support from the Mission Area as it seeks to implement its Mission Area Review recommendation regarding funding for a less ambitious but viable and much needed re-ordering of the building.
- *St Tudfil* seeks to implement its Mission Area Review recommendation regarding exploring an ecumenical partnership in Coedpoeth, that would enable a more creative use of its building and strengthen mission locally.
- *St. Mary* looks for prayers and practical support from the mission area as it looks to implement its Mission Area Review recommendation, regarding funding for a less ambitious but viable and much needed reordering of the building. We give thanks for the privilege of being located in a beautiful part of God's creation, with a stillness that has sustained many in the past year. We look for prayerful support as we seek ways of becoming an eco-church: "*caring for each other, caring for God's creation.*"
- We give thanks for having made it through 2020 but face financial challenges exacerbated by lockdown and will need prayer and support over the coming months.
- We are thankful for the ministry of those who have maintained a service pattern in various formats over the past year.

St. Chad, Holt and All Saints Gresford

- Over the past twelve months during periods of lockdown and when restrictions had been eased, the Eucharist for Sunday and Holy Days was recorded in Gresford and made available on Facebook and the church website together with a weekly prayer service and reflection on the Gospel Reading for the day. Hard copies of the prayer service and reflection were also distributed to those who did not have access to the internet. In addition, the Churchwardens and Fr. Tudor kept in regular contact with parishioners by telephone.

A number of initiatives were also undertaken ~

- Outdoor Painted stones and knitted poppy display for Remembrance Sunday
- Daily reflection booklets for Lent and Advent
- Afternoon teas delivered to the elderly and isolating
- Flowers and simple cakes for Mothering Sunday
- Greeting cards for Easter and Christmas
- Mission Area reflection awards for Holy Week and Advent
- Our Annual Christmas Tree Festival took place in Gresford, [outdoors and socially distanced] which raised a record amount for the local hospices.
- I am very grateful to the churchwardens and all who helped with these initiatives and also to those who planned the safe re-opening of the churches and have continued to maintain the safe distancing and cleaning protocols necessary.

St. Paul, Isycoed, Christ Church, Rossett & St. Martin, Llay

- *The Facebook page and email contact became more important as we traversed our way through the realities of lockdown with monthly leaflet drops for those unable to access technology.*
- *Clergy and Readers were on a steep learning curve breaking new ground with video recording, file-sharing, uploading and zoom meetings!*
- *We welcomed Fr. George as our new curate, ordained at St. Asaph Cathedral at what was surely one of the most unusual ordination services ever to take place on account of social distancing and restrictions.*
- *Outdoor worship continued every Sunday throughout the summer proving hugely popular with the sun shining upon us most Sundays, with us venturing back into the church building for September.*
- *Our celebration of Harvest in October was different to our normal pattern, even more so because it coincided with Fr. Dominic's last Sunday as our curate before he began to prepare to move to his new pastures as Vicar of Holywell. Even though the celebration was tinged with sadness in saying goodbye, it was certainly fitting to give thanks for Fr. Dominic's ministry and friendship among us.*

- We finally completed "The Creeds" study course in October via zoom and also ran a zoom Advent Study Course.
- We returned to worship once again during Advent, allowing us to celebrate Christmas in the midst of tightening restrictions and further lockdowns.
- All in all, a very challenging year for everyone and yet heartening to witness our resilience of faith and our commitment to worship and the care and concern for one another throughout.

St. Paul ~

- The customary Hot Pot Supper at the end of January was held at the Nags Head for the first time and proved to be an enjoyable and successful evening raising £448 for church funds. Little did we know at the time that this would prove to be the only social/fundraising event possible during 2020!
- Lent began with our traditional afternoon service on Ash Wednesday with the Lent Study Group meeting on Thursday evenings in Church where we immersed ourselves in deepening our understanding of "The Creeds".
- Our partnership with St. Paul's School continued mainly through the offering of video assemblies, thanks especially to Fr. Dominic and Fr. George for their expertise.

St. Martin ~

- During 2019 we spent a great deal of time preparing for our Centenary Village Celebration during the weekend of 21st - 23rd February. The year 2020 marked a centenary for both the village of Llay and the Church in Wales.

Llay Housing Association was formed in 1920 to oversee the creation of the village with the building of 200 houses for miners (and their families) employed in the newly opened Llay Main Colliery. During the same year the Church in Wales was disestablished from the Church of England becoming its own province within the worldwide Anglican Communion.

St. Martin's Church, Llay has the honour of being the first new church building in Wales to be consecrated post-disestablishment and celebrated its 95th anniversary of consecration on 21st February 2020.

We were disappointed that the Archbishop of Wales was unable to preside at the service due to ill health but were delighted that our own Bishop Gregory was able to be with us in order to lead the Service of Thanksgiving and Re-Dedication.

The weekend also included an *Experience St. Martin* children's event with crafts, songs, stories and food, special services and a social event with live music at Llay Miners Welfare Institute. Little did we know at the time that this would prove to be the only physical event to celebrate the Centenary of the Church in Wales within the whole Province.

- Lent began with our traditional observance of Ash Wednesday with the

customary Friday Lent Lunches for charity beginning the same week, with the simple Stations of the Cross devotions to prepare us. As the pandemic began to take hold gathering together for worship or any activities became prohibited from the middle of March and we were forced to discover different ways of prayer and keeping in touch.

- Many of our usual community activities were curtailed during the year. We did observe VE Day, VJ Day and Remembrance Sunday at the Llay British Legion memorial and Armistice Day in the Rockery at market Square – the children of Ysgol y Parc, Llay singing a beautiful rendition of “We’ll Meet Again” from the school grounds. Our partnership with the school continued mainly through the offering of video assemblies, thanks especially to Fr. Dominic and Fr. George for their expertise.

Christ Church ~

- The popular “Mary’s Little Lambs” event at “The Bungalow” began the social calendar at the end of February and, as always, proved to be an enjoyable and successful weekend raising an amazing £569.60 for church funds.
- Despite the restrictions, the equally popular May Plant Sale also went ahead using an ingenious click and collect system, raising welcome funds for church.
- Lent began with our traditional evening service on Ash Wednesday but as the pandemic began to take hold gathering together for worship became prohibited from the middle of March and we were forced to discover different ways of prayer and keeping in touch.
- We welcomed Sian as our new People’s Warden, taking over from Caryl Brown who had served faithfully in this role over the past 6 years.
- Our partnership with St. Peter’s School continued mainly through the offering of video assemblies, thanks especially to Fr. Dominic and Fr. George for their expertise.
- Further lockdowns occurred during November with the Welsh Firebreak but the observance of Remembrance Sunday took place at the War Memorial with limited numbers and social distancing as required.
- The outdoors has been quite a theme at Christ Church during 2020 with daffodil planting in the autumn and a Christmas Tree with lights in the Churchyard to cheer us with the hopeful Light of Christ during the dark winter months.

St. Paul, Pentre Broughton & All Saints, Southsea

- When the first lockdown began, and in-person services were paused, I rang round everyone to make sure everyone was OK and had the practical support they needed.
- I posted a *Worship at Home* sheet out to everyone and started an online church Facebook group to enable continuing worship and fellowship. Every week I posted a recorded sermon both online and for accessible those not online via an automated telephone line. We made some new contacts, and strengthened others, through people joining this group and engaging.
- Throughout the past year, members of the congregation have supported each other through phone-calls and giving practical support.
- Revd. Paulette and I have been running a weekly youth group over Zoom on Sunday evenings, which a small group of young people have appreciated and engaged with well.
- When this was allowed, the church building was re-opened once a week for private prayer, and then in-person church services began at the start of August. Most of the congregation were keen to return and did so, managing the restrictions well, and I continued posting material weekly online and on the automated phone line for those who weren't able to meet in person.
- In the autumn, we re-started the fortnightly homegroup via Zoom.
- In October, we held an outdoor baptism service which which was greatly appreciated by the family. {*Pentre Broughton*}
- During the 'firebreak lockdown', live zoom services began for the first time, which several people engaged with.
- The local WI group collected food parcels & presents for local families in need, and, liaising with a local school, the church facilitated the WI receiving the necessary information to provide appropriate food & presents, and the delivery of these parcels to those in need. {*Pentre Broughton*}
- On Christmas Eve, a Christmas service was held which were appreciated by the congregation.
- As last year, we were able to be a location for free food collection on Christmas Eve, from excess food unsold by supermarkets (an initiative run by *Given to Shine*). {*Southsea*}
- On Christmas Eve, a Christmas service was held which were appreciated by the congregation.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Church in Wales is governed by its Constitution, set up under section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body. The MAC is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedures and powers are regulated by the Constitution, which provides that before assuming office, every member must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Constitution provides that the members of the MAC shall be: The Incumbent, Vicars and Assistant Curates; two Church Wardens, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM); two Sub-warden for each Church where there is more than one Church in the Mission Area, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the AVM; Up to 25 lay members elected at the AVM; co-opted Secretary and Treasurer (if not already ex-officio or elected); and up to 7 further co-opted members. Lay, communicant persons over the age of 16 may be entered on an Electoral Roll (subject to certain conditions) and all such persons, so entered, are entitled to vote and to stand for election.

OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

As required by the Charities Act 2011, the MAC has given due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission in respect of the operation of the public benefit requirement. The activities undertaken to fulfil the MAC's purposes for the public benefit are described and detailed hereunder. The Church in Wales is a Province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission. It is the responsibility of the MAC and the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Mission Area for the promotion of the mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Mission Area. The MAC is responsible, inter-alia, for the parochial budget and all expenditure thereunder, the care and maintenance of Church fabric and of the Churchyards, and for any action or other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution, and is the normal channel of communication between parishioners and the Diocesan Bishop.

The MAC provides a benefit to the public by:

- a) The provision of regular public worship
- b) The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation.
- c) Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved.
- d) Teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups
- e) Taking of Assemblies in local schools
- f) Promotion of Christianity through staging of events and services, and the distribution of literature
- g) The provision of a youth club with Christian ethos.
- h) Promoting the whole mission of the Church in Wales in aiding community cohesion through provision of activities for older people, mothers and toddlers and other specific groups]

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report. "Free" unrestricted reserves shown by the Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Cash Funds, plus Other Monetary Assets, plus Investments, less Liabilities) at year end totalled £1,790,130.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC aims to retain a balance of unrestricted "free" reserves to provide working capital, and to meet any future shortfalls in receipts or unexpected payments. The unrestricted reserves amount detailed above is in line with this policy.

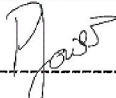
ADVISORS

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APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on 23rd September 2021 (Date)

and signed on its behalf by :

(Signature)  -----

(Name) Revd. Paulette Gower

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	325,418	1,783	19,074	-	346,275	323,176
Income from charitable activities	14,991	-	7,610	-	22,601	34,649
Other trading activities	17,330	-	2,525	-	19,855	63,812
Investments	4,610	327	1,107	-	6,044	8,970
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	19,688
Total income	362,349	2,110	30,316	-	394,775	450,295
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	2,811	-	-	-	2,811	4,578
Expenditure on charitable activities	391,447	-	14,391	-	405,838	403,793
Other expenditure	102	-	489	-	591	6,414
Total expenditure	394,360	-	14,880	-	409,240	414,785
Net income / (expenditure)	(32,011)	2,110	15,436	-	(14,465)	35,510
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	118,372	2,791	347,581	10,151	478,895	51,872
Gross transfers between funds - out	(350,517)	(71,080)	(57,299)	-	(478,896)	(52,769)
Gains / losses on investment assets	19,613	-	22,848	652	43,114	201,871
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	88,500
Net movement in funds	(244,543)	(66,179)	328,566	10,803	28,648	324,984
Total funds brought forward	1,463,624	83,642	214,216	-	1,761,482	1,436,498
Total funds carried forward	1,219,081	17,463	542,782	10,803	1,790,130	1,761,482

Balance sheet

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2020	At 31/12/2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Heritage assets	88,500	-	-	-	88,500	88,500
Investments	571,656	-	340,513	10,803	922,972	1,152,413
	660,156	-	340,513	10,803	1,011,472	1,240,913
Current assets						
Debtors	668	-	-	-	668	2,238
Investments	26,882	5,812	-	-	32,694	65,283
Cash at bank and in hand	531,849	11,651	202,430	-	745,930	454,294
	559,399	17,463	202,430	-	779,292	521,815
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	473	-	160	-	633	1,246
	473	-	160	-	633	1,246
Net current assets less current liabilities	558,926	17,463	202,270	-	778,659	520,569
Total assets less current liabilities	1,219,081	17,463	542,782	10,803	1,790,130	1,761,482
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	1,219,081				1,219,081	
Designated						
Sunday school fund		372			372	
Youth		700			700	
Designated		1,803			1,803	
E & E Jackson		5,811			5,811	
Holiday Hunger		133			133	
M E Penk		4,416			4,416	
Remembrance100		308			308	
Restoration Fund		3,920			3,920	
Restricted						
A.D.G.Jones			4,936		4,936	
A.Prince			19,365		19,365	
Agency collection			126		126	
Bell fund			8,066		8,066	
Childrens Corner			46		46	
Church yard			60,418		60,418	
Churchyard Maintenance			12,000		12,000	
Churchyard/Ashes			2,408		2,408	
COIF PT1507 Mary Davies Bequest			1,254		1,254	
COIF PT1730 Trevor Parkins Trust			139,118		139,118	
COIF PT1800 Frances Gaman Bequest			343		343	
COIF PT2227 Alexandra Lady Worsley			39,057		39,057	
COIF PT3250 Dr Mostyn Lewis			30,484		30,484	
COIF PT9002 Chancel Repair Fund			2,356		2,356	
Community Arts Project			110		110	
Community Use Fund			7,300		7,300	
Fabric fund			22,609		22,609	
G.L.Price			2,057		2,057	
Good Causes			1,652		1,652	
Holiday Hunger			47		47	
Hylde Turner			48,492		48,492	
Hymn Books			105		105	
Jones June Isobel Bequest			93,345		93,345	
Mary Sykes Legacy			1,667		1,667	
Messy Church			165		165	
Organ Fund			22,000		22,000	
N.Williams			5,140		5,140	
Schools, Children and Young people			8		8	
Share Surplus			8,293		8,293	
Warstock			10,067		10,067	
Endowment						
M E Penk				10,803	10,803	
Funds of the church	1,219,081	17,463	542,782	10,803	1,790,130	

Statement of asset and liabilities

	General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	This year £	Last year £
Fixed Asset Investments						
Rathbones investment Management - Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn	14,034				14,034	22,789
COIF charity deposit account - St Chad's Church	-				-	377,275
Standard Life Ordinary Shares - St Martin's, Llay	1,035				1,035	911
COIF Investment Fund - M E Penk St Paul's Church, Isycoed				10,803	10,803	10,151
Coif Hylida Turner - All Saints Church, Gresford			45,223		45,223	45,223
Mary Jane Jones capital coif - St Mary's, Minera	11,978				11,978	11,255
Church in Wales CIF PT3746 - St Paul's Church, Broughton	197,980				197,980	186,648
Cifs 4165 - M E Hughes - St Mary's, Brymbo	22,465				22,465	-
Quoted Investments - Christ Church, Rossett	29,463				29,463	27,814
Berse Drelincourt Charity - St Paul's Church, Broughton	29,503				29,503	27,777
Common Investment Fund - St Martins, Llay			22,609		22,609	58,737
RBCIW CIF - St Martins, Llay	42,271				42,271	-
COIF A Prince - All Saints, Gresford			11,306		11,306	11,306
Mary Jane Jones interest coif - St Mary's, Minera	3,502				3,502	3,148
Cifs 4272 - M E Hughes - St Mary's, Brymbo	4,678				4,678	-
Treasurers fund - St Mary's, Minera	38,054				38,054	35,837
Treasurers fund interest - St Mary's, Minera	42,095				42,095	-
Miss F Gaman Bequest - All Saints Church, Gresford			343		343	323
Investment Fund Income Units - St Mary's Church, Minera	17,584				17,584	16,814
Miss T Parkins Trust - All Saints Church, Gresford			139,118		139,118	127,739
Ms Helen Griffiths Legacy - St Mary's, Minera	7,426				7,426	7,001
A L Worsley Trust - All Saints Church, Gresford			39,057		39,057	36,173
St David's building plot - St Mary's, Minera	65,075				65,075	61,350
Dr H Mostyn Lewis Trust - All Saints Church, Gresford			30,484		30,484	28,233
St David's church sale - St Mary's, Minera	26,410				26,410	26,410
Chancel Repair Fund - All Saints Church, Gresford			2,356		2,356	2,182
Heritage asset - Church House Valuation - All Saints, Gresford	88,500				88,500	88,500
St Tudfil's land sale - St Mary's, Minera	18,104				18,104	18,104
COIF Jones June Isobel Bequest - All Saints, Gresford			50,018		50,018	-
St Andrews investment COIF - St Tudfiles					-	6,304
Mrs M L Sykes Legacy - All saints Church, Gresford					-	1,661
Miss M Davies Bequest - All Sints, Gresford					-	1,250
Total	660,156	-	340,513	10,803	1,011,472	1,240,915
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Cifs 4165 - M E Hughes - St Mary's, Brymbo					-	21,179
Cifs 4272 - M E Hughes - St Mary's, Brymbo					-	4,410
Current account - All Saint's, Southsea	5,038				5,038	3,816
Current account - Alyn Mission Area	35,556		8,195		43,751	9,506
Current account - Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn	2,582				2,582	2,998
Current account - Christ Church, Rossett	15,034		137		14,898	10,114
Current account - Holy Trinity, Gwersyllt	4,139		20,085		24,224	24,934
Current account - St Chads, Holt	7,115				7,115	6,408
Current account - St Mary's Church, Brymbo	629	2,944	3,928		7,501	3,455
Current account - St Paul's Church, Broughton	22,586		7,479		30,064	24,590
Current account - St Paul's Church, Isycoed	4,138	3,921			8,058	13,228
Current account - St Martin's, Llay	11,258		321		11,579	14,891
Current account - All Saint's, Gresford	41,520				41,520	129,266
Current account - St Tudfils, Coedpoeth	4,423				4,423	1,312
Church current account - St Mary's Church, Minera	5,351				5,351	7,764
Good causes account - St Paul's Church, Broughton			1,653		1,653	2,053
Special purposes account - Christ Church, Bwlchgwyn	2,879				2,879	2,405
Churchyard maintenance account - St Mary's Church, Minera			2,579		2,579	5,922
Churchyard current account - St Paul's Church, Isycoed			6,480		6,480	4,909
Bonus ball account - All Saint's, Southsea			7,300		7,300	8,884
Churchyard account - Christ Church, Rossett			7,804		7,804	7,058
NW Penk account - St Paul's, Isycoed		4,415			4,415	4,104
Deposit account - Christ Church, Rossett	2,920				2,920	-
Treasurers fund interest - St Mary's, Minera					-	40,890

Deposit account - Holy Trinity	4,184			4,184	-	
Deposit account - St Martin's, Llay	7,574			7,574	7,567	
Business Reserve account - All Saint's, Gresford			98,094	98,094	48,202	
Choir fund - All Saint's, Gresford				-	160	
Bell ringers fund - All Saint's, Gresford				-	2,748	
Church house account - All Saint's, Gresford				-	11,532	
COIF charity deposit account - St Paul's Church, Isycoed				-	12,661	
COIF charity deposit account - St Chad's Church	354,254			354,254	-	
Organ fund - St Paul's, Broughton			22,000	22,000	-	
Deposit account - Christ Church, Rossett			16,549	16,549	16,505	
Sunday School deposit - Christ Church, Rossett		371		371	-	
Cash in hand - Agency collection - St Marys, Brymbo			100	100	-	
Cash account - All Saint's, Southsea	668			668	824	
Total	531,849	11,651	202,430	-	745,930	454,295

Current assets - Debtors

General fund - Christchurch, Rossett	668			668	2,238	
Total	668	-	-	-	668	2,238

Investments

Money Market - St Paul's Church Broughton	20,000			20,000	40,000	
Deposit account - Christ Church, Rossett				-	2,913	
Sunday School deposit - Christ Church, Rossett				-	370	
Organ fund - St Paul's, Broughton				-	22,000	
E & E Jackson - St Paul's Church, Isycoed		1,413		1,413		
E & E Jackson - St Paul's Church, Isycoed		4,399		4,399		
COIF Geneal Investments fund - St Paul's Church, Isycoed	6,882			6,882		
Total	26,882	5,812	-	-	32,694	65,283

Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year

Other liabilities - churchyard - Christchurch, Rossett			258	258	588	
Other liabilities - general fund - Christchurch, Rossett	473			473	1,152	
Other liabilities - general fund - St Chads				-	80	
Agency collection - Holy Trinity				-	(474)	
Agency collection - St Mary's, Brymbo				-	(100)	
Central Account			(98)	(98)		
Total	473	-	160	-	633	1,246
	1,219,081	17,463	542,782	10,803	1,790,130	1,761,482

Assets and liabilities by fund type

	Unrestricted funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Assets	1,219,554	17,463	542,942	10,803	1,790,763	1,762,728
Liabilities	473	0	160	0	633	1,246
	1,219,081	17,463	542,782	10,803	1,790,130	1,761,482

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains / losses	Closing
A Jones - AD Glynne Jones						
Designated	4,928			(4,928)		0
Sub-total	4,928	0	0	(4,928)	0	0
A Prince						
Designated	7,699			(7,699)		0
Sub-total	7,699	0	0	(7,699)	0	0
Arts Project - community arts project						
Restricted	110					110
Sub-total	110	0	0	0	0	110
Bell fund						
Designated	6,679			(6,679)		0
Sub-total	6,679	0	0	(6,679)	0	0
Childrens corner						
Restricted	45					46
Sub-total	45	0	0	0	0	46
Church yard fund						
Restricted	78,330	28,382	13,576	(20,718)		72,418
Sub-total	78,330	28,382	13,576	(20,718)	0	72,418
Edward Jackson Fund						
Restricted	1,409			(1,409)		0
Sub-total	1,409	0	0	(1,409)	0	0
Ethel Jackson Fund						
Restricted	4,388			(4,388)		0
Sub-total	4,388	0	0	(4,388)	0	0
G L Price Fund						
Designated	2,053			(2,053)		0
Sub-total	2,053	0	0	(2,053)	0	0
General fund						
Unrestricted	1,463,624	362,358	408,246	(214,149)	15,494	1,219,081
Sub-total	1,463,624	362,358	408,246	(214,149)	15,494	1,219,081
Graveyard Ashes head						
Restricted	1,949	435		23		2,408
Sub-total	1,949	435	0	23	0	2,408
Mission d Hymn Books						
Restricted	105					105
Sub-total	105	0	0	0	0	105
Messy church fund						
Restricted	165					165
Sub-total	165	0	0	0	0	165
Nora Williams						
Designated	5,131			(5,131)		0
Sub-total	5,131	0	0	(5,131)	0	0
War Stock						
Designated	10,050			(10,050)		0
Sub-total	10,050	0	0	(10,050)	0	0
H Turner						
Designated	47,102			(47,102)		0
Sub-total	47,102	0	0	(47,102)	0	0

Share Surplus							
Restricted	8,293						8,293
Sub-total	8,293	0	0	0	0	0	8,293
Good Causes							
Restricted	2,053		400				1,652
Sub-total	2,053	0	400	0	0	0	1,652
Organ							
Restricted	22,000						22,000
Sub-total	22,000	0	0	0	0	0	22,000
Bell Ringers							
Restricted	2,748			(2,750)			0
Sub-total	2,748	0	0	(2,750)	0	0	0
Choir							
Restricted	160	(54)	106				0
Sub-total	160	(54)	106	0	0	0	0
I J Jones							
Restricted	80,000			13,326	18		93,345
Sub-total	80,000	0	0	13,326	18	0	93,345
A Prince							
Restricted	11,306	347		7,711			19,365
Sub-total	11,306	347	0	7,711	0	0	19,365
A Jones - AD Glynne Jones							
Restricted	0			4,936			4,936
Sub-total	0	0	0	4,936	0	0	4,936
Bell fund							
Restricted	0			8,065			8,066
Sub-total	0	0	0	8,065	0	0	8,066
E & E Jackson Fund							
Designated	0	15		5,797			5,811
Sub-total	0	15	0	5,797	0	0	5,811
G L Price Fund							
Restricted				2,057			2,057
Sub-total	0	0	0	2,057	0	0	2,057
Nora Williams							
Restricted	0			5,139			5,140
Sub-total	0	0	0	5,139	0	0	5,140
War Stock							
Restricted	0			10,067			10,067
Sub-total	0	0	0	10,067	0	0	10,067
H Turner							
Restricted	0	687		47,804			48,492
Sub-total	0	687	0	47,804	0	0	48,492
Designated							
Designated	0	1,803					1,803
Sub-total	0	1,803	0	0	0	0	1,803
General fund							
Restricted	1,155			(1,281)			(126)
Sub-total	1,155	0	0	(1,281)	0	0	(126)
Holiday Hunger							
Designated	0			133			133
Sub-total	0	0	0	133	0	0	133

ME Penk							
Designated	0	312		4,104			4,416
Sub-total	0	312	0	4,104	0		4,416
Remembrance 100							
Designated	0			308			308
Sub-total	0	0	0	308	0		308
Restoration Fund							
Designated	0			3,920			3,920
Sub-total	0	0	0	3,920	0		3,920
Sunday School							
Designated	0			372			372
Sub-total	0	0	0	372	0		372
Youth							
Designated	0			700			700
Sub-total	0	0	0	700	0		700
Fabric Fund							
Restricted	0			16,467	6,141		22,609
Sub-total	0	0	0	16,467	6,141		22,609
Chancel Repair Fund							
Restricted	0			2,182	173		2,356
Sub-total	0	0	0	2,182	173		2,356
Community Use							
Restricted	0			7,300			7,300
Sub-total	0	0	0	7,300	0		7,300
COIF Funds							
Restricted	0	29		195,378	16,516		211,924
Sub-total	0	29	0	195,378	16,516		211,924
Holiday Hunger							
Restricted	0			47			47
Sub-total	0	0	0	47	0		47
Youth							
Restricted	0		158	166			8
Sub-total	0	0	158	166	0		8
M Penk							
Endowment	0			10,151	652		10,803
Sub-total	0	0	0	10,151	652		10,803
Projects							
Designated	0	489	489				0
Sub-total	0	489	489	0	0		0
Grand Total	1,761,482	394,803	422,975	17,816	38,994		1,790,130

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1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)' (as amended for accounting periods commencing 1 January 2016).

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair view' and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005, which has since been withdrawn.

The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The charity's presentation currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the members have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are created when a donor or the trustees specify that a gift invested and only the income earned on the investment may be spent for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known and receipt is expected. Of the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income /(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and other bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially measured at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	188,110		17,306		205,416	228,434
Legacies receivable	24,966				24,966	80,022
Grants receivable	112,343	1,783	1,767		115,893	14,720
	325,419	1,783	19,073	-	346,275	323,176

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	14,991		7,610		22,601	34,649
	14,991	-	7,610	-	22,601	34,649

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	14,137				14,137	35,820
Other funds generated	1,048				1,048	3,686
Hall rental income	1,432				1,432	7,465
Sundry income	713		2,525		3,238	16,841
	17,330	-	2,525	-	19,855	63,812

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Dividends / investment income	3,538	327	1,064		4,929	6,131
Bank interest	1,072		43		1,115	2,839
	4,610	327	1,107	-	6,044	8,970

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Loans received					-	4,583
Insurance claims					-	8,121
Sale of fixed assets					-	70
Sale of investments					-	6,914
	-	-	-	-	-	19,688

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8 Gains / losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gains on investments					-	88,500
	-	-	-	-	-	88,500

9 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of fund raising	2,811	-	-	-	2,811	4,578
	2,811	-	-	-	2,811	4,578

10 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Parish share	234,478				234,478	247,823
Clergy expenses	10,709				10,709	4,137
Parsonage - water	2,965				2,965	1,839
Maintenance of services	3,433				3,433	4,614
Costs of vergers and choir	6,449				6,449	8,915
Music and performances	2,598		106		2,704	3,848
Bank charges	65				65	625
Costs of printing and post	1,012				1,012	1,365
Parish - telephone / internet	378				378	316
Office and general expenses	599				599	2,239
Parish administrator	4,879				4,879	2,883
Leasing and hire purchase	120				120	318
Investment management fees					-	62
Church costs - insurance	17,887				17,887	14,095
Church costs - electricity	7,798				7,798	11,721
Church costs - gas	5,105				5,105	6,567
Church costs - water	1,554		40		1,594	2,456
Church costs - other	14,302				14,302	12,373
Church costs - repairs	9,184		90		9,274	11,820
Cleaning	412				412	489
Church yard management	3,268		13,446		16,714	27,785
Church hall - other					-	278
Church hall - electric	1,133				1,133	1,119
Church hall - gas	478				478	491
Church hall - insurance	1,901				1,901	410
Church hall - repairs	824				824	3,804
Church hall - telephone	473				473	-
Church hall - water	166				166	408
Church hall - equipment					-	25

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Charitable activities continued

Bought forward	332,170	-	13,682	-	345,852	372,825
Major building renovations	47,036				47,036	12,092
Young people activity costs	271		9		280	1,581
Church publications	365				365	842
Mission and Evangelism	112		300		412	571
Parish mission costs	1,243				1,243	104
Diocesan projects support	521				521	1,356
Church charity and projects	2,099				2,099	2,624
External charities	4,070		400		4,470	6,697
Professional fees	3,560				3,560	5,101
	391,447	-	14,391	-	405,838	403,793

11 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Purchase of assets	102		489		591	3,815
Loan repayments					-	2,599
	102	-	489	-	591	6,414

12 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

13 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

14 Related party transactions

There were no diclosable related party transactions during the year (2019 - none).

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
	£
Cost or valuation	
at 1 January 2020	1,240,913
Additions / reallocations	(229,441)
At 31 December 2020	1,011,472
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2020	1,011,472

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16 Current asset investments

	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£
Unlisted investments	32,694	65,283
	32,694	65,283

17 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£
Accrued income	668	2,238
	668	2,238

18 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£
Trade creditors	633	1,246
	633	1,246

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO ALYN MISSION AREA PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act)
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

Whilst carrying out the independent examination of Alyn Mission area, the following issues have come to my attention:

- Charities with an income exceeding £250k are required to prepare accounts on an accrual basis. However, some churches within the Mission Area had prepared receipts and payments accounts instead, causing potential cut-off issues.
- Bought forward reserves did not agree to the closing reserves balances in the previous accounts. Again, care must be taken to ensure all funds are included.
- Balances on documentation provided did not agree with the balances on the accounting software. Care must be taken to ensure that all information agrees.
- Cash accounts with negative balances. Care must be taken to ensure that cash controls and in place and adhered to.

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

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