

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN LYMM

England & Wales - Charity number 1179339

Details

Other names	ST MARY'S PCC LYMM
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2018-07-25
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

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

Activities: Provision of regular church services, baptism, funerals and weddings, with other supporting activities (social events, meetings, private prayer etc). Links with local primary and secondary schools, community projects and Lymm and District Churches Together. Pastoral support for care homes and other groups and individuals.

Classification

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

Geography

- Warrington

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£104,696	£100,798	-	-
2023-12-31	£105,924	£97,536	-	-
2022-12-31	£125,508	£108,080	-	-
2021-12-31	£94,988	£79,028	-	-
2020-12-31	£114,679	£87,334	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID BRIAN YOUNG		2018-04-29
DEREK BUCKTHORPE		1987-04-08
Elizabeth Irene France		2021-04-21
IAN OLIVER BUNDEY		1982-03-31
JILL HODGSON WASEY		2018-04-29
Kathryn Joan Buckley		2020-09-13
Lewis Arthur Denton		2019-04-14
Mark Charles Dyson Bainton		2020-09-13
Michael Ernest Hall		2020-09-13
Peter Clark		2024-07-08
Simon John Fathers		2024-04-21
Susan Brooks		2022-05-08
TIMOTHY RICHARD MORRIS		2021-05-09

Accounts

2024 Annual Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St Mary the Virgin Lymm

Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 27 April 2025

Aim and Purposes

St Mary the Virgin Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral evangelistic social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St Mary the Virgin, Church Road Lymm and the Church Hall off Crouchley Lane Lymm. The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and become part of our parish community.

Mission Statement

St. Mary's is a worshipping community which seeks to nurture people in faith and serve the needs of the wider community through practical engagement.

Aims

1. To share the good news of Jesus Christ to people of all ages and backgrounds
2. To nurture and grow disciples in Jesus Christ
3. To be a Christian presence at the heart of the community in Lymm
4. To provide a resource for the community

Objectives

- a) Attract and retain families and young people to grow the church and be a more broadly based church family (*supporting Aim 1*)
- b) Diversify worship to have some informal services whilst retaining more formal worship (*supporting Aim 1*)
- c) Provide an open, welcoming experience especially to those new to St Mary's (*supporting Aim 1*)
- d) Provide regular discipleship and bible study opportunities to explore faith (*supporting Aim 2*)
- e) Provide Co-ordinated Pastoral Care within church family and within the wider community (*supporting Aim 2&3*)
- f) Sustain and increase links to schools and young people (*supporting Aim 3*)
- g) Sustain and develop projects and events by networking within the church and the wider community (*supporting Aim 3 & 4*)
- h) Maximise the use of the church building and the Church Hall (*supporting Aim 4*)

Achievements and Performance

The church is at the heart of the community and provides civic services including Rushbearing Service, Lymm High Founders Day Service and Remembrance Sunday Service. The popular Christmas Tree Festival was a huge success with forty-nine trees on display, entertainment from local groups and schools, refreshments and a craft stall.

St Marys pastoral Team provides services and pastoral support to those in need and the Care Homes in Lymm. These include Brookfield, Cheshire Grange, Keate House and Statham Manor Care Homes. Regular contact was maintained with the care home staff through Ian Bunday and Derek Buckthorpe our Lay Readers.

St Mary's links to children and young people is through links with the local schools and through St Mary's children's choir (launched in October 2021) which continues to be led by Choir Director Susan Gadd and is drawn from the wider community. The children's choir sing at St Mary's family services (attended by their families) and festivals (e.g. St Mary's Community Christmas Tree Festival). Visits to the church by the school children as part of their religious education continues to be very popular with Ravenbank, Cherry Tree and Statham, Primary Schools participating again this year. Experience Easter, an interactive way of telling the Easter story and was visited by over 300 Children from Cherry Tree, Ravenbank, Statham and Oughtrington primary schools. Reverend Beverley and Reverend Jill continued to support the four secular local primary schools and the schools through frequent visits and their visits to St Mary's church for various activities.

Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson is the Rural Dean for Great Budworth Deanery supporting and helping other ministers and licenced laity in the Deanery both from a Pastoral and organisation viewpoint. Reverend Beverley is also Chaplain to the Royal British Legion, Lymm and District and Bishops Advisor for Ecumenical Partnerships for the Diocese of Chester. Reverend Beverley Jameson is a member of the Diocesan Synod and the Committee for Ministry and is co-opted into the Diocesan Central Services Committee.

Reverend Jill Elston led a team to enable St Mary's to achieve the Bronze ECO award and in helping St Mary's becoming an Eco Church. Reverend Jill supported Reverend Beverley in working with many of the primary schools and their visits to St Mary's and has been a keen supporter of other Eco groups within Lymm, involved in re-creating St Mary's Church Hall Garden and its use for services.

There were 101 parishioners on the 2024 revision of the Electoral Roll with two deaths and one person moved away.

The average weekly attendance in 2024 was 35 adults, 2 children, with more attending the Family Services (approximately 39 adults 10 children) and considerably more attending the occasional and festival services.

St Mary's serves the community with a range of occasional offices including 10 Baptisms 2 Weddings and 5 funerals (2 in church, 2 at a crematorium, 1 graveside). There was also one burial of ashes in the churchyard.

Church Building and Church Hall

Church

All maintenance is up to date including PAT testing, Lightening, Clock mechanism etc. Military Cleaning now clean the church once every two weeks. The repairs to roof leaks are holding out well.

The Quintennial Inspection report arrived last year. The 'Immediate' elements have been addressed, and more items will be undertaken this year. It will be mainly remedial work to the exterior masonry...and will be expensive. A scheduled programme of works has been prepared by Duggan and Parr.

The churchyard was legally closed in October 2006 and responsibility for the maintenance of the churchyard including walls and fences lies with Warrington Borough Council. The collapsed wall (which collapsed February 2020) is now finally near completion. After taking the previous one down which was rented Warrington Borough Council had to install another footbridge to allow access to lower part of the churchyard and the war Memorial in time for the November 2024 Remembrance Service. We are awaiting the next meeting of the rebuilding committee. Kath has emailed the contractors for an update – the pre-Christmas meeting was cancelled by them.

The Fellowship room floor has been replaced. Plans for an Audiovisual system and new lighting in the church are in the pipeline. These have been brought to the PCC by the Building Fund Group (BFG).

We finally have a faculty to repair the vandalised window, and that will begin soon.

Church Hall

The Hall is currently fairing well. We have replaced the curtains, with fireproof versions which along with the new radiators have much improved the warmth and general atmosphere of the place. Kath has sent the paperwork after completion to Warrington Borough Council to fulfil the grant requirements.

Tim Old and a small team have worked throughout 2024 to ensure that the garden behind the Hall is useable for workshops and services to be held there.

Deanery Synod

Great Budworth Deanery Synod has met three times in 2024. In March at Christchurch, Latchford, where Jon Pocock explained the Diocese' Strategic vision process and the four key themes. In July at St. Thomas' Church, Stockton Heath, where an update on the Diocesan Vision was given. In October at St. Matthew's Church, Stretton, where Parish vacancies were discussed and in small groups, members worked to debate ways to meet the challenge. A checklist was produced at this meeting. At each meeting, there is a finance report, a report from Diocesan Synod and a report from the Rural Dean. Our Rural Dean is the Reverend Beverley Jameson. The elected representatives from St Mary's Church are Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey and Michael Hall; Derek Buckthorpe is a de facto member as a Diocesan Synod member.

Ecumenical Relationships

Churches Together in Lymm and District (CTLD) continues to meet and work together within the Lymm and district with a focus on reaching out to encourage and nurture belonging and involvement within our community of Christian activity. A particular development has been the activities of the Sanctuary Café and Sanctuary Hub providing linking possibilities for families, the lonely, those with memory loss, those caring for others and through social meetings. The combined Church community continues to reach out into local primary schools, support Messy Church, Open the Book, a local food bank initiatives in support of the environment. Other activities include the week of Christian prayer and unity, special Easter and Lent activities, participation in united services, local festivals, appeals and communication through websites and booklets. Representatives on the Churches Together Committee from St Mary's are Reverend Beverley Jameson, Reverend Jill Elston and Derek Buckthorpe.

Structure Government and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Mary's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (Rector), curate, church wardens, readers and those elected by members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general importance to the parish deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Throughout 2024 the trustees held 8 business and specialized meetings in order to fulfil the management of the Charity. Average attendance throughout the year has

been around 76% with the meetings held in church. Detailed minutes and records have been maintained.

Safeguarding

1. The P.C.C. continues to adopt and implement the Safeguarding guidelines of the Church of England and the diocese of Chester. All details of the above can be found on the diocesan website – Safeguarding and Vulnerability policy and procedures: Safe in our Care. The Safeguarding Officer’s number is on display along with Warrington Borough council Children’s and Adult Services are displayed in the Church and at the Church Hall.

2. The Safeguarding Policy was signed off by Arch Deacon M Gilbertson in Rev Beverly Jameison’s absence on January 13 the 2025 meeting.

3. The PCC and volunteers are encouraged to complete basic safeguarding training which is online. The certificate that acknowledges the completion of the training will be stored with the Safeguarding Officer. This is on-going

4. All parents for the children’s choir are to fill in again the necessary paperwork with regard to taking photographs/recording and social media. The Safeguarding officer attended the first rehearsal on 15th September 2024.

5. The Safeguarding Officer has spoken about safeguarding at the service in November 2024 and has again distributed information to the congregation.

6. The data input required by the Diocese has been completed to level One. The next level will be completed mid-year.

7. All volunteers have completed either a DBS or the appropriate certification or both. The Safeguarding officer has checked that they will be informed when a DBS must be reviewed. So far two have been renewed.

GDPR

The PCC of St Mary’s Lymm complies with its obligations under data protection and GDPR by keeping personal data up to date; by storing and destroying it securely; by not collecting or retaining excessive amounts of data; by protecting personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and by ensuring that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all those who gave their time in 2024 for the parish including the wardens Kath Buckley and George Bainton, Lay Reader Ian Bunday, PCC Secretary and Lay Reader Derek Buckthorpe, GDPR lead & Data Controller Carol

Roberts, Organist and Musical Director Susan Gadd, The Choir, Safeguarding Officer Kath Buckley, Mothers Union, Liz France and the team of bell ringers, Kath Hough for supporting the Church Hall and all those who work tirelessly for the church. We would also like to thank Reverend Jill Elston who completed her training and left the Church at the end of June 2024.

We would also like to thank our Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson, for all her hard work, care for our church community and her work in the wider community in Lymm.

Special thanks to those who volunteered to be part of our various teams in 2024

- Finance Team (David Young, Treasurer, David Critchley, Liz France, Michael Hall)
- Grants Team (Lewis Denton, Mike Hall, Tim Morris)
- Pastoral Care Team (Reverend Beverley Jameson, Reverend Jill Elston, Derek Buckthorpe, Pauline Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday)
- Building Fund Group (Tim Morris, Simon Fathers, Derek Buckthorpe, George Bainton, Lewis Denton)

Administrative Information

St Mary the Virgin Lymm is situated on Church Road, Lymm, WA13 0QS. It is part of the Diocese of Chester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, 46 Rectory Lane, Lymm WA13 0AL. St Mary's Church Hall is situated off Crouchley Lane Lymm WA13 0AS. The PCC is the body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2011) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission Charity Registration number 1179339

Officers

St Mary's Safeguarding Officer – Kath Buckley
GDPR Officer & Data Controller- Carol Roberts
Electoral Roll Officer – Vanessa Lees
PCC Secretary – Derek Buckthorpe

Deanery Synod Elected Members (Ex-officio PCC members)

Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey and Michael Hall

Diocesan Synod Representatives

Derek Buckthorpe

Rector - Reverend Beverley Jameson

PCC Members

Rector - Reverend Beverley Jameson
Curate - Reverend Jill Elston

Wardens – Kath Buckley and George Bainton
Licensed Lay Readers – Derek Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday

PCC Elected Members at the Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 2024

Susan Brooks,
Lewis Denton,
Simon Fathers,
Liz France
Vanessa Lees,
Tim Morris
Jonathan Wide
David Young (Treasurer)
Malcolm Young

PCC Co-Opted Members

Peter Clark

Financial Review David Young, Treasurer

Income

Our Income receipts remain relatively flat year on year. There were fluctuations in the receipt categories with a decrease in Christian Responsibility Schemes being offset by an increase in other receipts. We saw a decrease in the bookings of Weddings at St Mary's and we expect this trend to continue through 2025 and beyond. On a more positive note, the Christmas Tree Festival continues to be a great success and is more popular than ever.

Expenses

2025 saw an increase in our overall expenditure, with inflationary pressures and the need for further investment in improving the condition of the church hall. However, we believe this to be a wise investment and that they will reap the benefits of increasing church hall revenues in the coming years.

Overall

Even with the increased expenditure we were still able to post a positive return.

Budget 2025

We have allowed for utilisation of building fund reserves being used for PCC approved projects. Inflationary pressures will continue on our day-to-day expenditure during the coming years.

Thank You

I am grateful to a number of people for their support David and Sylvia's continued dedication is beyond admiration. Mike Hall for his endeavours with utilities and all-round support. Lewis and Tim doing great work in the background on Grant applications Liz for chasing in the tax rebate. Simon and Tim on reviewing Building Fund Projects.

Independent Examiner Report, Christopher Callaway

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary the Virgin, Lymm

For the year ended 31 December 2024

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements- to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act;- to prepare accounts with accord with these accounting records have not been met;

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Christopher Callaway MSc
181 Pensby Road, Heswall, Wirral, CH61 6UB

Date 24/03/2025

2024 Accounts, David Young, Treasurer

LYMM PARISH CHURCH RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS AC to December 2024

	2023	2024	2023 ACT
	£	£	£
RECEIPTS			
Christian Responsibility Scheme			
Envelopes	5,844	5,684	5,844
Other Gift Aid	39,489	40,271	39,489
Taxation Refund	20,096	13,369	20,096
	<u>65,429</u>	<u>59,324</u>	<u>65,429</u>
Non C.R. Scheme			
General Offerories - Collections	2,366	3,186	2,366
Special Offerories - Weddings Funerals etc.	2,728	2,728	2,728
	<u>70,523</u>	<u>65,238</u>	<u>70,523</u>
P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals	6,760	4,556	6,760
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>77,283</u>	<u>69,794</u>	<u>77,283</u>
Church Hall Rentals Received	19,570	18,210	19,570
Other Receipts			
Bank Interest Received	118	6,866	118
Legacy Interest	74	61	74
	0	0	
Hindley Evans/David Mairs	1,600	1,594	1,600
	0	0	
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other	7,279	8,171	8,879
		16,692	0
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>105,924</u>	<u>104,696</u>	<u>105,924</u>
	105,924	93,366	8,827
		11,330	

**LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C TO December 2024**

2023			ACTUAL 2024		
£	£		£	£	£
	105,924	TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D			104,696
		<u>PAYMENTS</u>			
		<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>			
4,056		Organ, Organist and Choir			4,061
5,660		Insurance			6,075
2,558		Gas			4,399
1,133		Water			622
533		Electricity			2,299
2,337		Cleaning			612
415		Internet			462
3,158		Repairs and Maintenance			2,968
2,343		Repairs to the Boiler			607
605		Printing Stationery and Office Ex	900		468
	22,798				<u>22,573</u>
	5,177	<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>			6,648
	56,889	<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>			56,298
		<u>CHURCH HALL</u>			
1,052		Gas			2,465
157		Water			524
1,914		Electricity			595
1,415		Insurance			1,519
2,100		Hall Cleaning			2,275
0		Refuse Collection			259
300		General Repairs and Maintenance			2,837
0		Other			168
	6,938		10,642	0	10642 0
	0	MAGAZINE PAYMENTS			
	2,935	WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS			2,192
		<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>			
<u>2,799</u>		Other Costs		<u>2,445</u>	
	2,799				2,445
		<u>Special Payments</u>			
0		Architects Fees			
0		Less Received from Insurance			
0					
	0		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
	97,536				100,798
	<u>8,388</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts			<u>3,898</u>

**LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO December 2024**

ACTUAL 2023

<u>8,388</u>	
Excess of Payments over Receipts	8388
Transfer from Rectors Fund	
<u>0</u>	
<u>8,388</u>	<u>8,388</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments	699
8,388	
Bank Balance 31st December 2023	82,321
Bank Balance 31st December 2024	90,709
	<u>8,388</u>
Taxation refund	
Insurance church	
Insurance church hall	
cross check balance	<u>8,388</u>
	<u>0</u>

UNRESTRICTED ACCOUNTS

	31/01/2023	31/03/2023	31/05/2023	31/07/2023	31/09/2023	31/11/2023	31/01/2024	31/03/2024	31/05/2024	31/07/2024	31/09/2024	31/11/2024	31/01/2025	31/03/2025
Barclays	90703893	670,766.41	666,173.90	£83,126.09	£84,255.75	£55,995.93	£54,474.02	£52,298.02	£51,021.84	£66,395.95	£83,388.73	£67,841.98	£67,147.70	£71,172.41
Barclays	73155889	£3,091.77	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00
Waddings		23034.85	£23,365.65	£23,365.65	£24,084.92	£24,084.93	£24,084.93	£24,356.92	£24,356.92	£24,356.92	£24,814.92	£24,814.92	£24,814.92	£24,814.92
Lloyds		£331.00	£23,365.65	£23,365.65	£24,084.92	£24,084.93	£24,084.93	£24,356.92	£24,356.92	£24,356.92	£24,814.92	£24,814.92	£24,814.92	£24,814.92
TOTAL		£90,709.29	£89,449.55	£86,401.74	£87,907.40	£90,080.85	£78,558.95	£76,564.84	£75,378.76	£90,752.87	£88,202.65	£92,758.88	£91,790.62	£94,607.22
31/12/2023		95766.41												
late cheques	105688													
Stones repair	105674	300												
PS Innovative	105681	243.87												
door repairs	105680	300												
J W Moore	105679	3276.77												
late receipts														
Christingle		185												
		9091.77												
		92874.64												

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Barclays	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Hindley Events	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
TOTAL	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Barclays	60472863	£8,235.50	£8,301.05	£8,405.78	£8,432.86	£8,485.41	£8,594.00	£8,688.89	£8,688.31	£8,791.50	£8,853.36	£8,853.46	£8,964.91	£8,977.35
Barclays	20982228	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82	£3,352.82
Barclays	20984531	£14,241.28	£14,241.84	£15,429.15	£13,438.54	£13,533.54	£13,553.54	£13,625.08	£14,754.21	£13,792.33	£14,819.80	£13,907.33	£12,383.99	£12,456.53
CLA		£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00
TOTAL		£131,576.44	£131,642.55	£132,638.59	£130,966.39	£131,133.84	£131,277.91	£131,362.14	£132,853.89	£131,729.64	£132,817.97	£130,848.60	£129,536.71	£129,001.19
GRAND TOTAL		£222,285.73	£221,062.10	£219,340.33	£218,955.79	£217,214.79	£209,836.86	£207,927.08	£207,952.85	£222,482.51	£221,021.62	£223,706.48	£221,327.33	£223,608.41

Endowment Deposit Funds

CLA	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
CLA	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00
CLA	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00
TOTAL	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00	£14,000.00

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	<u>2023</u>		<u>2024</u>
<u>CASH FUNDS</u>			
	£	£	£
<u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u>			
Bank Account Barclays	70,766	71,172	
Bank Account Lloyds	23,035	24,162	
Weddings and Funeral Account	0	0	
	<hr/>	<hr/>	
Total Unrestricted Funds	93,801		95,334
<u>RESTRICTED FUNDS</u>			
Hindley Evans	8,235	8,977	
David Mairs	25,000	23,406	
Rectors Trust	746	758	
Education Trust	3,353	3,403	
St Mary's Reordering Funds	14,241	12,457	
St Mary's Reordering Funds	80,000	80,000	
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TOTAL	<u>225,376</u>		<u>224,335</u>
Tax Recoverable			There is approximately £13,200 of Income tax due for 2024.
Assets Retained			Lymm PCC own the church hall , both the land and the buildings
Liabilities			There are no significant liabilities
Endowments/Deposit			We have two endowment deposit accounts which total £6,000

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER 2024

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
<u>Christian Responsibility Scheme</u>			
Envelopes		5,684	
Other Gift Aid Lloyds		40,271	
Taxation Refund		<u>13,369</u>	59,324
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offertories - Collections		3,186	
Special Offertories - Weddings Funerals etc.		<u>2,728</u>	5,914
			<u>65,238</u>
P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals			<u>4,556</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS			<u>69,794</u>
Church Hall Rentals Received			18,210
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received			6,866
Legacy Interest			61
Hindley Evans/David Mairs/Buiilding Fund			1,594
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other			8,171
		<u> </u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			<u><u>104,696</u></u>

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2025

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
<u>Christian Responsibility Scheme</u>			
Envelopes		5,798	
Other Gift Aid		39,063	
Taxation Refund		<u>13,200</u>	58,061
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offertories - Collections		3,218	
Special Offertories - Weddings Funerals etc.		<u>2,783</u>	6,000
			<u>64,061</u>
P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals			<u>4,693</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS			<u>68,754</u>
Church Hall Rentals Received			19,121
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received			4,950
Legacy Interest			78
Hindley Evans/David Mairs/Buiilding Fund			28,500
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other			<u>7,926</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS			<u><u>129,328</u></u>

**LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2024**

	ACTUAL 2024		
	£	£	£
TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D			104,696
<u>PAYMENTS</u>			
<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>			
Organ, Organist and Choir			4,061
Insurance			6,075
Gas			4,399
Water			622
Cleaning			612
Electricity			2,299
Internet			462
Repairs and Maintenance			2,968
Repairs to the Boiler			607
Printing Stationery and Office Expenses			468
			22,573
<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>			6,648
<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>			56,298
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>			
Gas		2,465	
Water		524	
Electricity		595	
Insurance		1,519	
Hall Cleaning		2,275	
General Repairs and Maintenance		3,096	
Other		168	10,642
WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS			2,192
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>			
Other Costs			2,445
		0	0
		0	0
			100,798
Excess of Payments over Receipts			3,898

	BUDGET 2025		
	£	£	£
TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D			129,328
<u>PAYMENTS</u>			
<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>			
Organ, Organist and Choir			4,264
Insurance			6,379
Gas			4,487
Water			634
Cleaning			624
Electricity			2,368
Internet			471
Repairs and Maintenance /Enhancements			27,116
Repairs to the Boiler			657
Printing Stationery and Office Expenses			491
			<u>47,492</u>
<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>			6,781
<u>CLERICAL SUPPORT</u>			
<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>			55,500
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>			
Gas	2,712		
Water	534		
Electricity	613		
Insurance	1,565		
Hall Cleaning	2,100		
General Repairs and Maintenance	2,250		
Other	240	10,013	10,013
WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS			2,800
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>			
Other Costs			2,800
		<u>0</u>	0
		0	<u>0</u>
			125,878
Excess of Payments over Receipts			<u>3,450</u>

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2024 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2025

Excess of Payments over Receipts	<u>3,898</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts	3450
Transfer from Rectors Fund	0	Transfer from Rectors Fund	0
Excess of Receipts over Payments	<u><u>3,898</u></u>	Excess of Receipts over Payments	<u><u>3,450</u></u>
	<u> </u>		

Accounts

2023 Annual Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St Mary the Virgin Lymm

Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 21 April 2024

Aim and Purposes

St Mary the Virgin Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral evangelistic social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St Mary the Virgin, Church Road Lymm and the Church Hall off Crouchley Lane Lymm. The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and become part of our parish community.

Mission Statement

St. Mary's is a worshipping community which seeks to nurture people in faith and serve the needs of the wider community through practical engagement.

Aims

1. To share the good news of Jesus Christ to people of all ages and backgrounds
2. To nurture and grow disciples in Jesus Christ
3. To be a Christian presence at the heart of the community in Lymm
4. To provide a resource for the community

Objectives

- a) Attract and retain families and young people to grow the church and be a more broadly based church family (*supporting Aim 1*)
- b) Diversify worship to have some informal services whilst retaining more formal worship (*supporting Aim 1*)
- c) Provide an open, welcoming experience especially to those new to St Mary's (*supporting Aim 1*)
- d) Provide regular discipleship and bible study opportunities to explore faith (*supporting Aim 2*)
- e) Provide Co-ordinated Pastoral Care within church family and within the wider community (*supporting Aim 2&3*)
- f) Sustain links to schools and increase links to schools and young people (*supporting Aim 3*)
- g) Sustain and develop projects and events networking within the church and the wider community (*supporting Aim 3 & 4*)
- h) Maximise the use of the church building and the Church Hall (*supporting Aim 4*)

Achievements and Performance

The church is at the heart of the community and provides civic services including Rushbearing Service, Lymm High Founders Day Service and Remembrance Sunday Service. The popular Christmas Tree Festival was a huge success with forty-nine trees on display, entertainment from local groups and schools, refreshments and a craft stall.

St Marys pastoral Team has been invited to provide services and pastoral support to a new care Home in Lymm, Statham Manor, the main contact being Derek Buckthorpe Lay Reader. The Pastoral Team continues to provide services and pastoral support to Brookfield, Cheshire Grange and Keate House Care Homes. Regular contact was maintained with the care home staff by Ian Bunday, Lay Reader.

St Mary's links to children and young people continue including a Messy Church known as Create at St Mary's. St Mary's children's choir (launched in October 2021) continues led by the Choir Director Susan Gadd and drawn from the wider community. The children's choir sing at St Mary's family services (attended by their families) and festivals (e.g. St Mary's Community Christmas Tree Festival) Visits to the church by School children as part of religious education continue to be very popular with Ravenbank, Cherry Tree and Statham, Primary Schools. Experience Easter, an interactive way of telling the Easter story, was visited by over 300 Children from Cherry Tree; Ravenbank, Statham and Oughtrington primary schools came. Both Reverend Beverley and Reverend Jill are frequent visitors to the four secular local primary schools and the schools frequently visit St Mary's church for various activities.

Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson is Chaplain to the Royal British Legion, Lymm and District and is the Bishops Advisor for Ecumenical Partnerships for the Diocese of Chester. Reverend Beverley Jameson is also a member of Diocesan Synod and Committee for Ministry and co-opted in to the Diocesan Central Services Committee. In October 2023 she was made Rural Dean of Great Budworth

Reverend Jill Elston led the team to enable St Mary's becoming an Eco Church. This involved working with many of the primary schools, particularly in re-creating St Mary's Church Hall garden and other Eco Groups in Lymm. These efforts throughout 2022 led to St Mary's achieving a bronze ECO award in January 2023. Reverend Jill also led St Mary's Big Green Week event involving other Eco organisations and based at the Church Hall and developed the Church Hall Garden.

There are 104 parishioners on the 2023 revision of the electoral roll with two additions, 6 deaths, one person moved away and two no longer attend. The average weekly attendance in 2023 was 34 adults, 2 children, with more attending the Family Services (approximately 39 adults 10 children) and considerably more attending the occasional and festival services

St Mary's serves the community with a range of occasional offices including 7 Baptisms 2 Weddings and 12 funerals (5 in church, 5 at a crematorium, 2 graveside). There were also 9 burials of ashes in the church graveyard

Church Building and Church Hall

Church

All maintenance is up to date including PAT testing, Lightening, Clock mechanism etc. The leaks have been investigated and repairs are on-going. The church yard had had graves made safe by Warrington Borough Council. After going out to tender Military Cleaning now clean the church once every two weeks. After a six months' probation they/ and the PCC were happy for them to continue. The Quintennial Inspection took place September 2023, but the subsequent report did not arrive until January 2024 and is incorrect in key areas.

The churchyard was legally closed in October 2006 and responsibility for the maintenance of the churchyard including walls and fences lies with Warrington Borough Council. The collapsed wall has been ongoing since February 2020. Warrington Borough Council installed a footbridge in November 2023 to allow access to lower part of the churchyard and the war Memorial in time for the November 2023 Remembrance Service. The lower graveyard was cleared and a bridge was installed down to the lower graves and the monument There is no firm date for the wall repairs. A Warden is meeting with officials from Warrington Borough Council on a regular basis for repairs to commence in 2024.

Church Hall

A Team have worked throughout 2023 to ensure that the garden behind the hall is now useable. This has enabled workshops for local primary schools to be held there to great success. The hall now has a new gate, painted by a Warden based on designs by local primary school children from a competition organised by Curate Reverend Jill Elston. The hall roof has been mended for leaks, a new heating has been installed and general repairs undertaken.

Deanery Synod

Great Budworth Deanery Synod has met three times this year. In February at St. Matthew's Church where the then Archdeacon Ian Bishop talked about Eco Church. In July, the meeting was at St. Wilfrid's, Grappenhall where Deanery Synod considered a response to the motion about Living in Life and Faith. In September, Rev Jane became one of two clergy to become interim Archdeacons and Reverend Beverley became Rural Dean. She therefore chaired the meeting in October, again at St. Matthew's where Harriet Roberts took us through the Diocese of Chester's Vision going forward. At each meeting there is a finance report and a report from Diocesan Synod. Our present parish representatives are the Rector, Reverend Beverley Jameson, curate Reverend Jill Elston; and elected members are Ian

Bunday, Jill Wasey and Michael Hall. Derek Buckthorpe is de facto member as a Diocesan synod member.

Ecumenical Relationships

Churches Together in Lymm and District (CTLD) continues to meet and work together within the Lymm and district with a focus on reaching out to encourage and nurture belonging and involvement within our community of Christian activity. A particular development has been the activities of the Sanctuary Café and Sanctuary Hub providing linking possibilities for families, the lonely, those with memory loss, those who are caring for others and who need a helping hand. We continue to reach out into our local primary schools, support Messy Church, Open the Book, our local food bank, offer initiatives in support of the environment, prayer, learning, special Easter and Lent activities, participation in united services and local festivals and communication through websites and booklets. Special events in support of the King's Coronation were also held as well as promoting attendance at a special free area event in Warrington

Structure Government and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Mary's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (Rector), curate, church wardens, readers and those elected by members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general importance to the parish deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Throughout 2023 the trustees held 8 business and specialized meetings in order to fulfil the management of the Charity. Average attendance throughout the year has been around 87% with one meeting held on Zoom and the rest in church. Detailed minutes and records have been maintained.

Safeguarding

The PCC continues to adopt and implement the Safe Guarding guide lines of the Church of England and the diocese of Chester. All details of the above can be found on the diocesan website – Safe guarding and Vulnerability policy and procedures: Safe in our Care. The Safe Guarding Officer's number is on display along with Warrington Borough council Children's and Adult Services are displayed in the Church and at the Church Hall. Currently 22 DBS certificates are in place for the Church. Ian Bunday and Derek Buckthorne have had their DBS updated by the diocese as they are Lay Readers. The new member of the PCC has completed the DBS needed as has a volunteer. In November 2023 the Safe Guarding Officer in line with the Diocese's requirements gave a talk on Safe guarding to all present at

Communion. To discuss printing of the aide memoire on Safe Guarding that was handed out to all, this is to be reviewed by the PCC. The PCC and volunteers throughout 2023 were encouraged to complete basic safe guarding training which is on line. The certificate that acknowledges the completion of the training will be stored with the Safe Guarding Officer. So far 23 have completed training certificates with more following. The Rev Beverley Jameson and the Curate Jill Elston, have enhanced training certificates. The Safe Guarding Officer completed the Leadership Pathway Module, in May 2022, certificate issued June 2022. All parents for the children's choir have filled in again the necessary paper work with regard to taking photographs/recording and social media. An advisory letter to the parents of children in the choir has also been sent to all helpers and parents from the Safe Guarding Officer. All volunteers have completed either a DBS or the appropriate certification or both. The Safeguarding Officer will be reviewing certification and who will be needed to do their DBS again in 2024. On the orders of the diocese a dedicated email with pass word has been set up.

GDPR

The PCC of St Mary's Lymm complies with its obligations under data protection and GDPR by keeping personal data up to date; by storing and destroying it securely; by not collecting or retaining excessive amounts of data; by protecting personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and by ensuring that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all those who gave their time in 2023 for the parish including the wardens Kath Buckley and George Bainton, Lay Reader Ian Bunday PCC Secretary and Lay Reader Derek Buckthorpe, GDPR lead & Data Controller Carol Roberts, Organist and Musical Director Susan Gadd, The Choir, Safeguarding Officer Kath Buckley, Mothers Union, Liz France and the team of bell ringers, Kath Hough for supporting the Church Hall and all those who work tirelessly for the church.

We would also like to thank our Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson, for all her hard work, care for our church community and her work in the wider community in Lymm.

Special thanks to those who volunteered to be part of our various teams in 2023

- Finance Team (David Young, Treasurer, David Critchley, Liz France, Michael Hall)
- Grants Team (Lewis Denton, Mike Hall, Tim Morris)
- Pastoral Care Team (Reverend Beverley Jameson, Reverend Jill Elston, Derek Buckthorpe, Pauline Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday)

- Building Fund Group (Tim Morris, Simon Fathers, Derek Buckthorpe, George Bainton, Lewis Denton)

Administrative Information

St Mary the Virgin Lymm is situated on Church Road, Lymm, WA13 0QS. It is part of the Diocese of Chester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, 46 Rectory Lane, Lymm WA13 0AL. St Mary's Church Hall is situated off Crouchley Lane Lymm WA13 0AS. The PCC is the body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2011) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission Charity Registration number 1179339

Officers

St Mary's Safeguarding Officer – Kath Buckley
 GDPR Officer & Data Controller- Carol Roberts
 Electoral Roll Officer – Vanessa Lees
 PCC Secretary – Derek Buckthorpe

Deanery Synod Elected Members (Ex-officio PCC members)

Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey and Michael Hall

Diocesan Synod Representatives

Derek Buckthorpe

Rector - Reverend Beverley Jameson

PCC Members

Rector - Reverend Beverley Jameson
 Curate - Reverend Jill Elston
 Wardens – Kath Buckley and George Bainton
 Licensed Lay Readers – Derek Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday

PCC Elected Members at Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 2023

Susan Brooks,
 Peter Clark,
 Lewis Denton,
 Vanessa Lees,
 Tim Morris
 Jonathan Wide
 David Young (Treasurer)
 Malcolm Young

PCC Co-Opted Members

Simon Fathers, Liz France

Financial Review David Young, Treasurer

Income

Our income stream is down year on year by some £20k , in the financial year 2022 we transferred £17k from an old legacy account. .Church hall receipts continue to be strong and there has been a tremendous effort in collecting tax refunds from all the kind payments and donations. Weddings and funeral receipts saw a downturn after having an upside in 2022 from the post Covid wedding services

Expenses

To compensate for the downturn in year on year income , expenditure decreased but not at the same rate. 2022 saw necessary outlay on maintaining the church hall , which has proved sound investment with increased demand for church hall rental.

Overall

We have been able to post a positive return , but there are underlying pressures and we heavily reliant upon the continued demand for the church hall

Budget 2024

Income streams we have allowed for a small upturn , but this will be totally absorbed by sharp increases in utility bills . We will have clerical support for the bulk of the year , plus there are plans for further refurbishment and enhancement of both the church and church hall

Thank You

I am grateful to a number of people for their support David and Sylvia's continued dedication is beyond admiration. Mike Hall for his endeavours with utilities and all round support. Lewis and Tim doing great work in the background on Grant applications Liz for chasing in the tax rebate

Independent Examiner Report , Christopher Callaway

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary the Virgin, Lymm
For the year ended 31 December 2023

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements- to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act;- to prepare accounts with accord with these accounting records have not been met;

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Christopher Callaway MSc
181 Pensby Road, Heswall, Wirral, CH61 6UB

Date 24/02/2024

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C TO December 23

	2022	ACTUAL 2023	ACTUAL 2022
	£	£	£
125,508 TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D	105,924	125,508	10,459
<u>PAYMENTS</u>			
<u>CHURCHLAND SERVICES</u>			
Organ, Organist and Choir	4,056	4,890	4,890
Insurance	5,660	5,660	5,279
Gas	2,358	3,932	3,932
Water	1,133	777	777
Cleaning	533	0	
Electricity	2,337	3,431	3,431
Internet	415	340	340
Repairs and Maintenance	3,158	2,665	2,665
Repairs to the Boiler	2,343	1,675	1,675
Printing Stationery and Office Expenses	605	1,000	1,000
	<u>22,798</u>	23,989	23,989
4,551 RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC	5,177	4,551	4,551
54,882 MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS	56,889	54,882	54,882
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>			
Gas	1,052	1,769	1,769
Water	157	473	473
Electricity	1,914	1,648	1,648
Insurance	1,415	1,320	1,320
Hall Cleaning	2,100	1,320	1,320
General Repairs and Maintenance	300	1,525	1,525
Gardening	6938	8,468	8,468
Music Licence	2,935	400	400
Other	2,799	224	224
	<u>2,799</u>	16,794	967
3,966 WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS	2,935	3,966	3,966
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>			
Other Costs	2,799	3,898	3,898
Special Payments	0	0	0
Architects Fees	0	0	0
Less Received from Insurance	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	16,794	16,794
108,080	97,536	108,080	108,080
<u>17,428</u>	<u>8,388</u>	<u>17,428</u>	<u>17,428</u>
Excess of Payments over Receipts	17,428	17,428	17,428
check	17,428		

UNRESTRICTED ACCOUNTS

£	ACCT	31/12/2022	31/01/2023	28/02/2023	31/03/2023	30/04/2023	31/05/2023	30/06/2023	31/07/2023	30/08/2023	30/09/2023	31/10/2023	30/11/2023	31/12/2023
	Barclays General	90703893	£58,717.87	£57,630.66	£50,305.66	£56,868.00	£50,084.75	£51,961.30	£65,378.74	£62,016.79	£58,360.42	£59,460.13	£54,982.16	£70,766.41
	Barclays Weddings		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	Barclays Loyds	7315699	£21,756.23	£21,623.42	£21,592.42	£21,266.42	£21,520.65	£21,674.65	£21,894.65	£21,894.65	£21,894.65	£21,894.65	£21,566.65	£23,034.65
	TOTAL		£80,341.29	£79,413.08	£71,572.08	£78,388.65	£71,605.40	£83,335.95	£87,273.39	£83,911.44	£80,255.07	£81,616.78	£87,118.81	£90,709.29
	DESIGNATED FUNDS													
	Barclays Hindley Events		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	TOTAL		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	RESTRICTED FUNDS													
	Barclays Hindley Events	60472883	£9,234.82	£9,335.96	£9,339.86	£9,380.60	£9,480.72	£9,466.12	£9,637.79	£9,638.58	£9,650.74	£8,113.96	£9,224.47	£9,235.50
	Barclays Restricted David Mairs		£739.80	£739.80	£740.72	£740.72	£740.72	£742.26	£742.26	£742.26	£742.26	£744.25	£744.25	£746.84
	Barclays Rectors Trust	90704024	£3,321.21	£3,321.21	£3,325.33	£3,325.33	£3,332.26	£3,332.26	£3,341.19	£3,341.19	£3,341.19	£3,341.19	£3,352.82	£3,352.82
	Barclays Education Trust	20592226	£11,099.84	£11,156.84	£11,182.43	£12,009.51	£12,029.51	£12,895.27	£12,895.27	£13,010.27	£13,010.27	£14,153.24	£14,173.24	£14,241.28
	Barclays St Mary's Redempting Funds	20396631	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00
	CCLA		£103,746.75	£104,394.67	£104,588.54	£105,456.16	£130,576.28	£131,455.91	£131,698.59	£131,723.37	£131,788.52	£131,852.64	£131,483.15	£131,576.44
	TOTAL		£184,735.96	£183,983.83	£176,170.42	£183,844.81	£202,181.68	£215,091.86	£218,971.97	£215,634.81	£212,953.69	£212,959.42	£218,601.95	£222,285.73
	GRAND TOTAL		£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85	£168,087.85
	Endowment Deposit Funds													
	CCLA Sunday School		£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
	CCLA Saltham		£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00
	CCLA Hindley Events		£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
	CCLA Rectors Disbn Fund		£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00

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PS Innovati 105674
Able security 105661
door repairs 105660
J W Moore 105679
2342.0
3276.77
92489.64
185
92874.64

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER 2023

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
Christian Responsibility Scheme			
Envelopes		5,844	
Other Gift Aid Lloyds and DD's in general acct		39,489	
Taxation Refund		<u>20,096</u>	65,429
Non C.R. Scheme			
General Offeratories - Collections		2,366	
Special Offeratories - Weddings Funerals etc.		<u>2,728</u>	5,094
			<u>70,523</u>
P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals		6,760	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>77,283</u>	
Church Hall Rentals Received			19,570
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received		118	
Legacy Interest		74	
Hindley Evans		1,600	
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		<u>7,279</u>	
			<u>105,924</u>

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2024

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
Christian Responsibility Scheme			
Envelopes		5,961	
Other Gift Aid		40,279	
Taxation Refund		<u>14,300</u>	60,540
Non C.R. Scheme			
General Offeratories - Collections		2,390	
Special Offeratories - Weddings Funerals etc.		<u>2,783</u>	5,172
			<u>65,712</u>
P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals		6,963	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>72,675</u>	
Church Hall Rentals Received			19,961
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received		124	
Legacy Interest		78	
Deposit Transfer		5,500	
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		<u>7,497</u>	
			<u>105,835</u>

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2023

	ACTUAL 2023	BUDGET 2024
	£	£
TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D	105,924	105,835
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>		
Organ, Organist and Choir	4,056	4,056
Insurance	5,660	5,830
Gas	2,558	2,609
Water	1,133	1,156
Cleaning	533	544
Electricity	2,337	2,407
Internet	415	423
Repairs and Maintenance	3,158	3,316
Repairs to the Boiler	2,343	2,200
Printing Stationery and Office Expenses	605	635
	22,798	23,176
<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>	5,177	5,281
<u>CLERICAL SUPPORT</u>		
<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>	56,889	56,002
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>		
Gas	1,052	1,157
Water	157	160
Electricity	1,914	1,971
Insurance	1,415	1,457
Hall Cleaning	2,100	2,100
General Repairs and Maintenance	300	1,250
Other	6,938	240
	2,935	8,336
<u>WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS</u>	2,935	3,400
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>		
Other Costs	2,799	2,800
	0	0
	0	0
	97,536	99,630
Excess of Payments over Receipts	8,388	6,206

YMM PARISH CHURCH
 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2023 - DRAFT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2024

Excess of Payments over Receipts	8,388	Excess of Payments over Receipts	6206
Transfer from Rectors Fund	0	Transfer from Rectors Fund	0
Excess of Receipts over Payments	<u>8,388</u>	Excess of Receipts over Payments	<u><u>6,206</u></u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2023

<u>2023</u>	<u>CASH FUNDS</u>	<u>2022</u>	
£	<u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u>	£	£
70,766	Bank Account Barclays	63,114	
23,035	Bank Account Lloyds	21,279	
<u>0</u>	Weddings and Funeral Account	<u>0</u>	
93,801	Total Unrestricted Funds		84,393
	 <u>DESIGNATED FUNDS</u>		
0	St Mary's Reordering Funds	0	
<u>0</u>	Hindley Evans	<u>0</u>	
0			0
	 <u>RESTRICTED FUNDS</u>		
8,235	Hindley Evans	9,205	
25,000	David Mairs	0	
746	Rectors Trust	740	
3,353	Education Trust	3,321	
14,241	St Mary's Reordering Funds	10,481	
<u>80,000</u>	St Mary's Reordering Funds	<u>80,000</u>	
131,575			103,747
 <u>225,376</u>	 TOTAL		 <u>188,140</u>

Tax Recoverable	There is approximately £14,300 of Income tax due for 2023.
Assets Retained	Lymm PCC own the church hall , both the land and the buildings
Liabilities	There are no significant liabilities
Endowments/Deposit	We have two endowment deposit accounts which total £6,000

Accounts

2022 Annual Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St Mary the Virgin Lymm

Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 30 April 2023

Aim and Purposes

St Mary the Virgin Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral evangelistic social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St Mary the Virgin, Church Road Lymm and the Church Hall off Crouchley Lane Lymm. The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and become part of our parish community.

Mission Statement

St. Mary's is a worshipping community which seeks to nurture people in faith and serve the needs of the wider community through practical engagement.

Aims

1. To share the good news of Jesus Christ to people of all ages and backgrounds
2. To nurture and grow disciples in Jesus Christ
3. To be a Christian presence at the heart of the community in Lymm
4. To provide a resource for the community

Objectives

- a) Attract and retain families and young people to grow the church and be a more broadly based church family (*supporting Aim 1*)
- b) Diversify worship to have some informal services whilst retaining more formal worship (*supporting Aim 1*)
- c) Provide an open, welcoming experience especially to those new to St Mary's (*supporting Aim 1*)
- d) Provide regular discipleship and bible study opportunities to explore faith (*supporting Aim 2*)
- e) Provide Co-ordinated Pastoral Care within church family and within the wider community (*supporting Aim 2&3*)
- f) Sustain links to schools and increase links to schools and young people (*supporting Aim 3*)
- g) Sustain and develop projects and events networking within the church and the wider community (*supporting Aim 3 & 4*)
- h) Maximise the use of the church building and the Church Hall (*supporting Aim 4*)

Achievements and Performance

Post COVID implications continue to effect church finances. St Mary's continue to use technology for online worship (e.g. weekly Morning Prayer via zoom has been led by Derek

Buckthorpe, Lay Reader, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday) and for the Lent Course and Living in Love and Faith Course. This gives the opportunity for members of the congregation still not attending church due to anxiety over COVID to still access services and the life of the church. However some members of the congregation enjoy the online services as well as attending church.

The Pastoral Care Team continued to meet in person and via zoom and supported our congregation by telephone calls and visits where appropriate. St Marys was slowly allowed into three care homes in Lymm (Brookfield, Cheshire Grange and Keate House) to take the usual regular services but still subject to COVID restrictions and occasional lock downs. Regular contact was maintained with the care home staff by Ian Bunday, Lay Reader.

St Mary's links to children and young people continue to grow. A Messy Church known as Crafts Snacks Church was renamed and re-launched as Create at St Mary's led by curate Reverend Jill Elston and is steadily growing. St Mary's children's choir (launched in October 2021) continues to grow led by the Choir Director Susan Gadd and drawn from the wider community. The children's choir sing at St Mary's monthly family services (attended by their families) and festivals (e.g. St Mary's Community Christmas Tree Festival, Christingle Service) Visits to the church by School children as part of religious education continue to be very popular with Ravenbank, Cherry Tree and Statham, Primary Schools. The Rector is a Trustee of Lymm High School and a Trustee and Chair of Trustees of the Beam Multi Academy Trust involving Ravenbank, Oughtrington, Statham Primary schools and Thelwall Infants School. All of which are secular schools (not church schools) Reverend Jill Elston is a governor of Statham Primary School

2022 saw the joy of celebrating Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee with the Rector involved in civic celebrations in Lymm and a Queens Platinum Jubilee Choral Celebration Service held at St Mary's on Sunday 5 June 2022. Sadly this was followed by the death of her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. As the Civic Church of Lymm, St Mary's was involved in formal civic arrangements and a Civic Commemoration Service Marking the Death of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II took place at St Mary's Church and was also live streamed via YouTube.

Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson is Chaplain to the Royal British Legion, Lymm and District and Ecumenical Officer for the Diocese of Chester. Reverend Beverley Jameson is also a member of Diocesan Synod and Committee for Ministry and co-opted in to the Diocesan Finance and Scrutiny Committee.

Reverend Jill Elston led the team to enable St Mary's becoming an Eco Church. This involved working with many of the primary schools, particularly in re-creating St Mary's Church Hall garden and other Eco Groups in Lymm. These efforts throughout 2022 led to St Mary's achieving a bronze ECO award in January 2023. Reverend Jill also led St Mary's Big Green Week event involving other Eco organisations and based at the Church Hall which proved highly successful.

There are 111 parishioners on the 2022 revision of the electoral roll with three additions and sadly deaths in parish. Attendance in 2022 was still affected by COVID with some members of the congregation taking some time to return in person after COVID. The average weekly attendance was 34 adults, 2 children, with more attending the Family Services

(approximately 39 adults 10 children) and considerably more attending the occasional and festival services

St Mary's serves the community with a range of occasional offices which were also affected by post COVID19 issues including 12 Baptisms 7 Weddings and 14 funerals (8 in church, 6 at a crematorium). There were also 12 burials of ashes in the church graveyard

Church Building and Church Hall

Church

The churchyard was legally closed in October 2006 and responsibility for the maintenance of the churchyard including walls and fences lies with Warrington Borough Council. The collapsed wall which has been ongoing since February 2020 will finally be resolved this spring. The faculty has been completed and Warrington Borough Council has sourced another contractor. The roof has been leaking and causing damp issues for some time. Further to our ongoing leaking church and church hall roofs, Goldsmiths have inspected both buildings and have quoted to carry out much needed repair work. Wardens are also looking to carry out a survey of the lighting in church and begin to replace spent bulbs with energy efficient ones. Other lesser spends are replacing the broken fridge in church and a vacuum cleaner for the hall. Improved audio-visual apparatus and funding for said apparatus is still an ongoing issue. This work has been led by the Grants Team. A card machine has been purchased and has been used for events at both the Church and Hall.

Church Hall

The heating has been resolved in the Hall and all are pleased with the results. The flooring has been repaired and a new fridge freezer was purchased which facilitated the Church teas. Wardens and PCC members have recently had a meeting with Lymm Community Energy to see how they can possibly improve insulation, etc. and what grants could be available to the Church and Church Hall. A new vacuum cleaner has been purchased for the Church Hall As mentioned above as per the Church, the roof and gutters also need serious attention. Although much has been done to improve the amenity of Church Hall in recent times, its overall condition still remains a concern. Three Church Teas were held to raise funds for improvements.

Deanery Synod

Great Budworth Deanery Synod has met three times this year. In February, it met at Walton to discuss how parishes were recovering from the Covid pandemic and shared ideas of children's ministry and mission. In July the meeting at Grappenhall welcomed Neil Hudson speaking about mission and evangelism. This meeting was open for parishes to send extra representatives. In October there was another open meeting to discuss Vision Cafe. Harriet Roberts, Director of Vision and Strategy explained the concept of consulting on the vision for Chester Diocese and discussion followed. At each meeting there is a finance report; a report from Diocesan Synod and a Rural Dean's report. St Mary's Parish representatives are the Rector; Revd Beverley Jameson, Curate; Revd Jill Elston and the elected members are Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey, and Tim Morris. Derek Buckthorpe is a de facto member as he is a Diocesan Synod representative.

Ecumenical Relationships

Churches Together in Lymm and District (CTLD) continues to work collectively and effectively within the Lymm and district Community with a calendar of joint events organised between the Churches. The Chair for the year was from the United Reformed Church and meetings and events were well received and supported by the Churches and the community. School Assemblies, Open the Book, Messy Church, initiatives in support of the environment continue to reach out to the local primary School children and the co-operation over the Christmas and Easter periods has been effective and again well received. The offering of Warm Space, support of food banks, prayer, united services, communications through booklets and websites and other social media continue to be supported by individual and joint Church involvements. Special events such as a Songs of Praise in support of the Queen's Jubilee were also held.

Structure Government and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Mary's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (Rector), curate, church wardens, readers and those elected by members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general importance to the parish deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Throughout 2022 the trustees held 7 business and specialized meetings in order to fulfil the management of the Charity. Average attendance throughout the year has been around 80% with the some of meetings held on Zoom and latterly in person. Detailed minutes and records have been maintained.

Safeguarding

St Mary's Lymm takes its duty and obligation to protect all extremely seriously. All authorized clergy, Safeguarding Officer, licensed readers and lay workers, church wardens and PCCs have 'due regard' to safeguarding guidance issued by the House of Bishops (including both policy and practice guidance). St Mary's Safeguarding Officer for 2022 is Kath Buckley The P.C.C. continues to adopt and implement the Safe Guarding guide lines of the Church of England and the diocese of Chester. All details of the above can be found on the diocesan website – Safe guarding and Vulnerability policy and procedures: Safe in our Care. The Safe Guarding Officer's number is on display along with Warrington Borough council Children's and Adult Services are displayed in the Church and at the Church Hall. St Mary's Policy on the Safeguarding of Children and Adults in the Church was adopted by St. Mary's Lymm at a PCC meeting held on Monday 5th March 2018 This Policy is reviewed and approved each year to monitor the progress which has been made and was reviewed and approved at PCC Meeting 6 March 2023. The annual Parish Safeguarding Audit has been completed and was also presented to the PCC 6 March 2022. All documentation regarding Church Hall users is in line with the safeguarding policy and is up to date. DBS checks are undertaken and updated regularly, Safeguarding training is compulsory where required. St Mary's safeguarding Officers contact details , along with those of 'Childline', Family Lives', and Warrington Children's and Adult Services are displayed in both the church and church hall.

Currently the PCC and volunteers (working with children and vulnerable adults) are required to complete basic safe guarding training and DBS checks if required. The certificate that acknowledges the completion of the training will be stored with the Safe Guarding Officer. So far 20 have completed training certificates with more following. The Safe Guarding Officer worked closely with the Choir Leader to ensure that all Safe guarding matters are adhered to with regard to promoting and celebrating the Children's Choir

GDPR

The PCC of St Mary's Lymm complies with its obligations under data protection and GDPR by keeping personal data up to date; by storing and destroying it securely; by not collecting or retaining excessive amounts of data; by protecting personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and by ensuring that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all those who gave their time in 2022 for the parish including the wardens Kath Buckley and George Bainton, Lay Reader Ian Bunday PCC Secretary and Lay Reader Derek Buckthorpe, GDPR lead & Data Controller Carol Roberts, Organist and Musical Director Susan Gadd, The Choir, Safeguarding Officer Kath Buckley, Mothers Union, Liz France and the team of bell ringers, Kath Hough for supporting the Church Hall and all those who work tirelessly for the church.

We would also like to thank our Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson, for all her hard work, care for our church community and her work in the wider community in Lymm.

Special thanks to those who volunteered to be part of our various teams in 2022

- Finance Team (David Young, David Critchley, Liz France, Mike Hall)
- Grants Team (Lewis Denton, Mike Hall, Tim Morris)
- Pastoral Care Team (Susan Brook, Derek Buckthorpe, Pauline Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday, Linda Denton, Chris Scott)

Administrative Information

St Mary the Virgin Lymm is situated on Church Road, Lymm, WA13 0QS. It is part of the Diocese of Chester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, 46 Rectory Lane, Lymm WA13 0AL. St Mary's Church Hall is situated off Crouchley Lane Lymm WA13 0AS. The PCC is the body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2011) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission Charity Registration number 1179339

Officers

St Mary's Safeguarding Officer – Kath Buckley

GDPR Officer & Data Controller- Carol Roberts

Electoral Roll Officer – Vanessa Lees

PCC Secretary – Derek Buckthorpe

PCC Members

Rector - Reverend Beverley Jameson

Curate - Reverend Jill Elston

Wardens – Kath Buckley and George Bainton

Treasurer – David Young

Readers –Derek Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday

Deanery Synod Elected Members

Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey and Tim Morris

PCC Elected Members at Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 2022

Susan Brooks,

Peter Clark,

Simon Fathers,

Liz France,

Mike Hall,

Vanessa Lees,

Lesley Whitefield,

David Young (Treasurer)

PCC Co-Opted Members

Lewis Denton, Jonathan Wide

Financial Review

Income

2022 did see some return to normality , which resulted in the increased usage of the church hall and an uptake in the church being used for funerals and weddings. With this increased activity and the transfer of £17k from an old deposit account gave an increase year on year, on our Revenue stream of some £30k. However there is concern that some or more regular giving plans are seeing a decrease. Plus as can be seen the increase in our Income has been offset by increase in expenditure. We are grateful for the energy rebate of £900 from the Diocese.

Expenses

The church like all households have been subject to inflationary supply pressures and the upsurge in energy prices. We have also undertaken much necessary repair and maintenance work within our church hall . This repair work though is well merited, in that it will enable continued Revenue streams from the church hall in the future. Our ministry support costs increased with the much valued addition of our curate.

Overall

Our increase in the Revenue stream was offset by increases in expenditure year on year , we were still able to post a positive contribution in the year. We will continue to proceed with caution as we have a high maintenance church and a church hall that could require further improvement. All expenditure will continue to be closely monitored. David Critchley will continue help with the transfer of the remaining deposit accounts into our general account.

Budget 2023

Income streams will decrease , I don't anticipate expenditure will decrease to the same extent which result in a deterioration of our cash balances in the year.

Thanks

I am grateful to a number of people for their support

- David and Sylvia's continued dedication is beyond admiration.
- Mike Hall for his endeavours with utilities and all round support.
- Lewis and Tim doing great work in the background on Grant applications
- Liz for chasing in the tax rebate

A special thank you to all at St Marys and the kindness of the general public.

David Young St Mary's PCC Treasurer

Independent Examiner

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary the Virgin, Lymm For the year ended 31 December 2022

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

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



Christopher Callaway MSc
181 Pensby Road, Heswall, Wirral, CH61 6UB

Date 04/03/2023

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C TO December 22

2021			ACTUAL 2022		
£	£		£	£	£
	94,988	TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D			125,508
		<u>PAYMENTS</u>			
		<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>			
2,549		Organ, Organist and Choir			4,890
5,028		Insurance			5,279
2,745		Gas			3,932
1,631		Water			777
1,021		Electricity			3,431
106		Internet			340
1,614		Repairs and Maintenance			2,665
438		Repairs to the Boiler			1,675
1,065		Printing Stationery and Office Expenses			1,000
	16,197				<u>23,989</u>
	4,928	<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>			4,551
	46,400	<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>			54,882
		<u>CHURCH HALL</u>			
986		Gas	1,769		
214		Water	473		
906		Electricity	1,648		
1,257		Insurance	1,320		
1,950		Hall Cleaning	1,525		
417		Refuse Collection	907		
80		General Repairs and Maintenance	8,468		
180		Gardening	400		
213		Music Licence	224		
36		Other	60		
	6,239				16,794
	2,811	WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS			3,966
		<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>			
<u>2,453</u>		Other Costs		<u>3,898</u>	
	2,453				3,898
	79,028				108,080
	<u>15,960</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts			<u>17,428</u>

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO December 2022

<u>15,960</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts	<u>17,428</u>
0	Transfer from Rectors Fund	0
<u>15,960</u>	Excess of Receipts over Payments	<u>17,428</u>
15,960	Bank Balance 31st December 2021	65,561
	Bank Balance 31st December 2022	<u>82,321</u>
		16,760
	Taxation refund estimate	0
	Insurance church	0
	Insurance church hall	0
taken in 2021 accts	late cheque 105,480 Jill	143 (143)
taken in 2021 accts	late cheque 105,481 Able Security	525 (525)
	cross check balance	<u>17,428</u>
		<u>0</u>

UNRESTRICTED ACCOUNTS

£	ACCT	31/12/2021	31/01/2022	28/02/2022	31/03/2022	30/04/2022	31/05/2022	30/06/2022	31/07/2022	31/08/2022	30/09/2022	31/10/2022	30/11/2022	31/12/2022
	Barclays General													
	Barclays late cheques	90703883	£47,011.40	£44,247.64	£37,246.97	£38,749.57	£37,771.06	£36,708.84	£56,466.06	£67,383.58	£65,295.00	£59,648.78	£59,528.01	£63,113.82
	Lloyds		18549.8	£19,101.80	£19,593.80	£20,252.42	£20,252.42	£20,396.42	£20,395.42	£20,754.42	£21,097.00	£21,097.42	21097.42	£2,072.14
	TOTAL		£65,561.20	£63,349.44	£56,840.77	£59,001.99	£57,105.26	£76,882.48	£88,138.00	£86,392.00	£80,746.20	£80,625.43	£82,321.10	

DESIGNATED FUNDS

St Mary's Reordering Funds
Hindley Evans

		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
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£342.58

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Barclays Hindley Evans
Barclays Rectors Trust
Barclays Education Trust
Barclays St Mary's Reordering Funds
CCLA St Mary's Reordering Funds
TOTAL

		£8,790.06	£8,885.55	£8,885.63	£8,889.11	£8,984.54	£8,984.68	£8,992.65	£9,088.08	£9,088.16	£9,104.17	£9,202.66	£9,204.53
		£0.82	£0.82	£0.82	£1.46	£1.46	£1.46	£2.92	£739.33	£739.39	£739.39	£739.99	£739.80
		£3,267.87	£3,267.87	£3,267.95	£3,283.21	£3,283.46	£3,318.34	£3,318.34	£3,318.34	£3,319.36	£3,319.36	£3,319.36	£3,321.21
		£9,336.29	£9,361.29	£9,426.52	£9,616.22	£9,701.22	£9,746.95	£10,001.29	£10,021.29	£10,044.35	£10,435.46	£10,455.46	£10,481.21
		£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00	£80,000.00
		£101,395.04	£101,395.63	£101,580.92	£101,970.43	£102,016.55	£102,315.20	£103,167.04	£103,191.26	£103,598.38	£103,717.47	£103,746.75	

GRAND TOTAL

		£169,068.24	£164,884.97	£158,421.69	£160,791.99	£159,993.91	£159,121.81	£179,197.68	£191,305.04	£189,583.26	£184,344.58	£184,342.90	£186,067.85
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Endowment Deposit Funds

CCLA Sunday School
CCLA Statham
CCLA Hindley Evans
CCLA Rectors Distbn Fund

		£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
		£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00	£17,514.00
		£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00
		£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00	£735.00
		£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00	£24,249.00

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER 2022

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
<u>Christian Responsibility Scheme</u>			
Envelopes		4,876	
Other Gift Aid Lloyds and DD's in general acct		41,926	
Taxation Refund (pro rated over the year)		<u>14,598</u>	61,400
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offerories - Collections	1,599		
Special Offerories - Weddings Funerals etc.	<u>3,501</u>	5,100	
			<u>66,500</u>
<u>P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals</u>		12,743	
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>		<u>79,243</u>	
Church Hall Rentals Received		17,540	
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received		38	
Legacy Interest		33	
CCLA Transfer		17,538	
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		<u>11,116</u>	
			<u>125,508</u>

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2023

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
<u>Christian Responsibility Scheme</u>			
Envelopes		3,200	
Other Gift Aid		42,765	
Taxation Refund		<u>14,500</u>	60,465
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offerories - Collections	1,615		
Special Offerories - Weddings Funerals etc.	<u>3,571</u>	5,186	
			<u>65,651</u>
<u>P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals</u>		10,500	
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>		<u>76,151</u>	
Church Hall Rentals Received		17,891	
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received		39	
Legacy Interest		34	
CCLA Transfer		2,000	
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		<u>11,227</u>	
			<u>107,341</u>

**LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2022**

	ACTUAL 2022	BUDGET 2023
	£	£
TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D	125,508	107,341
 <u>PAYMENTS</u>		
<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>		
Organ, Organist and Choir	4,890	5,135
Insurance	5,279	5,437
Gas	3,932	4,325
Water	777	800
Electricity	3,431	3,774
Internet	340	360
Repairs and Maintenance	2,665	2,500
Repairs to the Boiler	1,675	2,500
Printing Stationery and Office Expenses	1,000	1,010
	<u>23,989</u>	<u>25,841</u>
 <u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>		
	4,551	4,600
<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>		
	54,882	56,200
 <u>CHURCH HALL</u>		
Gas	1,769	1,946
Water	473	482
Electricity	1,648	2,142
Insurance	1,320	1,360
Hall Cleaning	1,525	1,800
Refuse Collection	907	925
General Repairs and Maintenance	8,468	3,000
Gardening	400	180
Music Licence	224	227
Other	60	42
	<u>16,794</u>	<u>12,105</u>

WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS			
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>			
Other Costs	3,898	3,966	3,700
	0		2,200
<u>Special Payments</u>			0
Repairs to the Stonework			
Architects Fees			
Less Received from Insurance	0	0	0
		108,080	104,646
Excess of Payments over Receipts	<u>17,428</u>		<u>2,696</u>

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2022 - FINAL
 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2023

Excess of Payments over Receipts	17,428	2696
Transfer from Rectors Fund	0	0
Excess of Receipts over Payments	17,428	2,696

Bank Balance 31st December 2021	65,561
Bank Balance 31st December 2022	82,321
	16,760

late cheque	105,480	Jill
late cheque	105,481	Able Security

cross check balance 17,428

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022

<u>2021</u>	<u>CASH FUNDS</u>	<u>2022</u>	
£	<u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u>	£	£
47,011	Bank Account Barclays	63,114	
18,550	Bank Account Lloyds	21,279	
<u>0</u>	Weddings and Funeral Account	<u>0</u>	
65,561	Total Unrestricted Funds		84,393
	 <u>DESIGNATED FUNDS</u>		
0	St Mary's Reordering Funds	0	
<u>0</u>	Hindley Evans	<u>0</u>	0
0			
	 <u>RESTRICTED FUNDS</u>		
8,790	Hindley Evans	9,205	
0	Rectors Trust	740	
3,266	Education Trust	3,321	
9,209	St Mary's Reordering Funds	10,481	
<u>80,000</u>	St Mary's Reordering Funds	<u>80,000</u>	
101,265			103,747
 <u><u>166,826</u></u>	 TOTAL		 <u><u>188,140</u></u>

Tax Recoverable	There is approximately £14,500 of Income tax due for 2022.
Assets Retained	Lymm PCC own the church hall , both the land and the buildings
Liabilities	There are no significant liabilities
Endowments/Deposit	We have two endowment deposit accounts which total £6,000

Accounts

2021 Annual Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St Mary the Virgin Lymm

Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 8 May 2022

Aim and Purposes

St Mary the Virgin Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral evangelistic social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St Mary the Virgin, Church Road Lymm and the Church Hall off Crouchley Lane Lymm. The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and become part of our parish community.

Mission Statement

St. Mary's is a worshipping community which seeks to nurture people in faith and serve the needs of the wider community through practical engagement.

Aims

1. To share the good news of Jesus Christ to people of all ages and backgrounds
2. To nurture and grow disciples in Jesus Christ
3. To be a Christian presence at the heart of the community in Lymm
4. To provide a resource for the community

Objectives

- a) Attract and retain families and young people to grow the church and be a more broadly based church family (*supporting Aim 1*)
- b) Diversify worship to have some informal services whilst retaining more formal worship (*supporting Aim 1*)
- c) Provide an open, welcoming experience especially to those new to St Mary's (*supporting Aim 1*)
- d) Provide regular discipleship and bible study opportunities to explore faith (*supporting Aim 2*)
- e) Provide Co-ordinated Pastoral Care within church family and within the wider community (*supporting Aim 2&3*)
- f) Sustain links to schools and increase links to schools and young people (*supporting Aim 3*)
- g) Sustain and develop projects and events networking within the church and the wider community (*supporting Aim 3 & 4*)
- h) Maximise the use of the church building and the Church Hall (*supporting Aim 4*)

Achievements and Performance

The government's COVID19 national restrictions and lockdowns continued to affect St Mary's in 2021. Although some customers returned to hire the church hall income is still

much reduced. COVID19 meant some of our activities were cancelled this year e.g. Experience Easter. However towards the autumn some events were reintroduced e.g. St Mary's Teas in September, Crafts Snacks Church (Messy Church) re-launched in October, St Mary's Community Christmas Tree Festival took place 3-5 December and involvement in some Lymm Festivals (e.g. May Queen Festival, which was postponed to September). Only one community event /concert took place - Lymm and District Chorus in December 2021. Although the church reopened for worship, St Mary's continue to use technology for online worship (e.g. weekly morning prayer via zoom has been led by Derek Buckthorpe, Lay Reader, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday) and for the Lent Course and Living in Love and Faith Course. This gives the opportunity for members of the congregation still not attending church due to anxiety over COVID to still access services and the life of the church. However some members of the congregation enjoy the online services as well as attending church

The Pastoral Care Team continued to meet via zoom and supported our congregation by telephone calls and visits where appropriate. Unfortunately St Mary's was not allowed into the three care homes (Brookfield, Cheshire Grange and Keate House) to take the usual regular services due to COVID restrictions. Regular contact was maintained with the care home staff by Ian Bunday, Lay Reader.

St Mary's links to children and young people continue to grow. As previously mentioned a Messy Church known as Crafts Snacks Church was re-launched in October and is steadily growing. St Mary's children's choir was launched in October 2021 led by the Choir Director Susan Gadd and drawn from the wider community. This has grown dramatically and is extremely popular. The children's choir sing at St Mary's monthly family services (attended by their families) and festivals (e.g. St Mary's Community Christmas Tree Festival, Lymm Dickensian Festival, Candlelight Carol Service, Christingle Service) Visits to the church by School children as part of religious education were also restricted. However the Rector maintains contact with the four primary schools and Lymm High School, being involved in classroom activities via zoom. The Rector is a governor of Lymm High School and a Trustee and Chair of Governors of the new formed Beam Multi Academy Trust involving Ravenbank, Oughtrington, Statham Primary schools and Thelwall Infants School. All of which are secular schools (not church schools) She, therefore, resigned as a governor of Cherry Tree Primary School.

Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson is Chaplain to the Royal British Legion, Lymm and District and is active in wider community projects such as Lymm Clothing Charity, Dickensian Festival Committee and in other various festivals. Reverend Beverley Jameson is also a member of Diocesan Synod and Committee for Ministry and co-opted in to the Diocesan Finance and Scrutiny Committee. In November 2021 The Bishop of Chester appointed Reverend Beverley Jameson to be Ecumenical Officer for the Diocese of Chester

In July 2021 Reverend Jill Elston joined St Mary's as curate. She is actively involved in all aspects of the church (e.g. leading worship, preaching, Crafts Snacks Church and Children's Choir) and introduced St Mary's Wild Walks. She will be exploring St Mary's becoming an Eco Church in 2022

There are 110 parishioners on the 2021 electoral roll which is a reduction of four people - two people leaving Lymm to live elsewhere and two people sadly dying. The average weekly

attendance in 2021 was affected by many of the elderly congregation shielding or nervous of attending church services due to COVID19. However, the average for Holy Communion was 36 adults, 1 child; the Family Services averaged 48 adults 18 children, Iona Services 35 adults 0 children

St Mary's serves the community with a range of occasional offices which were also affected by COVID19 restrictions in 2021 including 9 Baptisms 3 Weddings and 9 funerals (4 in church, 5 at a crematorium). There were also 15 burials of ashes in the church graveyard

Church Building and Church Hall

Church

The Church has had on going repairs throughout 2021. Regular maintenance has been carried out, and in addition to the annual boiler service, a new thermostat controller has been installed. All the fire extinguishers have been serviced. Portable flood lights have been purchased to improve safety for those who may have to access the South Door in darkness. The outside toilet has been boarded up to prevent anti-social use. Vestry leaks are ongoing and the church architect has visited and has reported that the repairs do not require a faculty. Wi-Fi was introduced to allow internet access in the church. Audio visual systems are being looked at to improve upon the systems currently in place and grants are being sought for this equipment.

The churchyard is legally closed which means Warrington Borough Council are legally responsible for the maintenance of the church yard and any repairs. Issues around the collapsed churchyard wall are ongoing with constant liaison between Chester Diocese and Warrington Borough Council. Approvals for the monies to start work have been approved by Warrington Borough Council.

York stones were stolen from St Mary's path. This was the second time in two years. York stones were donated by members of Lymm Community and were cemented in as part of the path repairs by Warrington Borough Council.

Appropriate COVID measures – i.e., one-way systems, closing of pews et al were implemented and amended in line with Government directions and Church of England guidance.

Church Hall

A good deal of improvement works was carried out to, and around the hall. The rotten floor in one of the storerooms has been completely replaced, and additional outdoor works to the surrounding ground and drainage have been undertaken to avoid similar problems occurring in the future. Flooring has also been repaired in the room used by the dance group. One of the internal doors has been refitted to prevent jamming. In the kitchen, additional plug sockets have been wired in, and a brand-new fridge-freezer has been purchased. A 'new' dishwasher has also been installed replacing the older one. Sink taps have been repaired. The refurbishments have enabled the Church Teas to be restarted. In the toilets, the vinyl flooring has been replaced, which has made a big difference, and the cubicles have also been repainted. Electric hand-dryers have been installed and also motion-sensor activated extractor fans. The two entrance hallways have new lights and also been repainted. Mirrors

have been installed for the dance company who uses the hall. The main on-going issue is the repair/replacement of the heating system.

Deanery Synod

Great Budworth Deanery Synod has met three times this year. In March via Zoom and the discussion was about the Covenant for Clergy well-being and Thrive report. In September Synod met in person at St. Wilfrid's, Grappenhall where the guest speaker was Revd Nikki Eastwood, chair of the Diocesan Advisory Group for Living in Love and Faith. In November, as part of the Bishops of Chester, Birkenhead and Stockport visit to our Deanery, Synod met at St. Thomas' Church where Bishop Sam, Bishop of Stockport, answered questions submitted before the meeting. At each meeting there is a finance report and a report from Diocesan Synod. Ride and Stride has taken place again this year. Our present parish representatives are the Rector; Revd Beverley Jameson, Curate; Revd Jill Elston and elected members Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey and Tim Morris. Derek Buckthorpe is a de-facto member as Diocesan Synod representative.

Ecumenical Relationships

Churches Together in Lymm and District (CTLD) is working effectively within the Lymm and district Community providing a calendar of joint events with Churches participating where possible within the allowances of COVID restrictions and Church closures. The Chair is from the United Reformed Church and meetings and events are thoughtful and well supported and are being held either on Zoom or more recently in person. Messy Church and Open the Book have restarted enabling Churches to again reach out into Schools. Cooperation over the Christmas and Easter periods continues to be effective and the new constitution, communications through websites and other social media and climate matters continue to be discussed and developed

Structure Government and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church representation Rules. At St Mary's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (Rector), church wardens, readers and those elected by members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general importance to the parish deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The Parochial Church Council meets regularly, in 2021 there were ten business and specialized meetings in order to fulfil the management of the Charity. Average attendance throughout the year has been around 77% with the majority of meetings held on Zoom. Detailed minutes and records have been maintained.

Safeguarding

St Mary's Lymm takes its duty and obligation to protect all extremely seriously. All authorized clergy, Safeguarding Officer, licensed readers and lay workers, church wardens and PCCs have 'due regard' to safeguarding guidance issued by the House of Bishops (including both policy and practice guidance). We have adopted the national Church of England's robust procedures and guidelines. The Diocesan Vulnerability and Safeguarding Officer is Pauline

Butterfield who can be contacted regarding all safeguarding issues. St Mary's Safeguarding Officer for 2021 is Kath Buckley. St Mary's Policy on the Safeguarding of Children and Adults in the Church was adopted by St. Mary's Lymm at a PCC meeting held on Monday 5th March 2018 This Policy is reviewed and approved each year to monitor the progress which has been made and was reviewed and approved at PCC Meeting 7 March 2022. The annual Parish Safeguarding Audit has been completed and was also presented to the PCC 7 March 2022. All documentation regarding Church Hall users is in line with the safeguarding policy and is up to date. All individuals whose roles within St. Mary's require a DBS check hold a current certificate. The safeguarding Officers number, along with those of 'Childline', Family Lives', and Warrington Children's and Adult Services are displayed in both the church and church hall.

GDPR

The PCC of St Mary's Lymm complies with its obligations under data protection and GDPR by keeping personal data up to date; by storing and destroying it securely; by not collecting or retaining excessive amounts of data; by protecting personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and by ensuring that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all those who gave their time in 2021 for the parish including the wardens Kath Buckley and George Bainton, Lay Reader Ian Bunday PCC Secretary and Lay Reader Derek Buckthorpe, Pastoral Worker, Carole Riley, GDPR lead & Data Controller Carol Roberts, Organist and Musical Director Susan Gadd (with special thanks for her care of the Children's Choir), The Choir, Safeguarding Officer Kath Buckley, Mothers Union, Liz France and the team of bell ringers, Kath Hough for supporting the Church Hall and all those who work tirelessly for the church.

We would also like to thank our Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson, for all her hard work, care for our church community and her work in the wider community in Lymm. We especially thank her for adapting to the COVID19 restrictions (e.g. services and our pastoral contacts via technology) and for the launch of our Children's Choir and the re-launch of Crafts Snacks Church.

Special thanks to those who volunteered to be part of our various teams in 2021

Finance Team (David Young, David Critchley, Liz France)

Grants Team (Lewis Denton, Mike Hall, Tim Morris)

Pastoral Care Team (Susan Brook, Derek Buckthorpe, Pauline Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday, Carole Riley, Linda Denton, Chris Scott)

Administrative Information

St Mary the Virgin Lymm is situated on Church Road, Lymm, WA13 0QS. It is part of the Diocese of Chester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, 46 Rectory Lane, Lymm WA13 0AL. St Mary's Church Hall is situated off Crouchley Lane Lymm WA13 0AS. The PCC is the body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956,

Church Representation Rules 2011) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission
Charity Registration number 1179339

Officers

St Mary's Safeguarding Officer – Kath Buckley

GDPR Officer & Data Controller- Carol Roberts

Health and Safety Officer (including Risk Assessments) – Alan Richardson

Electoral Roll Officer – Vanessa Lees

PCC Secretary – Derek Buckthorpe

PCC Members

Rector - Reverend Beverley Jameson

Curate - Reverend Jill Elston

Wardens – Kath Buckley and George Bainton

Treasurer – David Young

Readers –Derek Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday

Pastoral Worker - Carole Riley

Deanery Synod Elected Members

Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey and Tim Morris

PCC Elected Members at Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 2021

Robert Buckley

Peter Clark

Lewis Denton

Simon Fathers

Liz France

Joan Garrett

Mike Hall

Lesley Whitefield

Jonathan Wide

David Young (Treasurer)

Financial Review

Comparing our income streams year on year we can see a reduction of over £20k , this may see alarming but there are reasons; these include the lack of normal church hall rental, the lack of normal service attendance, the run rate of 2020 includes the windfall of £20k. We hope with the recent announcements of us coming out of the lockdown into the new norm that some previous income streams can be restored. It is essential we continue to find ways of generating new Income streams.

The reduction in income has been compensated by some our levels of expenditure being reduced plus a slowdown of the repair work undertaken on the church hall during 2021. We are also continuing with the reduced parish share to Chester DOC. The annual insurance has been paid, with good negotiation there was a general inflation increase year on year. Thankfully no unexpected costs have been incurred to date this year, but we are beginning to see the internet costs being charged, plus we are pleased to have Reverend Jill Elston installed as curate. We have received Gift Aid tax rebate of over £14k , which considering the circumstances is fantastic. We are still in a pandemic situation and will continue to monitor cash movements carefully. We continue to operate under a certain amount of nervousness , the church roof for example at times shows signs of wear and tear.

The Budget 2022 estimates a small upturn in income streams, but this will be totally absorbed by sharp increases in utility bills. We will have a curate for the full year, plus there are plans for further refurbishment work on the church hall.

I am grateful to a number of people for their support

David and Sylvia Critchley continued dedication is beyond admiration, Mike Hall for his endeavours with utilities and all round support, Lewis and Tim doing great work in the background on Grant applications and Liz for chasing in the Gift Aid tax rebate

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to seek to hold £10,000 in unrestricted reserves to cover running costs in the event of a major problem; this also equates to approx six weeks normal running costs. It is the policy to:

- Use the remaining £14,000 of Endowment funds
- Redefine the £80,000 in the Re-ordering fund
- The funds to be used to meet anticipated costs to the building over the next five years as well as provide additional support for some unforeseen repairs or projects.

David Young, Treasurer

Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary the Virgin, Lymm For the year ended 31 December 2021

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to

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


Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

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



Christopher Callaway MSc
181 Pensby Road, Heswall, Wirral, CH61 6UB

Date 19/02/2022

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2021

2020			ACTUAL 2021		
£	£		£	£	£
	114,679	TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D			94,988
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>					
966		Organ, Organist and Choir			2,549
4,954		Insurance			5,028
4,947		Gas			2,745
1,228		Water			1,631
1,149		Electricity			1,021
0		Internet			106
2,102		Repairs and Maintenance			1,614
279		Repairs to the Boiler			438
1,148		Printing Stationery and Office Expenses			1,065
	16,773				<u>16,197</u>
	5,003	<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>			4,928
	48,565	<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>			46,400
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>					
1,302		Gas		986	
146		Water		214	
859		Electricity		906	
1,178		Insurance		1,257	
1,650		Hall Cleaning		1,950	
354		Refuse Collection		417	
4,995		General Repairs and Maintenance		80	
180		Gardening		180	
211		Music Licence		213	
0		Other		36	6,239
	10,875				
	0	MAGAZINE PAYMENTS			
	5,043	WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS			2,811
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>					
<u>1,075</u>		Other Costs		<u>2,453</u>	
	1,075				2,453
<u>Special Payments</u>					
0		Architects Fees			
0		Less Received from Insurance			
0	0			<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	87,334				79,028
	<u>27,345</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts			<u>15,960</u>

**LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

		ACTUAL 2020
27,345	Excess of Payments over Receipts	15,960
419	Transfer from Rectors Fund	0
27,764	Excess of Receipts over Payments	15,960
27,764		27,764
		2313.6667
Bank Balance 31st December 2020	48,933	Bank Balance 31st December 2019
Bank Balance 31st December 2021	65,561	Bank Balance 31st December 2020
	16,628	48,933
Taxation refund estimate	0	27,764
Insurance church	0	
Insurance church hall	0	
late cheque	143	
late cheque	525	
105,480 Jill		
105,481 Able Security		
cross check balance	15,960	
	0	
		Potential final balance 27,621

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER 2021

	£	£	£
<u>RECEIPTS</u>			
<u>Christian Responsibility Scheme</u>			
Envelopes	7,138		
Other Gift Aid Lloyds and DD's in general acct	44,391		
Taxation Refund (pro rated over the year)	<u>14,193</u>	65,722	
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offerories - Collections	885		
Special Offerories - Weddings Funerals etc.	<u>1,761</u>	2,646	
		<u>68,368</u>	
P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals		8,753	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>77,121</u>	
Church Hall Rentals Received		9,034	
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received	20		
Legacy Interest	15		
Magazine Sales	0		
" Advertisements	<u>0</u>		
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		8,798	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>94,988</u>	

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2022

	£	£	£
<u>RECEIPTS</u>			
<u>Christian Responsibility Scheme</u>			
Envelopes	7,120		
Other Gift Aid	45,279		
Taxation Refund	<u>14,477</u>	66,876	
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offerories - Collections	894		
Special Offerories - Weddings Funerals etc.	<u>1,796</u>	2,690	
		<u>69,566</u>	
P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals		9,190	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>78,756</u>	
Church Hall Rentals Received		9,486	
<u>Other Receipts</u>			
Bank Interest Received	21		
Legacy Interest	16		
Magazine Sales	0		
" Advertisements	<u>0</u>		
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		9,238	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>97,516</u>	

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2021

	ACTUAL 2021	BUDGET 2022
	£	£
TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D	94,988	95,209
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>		
Organ, Organist and Choir	2,549	2,677
Insurance	5,028	5,179
Gas	2,745	4,392
Water	1,631	1,680
Electricity	1,021	1,429
Internet	106	360
Repairs and Maintenance	1,089	4,500
Repairs to the Boiler	438	2,500
Printing Stationery and Office Expenses	1,065	1,076
	<u>15,672</u>	<u>21,116</u>
<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY AND CLERIC</u>	5,252	4,600
<u>CLERICAL SUPPORT</u>		
<u>CHESTER DIOCESAN SHARE</u>	46,400	50,004
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>		
Gas	986	1,578
Water	214	218
Electricity	906	1,178
Insurance	1,257	1,295
Hall Cleaning	1,950	1,800
Refuse Collection	417	425
General Repairs and Maintenance	80	3,000
Gardening	180	180
Internal Painting		400
Music Licence	213	215
Other	36	42
	<u>6,239</u>	<u>10,331</u>
		<u>10,331</u>

MAGAZINE PAYMENTS		MAGAZINE PAYMENTS	
WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS	2,811	WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS	3,500
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>		<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>	
Sunday School, Youth Club and Education		Sunday School, Youth Club and Education	
Churches Together and Lay Courses		Churches Together and Lay Courses	
Flowers		Flowers	
Other Costs	1,986	Other Costs	1,986
	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
<u>Special Payments</u>		<u>Special Payments</u>	
Repairs to the Stonework		Repairs to the Stonework	
Architects Fees		Architects Fees	
Less Received from Insurance		Less Received from Insurance	
	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
	78,360		91,537
Excess of Payments over Receipts	<u>16,628</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts	<u>3,672</u>

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2021 - FINAL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2022

Excess of Payments over Receipts	<u>15,960</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts	3672
Transfer from Rectors Fund		0 Transfer from Hindley Evans A/C Other	8500
Excess of Receipts over Payments	<u>15,960</u>	<u>Excess of Receipts over Payments</u>	<u>12,172</u>

Bank Balance 31st December 2020
 Bank Balance 31st December 2021

48,933
 65,561
 16,628

late cheque 105,480 Jill
 late cheque 105,481 Able Security

143
 525

cross check balance

15,960

Accounts

2020 Annual Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St Mary the Virgin Lymm

Approved Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 9 May 2021

Aim and Purposes

St Mary the Virgin Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral evangelistic social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St Mary the Virgin, Church Road Lymm and the Church Hall off Crouchley Lane Lymm. The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and become part of our parish community.

Mission Statement

St. Mary's is a worshipping community which seeks to nurture people in faith and serve the needs of the wider community through practical engagement.

Aims

1. To share the good news of Jesus Christ to people of all ages and backgrounds
2. To nurture and grow disciples in Jesus Christ
3. To be a Christian presence at the heart of the community in Lymm
4. To provide a resource for the community

Objectives

- a) Attract and retain families and young people to grow the church and be a more broadly based church family (*supporting Aim 1*)
- b) Diversify worship to have some informal services whilst retaining more formal worship (*supporting Aim 1*)
- c) Provide an open, welcoming experience especially to those new to St Mary's (*supporting Aim 1*)
- d) Provide regular discipleship and bible study opportunities to explore faith (*supporting Aim 2*)
- e) Provide Co-ordinated Pastoral Care within church family and within the wider community (*supporting Aim 2&3*)
- f) Sustain links to schools and increase links to schools and young people (*supporting Aim 3*)
- g) Sustain and develop projects and events networking within the church and the wider community (*supporting Aim 3 & 4*)
- h) Maximise the use of the church building and the Church Hall (*supporting Aim 4*)

Achievements and Performance

The government's COVID19 national restrictions and lockdowns in 2020 affected St Mary's. Specifically, the church and the church hall were closed as part of the national lockdown

from 23 March to 4 July 2020 and from 5 November to 2 December 2020. With careful restrictions and COVID compliance the church reopened from 19 July until the national lockdown in November, and again in December with very limited numbers for the Christmas Services due to social distancing. COVID19 meant many of our activities were cancelled this year e.g. St Mary's Teas, Experience Easter the Community Christmas Tree Festival and involvement in Lymm Festivals (e.g. May Queen Festival) which were also cancelled. Community events and concerts (e.g. Lymm and District Chorus) usually held at the church were also unable to take place. St Mary's embraced new technology to continue to provide services prayer and worship. The Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson has her own YouTube Chanel and has been providing services every Sunday via YouTube since the first lockdown 23 March 2020. Weekly prayer via zoom has been led by Derek Buckthorpe, Lay Reader, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A Sunday morning live zoom service has also been introduced during the latest lockdown in January 2021. All of these services have been well attended and greatly appreciated by St Mary's congregation but has also attracted people who are not members of our normal congregation and in the case of the Rector's YouTube services, do not live near Lymm. The Pastoral Care Team continued to meet via zoom and supported our congregation by telephone calls. Unfortunately St Marys was not allowed into the three care homes (Brookfield, Cheshire Grange and Keate House) to take the usual regular services due to COVID restrictions. The Rectors YouTube services were made available to the homes and regular contact was maintained with the care home staff by Ian Bunday, Lay Reader.

St Mary's links to children and young people were also affected by the COVID19. A successful and popular Messy Church known as Snacks and Crafts was launched at the beginning of 2020 which sadly had to cease in March due to the COVID19 Lockdown. This initiative will be re-launched once COVID allows. Visits to the church by School children as part of religious education were also restricted. However the Rector maintains contact with the four primary schools and Lymm High School, being involved in classroom activities via zoom. The Rector is a governor of Lymm High School and a Trustee and Chair of Governors of the new formed Beam Multi Academy Trust involving Ravenbank, Oughtrington, Statham primary schools and Thelwall Infants School. She, therefore, resigned as a governor of Cherry Tree Primary School.

Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson is Chaplain to the Royal British Legion, Lymm and District and is active in wider community projects such as Lymm Clothing Charity, Dickenisan Festival and in other various festivals.

There are 114 parishioners on the 2020 electoral roll which is a reduction of 5 people - two people leaving Lymm to live elsewhere and three people sadly dying. The average weekly attendance in 2020 is difficult to assess due to the church being closed and online services being introduced. Many of the elderly congregation were shielding or nervous of attending large gatherings such as church services due to COVID19 and preferred to remain home to attend the online services. However, basing numbers on when the church was open the average was around 40 adults, 2 children Attendance was adversely affected by COVID19 social distancing limiting numbers who could safely be seated in church, especially for the Christmas services. Online services averaged 50 adults, but there is inevitably a combination of those attending physically and those continuing to prefer online services.

St Mary's serves the community with a range of occasional offices which were also affected by COVID19 restrictions in 2020 including 2 Baptisms 2 Weddings and 14 funerals (4 in church, 7 at a crematorium and 3 graveside funerals). There were also 10 burials of ashes in the church graveyard

Church Building and Church Hall

Church

The Church has been kept strictly COVID-19 compliant throughout, with clear route-ways marked out, safe spacing and appropriate hand-sanitising posts available and risk assessments. The usual regular maintenance has been carried out, and in addition to the annual boiler service, a new thermostat controller has been installed. The many fire-extinguishers have also been serviced. A five-yearly electrical condition survey was also undertaken and the recommendations completed. Portable floodlights have been purchased to improve safety for those who may have to access the south door in darkness. We have also boarded up the outside toilet block to prevent anti-social use. Dampness in the church in certain areas remains a concern and is being monitored. In February 2020, the church wall next to Lymm Dam collapsed. Warrington Borough Council has been responsible for the maintenance of the churchyard since 2006. The council has undertaken investigations but progress is slow. The onus is on Warrington Borough Council to complete the repairs. Issues regarding public use of the church car park, remain ongoing.

Church Hall

The Church Hall has been kept strictly COVID-19 compliant throughout, with clear route-ways marked out, safe spacing and appropriate hand-sanitising posts available and risk assessments. Those hiring the hall have also been asked to provide their own risk assessments and details of their own COVID measures over and above complying with the church hall COVID rules when running their specific sessions (e.g. how the dance academy will operate social distancing). A good deal of improvement works were carried out to, and around, the hall in 2020. The rotten floor in one of the storerooms has been completely replaced, and additional outdoor works to the surrounding ground and drainage have been undertaken to avoid similar problems occurring in the future. In the kitchen, additional plug sockets have been wired in, and a brand-new fridge-freezer has been purchased. A 'new' dishwasher has also been installed replacing the older one. In the toilets, the vinyl flooring has been replaced, which has made a big difference, and the cubicles have also been repainted. Electric hand-dryers have been installed and also motion-sensor activated extractor fans. The two entrance hallways have new lights and been repainted, so they are now much brighter. Despite all of the above, improvement works/repairs are still required, with various holes and minor leaks to be dealt with.

Deanery Synod

The Synod has continued to meet but by Zoom. The Revd Alec Brown reached the end of his time, as Rural Dean and retired, after the September meeting. He had been in post for 10 years and 2 months, possibly a Diocesan record. He was replaced by Revd Jane Proudfoot, who officially took office on October 1st. The Lay Chair, Joan Sears, also retired after 18 years service and she is replaced by Linda Buckley. Deanery Synod representatives had to be elected this year and in our Parish they are Ian Bunday, Sue Eckersall and Jill

Wasey. The Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson is also a Deanery Synod member. Topics covered this year have been a talk from Revd Sarah Fenby about Vocations; and a discussion about ' the greatest challenges facing our parishes at this time'. All the other Deanery events were cancelled because of the COVID virus. Visitors are always welcome to join our Deanery Synod meetings

Ecumenical Relationships

Lymm Churches Together continues to work together. The Rector of St Mary's Reverend Beverley Jameson stepped down in September 2020 as Chair of Churches Together Lymm and District. The new chair is Dave Eadon from the URC Church. The Rector and Derek Buckthorpe are St Mary's representatives. The meetings are thoughtful and enthusiastic with a real sense of togetherness in the planning of the calendar of joint events which has also been affected by church closures and COVID restrictions. The meetings currently take place via zoom. Messy Church and Open the Book were limited due to COVID and school closures. There were attempts to encourage families to participate in Messy Church via zoom but this had limited engagement.

Structure Government and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church representation Rules. At St Mary's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (Rector), church wardens, readers and those elected by members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general importance to the parish deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The Parochial Church Council meets regularly, usually six meetings throughout the year, plus any Standing Committee meetings if needed to make decisions on urgent matters. Some of the PCC meetings took place electronically due to COVID restrictions on gatherings. The Standing Committee met twice firstly to agree remedial electrical work to be carried out as recommended in inspection report. Secondly to finalise Christmas Services and agree St Mary's discretionary fees for weddings, funerals and memorials in 2021 to remain unchanged from 2020

Safeguarding

St Mary's Lymm takes its duty and obligation to protect all extremely seriously. All authorized clergy, Safeguarding Officer, licensed readers and lay workers, church wardens and PCCs have 'due regard' to safeguarding guidance issued by the House of Bishops (including both policy and practice guidance). We have adopted the national Church of England's robust procedures and guidelines. The Diocesan Vulnerability and Safeguarding Officer is Pauline Butterfield who can be contacted regarding all safeguarding issues. St Mary's Safeguarding Officer for 2020 is Christine Scott. St Mary's Policy on the Safeguarding of Children and Adults in the Church was adopted by St. Mary's Lymm at a PCC meeting held on Monday 5th March 2018 This Policy will be reviewed and approved each year to monitor the progress which has been made and was reviewed and approved at PCC Meeting 8 March 2021. The annual Parish Safeguarding Audit has been completed and was also presented to the PCC 8 March 2021. All documentation regarding Church Hall users is in line with the safeguarding

policy and is up to date. All individuals whose roles within St. Mary's require a DBS check hold a current certificate. These will all be renewable every five years as appropriate. The safeguarding Officers number, along with those of 'Childline', Family Lives', and Warrington Children's and Adult Services are displayed in both the church and church hall.

GDPR

The PCC of St Mary's Lymm complies with its obligations under the "GDPR" by keeping personal data up to date; by storing and destroying it securely; by not collecting or retaining excessive amounts of data; by protecting personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and by ensuring that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all those who gave their time in 2020 for the parish including the wardens Kath Buckley and George Bainton, Lay Reader Ian Bunday PCC Secretary and Lay Reader Derek Buckthorpe, Pastoral Worker, Carole Riley, GDPR lead & Data Controller Carol Roberts, Organist Susan Gadd, The Choir, Safeguarding Officer Chris Scott, Mothers Union, Church Women's Fellowship, Liz France and the team of bell ringers, Kath Hough and Mark Linnell for supporting the Church Hall and all those who work tirelessly for the church.

We would also like to thank our Rector Reverend Beverley Jameson, for all her hard work, care for our church community and her work in the wider community in Lymm. We especially thank her for keeping our services and our pastoral contacts going via technology and adapting to the COVID19 restrictions.

Special thanks to those who volunteered to be part of our various teams in 2020

Finance Team (David Young, David Critchley, Liz France)

Grants Team (Lewis Denton, Mike Hall, Tim Morris)

Fabric Team (Alan Richardson, Peter Clark, Mark Lees, George Bainton, Mark Linnell)

Pastoral Care Team (Susan Brook, Derek Buckthorpe, Pauline Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday, Joan Garrett, Carole Riley, Chris Scott)

Administrative Information

St Mary the Virgin Lymm is situated on Church Road, Lymm, WA13 0QS. It is part of the Diocese of Chester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, 46 Rectory Lane, Lymm WA13 0AL. St Mary's Church Hall is situated off Crouchley Lane Lymm WA13 0AS. The PCC is the body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2011) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission Charity Registration number 1179339

Officers

St Mary's Safeguarding Officer – Chris Scott

GDPR Officer & Data Controller- Carol Roberts

Health and Safety Officer (including Risk Assessments) – Alan Richardson

Electoral Roll Officer – Vanessa Lees

PCC Secretary – Derek Buckthorpe

PCC Members

Rector - Reverend Beverley Jameson

Wardens – Kath Buckley and George Bainton

Treasurer – David Young

Readers –Derek Buckthorpe, Ian Bunday

Pastoral Worker - Carole Riley

Deanery Synod Elected Members

Ian Bunday, Jill Wasey and Sue Eckersall

PCC Elected Members at Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting 2020

Vicky Bettridge

Robert Buckley

Peter Clark

Lewis Denton

Simon Fathers

Liz France

Joan Garrett

Mike Hall

Chris Scott

Jonathan Wide

David Young (Treasurer)

Financial Review

We are still in unprecedented times and we are extremely grateful for all the continued support given by many members of our congregation and general public. Overall our income showed a small decrease of some £2k which is quite remarkable considering our church hall income decreased by 50% and there was a sharp fall in our weddings and funerals receipts. As mentioned we are indebted to the continued support of our loyal congregation and donations from the general public. We were also fortunate in receiving £20k from a legacy which came with no restrictions in its use.

With the ongoing situation we reduced our monthly Diocesan share which took some pressure off ongoing expenditure. This reduced contribution will continue for the foreseeable future. The lockdown meant utility costs reduced for both the church and church hall. Unlike last year we incurred no one off repairs on the stonework but as we know we enjoy being in a historic church, but we must prepare for unexpected repair costs. During the last financial year we undertook some maintenance/repair work on the church hall. This on the back of receiving some grants, this investment will be money well spent and hopefully in the near future this expenditure will be recouped.

Overall our bank accounts appear healthy and we made a positive return last year, but it only needs one unexpected occurrence for our reserves to be put under pressure, we also need to finance clerical support from the mid year for the curate. The sooner we can have the church hall income restored the better. We will continue to monitor our finances closely. To this end I am personally very grateful for the support given to me in providing the financial data. We are fortunate to have a number of hard working dedicated personnel at our disposal

Overall our balance looks healthy but we know there will be increased expenditure over the coming months, plus there is no guarantee when our church hall income will be back on track

I am grateful to a number of people for their support David and Sylvia Critchley's continued dedication is beyond admiration and David for keeping on top of all the cheques, Mike Hall for his endeavours with utilities, Lewis Denton and Tim Morris doing great work in the background on Grant applications and Liz for chasing in the tax rebate A special thank you to all at St Marys and the kindness of the general public.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to seek to hold £10,000 in unrestricted reserves to cover running costs in the event of a major problem; this also equates to approx six weeks normal running costs. It is the policy to:

- Use the remaining £14,000 of Endowment funds
- Redefine the £80,000 in the Re-ordering fund
- The funds to be used to meet anticipated costs to the building over the next five years as well as provide additional support for some unforeseen repairs or projects.

Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary the Virgin, Lymm

For the year ended 31 December 2020

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

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



Christopher Callaway MSc
181 Pensby Road, Heswall, Wirral, CH61 6UB

Date 05/03/2021

Accounts

LYMM PARISH CHURCH RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2020

2019			2020	
£	£	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£
		<u>Christian Responsibility Scheme</u>		
11,566		Envelopes	7,200	
40,535		Other Gift Aid Lloyds and DD's in general acct	43,128	
<u>14,828</u>	66,929	Taxation Refund (pro rated over the year)	<u>14,633</u>	64,961
		<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>		
	3,221	General Offertories - Collections	1,999	
	<u>1,213</u>	Special Offertories - Weddings Funerals etc.	<u>649</u>	2,648
	71,363			<u>67,609</u>
	<u>13,705</u>	P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals		<u>6,071</u>
	85,068	TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>73,680</u>
	18,847	Church Hall Rentals Received		9,142
		<u>Other Receipts</u>		
	61	Bank Interest Received		46
	34	Legacy Interest		47
1,020		Magazine Sales	895	
<u>170</u>	1,190	" Advertisements	<u>120</u>	1,015
	11,971	Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		<u>30,749</u>
				31,857
	<u>117,171</u>	TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>114,679</u>
Check	117,171			99,915
				14,764

LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2020

2019			ACTUAL 2020		
£	£		£	£	£
	117,171	TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D			114,679
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
<u>CHURCH AND SERVICES</u>					
2,808		Organ, Organist and Choir			966
5,203		Insurance (estimate based on last year)			4,954
6,850		Gas			4,947
920		Water			1,228
3,019		Electricity			1,149
1,012		Repairs and Maintenance			2,102
607		Repairs to the Boiler			279
2,338		Printing Stationery and Office Expenses			1,148
	22,757				<u>16,773</u>
	5,178	<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY</u>			5,003
	72,824	<u>MINISTRY SUPPORT COSTS</u>			48,565
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>					
1,944		Gas	1,302		
261		Water	146		
518		Electricity	859		
1,238		Insurance(based on last year)	1,178		
1,800		Hall Cleaning	1,650		
540		Refuse Collection	354		
0		General Repairs and Maintenance	4,995		
180		Gardening	180		
0		Internal Painting			
224		Music Licence	211		
250		Other	0		10,875
	6,956				
	98	MAGAZINE PAYMENTS			
	3,663	WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS			5,043
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>					
1,889		Sunday School, Youth Club and Education			
370		Churches Together and Lay Courses			
0		Flowers			
320		Other Costs	1,075		
	2,579				<u>1,075</u>
<u>Special Payments</u>					
6,000		Repairs to the Stonework			
1,632		Architects Fees			
0		Less Received from Insurance			
	7,632		<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
	121,687				87,334
	<u>(4,516)</u>	Excess of Payments over Receipts			<u>27,345</u>

**LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2020**

ACTUAL 2019

<u>(4,516)</u>	<u>27,345</u>
Excess of Payments over Receipts	-4515.58
8,000	8000
Transfer from Hindley Evans	
Transfer from Rectors Trust	419
<u>3,484</u>	<u>27,764</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments	
Bank Balance 31st December 2019	21,169
Bank Balance 31st December 2020	<u>48,933</u>
	27,764

Bank Balances as at 1st January 2019	17,685
Bank Balances as at 31st December 2019	21,169
	<u>3,484</u>

Reconciliation	0
Taxation refund estimate included in bank balance receipts	0
Insurance church estimate	0
Insurance church hall estimate	0
Insurance cheque - 100085 pro rated out as above	0
cross check balance	<u>27,764</u>
	0

Potential final balance

Outstanding Cheques	allowed for in Bank Rec
Waterplus 105342	386.96
Able Secu 105343	214.02
Imprint 105344	49.5
duplicate Able Secu 105345	0
Bev Simp: 105346	<u>150</u>

800.48

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

2019	<u>CASH FUNDS</u>		
£	<u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u>	£	£
10,437	Bank Account Barclays	37,286	
6,269	Bank Account Lloyds	11,647	
<u>4,463</u>	Weddings and Funeral Account	<u>0</u>	
21,169	Total Unrestricted Funds		48,933
	<u>DESIGNATED FUNDS</u>		
0	St Mary's Reordering Funds	0	
<u>0</u>	Hindley Evans	<u>0</u>	
0			0
	<u>RESTRICTED FUNDS</u>		
7,021	Hindley Evans	8,414	
414	Rectors Trust		
3,148	Education Trust	3,249	
6,792	St Mary's Reordering Funds	8,133	
<u>80,000</u>	St Mary's Reordering Funds	<u>80,000</u>	
97,375			99,796
<u><u>118,544</u></u>	TOTAL	<u><u>148,729</u></u>	
	Tax Recoverable	There is approximately £14,000 of Income tax due for 2020.	
	Assets Retained	Lymm PCC own the church hall , both the land and the buildings	
	Liabilities	There are no significant liabilities	
	Endowments/Deposit	We have four endowment deposit accounts which total £24,248.88	

BANK RECONCILIATIONS 31ST DECEMBER 2020

CURRENT ACCOUNT

				£	
Balance as at 31st December 2020				37639.8	
Less Unpresented Cheques					
	PPL PRS	105400	165.84		
Able Security		105402	105.72		
Water plus		105404	81.88		
				<u>353.44</u>	
Balance per accounts				<u><u>37286.36</u></u>	

WEDDINGS AND FUNERAL ACCOUNTS

Account moved into current account					
Balance as at 31st December 2020				0	
Less Unpresented Cheques					
None					
Balance per Accounts				<u><u>0</u></u>	

ST MARYS REORDERING FUND - RESTRICTED (BARCLAYS AND CCLA)

Balance as at 31st December 2019		86792.02		
CR SCHEME(SO's)		1334.76		
Taxation Refund				
Bank Interest Received(ccla)		6.32		
Closing Balance		<u><u>88133.1</u></u>		88133.1

HINDLEY EVANS FABRIC FUND RESTRICTED

Balance as at 31st December 2019		7020.84		
Deposit		1000		
Interest		<u>393.12</u>		
		1393.12		
		8413.96		
Transfer to General Acct				
Balance		<u><u>8413.96</u></u>		8413.96

RECTORS DISTBN FUND

Balance as at 31st December 2019	414.33
Transfer to current account	-414.33
Balance 31st December 2020	<u><u>0</u></u>

EDUCATION TRUST FUND

Balance as at 31st December 2019	3148.26	
Interest	100.29	
Balance 31st December 2019	<u><u>3248.55</u></u>	3248.55

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER 2020

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
Christian Responsibility Scheme Envelopes	7,200		
Other Gift Aid Lloyds and DD's in general acct	43,128		
Taxation Refund (pro rated over the year)	<u>14,633</u>	64,961	
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offeriors - Collections	1,999		
Special Offeriors - Weddings Funerals etc.	<u>649</u>	2,648	
			<u>67,609</u>

P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals	6,071		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>73,680</u>		

Church Hall Rentals Received 9,142

<u>Other Receipts</u>	£	£	£
Bank Interest Received	46		
Legacy Interest	47		
Magazine Sales	895		
" Advertisements	<u>120</u>	1,015	
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		<u>30,749</u>	
			<u>31,857</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS 114,679

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BUDGET 2021

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	£	£
Christian Responsibility Scheme Envelopes	7,272		
Other Gift Aid	43,559		
Taxation Refund	<u>14,779</u>	65,611	
<u>Non C.R. Scheme</u>			
General Offeriors - Collections	1,899		
Special Offeriors - Weddings Funerals etc.	<u>681</u>	2,581	
			<u>68,191</u>

P.C.C. Fees Weddings and Funerals	6,700		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>74,891</u>		

Church Hall Rentals Received 7,314

<u>Other Receipts</u>	£	£	£
Bank Interest Received	46		
Legacy Interest	48		
Magazine Sales	890		
" Advertisements	<u>120</u>	1,010	
Fundraising Receipts Donations and Other		<u>11,900</u>	
			<u>13,004</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS 95,209

**LYMM PARISH CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2020**

	ACTUAL 2020	BUDGET 2021
	£	£
TOTAL RECEIPTS B/D	114,679	95,209
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
CHURCH AND SERVICES		
Organ, Organist and Choir	966	1,800
Insurance	4,954	5,202
Gas	4,947	5,046
Water	1,228	1,253
Electricity	1,149	1,160
Repairs and Maintenance	2,102	3,744
Repairs to the Boiler	279	607
Printing Stationery and Office Expenses	<u>1,148</u>	<u>1,159</u>
	16,773	19,971
<u>RECTORS EXPENSES AND RECTORY</u>		
	5,003	5,403
<u>CHESTER DIOCESAN SHARE</u>		
	48,565	4,600
		42,744
<u>CHURCH HALL</u>		
Gas	1,302	1,328
Water	146	149
Electricity	859	876
Insurance	1,178	1,202
Hall Cleaning	1,650	1,800
Refuse Collection	354	361
General Repairs and Maintenance	4,995	2,500
Gardening	180	184
Internal Painting		400
Music Licence	211	211
	10,875	9,010
		9,010
<u>MAGAZINE PAYMENTS</u>		
		6,000
<u>WEDDING AND FUNERAL PAYMENTS</u>		
<u>OTHER PAYMENTS</u>		
Other Costs	<u>1,075</u>	<u>1,123</u>
Special Payments	1,075	1,123
Repairs to the Stonework		4,000
Architects Fees		0
Less Received from Insurance	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	87,334	92,852
Excess of Payments over Receipts	<u>27,345</u>	<u>2,357</u>

