THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN TICEHURST

England & Wales · Charity number 1180171

Details

Other names	ST. MARY'S TICEHURST
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2018-10-03
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: Religious ActivitiesPromoting in the Eccleastical Parish the whole mission of the church.

Classification

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

Geography

- East Sussex

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Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£70,968	£123,134	-	-
2023-12-31	£66,158	£163,536	-	-
2022-12-31	£270,278	£137,457	-	-
2021-12-31	£348,836	£117,556	-	-
2020-12-31	£149,552	£96,600	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREA CLARE PILCHER		2023-05-11
JACQUELINE KAYE SCOTT WARD		2009-04-24
JUDITH DIANA WHITEMAN		2016-04-26
MARIAN COOK		2016-04-28
Marianne Louise Barratt		2019-04-29
Peter John Reeves		2013-04-28
Peter Windham Page Johnson		2023-05-11
ROSEMARY HUNNEYBELL		2014-04-28
SHEILA DOROTHY MINET		2018-04-26

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Trustees Annual Report 2024

1.Our aims and purposes as a charity

The PCC has the responsibility of cooperating in:-

promotion of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

promoting in the parish the mission of the church, pastoral, social, ecumenical, environmental and evangelistic.

practical support and care for all people in the parish irrespective of age, need and ability to pay.

providing financial support to those in need and to other organisations with similar objectives.

2.What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives

We planned to do the following:

To enable as many people as possible to become part of our parish community:-

teaching, baptism and nurturing new and existing believers.

keeping the church open during the daytime for the community to visit, use for prayer and meditation.

To offer services of worship to God:-

maintaining an overview of worship throughout the parish

considering how services can involve the many groups that live within the parish

putting faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament

being as receptive as possible to those wanting baptism, weddings and funerals at St.Mary's.

To promote the Gospel and pray that the unchurched may find the fullness of life in Jesus Christ:-

assisting people from all walks of life to develop their knowledge of and trust in Jesus

holding courses to advance discipleship, theological understanding and education.

establishing small groups at which we learn about the Bible and faith with study worship prayer and fellowship.

witnessing the good news of Jesus Christ by pursuing the mission of God in its different forms

To engage in Evangelism and Outreach to the parish:-

reaching out to those who do not come to church at events such as coffee mornings, concerts, a lunch to celebrate the Harvest and a Christmas Fair.

promoting Harvest Festival, providing refreshments and distributing food gifts to the local food bank.

encouraging care for the environment, God's creation through our Eco Church status and initiatives

reaching out to the community by advertising seasonal events and celebrations

seeking to grow our church aimed especially at the younger generation and developing our links("Open the Book" assemblies and worship) with our village C of E primary school.

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We provide a special building and churchyard for people to enjoy:-
enabling an appreciation of church building in the history and archaeology of the area by being open from 8am until 4pm for everyone to use.

We provide tangible pastoral and financial support to the poor and needy:-
providing pastoral care for people whether part of St Mary's Church or not
providing financial assistance to those in need in the parish
spending the income of our parish trusts according to the objects established by their donors.

We consider the needs of people served by other charities and overseas:-
giving grants to wider Christian charities
giving grants to missionary organisations that show God's love in the poorest nations.

When planning our activities for the year the PCC considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.
The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, fully recognising its duty to have due regard to House of Bishop's guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

3. What we achieved and how the activities of the church affected the beneficiaries lives

Attendance at worship

The church welcomes visitors from the parish as well as those coming from outside and we feel that this and attendance at worship was a major demonstration of our activities providing spiritual and pastoral support to the community.
The average regular weekly attendance counted for the diocese records during October 2024 was 58 adults and 2 children.. The congregation in church at Easter was marginally greater than last year, 146. The Bishop of Chichester officiated at our service of Remembrance held around the War Memorial in the village and the service in church that followed. Both were very well attended. The services over Christmas were all well attended with 405 worshippers.

Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers;-

A small weekly group meet for study fellowship and prayer.
church led assemblies at the village school following 'Open the Book',(a national Bible stories drama scheme run by the Bible Society) continue to be very popular with the children and the teaching staff.
A weekly play group for toddlers and their parent/carer has proved to be a popular addition to our activities.

Evangelism and outreach

In the absence of an incumbent our churchwarden continued to write to parishioners with weekly notices and a monthly letter. Events and service details are posted on social media regularly and the church continues to contribute to the very popular monthly village magazine. These communications have all been continued since the retirement of the vicar in October 2023.

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We were able to plan for the Great Big Green Week activities which were taking place from 8 to 16 June in communities around the UK to celebrate what we are doing to help nature and take action on climate change. Communities and business groups helped us to celebrate the week which included a Coffee and Conversation morning, a very popular Swap Shop and other well attended events throughout the week . We held a Pet Service in church on 6 October with a great variety of friendly pets joining in with a good size congregation..
The weekly Warm Welcome morning, open to all, which we started in 2022, serving cake, tea and coffee with no expected charge continues to be very successful and attracts up to 45 attendees from the village and surrounding areas on Friday mornings.

Provision of the church building and churchyard for people to enjoy.
Our church continues to be appreciated by our parishioners and many others as a space where life events are celebrated with joy and thanksgiving.
During 2024 we celebrated the baptism of 6 infants, 4 services of Holy Matrimony and we held 5 funeral services. There were 8 interment of ashes (mostly in our Garden of Remembrance).

The church is open for visitors daily from 8am until 4pm
The churchyard has been enjoyed by many. It is a well kept place and volunteers have adopted trees keeping brambles, ivy and weeds at bay The grass in one area of the closed churchyard(i.e no burials there now) is controlled by a flock of sheep and the rest of the grass area is mowed by the district council . We employ a gardener who cares for the new burial ground and the Garden of Remembrance.
We had formed an Eco Church Working Group to pursue the scheme run by A Rocha UK, a Christian charity with a remit to mobilise Christians and Churches to care for the environment. We have involved people from the village in our project to care for 'God's Acre' and have installed bat boxes, bird boxes and a bug hotel as well as a hedgehog home and an owl box in the churchyard. In addition we have pledged to move towards carbon net zero.
We are pleased to welcome a group of men who have formed a singing group which meets fortnightly to practice in our church room.
Music is an important communal part of our worship and our choir robe for most services. A service of carols and readings during Advent was attended by over 100 people.

Spatial reordering of the church building and future projects.
One project that still needs to be considered is the very old heating system (the pipework) so that we can extend a warm welcome to visitors in a warmer church.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
The Churchwarden has made home visits during the year and telephone calls to parishioners have also been a comfort to many. This aspect of our ministry is much appreciated and has been continued since the retirement of the vicar.

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Provision of tangible support to the poor and needy.-
The Church has supported Family Support Work Charity set up originally by our Diocese and during the year we collect groceries, toiletries and clothing items for this charity.

The PCC also made donations to Family Support Work, The Church Mission Society, and Le Chiele Africa .

Mission Action Plan
All the above were considered by our PCC in our meetings.

Financial review

Incoming and outgoing resources
The total receipts were £70,968.15 and are detailed in the Financial Report.

Reserves Policy
Why we hold some money in reserve.
We are very pleased to have the money we have in reserve for the following reasons:-
Major building works following our last Quinquennial inspection.
Heating System review.
Reaching carbon net zero by 2030 as General Synod's decision in 2022.
Improvements such as replacement of all worship material following the accession of King Charles lll.
Two major bequests we received three years ago were unrestricted.
All of these items contribute to benefit the public.

Management of Risk
The PCC has the ongoing task of reviewing major risks which impact on the work of the church. PAT testing is done yearly and Fire extinguishers are also checked each year. Lightning protection and electrical testing is undertaken regularly.
The PCC consider the principal risks and uncertainties are:-
the requirement to find volunteers with the appropriate skills, time and commitment to support the daily running of the church
Health and Safety Risk of trips in some areas of the uneven churchyard due to ant hills and broken monuments. Whilst this area is fenced off and sheep graze in it, there are monuments which people visit but because permission is needed for access we are able to caution these visitors before access is given.

As for the Future
Open the Book - it is clear again just how much this is appreciated by the school and by the children.
Our Vicar retired in October 2023 and the post of an incumbent was advertised during the year. . This post had not been filled at the end of 2024. The day to day running of the church continues with help from occasional clergy for special life services and other weekly services. We continue to pray that the right person sees our advertisement and is inspired to apply.

Sharing the Ministry costs of the Diocese of Chichester

The largest expenditure of the PCC was the sum of £65,000 paid to the diocese for our share of all churches' Parish Ministry Costs. This amount goes towards housing, stipend and pension costs of the clergy and a standard sum for diocesan central costs, clergy training and a contribution to general church funds.

Staff costs

The PCC paid for Book-keeping services, occasional Clerical duty following the retirement of the incumbent and the expenses of an organist. Details are provided in the accounts.

Office costs.

These were just day to day running costs this year amounting to £2244.74..

Trustee payments and expenses .

The PCC also supported the Vicarage and whilst council tax is not payable on an empty Clergy House there were still costs of telephone, and utilities.

Repairs to the fabric of the church building.

There was ingress of water from the roof which was repaired and repair to a small part of a stained glass window.

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The Structure, governance and management of the charity
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Mary the Virgin Ticehurst has been entered onto the Register of Charities, registered number 1180171. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Council(Powers) Measure 1956. During the year, 2024, the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex officio members		
Incumbent and Chairman	vacancy	
Warden and acting Chairman	Mrs Judith Whiteman	
Elected Members	Mrs Marian Cook	Secretary
	Mr Peter Reeves	
	Mrs Marianne Barratt	
	Mrs Sheila Minet	
	Mrs Angela Howitt	
	Mrs Jacky Ward	
	Mr Peter Johnson	
	Mrs Andrea Pilcher	
	Mrs Susan Wyatt	
	Mrs Jane Pentecost Wild	
Deanery Synod Representatives	Miss Rosemary Hunneybell	
	Mrs Sheila Mackenzie	
	Mrs Sheila Minet	

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules and consists of several ex officio members, (the incumbent, lay readers licensed to officiate in the church, the church wardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods). Members are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balanced of skills where possible.

This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and
signed on their behalf by Judith Whiteman, Churchwarden and PCC Chairman

Signature Judith Whiteman.....Date 3 June 2025.....

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for the Parochial Church Council of

St Mary's Church, Ticehurst

for the year ended
31st December 2024

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Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary's Church, Ticehurst for the Year Ended 31st December, 2024

Section A

This is my report to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish (PCC) of St Mary, Ticehurst, on the annual report for the year ended 31st December 2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The PCC members are responsible for the preparation of the annual reports. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
2. to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
3. to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

** Please delete the words in the (brackets) if they do not apply*

Examiner's signature .....

Examiner's name *CAPITALS* ..... GEOFFREY BARRATT

Date ..... 15th May 2025

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body *If any* ..... FELLOW OF THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANTS (RETIRED)

Examiner's address

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o the PCC of St Mary's Church, Ticehurst
for the Year Ended 31st December, 2024

Section B	Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems *for example:*

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with s132 of the Charities' Act 2011 and those accounts do not comply with the requirements of the 2008 Regulations setting out the form and content of charity accounts;
- any material expenditure or action which appears not to be in accordance with the trusts of the charity;
- any failure to be provided with information and explanations by any past or present trustee, officer or employee; and
- any material inconsistency between the accounts and the trustees' annual report.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose

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St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2023 through December 2024

		Jan - Dec 23	Jan - Dec 24	Increase/ Decrease	Notes
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
	Activities for Generating Funds	2,284.90	4,905.70	2,620.80	*includes Tongswood concert, GBGW & Christmas Fair*
	Gift Aid	*6,506.99*	*6,700.70*	193.71	*H*
	Giving	38,708.77	40,942.91	2,234.14	
	Income from Church Activites	454.00	1,439.00	985.00	*field rental, hire of St Mary's Room*
	Interest on Bank Accts & Trusts	4,648.32	4,484.04	-164.28	
	Other Income	13,555.13	12,495.80	-1,059.33	*includes £11,719 weddings/funerals and £564 insurance claim*
	Legacy	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Income		66,158.11	70,968.15	4,810.04	
Expense					
	Advertising & Promotion	625.97	742.00	116.03	
	Bookkeeping Services	2,520.78	2,078.48	-442.30	
	Books & Music	532.36	190.44	-341.92	
	Charitable Grants & Donations	2,776.72	2,785.43	8.71	
	Church Building			0.00	
	Churchyard Maintenance	2,626.00	2,920.46	294.46	
	Cleaning	797.49	1,217.99	420.50	
	Repairs and Maintenance	47,782.77	20,521.90	-27,260.87	*2024 includes roof and stonework repairs*
	Utilities	8,294.09	6,663.63	-1,630.46	
	Total Church Building	59,500.35	31,323.98	-28,176.37	
	Clergy & Other People'sExpenses				
	Bellringing Services	300.00	480.00	180.00	
	Choir Charges	600.00	1,200.00	600.00	
	Occasional Clerical Duty	532.70	594.90	62.20	
	Organist Expenses	3,519.95	3,681.91	161.96	
	Parish Administrator	939.45	0.00	-939.45	
	Recruitment Costs	0.00	845.28	845.28	
	Vergering	330.00	360.00	30.00	
	Total Clergy & Other People'sExpenses	6,222.10	7,162.09	939.99	
	Conferences & Meetings	51.90	0.00	-51.90	
	Cost of Raising Funds	0.00	336.60	336.60	
	Dues & Subscriptions	220.00	193.00	-27.00	
	Equipment			0.00	
	Equipment Rental	24.00		-24.00	
	Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	2,101.13	1,603.23	-497.90	
	Expensed Equipment	5,432.97	107.15	-5,325.82	

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January 2023 through December 2024

Fire Equipment & Service	95.76		-95.76	
Organ Tuning & Maintenance	264.00	278.00	14.00	
Piano Tuning	40.00	40.00	0.00	
Total Equipment	7,957.86	2,028.38	-5,929.48	
Events	200.00	0.00	-200.00	Bumblebees talk
Funeral Costs	250.00	600.00	350.00	
Gifts	2,091.92	116.89	-1,975.03	
Insurance Expense	4,734.76	4,853.30	118.54	
Management & Administration	400.25	50.00	-350.25	
Bank Service Charges	498.26	-541.54	-1,039.80	bank fees refunded
Consumables	99.06	212.26	113.20	
DBS Checks etc	36.00	22.00	-14.00	
IT & Internet Expenses	839.11	885.33	46.22	
Licences	374.41	476.44	102.03	
Other Office Expense	45.00	0.00	-45.00	
Postage and Delivery	14.40	15.35	0.95	
Printing	30.00	0.00	-30.00	
Stationery	163.09	29.13	-133.96	
Stationery (Printed)	148.69	153.26	6.57	
Telephone	179.96	636.99	457.03	previously shared cost with Vicar
Website Maintenance	36.00	305.52	269.52	
Total Management & Administration	2,862.23	2,244.74	-617.49	
Other Fees to Diocese				
Occasional Services	3,004.00	1,625.00	-1,379.00	
Total Other Fees to Diocese	3,004.00	1,625.00	-1,379.00	
Parish Contribution	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00	
Regular Church Costs				
Candles	99.50	153.48	53.98	
Communion Supplies	53.04	100.94	47.90	
Flowers	781.08	701.69	-79.39	
Total Regular Church Costs	933.62	956.11	22.49	
Rent & Rates	2,873.26	-195.30	-3,068.56	Council Tax partly refunded
Service Expenses General			0.00	
Children's Supplies	26.85	108.74	81.89	
Decorations (Christmas etc)	0.00	19.18	19.18	
Service Expenses	120.55		-120.55	
Total Service Expenses General	147.40	127.92	-19.48	
Vicar's Expenses	1,031.65	965.64	-66.01	
Total Expense	163,536.88	123,134.70	-40,402.18	

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Profit Loss
January 2023 through December 2024

Net Ordinary Income	-97,378.77	-52,166.55	45,212.22
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Increase/Decrease in Investments	20,983.16	5,586.58	-15,396.58
Dividend	6,670.31	6,774.33	104.02
Total Other Income	27,653.47	12,360.91	-15,292.56
Net Other Income/Expense	27,653.47	12,360.91	-15,292.56
Increase/Loss for the Year	**-69,725.30**	**-39,805.64**	29,919.66

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St Mary's Ticehurst
UK Balance Sheet - Standard
As of 31 December 2024

	31 Dec 22	31 Dec 23	31 Dec 24		Notes
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
Other Current Assets					
Gift Aid due	8,051.74	6,396.98	6,614.68		*due on 2024 donations*
Prepayments	924.49	968.70	0.00		*currently not paying council tax on empty Vicarage*
Total Other Current Assets	8,976.23	7,365.68	6,614.68		
Funds					
Dora Luckin (Investment)	214,657.07	234,852.79	240,228.20	A	
Fabric Fund (Investment)	4,533.32	4,959.83	5,073.35	B	
Music Fund (Deposit)	1,877.49	1,937.67	2,040.51	C	
Rule (Investment)	3,874.27	4,235.20	4,332.85	D	
	224,942.15	245,985.49	251,674.91		
Cash at bank and in hand					
Current Account	500.00	500.00	525.00	E	
Business Reserve	413,237.90	324,799.09	278,367.35	F	
Cash	0.00	574.35	0.00		*In 2023 Christmas collection not banked until Jan25*
Petty Cash (Vicarage)	49.39	0.00	0.00		
	413,787.29	325,873.44	278,892.35		
Total Current Assets	**647,705.67**	**579,224.61**	**537,181.94**		
Current Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	493.58	1,960.97	77.10	G	*December-dated invoices paid January 25*
Other Current Liabilities					
Accruals	3,497.31	3,274.16	2,921.00		*2024-related costs, paid out in 2025: statutory fees due to Diocese £2487, Christingle collection £434 pd to Children Society Jan25*
Total Other Current Liabilities	3,497.31	3,274.16	2,921.00		
Total Current Liabilities	**3,990.89**	**5,235.13**	**2,998.10**		
NET CURRENT ASSETS	**643,714.78**	**573,989.48**	**534,183.84**		
Represented by:-					
Reserves					
Opening Funds	536,651.64	643,714.78	573,989.48		
Net Increase in Asset Value	107,063.14	-69,725.30	-39,805.64		
Closing funds	**643,714.78**	**573,989.48**	**534,183.84**		

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for the year ended
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UK Balance Sheet - Standard
As of 31 December 2023

	Accrual Accounting 31 Dec 21	Accrual Accounting 31 Dec 22	Accrual Accounting 31 Dec 23	Notes
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Other Current Assets				
Gift Aid due	9,482.88	8,051.74	6,396.98	*due on 2023 donations*
Prepayments	12,331.17	924.49	968.70	*Council Tax - last 3 months*
Total Other Current Assets	21,814.05	8,976.23	7,365.68	
Funds				
Dora Luckin (Investment)	454,699.65	214,657.07	234,852.79	
Fabric Fund (Investment)	5,138.17	4,533.32	4,959.83	
Music Fund (Deposit)	1,853.12	1,877.49	1,937.67	
Rule (Investment)	4,393.19	3,874.27	4,235.20	
	466,084.13	224,942.15	245,985.49	
Cash at bank and in hand				
Current Account	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Business Reserve	53,084.58	413,237.90	324,799.09	
Cash	654.16	0.00	574.35	*Collection and Numbered Envelopes Christmas week, not yet cleared in bank*
Petty Cash (Vicarage)	49.39	49.39	0.00	
	54,288.13	413,787.29	325,873.44	
Total Current Assets	**542,186.31**	**647,705.67**	**579,224.61**	
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	721.00	493.58	1,960.97	*various December-dated invoices paid January 24*
Other Current Liabilities				
Accruals	4,415.67	3,497.31	3,274.16	*2023-related costs, paid out in 2024: statutory fees due to Diocese £3116, B&K Electrical 158.16*
St Aug - funeral fee holding	398.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Other Current Liabilities	4,813.67	3,497.31	3,274.16	
Total Current Liabilities	**5,534.67**	**3,990.89**	**5,235.13**	
NET CURRENT ASSETS	**536,651.64**	**643,714.78**	**573,989.48**	
Represented by:-				
Reserves				
Opening Funds	253,937.06	536,651.64	643,714.78	
Net Increase in Asset Value	282,714.58	107,063.14	-69,725.30	
Closing funds	**536,651.64**	**643,714.78**	**573,989.48**	

St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2022 through December 2023

	Accrual Accounting Jan - Dec 22	Accrual Accounting Jan - Dec 23	Increase/ Decrease	Notes
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Activities for Generating Funds				
Gift Aid	1,949.89	2,284.90	335.01	*includes fete & Christmas Fair*
Giving	*8,210.23* **	*6,506.99*	-1,703.24	*H*
Income from Church Activites	34,542.43	38,708.77	4,166.34	
Interest on Bank Accts & Trusts	208.00	454.00	246.00	*field rental, hire of St Mary's Room*
Other Income	841.98	4,648.32	3,806.34	
Legacy	16,637.87	13,555.13	-3,082.74	*includes £9317 weddings/funerals, Vicar's leaving collection (£940 was received from St Augustine's but has been deducted from the appropriate costs under Expense)*
Total Income	207,888.00	0.00	-207,888.00	
Expense	270,278.40	66,158.11	-204,120.29	*an increase of £4k if Legacy not included*
Advertising & Promotion	482.00	625.97	143.97	
Bookkeeping Services	1,729.25	2,520.78	791.53	*includes work to move to new software*
Books & Music	105.46	532.36	426.90	
Charitable Grants & Donations	3,850.04	2,776.72	-1,073.32	
Church Building				
Churchyard Maintenance	1,825.57	2,626.00	800.43	
Cleaning	261.87	797.49	535.62	
Eco Church costs	311.20	0.00	-311.20	*costs no longer defined separately*
Repairs and Maintenance	11,022.30	47,782.77	36,760.47	*including stonework repairs*
Utilities	4,267.16	8,294.09	4,026.93	
Total Church Building	17,688.10	59,500.35	41,812.25	
Clergy & Other People'sExpenses				
Bellringing Services	0.00	300.00	300.00	
Choir Charges	150.00	600.00	450.00	
Occasional Clerical Duty	418.50	532.70	114.20	
Organist Expenses	2,880.00	3,519.95	639.95	
Parish Administrator	0.00	939.45	939.45	
Training	45.98	0.00	-45.98	
Vergering	325.00	330.00	5.00	
Total Clergy & Other People'sExpenses	3,819.48	6,222.10	2,402.62	
Conferences & Meetings	210.38	51.90	-158.48	
Cost of Raising Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Dues & Subscriptions	40.00	220.00	180.00	
Equipment				
Equipment Rental		24.00	24.00	
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	615.57	2,101.13	1,485.56	

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Profit Loss
January 2022 through December 2023

Expensed Equipment	30,670.02	5,432.97	-25,237.05	
Fire Equipment & Service	279.12	95.76	-183.36	
Organ Tuning & Maintenance	258.00	264.00	6.00	
Piano Tuning	0.00	40.00	40.00	
Total Equipment	31,822.71	7,957.86	-23,864.85	
Events	105.72	200.00	94.28	*Bumblebees talk*
Funeral Costs		250.00	250.00	
Furniture & Fixtures	1,225.50	0.00	-1,225.50	*wooden benches*
Gifts	333.46	2,091.92	1,758.46	*includes £2k for Ashley&Penny, covered by specific donations*
Insurance Expense	4,307.96	4,734.76	426.80	
Management & Administration		400.25	400.25	*Giving Station*
Bank Service Charges	355.90	498.26	142.36	*now charging for current account*
Consumables	179.43	99.06	-80.37	
DBS Checks etc	44.00	36.00	-8.00	
IT & Internet Expenses	721.38	839.11	117.73	*software licences, internet connection*
Licences	328.39	374.41	46.02	*music*
Other Office Expense		45.00	45.00	*shredding*
Postage and Delivery	15.86	14.40	-1.46	
Printing	0.00	30.00	30.00	
Stationery	161.54	163.09	1.55	
Stationery (Printed)	176.75	146.69	-30.06	
Telephone	0.00	179.96	179.96	
Website Maintenance	233.84	36.00	-197.84	
Total Management & Administration	2,217.09	2,862.23	645.14	
Other Fees to Diocese				
Occasional Services	3,056.00	3,004.00	-52.00	
Total Other Fees to Diocese	3,056.00	3,004.00	-52.00	
Parish Contribution	55,500.00	65,000.00	9,500.00	
Regular Church Costs				
Candles	146.04	99.50	-46.54	
Communion Supplies	7.99	53.04	45.05	
Flowers	1,367.19	781.08	-586.11	*2022 included flower festival*
Total Regular Church Costs	1,521.22	933.62	-587.60	
Rent & Rates	3,293.02	2,873.26	-419.76	*Reduction as Vicarage vacated*
Service Expenses General				
Children's Supplies	119.98	26.85	-93.13	
Decorations (Christmas etc)	137.97	0.00	-137.97	
Service Expenses	45.66	120.55	74.89	
Total Service Expenses General	303.61	147.40	-156.21	
Vicar's Expenses	1,210.19	1,031.65	-178.54	
Total Expense	132,821.19	163,536.88	30,715.69	

St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2022 through December 2023

Net Ordinary Income	137,457.21	-97,378.77	-234,835.98
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Increase/Decrease in Investments	-41,166.35	20,983.16	62,149.51
Dividend	10,772.28	6,670.31	-4,101.97
Total Other Income	-30,394.07	27,653.47	58,047.54
Net Other Income/Expense	-30,394.07	27,653.47	58,047.54
Increase/Loss for the Year	**107,063.14**	**-69,725.30**	-176,788.44

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary's Church, Ticehurst for the Year Ended 31st December, 2023

Section A

This is my report to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish (PCC) of St Mary, Ticehurst, on the annual report for the year ended 31st December 2023

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The PCC members are responsible for the preparation of the annual reports. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
2. to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
3. to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

** Please delete the words in the (brackets) if they do not apply*

Examiner's signature .....

Examiner's name *CAPITALS* GEOFFREY BARRATT

Date 21 April 2024

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body *if any* F.C.M.A. (Retired)

Examiner's address

Franklin,
Church Street
Ticehurst
TN5 7AE

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Trustees Annual Report 2023

1.Our aims and purposes as a charity

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- promotion of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.
- promoting in the parish the mission of the church, pastoral, social, ecumenical, environmental and evangelistic.
- practical support and care for all people in the parish irrespective of age, need and ability to pay.
- providing financial support to those in need and to other organisations with similar objectives.

2.What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives

We planned to do the following:

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- teaching, baptism and nurturing new and existing believers
- keeping the church open during the daytime for the community to visit, use for prayer and meditation

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- maintaining an overview of worship throughout the parish
- considering how services can involve the many groups that live within the parish
- putting faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament
- being as receptive as possible to those wanting baptism, weddings and funerals at St.Mary's.

To promote the Gospel and pray that the unchurched may find the fullness of life in Jesus Christ:-

- assisting people from all walks of life to develop their knowledge of and trust in Jesus
- holding courses to advance discipleship, theological understanding and education.
- establishing small groups at which we learn about the Bible and faith with study worship prayer and fellowship.
- witnessing the good news of Jesus Christ by pursuing the mission of God in its different forms

To engage in Evangelism and Outreach to the parish

- reaching out to those who do not come to church at events such as coffee mornings, The Coronation of King Charles III, a lunch to celebrate the Harvest and a Christmas Fayre.

- promoting Harvest Festival, providing refreshments and distributing food gifts to the local food bank.
- encouraging care for the environment, God's creation through our Eco Church status and initiatives
- reaching out to the community by advertising seasonal events and celebrations
- seeking to grow our church aimed especially at the younger generation and developing our links("Open the Book" assemblies and worship) with our village C of E primary school.

We provide a special building and churchyard for people to enjoy:-

- enabling an appreciation of church building in the history and archaeology of the area by being open from 8am until 4pm for everyone to use.

We provide tangible pastoral and financial support to the poor and needy:-

- providing pastoral care for people whether part of St. Mary's Church or not
- providing financial assistance to those in need in the parish
- spending the income of our parish trusts according to the objects established by their donors.

We consider the needs of people served by other charities and overseas:-

- giving grants to wider Christian charities
- giving grants to missionary organisations that show God's love in the poorest nations.

When planning our activities for the year the PCC and our incumbent have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.
The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, fully recognising its duty to have due regard to House of Bishop's guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

3. <u>What we achieved and how the activities of the church affected the beneficiaries lives</u>

Attendance at worship

The church welcomes visitors from the parish as well as those coming from outside and we feel that this and attendance at worship (including regular online services) was a major demonstration of our activities providing spiritual and pastoral support to the community.
The average regular weekly attendance counted for the diocese records during October 2023 was 58 adults and 2 children.. The congregation in church Easter was marginally greater than last year. A service of Remembrance held around the War Memorial in the

village was well attended as was the service in church that followed. The services over Christmas were all well attended.

Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers

- a small weekly group meet for study fellowship and prayer.
- church led assemblies at the village school following 'Open the Book',(a national Bible stories drama scheme run by the Bible Society) continue to be very popular with the children and the teaching staff.
- A weekly play group for toddlers and their parent/carer was launched during the year and had proved to be a popular addition to our activities.

Evangelism and outreach

Our Vicar continued to write to parishioners with weekly notices and a monthly letter as well as posting on Facebook regularly and contributing to the very popular monthly village magazine. These communications have all been continued by the churchwarden since the retirement of the vicar in October.

We were able to plan for the Great Big Green Week activities which were taking place from 10 to 18 June in communities around the UK to celebrate what we are doing to help nature and take action on climate change. Communities and business groups helped us to celebrate the week which included a Coffee and Conversation morning, a well attended successful visit from our MP, a very popular Swap Shop and other well attended events throughout the week. Our organised talk on bumble bees attracted over 70 attendees. We held a Pet Service in church on 3 September with a great variety of friendly pets joining in with a good size congregation..

The weekly Warm Welcome morning, open to all, which we started in 2022, serving cake tea and coffee with no expected charge continues to be very successful and attracting up to 45 attendees from the village and surrounding areas on Friday mornings.

Provision of the church building and churchyard for people to enjoy.

Our church continues to be appreciated by our parishioners and many others as a space where life events are celebrated with joy and thanksgiving.

During 2023 we celebrated the baptism of 7 infants and 2 adults, there were 5 weddings, we held 3 funeral services and there were 4 interment of ashes (mostly in our Garden of Remembrance).

The church is open for visitors daily from 8am until 4pm

The churchyard has been enjoyed by many. It is a well kept place and volunteers have adopted trees keeping brambles, ivy and weeds at bay The grass in one area of the closed

churchyard(i.e no burials there now) is controlled by a flock of sheep and the rest of the grass area is mowed by the district council . We employ a gardener who cares for the new burial ground and the Garden of Remembrance.

We had formed an Eco Church Working Group to pursue the scheme run by A Rocha UK, a Christian charity with a remit to mobilise Christians and Churches to care for the environment.We have involved people from the village in our project to care for 'God's Acre' and have installed bat boxes, bird boxes and a bug hotel as well as a hedgehog home and an owl box in the churchyard. In addition we have pledged to move towards carbon net zero and working towards the Eco Church Awards we were delighted to be awarded the Gold Award in January. It was the first in our Diocese, the 16th in the C of E and the 24th in England and Wales combined.

For the Coronation of King Charles lll on 6 May a number of people from the village joined us to watch the service in our church, relayed on our big screen, from Westminster Abbey followed by a light lunch. The following day, Coronation Sunday, the choir sang a special anthem at our Songs of Praise Service, Make a Joyful Noise, composed by Andrew Lloyd Webber. We then held a large party in the churchyard for congregation and those living around the church also joined us.

We are pleased the weekly over 80's singing group in the church has continued and in addition a group of men have now formed a singing group which meets fortnightly to practice in our church room.

Music is an important communal part of our worship and our choir robe for most services. We invited choirs from all the other churches in our Deanery to come and sing at a special Service of Evensong in our church in June which was well attended and a joyful event.

A service of carols and readings during Advent was attended by 130 people.

Spatial reordering of the church building and future projects.

One project that still needs to be considered is the very old heating system (the pipework) so that we can extend a warm welcome to visitors in a warmer church.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish

The Vicar has made hospital visits and home visits during the year and a regular visit to the local Care Home with a short Holy Communion service. Telephone calls to parishioners have also been a comfort to many. This aspect of our ministry is much appreciated and has been continued since the retirement of the vicar.

Provision of tangible support to the poor and needy

The Church has supported Family Support Work Charity set up originally by our Diocese and during the year we collect groceries, toiletries and clothing items for this charity.

The PCC also made donations to Family Support Work, The Bible Society, The Church Mission Society, A Rocha UK and The Beatrice Drewe Trust

Mission Action Plan

All the above were considered by our PCC in our meetings.

Financial review

Incoming and outgoing resources

The total receipts were £66,158.11 and are detailed in the Financial Report.

Reserves Policy

Why we hold some money in reserve.

We are very pleased to have the money we have in reserve for the following reasons:-

1. Major building works following our last Quinquennial inspection.
2. Heating System review.
3. Reaching carbon net zero by 2030 as General Synod's decision in 2022.
4. Improvements such as replacement of all worship material following the accession of King Charles lll.
5. Two major bequests we received two years ago were unrestricted.
   All of these items contribute to benefit the public.

Management of Risk

The PCC has the ongoing task of reviewing major risks which impact on the work of the church. PAT testing is done yearly and Fire extinguishers are also checked each year. Lightning protection and electrical testing is undertaken regularly.

The PCC consider the principal risks and uncertainties are:-

- the requirement to find volunteers with the appropriate skills, time and commitment to support the daily running os the church
- Health and Safety Risk of trips in some areas of the uneven churchyard due to ant hills, and broken monuments. Whilst this area is fenced off and sheep graze in it, there are monuments which people visit but because permission is needed for access we are able to caution these visitors before access is given

As for the Future

Open the Book - it is clear again just how much this appreciated by the school and by the children.

Our Vicar retired in October and we are currently advertising for an incumbent. The day to day running of the church continues with help from occasional clergy for special life services and other weekly services. We continue to pray that the right person sees our advertisement snd is inspired to apply.

Sharing the Ministry costs of the Diocese of Chichester

The largest expenditure of the PCC was the sum of £65,000 paid to the diocese for our share of all churches' Parish Ministry Costs. This amount goes towards housing, stipend and pension costs of the clergy and a standard sum for diocesan central costs, clergy training and a contribution to general church funds.

Staff costs

The PCC paid for Book-keeping services, occasional Clerical duty following the retirement of the incumbent and the expenses of an organist. Details are provided in the accounts.

Office costs.

These were just day to day running costs this year amounting to £2862.23.

Trustee payments and expenses .

The PCC also supported the Vicarage by paying Council Tax, water charges, a share of the telephone bill and travelling expenses.

Repairs to the fabric of the church building.

Further items detailed for attention on the last Quinquennial Inspection were undertaken and considerable repairs were done to the churchyard wall and to the exterior of the church including pointing replacement, decoration of the porch, repairs to the west door and also plastering and decoration to several areas within the church.

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The Structure, governance and management of the charity

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Mary the Virgin Ticehurst has been entered onto the Register of Charities, registered number 1180171. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Council(Powers) Measure 1956.During the year, 2023, the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex officio members		
Incumbent and Chairman	The Reverend Ashley Evans (until October 2023)	
Reader	Mrs Penny Evans (until October 2023)	
Warden	Mrs Judith Whiteman	
Elected Members	Mrs Marian Cook	Secretary
	Mr Peter Reeves	
	Mrs Marianne Barratt	
	Mrs Sheila Minet	
	Mrs Angela Howitt	
	Mrs Jacky Ward	
	Mrs Frances Harris	
	Miss Rosemary Hunneybell	
Deanery Synod Representatives	Miss Rosemary Hunneybell	
	Mrs Sheila Mackenzie	
	Mrs Penny Evans	

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules and consists of several ex officio members, (the incumbent, lay readers licensed to officiate in the church, the church wardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods). Members are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balanced of skills where possible.

This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and
signed on their behalf by Judith Whiteman, Churchwarden and PCC Chairman

Signature.....Judith Whiteman.....Date.....21st May 2024.....

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN TIC

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Accounts

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2.What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives

We planned to do the following but as COVID19 restrictions continued until 22nd February we organised as many of activities that we could online from the Vicarage, the church and also by telephone contact until that date .Whilst the church continued to remain open for prayer and for services there were still some restrictions and many people were still uncertain about joining in gatherings for some time after the date these restrictions were lifted.

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Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers

- a small weekly group meet for study and prayer, online when necessary.
- During January we were not able to hold the church led assemblies at the village school following 'Open the Book',(a national Bible stories drama scheme run by the Bible Society) but these were enacted in the church and broadcast live to the school until we were able to return when restrictions were lifted.

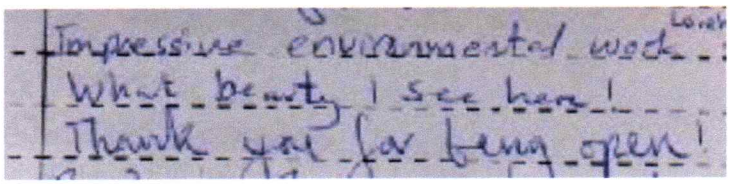
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We again held a Climate Sunday Service on 4th September and were able to plan for the Great Big Green Week activities which were taking place in from 24 September to 2 October in communities around the UK to celebrate what we are doing to help nature and take action on climate change. Communities and business groups helped us to celebrate the week which included a Coffee and Conversation morning, a well attended successful visit from our MP, a very popular Swap Shop and other well attended events throughout the week ending with a Pet Service in church with a great variety of friendly pets joining in.
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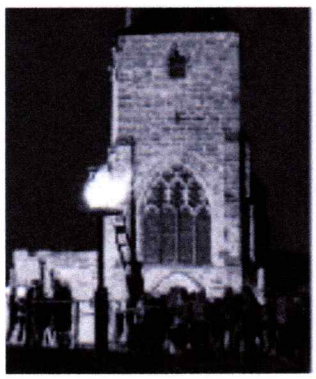
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For the Platinum Jubilee celebrations we lit our churchyard beacon on 2nd June, bell ringers rang the bells from 19.52 until 20.22 on that date and on Saturday 4 June we were greatly involved in the village celebrations by making 100 individual picnic teas, one for each primary school child who attended the event. In addition we held a Flower Festival in the church with a red white and blue theme and some amazing arrangements which was visited by a great number of people.



We are pleased to begin in the Autumn hosting a weekly over 80's singing group in the church.

Music is an important communal part of our worship and our choir robe for most services. A service of carols and readings during Advent was attended by 129 people. The choir sang the RSCM Platinum Jubilee Anthem (Thomas Hewitt Jones) at a special Songs of Praise Service on 5 June attended by 85 people.

Spatial reordering of the church building and future projects.

We commissioned an Audio Visual company to instal a system in our church which allows allow live streaming of any service, recording of special services such as weddings and will enable us and visiting speakers to make presentations projected onto a screen. The work was completed in July and has been very useful during family services.
We were pleased to be able to show the funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth ll on the big screen to those in the village who wished to join us.
One project that still needs to be considered is the very old heating system (the pipework) so that we can extend a warm welcome to visitors in a warmer church.

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The Vicar has made hospital visits and home visits during the year and a regular visit to the local Care Home with a short Holy Communion service. Telephone calls to parishioners have also been a comfort to many. This aspect of our ministry is getting back to normal.

Provision of tangible support to the poor and needy

The Church has supported Family Support Work Charity set up originally by our Diocese and during the year we collect groceries, toiletries and clothing items for this charity. The Vicar is a founder member of The Ticehurst Community Network. In addition the Vicar is a committee member of the local GP Surgery's Patient Participation Group.
The PCC also made donations to Family Support Work, The Bible Society, The Church Mission Society, A Rocha UK , Climate Stewards and World in Need

Mission Action Plan

All the above were considered by our PCC in our mission action planning meeting in July.

Financial review

Incoming and outgoing resources

The total receipts were £270,278.40 and are detailed in the Financial Report.

Reserves Policy

Why we hold some money in reserve.

We are very pleased to have the money we have in reserve for the following reasons:-

1. Major building works following our last Quinquennial inspection.
2. Heating System review.
3. Reaching carbon net zero by 2030 as General Synod's decision in 2022.
4. Improvements such as replacement of all worship material on the accession of King Charles lll.
5. Two major bequests we received last year were unrestricted.
   All of these items contribute to benefit the public.

Management of Risk

The PCC has the ongoing task of reviewing major risks which impact on the work of the church. PAT testing is done yearly and Fire extinguishers are also checked each year. Lightning protection and electrical testing is undertaken regularly.

The PCC consider the principal risks and uncertainties are:-

- the requirement to find volunteers with the appropriate skills, time and commitment to support the daily running os the church
- Health and Safety Risk of trips in some areas of the uneven churchyard due to ant hills, and broken monuments. Whilst this area is fenced off and sheep graze in it, there are monuments which people visit but because permission is needed for access we are able to caution these visitors before access is given

As for the Future

The Coronation. This is covered earlier in the report

Open the Book - it is clear again just how much this appreciated by the school and by the children.

Sharing the Ministry costs of the Diocese of Chichester

The largest expenditure of the PCC was the sum of £55,500 paid to the diocese for our share of all churches' Parish Ministry Costs. This amount goes towards housing, stipend and pension costs of the clergy and a standard sum for diocesan central costs, clergy training and a contribution to general church funds.

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Office costs.

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Trustee payments and expenses .

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Repairs to the fabric of the church building.

A Quinquennial Inspection was undertaken and urgent items have been completed. We have scheduled further items that need attention and will be going out to tender in the new year once the weather is warmer.

The chancel walls were decorated during the year, repairs to the roof were made and a burglar alarm was installed to the church roof to protect the lead.

St Mary's Church Ticehurst

Trustees Annual Report 2022

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	Mr Peter Reeves	
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This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and
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Signature.....Date.....3/5/23.....

Accounts

for the Parochial Church Council of

St Mary's Church, Ticehurst

for the year ended
31st December 2022

St Mary's Ticehurst
UK Balance Sheet - Standard
As of 31 December 2022

	Cash Accounting 31 Dec 20	Accrual Accounting 31 Dec 21	Accrual Accounting 31 Dec 22		Notes
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
Other Current Assets					
Gift Aid due		9,482.88	8,051.74		*due on 2022 donations*
Prepayments		12,331.17	924.49		*Council Tax*
Total Other Current Assets		21,814.05	8,976.23		
Funds					
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Rule (Investment)	3,864.52	4,393.19	3,874.27	D	
	232,164.64	466,084.13	224,942.15		
Cash at bank and in hand					
Current Account	500.00	500.00	500.00	E	
Business Reserve	21,223.03	53,084.58	413,237.90	F	
Cash	0.00	654.16	0.00		*Collection and Numbered Envelopes Christmas week, not yet cleared in bank*
Petty Cash (Vicarage)	49.39	49.39	49.39	G	
	21,772.42	54,288.13	413,787.29		
Total Current Assets	**253,937.06**	**542,186.31**	**647,705.67**		
Current Liabilities					*New section due to accrual accounting*
Accounts Payable		721.00	493.58	H	*various December-dated invoices paid January 23*
Other Current Liabilities					
Accruals		4,415.67	3,497.31		*2022-related costs, paid out in 2023: statutory fees due to Diocese £2720, Christingle collection due to Children Society £3263, website 234*
St Aug - funeral fee holding		398.00	0.00		
Total Other Current Liabilities		4,813.67	3,497.31		
Total Current Liabilities		**5,534.67**	**3,990.89**		
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**536,651.64**	**643,714.78**		
Represented by:-					
Reserves					
Opening Funds	178,503.65	253,937.06	536,651.64		
Net Increase in Asset Value	75,433.41	282,714.58	107,063.14		
Closing funds	**253,937.06**	**536,651.64**	**643,714.78**		

St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2021 through December 2022

	Accrual Accounting Jan - Dec 21	Accrual Accounting Jan - Dec 22	Increase/ Decrease	Notes
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Activities for Generating Funds	1,105.64	1,949.89	844.25	*sales, fairtrade etc*
Eco Church	1,122.23	0.00	-1,122.23	*no longer defined separately*
Gift Aid	*19,069.56* **	*8,210.23*	-10,859.33	***2021 figure includes £9586 received in 2021 on 2020 donations and £9482 due on 2021 donations,*
Giving	38,226.90	34,542.43	-3,684.47	
Income from Church Activites	180.00	208.00	28.00	*field rental, hire of St Mary's Room*
Interest on Bank Accts & Trusts	6.22	841.98	835.76	*increase due to transfer of £200k from Dora Luckin Fund*
Other Income	18,850.13	16,637.87	-2,212.26	*includes £1617 Flimwell portion of costs, £9052 weddings/funerals, £355 grants*
Legacy	270,275.74	207,888.00	-62,387.74	*from 3 legacies*
Total Income	348,836.42	270,278.40	-78,558.02	
Expense				
Advertising & Promotion	110.00	482.00	372.00	
Bookkeeping Services	2,032.15	1,729.25	-302.90	
Books & Music	341.20	105.46	-235.74	
Charitable Grants & Donations	2,280.46	3,850.04	1,569.58	
Church Building				
Churchyard Maintenance	1,354.25	1,825.57	471.32	
Churchyard Works	327.42	0.00	-327.42	
Cleaning	13.71	261.87	248.16	
Eco Church costs	1,138.20	311.20	-827.00	*most costs no longer defined separately: carbon offset £226, Gold Award £85*
Repairs and Maintenance	32,046.34	11,022.30	-21,024.04	*including chancel repairs. storm damage, roof alarm, AV improvements*
Utilities	4,833.69	4,267.16	-566.53	
Total Church Building	39,713.61	17,688.10	-22,025.51	
Clergy & Other People'sExpenses				
Bellringing Services	260.00	0.00	-260.00	
Choir Charges	250.00	150.00	-100.00	
Occasional Clerical Duty	105.80	418.50	312.70	
Organist Expenses	2,648.75	2,880.00	231.25	
Parish Administrator	456.75	0.00	-456.75	*vacant post*
Training	30.00	45.98	15.98	
Vergering	225.00	325.00	100.00	
Total Clergy & Other People'sExpenses	3,976.30	3,819.48	-156.82	
Conferences & Meetings	28.70	210.38	181.68	*hall hire for APCM*
Cost of Raising Funds	81.80	0.00	-81.80	
Dues & Subscriptions		40.00	40.00	
Equipment				
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	562.52	615.57	53.05	
Expensed Equipment	2,056.56	30,670.02	28,613.46	*includes £30,310 AV costs*
Fire Equipment & Service		279.12	279.12	
Organ Tuning & Maintenance	250.00	258.00	8.00	
Total Equipment	2,869.08	31,822.71	28,953.63	
Events	0.00	105.72	105.72	*Jubilee*
Furniture & Fixtures	0.00	1,225.50	1,225.50	*wooden benches*
Gifts	26.49	333.46	306.97	
Insurance Expense	4,720.74	4,307.96	-412.78	
Management & Administration				

St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2021 through December 2022

Bank Service Charges	7.24	355.90	348.66	*now charging for current account*
Consumables	131.03	179.43	48.40	
DBS Checks etc	0.00	44.00	44.00	
IT & Internet Expenses	868.96	721.38	-147.58	*software licences, internet connection, website*
Licences	191.06	328.39	137.33	*music*
Postage and Delivery	280.89	15.86	-265.03	
Printing	6.48	0.00	-6.48	
Stationery	552.04	161.54	-390.50	
Stationery (Printed)	214.82	176.75	-38.07	
Website Maintenance	300.00	233.84	-66.16	
Total Management & Administration	2,552.52	2,217.09	-335.43	
Other Fees to Diocese				
Occasional Services	4,317.00	3,056.00	-1,261.00	*2021 figure includes overlap of move from cash accounting to accrual*
Total Other Fees to Diocese	4,317.00	3,056.00	-1,261.00	
Parish Contribution	50,000.00	55,500.00	5,500.00	
Regular Church Costs				
Candles	153.82	146.04	-7.78	
Communion Supplies	45.90	7.99	-37.91	
Flowers	248.64	1,367.19	1,118.55	*includes Flower Festival - approximately £1k of 2022 expenditure was covered by donations*
Total Regular Church Costs	448.36	1,521.22	1,072.86	
Rent & Rates	0.00	3,293.02	3,293.02	*no figure in 2021 accounts as fell between cash accounting and accrual*
Service Expenses General				
Children's Supplies		119.98	119.98	
Decorations (Christmas etc)		137.97	137.97	
Service Expenses	107.23	45.66	-61.57	
Total Service Expenses General	107.23	303.61	196.38	
Vicar's Expenses	3,950.44	1,210.19	-2,740.25	
Total Expense	117,556.08	132,821.19	15,265.11	
Net Ordinary Income	231,280.34	137,457.21	-93,823.13	
Other Income/Expense			0.00	
Other Income			0.00	
Increase/Decrease in Investments	42,918.52	-41,166.35	-84,084.87	
Dividend	8,515.72	10,772.28	2,256.56	
Total Other Income	51,434.24	-30,394.07	-81,828.31	
Net Other Income/Expense	51,434.24	-30,394.07	-81,828.31	
Increase/Loss for the Year	**282,714.58**	**107,063.14**	**-175,651.44**	

Report to Accompany Accounts for year ended 31 December 2022

Having moved from cash to accrual accounting for the 2021 accounts, we have continued on this basis.

There are a few instances where the move from one system to the other distorts comparison between 2021 and 2022 figures. I have endeavoured to explain in the notes where this occurs.

Bequests

A total of £207,888 was received from three bequests in 2022.

Funds

There was a sharp fall in the value of shares held in the Investment Funds during 2022. In order to spread the risk to assets, the decision was made to sell shares to the value of £200k, which can then be seen in the Reserve Account balance at year-end.

The Field

The value of the field has historically not been included as an asset on the accounts.
As at 23.02.2009 the field was valued at £40,000.00.

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary's Church, Ticehurst for the Year Ended 31st December, 2022

Section A

This is my report to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish (PCC) of St Mary, Ticehurst, on the annual report for the year ended 31st December 2021

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The PCC members are responsible for the preparation of the annual reports. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
2. to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
3. to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

** Please delete the words in the (brackets) if they do not apply*

Examiner's signature .....

Examiner's name *CAPITALS* ..... JOHN LAURENCE HASTINGS

Date 3/5/2023

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body *if any* ..... ICAEW.

Examiner's address

3, BELL BRIDGE CLOSE,
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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN TIC

England & Wales - Charity number 1180171

Accounts

St Mary's Church Ticehurst

Trustees Annual Report 2021

1.Our aims and purposes as a charity

The PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the Reverend Ashley Evans (incumbent) in:-

- promotion of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.
- promoting in the parish the mission of the church, pastoral, social, ecumenical, environmental and evangelistic.
- practical support and care for all people in the parish irrespective of age, need and ability to pay.
- providing financial support to those in need and to other organisations with similar objectives.

2.What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives

We planned to do the following but COVID19 lockdown until 29th March made us organise as many of these communal activities that we could online from the Vicarage, the church and also by telephone contact. Whilst the church was opened for services from Maundy Thursday there were restrictions due to social distancing regulations and many people were uncertain about joining in gatherings.

To enable as many people as possible become part of our parish community:-

- teaching, baptism and nurturing new and existing believers
- keeping the church open during the daytime for the community to visit, use for prayer and meditation

To offer services of worship to God:-

- maintaining an overview of worship throughout the parish
- considering how services can involve the many groups that live within the parish
- putting faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament
- being as receptive as possible to those wanting baptism, weddings and funerals at St.Mary's.

To promote the Gospel and pray that the unchurched may find the fullness of life in Jesus Christ:-

- assisting people from all walks of life to develop their knowledge of and trust in Jesus
- holding courses to advance discipleship, theological understanding and education.
- establishing small groups at which we learn about the Bible and faith with study worship prayer and fellowship.
- witnessing the good news of Jesus Christ by pursuing the mission of God in its different forms

To engage in Evangelism and Outreach to the parish

- reaching out to those who do not come to church at events such as a coffee morning, a picnic lunch to celebrate the Harvest and a Christmas Fayre.
- promoting Harvest Festival, providing refreshments and distributing food gifts to the local food bank.
- encouraging care for the environment, God's creation through our Eco Church status and initiatives
- reaching out to the community by advertising seasonal events and celebrations
- seeking to grow our church aimed especially at the younger generation and developing our links("Open the Book" assemblies and worship) with our village C of E primary school.

We provide a special building and churchyard for people to enjoy:-

- enabling an appreciation of church building in the history and archaeology of the area by being open from 8am until 4pm for everyone to use.

We provide tangible pastoral and financial support to the poor and needy:-

- providing pastoral care for people whether part of St. Mary's Church or not
- providing financial assistance to those in need in the parish
- spending the income of our parish trusts according to the objects established by their donors.

We consider the needs of people served by other charities and overseas:-

- giving grants to wider Christian charities
- giving grants to missionary organisations that show God's love in the poorest nations.

When planning our activities for the year the PCC and our incumbent have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.
The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, fully recognising its duty to have due regard to House of Bishop's guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

3. <u>What we achieved and how the activities of the church affected the beneficiaries lives</u>

Attendance at worship

Usually the church welcomes visitors from the parish as well as those coming from outside. This was not possible due to COVID 19 and lockdown for the first quarter of the year. When we were able to open the church we welcomed all who visited and we feel that this and attendance at worship (including regular online services) was a major demonstration of our activities providing spiritual and pastoral support to the community.

The average regular weekly attendance counted for the diocese records during October 2021was 57. The church was open for worship over Easter with a reduced congregation and the services over Christmas also were less well attended than before the pandemic although a Christingle service was held in our churchyard with almost 200 participating. A service of Remembrance was held around the War Memorial in the village followed by a service in church with a smaller congregation than usual.

Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers

- a small weekly group meet for study and prayer, online when necessary.
- from January we were not able to hold the church led assemblies at the village school following 'Open the Book',(a national Bible stories drama scheme run by the Bible Society). These recommenced in September and some sessions were broadcast live from the church to the school in December due to further outbreaks of COVID19. The Vicar led a weekly assembly on line until the summer vacation.

Evangelism and outreach

Because of lockdown our Vicar wrote to parishioners regularly as well as posting on Facebook and contributing to the very popular monthly village magazine. He and our Reader Mrs Penny Evans wrote to the community about the Christian season at hand or on current issues from a Christian perspective especially concerning the pandemic and the environment.

We held a Climate Sunday Service on 5th September and were able to plan for the Great Big Green Week activities which were taking place in from 18th to 26th September in communities around the UK to celebrate what we are doing to help nature and take action on climate change. Communities and business groups helped us to celebrate the week which included a Coffee and Conversation morning, a visit from our MP, a very popular Swap Shop and other well attended events throughout the week, ending with our Harvest Festival Service in church. Our new monthly Forest Church began on 19th September.

Provision of the church building and churchyard for people to enjoy.

Our church continues to be appreciated by our parishioners and many others as a space where life events are celebrated with joy and thanksgiving.

During 2021 we celebrated the baptism of fourteen infants and three adults, four weddings, we held eight funeral services and there were nine interment of ashes in our Garden of Remembrance .

The church was regrettably unable to be left open during the daytime for the first three months of this year.
The churchyard has been enjoyed by those able to go out during the year. It is a well kept place by a group of volunteers who have adopted trees keeping brambles, ivy and weeds at bay and the grass in one area is controlled by a flock of sheep. Trees are replaced that die, the grass is mowed by the district council under contract and we have a volunteer who cares for the burial ground. We had formed an Eco Church Working Group to pursue the scheme run by A Rocha UK, a Christian charity with a remit to mobilise Christians and Churches to care for the environment. We have involved people from the village in our project to care for 'God's Acre' and have installed bat boxes, bird boxes and a bug hotel as well as a hedgehog home and an owl box in the churchyard. In addition we have pledged to move towards carbon net zero and in working towards the Eco Church Awards we received the Silver Award in 2020 and we submitted our application for the Gold Award in December this year.

Music is usually an important communal part of our worship but regrettably not possible during the first part of this year. We were able to hold a service of carols and readings during Advent which was attended by 67 people.

Spatial reordering of the church building and future projects.
We commissioned an Audio Visual company to instal a system in our church which will allow live streaming of any service, recording of special services such as weddings and will enable us and visiting speakers to make presentations projected onto a screen. The audio part has been completed and the remainder is on schedule to be completed early in 2022.
One project that will need to be considered is the very old heating system so that we can extend a warm welcome to visitors in a warmer church.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
The Vicar has made hospital visits and home visits when he has been able. A churchwarden made a socially distanced visit to housebound people each day during Lent and much longer telephone calls to parishioners have also been a comfort to many over this very difficult year.

Provision of tangible support to the poor and needy

The Church has supported Family Support Work Charity set up originally by the diocese and during the year we collect groceries, toiletries and clothing items for this charity. The Vicar is a founder member of The Ticehurst Community Network. In addition the Vicar is a committee member of the local GP Surgery's Patient Participation Group.

The PCC also made donations to Family Support Work, The Bible Society, The Church Missionary Society, A Rocha UK and Water Aid.

Mission Action Plan

All the above were considered in our mission action planning in October and November. The Plan was approved by the PCC and sent to the Diocese at the end of November.

Financial review

Incoming and outgoing resources

The total receipts were £348,836.42 and are detailed in the Financial Report. We have received some very generous bequests which greatly helped our income this year.

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Signature.....Date.....14/10/22.....

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for the Parochial Church Council of

St Mary's Church, Ticehurst

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Other Current Liabilities					
Accruals			4,415.67		*costs incurred in 2021, not invoiced until 2022 - including statutory fees (£2407) and utility bills (£974)*
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Income				
Activities for Generating Funds	429.95	1,105.64	675.69	*sales, fairtrade etc*
Eco Church	1,460.00	1,122.23	-337.77	
Gift Aid	11,012.82	*19,069.56* **	8,056.74	***2021 figure includes £9586 received in 2021 on 2020 donations and £9482 due on 2021 donations*
Giving	38,216.45	38,226.90	10.45	
Income from Church Activites	120.00	180.00	60.00	*field rental*
Interest on Bank Accts & Trusts	49.88	6.22	-43.66	
Other Income	13,263.44	18,850.13	5,586.69	*includes £586 Flimwell portion of costs, £6612 weddings/funerals, £3638 grant claiming VAT element of raingoods expenditure*
Legacy	85,000.00	270,275.74	185,275.74	*2 legacies*
Total Income	149,552.54	348,836.42	199,283.88	
Expense				
Advertising & Promotion		110.00	110.00	
Bookkeeping Services	1,571.85	2,032.15	460.30	
Books & Music				
Subscriptions	24.00	0.00	-24.00	
Books & Music - Other	370.38	341.20	-29.18	
Total Books & Music	394.38	341.20	-53.18	
Charitable Grants & Donations	2,785.09	2,280.46	-504.63	
Church Building				
Churchyard Maintenance	1,100.50	1,354.25	253.75	
Churchyard Works	4,784.40	327.42	-4,456.98	
Cleaning Materials	65.98	13.71	-52.27	
Eco Church costs	418.02	1,138.20	720.18	*offset by specific donations - see income line*
Repairs and Maintenance	5,831.35	32,046.34	26,214.99	*including rainwater goods, memorial repair, preliminary A/V costs*
Utilities	3,242.33	4,833.69	1,591.36	
Total Church Building	15,442.58	39,713.61	24,271.03	
Clergy & Other People'sExpenses				
Bellringing Services	67.45	260.00	192.55	
Choir Charges		250.00	250.00	
Occasional Clerical Duty	113.22	105.80	-7.42	
Organist Expenses	2,010.00	2,648.75	638.75	
Parish Administrator	2,324.22	456.75	-1,867.47	*stepped down from formal role during year*
Training	56.80	30.00	-26.80	
Vergering	150.00	225.00	75.00	
Total Clergy & Other People'sExpenses	4,721.69	3,976.30	-745.39	
Conferences & Meetings	0.00	28.70	28.70	*hall hire for APCM*
Cost of Raising Funds	0.00	81.80	81.80	
Equipment				
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	7,264.47	562.52	-6,701.95	
Expensed Equipment	505.43	2,056.56	1,551.13	*includes noticeboard and printer*
Fire Equipment & Service	201.36		-201.36	
Organ Tuning & Maintenance	242.00	250.00	8.00	
Total Equipment	8,213.26	2,869.08	-5,344.18	
Gifts	152.49	26.49	-126.00	
Insurance Expense	4,715.56	4,720.74	5.18	
Management & Administration				
Bank Service Charges	0.09	7.24	7.15	*Card Machine Fees*
Consumables	276.59	131.03	-145.56	
DBS Checks etc	46.00	0.00	-46.00	
IT & Internet Expenses	1,143.17	868.96	-274.21	*software licences, internet connection, website*
Licences	276.90	191.06	-85.84	*music*

St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2020 through December 2021

	Postage and Delivery	157.48	280.89	123.41	
	Printing		6.48	6.48	
	Stationery	484.79	552.04	67.25	
	Stationery (Printed)	88.87	214.82	125.95	
	Website Maintenance	144.00	300.00	156.00	*includes £120 for 2020 invoiced and paid 2020 and £180 accrued at year end 2021*
	Total Management & Administration	2,617.89	2,552.52	-65.37	
	Membership Fees	115.00		-115.00	
	Other Fees to Diocese				
	Occasional Services	3,955.00	4,317.00	362.00	*comprises £1910 paid for 2020 fees and £2407 accrued yr end as due on 2021 fees*
	Total Other Fees to Diocese	3,955.00	4,317.00	362.00	
	Parish Contribution	46,680.00	50,000.00	3,320.00	
	Professional Fees	294.00	0.00	-294.00	*energy audit*
	Regular Church Costs				
	Candles	39.29	153.82	114.53	
	Communion Supplies	48.33	45.90	-2.43	
	Flowers	30.00	248.64	218.64	
	Total Regular Church Costs	117.62	448.36	330.74	
	Service Expenses General				
	Service Expenses	227.36	107.23	-120.13	
	Total Service Expenses General	227.36	107.23	-120.13	
	Vicar's Expenses	4,596.48	3,950.44	-646.04	
Total Expense		96,600.25	117,556.08	20,955.83	
Net Ordinary Income		52,952.29	231,280.34	178,328.05	
Other Income/Expense					
Other Income					
	Bank Compensation	75.00		-75.00	
	Increase in Investments	17,247.14	42,918.52	25,671.38	
	Dividend	5,158.98	8,515.72	3,356.74	
Total Other Income		22,481.12	51,434.24	28,953.12	
Net Other Income		22,481.12	51,434.24	28,953.12	
Profit for the Year		**75,433.41**	**282,714.58**	207,281.17	

Report to Accompany Accounts for year ended 31 December 2021

As St Mary's income in 2021 exceeded the £250,000 maximum for the preparation of the accounts on a 'Cash' basis, the 2021 accounts have been prepared on an 'Accrual' basis; I have tried to highlight in the accounts where this change in reporting has had an impact on the figures.

Bequests

A total of £270,275 was received from two bequests in 2021.

The Field

The value of the field has historically not been included as an asset on the accounts. As at 23.02.2009 the field was valued at £40,000.00.

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Mary's Church, Ticehurst for the Year Ended 31st December, 2021

Section A

This is my report to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish (PCC) of St Mary, Ticehurst, on the annual report for the year ended 31st December 2021

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The PCC members are responsible for the preparation of the annual reports. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
2. to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
3. to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

Examiner's signature J. L. Hastings

Examiner's name *CAPITALS* JOHN LAURENCE HASTINGS

Date 5/5/2022

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body ICAEW

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN TIC

England & Wales - Charity number 1180171

Accounts

St Mary's Church Ticehurst

Trustees Annual Report 2020

1.Our aims and purposes as a charity

The PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the Reverend Ashley Evans (incumbent) in:-

- promotion of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.
- promoting in the parish the mission of the church, pastoral, social, ecumenical and evangelistic.
- practical support and care for all people in the parish irrespective of age, need and ability to pay.
- providing financial support to those in need and to other organisations with similar objectives.

2.What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives

We planned to do the following and lockdown from March 2020 due to Coronavirus made us organise as many of these communal activities that we could online from the Vicarage, the church and also by telephone contact.

To enable as many people as possible become part of our parish community:-

- teaching, baptism and nurturing new and existing believers
- keeping the church open during the daytime for the community to visit, use for prayer and meditation

To offer services of worship to God:-

- maintaining an overview of worship throughout the parish
- considering how services can involve the many groups that live within the parish
- putting faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament
- being as receptive as possible to those wanting baptism, weddings and funerals at St.-Mary's.

To promote the Gospel and pray that the unchurched may find the fullness of life in Jesus Christ:-

- assisting people from all walks of life to develop their knowledge of and trust in Jesus
- holding courses to advance discipleship, theological understanding and education.
- establishing small groups at which we learn about the Bible and faith with study worship prayer and fellowship.
- witnessing the good news of Jesus Christ by pursuing the mission of God in its different forms

To engage in Evangelism and Outreach to the parish

- reaching out to those who do not come to church at events such as a strawberry tea, the summer village fete, holiday club, the Christmas Fayre, Christmas tree festival, and at the Annual Village assembly.
- promoting Harvest Festival, providing refreshments and distributing food gifts to the local food bank.
- encouraging care for the environment, God's creation through our Eco Church status and initiatives
- reaching out to the community by advertising seasonal events and celebrations
- seeking to grow our church through our 'Future Acts' initiative aimed especially at the younger generation and developing our links("Open the Book" assemblies and worship) with our village C of E primary school.

We provide a special building and churchyard for people to enjoy:-

- enabling an appreciation of church building in the history and archaeology of the area by being open from 8am until 4pm for everyone to use.

We provide tangible pastoral and financial support to the poor and needy:-

- providing pastoral care for people whether part of St. Mary's Church or not
- providing financial assistance to those in need in the parish
- spending the income of our parish trusts according to the objects established by their donors.

We consider the needs of people served by other charities and overseas:-

- giving grants to wider Christian charities
- giving grants to missionary organisations that show God's love in the poorest nations.

When planning our activities for the year the PCC and our incumbent have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, fully recognising its duty to have due regard to House of Bishop's guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

3. What we achieved and how the activities of the church affected the beneficiaries lives

Attendance at worship

Usually the church welcomes visitors from the parish as well as those coming from outside. This was not possible due to Coronavirus and lockdown during a great part of the year. When we were able to open the church we welcomed all who visited and we feel that this and attendance at worship (including regular online services) is a major demonstration of our activities providing spiritual and pastoral support to the community.

The average regular weekly attendance counted for the diocese records during October 2020 was 35, half the number of usual attendants. The church was closed over Easter and there was a very limited congregation at the few services over Christmas. A Christingle service was held on Zoom with over 60 participating. Regular services continued to be held online and were well attended .A service of Remembrance was held around the War Memorial in the village followed by an online service without congregation.

Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers

- small weekly prayer group meetings were held on line with special courses in Lent
- from March we were not able to hold the church led assemblies/collective worship at the village school following 'Open the Book', a national Bible stories drama scheme run by the Bible Society

Evangelism and outreach

Because of lockdown our vicar wrote to parishioners regularly as well as posting on Facebook and contributing to the very popular monthly village magazine in which in which he wrote to the community about the Christian season at hand or on current issues from a Christian perspective.

All the other planned activities were cancelled this year apart from a coffee morning in March before lockdown to raise funds to support the Fairtrade Foundation as part of our promotion of Fairtrade Fortnight.

Provision of the church building and churchyard for people to enjoy.

Our church continues to be appreciated by our parishioners and many others as a space where life events are celebrated with joy and thanksgiving.

During 2020 we celebrated the baptism of four infants, one wedding and we held twelve funeral services.

The church was regrettably unable to be left open during the daytime for most of this year.

The churchyard has been enjoyed by those able to go out during the year. It is a well kept place by a group of volunteers who have adopted trees keeping brambles, ivy and weeds at bay. Trees are replaced that die, the grass is mowed by the district council under contract and we have a volunteer who cares for the burial ground. We had formed an Eco Church Working Group to pursue the scheme run by A Rocha UK, a Christian charity with a remit to mobilise Christians and Churches to care for the environment. We have involved people from the village in our project to care for 'God's Acre' and have installed bat boxes, bird boxes and a bug hotel as well as a hedgehog home in the churchyard. In addition we have pledged to move towards carbon net zero and in working towards the Eco Church Awards we were delighted to receive the Bronze Award in April 2019 and the Silver Award in 2020. In addition we were joint winners of an Animal Friendly Church of the Year award judged by the Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals.

Music is usually an important part of our worship but regrettably not possible this year.

Spatial reordering of the church building and future projects.

In November the long awaited repairs and renewals to our cast iron rainwater goods were completed.

We have commissioned an Audio Visual company to instal a system in our church which will allow live streaming of any service, recording of special services such as weddings and will enable us and visiting speakers to make presentations projected onto a screen. One project that will need to be considered is the very old heating system so that we cannot only extend a warm welcome to visitors but in a warm church. We are reviewing our energy source as part of this project which also includes working towards Eco Church Gold Award status.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish

The Vicar has made hospital visits and home visits when he has been able. Much longer telephone calls to parishioners have also been a comfort to many over this very difficult year.

Provision of tangible support to the poor and needy

The Church has supported Family Support Work Charity set up originally by the diocese and during the year we collect groceries, toiletries and clothing items for this char-

ity. The Vicar is a founder member of The Ticehurst Community Network which meets periodically to consider especially how to reach out and help those in our community who need our support. In addition the Vicar is a committee member of the local GP Surgery's Patient Participation Group.

The PCC also made donations to Family Support Work, The Children's Society, Hospice in the Weald, Nourish Community Food Bank, The Church Missionary Society and the Beatrice Drewe Trust, a charitable organisation caring for our village Institute. A Fairtrade Coffee morning held in March before lockdown raised £200.95 which was sent to the Fair Trade Foundation.

Financial review

Incoming and outgoing resources

The total receipts were£149,552 and are detailed in the Financial Report. We received a generous bequest of £85,000 which greatly helped our income this year.

Sharing the Ministry costs of the Diocese of Chichester

The largest expenditure of the PCC was the sum of £46,680 paid to the diocese for our share of all churches' Parish Ministry Costs. This amount covers house, stipend and pension costs of the clergy and a standard sum for diocesan central costs, clergy training and a contribution to general church funds.

Staff costs

The PCC paid for Book-keeping services, a Parish Administrator, occasional Clerical duty, and the expenses of an organist. Details are provided in the accounts.

Trustee payments and expenses .

The PCC also supported the clergy by paying Council Tax, water charges, a share of the telephone bill and travelling expenses.

Office costs.

These were just day to day running costs this year amounting to £2618

Repairs to the fabric of the church building.

Significant repairs this year were made to the rainwater goods amounting to £23,500. Our next Quinquennial Inspection is booked for 2021 and additional items of repair are expected.

St Mary's Church Ticehurst
Trustees Annual Report 2020

Structure, governance and management of the charity

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Mary the Virgin Ticehurst has been entered onto the Register of Charities, registered number 1180171. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Council(Powers) Measure 1956.During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex officio members		
Incumbent	The Reverend Ashley Evans	Chairman
Reader	Mrs Penny Evans	
Warden	Mrs Judith Whiteman	
Warden	Mrs Marianne Barratt	
Elected Members	Mrs Marian Cook	Secretary
	Mr Peter Reeves	
	Mrs Andrea Pilcher	
	Mrs Sheila Minet	
	Mrs Catherine Baigent	
	Mrs Angela Howitt	
Deanery Synod	Mrs Rosemary Hunneybell	
	Mrs Isobel Tucker	
	Mrs Judith Whiteman	
Diocesan Synod	Mr Barry Richardson	
	Mrs Jacky Ward	

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules and consists of several ex officio members, (the incumbent, lay readers licensed to officiate in the church, the church wardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods). Members are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balanced of skills where possible.

This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and
signed on their behalf by the Reverend Ashley Evans, PCC Chairman

Signature.....Date.....19/10/21.....

Accounts

for the Parochial Church Council of

St Mary's Church, Ticehurst

for the year ended
31st December 2020

2020
Cash Basis

St Mary's Ticehurst
UK Balance Sheet - Standard
As of 31 December 2020

	31 Dec 18	31 Dec 19	31 Dec 20
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Funds			
Dora Luckin (Investment)	89,637.90	120,240.10	221,952.85
Fabric Fund (Investment)	2,184.57	4,205.89	4,495.12
Music Fund (Deposit)	1,830.57	1,844.33	1,852.15
Rule (Investment)	3,064.15	3,619.36	3,864.52
	96,717.19	129,909.68	232,164.64
Cash at bank and in hand			
Current Account	500.00	750.00	500.00
Business Reserve	59,346.71	47,693.20	21,223.03
Cash	510.71 **	0.00	0.00
Petty Cash (Vicarage)	119.82	150.77	49.39
	60,477.24	48,593.97	21,772.42
Total Current Assets	**157,194.43**	**178,503.65**	**253,937.06**
Represented by:-			
Reserves			
Opening Funds	146,434.22	157,194.43	178,503.65
Profit for the Year	10,760.21	21,309.22	75,433.41
Closing funds	**157,194.43**	**178,503.65**	**253,937.06**

** *collection monies that didn't clear in account until Jan19*

Cash Basis

St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2019 through December 2020

	Jan - Dec 19	Jan - Dec 20	Increase	Notes
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Activities for Generating Funds	8,596.53	429.95	-8,166.58	*sales, fairtrade etc*
Eco Church		1,460.00	1,460.00	*in 2019 Eco Church had income of £593.50 but we were not yet defining separately*
Gift Aid	10,701.18	11,012.82	311.64	*2019 fig Jan-Dec 2018 & 18/19 small donations, 2020 fig Jan-Dec 2019 & 19/20 small donations*
Giving	44,815.71	38,216.45	-6,599.26	
Income from Church Activites	120.00	120.00	0.00	*field rental*
Interest on Bank Accts & Trusts	101.30	49.88	-51.42	
Other Income	19,306.00	13,263.44	-6,042.56	*includes £1840 Flimwell portion of costs. £6465 weddings/funerals*
Legacy	1,000.00	85,000.00	84,000.00	
Total Income	84,640.72	149,552.54	64,911.82	
Expense				
Bookkeeping Services	2,044.27	1,571.85	-472.42	
Books & Music				
Subscriptions	80.00	24.00	-56.00	
Books & Music - Other	245.64	370.38	124.74	
Total Books & Music	325.64	394.38	68.74	
Charitable Grants & Donations	3,967.04	2,785.09	-1,181.95	
Church Building				
Churchyard Maintenance	1,782.39	1,100.50	-681.89	
Churchyard Works	0.00	4,784.40	4,784.40	*footpath*
Cleaning Materials	110.39	65.98	-44.41	
Eco Church costs	530.00	418.02	-111.98	*offset by specific donations - see income line*
Repairs and Maintenance	2,286.56	5,831.35	3,544.79	*includes £3358 fees to Architect*
Utilities	4,112.10	3,242.33	-869.77	*at Feb20 electricity acct in credit by £834*
Total Church Building	8,821.44	15,442.58	6,621.14	
Clergy & Other People'sExpenses				
Bellringing Services	560.00	67.45	-492.55	
Choir Charges	400.00		-400.00	
Gravedigging	175.00		-175.00	
Occasional Clerical Duty	338.00	113.22	-224.78	
Organist Expenses	1,870.00	2,010.00	140.00	
Parish Administrator	4,448.34	2,324.22	-2,124.12	
Training	10.00	56.80	46.80	
Vergering	75.00	150.00	75.00	
Total Clergy & Other People'sExpenses	7,876.34	4,721.69	-3,154.65	
Conferences & Meetings	24.00	0.00	-24.00	*hall hire for APCM*
Cost of Raising Funds	160.00	0.00	-160.00	
Equipment				
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	129.60	7,264.47	7,134.87	*includes £6429 electrical works*
Expensed Equipment	35.47	505.43	469.96	*includes microphone, webcam, camera tripod*
Fire Equipment & Service	80.64	201.36	120.72	
Organ Tuning & Maintenance	274.00	242.00	-32.00	
Total Equipment	519.71	8,213.26	7,693.55	
Events	258.50	0.00	-258.50	*Away Day*
Gifts	121.93	152.49	30.56	
Insurance Expense	4,616.82	4,715.56	98.74	

Cash Basis

St Mary's Ticehurst
Profit Loss
January 2019 through December 2020

Management & Administration				
Bank Service Charges	102.26	0.09	-102.17	*Card Machine Fees*
Consumables	27.26	276.59	249.33	*signage, sanitiser, visors*
DBS Checks etc	18.00	46.00	28.00	
IT & Internet Expenses	0.00	1,143.17	1,143.17	*new laptop £649, Zoom & streaming licences, internet connection, 2019 software invoiced into 2020*
Licences	268.99	276.90	7.91	
Postage and Delivery	5.65	157.48	151.83	
Printing	17.50		-17.50	
Repairs & Maintenance Office	90.00		-90.00	
Stationery	1,592.31	484.79	-1,107.52	
Stationery (Printed)	219.41	88.87	-130.54	
Website Maintenance	231.52	144.00	-87.52	
Total Management & Administration	2,572.90	2,617.89	44.99	
Membership Fees	152.00	115.00	-37.00	
Other Fees to Diocese				
Occasional Services	4,428.00	3,955.00	-473.00	*statutory fees for Weddings & Funerals: 2020 figure pays 2019 income, 2020 figure of £1910 pd out January 2021*
Total Other Fees to Diocese	4,428.00	3,955.00	-473.00	
Parish Contribution	45,320.00	46,680.00	1,360.00	
Professional Fees		294.00	294.00	*energy audit*
Regular Church Costs				
Candles	104.41	39.29	-65.12	
Communion Supplies		48.33	48.33	
Flowers	260.50	30.00	-230.50	
Total Regular Church Costs	364.91	117.62	-247.29	
Service Expenses General				
Children's Supplies	71.64	0.00	-71.64	
Service Expenses	226.00	227.36	1.36	
Total Service Expenses General	297.64	227.36	-70.28	
Vicar's Expenses	4,785.80	4,596.48	-189.32	
Total Expense	86,656.94	96,600.25	9,943.31	
Net Ordinary Income	-2,016.22	52,952.29	54,968.51	
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
Bank Compensation	100.00	75.00	-25.00	
Increase in Investments	21,359.78	17,247.14	-4,112.64	
Dividend	1,865.47	5,158.98	3,293.51	
Total Other Income	23,325.25	22,481.12	-844.13	
Net Other Income	23,325.25	22,481.12	-844.13	
Profit for the Year	**21,309.03**	**75,433.41**	**54,124.38**	

Report to Accompany Accounts for year ended 31 December 2020

It should be noted that for much of 2020 communal worship has not been possible due to Covid-19 restrictions. This has had a large impact on both the income and expenditure figures for the year.

The accounts have been prepared on a "Cash" rather than an "Accruals" basis, as required.

Bequest

St Mary's received a generous bequest of £85,000, which has been transferred to the Dora Luckin Fund to separate it from the general movement in the current account.

The Field

The value of the field has historically not been included as an asset on the accounts. As at 23.02.2009 the field was valued at £40,000.00.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Signed: _____ *Dated:* 15th May 2021

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