

# THE BENEFICE OF SWANSEA ST PETER (COCKETT)

England & Wales · Charity number 1181042

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2018-12-07

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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

**Activities:** Providing: regular public worship; Sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation; Pastoral work, including sick/ bereaved visiting; Teaching Christianity through sermons and small groups; Assemblies in local schools; Promotion of Christianity through events, services and literature distribution; Youth club with Christian ethos; Promotion of Church in Wales mission in community to groups.

## Classification

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

## Geography

- City Of Swansea

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£85,997	£58,583	-	-
2023-12-31	£186,315	£167,940	-	-
2022-12-31	£106,430	£105,054	-	-
2021-12-31	£106,065	£96,863	-	-
2020-12-31	£92,318	£67,724	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan John Morris		2018-03-28
Eileen Jones		2023-04-02
Patricia Hathaway		2018-03-28
Sarah Catherine Picton		2020-09-27
Stephen Sinclair Davies		2018-03-28

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# Accounts

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# **COCKETT PARISH ANNUAL REPORT 2024**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Benefice of Swansea St Peter (Cockett) is going through a significant transitional period as it merges with other churches under the Penderi Ministry Area banner. This has meant that restructuring work has been undertaken during 2024 and will continue into 2026, when a newer configuration will be active. Trustees and volunteers continue to engage creatively in the furtherance of its charitable aims.

Fr Ian Drew-Jones

Ministry Area Leader

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**ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL RETURN 2024**

Diocese: Swansea & Brecon ..... Archdeaconry: Gower .....

Parish of: THE BENEFICE OF SWANSEA ST PETER (COCKETT)

Enter below the dedications of all Churches included in this Return:

ST. PETER'S, COCKETT ST ILLTYD'S, FFORESTFACH

PLEASE REFER TO THE GUIDANCE NOTES WHEN FILLING IN THIS RETURN. ROUND ALL FIGURES TO NEAREST £

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

INCOME / RECEIPTS from		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total of Funds £	
Donations and Legacies	Planned Giving.....	51,563.00			
	Loose Collections.....				
	Donations.....		6,368.82		
	For Mission.....	14,502.66			
	Tax Reclaims – Gift Aid.....	11,032.01			
	Tax Reclaims – GASDS.....				
	Legacies (no. received).....				
	Grants.....				
	Charitable Activities	Fees.....			
	Other Trading Activities	Money Raising.....			
Investments	.....				
Other	.....				
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>77,097.67</b>	<b>6,368.82</b>	<b>83,466.49</b>	

**EXPENDITURE / PAYMENTS on**

Charitable Activities	Support for Ministry	Parish Share.....	67,498.32		
		Parochial Expenses of Clerics.....	2,823.79		
		Other.....	11,911.71		
	Parish Activities	Maintenance of Services.....	2,800.64		
		General Parish Expenses.....			
	Church Property	Maintenance of Churches.....	3,130.16		
		Maintenance of other Property.....			
		Exceptional Expenditure.....	7,050.24		
	Mission and Grants	Parish.....			
		Home / World.....			
Other	Capital Payments.....				
Raising Funds	Cost of Money Raising.....				
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>75,202.52</b>		<b>75,202.52</b>	

**NET INCOME / EXPENDITURE or RECEIPT / PAYMENTS EXCESS .....**

Transfers between Funds.....			
Other Recognised Gains / (Losses).....			
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS .....</b>			
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Brought forward 1 January.....			
Carried forward 31 December.....			

Cleric's name: ..... Treasurer's name: MAUREEN CASAGRANDE

Signature: ..... Signature: MC Casagrande

Date: ..... Date: 02/03/2026

**ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL RETURN 2024**

Diocese: Swansea & Brecon Archdeaconry: Gower

Parish of: ST ILLYDS

Enter below the dedications of all Churches included in this Return:

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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

**INCOME / RECEIPTS from**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total of all Funds £
<b>Donations and Legacies</b>			
Planned Giving.....	5285		
Loose Collections.....	1134		
Donations.....	200		
For Mission.....	388		
Tax Reclaims – Gift Aid.....			
Tax Reclaims – GASDS.....			
Legacies (no. received).....			
Grants.....			
<b>Charitable Activities</b>			
Fees.....	228		
<b>Other Trading Activities</b>			
Money Raising.....	1073		
<b>Investments</b>			
Other.....	19		
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>28591</b>		
	<b>36918</b>		

**EXPENDITURE / PAYMENTS on**

**Charitable Activities**

<b>Support for Ministry</b>	Parish Share.....	28335		
	Parochial Expenses of Clerics.....			
	Other.....			
<b>Parish Activities</b>	Maintenance of Services.....	3299		
	General Parish Expenses.....	7413		
<b>Church Property</b>	Maintenance of Churches.....	5781		
	Maintenance of other Property.....			
	Exceptional Expenditure.....			
<b>Mission and Grants</b>	Parish.....			
	Home / World.....			
<b>Other</b>	Capital Payments.....			
<b>Raising Funds</b>	Cost of Money Raising.....	20		
	<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>43948</b>		

**NET INCOME / EXPENDITURE or RECEIPT / PAYMENTS EXCESS**

Transfers between Funds.....

Other Recognised Gains / (Losses).....

**NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

**FUND BALANCES**

Brought forward 1 January.....

Carried forward 31 December.....

Cleric's name: ..... Treasurer's name: MR ALAN JOHN MORRIS

Signature: ..... Signature: .....

Date: ..... Date: .....

ST PETER'S CHURCH, COCKETT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDING 31-12-2024

<u>RECEIPTS</u>				
Balance at Bank 1.1.2024		4642.32		
<u>Collections</u>				
Envelopes	31811.15			
Loose	1508.07			
Special	140.40			
Gift Aid	379.00		33838.62	
<u>Fees</u>				
Weddings	1340.00			
Funeral	260.00		1600.00	
Tax Refund			4295.89	
<u>Donations</u>				
Thursday Club	350.00			
Mothers' Union	200.00			
Hire of Church	40.00			
Other	64.00			
Box	41.55		695.55	
<u>Grants</u>				
For Notice Board			1000.00	
<u>Miscellaneous</u>				
Sale of cards/books	127.74			
Votive candles	20.80			
Collection for Jonaathon	835.00			
Collection for Urdd	273.66			
Collection for Welfare Trust	135.00		1392.20	
<u>PAYMENTS</u>				
<u>Services</u>				
Electric	1586.77			
Gas	3747.77			
Water rates	350.05			
<u>Altar Requirements</u>				
Wine	137.75			
Wafers	110.18			
<u>Music</u>				
Organist	2400.00			
Organ Tuning	246.00			
<u>Stationery</u>				
Weekly envelopes			132.24	
<u>Refreshments</u>				
Tea/coffee/sugar			33.30	
<u>Charities</u>				
See contra entry			1,258.24	
<u>Maintenance</u>				
Servicing/repair of alarm system	188.40			
Tracing of gas leak/repair	200.00			
Servicing of boiler	180.00			
Fire Check Wales	43.14			
Toilet Seat	30.00			
Toilet Roll Holder	13.00			
Outside Lights	90.69			
Toiletries	66.41			
			811.64	

<u>Charities</u>	
Sense	40.60
Ty Hafan	80.00
Smile Train	60.00
Air Ambulance	46.00
Guide Dogs for the Blind	101.00
Mercy Ships	102.00
Alzheimer's Society	57.04
Motor Neuron Disease	61.50
Parkinson's Society	72.00
Ty Hafan	160.53
Barnabas Fund	104.00
British Legion	97.00
Christain Aid	276.57
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Transfer from Building Fund	5000.00
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	53722.82

<u>Miscellaneous</u>	
Forestrach Welfare Trust	135.00
Urdd Eisteddford	273.66
New Cooker/fitting	559.00
Purchase of cards	56.60
Notice Board	1270.80
Banqueting Rolls/Serviettes	49.95
Gift for Jonathon and Family	875.50
Christmas Tree	38.00
Vacuum Cleaner	139.00
Flowers Mothering Sunday/oasis	37.50
Keys Cut	48.95
Clock	30.00
Gifts in Appreciation of Work	300.00
Votive Candles	7.98
Visiting Preacher	20.00
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Balance at Bank 31.12.2024	3841.94
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	39066.94
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	53722.82

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

**RECEIPTS**

<b><u>Voluntary Income</u></b>	£
Planned Giving	31811
Loose Collection	1508
Donations	5696
For Mission	1258
Tax Refund	4296
Grants	1000
<b><u>Generated Income</u></b>	
Money raising	1910
Fees	1500
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>49079</u>

**PAYMENTS**

	£
Maintenance of services	2893
General Parish expenses	4007
Maintenance of Churches	6497
Mission	1258
	<u>14655</u>

**Balance of Funds**

Brought Forward 1st Jan. 2024	4642
Carried Forward 31st Dec. 2024	39066

**RECEIPTS**

Balance at Bank 1.1.2024

**BUILDING FUND**  
17634.92

**PAYMENTS**  
To Main Account

5000.00

**EVENTS**

Haverfordwest Choir Concert  
Cawl Supper  
Quiz Night  
Phoenix Choir Concert  
Strawberry Teas  
Swansea Male Choir Concert Raffle  
Autumn Fayre

342.00  
195.00  
400.00  
232.00  
614.00  
164.00  
1458.31

3405.31

**Donations**

100 Club  
Haverfordwest Choir  
Swansea Male Choir  
Sale of hats (Anne/Joan)  
Raffle of hamper  
Anon

1610.00  
200.00  
400.00  
300.00  
127.00  
5.00

2642.00

Half balance from Emergency Fund

7379.10  
31061.33

Balance at bank 31.12.2024

26061.33  
31061.33

**Receipts**

Balance at bank 1.1.2024  
From Parish Account  
Towards cost of bus

**EMERGENCY FUND**  
16378.20  
200.00  
260.00

**Payments**

Bus to Fishguard  
Hymn books/book for organ  
St Illtyd's sound system  
Half balance to St Peter's  
Balance at bank 31.12.2024

16838.20

525.00  
555.00  
1000.00  
7379.10  
7379.10  
16838.20

CHURCHYARD ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance at Bank 1.1.2024  
Fees for both churches  
War Graves Commission  
Donation

15633.47  
2,236.00  
343.00  
20.00

PAYMENTS

Hedge Cutting  
Removal of tree  
Alarm boiler house  
Cutting of elm tree  
Cement

600.00  
1800.00  
696.00  
348.00  
60.00

Balance at bank 31.12.2024

18232.47

14728.47  
18232.47

MAGAZINE ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance at bank 1.1.2024  
Contributions both churches  
Advert

3,349.95  
177.00  
200.00  
3726.95

PAYMENTS

Printing

795.00

Balance at bank 31.12.2024

2931.95  
3726.95

RECEIPTS

Balance at Bank 1.1.2024

37525.57

Hire of Hall

6832.55

COMMUNITY CENTRE

PAYMENTS

Booking Secretary  
Cleaner

264.00  
1032.00

1296.00

Services

Gas  
Electric

1244.26  
958.14

2202.40

Maintenance

Gas Supply Check  
Fire Check Wales  
New Sewer/Drains/etc  
Cleaning Kitchen  
Toiletries/Cleaning Materials  
Grass Cutting  
Materials for drains etc

60.00  
266.08  
3258.00  
490.00  
135.11  
250.00  
388.03

4847.22

Miscellaneous

Rent of hall  
Architectural Solution  
Pest Control  
Music Licence  
Keys Cut/Padlock  
Refund of booking

250.00  
500.00  
220.00  
278.56  
124.19  
250.25

1623.00

Insurance  
Balance at bank 31.12.2024

829.40  
33560.10

44358.12

44358.12

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# St Peters' and St Illtyds'

## Annual Report 2023



St Peter's and St Illtyd's

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# Vicar's Report

## Introduction

Welcome to the 2023 Annual Report. A big thank you to the contributors for their input as we provide an overview of a year in the life of our churches. I would also like to put on record my thanks to the many people who are so generous with their time. Without such generosity of spirit, we simply could not do the ministry and mission that 2023 has witnessed.

A lot has gone in 2023, but four headlines are important for context. First, in May, Sarah Picton began work 18.5 hours a week as our Children, Youth and Family Worker. I'm grateful to the Austin Bailey Foundation and the Diocesan Mission Fund for their commitment to 3 years' of financial support. Sarah's arrival has led to a huge increase in capacity for children and youth work.

Secondly, the Diocese unilaterally announced that benefices and parishes would be dissolved by bishop's decree and reformed as Ministry Areas. This happened for Penderi in May 2023. The initial changes have been modest but there will be a fundamental change in local church life over the next few years. I cannot pretend that this will be for the better. At St Peter's and St Illtyd's, we are going to have to make the best of it as there is no going back.

Thirdly, the Parish Vision has provided an important impetus to activity in a number of areas, not least providing pencil cases to every child leaving year 6 in Cadle Primary School, Gendros Primary School and Gors Community School. We reviewed the Vision in April 2023 and it will next be reviewed at the AGM in March 2024. It is your vision, so please amend it as you see fit!

Finally, in 2023, we benefited greatly from the assistance of Gabriel and Rachel Lanza, our *Time for God* volunteers. They returned to Honduras at the end of July 2023 and their presence was sorely missed. This first year with them highlighted just how much we needed some additional energy to help move forward.

I have continued to be a representative for the Diocese of Swansea & Brecon on the Governing Body of the Church in Wales. This meets twice a year and oversees the life of the Church in Wales. Whilst this is a time

commitment, it is important that we contribute to both the local life of the Church, and the national life if we want to see the Church moving in the right direction. I am also an Episcopal Elector for the diocese, and an Anglican representative to the Swansea Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education (SACRE). As Vicar, I am a trustee of the Fforestfach Welfare Trust. This year I have also been the High Sheriff's chaplain.

## **Worship**

Our worship in the parish is centred around the Sunday morning Eucharist, where we meet together to hear God's Word, then gather around God's table to be fed with the bread of heaven. It should be a foretaste of heaven.

During 2023 we got grant funding purchase an 85" TV for St Peter's. Now both churches use a screen to display the liturgy. This has greatly assisted those whose vision makes it difficult to read small words in hymn books or on paper booklets. One deaf worshipper commented that it greatly assisted them following the service. Both churches use an apple home hub to share the liturgy from the parish iPad. It is easy for anyone to control. At present, the St Peter's Screen is on a trolley, on a staging block. During 2024 it will need to be mounted on the wall.

Parade services with Fforestfach Scouts have continued. Due to changes in leadership, these have not happened every month but we hope that these can become regular again during 2024. I am grateful to the leaders and children for their continued support.

Evensong has continued on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at St Peter's. From January to July we finished off our series on "What we believe" with the Rev'ds Sam Aldred, Geraint Wathan, Sean Stillman, Canon Hugh Lervy, the Venerable Moes Farch and Gabriel and Rachel all preaching. In September 2023 we began a new series called "Why Paul's Letters Matter Today". Archdeacon Dorrien Davies (in October elected bishop of St Davids), the Rev'd Layfetta Masib and the Rev'd Marja Flipse opened the series.

Our weekday Eucharists have seen good, steady numbers at St Peter's, approaching 20 quite often. Numbers at St Illtyd's have been lower as regulars have become housebound or died. This year we have had some

themed sermon series including the whole armour of God (Ephesians 6) and a journey through the book of Esther.

Morning Prayer continues to be said as often as possible in Church. It is always a delight to share this with others. This is usually on a Tuesday and a Wednesday.

Once again we held a full Holy Week which began with a joint Palm Sunday service, followed by AGM. We were blessed to have Gabriel and Rachel preach for much of the week. There were special services including Tenebrae (Monday in St Peter's), Maundy Thursday service with striping of the altars and vigil, the ecumenical Good Friday walk of witness, devotions led by Gabriel and Rachel, and the liturgy, an Easter Vigil in St Illtyd's, and a joint Easter morning service in St Peter's. We marked Ascension Day and Pentecost with special services.

We kept a wide Advent program as well with our Community Carol Service at St Illtyd's, 9 Lessons and Carols at St Peter's, and a Christingle with Nativity Play at St Peter's. This included 19 children. Midnight Mass and a joint service on Christmas Day began the Christmas celebrations. Overall, numbers were back to pre-pandemic levels, marking a significant increase in attendance. We also hosted services for Dylan Thomas School and the Covid Bereavement Support Group.

This year I was delighted that we started two new types of service. In January we held Songs of Praise to lift spirits during the dark winter months. Some 50 people attended and it was great to have 7 worshippers describe their journey of faith and why a particular hymn was significant to them. In July we held our second service, this time in aid of the Roots Foundation Wales, in the presence of the Lord Lieutenant of West Glamorgan and the High Sheriff.

In September, we held our first monthly Welsh language Offeren Sanctaidd. It has found a place on the third Saturday of the month. I have been very grateful to those Welsh-speaking clergy who have accepted the invitation to preach, and to the congregation who have readily accepted being readers and leading prayers.

A weakness in our current service pattern is that there is no lay-led worship during the week. At present, there appears no appetite to lead it. I hope that this will change during 2024.

## **Occasional Offices**

### *Holy Baptism*

During 2022 there was one adult and four children baptised within the parish. All are regular worshippers in our churches.

### *Confirmation*

A Ministry Area Confirmation Service was held in St Illtyd's Church on 5 July 2023. 9 adults from the parish were presented, along with 2 from the other side of the Ministry Area.

### *Holy Matrimony*

Four weddings were celebrated in the parish, all at St Peter's.

### *Funerals*

The parish was invited to celebrate 17 funerals, 10 in St Peter's, 1 in St Illtyd's, and the rest straight to the Crematorium.

## **Mission**

During October, I was able to go on the course *Leading your church into growth*. I learned a lot from the course and set about trying to share some of the findings. Perhaps the most significant piece of advice for us is that mission should be intentional, and rooted in prayer. We have implemented the weekly use of a prayer that focuses on mission to that end. Further, at PCC we consciously look at mission opportunities.

This year we have undertaken some particular mission event. In July, as part of our vision, we gave every child leaving year 6 in three schools, with an invitation to come along to summer camp. The summer camp itself was designed to share appropriately the faith we have.

We have started a campaign to deliver an invitation leaflet to every house in the parish, outlining service times and events. This has not led to a discernible increase in numbers.

In December, the Pop-Up Nativity evolved yet again in its third year. This year, the morning had 3 sessions for English-medium schools: 2 for

Cadle and one for Gors. We decided to have much bigger groups (up to 60 children) and target older children, rather than infants as before. Thanks to the support of the Rev'd Dr Adrain Morgan, we were able to translate the scripts and run a Welsh version in the afternoon for groups from Pont-y-Brenin and Y Login Fach. Over 270 children came through the event, with its two casts of actors. On the Saturday, a community event was held as well.

## **Ministry**

I have continued to provide assemblies to Cadle (weekly) and Gors (periodically) Schools, alongside Gabriel and Rachel. Sarah Picton began weekly assemblies at Gendros School in the autumn. This year we focused on the parables of Jesus in the Spring term, then heroes of the faith in the summer term. In the autumn, we began a series working from the Judges through to King David. The opportunities for access are largely the result of the work I do as a governor at Gors and Cadle. I am also on the Management Committee of Maes Derw, the Swansea Pupil Referral Unit.

Children's ministry more generally is covered separately in Sarah Picton's article. It is worth noting the scale of children and youth work now undertaken: 2 baby groups, crafty church, Sunday School, and summer camp, with the Youth Group ready to start in January 2024. I'm hugely grateful to all those who volunteer to enable these events to happen, and give so freely of their time.

We have run several courses for new believers and discipleship over the year. In January we started an Alpha Course, the first to run here for several years. There were 8 guests, mostly attending other churches in the city. After Easter, I ran "6 steps to loving your Church" for the Confirmation course, which then continued to look at particular issues. In the autumn I ran Discipleship Explored. These courses are vital for the opportunity to deepen faith.

Home visiting is becoming an increasingly important ministry. Attempts to resurrect the Home Communion Team have not been successful. Demand far outstrips my capacity.

## **Governance**

I'm hugely grateful for those who have contributed so much to the PCC. There is a separate report covering the PCC. I feel this year has been more focused on mission than any previous year in my time here. I hope that this more focused approach will help us shape the life of our churches to be more missional as well.

I would also like to make particular note of the work of the Social and Fundraising Group, who have planned and implemented a varied programme. It is sad to note that post-pandemic our social events are not as well attended. The Quiz Night, in particular, was great fun but had less than 20 come along. We will need to work on how we can encourage people out!

The Ministry Area Council came into being in September. As of yet, it is in its early stages. All faculties and fundraising bids now need to be approved by this body, which leads to a duplication in work. I hope that we can find a way to ensure it is not just another level of bureaucracy.

The Rev'd Dr Jonathon Wright

Vicar

## PCC Report

The same as last year we have tried to carry out our PCC meetings alternating between St Peter's and St Illtyd's on a monthly basis. The year has yet again flown by for the PCC.

Current activities being dealt with include:-

Getting permission to install new information boards at both churches. A memorial board has been installed externally at St Peter's Where we can affix memorial plaques.

**Time for God** provided the parish with a married couple from Honduras named Rachel and Gabriel who bonded well with the congregations at both churches and assisted Jonathon at various school assemblies to help educate all ages in the Word of the Lord. Their assistance was gratefully received at various church services and activities.

It is very important we as a parish thank Chris Bennett for providing warm and friendly accommodation to Rachel and Gabriel to assist in them joining the parish family. They proved themselves to be very hardworking and fitted in so very well.

After Rachel and Gabriel moved on to their next mission abroad, it was agreed to contact Time for God to arrange a replacement. I am glad that we as a parish could welcome Juan to provide assistance as did Rachel and Gabriel. Very best wishes to Juan for his time with us.

### **Summer Camp.**

Monday 14/08/2023 saw the Kids' Summer Camp at St Peter's. Which saw 40 children over the 4 days, with an average attendance over 20. It was a good opportunity to share the Christian faith by teaching, and the example of our team of 28 helpers. A massive well done to Sarah Picton who planned the camp and prepared so much to make it happen. A big thank you also to Sian Parkhouse (Diocesan Children, Youth and Family Officer) and Kylie Davies from St Paul's, Sketty, who freely gave of their time and advice, and helped the administration to run smoothly.

### **Sunday school**

It has been good to see families with young children attend Sunday morning services and see the results of their craft sessions within the Sunday school in the vestry. Thank you to Charlie and her assistants for making this happen, Well Done All.

### **Community Centre**

Currently the community centre cannot be used to its fullest capabilities due to ongoing drainage issues. The parish has been delayed in getting the official go ahead to have the proposed car park at the community centre authorised which would allow the drainage issue to be corrected at the same time. Hopefully this will be sorted soon.

Again a huge thankyou to all that have been involved in sorting out the new bank accounts at both churches which clearly was not an easy issue by any means, so thankyou to Elliot, Alan and Diane.

**Tuesday 23/05/2023** –There was a Ministry Area inauguration service at St Michael's, Manselton. The bishop relicenced Jonathon and the other clergy. The long term intension is that we will no longer be formerly a benefice, but the PCC remains in place until the diocese takes the formal actions to disband the benefice charity.

## Technology

July this year Jonathon took delivery of our Large TV and stand and acquired the necessary equipment to deliver the services and hymns on screen. We are awaiting Faculty permission to get the Large TV mounted on a bracket and fixed to its adjacent pillar and raised higher than it is so everyone gets a better view of the screen.

## Operation Christmas Child.

As a PCC could we thank Colin & Anne Hammacott who again got, the Parish of Cockett to participated as a collection centre for Operation Christmas Child. As in previous years, they provided a shoebox packing service for church members and this proved to be remarkably successful as they purchased toys and packed 75 boxes. They successfully sent off 141 boxes from the Parish together with a further 118 boxes from the community making a total of 259 boxes.

A huge thank you must go to those volunteers who staffed the church over the three days and a massive thank you to those members of our congregations who so generously supported Operation Christmas Child in various ways.

As a PCC we thank you all for your support in the Past, Present and Future.

*Steve Davies*

## Church Wardens' Report

Where did 2023 go?

**January** had a sad start with the passing of Janet Vickery on the 1<sup>st</sup> January. On a positive note an Alpha course was started. The Bishop officially announced that we would formally be commissioned as a ministry area.

### February

Keys Club 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary service took place at St Peter's with the opportunity to give thanks for the last 60 years and give every blessing for the future.

## March

**Children's Sunday.** On Sunday 5 March, the children took the lead with readings and prayers at St Peter's. As some of our children are in Welsh medium education, there was some Welsh, along with an English translation.

## April

**Holy Week.** The most important week of the Christian year started on Palm Sunday, retracing our Lord's Passion, death and resurrection.

## May

**Ministry Area inauguration** took place on Tuesday 23rd May at St Michael and All Angels, Manselton. The bishop relicensed Fr Ian and Jonathon who received the formal legal documents to become a Ministry Area.

**June** Ben Jones was ordained priest at Brecon Cathedral on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

## July

**Bishop John** confirmed 11 candidates at St Illtyd's.

**Dylan Thomas Community Week took place.**

A big thank you to the year 10s who repainted the St Peter's choir vestry and disabled toilet, to those who relayed a section of path in the graveyard, and a team who were mapping parts of the graveyard. This is part of our vision to build ties with the school.

## August

**Kids Summer Camp** took place at St Peter's Church, Monday 14 to Thursday 17 August. The camp was aimed at 5-11 year old children.

The popular Disney film *Encanto* was the main theme this year, twinned with the story of Joseph, from Genesis.

## September

**Diocesan Centenary Celebration** took place at the Royal Welsh Showground on Saturday 9th.

**Diocesan Centenary.** Service took place on Sunday 17th September, we celebrated with the 1662 Eucharist to make us feel as if we were in the year 1923.

## October

**Light Party.** Crafty Church held its alternative Halloween event, the “Light Party”, on Friday 27th October. It’s was a great way to reach out to those not part of our church community.

## November

**Joint Service & parish meal.** There was a joint service on Sunday 5th November as we celebrated St Illtyd’s Day, followed by a parish meal at the Cockett Inn.

## December

**Pop-up Nativity.** The pop-up nativity successfully took place at Swansea Community Farm.

**Kids Christmas Craft Afternoon** took place on Saturday 16th. Families were invited to drop in 1-3pm. Crafts included wreath-making, spoon art angels, woolly sheep tree decorations and more!

*Steve and Sally (Wardens)*

*Pat Hathaway and Mary Howard.(Sub Wardens)*

## St Illtyd’s Sub-Warden Report

The beginning of 2023 saw an Alpha Course in St Illtyd’s, as well as a Lent course. A well-attended Bible Course ran in May.

We held a fete early in the year, which didn’t do as well as expected. We have new signage that surely will help.

April saw our orchard come to fruition, as in we planted the trees, and in 2024 ,we hope that they will grow big and strong with Gods help and bear lots of fruit. April also saw Reflections of the Cross and a Good Friday service held here.

We had a bingo night in May, and everyone had a lovely time, and raised funds. June saw a visit by Compassion UK to St Illtyd’s. In July, we had our first ever Confirmation service at St Illtyds, which went very well.

All this year Alan has been maintaining St Illtyd's, grass, fencing, painting, troughings etc, and it looks better for it too.

Alan, Gabriel and Rachel, with others, cleared the flooded basement/old boiler room, which was a horrid task and we had skip in to get rid of all the debris which has been collecting down there over the years.

We have two or three children who come with their parents and enjoy Sunday school. We also continue to host the scouts, cubs, beavers etc; once a month.

In November, we held another fete which did much better.

The 100 club fish and chip supper was held at St Illtyd's in early December because of plumbing problems with the Community Centre. The Community Carol Service was well attended, with Cadle School Choir singing beautifully.

Families in Christ Ministries, a Pakistani-origin church, started to use our hall and church for their Christian meetings. They have joined us for worship. We also had a joint service with them in October, which was interesting.

*Christine Bennett, Prim Sangar and Mair Tovey.*

## Webmaster Report

The parish website hasn't changed much in the last year, apart from updating groups and activities when required the majority of online interaction goes through social media sights rather than the website. That said the website still gets an average of 1,150 visits a month. With our contact pages being the most viewed followed by the details of how to hire our halls.

*Sarah Picton.*

## Churchyard Report

Work in maintaining the Churchyard, again went very well, given the limited human resource's available to us on any given day, with particular

thanks to two stalwart volunteers, who are not even member's of the Church, but between them, and the three or four regulars, continue to do us all proud.

We must again thank those visitors to the Churchyard, who so generously contributed via the collection box, and considerably helped towards the high costs incurred in maintaining the seven-acre site, highlighted this year, with the very necessary purchase of a new "ride on mower" at a cost of £6,670:00.

Roy Wydenbach

## Choir Report

2023 has been a relatively quiet year. Regular choir rehearsals have continued and the choir has sung at every service, including Evensong.

Our numbers remained the same until the autumn when Robert Edwards appeared in church, and fortunately he accepted our invitation to join the choir. He is a very welcome addition to the men's section, and the choir in general.

We have plenty of spaces in the Chancel for anyone wishing to join. Please come along on a Wednesday evening at 6.30 pm – no voice trial is expected – you can be assured of a very warm welcome.

Eileen Jones

## St Peter's Community Centre Report

*Due to illness, no report has been submitted by the time this report had to be distributed.*

## Parish Magazine Report

The parish magazine is produced quarterly. The committee meet to discuss content for each edition and also meet to edit the content, once received.

The Committee is made up of Mary Howard, Pat Hathaway, Mary Millington, Margaret Lewis, the Vicar and myself. Sarah Picton was also part of the committee but her commitments with the young people of the parish has kept her too busy to continue. We thank her for her input. We met 10 times during the year.

We always welcome ideas for features for the magazine from parish members. If anyone has any content ideas, they can approach anyone from the committee.

We have a number of advertisers but there is still room for more! If you know of any business that would like to advertise, please let us know.

*Maureen Cassagrande*

## Thursday Club Report

Thursday Club continues in popularity, providing interesting speakers on the second, third and fourth weeks of the month. On November 9 Menna Wyn Jones spoke to us on hurricanes, her talk was excellent and most informative.

This was followed on 16 November by Helen May, who spoke on the making of dolls house accessories, bringing with her examples of her work, which was most fascinating.

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> November we went off on our annual trip, arriving firstly at Vincent Davies, the departmental Store, where we enjoyed coffee, and also purchased items from their vast display of Christmas Decorations. Following this, we left for Narberth, where we browsed in the delightful small shops, and then enjoyed lunch, an excellent day was had by all.

December 7 was a week for Christmas Celebrations, and we had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon, complete with a Christmas buffet.

On January 7 we held our New Year social afternoon, and on 13<sup>th</sup> Rev Mark Williams gave us an excellent talk, and on January 25<sup>th</sup> we will be holding our annual Dinner at the Kingsbridge.

## Mothers' Union Report

The first meeting at our new time of 2.00pm was held in January as a general get together for fellowship and to discuss our branch hosting the St Mary's Eucharist the following day. Our February meeting was cancelled as it was the day of Janet Vickery's funeral who had been a faithful member until a few years ago. The Wave of Prayer meeting was held once again this year when 17 members attended a very moving service of prayers for worldwide members.

A very enjoyable St David's celebration with memorabilia, poems, the reading of Eli Jenkins prayer, a quiz then singing Calon Lan and the Welsh National Anthem followed by Welsh cakes and bara brith. Our annual meal in July was held at the Kingsbridge restaurant where we enjoyed fellowship to end our summer session. Our first meeting in September was our Eucharist service led by our Vicar Jonathon followed by refreshment and a general catch up.

Our speaker this year have enlightened us with talk on the Empire Theatre: 'Jammy Pam' with her chutneys, jams and handmade cards: a visit to St Petersburg and Moscow; being involved in the young farmers movement in Pembroke and latterly the Ladies Circle.

The last meeting of the year was once again our AGM when existing committee members were reappointed.

Doreen Boor

## St Illtyd's Ladies Guild

We continue to meet on the first Wednesday of the month. Mair Tovey was elected President when we began the session in September. Prim Sanger and Ann Howells are the join treasurers.

So far we have had a talk on beekeeping. Dr Ian Millington told us about being a GP in Fforestfach, also how the Cockett Amateur Operatic Society was started by the Rev'd Fred Secombe. Apparently, it began with the Gilbert and Sullivan Operas, then progressed to other musicals.

We were also entertained by Billy, who sang for us, and Brenda Gully, who told us about working in the Sancta Maria Convent. We all enjoyed very much our Christmas Dinner at the Kingsbrige Inn.

At the moment we only have an average of 12 ladies attending our meetings. We would love to welcome new members to our group.

Margaret Wellington

## Keys' Club Report

As we welcomed in 2023, we were already in the midst of what would prove to be, one the most successful years in the history of the Keys Club when we enjoyed a diverse programme of speakers and enjoyable social events and we looked forward to our planned special church service and our anniversary dinner to mark the 60<sup>th</sup> Diamond Anniversary of the Keys Club.

Throughout the year we have kept in touch with and updated members through a much appreciated monthly newsletter and the secretary has kept contact with members who have suffered ill health or bereavement through telephone calls, emails and the sending of get well and sympathy cards.

However, the year was tinged with sadness as we saw the passing in October of Tony Adams, one of our long standing and stalwart members and we all mourn his passing.

In January local historian Gerald Gabb took us through milestones in the history of the City of Swansea and who presented us with volumes of his historical books which we auctioned raising £150 for club funds.

February was a special month, when not only did we hold a wonderful 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary service at St. Peter's conducted by our president Rev'd Dr Jonathon Wright which was attended by both members and their families but also our Anniversary Dinner and the publication of our commemorative 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary brochure and we would wish to place on record our sincere thanks to John Burgum for both organising the dinner and for the considerable amount of effort, time and research that he put into producing an anniversary brochure of which we can all be proud.

John Powell was our March speaker who told us of the part that the anti-aircraft gun on Mumbles Hill played in the defence of our city during World War II.

In April, our club secretary Colin Hammacott regaled us with his personal recollections of the music hall acts who graced the stage of the iconic Swansea Empire.

Our Annual General Meeting in May saw held at the Sketty Club where we continued to support charitable causes and following nominations by members at our AGM, we forwarded £200 cheques to Forget Me Not Dementia Club, Ty Olwen, Multiple Sclerosis Trust, SSAFA, Roots Foundation Wales, Mind Cymru, Smile Train and Madame Curie. Following the meeting we enjoyed a Fish and Chip Supper.

In June, we visited the Welsh Folk Museum at St. Fagan's before adjourning for a very enjoyable meal and social evening at the Grove Golf Club, Porthcawl.

Following our summer break, we commenced our 2023/24 programme in September with a Holy Eucharist at St. Nicholas on the Hill conducted by our Chairman, Rev. Mark Williams. followed by a Fish and Chip Supper at the Sketty Club.

In October, our Vice Chairman Gareth May displayed his encyclopaedic knowledge of rugby with a talk on Two World Cups in one year.

We were treated in November to an intriguing and fascinating talk by Richard Williams on 9/11- The untold truth. Whether we accepted or not his views, it certainly gave us a lot of food for thought.

In December, we held our Christmas Dinner at the Sketty Club where in house chef Sam again served up an excellent meal and we were thankful to Richard Nedin for making this and all other social arrangements run so efficiently in his usual exemplary way.

Finally, I wish to extend to the officers and members of the Keys Club, my sincere thanks and appreciation for the unstinting support they give me in my role as secretary for which I am exceedingly grateful.

## Children's Ministry

It has been a busy year for children's activities within St Peter's and St Illtyd's, with ups and downs.

Crafty church has continued monthly which is always well attended and children enjoy learning a Bible story through dramas, songs games and crafts.

Sunday School continues strong during the Sunday service where the children hear a Bible story and complete an activity or craft to take home to remind them of the story.

Summer Club saw 40 different children attend over the 4 days with an average of around 20 children a day. We looked at the story of Joesph along with the film Encanto through worksheets, action worship songs, drama, crafts and games all linked to Joesph's story. The children enjoyed dancing along to 'Jesus is my Superhero', watching a drama preformed by the volunteers, and challenging the Vicar with some messy forfeits for the Vicar who doesn't complete the challenge. Also, after 4 days of repeating the same memory verse of the Bible, many children were able to remember Proverbs 19:21.

Assemblies are always challenging and enjoyable, trying to get the same message across to 5–11-year-olds can sometimes be challenging but its always good to hear how much of the story the children remember from the previous week and how we are never short of volunteers from the pupils to read the scripts of the stories.

Our St Illtyd's playgroup remains popular with some regulars in attendance. The Playgroup from St Peter's has had its challenging with number declining so we moved the group into the community rooms at Gors Community School. After 2 terms and number not really increasing, we then made the decision to move back into the church changing the day of the group in hope to increase numbers again. Again this year we

have had a number of very kind donations to renew or expand our toy collection which we are always thankful for.

The end of the year saw a number of children participate in our nativity play within the Christingle service, it was well attended with around 15 children attending a number of rehearsals and playing a part in the nativity.

Lastly towards the end of the school term we held our taster session for Big Questions with Christians, a lunch time club in Dylan Thomas School where we plan to look through the bible course, and plans are underway to start a youth group in the new year for those in secondary school.

A Huge thankyou to all the volunteers for their help in all the activities, without everyone's help it would not be possible to achieve all the amazing things we do.

Sarah Picton

## Befrienders' Café and Art Group

When I started the original Carers cafe in 2019, I did not expect to see the many changes that have since occurred.

We had a name change; went online and survived a pandemic; trebled our initial membership; became recognised by the Glynn Vivian art Gallery; exhibited work in that gallery in the summer and here we are about to celebrate our fifth year of existence!

It has proved to be a great success with a regular attendance of 10 -12 people each week.

The Glynn Vivian have sent new people, given us materials, sent expert teachers in both printing and arts/ crafts as well as helped support me in running the group.

I am happy to report that we are thriving and I'm thrilled at the success of our group, and about to celebrate our 5th birthday in May!

We have decorated the church for Remembrance Day, both inside and out, but sadly due to costs we are no longer able to continue doing wreaths for the Christmas period.

Many thanks are due to Jonathan our vicar for giving us the support and belief that we could make this group work.

Also, to Sally, Sue Bergum, and Eiffion who initially came as helpers but enjoyed it so much, they joined in and stayed on in the group.

Their help and encouragement over the past 5 years has been invaluable. We are moving into the coming year with both support and enthusiasm.

Christina Grant

## Parish 100 Club

The 100 Club is without doubt, the biggest stream of income in our fundraising programme and despite the passing of some loyal and long standing members, our total membership in 2023 held steady at 243, as thankfully, we managed to attract a significant number of new members.

We are exceedingly grateful to all our members for their support especially those families who continue to be involved following the passing of a family church member.

Once again our annual Fish & Chip Supper and Grand Christmas Draw, which has become a firm favourite, was held this year at St Illtyd's Church Hall, where we were entertained by our old friend Jonathon Lycett with the occasion adding £242 to 100 club funds.

It is pleasing to report, our efforts over the year were once again financially successful, resulting in a profit of £2,042.00 to bolster the funds of St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's.

We wish to record our thanks to those church members who pitched in and helped make our Christmas event such a success. Special thanks to those members of both churches together with their families and friends for their unstinting and loyal support for the 100 Club, we are most grateful to you all.

Colin & Anne Hammacott & Pam Brain

## Self-Denial Box

The Self Denial box supports a different charity every month. This year £1,398.24 was raised and given to the following charities:

	£
Mercy Ships	43.00
Earthquake Disaster	227.00
Roots	301.00
Prostate Cancer	98.00
Mind	67.20
Sense	74.00
Maggies	50.00
Roots	181.67
Ripples	53.00
Christian Aid	<u>303.37</u>
	<b>1398.24</b>

We also sent to Ty Hafan	99.23
Barnabas Fund	61.00

These are ongoing charities which we send to every year. Jars for contributions to these charities are at the back of the church.

Thank you to everyone who supports our charities.

*Pat Hathaway*

## Operation Christmas Child

On the run up to Christmas 2023, the Parish of Cockett once again participated in Operation Christmas Child by agreeing to St. Peter's acting as a Collection Centre for the west of Swansea and opened for three days to allow the public to drop off their shoe boxes.

As we are getting older, we looked to hand over responsibility for co-ordinating the event to younger more able church members but sadly, no one was willing to take over the mantle and so we have continued in the role, however, this does not bode well for the future should we be unable to fulfil the role and there is a great need for succession planning.

As in previous years, in order to maximise the contribution of our parish to the total of shoeboxes we dispatched, we continued to provide a shoebox packing service for those church members, who, for various reasons, were unable to go shopping as often as they would wish. Again this proved to be remarkably successful as for £20.00p we purchased toys and other products and packed 75 boxes on behalf of church members, an increase of 15 on 2022 which reflects how essential this service is, as without it, the number of members participating would fall sharply.

However, the cost of living crisis has resulted in prices escalating and although we snap up bargains throughout the year, the cost of each box will need to increase, so this may have an impact on the numbers in 2024 both from the parish and the general public.

We managed to send off 141 boxes (2022 – 165 boxes) from the Parish together with a further 118 boxes (2021 – 130 boxes) from other places of worship and the general public making a total of 259 boxes (2022 – 261 boxes). Therefore, we were able to put a smile on the faces of 259 children from Ukraine and Central Asia.

Our sincere thanks to those volunteers who staffed the church over the three days we were open for the public to drop off their shoe boxes and a massive thank you to those members of the congregations of St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's who so generously supported Operation Christmas Child once again.

Thank you also to those who purchased bobble hats and mittens for their boxes kindly knitted by Anne Hammacott, Joan Harris and the late Dorothy Macken which enabled us to send a donation of £120 towards the work of Operation Christmas Child and a donate a further £300.00p towards church funds which with gift aid increased to £384.00p.

*Colin & Anne Hammacott.*

## Benefice Accounts

# Financial Activities

January - December 2023

	<b>Total</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	
Church contributions	38,250.00
Donations and legacies	2,164.32
Grants	19,457.00
Rent	7,604.86
Tax Refunds	5,387.82
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>72,864.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Bank charges	63.64
Clergy Expenses	5,695.68
Dues and Subscriptions	539.14
Emergency Fund	2,400.00
Insurances	2,114.35
Mission	11,930.54
Office/General Administrative Expenses	2,027.69
Parish Share	32,502.00
Parsonage	131.01
Phone Costs	384.00
Printing, Postage and Stationery	428.18
Tax refunds reimbursement	8,908.86
Time for God	6,372.88
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>73,497.97</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	<b>£ -633.97</b>

# Balance Sheet Comparison

As of December 31, 2023

	<b>Total</b>
<b>FIXED ASSET</b>	
<b>Total Fixed Asset</b>	
<b>CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND</b>	
HSBC Business Current Account	70,192.50
<b>Total Cash at bank and in hand</b>	<b>70,192.50</b>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>70,192.50</b>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>	<b>70,192.50</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>70,192.50</b>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>	<b>£70,192.50</b>
<b>CHARITY FUNDS</b>	
Opening Balance Equity at Jan 1 2023	70,826.47
Surplus/(Deficit)	-633.97
<b>Total Charity funds at Dec 31 2023</b>	<b>£70,192.50</b>

# St Peters Accounts

## RECEIPTS

<u>Voluntary Income</u>	£
Planned Giving	32,724.00
Loose Collection	1,311.00
Donations	500.00
For Mission	1,379.00
Tax Refund	8,999.00
Grants	1,000.00
<u>Generated Income</u>	
Money Raising	885.00
Fees	2,251.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>49,049.00</b>

## PAYMENTS

Parish Share	36,000.00
Maintenance of Service	2,541.00
General Parish Expenses	2,674.00
Maintenance of Churches	4,962.00
Mission	1,379.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>47,556.00</b>

## Balance of Funds

Brought Forward 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan. 2023	3,149.00
Carried Forward 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec. 2023	4,642.00

# St Illtyd's Accounts

## ST ILLTYDS CHURCH ACCOUNT

### RECEIPTS

HSBC  
CAF

4033.53  
£14,932.36

Balance at Bank 1/1/2023

### Collections

Envelopes £8,389.86  
Loose £663.04  
Gifted £10.00  
Candle Fund £113.12  
Self Denial £274.37

### Fees

Weddings  
Funerals £153.00

### Donations/Fundraising

Donations £100.76  
Fundraising £800.83

### Miscellaneous

Tarmac Pay Back £5,588.00  
Hall A/c £2,117.50  
Bank interest £28.01  
Transfer HSBC £10,000.00  
Cockett Grave Yard Fund £300.00  
Collection Carol Service £118.17  
100 Club Share £480.00

£18,631.68

**TOTAL**

**£48,102.55**

## ANNUAL YEAR END 2023

### PAYMENTS

#### Services

Gas £522.65  
Electricity £2,276.88  
Water £287.22

£3,086.75

#### Maintenance

Alarm Service £228.30  
Ground Maint £317.16  
Electrical Work £17.88  
Fire Check £127.15  
Build Repair £1,910.19  
Skip Hire £216.00

£2,816.68

#### Miscellaneous

Bank Charges £126.00  
Expenses £264.00  
Organist £1,595.00  
Donation Carol Service Collect £120.53  
Self Denial Payments £276.15  
P.Group Wages £7,010.64  
Wine £45.00  
Gambiling License £20.00  
Stationary £42.95  
Washroom Paper Towels £43.49  
HMRC £457.60  
T/F HSBC £10,000.00  
Mince Pies £8.80

£20,010.16

#### Balance at Bank 31/12/23

CAF Bank £16,187.68  
HSBC Bank £6,001.28

**TOTAL**

**£48,102.55**

## ST ILLTYDS HALL ACCOUNT

## ANNUAL YEAR END 2023

### RECEIPTS

Balance at Bank 1/1/2023

### Breakdown

Hall Hire £4,362.50  
 Bank Interest £35.74  
 Fund Raising £709.47  
 T/FHSBC £17,982.22

**£20,482.88**

**£23,089.93**

### PAYMENTS

expenses £800.00  
 Building Maintenance £386.46  
 Gas £685.16  
 Bank Charges £60.00  
 G Harcourt Banner £66.00  
 C/FHSBC £17,982.85

**£19,980.47**

Balance at Bank 31/12/2022

**£23,592.34**

**£43,572.81**

**£43,572.81**

**ST ILLTYDS PLAY GROUP ACCOUNT**

**ANNUAL YEAR END 2023**

**RECEIPTS**

**Balance at Bank 1/1/2023**

**£2,223.43**

**Breakdown**

???

Grant £633.73

Child Fees £11,520.00

Bank Interest £160.00

£16.63

**£12,330.36**

**Balance at Bank 31/12/2023**

**£13,558.41**

**£14,553.79**

**£14,553.79**

**PAYMENTS**

Bank Charges £60.00

Wages £216.58

HMRC £718.80

**£995.38**

**THE BENEFICE OF SWANSEA ST PETER (COCKETT)**

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# Accounts

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# Annual Report 2022

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# Vicar's Report

Welcome to the 2022 Annual Report. After 2 annual reports dominated by Covid and its impact, this year we began moved into the new era of living with Covid.

I would like to begin by recording my thanks to the Benefice Wardens (Steve Davies and Sally Jones), PCC Lay Chair Maureen Casagrande, and PCC Secretary Sarah Picton, for their continued wisdom and support. Further I would like to record my thanks to the sub-wardens and treasurers who quietly work away making everything happen. The teams who care for our graveyards also deserve particular thanks as they have looked better this year than for many. To these people and all who have supported the life of our benefice this year– *diolch yn fawr iawn i chi!*

For me, the most significant event in 2022 for our life together as a benefice was the development of a 5-year vision. The process began in April with the Venerable Martyn Gough, late Chaplain of the Fleet to the Royal Navy, coming to St Peter's. Through a series of consultations, the work of a Vision committee to write the draft vision, and then the facilitation of Archdeacon Robert Williams, we were able to unanimously agree the vision in October. The product of this process is a document that we can use to steer our priorities. The full vision is included in this annual report, as well as the first evaluation of our progress.

Another major innovation this year has been bringing in Gabriel and Rachel Lanza, through *Time for God*. Gabriel and Rachel arrived in September and have provided invaluable support to the benefice through supporting the baby groups, leading assemblies, adding a new dimension to our musical worship at St Illtyd's, visiting, leading the new home groups and much more!

## **Worship**

As St Augustine wrote in his *Confessions*, "our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you". As Christians, our primary purpose is to worship God. During 2022 we have continued to keep worship at the centre of our life together. The pattern of Sunday services (9.15am at St Peter's, 11.15am at St Illtyd's) is not ideal, but represents a sustainable compromise.

The All Age service at St Illtyd's continues to go from strength to strength, with approximately 50 worshippers attending, with up to 18 under 16s. I am grateful to Fforestfach Scout Group for their high level of engagement and support. The All Age service at St Peter's was suspended during 2022 as it did not find a natural attendance. A weekly Sunday School has taken its place and we have a higher average number of children now at St Peter's.

The monthly Evensong congregation has held up well, usually in the mid-20s. Up to the summer holidays we continued our series on heroes from the Bible with sermons on Ananias (the Rev'd Ian Folks), Elijah (the Rev'd Sarah Harris), the Ephesian tribune (the Rev'd Canon Dr Mark Clavier), Mary Magdalene (the Rev'd Jane deGay), Daniel (Mrs Sian Parkhouse), Peter (the Rev'd Dr John Evans), and James the Apostle (the Rev'd Ben Jones). In September we began a series on what we believe with Mandy Bayton (Incarnation), Matthew Richards (the Church), and the Rev'd Dr Adrain Morgan (the Trinity).

A full programme of seasonal worship went ahead. A highlight was Br George Guiver of the Community of the Resurrection coming for Holy Week and Easter. Br George preached and attended a variety of activities, not least the Keys Club where he was drafted in to speak when the speaker who had been booked did not arrive!

Morning Prayer on a Tuesday and Wednesday grew during 2022, with new people coming along to join in at 9am. Morning Prayer is open to everyone.

I'm very grateful to Eileen Jones as our organist and choir director at St Peter's. The choir have beautifully supported worship throughout the year. Despite attempts to encourage new members, we have not yet been successful. In August, Danny Yuan left from St Illtyd's to take up a scholarship at Wellington College. We were delighted to welcome Acacia Thomas as the new pianist at St Illtyd's.

I recognise that our local community is increasingly multi-lingual. During 2022 we used a smattering of Welsh within our worship. During the baptism of the Naserlivand family, asylum seekers from Iran, we held

what must be one of the first bi-lingual English-Iranian baptism services. As part of our vision, we will look to increase the use of Welsh as many more young people are being educated through the medium of Welsh.

Our totals for occasional offices were:

- Baptism: 5 children and 3 adults
- Weddings: 6 weddings took place, all at St Peter's
- Funerals: clergy took 22 funerals in the Benefice (Vicar = 19, the Rev'd Mark Williams = 3). One was at St Illtyd's, 12 at St Peter's, and 9 straight to the Crematorium

## **Mission**

The Good News of God is not something we should ever keep to ourselves. It is important that we seek to be a mission-orientated local church.

During 2022 we have undertaken 2 important courses which have helped equip each of us for growing in the faith and sharing it with others: Hope Explored (which ran in both churches during Lent and saw more than 30 people attend) and the Prayer Course. The plan to run an awayday focused on prayer had to be cancelled due to lack of interest.

The Light Party, our alternative Halloween event, and the Kids Summer Camp both engaged more than 20 local families and gave us the opportunity to share Bible stories with families. From September, Crafty Church became a monthly activity set on a Friday evening. This is taking time to build. It has been great to see a good pool of volunteers supporting Crafty Church.

On Good Friday, worshippers from the Benefice joined with worshippers from Gendros Baptist Church and Holy Cross RC Church for a walk of witness. We carried a cross from St Peter's via the other churches, with 9 stops to hear Scripture, pray and sing a verse of a hymn. More than 50 people took part.

In May, I co-led a week of the GSUS Live project in Dylan Thomas School, which provided a bespoke RE class on Christianity to every child in the school. As a follow-up I assisted Cornerstone Church with running

Youth Alpha in Dylan Thomas. I hope that more opportunities for engagement with Dylan Thomas will come in 2023.

The new parish magazine has been a full-colour window into the life of our churches. Its new design focuses on reaching out. Looking back from 2023, it is clear that we need to find better ways of making it visible.

## **Ministry**

In June, we welcomed the Rev'd Ben Jones, as the new Curate. Ben is licensed to the Ministry Area, but predominantly works with Fr Ian in the other side of the Ministry Area.

In November, as part of our vision, we began two home group Bible Studies, facilitated by Gabriel and Rachel. I hope that we can expand these in 2023. It is belief that we should all take part in a weekly home group to support and deepen our faith and relationship with one another.

Providing an adequate level of visiting and home communions continues to be a challenge, giving the number of competing demands on me. At present we have no commissioned Lay Pastoral Visiting team or Lay Worship Leaders. As part of the vision we seek to address this, starting in 2023. I hope that volunteers will come forward. Gabriel and Rachel were very helpful in visiting the housebound following their arrival.

During 2022, the healing ministry in our churches has largely been left fallow. I hope that we can return to this in 2023.

A huge thank you to Colin and Anne Hammacott for enabling St Peter's to be an Operation Christmas Child Church Collection Centre again in 2022. This year the hundreds of boxes collected were sent to the Ukraine.

## **Governance**

The PCC have been very active in 2022. Major projects were prepared for, notably in bringing in Gabriel and Rachel through *Time for God*, starting the Community Centre redevelopment plan, getting the remembrance board installed at St Peter's and much more.

2023 will see the Benefice formally disbanded and subsumed into a Ministry Area that is effectively a single benefice. This is likely to be our

last annual report in this format. We will cease to be a charity at some point in 2023, and the Ministry Area will become a charity. Whilst a lot of this is cosmetic structural re-arrangement, it is our responsibility to push for structures and processes that keep is mission and ministry focused.

After a diocesan conference where our representatives were mere spectators, I hope that we will be able to play an active role in the development of our diocese and local ministry in 2023.

*The Rev'd Dr Jonathon Wright*  
*Vicar*

## PCC Report

The year started with our PCC meetings alternating between St Peter's and St Illtyd's on a monthly basis. It was lovely to be back to normal! The year has been extremely busy for the PCC. Highlights of the year are shown below.

We agreed that we should explore having a memorial board at St Peter's where we could affix memorial plaques. We asked Chance to Build to see if they could come up with a design and cost. This proved very successful and was duly completed by the end of the year.

We also agreed that we should resubmit a Time for God application. Hopefully this would be able to be find someone without Covid getting in the way! After holding interviews via Zoom we found Rachel and Gabriel Lanza, a married couple from Honduras. This was a decision that has proved extremely successful. Chris Bennett welcomed them both into her home in September as their host. A great partnership with St Peter's & St Illtyd's evolved. They have both thrown themselves into church life. They have both proved themselves to be very hardworking and have fitted in so very well.

A discussion was also held early in the year about holding a summer holiday club in August for 5-11 year olds. After many months of planning this very successful event took place over 4 days. This has progressed to holding a number of children activities throughout the year.

We had plans drawn up for the proposed car park at the community centre after a consultation was carried out to see whether this was what people wanted. This is ongoing. We had new fire doors installed at the community centre too.

We employed Sarah Picton as our Children and Family Worker. Sarah took over this role at the end of April. Unfortunately, our Community Centre caretaker resigned later in the year. The position is still open and, to date, we have been unable to find a replacement.

The path at St. Illtyd's was repaired during the year. The costs had escalated for this work and we struggled to find a company to carry out the proposal. Thankfully Alan Morris managed to find a company who were able to carry out the contract successfully.

In May we held our Vision Sunday. This was to determine where we saw the Church in 5 year's time. Martyn Gough came as our facilitator. This progressed to us having a Vision Implementation Strategy and this was held in October. We now have this documented as our timeline.

A major concern has been St Illtyd's bank accounts. This has resulted with a complaint being lodged, by us, with the bank ombudsman. This has taken over 18 months to resolve and is still awaiting resolution. Our thanks must go to Alan and Diane Morris who have been extremely frustrated by the attitude of the Bank and have soldiered on throughout this turmoil.

We were able to supply some Christmas hampers to families in need in Gors and Cadle Primary School. In all we supplied 62 hampers.

We approved work to be carried out at St Illtyds to alleviate the flooding in the boiler room. We also agreed work to be carried out on St Peter's organ.

As you can see the PCC has been very active during the year. These are just the highlights and snapshot of some of the big ticket items. I hope you will find this enlightening.

*Maureen Casagrande*

## Church Wardens' Report

Another year has flown by and sadly some people have failed to return to church for various reasons such is the effect of Covid 19 which is still impacting on our lives.

**January** saw the appointment of a caretaker at the community centre and Fr Jonathon was continuing to make progress into facilitating the creation of a car park at the rear of the community centre. We also learned of the passing of John Evans who was a faithful member of our congregation and the Keys club, John will be sadly missed. We also keep Monica Walters in our prayers after she suffered a Stroke and had to go into a nursing home.

**February** saw Storm Eunice hit the country and thankfully both churches avoided any damage. A refugee family was welcomed into the Parish and they attend St Illtyd's on a regular basis. The end of February allowed the wearing of masks in church to cease.

**March** 1<sup>st</sup> St David's day and Shrove Tuesday fell on the same day and Jonathon was seen to be expertly flipping pancakes after the morning service. The new Bishop of Swansea and Brecon John Lomas was enthroned on 5<sup>th</sup> March at Brecon Cathedral. March also saw our very own Dave Macken step down as Sexton after many years of Grafting and Caring for the grave yard. A party to celebrate Dave's long service was to follow.

The Church in Wales allowed the chalice to be shared again in church for those that required it as Covid infection rates were now low. Guidance was provided by the Church in Wales. Hope Explored courses were successfully run at both churches with good attendance figures.

The annual Easter Vestry was held on Palm Sunday **April** 10<sup>th</sup> and a new PCC was elected. We welcomed our holy week preacher Br George Guiver from the Community of the Resurrection, who helped us to navigate Holy Week prayerfully.

**May 1<sup>st</sup>** saw the christening of Peter William Andrew Wright but unfortunately Jonathon was suffering from Covid and could not attend. Rev Mark Williams was able to cover and assist Bishop John Lomas with the service. Bishop John's relaxed manner was welcomed by all.

May 6<sup>th</sup> **Côr Curiad** held a concert at St Peter's but only 14 people were in the audience.

The Venerable Martin Gough attended our Vision Sunday service and after the service he facilitated over group discussions on our Benefice 5 Year Plan.

On **June 12<sup>th</sup>** the baptism of Alys Picton took place during the service and we were able continue the celebration after the service in the Vestry. During this month we sadly lost 3 faithful members of our congregation and of the Keys club. They were Graham Evans , Colin Payton and Brian Lloyd they will be all sadly missed but not forgotten.

**July 21<sup>st</sup>** at St Illtyd's the Bishop came along to explain the proposed changes to the Ministry Areas which gave the chance for question to be asked. This project is still ongoing.

July 23<sup>rd</sup> we celebrated Dave Macken's long service as Sexton at St Peter's.

**August** saw the Childrens Summer Camp take place and was a great success.

Sadly we lost Marjorie Fair this month who was another faithful member of our congregation.

**September** we were able to welcome the arrival of Rachel And Gabriel our Time for God Volunteers who are residing with Christine Bennett. We also mourned the death of our Sovereign Queen Elizabeth.

**October 1<sup>st</sup>** a Honduran night was held to get to know Rachel and Gabriel and the following day we celebrated Harvest at both churches.

A light party took place in the community centre which gave the opportunity to engage with families to explain the good news of Jesus being the light of the world.

**November** we had autumn fayres at both community centres on consecutive weeks. Also we were very appreciative for the huge effort put in by Colin and Ann Hammacott in organising Operation Christmas Child within the Benefice.

**December** saw the return of the Pop-up Nativity at Swansea Community Farm which was a great success.

*Steve and Sally (Wardens)*

*Pat Hathaway and Mary Howard.(Sub Wardens)*

## St Illtyd's Sub-Warden Report

Our best achievement was the arrival of Rachel and Gabriel, for both churches and Fr Jonathon, they have been a great asset. They have proved to be wonderful Christians, filled with God's love, kindness, compassion, and knowledge. After the arrival of Rachel and Gabriel we had a Honduran night in St Illtyd's and had a taste of Honduran cooking, Baleadas, lovely evening.

We hold a family service every month and enjoy the company of the squirrels, beavers, cubs and scouts. We had 4 baptisms at St Illtyd's during the year.

Our pianist Danny left us to go take up a scholarship at a prestigious school, we miss him and wish him every success. However along came Acaicia, who is lovely, sweet, kind, and another great asset to us, and a very good pianist. (Many thanks to Eileen for helping our little flower)

We were given a grand piano by Helen, who continues to hold the music exams in our church.

The Bingo night was a great success, bringing community into the hall and sharing fellowship. We have had a few raffles to keep things turning over. A Christmas fate was held, but takings were down this year. We

had a garden party which was forced inside the church hall because of the rain.

Our services have been brightened by Rachel and Gabriel with live music and song, so along with our screen, our services are joyful.

We have had some work carried out to the drainage of the church which has stopped the water flowing into the boiler room. We have had the brambles cut back on the side of the church in preparation for our community orchard. Looks better already. We continue with our Eco church, having received a water butt and a compost bin kindly donated by Sally. With these and our proposed orchard we are looking good for our Silver.

*Chris Bennett*

## Webmaster Report

The beginning of the year saw more and more groups starting to get together again post Covid so the activities pages became visible to see on the website again. Also, the groups using the community centre and hall varied as some didn't continue once we were open again.

Rachael and Gabriel have done a huge amount of work mapping out the graveyard at St Illtyds and this is now visible on the website. However with the use of social media becoming more and more popular the website has needed very little maintenance within the last year.

Next year I would aim to make the site more appealing starting with some updated pictures across the website.

*Sarah Picton*

## Churchyard Report

2022 saw the retirement of Mr. Dave Macken, after 39 years of meritorious service as Sexton of the Parish. A loss so important, could not but speedily and severely be felt by the remaining members of the graveyard team.

Now, they say the Lord works in mysterious ways, and for the earlier part of the year, we were fortunate to be able to call on the services of Leon Evans, one of our newer members of the congregation, who it must be

said, made a remarkable contribution to the upkeep of the graveyard, in working through areas, which up until then, had not been cleared in many a long year, and on the plus side, he also reduced the average age of the group from 77 years to 68 years.....and that made us all feel better!!!

The continued contribution that our Church neighbour, Mr. John Davies makes, again cannot be underestimated, not only his work in the graveyard every Tuesday morning, but his constant surveillance of our Church, and its grounds through the year, his diligent emptying of the collection box, which is situated in the churchyard.....well done John.

The graveyard is now looking as good as it as its ever looked, and we look forward to another successful year in maintaining the high standards set by our forebears.

*Roy Wydenbach*

## Choir Report

This year has proved to be healthier than the previous two years and the choir has continued to meet regularly for rehearsals.

I am extremely grateful to this small, but dedicated, choir who turn up in all weathers to rehearse and sing each week at Eucharist, Evensong and many of the special services throughout the year. There are few churches nowadays that have a choir and we are very fortunate to have a choir that can sing the Canticles, which are beautiful, but sadly is becoming a lost art in parish churches.

Our sincere wish is to increase our numbers. Everyone is welcome, from seven to seventy. We all have a voice: why not come along to choir practice - you may be surprised and enjoy it and of course you can be sure of a very warm welcome.

*Eileen Jones*

## St Peter's Community Centre Report

The Community Hall was well used during 2022. Its use is only constrained by its size.

Evening period from 4 pm is the most popular time for booking sessions. A variety of groups use the hall; Dance groups both child and adult; Young persons theatre school, Baby group, Beekeeping classes, Kungfu, Slimming classes and also the Al Anon group which now meets twice a week.

Children's birthday parties, large family gatherings and other church social group meetings too large to hold in the vestry are regular users.

We have seen an end to the long running yoga groups as Astrid has retired. They were always very popular so hopefully a new group can be started. We have had a new fire door fitted to replace the well-worn one! Look forward to the refurbishment of the toilets etc in 2023!

*Caroline Riddler*

## Parish Magazine Report

The magazine committee met a number of times through the year to get each quarter's edition of the magazine ready for publishing. Our first meeting each quarter is to discuss the content. We then meet to ensure that all the articles are ready and we use the meeting to edit the content. If we haven't received all the articles we will then share them electronically to edit. We have been very fortunate in receiving articles from the parishioners and from people and groups in our community.

The committee is made up of myself, Margaret Lewis; Mary Howard, Pat Hathaway, Mary Millington; Sarah Picton and the Vicar. We are still hopeful to encourage more advertisers.

*Maureen Cassagrande*

## Thursday Club Report

*Mary Howard*

## Mothers' Union Report

Our speakers' topics this year have been varied and interesting. We have been enlightened on the life of a classical concert singer/ music teacher/examiner, the history of the Cockett Amateur Operatic Society, life of a GP in the NHS and a retired District Judge's journey around the country. St David's Day was an enjoyable afternoon which we celebrated with a Welsh theme of poetry, readings and hymns followed by home-made welsh cakes and bara brith. We celebrated the Queen's Diamond Jubilee by decorating the vestry, having a quiz and were fascinated by the stories of our members' memorabilia.

Our annual meal was held at the Kingsbridge restaurant where we enjoyed fellowship to end our summer session. Our first meeting in September is always a Eucharist service followed by refreshments and a general catch up after the summer break. Our AGM was held in December when the current committee was re-elected, as follows:

Branch Leader:	Doreen Boor
Secretary:	Margaret Lewis
Treasurer/Social Secretary:	Pat Hathaway
Committee:	Anne Hammacott, Dorothy Macken, Sue Burgum and Sally Jones

In February we gathered together in the Lady Chapel for the Wave of Prayer hour when five members each lit a candle as we prayed for members around the world. June saw us hosting the monthly Eucharist Service in St Mary's Church which had reconvened this year following the Covid pandemic.

Once again we have supported the collection of toiletries for the Safe Houses which Sue Burgum has delivered to the organiser for distribution. We have also visited Gors School with surplus school uniforms for parents to kit out their children.

We look forward to meeting again in 2023 at the new time of 2.00pm on the first Thursday of the month, new members welcomed.

*Doreen Boor*

## St Illtyd's Ladies Guild

Our Ladies Guild continues to meet on the first Wednesday of each month, apart from the month of August. We pay two pounds each time we meet, which includes tea or coffee, biscuits and a raffle. Sadly some of our members have not returned after the Pandemic, some are not well enough to attend and we sadly lost one of our faithful members, Maida Charlton.

We enjoy the fellowship when we meet, and we love listening to our speakers; this past year we heard from Dr. Dan Millington of his life as a G.P.. Julie George told us the history of C.A.O.S.. Mair Tovey read us some of her poems. We enjoyed a quiz with Rex Lloyd and Pam Duffy brought along her homemade jams and chutneys, which we bought. We enjoyed an afternoon with Billy who delighted us with his singing. On first of March we celebrated St. David's Day with Welsh cakes, bara brith and teisen lap, and we all joined together with Welsh poems and songs that we remembered from our childhood. We went to the Taliesen to see the musical skits given by the C.A.O.S.. It was a fantastic performance. We also enjoyed a meal in the King's Bridge Inn in July to finish the session, and also we had our Christmas dinner there in December.

If there is any lady who is at a loose end on the first Wednesday of the month, why not come along and join us in the parish hall at 2:30 pm. We would love to welcome you to our group.

*Margaret Wellington*

## Keys' Club Report

The past year has once again been a successful one for the Keys Club, with a vibrant programme of speakers and enjoyable social events coupled with the joy of welcoming some new members into our ranks.

However, the year was tinged with sadness as we saw the passing of Colin Paton, one of our founder members, together with two other club stalwarts, Graham Evans and Brian Lloyd and we all mourn their passing. Throughout the year we have kept in touch with members through a much appreciated monthly newsletter.

Our 2021/22 programme continued in January when Ann Marie Thomas regaled us with medieval stories of Gower.

In February, our Sports Evening took the form of a successful sports forum with the panel made up of Swansea City and Welsh international legends Leighton James and Nigel Stevenson ably chaired by our own John Burgum who arranged the evening.

Robart Powell was our March speaker who told us of the exploits of the Swansea Pals, a local battalion who fought in the bloodiest battles of World War I.

In April, we were fortunate that Fr. George Guiver stepped into the breach when our speaker did not arrive and told us of his life and witness as part of the Anglican monastic community at Mirfield, West Yorkshire.

Our Annual General Meeting in May saw the re-election of all serving officers and we were delighted that the long vacant post of Vice Chairman was filled by Rev. Mark Williams. We continued to support charitable causes and following nominations by members at our AGM, we forwarded £100 cheques to Prostate Cancer Cymru, Forget Me Not Clubs, Mind Cymru, Swansea Young Single Homeless, Blood Bikes Wales and Swansea Asylum Seekers Support. Following the meeting we enjoyed a Fish and Chip Supper.

In June, we visited the Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh at Brecon before adjourning for a meal and social evening at the Gwyn Arms. Abercrave.

Following our summer break, we commenced our 2022/23 programme in September with a Holy Eucharist at St. Peter's conducted by our President, Rev. Dr. Jonathon Wright followed by a Fish and Chip Supper at the Sketty Club.

In October, Captain Andy Settle told us of his work and life in the Church Army in different parts of the country, helping young and vulnerable people.

At our November meeting, Robart Powell transported us back to 1958 and the heroic achievements of Welsh International football team on their journey leading up to and involvement in the World Cup Finals.

In December, we held our Christmas Dinner at the Sketty Club where the new in house chef Sam served up an excellent meal and we were thankful to Richard Nedin for making all this and all other social arrangements in his usual exemplary way.

Looking forward to our programme in 2023, when we celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a special church service and our anniversary dinner. Here's to the next 60 years.

*Colin Hammacott*  
*Club Secretary*

## Children's Activities

It has been a good year seeing children's ministry grow withing the benefice. Summer Club saw around 20-25 children a day across 4 days to explore some key bible stories/themes through the film the greatest showman. The children enjoyed learning about Creation, Zacchaeus, The Calling of the Fishermen and The Great banquet through an open the book story, action worship songs, crafts and games all linked to the days theme. Feedback from the children at the end of the week included that they enjoyed meeting new people and the open the book stories.

This year saw the beginning of Crafty Church (our version of messy church) so far, we have explored the stories of Noah, David and Goliath, The Creation, The Calling of the First Disciples and The Prodigal Son through songs, stories and crafts. The children who have attended have been enthusiastic and really enjoyed, taking their crafts home with them they often have a Bible verse attached to remember the key lessons from the evenings story. Hopefully we can continue to grow in numbers and keep having fun.

All age services have a good attendance at St Illtyd's however the decision was made during the year to stop the all-age service at St Peters. Sunday School have continued in St Peters learning a bible story with a craft during the morning service, and with the help of our Time for God volunteers Gabriel and Rachael Sunday School has also started again in St Illtyds.

*Sarah Picton*

## Parents/Carers and Baby Groups

We have two playgroups in the benefice, one runs on a Tuesday afternoon at St Peters Community Centre, the other on a Friday morning in the church hall at St Illtyds. Both at only £1.50 per family it is very affordable compared to many groups in the area. Each group is set out over a number of play areas/mats, including a baby area, building area, reading corner, puzzles, cars/trains, a kitchen and a doll area. These are often rotated over a few weeks to keep the interest of the children and the longevity of the toys/books.

Since taking over the groups after last easter I have introduced a craft to both groups and often run a messy play station too. The craft will often be related to an event in the year such as, St Davids day, Christmas, Easter, the Jubilee or will have a link to a bible story and the story will be printed on the table for those who wish to read it.

Our playgroups have had a number of generous donations of toys over the last year. All of which are always graciously received, the generosity of this year's donations has allowed me to expand our range of toys as well as update and replace some which had seen their better days. Friday's group in St Illtyds remains popular with an average of 15-20 children weekly, St Peters Tuesday group has seen a drop in numbers due to some attending school or flying start. The aim is to re-advertise to give it another boost with some younger children to attend.

*Sarah Picton*

## Befrienders' Café and Art Group

The Befrienders Cafe has had a comparatively quiet year, with no Pandemic problems and attendances regular. We have continued looking at Welsh Artists and had a visit from a very talented lady who is an expert on glass art. She told us the history of a lot of the stained glass and showed us examples of her own work. During the high increases in petrol last Spring/ Summer, we were in danger of closing down as the costs of driving were becoming more than I could afford. However, I was discussing the matter with a contact at the Glynn Vivian to try and apply for funding. To my surprise I was told that the Glynn Vivian would pay my expenses and for some of the materials the group use. I am now officially recognised as an Associate Community artist for the Glynn Vivian, and we have received some materials from them. For the Queens Jubilee celebrations we created bunting and in November we decorated the church with poppies for Remembrance Day. The group is thriving, with one new member attending, accompanied by a carer. Both Rachel and Gabriel have also attended our group meetings and we are looking forward to celebrating our 4th anniversary in May.

*Christina Grant*

## Parish 100 Club

2022 was yet another successful year for this important area of fundraising for our two churches and we were delighted that membership increased by 10 from the previous year to 243 members.

Once again our annual Fish & Chip Supper and Grand Christmas Draw, which has become a firm favourite, was held in Cockett Community Centre where we were entertained to a musical quiz by our own Claire Hammacott accompanied by Clive Phillips, Musical Director of Cor Meibion Pontarddulais, with the occasion adding a healthy £300 to 100 Club funds.

Thankfully, our efforts over the year were once again financially successful, resulting in a profit of £2,110.00 to bolster the funds of St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's.

We wish to record our thanks to those church members who pitched in and helped make our Christmas event such a success. Special thanks to those members of both churches together with their families and friends for their unstinting and loyal support for the 100 Club, we are most grateful to you all.

*Colin & Anne Hammacott & Pam Brain*

## Self-Denial Box

The Self Denial Box supports a different charity each month. This £1,271.11 was raised and given to the following charities:-

Transforming lives for good	£27
Christians against poverty	£51
Mercy Ships	£125
Prostate Cancer Research	£79
Ukraine Appeal	£396
Pakistan Appeal	£160
Water Aid	£70
Zac's Place	£161.84
Christian Aid	£200.77
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1271.11</b>

We also sent contributions to Barnabas Fund (£44.50) and Ty Hafan (£116.87).

These are also ongoing charities which are sent every year. Jars for contributions are at the back of the church. Ty Hafan is totally funded by charitable giving, and needs three million plus each year to maintain and fund this very important service for parents and families when a child has cancer. The Barnabas Fund supports Christians who face discrimination or persecution as a consequence of their faith.

*Pat Hathaway*

## Operation Christmas Child

Once again in 2022, the Parish of Cockett participated in Operation Christmas Child and for the second year in succession, we agreed to St. Peter's acting as a Collection Centre for the west of Swansea and opened for three days to allow the public to drop off their shoe boxes.

As in the previous few years, in order to maximise our contribution to the total of shoeboxes we dispatched, we provided a shoebox packing service for those church members, who, for various reasons, were unable to go shopping as often as they would wish. Again this proved to be remarkably successful as we purchased toys and packed 60 boxes. However, the period when we and others were shopping for toys to fill our boxes, took place against a backdrop of the government's disastrous mini budget which caused instability in the financial markets, therefore we were fearful that this would have an impact on support from the general public and sadly it did.

We managed to send off 165 boxes (2021 – 186 boxes) from the Parish together with a further 91 boxes (2021 – 130 boxes) from other places of worship and the general public making a total of 261 boxes (2021 – 316 boxes). Therefore, we were able to put a smile of the faces of 261 Ukrainian children whose lives have been ravaged by war.

Our sincere thanks to those volunteers who staffed the church over the three days we were open for the public to drop off their shoe boxes and a massive thank you to those members of the congregations of St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's who so generously supported Operation Christmas Child once again.

Thank you also to those who purchased bobble hats and mittens for their boxes kindly knitted by Anne Hammacott, Joan Harris and Dorothy Macken which enabled us to send a donation of £125 towards the work of Operation Christmas Child and a donate a further £300.00p towards church funds which with gift aid increased to £360.00p.

*Colin & Anne Hammacott*

# Benefice Accounts

## Financial Activities

January - December 2022

	<b>Total</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	
Church contributions	36,245.40
Donations and legacies	1,745.08
Grants	5,000.00
Refunds	12.06
Rent	5,327.69
Tax Refunds	9,019.41
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>57,349.64</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Bank charges	63.40
Clergy Expenses	3,616.32
Dues and Subscriptions	78.00
Emergency Fund	2,400.00
Insurances	1,661.37
Mission	52.16
Office/General Administrative Expenses	976.64
Parish Share	47,755.65
Parsonage	1,562.47
Tax refunds reimbursement	1,385.82
Time for God	3,651.50
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>63,203.33</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>-5,853.69</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	<b>£ -5,853.69</b>

## Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2022

	<b>Total</b>
<b>FIXED ASSET</b>	
<b>Total Fixed Asset</b>	
<b>CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND</b>	
HSBC Business Current Account	70,826.47
<b>Total Cash at bank and in hand</b>	<b>70,826.47</b>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>70,826.47</b>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>	<b>70,826.47</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>70,826.47</b>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>	<b>£70,826.47</b>
<b>CHARITY FUNDS</b>	
Opening Balance Equity	76,680.16
Retained Earnings	0.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	-5,853.69
<b>Total Charity funds</b>	<b>£70,826.47</b>

# St Peters Accounts

## ST PETER'S CHURCH, COCKETT

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS A/C YEAR ENDING 31.12.22

<b>Receipts</b>					
Balance at Bank 1.1.2022					
<b>Collections</b>					
Envelopes	£32,818.00				
Loose	£2,074.07				
Gift Aid	£55.00				
Special	£111.60				
			£15,670.45		£46,500.00
<b>Fees</b>					
Wedding/deposits	£1,120.00				
Funerals	£1,320.00				
Tax Refund					
<b>Donations</b>					
Thursday Club	£200.00				
Mothers' Union	£100.00				
Painting for Pleasure	£20.30				
	£255.00		£575.30		£1,206.00
<b>Charities</b>					
Transforming lives for good	£27.00				
Christians against poverty	£51.00				
Mercy Ships	£125.00				
Prostate Cancer	£79.50				
Ukraine Appeal	£396.00				
Pakistan Appeal	£160.00				
Water Aid	£70.00				
Zac's Place	£161.84				
Ty Hafan	£116.87				
Barnabus Fund	£44.50				
Christian Aid	£200.77				
			£1,432.48		£318.97
<b>Miscellaneous</b>					
Sale of Jam/books/cards	£211.12				
Fairtrade cards/chocolates	£52.50				
From Brecon for pop-up Nativity	£324.50				
Air Ambulance (Funeral)	£47.00				
			£635.12		£1,211.07
<b>Payments</b>					
<b>Central Fund</b>					
Electricity	£1,079.55				
Gas	£1,739.58				
Water Rate	£201.46				
					£3,020.59
<b>Altar Requirements</b>					
Wafers					£106.67
<b>Music</b>					
Organist				£960.00	
Organ Tuning				£246.00	
					£1,206.00
<b>Stationery</b>					
Weekly envelopes					£139.20
<b>Refreshments</b>					
Tea/coffee/sugar					£24.39
<b>Charities</b>					
See contra entry					£1,432.48
<b>Maintenance</b>					
Fire check Wales	£55.96				
Servicing Alarm System	£120.00				
Pat testing	£59.00				
New light	£21.00				
Toiletries/cleaning materials	£63.01				
					£318.97
<b>Charities (see contra entry)</b>					
<b>Miscellaneous</b>					
Keys cut	£33.85				
Mothers' day flowers	£15.00				
Visiting preachers/travelling expenses	£240.00				
Oasis	£20.00				
Tea light	£3.75				
Poppy wreath	£20.00				
Oranges/sweets/Christingle	£20.00				
Air Ambulance (funeral)	£47.00				
Sweets/drinks Light Party	£28.06				
First Aid Kit	£21.78				
Advent candles	£32.17				
Sanctuary candles	£220.09				
Visit to farm pop-up Nativity	£245.00				
Gift	£100.00				
					£1,046.70
Balance at Bank 31.12.22					£3,148.84
					£56,943.84

### **BUILDING FUND**

<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		<b><u>Payments</u></b>	
Balance at Bank 1.1.1.2022		Repair to Organ (deposit)	£2,850.00
<b><u>Events</u></b>			
Concert Cor Cymraeg	£100.00		
Jubilee Tea	£213.00		
Autumn Fayre	<u>£931.30</u>		
Sale of Bobble hats			
100 Club			
In memory of Gwynor Griffiths		Balance at Bank 31.12.2022	£16,657.00
			<u>£19,507.00</u>

### **MAGAZINE ACCOUNT**

<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		<b><u>Payments</u></b>	
Balance at Bank 1.1.1.2022		Printing of Magazine	£979.00
Adverts	£3,349.52	Interpreter for article	£40.00
Contributions	£400.00	Balance at Bank 31.12.2022	£3,238.52
	£508.00		<u>£4,257.52</u>
	<u>£4,257.52</u>		

### **CHURCHYARD ACCOUNT**

Balance at Bank 1.1.1.2022	£29,418.27	Workin Churchyard	£2,832.00
Fees for both churches	£1,919.00	Tools	£196.00
		Memory Board	£840.00
		Fee to Vicar	£30.00
		Balance at Bank 31.12.2022	£27,439.27
	<u>£31,337.27</u>		<u>£31,337.27</u>

### **EMERGENCY FUND**

<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		<b><u>Payments</u></b>	
Balance at Bank 1.1.1.2022	£11,578.20		
From Parish Account	£2,400.00		
	<u>£13,978.20</u>		
		Balance at Bank 31.12.2022	£13,978.20
			<u>£13,978.20</u>



# St Illtyd's Accounts

## ST ILLTYDS CHURCH ACCOUNT

### RECEIPTS

Balance at Bank 1/1/2022

**Collections**  
Envelopes  
Loose  
Gifted  
Candle Fund  
Self Denial

### Fees

Weddings  
Funerals

### Donations/Fundraising

Donations

### Miscellaneous

Parish of Cockett  
Hall A/c  
Church Hire  
Associate Board  
Bank Refund  
Play Group  
Hadwen Night  
Laura Alfie  
Families Need Faith  
SWALEC  
Liberty Bay Singers  
Start CAF Bank  
Interest  
Gift Aid  
Grave Yard  
Inter Transfer  
Ret Cheque  
Miscellaneous

£16,067.48

£12,416.56  
£1,122.12  
£120.00  
£130.45  
£505.96

£14,295.09

£80.00  
£110.00

£190.00

£898.69

£898.69

£344.00  
£4,117.50  
£165.00  
£765.00  
£15.63  
£165.00  
£128.57  
£45.00  
£105.00  
£69.87  
£300.00  
£2,000.00  
£1.03  
£37.00  
£462.00  
£2,027.63  
£462.00  
£68.37

**TOTAL**

£42,729.86

## ANNUAL YEAR END 2022

### PAYMENTS

#### Services

Gas  
Electricity  
Water

£1,013.39  
£1,424.55  
£256.99

£2,694.93

#### Maintenance

Alarm Service  
Plumbing  
Ground Repair  
Fire Extinguishers  
Heating

£144.00  
£120.00  
£2,030.00  
£45.30  
£120.00

£2,339.30

#### Miscellaneous

Donation  
Organist  
Play Group Wages  
Play Group Money  
Security System  
Play Group Toys  
expenses  
Bank Charges  
Heating Hall  
Alter Fontal  
Miscellaneous  
Miscellaneous  
PAT Test  
Present  
J Hardy  
Trees  
Money Transfer CAF A/c  
Jonathan  
First aid Kits

£50.00  
£1,225.00  
£3,528.00  
£2,000.00  
£65.00  
£197.43  
£198.00  
£133.74  
£140.00  
£258.79  
£68.37  
£50.00  
£59.00  
£125.00  
£3,558.00  
£924.00  
£6,027.63  
£100.00  
£21.78  
£18,729.74

£18,729.74

**Balance at Bank 31/12/22**

CAF Bank  
HSBC Bank

£11,278.60

£4,033.53

£14,932.36

**TOTAL**

£42,729.86

**ST ILLTYDS HALL ACCOUNT**

**ANNUAL YEAR END 2022**

RECEIPTS

Balance at Bank 1/1/2022

£1,780.07

Breakdown

Hall Hire  
Miscellaneous

£1,417.16  
£2,000.00

£3,417.16

PAYMENTS

Services

Gas

£522.25

£522.25

Maintenance  
Security  
Boiler Service

£65.00  
£70.00

£135.00

Miscellaneous

Expenses  
Bank Charges

£66.00  
£20.00

£86.00

Balance at Bank 31/12/2022

CAF Bank  
HSBC Bank

£2,501.03  
£17,981.85

£21,226.23

£21,226.23

**ST ILLTYDS PLAY GROUP ACCOUNT**

**ANNUAL YEAR END 2022**

RECEIPTS

Balance at Bank 1/1/2022

Breakdown

Money transferred to A/c  
Interest on a/c.  
Fees Collected

£2,000.00  
£1.58  
£224.00

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£2,225.58

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£2,228.43

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PAYMENTS

Bank Charges

£5.00

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£5.00

Balance at Bank 31/12/2022

£2,223.43

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£2,228.43

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The Benefice of Swansea St Peter (Cockett)		1181042	<b>CC16a</b>
<b>Receipts and payments accounts</b>			
For the period from	01/01/2022	To 31/12/2022	


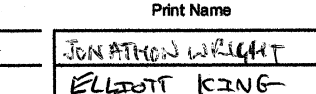
**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations and Legacies	73,396	6,826	-	80,222	-
Charitable activities	6,275	-	-	6,275	-
Other trading activities	19,929	-	-	19,929	-
Investment income	4	-	-	4	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>99,604</b>	<b>6,826</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>106,430</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>99,604</b>	<b>6,826</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>106,430</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Support for Ministry	51,706	-	-	51,706	-
Parish activities	7,652	-	-	7,652	-
Church property	30,320	-	-	30,320	-
Mission and grants	11,725	3,651	-	15,376	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>101,403</b>	<b>3,651</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>105,054</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>101,403</b>	<b>3,651</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>105,054</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>1,199</b>	<b>3,175</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,378</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	233,544	-	-	233,544	-
Cash funds this year end	234,920	3,175	-	238,095	-

**Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank Balances	231,745	3,175	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	<b>231,745</b>	<b>3,175</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JONATHAN WRIGHT	22/4/24
	ELLIOTT KING	22/4/24

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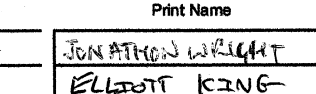
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<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
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Parish activities	7,652	-	-	7,652	-
Church property	30,320	-	-	30,320	-
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	-	-	-	-	-
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<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>1,199</b>	<b>3,175</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	233,544	-	-	233,544	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>234,743</b>	<b>3,175</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>234,920</b>	<b>-</b>

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<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank Balances	231,745	3,175	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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**THE BENEFICE OF SWANSEA ST PETER (COCKETT)**

England & Wales - Charity number 1181042

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# Accounts

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# **The Parish of Cockett**

## **Annual Report 2021**



**Swansea St Peter (Cockett)**

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## Vicar's Report

Welcome to the 2021 Annual Report. The year saw the country continuing to relax Covid regulations and slowly increase opportunities for us to be together in worship and fellowship. In the face of a global pandemic, it would have been easy to sit back and tick-over. Instead, we have found creative ways to live and share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Special thanks must go to the Covid sub-Committee for their work risk-assessing

what we can do, and also to the PCC for wanting to push forward. But I'm hugely grateful to everyone for your support during the year.

2021 will always be a special year for my family as we greeted the arrival of baby Peter in June- born on the same day as his sister Martha!

**Worship.** From January to the end of August, the benefice maintained a hybrid of in person, socially distanced worship, and livestreamed worship over Facebook. Holy Week and Easter again had to be observed mainly using online worship. The relaxation of rules meant that at the start of September we could move to all in-person worship.

Numbers slowly grew through the autumn and we briefly returned to pre-pandemic levels before the arrival of the omicron variant led to greater reluctance in attending indoor worship. That said, the numbers attending our Advent and Christmas numbers were comparable with pre-pandemic levels. Indeed, we recorded our highest attendance in memory for the St Illtyd's Community Carol Service (125 people). The All Souls' service was once again well attended, with several families of those whose funerals had taken place during the year attending.

October brought the reintroduction of a monthly Evensong at St Peter's on the third Sunday of the month. For the first year, a programme focused on the Bible hero of visiting preachers has been put in place. It was a delight to welcome the Rev'd Mark Williams to open the series with Simeon, then Archdeacon Jonathan Davies in November, who chose Jonah.

**Mission.** Finding ways to share the Good News is the lifeblood of a church. Any church that decides to take a break from this most basic part of our faith is doomed to decline and closure. It was important to find new ways to meet our local community, and this was achieved.

The donkey trail moved to Ravenhill Park for Lent and more than 20 families got in touch to receive free gifts of a Bible Society Easter book and craft materials from the Benefice. For All Hallows Eve, we held a Light Party to try and start to change the narrative from all things evil and dark, to the light and love of God. Over 30 children came. The film night at St Illtyd's in early December brought in some families from Cadle. But the amazing event was the Pop-Up Nativity organised with Swansea Community Farm. More than 15 volunteers helped put on a stationary nativity play spread around the animal enclosures. The 4 performances on the Friday helped tell the nativity story to Cadle Primary School's reception to year 2 classes. Then on the Saturday, the community performance brought in over 70 people, even in the rain! What is clear is that we need to continue seeking new ways to meet people where they want to be. There is a hunger to hear the Good News!

In February, the Benefice was able to partner with Samaritan's Purse UK to deliver 10 Chromebook laptops to Gors School to distribute to families without any access to a computer. It was wonderful to hear of the opportunities this gave to families.

**Occasional offices.** During 2021 there were:

- 2 baptisms. Both baptisms were of adults who came to faith in the Benefice: Leon Evans and Jan Crathern.
- 25 funerals. 8 of these took place in St Peter's, and 1 at St Illtyd's.
- 10 weddings were celebrated, all at St Peter's.

The wedding preparation morning was held virtually for 2021.

**Ministry.** The need to reach out and keep everyone involved was the priority for the first half of the year. The telephone tree and delivery of newsletters and reading sheets was important. As the Covid situation, not least the vaccination campaign, has allowed there has been the opportunity for some visiting and home communions to resume. What is clear is that there are more people who are now too infirm to return to worship and

meeting their spiritual needs requires careful consideration. What is also clear is that there are a number of people who have never returned to worship, often because of anxiety about Covid. Finding ways to build trust and provide support is going to be a challenge for 2022.

**Governance.** I'm grateful for the PCC that served up until the AGM, once again held in person and online, in April, and the new PCC. Under the stewardship of our PCC Lay Chair, Maureen Casagrande, the PCC has dealt with a number of pressing issues, and continues to face forward to the future. For a second year in a row, we held elections to the PCC, a great

May saw the introduction of the new Marriage Act, and with it the end of the Marriage Registers in our churches. Couples now sign a marriage document, which the Registrars turn into a marriage certificate. Several other changes came with it, many welcome. But the promise that this would be an easier system for clergy to negotiate seems as hollow a promise as the Brexit dividend!

I was delighted to have Ripon College Cuddleston ordinand Naomi Gardom on placement during July and August. Naomi proved to be exceptional and I was sorry when she departed! I know that Naomi very much enjoyed her placement and benefited greatly from it. Thank you to all who supported and encouraged her.

**The Rev'd Dr Jonathon Wright**  
**Vicar**

## PCC Report

Our year started with our PCC meetings still being held on Zoom. However, we all tried to make the best use of this technology and attendance was good.

January saw us applying for a faculty to install CCTV at St Illtyd's Church. This was to ensure that we could monitor the carpark, entry to the Church Hall and the interior of the Church. Unfortunately, an update on the water ingress at St Illtyd's showed that we would have to live with this problem as costs to rectify were far too excessive.

In our February meeting it was reported that the bell tower at St Illtyd's was to be painted with a weather-proofing solution. Lead will be ordered for the bell step. These were felt to be the only alternatives to us and hopefully it will help with the situation. This work was carried out in March and straight away an improvement could be seen.

We had a few emergencies during the year. These included emergency repairs on the St Illtyd's heating system. We also lost some trees at the Community Centre in the storm and these had to be felled. The toilet system in the Community Centre also caused problems with a blockage and had to be cleared. Welsh Water was called in and from the CCTV it was seen that the root system of the trees was the main issue with the sewer pipes. A plumber was also employed to install a new toilet and remove asbestos from the toilet system. It was great to see that all emergencies could be dealt with quickly.

After discussions with Time for God over a couple of months. We interviewed a candidate from Germany who had an excellent CV and was very keen to be a volunteer for our Parish. The interview was excellent. Unfortunately, as time went on it was realised that due to the Covid 19 pandemic our candidate would not be able to come over to us from Germany and we therefore

had to postpone this initiative. Hopefully we will be able to resurrect this once the pandemic is over!

The PCC also agreed to be included in the Eco Church initiative. The Church of Wales is committed to looking at how it runs with sustainability and it was unanimously agreed that this was a great initiative for both Churches. Derek Sheehan agreed to be champion for the benefice. By the end of the year, we had achieved a bronze award for St Peter's Church.

The PCC agreed to a new look parish magazine. A magazine committee was put together to produce a quarterly magazine. The first magazine, a draft, was produced and distributed during the autumn.

A resurrection of the fund-raising committee was also suggested to the PCC and agreed. The committee's proposed activities were to include afternoon tea; a Quiz; Bingo and Dessert; Big Draw in association with Cadle School; Light Party - Primary Age Party; One man Show by Alan Morris to include music and refreshments. These were carried out during the year.

September saw the first of our face-to-face PCC meetings. It had been such a long time for this to happen. It was wonderful for us all to be able to sit together to discuss and debate items. Our first meeting was in St Peter's.

October was the start of monthly evensong. The theme for the first year would be 'biblical heroes'. Different Preachers would be invited each month to preach on their biblical hero.

The PCC also agreed to an initial scoping of the possibility of installing a carpark at the community centre. A surveyor carried out an initial survey and everything is progressing well for this proposal.

After 6 long years Adele Cunningham decided to step down as Community Centre Manager. Grateful thanks were given to Adele for the sterling work she had done during her tenure. As no volunteers had come forward to replace Adele the PCC agreed to a job description to be advertised for a paid caretaker.

The PCC also put together a job description for a leader of the baby/toddler groups to be held in both St Peter's and St Illtyd's. An application was made to The Austin Bailey Foundation which is a Swansea based charity. 25% of its award grants are donated to churches to further the Christian faith. We had approval for a £2000 grant. This was done with a view to the group starting up in January 2022.

The PCC unanimously agreed to apply for a grant from the Mission Fund to hold two pop-up nativity events with Swansea Community Farm. The first will be on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, which will be for four groups of children from Cadle Primary School. The second will be a community evangelism event on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

This is an overview of the year. As you can see the PCC has had a very varied and full agenda to discuss and work with. I would like to give my thanks to everyone on the PCC for their attendance, dedication and commitment.

**Maureen Casagrande**

## Church Wardens' Report

What another challenging year! due to the coronavirus. Using the Broadband at St Illtyd's, Father Jonathon was able to continue the live stream services to who ever wanted to receive them. The services managed to touch people as far afield as the USA. The phone tree along with the weekly Newsletter managed to keep the Parish connected.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021 we were able to welcome Archbishop John Davies who was a month away from retiring to join us at St Illtyd's to preach and celebrate on the live stream service.

The Easter Vestry was held in April and a new PCC was chosen. All outgoing officers were thanked for their service. It is hoped that the current PCC can build on the work already started by the previous PCC.

As the Community centres became available to use again as Covid restrictions lifted. Father Jonathon had to create Risk Assessments for each organisation who wanted to use the centres. This was an additional piece of time-consuming administration generated by Covid which Parishioners would not know about.

The month of June saw the happy arrival of Peter William Andrew Wright at the vicarage. Good news is always welcome after the strange times we have all experienced due to Covid.

The last live stream service took place on 22/08/2021 as the Welsh Government announced a rule change which allowed gathered services again with social distancing.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September became our "Welcome Home" service in each church as we restarted worship at St Peter's, and moved towards the pattern of worship we enjoyed prior to Covid.

November saw the announcement that John Lomas was chosen as the 10<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Swansea and Brecon and we all hope that he will be gifted with wisdom to carry the Diocese forward in these challenging times.

Weddings and Funerals continued throughout 2021 with seating plans restricted numbers and names recorded. Sally said she "will not forget the Bride being 1/2 hr late or Finley 18 mths who drowned  
In the family duck pond".

The popup Nativity at Swansea Community Farm was a great success and was well attended.

Other successful joyful events were The Big Draw Donkey Trails Light party and Christingle  
Midnight Mass had a good turnout with candles decorations and Christmas tree the church was brightly shining once again.

As we enter 2022, we all hope that life will soon get back to normality in a safe way.

**Steve and Sally**

## St Peter's Sub-Wardens' Report

This year we continued to follow the rules and regulations of Covid, with significant concern for the health and safety of the congregation.

As Sub-Wardens we continued delivering the Benefice Family News letter until Sunday morning services resumed at the beginning of September in St Peters. All seating was organised in family bubbles, or as single seating, complying to social distancing and spacing. Hand sanitizers and masks were available on entry.

The fundraising committee met in early July, when a positive approach was planned beginning with a quiz and summer tea, followed by a bingo evening and concert at St Illtyds Hall. Not only were these events enjoyable, but realised a considerable boost to both Churches funds. We look forward to future events in the Spring and Summer.

In early November the Church provided an important collection for the Samaritans Purse.

Advent services were well supported as was the first Children's Light Party.

A new edition of the Church Magazine will be available quarterly during the coming year.

Many thanks to the committed volunteers who give of their time so freely, not forgetting the meticulous cleaning regime, which continued through the pandemic.

**Pat Hathaway and Mary Howard.**

## St Illtyd's Sub-Warden Report

When lockdown came in March 2020, all church services were cancelled unfortunately, but thankfully we started back in August. It wasn't quite the same, because many of the chairs in the Church were moved into the hall, to make way for the 2-meter distance and before attending church you had to phone to be sure that there was a seat available for you, because only a limited number of people were allowed in to attend the services. Also, we had to wear a mask and sanitise our hands, and we had to come in through the Church door and go out through the Hall door, there was no singing, but only said Eucharist. Later on, the midweek Eucharist was reintroduced. A few people have not returned to Church since lockdown restrictions have eased, but we have been fortunate in having new people join us on Sunday morning and on the Sunday when we have the All Age Eucharist we are joined by the cubs and scouts.

The back wall of the Church has been completed and the scaffolding taken down. The work still to be done is the pathway at the back of the hall. Alan Morris held a concert to raise funds for the Church. It was a successful evening and everyone enjoyed themselves.

By now we have started singing hymns again which is really lovely and we have the benefit of a grand piano given to us by Wilks the Music shop and in return they hold their exams in the Church. The carol Service held at Christmas was really

wonderful. The Cadle School Choir came and sang for us as well as soloists. We also had musicians from the cello group who played for us. Altogether it made the evening such an enjoyable one.

With the help of Derek Sheehan and the Eco Church team at St. Illtyd's, a plan has been put forward for managing the land. We intend to seed some of the grassed areas with wild flowers to encourage pollinating insects and wild-life. The team intends to start identifying suitable areas and start planting in March. We are grateful to members of the congregation who clean both the Church and the Church-hall, and those who provide flowers and decorate the Church for our services and festivals. We would also like to thank Danny who plays the piano at our Sunday morning service.

**Malcolm and Robert.**

## Webmaster Report

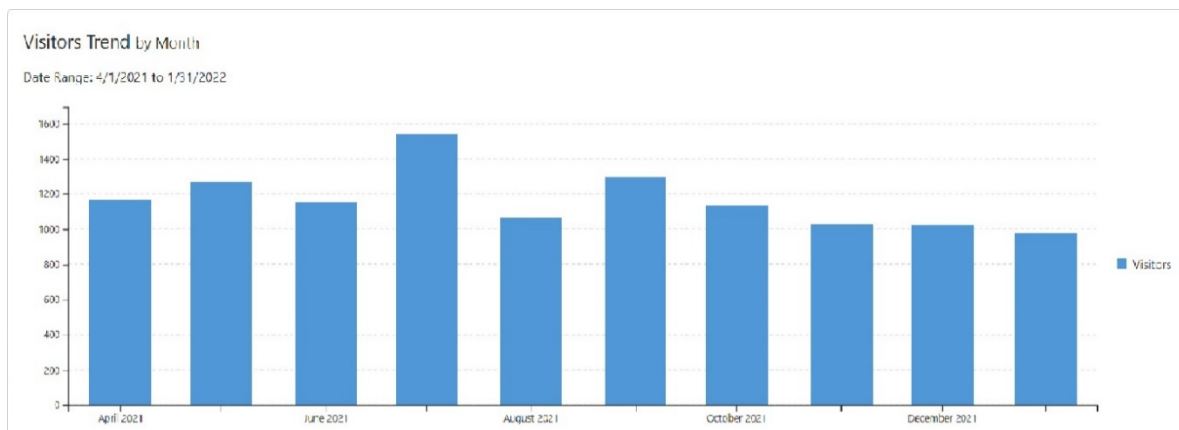
As we slowly get back to some sort of normality there was slightly more to update this year than last year on our website. As our services went back to in person, I could advertise the times and locations rather than just sharing a link to our Facebook page where they were livestreamed. We also added our monthly services of all age and evensong to our services page.

As our Church Hall and Community Centre opened back up, I was able to update the information on many of our regular users and advertise the hire of the spaces again.

December saw a new page including the posters for all our events over Advent, this page will become visible again and updated with the easter programme when it is finalised.

What's on 'this week' and 'future events' is also updated weekly as a reminder for everyone of what is currently going on within the parish timetable.

I have included a graph to show the trend in visitors (not visits) to our website from April 2021(the last Annual report date) to the end of January 2022.



Although no doubt our social media accounts are more popular, each month shows between 1100 and 1200 visitors for our website.

**Sarah Picton.**

## Churchyard Report

Maintenance in the churchyard was again severely interrupted by the covid lockdown in the early part of the year and was then interrupted by a period of bad weather.

On return we found that bramble and fern growth had exploded and large areas had become inaccessible and the grass had also seemed to have grown a lot more than usual.

We have an excellent team in Roy, Colin, Les, Trevor and John and good progress was made to catch up with the maintenance and we are now getting back to extending the areas we maintain.

We were greatly helped by members of the Mormon Church who on several occasions formed a Saturday working party who made inroads by cutting the brambles and generally giving access to the grave areas.

We continue to work on Tuesdays and Saturdays weather permitting and welcome any volunteers who would like to join us

## Choir Report

It has been another remarkable year and thanks to the arrival of vaccines, church services have resumed and the choir has met for rehearsals and once again returned to the Chancel. It was wonderful to sing the Eucharist service again and commence Evensong.

While we are only a few in number the enthusiasm for singing is great and we would welcome new members, young and old alike. Ideally choristers should be at least seven years of age but there is no upper limit. Why not come along to choir practice and experience singing together, you can be assured of a good welcome.

Rehearsals are held on Saturday afternoon at one thirty during the winter months and during the summer months on Wednesday evening at six thirty and usually last one hour. We look forward to welcoming new choir members.

**Eileen Jones**

## St Peter's Community Centre Report

The Community Centre reopened for bookings when Covid restrictions were lifted and vaccinations became readily available after Easter 2021.

However, risk assessments had to be carried out and the necessary rules followed by all users of the facility. (Mask wearing, social distancing, separate entrance and exit and no kitchen usage). Saturday Birthday party bookings were banned and consequently the income generated was minimal.

By September things on the Covid front had improved and groups once again started to book the hall albeit following strict rules of access and egress etc.

The users included Dance groups, Bee keepers, Slimming groups, Yoga and Kung Fu and other occasional sessions with a

Gardening club and regular Sunday usage by the New Covenant Church.

A very successful “Light Party” as opposed to Halloween Party was hosted by Cockett Parish and advertised on social media and in the local schools. Over 35 children attended with their parents and enjoyed games/ crafts/ and storytelling and many new contacts were made.

All necessary repairs and replacements were carried out and plans for a much needed

Car park are at an early stage. The trees which border the land behind the Centre (the site of the proposed car park) suffered from storm damage and many were deemed unsafe by the Arborist – these have been cut down and removed from the site.

The PCC also agreed to employing a Caretaker to take on the tasks that had previously been undertaken voluntarily by Church members and the post was advertised accordingly with interviews early in Jan 2022.

**Adele Cunningham**

## Parish Magazine Report

The Parish Magazine Committee met three times during the last year. The Committee included the Vicar, Mary Howard, Mary Millington, Margaret Lewis, Pat Hathaway, Sarah Picton and Maureen Casagrande.

We agreed that we would produce a quarterly magazine. This would be A4 in size and in full colour. The dates we would aim for publication were the 1<sup>st</sup> March; 1<sup>st</sup> June; 1<sup>st</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> December each year.

We also agreed that there would be 12 sheets (24 sides) and this would include 4 pages for advertisements. After a long discussion the standard content was agreed. The cost of the

magazine is £245 for 150 copies and the cost to purchase would be £2 per magazine.

The first published edition was brought out in November 2021.

**Maureen Cassagrande**

## Thursday Club Report

The Ladies Thursday Club meet three times a month in the afternoon, the collective enthusiasm of the present committee has enabled us to gather safely within the rules of social distancing.

Our first meeting after the pandemic break was on October 4<sup>th</sup>, and we began with an A.G.M.

We enjoy a wide and varied programme, including music, history, literature, crafts and many more topic of interest, not forgetting evenings to the theatre and trips to places of interest.

We are a happy, friendly group and warmly welcome lapsed and new members.

Why not join us for a cup of tea and lots of friendship.

**Mary Howard.**

## Mothers' Union Report

Once again, we were unable to commence our monthly meetings in January due to the pandemic although members kept in touch to ensure all were safe and well. Even though we were unable to meet thanks go to Joan Harris who arranged the Wave of Prayer hour in February so that members could participate at home.

October 7<sup>th</sup> was our first meeting after lockdown which was a Eucharist Service, celebrated by our former Vicar Rev. Mark

Williams who has returned to live in the Parish after his retirement. Risk assessments had been undertaken and social distancing was adhered to as well as the wearing of masks. We welcomed back Doreen Evans who was presented with flowers and chocolates for her excellent service as Branch Leader.

Our speaker on November 4<sup>th</sup> was Ailsa Howell who gave us some insight into the Diocese involvement with the "Safe Houses" project which we continue to support with donations of toiletries.

Barbara Roberts was our speaker in December who presented an interesting talk on the life of Ivor Novello and played us a few of his songs. An enjoyable afternoon ended with refreshments of Christmas cake and mince pies.

Sadly, in October we have said goodbye to our longest serving member Marion Williams who peacefully died at the age of 103. Marion was a devout member of Mothers' Union who with her true Faith died content in the sure and certain hope of meeting our Lord.

We look forward to being able to meet again in 2022, 2.30pm on the first Thursday of the month. Our first meeting is arranged for 3<sup>rd</sup> February and new members welcomed.

**Doreen Boor**

## St Illtyd's Ladies Guild

Our guild started around 54 years ago, it isn't only for church members, but for any ladies who wish to join in our meetings. Just before lockdown in March 2020 our numbers attending our meetings had gone down a lot.

In November 2021 we had a meeting to discuss the future of our Ladies Guild. After a lot of discussion, no decision was made, but we decided to leave things for the time being and have another meeting in January.

In January 2022 we met again and decided instead of meeting weekly we would meet once a month, on the first Wednesday of each month, but we would not meet in the month of August.

To open our meeting, we all say together our guild prayer. *'O God our Father, teach us to find thy joy in our companionship, and in its finding may we learn more and more of thy undying love for all people'*. We then have a speaker or someone to entertain us, or a quiz and to finish up a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits and a time to have a chat.

We would love to welcome new people to our guild. So, we will just keep praying and hope to have more ladies joining us.

**Margaret Wellington**

## Keys' Club Report

Last year proved to be an exceptionally challenging time for us all, as restrictions on public gatherings during the coronavirus pandemic resulted in us having to cancel the latter part of our

2020/21 programme, including, our AGM and our trip to the Museum of the Royal Welsh in Brecon.

During our period of inactivity, we were saddened to learn that our friend and long-standing club member Gordon Fair had passed away in a Tenby Nursing Home. In the light of our inability to elect officers for the forthcoming year, it was decided that those in post should carry on until new elections could take place. It was with an air of optimism that the committee met in July to put together the 2021/22 programme of speakers and activities. However, we were stunned by the news that owing to the ill health of his wife, our Programme Secretary Roy Harris was stepping down from his post. We are most grateful to Roy for his service and the meticulous way he carried out his role and we hope that his wife Joan is blessed with improved health.

Thankfully, with the easing of restrictions and with Richard Nedin stepping into Roy's place, we were able to recommence meetings in September when our President Jonathon officiated at our traditional Holy Eucharist held at St. Peter's following which we adjourned for a fish and chip supper at the Sketty Club.

In October, members enjoyed a Quiz Night organised by Richard Nedin which was great fun and which ended in a very tight, high scoring finish between the teams. Local historian Gerald Gabb visited us in November and took us on a journey around well-known and long forgotten thoroughfares of our city. In December, we held our Christmas Dinner at the Sketty Club where the function room looked a real treat, as with all the fairy lights it was extremely festive and was an ideal setting for our Christmas celebrations. Our new freelance chef Karen provided an excellent meal which was exceptional value for money and our thanks to Richard Nedin for making all the arrangements.

Looking forward to a less challenging 2022.

**Colin Hammacott**  
**Club Secretary**

Christmas Savings Club

A local butcher's wife Mrs Maggie Phillips collected money for Christmas poultry from her customers. She deposited the money at the Saron Chapel Christmas Club who then benefitted from the interest earned. "You could do that for your Church" she suggested to Pat and Norman, and the rest is history. Over the years the church gained from the considerable interest accrued.

Sadly, Pat has decided to discontinue the savings club due to the poor financial situation, which has resulted in such negligible interest rates. Hoping that all regular Church savers will understand, and not be disappointed Many thanks to Pat for her diligence and hard work over the years.

### **Mary Howard**

This year 13p and £56 joining fee were paid into the accumulated interest account. This money is kept for anything special the church might need other than day to day running of same.

This year we purchased:

Christian Books	£243.82
Towards gift from both churches	£80
To Start Fair Trade	£100
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	<b>£423.82</b>

The balance of the account now stands at £580.61

Unfortunately, it is not viable to continue with the Christmas Bank as interest is non-existent, and with branches closing, it is difficult to pay monies in.

When interest rates were high, the Church benefitted, and many items were purchased including, Carpet, Kitchen Units China, Books, Choir Robes, Curtains, A runner for the Lady Chapel and a Holy Water Sprinkler.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this venture over many years, as without your savings earning interest, the above items would have had to have come from Church Funds, which we could ill afford.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas Savings project.

**Pat Hathaway.**

## Parents/Carers and Baby Groups

There are two toddler groups that run at Cockett Parish. One is in St. Peter's community hall, the other is at St. Illtyd's church hall both on two different days a week. Both groups are very similar just in different locations. The aim of each group is to reach out to the local community and be a listening ear to parents/carers alike. Both groups have toys appropriate to the ages of the children/babies who attend.

On the Tuesday one, I have the wonderful Sian help me and she does a craft appropriate to whatever season we're in with the children.

Parents/carers bring their child/ren along and enjoy a cuppa and the children are free to play for the two hours. Towards the end of each group, I gather everyone to a mat to do songs, then a parachute and finally bubbles to wrap up the session. Both groups are a joy to run as we get to meet a variety of people from all sorts of backgrounds. During the pandemic we were unable to keep going, but as of June last year when we restarted, we've been thriving again which is fantastic.

The cost of each session to the parent/carer is an affordable £1.50 per family. For those who cannot afford this, I just let them come for free for which they are very grateful indeed.

We re-started in June 2021 which was a very difficult time as we were in the pandemic. With restrictions in place such as social distancing, mask wearing and limited numbers, it was a logistical nightmare. I spent the best part of four hours taking every toy out of the cupboard and cleaning every single piece of stickle brick, jigsaw, book that we had ready to re-open. There was the obligatory risk assessment too. The re-opening was met with absolute joy from everyone (about 45!) that turned up on the first morning. People were so grateful and happy that they could bring their child somewhere to see other children and parents/carers could meet other parent/carers too.

The toddler group was incredibly busy for a while but it's settled down now as other places have started to re-open in other settings and schools.

It's been a very trying time for everyone but absolutely worth it to see children's and parents faces alike smile as they see other new faces for the first time.

**Sarah Briggs**

## Befrienders' Café and Art Group

Having had to make tremendous adjustments during the last 2 years, we are now due to celebrate our third anniversary on 13th May, this year. Our return on 14th June 2021 was a joyful reunion as we could finally meet up in 3D! The risk assessment done, it necessitated more changes and caution in areas we had previously taken for granted. Now we were no longer allowed to share brushes, pencils, paints etc. under the new Covid rules and everyone had to buy their own equipment. All the original members returned and were quickly joined by others, filling the vestry to capacity (following the Covid seating restrictions), at St Peter's. In view of this a new group has been started at St Illtyds on Wednesdays from noon until 2o'clock. It has been slow to start, with three members to date, but I am hopeful that this will soon grow in a similar way to St Peter's.

Whilst arranging this new group, a name change was suggested and in October this was adopted. Both groups are now known as the Befrienders Cafe and Art group. The group has grown in skills and experience with drawing, painting, art discussions and art history. We have studied local and international artists and drawn inspiration from their works. We still keep to our starting each meeting with tea, coffee and homemade cakes.

The support that is freely given to all the members, whatever the difficulties experienced is very apparent within the group. The online contact remains active, with all contributing to any discussions or requests for advice. As we had done prior to lockdown, the group took it on themselves to decorate both the churches for Remembrance Sunday, recycling old plastic bottles to make poppies. Several people complimented the displays we

made. As it was so successful, we look forward to doing it again in the coming year.

Finally, we decorated St Peter's for Christmas making Christmas wreaths for the pews, which were also very successful. We are all looking forward to celebrating the third anniversary of our inception and keeping the support for each other alive and well. After all, we survived the Pandemic intact as a group!

**Christina Grant**

## Parish 100 Club

2021 has been another successful year for this important area of fundraising for our two churches, however, although we gained some new members, the passing of some of our faithful supporters resulted a slight dip in membership from the previous year from 237 to 233 members.

Following our inability to hold functions in 2020 we welcomed the return of our annual Fish & Chip Supper and Grand Christmas Draw held in Cockett Community Centre where back by popular demand, we were entertained by the talented pianist and singer Jonathon Lycett who once again regaled us with a variety of songs, as well as jokes and funny stories, with the occasion adding a healthy £264.00 to 100 Club funds.

Thankfully, our efforts over the year were once again financially successful, resulting in a profit of £2,004.00 to bolster the funds of St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's.

We wish to record our thanks to those church members who pitched in and helped make our Christmas event such a success. Special thanks to those members of both churches together with their families and friends for their unstinting and loyal support for the 100 Club, we are most grateful to you all.

**Colin & Anne Hammacott & Pam Brain**

## Self-Denial Box

The Self Denial Box supports a different charity each month. This year, £959.30 was raised and given to the following charities:

Stroke Association	£440
Toilet Twinning	£120
Swansea Women's Aid	£51.50
Christian Aid	£347.8 0
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	£959.3 0

We also sent to

Barnabas Fund	£11
Ty Hafan	£92.7 7

These are ongoing charities which we send to every year. Jars for contributions to these charities are at the back of the church.

Contributions for Ty Hafan are down this year due to Covid, resulting in smaller congregations. We hope that next year will

be better, and thank you to everyone who has contributed to this deserving cause.

Ty Hafan is totally funded by charitable giving, and needs three million plus each year to maintain and fund this very important service for parents and families when a child has cancer. Please continue to support this charity.

**Pat Hathaway**

## Operation Christmas Child

Once again in 2021, the Parish of Cockett participated in Operation Christmas Child and increased our commitment by agreeing to St. Peter's acting as a Collection Centre for the west of Swansea.

There were fears that because of the global pandemic, the number of boxes donated would be significantly lower than in previous years, resulting in thousands of impoverished children not experiencing the joy of receiving Christmas presents.

To maximise our contribution to the total of shoeboxes we dispatched, we provided a shoebox packing service for those church members, who, because of the restrictions, were unable to go shopping as often as they would wish, and this proved to be remarkably successful.

Our sincere thanks to those volunteers who staffed the church over the eight days we were open for the public to drop off their shoe boxes and a massive thank you to those members of the congregations of St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's who so generously supported Operation Christmas Child once again.

Our efforts were tremendously successful in that we were able to send off a magnificent **186** shoe boxes from the Parish together with **130** shoe boxes that were collected from the general public, making an overall total of **316** boxes. Thank you also to

those who purchased bobble hats and mittens for their boxes kindly knitted by Anne Hammacott, Joan Harris and Dorothy Macken which enabled us to send a donation of £110 towards the work of Operation Christmas Child and a donate a further £287.50 towards church funds.

We have been informed that our shoeboxes were amongst **75,463** sent to children in Central Asia from the UK, helping to build goodwill between people of different faiths. However, because of the political and religious sensitivities in some areas, Operation Christmas Child's ministry partners working in the region have asked us to withhold the exact destination of our boxes to safeguard their wellbeing and we are happy to respect their wishes.

### Colin & Anne Hammacott.





# Benefice Accounts

BENEFICE OF SWANSEA (ST PETER)							
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL		<i>An Excepted Charity</i>					
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS							
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER		2021	Notes	General	Restricted	This Year	Previous
				Funds	Funds	Total	Year
				£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR							
RECEIPTS	Church Contributions		1	52,293	0	52,293	42,790
	Loose Collections			0	0	0	0
	Donations		2	1,908	0	1,908	0
	For Mission			0	0	0	0
	Tax Refunds		3	12,036	0	12,036	9,590
	Legacy gifts received			0	0	0	0
	Grants			0	0	0	1,736
	Money Raising			0	0	0	0
	Fees			0	0	0	0
	Investment Income		4	4,990	0	4,990	5,994
	Other capital receipts			0	0	0	0
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>			<b>71,228</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>71,228</b>	<b>60,110</b>
PAYMENTS	Parish Share		5	64,584	0	64,584	26,646
	Parochial Expenses of Clerics		6	3,254	0	3,254	1,851
	Other Support for Ministry			0	0	0	0
	Maintenance of Services		7	68	0	68	66
	General Parish Expenses		8	2,813	0	2,813	1,002
	Maintenance of Churches		9	2,241	0	2,241	1,741
	Maintenance of other property			0	0	0	0
	Exceptional expenditure		10	13,686	0	13,686	4,488
	Parish Mission		11	2,410	0	2,410	2,746
	Home/World Mission			0	0	0	0
	Cost of Money Raising			0	0	0	20
	Other capital payments		12	1,024	0	1,024	0
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>			<b>90,080</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>90,080</b>	<b>38,560</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS / PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>				-18,852	0	-18,852	21,550
<b>Transfers between Funds</b>				0	0	0	0
<b>Bank and oncall deposit balances at beginning of year</b>				95,538	0	95,538	73,960
<b>Bank and oncall deposit balances at end of year</b>				76,686	0	76,686	95,510
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT YEAR END							
CASH FUNDS	Bank balances			76,686	0	76,686	95,538
	Oncall deposit balances			0	0	0	0
				76,686	0	76,686	95,538
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS	Debtors			0	0	0	0
	Gift Aid receivable			0	0	0	0
	Loans receivable			0	0	0	0
	Other			0	0	0	0
INVESTMENTS	Term deposits			0	0	0	0
	Quoted investments			0	0	0	0
	Investment property			0	0	0	0
	Other			0	0	0	0
<b>ASSETS RETAINED FOR CHURCH USE (described in the Notes attached to these Accounts).</b>							
LIABILITIES	Creditors		13	0	0	0	28
	Loans payable			0	0	0	0
	Other			0	0	0	0
				0	0	0	28
<b>Approved by the Parochial Church Council on (date)</b>							
and signed on its behalf by (name)							
(signature)							



# St Illtyd's Accounts

## ST ILLTYDS CHURCH ACCOUNT

## ANNUAL YEAR END 2021

### RECEIPTS

Balance at Bank 1/1/2021

£9,035.60

### Collections

Envelopes

£13,365.10

Loose

£1,438.00

Gifted

£1,175.80

Candle Fund

£27.03

Self Denial

£508.31

£16,514.24

### Fees

Weddings

£228.00

£228.00

### Donations/Fundraising

Fundraising

£1,308.00

Donations

£197.35

£1,505.35

### Miscellaneous

Parish of Cockett

£2,549.37

100 Club Share

£550.00

Church Hire

£285.00

Security Cameras

£1,068.00

Grant

£2,000.00

Play Group

£500.00

Xmas Collection

£155.90

John Candles

£339.50

Miscellaneous ???

£1,050.38

£8,498.15

### PAYMENTS

Services

Central Fund

£13,306.81

£13,306.81

Services

Gas

£578.50

Electricity

£698.07

£1,276.57

Maintenance

Alarm Service

£130.00

Plumbing

£355.00

Chris

£121.38

Fire Extinguishers

£343.54

£949.92

Miscellaneous

Donation

£155.90

Organist

£300.00

Stand In Vicar

£215.92

Liscombe

£179.00

Security System

£1,068.00

Fundraising

£401.75

Lottery Licence

£20.00

Play Group Donation

£500.00

Love Candle Bags

£100.00

Candles

£679.00

Petty Cash

£400.00

Internment

£161.00

£4,180.57

Balance at Bank 31/12/21

£16,067.48

TOTAL

£35,781.34

TOTAL

£35,781.34

**ST ILLTYDS HALL ACCOUNT**

**ANNUAL YEAR END 2021**

<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>PAYMENTS</u>	
Balance at Bank 1/1/2021	£15,039.11	<u>Services</u>	
<u>Breakdown</u>		Gas	£762.69
Hall Hire	£3,093.15	Water	£191.50
Miscellaneous	£1,000.00	<u>Maintenance</u>	£954.19
	£4,093.15	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	
		Expenses	£369.00
			£369.00
		Balance at Bank 31/12/2021	£17,809.07
			£19,132.26
			£19,132.26

St Illtyds  
 Summary / analysis of accounts  
 Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Church Account	Hall Account
<b>INCOME</b>		
Collections		
Envelopes	13365.1	
Loose	1438	
Gifted	1175.8	
Candle fund	27.03	
Self Denial	508.31	
Fees		
Funerals	228	
Donations/Fundraising		
Fundraising	1308	
Donations	197.35	
Miscellaneous		
Copy Marriage Cert		
100 Club share	550	
Emergency Fund		
Bequests		
Church Hire	285	
Ret Wall money		
Tax Refund gift aid		
Parish of Cockett		
Security cameras	1068	
Grant	2000	
Play group	500	
Xmas collection	155.9	
John Candles	339.5	
Misc	161	
Gift Aid		
Hall hire		4093.15
<b>Total income</b>	<b>23306.99</b>	<b>4093.15</b>

## EXPENSES

Parish Share		
Services		
Gas	578.5	762.69
Electricity	698.07	
Water rates		191.5
Maintenance	949.92	
Miscellaneous		
Donation	155.9	
Organist	300	
Stand in Vicar	215.92	
Liscombe	179	
Security system	1068	
Fundraising	401.75	
Lottery licence	20	
Play Group Donation	500	
Love candle bags	100	
Candles	679	
P Cash	400	
Internment	161	
Misc		369
Total Expenses	6407.06	1323.19
Surplus / (Deficit)	16899.93	2769.96
Balance b/f	8927.6	15039.11
Surplus / (Deficit)	16899.93	2769.96
Tsfr funds	-9868.05	
Balance c/f	15959.48	17809.07
Tsfrs to central funds	3992.04	
	5322.72	
	3992.04	
	13306.8	
Tsfrs from Benefice re Gift Aid	335.5	
	1869.87	
	344	
	889.38	3438.75

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9868.05

9035.6

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8927.6

t	Total	Donations and Legacies Planned Giving	Loose Collections
	13365.1	13365.1	
	1438		1438
	1175.8		
	27.03		
	508.31		
	228		
	1308		
	197.35		
	0		
	550		
	0		
	0		
	285		
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	0		
	0		
	1068		
	2000		
	500		
	155.9		
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	161		
	0		
	4093.15		
	27400.14	13365.1	1438
		Support for Minsitry Parish Share	Parochial Exps of Clerics

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155.9		
300		
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100		
679		
400		
161		
369		
7730.25	0	0
19669.89		
23966.71		
19669.89		
-9868.05		
33768.55		

Donations	For Mission	Tax reclaims	Gift Aid	Tax reclaim
79.31999999999999				1096.48
197.35				
0		550		
0				0
1068				
500				
155.9				
339.5				
161				0
2501.07		550		0 1096.48
Other	Parish Activities Maintenance of Services	Gen Parish Expenses		Church Proj Maintenanc

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578.5  
698.07

949.92

215.92

300

369

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369 2226.49

Legacies	Grants	Charitable Fees	Other Money Raising	Tradition	Investment	Other
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27.03  
508.31

228

1308

0

0

285

2000

4093.15

0

2000

228

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Property Maintenance	Exceptional	Mission and Parish	Grants Home / Wor	Other Capital Pay	Raising Funds Cost of Money Raising
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762.69

191.5

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179

401.75

1068

20

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679

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161

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736.65

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7730.25

St Illtyds  
 Summary / analysis of accounts  
 Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Church Account	Building Fur
INCOME		
Collections		
Envelopes	36392.6	
Loose	1585.3	
Gifted	1480	
Special	242.52	
Tax Refunds	152.5	
Grants		
Fees		
Weddings	2100	
Funerals	648	
War Graves C		
Donations/Fundraising		
Donations	441.5	4189.75
Charities		
Stroke Assoc'n	440	
Toilet twinning	120	
Sx Womens Aid	51.5	
Christian Aid	347.8	
Barnabus Fund	11	
Ty Hafans	92.77	
Open Doors	148	
Miscellaneous		
Sale bobble hats	40	
Sale jam/books	117.35	
Sale hats	25	
Guess baby weight	12	
Votive candles	5.3	
Grant	485	
Funeral coll'n	15	
Funeral coll'n	27.5	
Sale of Cards		
Amazon Smile income		

Hall hire		
Bank interest received		0.64
Total income	44980.64	4190.39

EXPENSES

Parish Share

Vicar's expenses

Services

Gas	1041.1
Electricity	550.1
Water rates	222.27

Maintenance 1513.26

Atar Requisites 333.93

Insurance

Music

Organist	960
Organ tuning	234
Organist Carol Service	50
CCLI Subs	

BT

Charities 1211.07

Refreshments

Stationery 122.2

Go Cardless

Miscellaneous

Visiting Preacher	269
Goodie bags kids	200
Pop-up Nativity	245

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	Misc for events.	328.88		
	Oasis	14.5		
	Banqueting roll	20.1		
	Carol service mince pie	10		
	Funeral exps.	15		
	Ty Hafan..	27.5		
	PRS for music			
	Rent for Hall			
	Lent Appeal			
	Annual sub archdeaonry			
	Booking secretary			
	Cleaner			
	Lottery Licence			
Total Expenses		7367.91		0
Surplus / (Deficit)		37612.73		4190.39
Balance b/f		19792.03		11218.31
Surplus / (Deficit)		37612.73		4190.39
Tsfr funds		-41734.31		
Balance c/f		15670.45		15408.7
		15670.45		
		0		
Transfers				
	Benefice acc to Emergey fund			
	Cont'n from St P re P Share	-51981.6		
	Cont'n from St P re Lent Appeal	0		
	Tsfr G Aid money to St P	10247.29		
	Tsfr from Comm Centre	0		
	Cont'n from St I re P Share			
	Cont'n from St I re Lent Appeal			
	Tsfr G Aid money to St I			
		-41734.31	0	0

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Tsfrs to central funds		12995.4	
		25990.8	
		12995.4	
			51981.6
Tsfrs from Benefice re Gift Aid	624.25		
	5534.56		
	1254.73		
	2833.75	10247.29	
			41734.31

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C-Yard Account

Emergency Fund

Magazine Account

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1480	1977.6	277.04
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2427	-1976.96	-276.8
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31382.5	11578.2	3349.52

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Community Centre	Benefice Account	Total	Donations a Planned Giv
	1728	38120.6	38120.6
		1585.3	
		1480	
		242.52	
	12036.17	12188.67	
	0	0	
		2100	
		4111	
		343	
		4730.25	
		440	
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		51.5	
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		148	
		40	
		117.35	
		25	
		12	
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		15	
		27.5	
		0	
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6149.75	4990.29	11140.04	
2.04		5.56	
6651.79	18934.68	78665.38	38120.6
			Support for I Parish Share
	64584.14	64584.14	64584.14
	3254.3	3254.3	
309.05		1350.15	
313.1		863.2	
		222.27	
1330.16	0	6301.02	
		333.93	
637.95	1615.07	2253.02	
		960	
		234	
	68	118	
	341.72	341.72	
	406	406	
		1211.07	
		0	
	-17.8	381.44	
	265	265	
		269	
		200	
		245	

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		649.9		649.9	
		373.9		373.9	
				0	
264				264	
1082				1082	
		2425.56		2425.56	
4064.66		73965.79		89133	64584.14
2587.13		-55031.11		-10467.62	
30012.3		95510.51		200270.13	
2587.13		-55031.11		-10467.62	
		49202.36		9868.05	
32599.43		89681.76		199670.56	
		89681.76			
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		-2400			
		51981.6			
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		-10247.29			
		13306.8			13306.8
		0			0
		-3438.75			-3438.75
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nd Legacies

Loose ColleDonations For Mission Tax reclaimTax reclaimLegacies Grants

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Minsitry Parochial E)Other	Parish Activities MaintenancGen Parish	Church Property MaintenancMaintenancExceptional
1585.3	6553.25	2243.87
	12188.67	0
		0
		0
3254.3		
		1041.1
		309.05
		550.1
		313.1
		222.27
		0
		4970.86
		1330.16
	333.93	
		1615.07
		637.95
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		234
	118	
	341.72	
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			373.9

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Fees Money Raising

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Mission and Grants      Other      Raising Funds  
Parish      Home / WorCapital Pay Cost of Money Raising

1211.07

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1082

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	Income	Gift Aid Normal	GADS	Vicar Giving
2021-01-11 CHURCH IN CR	550			
2021-02-20 HMRC - GIF CR	3262.48	3262.48		
2021-01-27 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-02-04 CHURCH IN CR	550			
2021-02-11 AMAZON SICR	12.98			
2021-02-17 HMRC - GIF CR	1598.73	1598.73		
2021-02-25 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-03-09 CHURCH IN CR	550			
2021-03-25 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-03-30 ST ILLTYDS CR	3992.04			
2021-04-07 VICAR - SAFCR	254.45			
2021-04-20 ST PETERS CR	12995.4			
2021-04-27 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-05-07 CHURCH IN CR	550			
2021-05-24 AMAZON SICR	15.77			
2021-05-27 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-06-04 CHURCH IN CR	550			
2021-06-25 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-06-30 ECCLESIAS CR	130			
2021-07-06 CHURCH IN CR	550			
2021-07-08 ST ILLTYDS CR	5322.72			
2021-07-14 HMRC - GIF CR	1173.88	1173.88		
2021-07-27 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-08-17 AMAZON SICR	11.91			
2021-08-26 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-09-02 HMRC - GIF CR	1260	1260		
2021-09-02 HMRC - GIF CR	1289.25	1289.25		
2021-09-06 CHURCH IN CR	106.84			
2021-09-27 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-09-27 CHURCH IN CR	472			
2021-09-30 ST ILLTYDS CR	3992.04			
2021-10-27 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-10-28 CHURCH IN CR	219			
2021-11-02 ST PETERS CHQ	25990.8			
2021-11-25 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-12-07 CHURCH IN CR	638			
2021-12-13 AMAZON SICR	9.56			
2021-12-17 HMRC - GIF CR	3451.83	3451.83		
2021-12-29 ST ILLTYDS CR	144			144
2021-12-23 ST PETERS CONTRIBUTIO	12995.4			

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2019-12-31 O/S chqs 2 84223.08  
2019-12-31 Accs balanc -90079.63  
2020-12-31 Bankings  
2020-12-31 Payments

89681.76

2021-12-31 Bank statement balance 76686.36  
12995.4  
89681.76

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Diocese Grant	Rental Income	Tsfrs St I	Tsfrs St P	
	550			2021-01-04 Ecclesiastic
				2021-01-04 Ecclesiastic
	550			2021-01-04 Barclays -
				2021-01-07 RSCM Mem
			12.98	2021-01-13 BT
				2021-01-13 Vicar's Exp
				2021-01-13 Parish Shar
	550			2021-01-13 Fr John - No
				2021-01-13 Tax Refund
		3992.04		2021-01-13 Tax Refund
	254.45		12995.4	2021-01-29 Go Cardless
				2021-02-01 Ecclesiastic
				2021-02-01 Ecclesiastic
	550			2021-02-01 Barclays -
			15.77	2021-02-15 BT
				2021-02-22 CCLI - St III
	550			2021-02-22 Mission Fun
				2021-02-22 CCLI - St Pe
			130	2021-03-01 Ecclesiastic
	550			2021-03-01 Ecclesiastic
		5322.72		2021-03-01 Barclays -
				2021-03-03 St Illtyd's
				2021-03-03 St Peter's G
			11.91	2021-03-15 BT
				2021-03-29 Parish Shar
				2021-03-29 DBF - retur
	106.84			2021-04-01 Ecclesiastic
				2021-04-01 Ecclesiastic
				2021-04-01 St Illtyd's
	472			2021-04-01 Barclays -
		3992.04		2021-04-08 St Peter's G
				2021-04-14 BT
	219			2021-05-04 Ecclesiastic
			25990.8	2021-05-04 Ecclesiastic
				2021-05-04 Barclays -
	638			2021-05-13 BT
			9.56	2021-06-01 Ecclesiastic
				2021-06-01 Ecclesiastic
				2021-06-01 Archdeacor
			12995.4	2021-06-01 Barclays -
				2021-06-14 Vicar's Exp
				2021-07-01 Ecclesiastic

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					2021-07-01 Ecclesiastic
					2021-07-01 Barclays -
					2021-07-13 BT
					2021-08-02 Ecclesiastic
					2021-08-02 Ecclesiastic
					2021-08-02 Barclays -
					2021-08-13 BT
0	4990.29	13306.8	51981.6	180.22	2021-09-01 Ecclesiastic
					2021-09-01 Ecclesiastic
		13306.8	38986.2		2021-09-01 Barclays -
					2021-09-13 BT
			12995.4		2021-09-23 Go Cardless
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					2021-10-01 Ecclesiastic
					2021-10-01 Barclays -
					2021-10-13 BT
					2021-11-01 Ecclesiastic
					2021-11-01 Ecclesiastic
					2021-11-01 Barclays -
					2021-11-08 St Peter's G
					2021-11-12 St Illtyd's
					2021-11-15 BT
					2021-11-22 Vicar's Exp
					2021-11-22 Parish Shar
					2021-12-01 Ecclesiastic
					2021-12-01 Ecclesiastic
					2021-12-01 Barclays -
					2021-12-13 BT
					2021-12-21 Vicar's Exp
					2021-12-24 Vicar's Exp
					2021-12-24 Hugh James

	Payments	Insurances St P	St I	Tsfr Emerg F	Parish Share
DD	42.16			42.16	
DD	92.53	92.53			
SO	200			200	
DD	68				
DD	33.39				
101709	1272.91				
101710	33610.94				33610.94
101712	625.56				
101713	335.5				
101714	624.25				
DD	22				
DD	42.08			42.08	
DD	92.5	92.5			
SO	200			200	
DD	33.39				
101719	201.72				
101718	649.9				
101715	140				
DD	42.08			42.08	
DD	92.5	92.5			
SO	200			200	
101717	1869.87				
101718	5534.56				
DD	33.39				
101723	15486				15486
101720	373.9				
DD	42.08			42.08	
DD	92.5	92.5			
101721	344				
SO	200			200	
101722	1254.73				
DD	34.07				
DD	42.08			42.08	
SO	92.5	92.5			
101702	200			200	
DD	33.97				
DD	42.08			42.08	
SO	92.5	92.5			
DD	10				
SO	200			200	
101703	33.97				
DD	42.08			42.08	

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DD	92.5	92.5			
SO	200			200	
DD	33.97				
SO	42.08		42.08		
VISA	92.5	92.5			
DD	200			200	
DD	33.97				
DD	42.08		42.08		
DD	92.5	92.5			
SO	200			200	
DD	33.97				
DD	243				
DD	42.08		42.08		
DD	92.5	92.5			
SO	200			200	
DD	33.97				
DD	42.08		42.08		
DD	92.5	92.5			
SO	200			200	
101745	2833.75				
101746	889.38				
DD	33.97				
101743	1233.85				
101744	15487.2				15487.2
DD	42.08		42.08		
DD	92.5	92.5			
SO	200			200	
DD	33.97				
101748	67.32				
101750	680.22				
101747	1800				

90079.63 1110.03 505.04 2400 64584.14

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Gift Aid transfers St P	St I	RSCM Memb	BT	Lent Appeal	Go Cardless	Repairs
			68	33.39		
624.25	335.5					625.56
					22	
				33.39		
					649.9	
5534.56	1869.87					
				33.39		
	344					
1254.73						
				34.07		
				33.97		
				33.97		

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2833.75

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10247.29

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Vicar's Expenses	Annual Sub	Stamps	PAT Testing	CCLI Subs	Printing Stat'y
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Benefice accounts  
 Summary / analysis for from preparation  
 Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Donations and Legacies			
	Planned	Giv Loose	Colle	Donations For Mission
St Illtyd's	13365.1	1438	2501.07	550
St Peter's	38120.6	1585.3	6553.25	2243.87
	51485.7	3023.3	9054.32	2793.87

	Support for Ministry			Parish Activ Maintenance
	Parish Share	Parochial E	Other	
St Illtyd's	0	0	215.92	300
St Peter's	64584.14	3254.3	15	2327.05
	64584.14	3254.3	230.92	2627.05

St Illtyd's		St Peter's
Balance b/f	23966.71	Balance b/f
Surplus / (Deficit)	19669.89	Surplus / (Deficit)
Tsfr funds	-9868.05	Tsfr funds
	0	
Balance c/f	33768.55	Balance c/f

Tax reclaims (Tax reclaim	Legacies	Grants	Charitable Fees	Other Tradir	Investment Money Raising
0	1096.48	0	2000	228	6221.49
12188.67	0	0	0	6211	11757.13
12188.67	1096.48	0	2000	6439	17978.62

ities	Church Property	Mission and Grants	Other
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369	2226.49	954.19	0
1463.84	8633.4	2590.26	0
1832.84	10859.89	3544.45	0

200270.13	224236.84
-10467.62	9202.27
9868.05	0
0	
199670.56	233439.11

Other

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106065.52

Raising Funds  
Cost of Money Raising

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ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL RETURN 2020

Diocese: Swansea & Brecon

Archdeanory: Gower

Parish of: Cockett, Swansea

Enter below the dedications of all Churches included in this Return:

St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's

PLEASE REFER TO THE GUIDANCE NOTES WHEN FILLING IN THIS RETURN. ROUND /

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

INCOME / RECEIPTS from

Donations and Legacies	Planned Giving .....
	Loose Collections .....
	Donations .....
	For Mission .....
	Tax Reclaims - GIFT AID .....
	Tax Reclaims - GASDS .....
	Legacies (no. received)
	Grants .....
Charitable Activities	Fees .....
Other Trading Activities	Money Raising .....
Investments	.....
Other	.....
	TOTAL .....

EXPENDITURE / PAYMENTS on

Charitable Activities	
Support for Ministry	Parish Share .....
	Parochial Expenses of Clerics .....
	Other .....
Parish Activities	Maintenance of Services .....
	General Parish Expenses .....
Church Property	Maintenance of Churches .....
	Maintenance of Other Property .....
	Exceptional Expenditure .....
Mission and Grants	Parish .....
	Home / World .....
Other	Capital Payments .....
Raising Funds	Cost of Money Raising .....
	TOTAL .....

NET INCOME / EXPENDITURE or RECEIPT / PAYMENTS EXCESS .....

Transfers between Funds .....

Other Recognised Gains / (Losses) .....

NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS .....

FUND BALANCES Brought forward 1 January .....

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Carried forward 31 December .....

Cleric's name: .....Treasurer's name: .....

Signature: ..... Signature: .....

Date: .....Date: .....

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Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total of all Funds	
£	£	£	
51485.7	0	51485.7	
3023.3	0	3023.3	
9054.32	0	9054.32	
2793.87	0	2793.87	
12188.67	0	12188.67	
1096.48	0	1096.48	
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2000	0	2000	
6439	0	6439	
17978.62	0	17978.62	
5.56	0	5.56	
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106065.52	0	106065.52	
64584.14	0	64584.14	
3254.3	0	3254.3	
230.92	0	230.92	
2627.05	0	2627.05	
1832.84	0	1832.84	
10859.89	0	10859.89	
3544.45	0	3544.45	
0	0	0	
2236.82	0	2236.82	
3921.28	0	3921.28	
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Section A Receipts and payments

A1 Receipts

Donations and Legacies

Charitable activities

Other trading activities

Investment income

Sub total(Gross income for AR)

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

Sub total

Total receipts

A3 Payments

Support for Ministry

Parish activities

Church property

Mission and grants

Sub total

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

Sub total

Total payments

Net of receipts/(payments)  
A5 Transfers between funds  
A6 Cash funds last year end  
Cash funds this year end

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period  
Categories

B1 Cash funds

B2 Other monetary assets

B3 Investment assets

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

B5 Liabilities

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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

The Benefice of Swansea St Peter (Cockett)

5133-07-31

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from

2020-Jan-01

To

2020-12-31

Unrestricted funds  
to the nearest £

Restricted funds  
to the nearest £

Endowment funds  
to the nearest £

81642.34	0	0
6439	0	0
17978.62	0	0
5.56	0	0
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106065.52	0	0
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68069.36	0	0
4459.89	0	0
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Unrestricted funds  
to nearest £  
Bank Balances 233467.27  
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Total cash funds 233467.27  
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Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
81642.34	0
6439	0
17978.62	0
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224265	0
233467.27	0

Restricted funds to nearest £	0	Endowment funds to nearest £	0
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Date of approval

The Benefice of Swansea St Peter (Cockett)		5133-07-31		CC16a	
Receipts and payments accounts		For the period from		To	
		2020-Jan-01		2020-12-31	
<b>Section A Receipts and payments</b>					
	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations and Legacies	81642.34	0	0	81642.34	0
Charitable activities	6439	0	0	6439	0
Other trading activities	17978.62	0	0	17978.62	0
Investment income	5.56	0	0	5.56	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	106065.52	0	0	106065.52	0
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total receipts</b>	106065.52	0	0	106065.52	0
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Support for Ministry	68069.36	0	0	68069.36	0
Parish activities	4459.89	0	0	4459.89	0
Church property	14404.34	0	0	14404.34	0
Mission and grants	9929.66	0	0	9929.66	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	96863.25	0	0	96863.25	0
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total payments</b>	96863.25	0	0	96863.25	0
Net of receipts/(payments)	9202.27	0	0	9202.27	0
A5 Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
A6 Cash funds last year end	224265	0	0	224265	0
Cash funds this year end	233467.27	0	0	233467.27	0
<b>Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period</b>					
<b>Categories</b>					
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank Balances	233467.27	0	0	
		0	0	0	
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	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	233467.27	0	0	
		OK	OK	OK	
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	0	0	0	
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<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belong Cost (optional)	0	0	Current value (optional)
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			0	0	
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relate Amount due (optional)	0	0	When due (optional)
			0	0	
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			0	0	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval		

**THE BENEFICE OF SWANSEA ST PETER (COCKETT)**

England & Wales - Charity number 1181042

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# Accounts

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Swansea St Peter (Cockett)

# ANNUAL REPORT

2020



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# Vicar's Report

Welcome to the 2020 Annual Report. It is no exaggeration to say that 2020 was one of the most challenging years in the history of the Benefice, and the Church in Wales. The Covid-19 pandemic, with its terrifying consequences of lockdowns and disruption of so much we took for granted has transformed how we go about being church. Every report presented below is touched by Covid.

However, I want to start my report by saying thank you. Thank you to everyone who has done so much to help us keep in touch, to make possible what we could do, to innovate where we possible, and not just focus on what we couldn't do. I want to thank you for your support and encouragement. I hope that as we come to reflect on this time, we will find that we learned more deeply what it means to be community, and committed more fervently to placing at the centre relationship with Christ and each other.

**Worship.** We began the year with a full programme ahead of us, looking forward to another visiting preacher for Holy Week and Easter. Before we got to Mothering Sunday we were in lockdown. Thanks to the availability of modern technology, and Steve Davies' support, I was able to get live-streamed Sunday worship up and running for the first Sunday. Through the year we have been able to make High Days and Holy Days with special pre-recorded services, including an ecumenical celebration of Ascension, to mark the start of Thy Kingdom Come. As a Ministry Area, we started keeping Evening Prayer over Zoom to bring us together.

**Mission.** It would have been easy to sit back and ignore mission during the pandemic. But that is not the Cockett way! Our online worship provided an unexpected opportunity for outreach. It was a great joy to start the Christian journey with a few new people, a journey that led to baptism to for one person who first encountered the benefice through the live-streamed worship. In the autumn I ran

Christianity Explored over zoom. It was a great delight to engage 11 people with the course. Thanks to the support of Sian Parkhouse, Deanery Families Worker for Gower Deanery, we were able to run a Donkey Trail on Townhill. We met several new families in the course of delivering the gifts for completing the trail, and thus have the opportunity to share the Christmas message more widely.

**Ministry.** Maintaining pastoral support was a key objective during Covid. In the early days, my personal mantra was that 'none should be lost'. Thus I began the pandemic by telephoning everyone on the electoral roll to set up a telephone tree for those who wished to join it, a weekly newsletter, readings sheet with a homily and daily readings, and a liturgy (hand delivered to those without an internet connection). It became apparent how important these were for sharing news and keeping us striving forward after Jesus.

The importance of Social Media has been shown throughout the pandemic. With the challenges of face-to-face meeting, social media has allowed us to offer and reach out. Exactly what this will look like going forward remains to be seen.

During the year I was delighted to prepare 2 adults for baptism (the actual baptism was on Epiphany Sunday 2021). We celebrated 6 weddings, 5 of which took place under Covid-regulations. I officiated at 21 funerals. Very few of these took place in either of our church buildings and presented considerable challenges for supporting the bereaved.

**Governance.** Among the challenges that Covid presented was how we maintained our governance structures. By June 2020 we had managed to arrange ourselves to meet as a PCC on zoom, and met monthly after that. The Church in Wales allowed us to postpone our Easter Vestry until the end of October. We delayed until the end of September and held a Vestry both in person at St Illtyd's and online over zoom. Of note, we held an election for who represent the benefice on the PCC. A huge thank you to those who served on the

extended 2019-20 PCC, and to those who stood for election for 2020-21.

**Title change.** In June 2020, I was delighted to hear from the Archbishop that he was formally ‘promoting’ me from Priest-in-Charge to Vicar of the Benefice. It was a strong affirmation of the ministry that we as a benefice are sharing in together here.

**St Nicholas’ on the hill.** The Rev’d Alison Jones left at shortnotice from Townhill on 31 March 2020. I was asked to provide pastoral care for the church community, which the Area Dean kept the incumbency. We added the Townhill community into our telephone tree and weekly newsletter, and I celebrated a Wednesday morning service through the autumn, until the parish was transferred into the care of the Rev’d Mark Williams in November 2020. We wish the Townhill Community every blessing in the next step of their journey.

*The Rev’d Dr Jonathon Wright  
Vicar*

## Church Wardens’ Report

What a year! This time last year (March 2020) we had just gone into lockdown due to the coronavirus. We had no idea of how long it would last, and we were all hopeful that the pandemic would be over by the summer. It has affected all aspects of our lives including our gathering. However, we have continued to worship together and ‘be’ church, but in different ways.

Our year began with the building work at St Peter’s coming to an end. We were all delighted to hear the bell being rung once more. Services in January included a bilingual service for the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*, which was attended by local chapels and churches.

January also saw the Carer's Café, the Baby Group and the Knit and Natter club continue to provide friendship and support to young and old in our community.

In February, our new bookshop opened at St Peter's and our first and only social event of the year took place – the Shrove Tuesday supper. March saw things change in church as we learned more of the virus. To keep our church family safe, we shared the peace without shaking hands and no longer shared the chalice. On 17<sup>th</sup> March, the Church in Wales suspended worship and Fr Jonathon immediately set about organising an online service for 19<sup>th</sup> March. With the availability of Broadband at the Parish office, St Illtyd's became even more important during 2020 as the Pandemic took hold Worldwide. Fr Jonathon was able to live-stream services to whoever wanted to receive them, possibly the first to rise to the challenge in the Swansea area. New contacts have been reached via this medium not only around the parish but country-wide and worldwide. We couldn't meet together, but we could still worship together. The phone tree was established so that everyone in the parish and beyond had an arm around them and a friend to share news with. Our quinquennial inspections took place during March and more information will follow in the Building Report.

April saw the roll out of our community reading of the book of *Acts of the Apostles* on YouTube. Just as the early church worshiped in houses, so we too in 2020 were worshipping in our own homes, joined through You Tube, Zoom, Facebook and telephone lines. St Peter's opened for private prayer in July and our small covid-secure services began in August for those who wished to attend.

Throughout the lockdown period, we remained a close-knit family. We are so appreciative of the tireless work of Father Jonathon in setting up many and varied initiatives such as Flags for Thankfulness and the Donkey Trail for our congregations and the community to participate. It is good to have a new Scout Group starting to meet at St Illtyd's Hall to give our local young people a good moral education and practical

skills to hopefully carry them through their adult lives. We thank those who were able to continue their roles in caring for the church, its' family and the community – for looking after the buildings, the graveyards, delivering weekly booklets, fundraising and for being a friend on the phone.

The postponed Easter Vestry was held in September and a new PCC was chosen. All out going officers were thanked for their many years of service. It is hoped that the current PCC can build on the work already started by the previous PCC.

*Catherine and Steve*

## **Parochial Church Council**

During 2020, our Parochial Church Council held a gathered meeting in January but owing to the restrictions associated with the Covid-19 pandemic all our remaining meetings were held over Zoom.

In January we learned that the work on the St Peter's belltower has been completed at a cost of £3,982 and also that work on the west wall had also been completed. However, members were disappointed with the finish but as the contractor had finished trading, any redress would be through his insurers. Work on the St. Illtyd's wall had been hampered through an ingress of water through the roof. In relation to worship, it was decided in order to build relationships with young people, to commence an All Age Service in February. We also reviewed what we had done well and not so well over the past year.

Our June PCC considered our cash flow problems resulting from the consequences of services being cancelled since March. Up to this point we had paid our Parish Share from our Benefice reserves but this was unsustainable, therefore we suspended payments until the publication of the Diocesan Provincial Report. We also put in place all the preparations and administration for our Annual Vestry Meeting. In

addition, we set up a Covid Sub-Committee to prepare risk assessments and put in place safeguards for the opening of our buildings post-lockdown.

In July, the PCC had preliminary discussions on the future of the Parish Magazine and agreed to consult widely in respect of a way forward. We also discussed protocols to be put in place for the scheduled August weddings as well as arrangements for the virtual Harvest Service and explored ways to maximise the involvement of our parishioners in the Easter Vestry Meeting.

In September, we held our last PCC meeting prior to our Annual Easter Vestry where the Vicar informed the meeting that the Diocesan accounts team had not as yet adjusted our Parish Share to reflect a reduction in payments from the Representative Body for Covid relief or payment relief to our Mission Area following the Vicar of Treboeth retiring and the Vicar of Townhill leaving post, thus a substantial deficit in parish share payments remained. The PCC resolved that the setting up of Standing Orders for donations by parishioners should be further encouraged as this would assist in the Church regular income to pay the parish share. We also received updates on land ownership issues at St Illtyd's and the notice board for the external wall at St Peter's for which a faculty had been completed.

Our belated Annual Vestry Meeting was held on 27<sup>th</sup> September where the Annual Accounts, Mission, Administrative and Fabric Reports were unanimously accepted and auditors for the ensuing year appointed. The meeting was tinged with some sadness as a number of long serving members of the PCC were standing down after many years of stalwart service, resulting in the election of many new faces, who we were confident would serve the PCC very well.

Our first meeting of the newly elected PCC was on the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020 held on Zoom. At this meeting we agreed that the Benefice review its financial plan. We agreed to change banks for the Benefice account. It was also agreed for a faculty to be submitted for a

memorial bench at St Illtyd's. We all agreed to undertake a Nativity 'treasure hunt'. CCTV at St Illtyd's was also discussed, quotations were requested. St Illtyd's was to be used as a collection centre for Operation Christmas Child. We also found a volunteer for the Ministry Area Forum.

In our November meeting we finalised the route and dates for the Nativity trail. We were also given details of an online Church in Wales Safeguarding Course the PCC should complete. We learnt that the changing of the Bank will take approximately 4 months due to the pandemic. We had received one quotation for the CCTV at St Illtyd's and were awaiting two others. It was agreed a survey would be sent out to all our parishioners to ask them about their thoughts on the Parish Magazine. We would all consider engaging a volunteer to assist in the Parish through Time for God.

At our December meeting we unanimously approved the new 2020 Church in Wales Safeguarding Policy. Encouragement was made to the PCC to complete the online Safeguarding training course. We had received all the quotations for installing CCTV at St. Illtyd's. A few minor details needed to be discussed and then a draft faculty application would be put forward. A good response had been received for the Parish Magazine survey. The details were collated and would be discussed further. It is hoped that we would have a Time for God representative present at our next meeting. Repairs were needed at St. Illtyd's as there is a water ingress problem. We agreed that this should be looked at by an Architect before making any decisions.

*Colin Hammacott & Maureen Casagrande  
PCC Lay Chairs for 2019-20 and 2020-21 respectively*

## **St Peter's Report**

The last service at St Peter's prior to the lockdown was on 15 March. Services resumed on Tuesday 4 August. Under Covid restrictions, we

have had to become used to booking in for services, gelling hands, wearing masks and social distancing. The phone tree has been very good for keeping up to date.

*Sally Jones, Angela Watson and Mary Howard*

## **St Illtyd's Report**

The year began with Church worship and a new term for church clubs. As the weeks passed, it was obvious that Covid-19 was going to change all aspects of life.

At the end of March, churches closed and the clubs finished. The Sunday service moved online with a service sheet and Benefice Newsletter, delivered weekly. The telephone tree has been greatly appreciated by all members.

In support of the NHS and many organisations that have continued to support the public, we coloured flags of thankfulness.

In August the Church reopened for a Sunday gathered service. We booked in with Robert Troll. Harvest, Remembrance Sunday and Christmas services continued on line.

We look forward to 2021 and hope for brighter days ahead. We pray for all families and friends who have suffered much sadness and pain.

*Margaret Wellington*

# Fundraising

The Parish of Cockett has always had an excellent reputation for its ability to fundraise. However, the annual programme of events scheduled to keep our accounts in the black, failed to get off the ground in 2020 owing to the onset of Covid-19.

With our congregations not being able to gather together, our income in 2020 took a colossal hit and sadly, with the two exceptions of the Shrove Tuesday Supper and the Parish 100 Club, the only significant monies raised during the year was through the imaginative efforts of individual church members.

In February, St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's received a boost of £1,706 thanks to the funds raised through the Parish 100 Club and our Shrove Tuesday Supper raised a very useful £302.00.

During the summer, Sally Jones made a large number of face masks which she successfully sold together with garden plants and items and raised a brilliant £390 with gift aid.

In August, Colin Hammacott and Adele Cunningham privately bought and sold a large number of embossed torch pens which raised a healthy profit of £300 which they were able to gift aid, therefore, reaching a final total of £375.

During the lockdown three members of St Peter's, Anne Hammacott, Joan Harris and Dorothy Macken kept themselves very busy using their talents to fundraise by knitting and selling sets of bobble hats and gloves and also some scarves. Their efforts were successful in raising the magnificent gift aided sum of £250 to bolster our depleted income.

We are eagerly looking forward to the time when we have received our vaccines and we are able to get together and organise fundraising events once again.

*Colin Hammacott  
Chairman*

## **Building Committee Report**

### **St Peter's**

The West Wall project was completed just before the Covid-19 lockdown was imposed. The quality of the work completed inside and outside left something to be desired.

With the last year being dominated by Covid-19 the church has been set out under the Church in Wales guidance for socially distanced services.

During March 2020 the Quinquennial inspections were carried out on both churches. Generally, St Peter's is in a sound condition. The report raised various observations by the architect such as the ground water gully at the west wall as needing attention, the Bathstone window mullions were also highlighted as needing attention in the future. Damp issues were observed within the choir vestry to which a suggestion that the lead flashing on the roof may be at fault.

A faculty was approved to fix a Notice Board to the boundary wall adjacent to the main gate. This can be used to inform the community of up coming events. Our thanks must go to Roy Wydenbach for fixing the notice board onto a very uneven surface!

The annual boiler servicing has been completed as well as the fire extinguisher checks. We are blessed to have our own Sexton Dave

Macken to maintain and oversee all work at the graveyard. Thank you to Dave and the Team.

Thank you to all who give of the time to keep the church clean and maintained.

### **St. Illtyd's**

The Quinquennial inspection highlighted a slipped roof tile near the Porch, a crack in the Bell Step, Boiler room door needing repair, also steel beams in the boiler room needing an independent inspection by engineers. It was noted that the Lightning protector was missing. These issues will be addressed in the future.

The beginning of 2020 saw the lighting upgraded to LED lighting inside the church. At the same time the speaker volume control switch was relocated to a manageable height. New lighting was installed to illuminate the carpark area for safety.

The East wall project has been affected due to continued water ingress issues along with contractor availability due to Covid 19 restrictions. As with St Peter's, this work left much to be desired, and required a second contractor to finish the interior of St Illtyd's as the original contractor disappeared. In early 2021 a waterproffing solution was applied exterior stonework around the bell tower to help reduce water ingress, and any holes in the stonework were filled. This issue is now nearing completion. We are grateful for Alan Morris' considerable maintenance work at St Illtyd's.

We applied for a faculty to permit the installation of a CCTV system to enhance our existing security.

The parish office now has an iMac computer kindly donated and installed by Fr Jonathon to replace the existing old and slow system. The boilers have recently been serviced plus a faulty pump replaced. We thank Alan, Robert and all who keep St Illtyd's in good order.

*Steve Davies*

# Webmaster Report

After a very uncertain year, with many events cancelled, there haven't been many updates for the website. The main updates are;

- All contact details were updated and changed after the AGM saw many people step down and new names come into positions. Including added our new benefice Treasurer as admin.
- As there are very limited events being held the 'events' page was changed and kept updated with the latest Covid-19 information and links to our Facebook page along with the church of Wales website.
- Our parish services hold details of our online livestreamed services and how to book a place to attend a service.
- Ecumenical service links for YouTube along with the booklets were uploaded.

Due to this I have managed to spend some time looking at the statistics linked to the website. I have found that visits to the site have dwindled. This could be due to lockdowns or more to the fact that younger generations look for social media pages before a website. On average the website is visited 900 times a month, whereas our Facebook page reaches 1500 a month.

*Sarah Picton*

# Choir Report

Choir rehearsals were held each Wednesday evening and we eagerly looked forward to Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Little did we realise what was to befall us in the space of a few weeks.

This time away has been, and is, a trial and we hope that we will be able to hold choir rehearsals very soon. I know the choristers miss being together and thankfully they are all well and, I understand, singing at home.

We are a small friendly group and we would welcome new members. Each of us has a voice and singing is very therapeutic so why not try something different and give it a try. We meet at 6.30 pm each Wednesday and we would be delighted to see you.

*Eileen Jones*

## **Eucharistic Ministers' Report**

Only during the first quarter of the year from January to March was it possible to operate this very important ministry with any sort of normality. Just six visits were made during that period and only one to Ty Dewi Sant, the local sheltered housing complex, as just one resident required the service and even he declined further visits due to other family visits.

The four persons who received this monthly ministry were all over 90 years of age and two are centenarians with a zest for life and are eager for the return of the home communion service.

Pastoral visiting to one housebound centenarian has been undertaken with her expressed desire for that contact but with the observance of social distancing and the wearing of masks.

In the future I would hope that this ministry will resume but the need to train more people to take active part in this special ministry is a priority as people are living longer and value the ministry when they are no longer able to attend formal gathered worship.

*Adele Cunningham*

## Parish Magazine

The Parish Magazine was published for three months in 2020 (January, February and March) before the continuing Pandemic closed it down.

Once we are able to worship normally, it is hoped that the magazine will start up again, in some form. Mary will be stepping down as editor and Margaret has taken on other roles in the Parish.

Maureen Casagrande is leading a review of what we want the magazine for, in what form and how it could be published. A survey was undertaken with the congregation which asked for opinions and ideas about the way forward. Thank you to all who took part. The benefice will be consulted about possible changes.

Thank you also to all who have supported the magazine in the past with the articles, reports, proof reading, printing and distribution; and to Jonathon and Pat Hathaway for their work too.

*Mary Millington and Margaret Lewis*

## Churchyard Report

The work in the churchyard was again severely disrupted but not this year so much with the weather but by the lockdowns due to the covid 19 pandemic. Despite the lockdown some work was carried out and paths and open spaces were maintained.

You may have seen the Evening Post report on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020 which reported on the work done before the burial of Glyn Sullivan by his grandson and friends to clear the area where the burial was due to

take place. It was good work and well appreciated and has enabled us to prepare the area for ridding it of the bramble that is becoming a problem throughout graveyard.

It was disappointing to find no mention of the other volunteers that regularly work to keep the area accessible to visitors. These people turn up regularly week after week weather permitting and work hard to maintain it. I would like here to give them the mention that the Post failed to report.

First to Andy Powell and his friend who is clearing the area opposite that report in the post and has given us a good chance to increase the well maintained areas of the churchyard and to Roy Wydenbach, Colin Hammacott and Trevor Lewis who regularly turn up and maintain the approaches to the church. It is a pleasure to travel along Cockett Road and see the neat and tidy graves in front of the church.

Finally, I would like to report on the passing of John Parcell. John was a regular volunteer in the churchyard until ill health prevented him working but although finding hard to walk he managed to maintain the paths and open areas by use of the ride-on. He is sorely missed.

*Dave Macken*

## **St Peter's Community Centre**

The Centre is normally well used by many and various groups, as well as the Church for occasional big events such as the Christmas Fayre or fund raising coffee mornings. It is the only venue of any size available in this area for children's parties and other incidental gatherings.

The usage of the Centre has been yet another casualty of the lockdowns due to the Covid pandemic. Only a few groups who were able to fulfil the rigorous risk assessment requirements were allowed

to use the centre for a brief time during the Autumn before another lock-down halted the usage once again.

Necessary repairs have been carried out to the guttering but all other plans for the Centre following our acquisition of a 20 year lease of the centre from the Diocesan Education Trust have been put on hold for 2021.

*Adele Cunningham*

## **Mother's Union Annual Report**

We commenced our meetings in February when the officers elected were Doreen Boor (Branch Leader), Joan Harris (Secretary) and Pat Hathaway (Treasurer).

Our speaker in March was William Cheung from the Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service. It was a very interesting and informative talk on safety in the home. That was the last of our meetings for the year as March 23<sup>rd</sup> saw us all in lockdown due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Mothers' Union produce a quarterly magazine 'MU News' but due to everyone now at home they "went digital" which is received monthly to pass to our members. We have all received the Prayer Diary which helps to keep us focused on our worldwide family.

In 2019 we started assisting in the distribution of secondhand school uniforms of one of our local primary schools, Gors Community School. Fortunately, this year our Vicar was able to deliver a substantial amount to some very grateful families. Surplus clothing was donated to the Romanian Aid Foundation (South Wales) Charity.

We also supported Faith in Families with donations received from members.

The Safe Houses project: Once again thanks to Sue Burgum for delivering our toiletry donations to the organiser not long before lockdown.

It has been a difficult year for everyone but as all our members are part of our Church family our phone tree makes sure all are safe and well. We look forward to being able to meet again in 2021, 2.30pm on the first Thursday of the month, whenever we can. New members welcomed.

*Doreen Boor*

## **St Illtyd's Ladies' Guild**

Before lockdown came, we very much enjoyed C.A.O.S., who gave a production of 'Sister Act', an excellent performance which we all thoroughly enjoyed.

Our numbers have declined, but we hope and pray, that if we start up again, we might be able to encourage other ladies to join us. We have a lovely afternoon, meeting up with other ladies, with either a speaker or entertainment, followed by a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits, as well as a little chat. There is also a Raffle, with a weekly contribution of £2 covering everything.

Sadly, we lost one of our members this year, namely Elaine Evans who as a really lovely lady. We shall miss her very much.

*Margaret Wellington*

## **Key's Club**

Looking back over the year, little did we know or could we have ever imagined how our exciting annual social programme of events was to

be decimated by a virus that first reared its head in a city on the other side of the world and would have such an impact, that it would change the pattern of our daily lives as we know them.

We continued our successful 2019/20 programme in the New Year when we welcomed club member John Burgum, as our guest speaker. As the former Sports Editor of the Evening Post, John told us many interesting stories and humorous anecdotes about the vast number of sporting heroes he met during his long journalistic career.

Colin Wheldon talked to us in February about the history of Swansea castle and the part this landmark has played in the city since it was first built as a wooden structure in 1107.

In March members enjoyed a musical evening when local boy Roland Emmanuel entertained us with a mixture of music and interesting stories which unfortunately, was the last occasion in which we shared fellowship with each other.

Sadly, from that point, our speaker on the History of the Mumbles Lifeboat, our AGM and our visit to the Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh in Brecon all had to be cancelled because of the pandemic and we have been unable to meet since.

However, we have endeavoured to keep in touch with our members through a summer and new year newsletter and we look forward to being able to meet and enjoy the company of each other once again.

May I offer my sincere thanks to Roy Harris our Programme Secretary, for organising our excellent albeit curtailed monthly programme together with Richard Nedin our Social Secretary for organising our fish and chip night and Christmas dinner arrangements so efficiently, Steve Davies our Chairman for the support he gives me at club meetings, Ian Miles, Treasurer, for his stewardship of the club's finances, Les Boor for writing the excellent Parish Magazine reports and our committee members and membership for the support

they have given me throughout this year, for which I am exceedingly grateful.

*Colin Hammacott  
Club Secretary*

## **Christmas Savings Club**

This year, only a few people continued to save, which was due to Covid, limited church services, and people not being able to meet. Bank interest was £4.02, and with the £90.00 joining fees, we had £94.02 to pay into the interest account. This money is kept for anything special the church might need, other than day to day running costs. This year we purchased bibles and books to sell in church, costing £243.82. The balance of the account now stands at £704.53.

Thanks goes to everyone who participated in the Christmas Savings, I hope you will continue to support this venture. Everyone is welcome to join.

*Pat Hathaway*

## **Ty Hafan**

The total raised in 2020 for this charity was £321.05. This was made up from Norman's jar, a £50.00 donation, and people giving me their small change. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this deserving cause.

Ty Hafan is totally funded by charitable giving, and needs three million plus each year to maintain and run this very important service for parents and families. Please continue to support this charity.

*Pat Hathaway*

# Thursday Club Report

*This report was compiled in February 2020 just a few weeks before the UK went into lockdown. The group has been in abeyance since.*

At the AGM in June 2019 Marilyn Hart was re-elected as Secretary, Adele Cunningham as treasurer, Pat Hathaway as Social Secretary and myself as chair. We have the “official” roles but there are many other members who contribute to the group as there is always something to be done: setting the room up, organising the refreshments week by week, writing up for the magazine, checking up on absent members, sending cards to them etc, etc, the list is endless.

We’ve had a lovely year since our last AGM: our last meeting up after the AGM was our summer trip. We had a ‘two centre’ day: we went to Saundersfoot for the morning and then on to Tenby afterwards. Both places are still absolutely charming, oh and yes; we had an absolutely gloriously warm, sunny day. A good time was had by all.

Over the year we have had many fascinating speakers ranging from ‘How to make a will’, history of Joan of Arc, to the Brangwyn Panels & much more beside. We have also had the occasional ‘In House’ evening as well as our annual post-Christmas dinner in January at Norton House Hotel and trip to the Taliesin Theatre to see Cockett Operatic Society perform Sister Act.

During the year we have included the St Peter’s special Thursday services in our calendar and encouraged our members to support them as well other events like Parish coffee mornings, quizzes etc. We also support various charities throughout the year; it may be collecting milk bottle tops, buying raffle tickets for various causes and so on.

Thursday Club is open to all ladies both within and without the parish; we have had some new members over the last year or so and will always be happy to welcome many more. Please come and join us.

*Sue Jones*

## **St Iltyd's Parents/Carers and Toddlers Group**

Until Covid restrictions came into force, the Toddler Group continued to meet at St Iltyd's Church Hall. Our toddler group is a really friendly, relaxed place to bring a child. We love to see smiling faces and hear children laughing. Sarah is N.N.E.B trained, and has been ably supported by Mary Millington.

We have toys that are age appropriate to encourage parents/carers to sit with their respective child and engage with them. These toys are cleaned before getting put out and any soft toys washed in a washing machine.

We offer advice to anyone who wants it and only give advice based on our own experiences. We point people in the right direction for whatever they need. We do charity events and also have a local charity for dementia come and sell hand crafted goods. They are two lovely ladies who joined us before lockdown and sold lots of lovely crochet blankets, gloves, scarves and hanging decorations.

We've done coffee mornings for MacMillan and raised lots of money for them. Also, we had Usbourne book sellers to come and sell books at a reduced price. We do try to do our bit for the community where we can.

We hope to rebuild the group again after lockdown ends. Mary has stepped down from the Toddler Group so we will need to build a new team for 2021 and onwards. I hope that this can involve a closer relationship with St Illtyd's.

*Sarah Briggs*

## **Carers' Café and Art Group**

Like most other gatherings, due to the global COVID pandemic and the ensuing limitations placed on group meetings and social distancing, the Carers' Café have not been able to meet since early 2020. Indeed, the group, who are made up of carers, the bereaved or those with life changing illnesses, have to take extra precautions. Sadly, this also means that our member numbers have remained static at 9. But, we have had interest from others to attend - as and when the world returns to a new normal.

The biggest achievement we made in 2020 was seeing how much the group have supported each other through these hard times of isolation, and they have really gained a sense of community. We continue to meet on our usual day and time but via video link, to just talk and socialise. As our members are, mostly, from an older generation where technology can be challenging, to see them all join our video call each week to have a coffee and check in on each other has been heart-warming. They also have regular conversations on social media, swapping recipes and stories and just having a general chat. (The one person, who due to her age couldn't join us on social media, is in regular contact by phone with several of the other members.)

I have continued to write art exercises weekly for most of the year, with several of them challenging each other to take part. But this proved difficult as most people don't have access to art materials at

home and exercises were limited to drawing or collage. (Beetroot painting did prove very popular!) Art can be difficult via video-link, so it has temporarily taken a less important role. We are hoping that when the much-needed vaccination is introduced to the population, we can also re-start the Carers' cafe and our creative activities.

*Tina Grant*

## **Parish 100 Club**

Despite the challenges that 2020 has presented, St Peter's Church 100 Club continues to thrive with membership rising from 210 members in 2019 to an amazing 237 members in 2020.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we were unable to hold our very successful annual Fish & Chip Supper and Grand Christmas Draw, which is a major fundraiser in our 100 Club calendar. Therefore, we had to think outside the box and Colin, independently of the church, organised a paper Cryptic Quiz to bolster 100 Club funds which raised double the amount of money that we normally would have raised in our Fish & Chip Supper.

Thankfully, this contributed to 2020 being our most financially successful year ever, resulting in a profit of £2,269.50 which assisted in boosting the funds of St Peter's and St Illtyd's.

We wish to record our thanks to Anne Hammacott for all her help behind the scenes throughout the year, together with Sally Jones and Adele Cunningham for helping out in collecting subscriptions and distributing receipts in these difficult times.

Special thanks to those members of both churches together with their families and friends for their unstinting and loyal support for the 100 Club, we are most grateful to you all.

*Colin Hammacott & Pam Brain*

## Operation Christmas Child

Once again in 2020, we were involved in Operation Christmas Child and acted as one of two collection points in the city. Thanks to the congregations of St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's and their families, together with 15 of our friends from Fieldbay Limited, we were able to send off 160 shoeboxes for distribution to disadvantaged children in the poorest parts of the world, who otherwise, would not experience the joy of receiving a Christmas present. Amazingly, this is an increase of 44 boxes on last year during what was a very difficult time in our country's history when everyone's movements and ability to get out and about were severely restricted.

In addition, we were able to donate an additional £100 towards shipping costs thanks to funds raised through the knitting exploits of Anne Hammacott, Joan Harris and Dorothy Macken.

The kindness of our congregations in 2020 cannot be over-emphasised as because of Covid-19, many schools and churches were not able to participate, resulting in the total numbers of boxes donated by other organisations being severely affected, therefore, our efforts were even more important in bringing the joy of Christmas to children we will never meet. We are most grateful to everyone who donated boxes filled with gifts for the Shoebox Appeal for their kindness and generosity.

*Colin & Anne Hammacott*

## Self-denial box at St Peter's

The money raised for charities this year (£980.05) was less than normal due to Covid-19. It was sent to the following charities:

Golau	56.00
Night Shelter	93.00
Bishop's Emergency Fund	41.00
Barnabas Fund	13.00
Ty Hafan (Norman's Jar)	321.05
Christian Aid	<u>456.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£980.05</b>

*Pat Hathaway*

## The Strollers

The past year was a washout for the strolling fraternity because of the many lock-downs and meeting restrictions that we were required to observe due to the pandemic. But, the one and only walk we managed was on March 15 when just four of us met for a walk along the coastal path at Penclawdd. Happily we joined with many others in the newly opened Ice Cream parlour at the finish of the stroll little realising that this would be the first and last strollers meeting for the year.

Phil Matthey our wonderful inspirational nonagenarian stroller companion died on 19 February 2020 and his was the last "big" funeral service at St Peter's before the first lock-down and we were thankful that we could be there to celebrate his life and give thanks for pleasure of his company on life's journey.

We look forward to strolling into the future with confidence and purpose in 2021 armed with the Covid vaccine and a determination to make the most of each day, wonderful friends and our glorious countryside

*Adele Cunningham*

# Painting for Pleasure

Membership has remained the same. It was good to return after the Christmas break in friendship and fellowship, with every intention to prepare and arrange for our annual Art Exhibition, with the funds raised to be donated to local charities. Alas it was not to be due to the Coronavirus (Covid 19) Pandemic which has blighted our lives in all aspects of church and community life.

At our last meeting on 11/3/20 we were told that all classes were cancelled until further notice. We are truly indebted to Adele Cunningham, our group organiser, for keeping contact by telephone with all members on a weekly basis regarding their welfare and wellbeing. Our members have expressed their thanks for these contacts over the months of "lockdown".

During May we were notified of the death of Anne Lovell, a past member for many years. We will always remember her artistic flair, as well as her cheerful banter and sharp wit. A wonderful character. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Adele was present at the internment of her ashes at St Peter's, as an acknowledgement of her involvement with the Painting for Pleasure group.

We look forward to the day that Painting for Pleasure will restart, so that we can renew the close bond of companionship and friendship we have always had in the Painting for Pleasure Group once again.

*Roy Harris  
Treasurer*

## **Diocesan Conference 2020**

Due to the Covid pandemic, no diocesan conference was held in 2020.

## **Deanery Conference**

The one Deanery Conference scheduled for before the Pandemic was postponed. Thus, no Deanery Conference was held in 2020.











Benefice accounts  
 Summary / analysis for from preparation  
 Year Ended 31 December 2020

	Donations and Legacies							Charitable	Other	Investments	Other	
	Planned Giving	Loose Collections	Donations	For Mission	Tax reclaims Gift Aid	Tax reclaims GASDS	Legacies	Grants	Activities Fees			Trading Activities Money Raising
St Illtyd's	10,584.30	1,531.95	3,173.29	450.00	0.00	1,096.48	500.00	0.00	118.00	2,731.35	0.00	0.00
St Peter's	35,176.66	831.10	7,820.02	1,341.31	9,805.94	0.00	0.00	1,736.36	4,967.00	10,408.16	45.92	0.00
	<u>45,760.96</u>	<u>2,363.05</u>	<u>10,993.31</u>	<u>1,791.31</u>	<u>9,805.94</u>	<u>1,096.48</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>1,736.36</u>	<u>5,085.00</u>	<u>13,139.51</u>	<u>45.92</u>	<u>0.00</u>

	Support for Minsity			Parish Activities			Church Property		Mission and Grants		Other	Raising Funds
	Parish Share	Parochial Exps of Clerics	Other	Maintenance of Services	Gen Parish Expenses	Maintenance of Churches	Maintenance of other ppty	Exceptional Expenditure	Parish	Home / World	Capital Payments	Cost of Money Raising
St Illtyd's	0.00	0.00	62.22	600.00	684.00	5,731.17	2,300.01	0.00	294.47	77.55	0.00	0.00
St Peter's	26,645.75	1,850.69	20.00	1,741.45	3,192.80	20,521.39	2,611.46	0.00	1,224.31	147.08	0.00	20.00
	<u>26,645.75</u>	<u>1,850.69</u>	<u>82.22</u>	<u>2,341.45</u>	<u>3,876.80</u>	<u>26,252.56</u>	<u>4,911.47</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,518.78</u>	<u>224.63</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>20.00</u>

St Illtyd's		St Peter's	
Balance b/f	22,738.67	Balance b/f	176,932.48
Surplus / (Deficit)	10,435.95	Surplus / (Deficit)	14,157.54
Tsfr funds	-9,207.91	Tsfr funds	9,207.91
	0.00		0.00
Balance c/f	23,966.71	Balance c/f	200,297.93
			199,671.15
			24,593.49
			0.00
			224,264.64

## ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL RETURN 2020

Diocese: **Swansea & Brecon**

Archdeanory: **Gower**

Parish of: **Cockett, Swansea**

**Enter below the dedications of all Churches included in this Return:**

**St. Peter's and St. Illtyd's**

**PLEASE REFER TO THE GUIDANCE NOTES WHEN FILLING IN THIS RETURN. ROUND ALL FIGURES TO NEAREST £**

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total of all Funds
		£	£	£
<b>INCOME / RECEIPTS from</b>				
Donations and Legacies	Planned Giving .....	45,761	0	45,761
	Loose Collections .....	2,363	0	2,363
	Donations .....	10,993	0	10,993
	For Mission .....	1,791	0	1,791
	Tax Reclaims - GIFT AID .....	9,806	0	9,806
	Tax Reclaims - GASDS .....	1,096	0	1,096
	Legacies (no. received) <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 50px; height: 15px; vertical-align: middle;"></span> .....	500	0	500
	Grants .....	1,736	0	1,736
Charitable Activities	Fees .....	5,085	0	5,085
Other Trading Activities	Money Raising .....	13,140	0	13,140
Investments	.....	46	0	46
Other	.....	0	0	0
	<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>92,318</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>92,318</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE / PAYMENTS on</b>				
Charitable Activities				
Support for Ministry	Parish Share .....	26,646	0	26,646
	Parochial Expenses of Clerics .....	1,851	0	1,851
	Other .....	82	0	82
Parish Activities	Maintenance of Services .....	2,341	0	2,341
	General Parish Expenses .....	3,877	0	3,877
Church Property	Maintenance of Churches .....	26,253	0	26,253
	Maintenance of Other Property .....	4,911	0	4,911
	Exceptional Expenditure .....	0	0	0
Mission and Grants	Parish .....	1,519	0	1,519
	Home / World .....	225	0	225
Other	Capital Payments .....	0	0	0
Raising Funds	Cost of Money Raising .....	20	0	20
	<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>67,724</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>67,724</b>
<b>NET INCOME / EXPENDITURE or RECEIPT / PAYMENTS EXCESS</b> .....		<b>24,594</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24,594</b>
Transfers between Funds .....				
Other Recognised Gains / (Losses) .....				
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b> .....		<b>24,594</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24,594</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>				
	<b>Brought forward 1 January</b> .....	<b>199,671</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199,671</b>
	<b>Carried forward 31 December</b> .....	<b>224,265</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>224,265</b>

Cleric's name: .....

Treasurer's name: .....

Signature: .....

Signature: .....

Date: .....

Date: .....



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period  
from

01/01/2020

To

31/12/2020

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations and Legacies	74,047	-	-	74,047	-
Charitable activities	5,085	-	-	5,085	-
Other trading activities	13,140	-	-	13,140	-
Investment income	46	-	-	46	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total(Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>92,318</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>92,318</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>92,318</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>92,318</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Support for Ministry	28,579	-	-	28,579	-
Parish activities	6,218	-	-	6,218	-
Church property	31,164	-	-	31,164	-
Mission and grants	1,763	-	-	1,763	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>67,724</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>67,724</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>67,724</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>67,724</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>24,594</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,594</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	199,671	-	-	199,671	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>224,265</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>224,265</b>	<b>-</b>

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Balances	224,265	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>224,265</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

OK OK OK

**B2 Other monetary assets**

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

**B3 Investment assets**

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use**

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

**B5 Liabilities**

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval