ARDAL GWEINIDOGAETH BRO GWYDYR MINISTRY AREA

England & Wales · Charity number 1181120

Details

Other names	PARISH OF BRO GWYDYR, PLWYF BRO GWYDYR
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2018-12-11
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

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

Activities: Promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, in the Parish of Bro Gwydyr in the Diocese of Bangor.

Classification

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

Geography

- Conwy

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Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£207,902	£246,556	-	-
2023-12-31	£143,726	£159,887	-	-
2022-12-31	£125,980	£142,934	-	-
2021-12-31	£82,440	£109,796	-	-
2020-12-31	£65,054	£118,493	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev STUART ELLIOTT	Chair	2016-10-23
Ann Patricia Jones		2019-04-28
Caroline White		2019-04-28
Keith Ronald Wadcock		2019-04-28
Susan Mary Thompson		2019-04-28
Susan Welsh		2018-04-29

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Adroddiad Festri Blynyddol
25ain Mis Mehefin 2025
25th June

Annual Vestry Report

Rhif Elusen / Charity Number 1181120

Yn yr adroddiad hwn: // In this report:

- *Edrych ymlaen // Looking forward*
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Dolwyddelan Churchyard Summer 2024

The Annual Vestry Report focusses on the work in our Ministry Area of Bro Gwydyr within the three elements of our Diocesan vision and charitable objectives:

Worshipping God. Growing the Church. Loving the World.

We know not where we will be from one year to the next, and with the current political situation around the world one wonders if it is even possible to say where we shall be one week to the next. Any yet, 'Ry'n yma o hyd'. Or 'There go I, but for the grace of God'. I began a recent sermon with words attributed to GK Chesterton: 'Angels can fly because they take themselves lightly'. Clever use of words for the 'messengers' of God with that double meaning in 'lightly'. I wonder whether we might take heart from such a saying for our life together as Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area? Perhaps in a few ways: taking ourselves lightly, rather than being 'flighty as Angels'; Light footed on this earth? Or - Not being overly concerned with trivial matters might be another way to suggest it. Some things might simply need a 'light touch' rather than pages of planing. The emphasis here would be letting go, at least a little, of our control and allowing God's timing to take the front seat. Sitting lightly with God might be another lesson to learn from Chesterton's cheeky phrase. I remarked to a friend the other day that it would be much easier to be Quakers - far fewer words - but I'd miss the music of course. We don't need complicated prayers, but we do need to sit lightly with them, not asking so much as waiting. An obvious way to take this phrase would be for ourselves, not

taking ourselves too seriously. The old Yiddish joke suggests that in order to make God laugh one only need tell God our plans! I've certainly learnt a great deal from studying again that through our wealth of Theology the greatest thinkers, those whose insights have lasted the test of time, were those who were not weighed down with too much concern for 'getting it right', so much. Rather, they were concerned to be able to say something of which they felt conviction and something which felt right and appropriate for their time. Even those whose ideas have come and gone, some of whom history regards as heretics, had not set out to get it wrong or to say something that would be regarded as heretical, they were simply engaged in the pursuit for appropriate language and understanding of the divine life. Thankfully we're not engaged in quite the same level of theological working out that those of the early centuries after Jesus' death and resurrection were. We do though have to pay serious attention to our own witness to the reality of God's plans working out in our midst. Looking back over the year 2024 many of the things we've been involved within Bro Gwydyr have been 'joining in'. This collaborative way of witnessing to God in our communities can be far more messy and unpredictable, but also reactive to opportunities and people. This work needs a commitment to allow God's plan to 'unfold'. It also needs a robust organisation behind it. - That's you, as the people of Bro Gwydyr, who have been part of this, and for the many times that you have offered your time, talents and creativity, my heartfelt thanks. Stuart



Addoli Duw
Worshipping God



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Growing the Church



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Loving the World

Celebration seems the appropriate word for much of work in worshipping God. Early in 2024 we recorded a service of *'BBC Radio Wales Celebration'* from the Island Reach vessel moored in Conwy. Though unsure of a date for departure to Madagascar at that time, it was a true celebration of the work achieved. Little did we know then that the boat would be a feature through the year in pilgrimage trips aiming for, but not quite reaching the Island of Enlli.

Opportunities for gathered worship in our area have continued Sunday by Sunday, and faithful weekday prayer opportunities are much appreciated and very important. Thanks to the dedicated teams in each community Some highlights this year were the Candlemas celebration in Dolgarrog. A 24hr prayer event in Llanrhychwyn. The St. Gwyddelan's day folk celebration. Beer and Hymns. All Saints and Souls event with Lanterns and beautiful Cello music.

The huge Angel Lantern created for the All souls event was destined for the Trefriw Christmas Carols and Tree Lighting night, however, the storm cancelled almost every event that weekend. She returned for Midnight Mass! We did manage to celebrate the 'Light up a Life' event with St. David's Hospice at the Garden centre in Betws-y-Coed. The community Christmas Carol service in Betws-y-Coed took a different form this year as 'Baban Betws' took over the morning service following the work with the local school and decorations made during the warm hubs.



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Growing the Church includes all work to increase the reach of Bro Gwydyr into our communities. A wide variety of events took place in 2024 including the work to secure the UKSPF grant to create a community garden in Dolgarrog so that this space can be used for events and a much requested growing space for the community.

Other opportunities in our Ministry Area have included more traditional events such tabletop sales *Penmachno* The Lenten lunches every Wednesday in *Betws-y-Coed* The popular Open Gardens event in Dolwyddelan. Supporting the Caru Betws Summer Festival 2024 which included the 'Bells' community consultation and a return of our popular 'Ceilidh' events.

New connections and links were created supporting Caffi Dotti in Trefriw. Working with Debbie Baxter and local groups for the Art Competition and exhibition in *Betws-y-Coed.* Open Doors took a very different direction this year with a Dance Collective using the church as their inspiration, they offered an evening of their work. This led to a further evening with Dance and local band VRi. A Session at Caerdroia 'Step into Nature' with Louise Cook was warmly received supporting people from a wide area.



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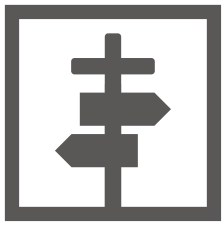
Our work in Loving the World includes all of our commitments to sustainable living which often go unnoticed. All churches in Bro Gwydyr continue to use renewable electricity and green gas contracts. Our telephone and internet systems are with the Phone Coop to be as ethical as possible.

The churchyard in *Dolwyddelan* continues to be maintained as a natural space with minimal intervention. Members of Dolwyddelan church community were instrumental in the refurbishment of the *Cwt Hers* in the graveyard 'Bryn y Bedd'.

A new burial of ashes area was agreed with the *Penmachno* Community Council who care for the churchyard. The first burial of ashes took place this year.

The UKSPF project in *Dolgarrog* took an ecological turn due to the presence of Bats in the (old) Belfry which was falling down. This was eventually removed to prepare the space for the new garden.

Funds were raised across the Ministry Area for our Easter offering in 2024 which paid for an operating table for the Island Reach vessel. Finally in September we were able to wave off Jeremy and the intrepid crew on the boat's journey to Madagascar where she will be an immense blessing to the people of that Island.



Cenhadaeth
Mission



Adeiladau
Buildings



Cyllid
Finance

Our new Mission Plan has been accepted by the Ministry Area Council.

For the next five years, our Local Church goals will be:

Encourage each other to gather for prayer and discipleship as the basis for all we do.

Caring for people, offering opportunities to promote healing and nurturing, and helping to develop and sustain supportive networks in our communities.

Making our worship services as accessible to all as is possible, and offering a pattern of 'gatherings' with a wide appeal.

Engaging with and communicating what we are doing, to our local communities in ways that are accessible to all.

Promoting low-carbon, sustainable lifestyles, and aiming for Gold ECO award for all our churches

Continuing with ongoing building maintenance as per our EZRA reports. Both keeping the buildings safe for the future and open where possible, in collaboration with local communities.

Raising funds through small and large fundraising / grant funded opportunities to do things we must do, and things we want to do.

To meet these goals, individual churches will:

Ensure that there are opportunities locally for communal prayer and discipleship. Commit to a regular corporate prayer practise and offer discipleship opportunities.

Hold congregational meetings to create and review their local version of the plan based on the goals above. The plan can grow and evolve through a process of trial and error, year on year.

Engage with local communities, or use recent local community plans that have included community consultation, to understand local activities, needs and preferences. Use this information to determine which of the goals above are a priority and what actions, would help best meet local needs. Then act and build local community engagement and participation.

Publicise information about the Church so that it reaches the local communities. This would include regular updates on church notice boards.

Provide two brief updates a year to the MAC on activities undertaken and progress towards goals identified in each local community.

Thanks are due to Diocesan property advisor Paul Skeet who has helped to provide Faculty approval for the guttering works at Penmachno, also to aiding the preparation of grant applications to the National Churches Trust 'Cherish' Grant scheme. As per the terms of this grant we acknowledge 'a big thank you to the National Lottery Heritage Fund and to the National Lottery players who have helped to make Cherish possible.' Further works to the roof in Llanrhychwyn were prepared during this year made possible by a grant from the WG Roberts Fund. This work began towards the end of the year replacing a large slipped coping stone, repointing and replacing lead work.

Faculty permission was also granted this year for the replacement of the windows, flooring and electrics in Dolgarrog Church.

The project to receive a ring of eight bells took a step closer to reality this year as the Faculty was granted for their removal from Porthmadog funded by the Keltec Trust, Also for their installation to St. Mary's Betws-y-Coed. The bells arrived at the hall in St. Mary's at the beginning of October.

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting 2024, Sunday 5 May
St Gwyddelan's Church, Dolwyddelan

Attendance: Stuart Elliott, Diana Pierce, Ruth Houston, Deirdre Southgate, Sarah & Phil Baskerville, Emma Richardson, Cathy & Richard Griffin, Jim Boughton, Susan Welsh, Ann Williams, Ann Dwyer, Nita Scrase, Keith Wadcock, Pam Burton, Sue Thompson, Richard & Rachel Parsons, Ann Jones, Amanda & Gareth Stirzaker, Susan Bosworth, Abigail Henderson (Secretary)

Welcome
Apologies: Anne Jones, Maggie & Nick Freeman, Marian Horton, Bill & Carrie Clarke, Mariette Lawrance, Digby Wilding, Helen & Glynne Jones, Alistair Minton, Carrie White, Wil Edwards, Liz Green, Rachael Evans
Minutes
NS proposed minutes from 2023 as correct, JB seconded, all in favour.

Approval of Annual Report
RH proposed to receive the Annual Report as a true reflection of the church year, SL seconded - all in favour.

Election of Wardens and Ministry Area Council Members
Ministry Area Warden
Carrie White
Local Wardens (nominated and confirmed)
Nita Scrase – BYC
Ann Dwyer - BYC
Ann Jones - Dolgarrog
Digby Wilding – Dolgarrog
Rachel Parsons – Penmachno
Richard Parsons – Penmachno
Sue Layland – Dolwyddelan

KW proposed the wardens, DP seconded - all in favour.

Those nominated as Ministry Area Council Members
Stuart Elliott - Chair
Diana Pierce – BYC
Nita Scrase – BYC
Ann Dwyer – BYC
Susan Welsh - BYC
Ann Jones - Dolgarrog
Digby Wilding – Dolgarrog
Sue Layland - Dolwyddelan
Bill Clarke – Dolwyddelan
Keith Wadcock – Penmachno
Sue Thompson – Penmachno
Rachel Parsons – Penmachno
Richard Parsons – Penmachno
Pam Burton - Penmachno
Carrie White – Ministry Area Warden
Abigail Henderson - Secretary

JB proposed, RH seconded the appointment of the Ministry Area Council members. All in favour.

DP not standing for warden role this year, many thanks for all the work she has done over the years, since Father Clive was vicar. Presented and thanked with gifts (including a large chocolate cake).

Ardal Weinidogaeth Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area

Accounts for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Registered charity number 1181120

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or

2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

3. The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Owain Ap Elfed FCCA
on behalf of Williams Denton Cyf
Chartered Certified Accountants / Registered Auditors

Glaslyn
Ffordd Y Parc
Parc Menai
Bangor
Gwynedd LL57 4FE

Date: .....

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Statement of Financial Activities For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Donations and legacies					
Planned Giving	17,232	-	-	17,232	14,455
Loose Collections	13,685	-	-	13,685	5,382
Legacy Gifts Received	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Donations	14,665	-	-	14,665	15,081
For Mission	3,095	-	-	3,095	2,753
Tax Refunds - Gift Aid	2,248	29	-	2,277	3,417
Grants	60,596	16,780	-	77,376	20,349
Income from charitable activities					
Fees	2,849	194	-	3,043	3,410
Income from Trading Activties					
Fund Raising	63,791	-	-	63,791	72,150
Income from Investments					
Investment Income	4,609	-	59	4,668	6,729
Other Income					
Other Incoming Resources	3,070	-	-	3,070	-
Total Receipts	**190,841**	**17,003**	**59**	**207,902**	**143,726**
Payments					
Raising funds					
Costs of Raising Funds	5,800	-	-	5,800	6,400
Charitable Activities					
Parochial Expenses of Clerics	4,534	-	-	4,534	2,079
General Parish Expenses	13,834	-	-	13,834	14,511
Maintenance of Churches	20,309	8,390	-	28,699	20,468
Maintenance of Other Property	15,446	134	-	15,580	16,281
Other Ministry Support	641	177	-	818	167
Mission:Parish	435	-	-	435	5,236
Maintenance of Services	3,990	-	-	3,990	6,113
Mission:Home/World	107,668	-	-	107,668	20,288
Parish Share	65,200	-	-	65,200	65,000
Other Expenditure					
Capital Payments	-	-	-	-	3,345
Total Payments	**237,855**	**8,701**	**-**	**246,556**	**159,887**
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the Year	**(47,014)**	**8,302**	**59**	**(38,653)**	**(16,162)**
Cash at Bank at 1 January 2024	37,273	28,507	-	65,780	81,942
Transfers Between Funds	24,314	(24,314)	-	-	-
Cash at Bank at 31 December 2024	14,573	12,495	59	27,127	65,780

In accordance with the terms of engagement of Williams Denton Cyf, we approve the accounts for the period ended 31 December 2024 which comprise Receipts and Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. We acknowledge our responsibility for the accounts, including the appropriateness of the accounting basis, and for providing Williams Denton Cyf with all information and explanations necessary for their compilation.

Signed: .....

Signed: .....

Trustee Name ..... Stuart Elliott

Chair

Trustee Name ..... Susan Thompson

Bro Gwydyr Treasurer

Date: 24/10/2025

Date: ..... 24 October 2025

Ardal Gweinidogaeth Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

Cash Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Bank Accounts					
Bro Gwydyr Current Account	(225)	9,287	-	9,062	10,872
Bro Gwydyr - Car Park Account	6,816	40	-	6,856	11,845
AG Bro Gwydyr MA Current Account	(2,962)	3,050	59	146	35,130
Bro Gwydyr - Deposit Account	10,951	-	-	10,951	7,823
PT3718 Cash Account	(8)	119	-	111	111
Dolwyddelan Current Account	-	-	-	-	-
Betws y Coed Churchyard Account	-	-	-	-	-
Cash in hand	-	-	-	-	-
Total Cash Funds	14,573	12,495	59	27,127	65,780
BDT Bro Gwydyr General	1,305	-	-	1,305	19,510
BDT St Rhychwyn Fabric Fund	688	-	-	688	655
BDT Churchyard RES	3,185	-	-	3,185	3,031
Mrs Dorothy Brennnd Legacy	4,126	-	-	4,126	3,912
CCLA COIF St Gwyddelans Church	9,589	-	-	9,589	9,304
Miss E M Evans Legacy	-	822	2,449	3,271	3,102
Arfon Roberts Bequest	2,265	4,783	25,717	32,765	31,064
Fabric Fund Shares	227	776	3,658	4,660	4,418
Fabric Fund Income Accumulation Shares	1,698	11,602	-	13,300	12,222
Rev'd Thomas Richard Hughes Legacy	-	-	-	-	-
Ms Mnnie S Chorley	-	-	-	-	-
Total Investment Assets	23,082	17,983	31,824	72,889	87,217
Total Assets	37,655	30,478	31,882	100,016	152,997
Liabilities					
Agency Collections	182	191	-	373	550
Total Liabilities	182	191	-	373	550
Total Net Assets	37,474	30,286	31,882	99,642	152,446

Ardal Gweinidogaeth Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area
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Notes

1. The financial statements of the Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments Basis in line with Charity Commission guidance.

2. Grants Received
The Grants Received during the accounting period are as follows:

Conwy County Borough Council	£60,096
Shepherd & Weddeburn Hobart	£500
WG Roberts Grant	£16,780
Total	**£77,376**

3. Diocesan Share
In 2024 the amount of the ministry area donation paid (Diocesan Share) was £65,200 as agreed with the Diocesan. (£65,000 in 2023)

4. The purpose of the restricted funds are as follows:

Churchyard Fund
The Churchyard fund was set up to use money from burials at the Church grounds for churchyard maintenance

Fabric Fund
The fabric fund was set up to restrict grant money received for building maintenance.

Bro Gwydyr Restricted Fund
The Bro Gwydyr restricted fund was originally set up to restric fund for specific purposes, however as of this year the funds are unrestricted.

Car Park Fund
The Car Park Fund relates to monies from the car park revenue spent on the car park maintenance, is now avaialble to use for the whole ministry area.

Stripe Funds
The Stripe fund relates to historical monies received via Stripe, which is now available for the whole ministry area.

Revaluation Reserves
This fund relates to historci revaluations of investments which are now unrestricted.

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Accounts for the Year Ended 31 December 2024
Restricted Funds Movements

Restricted Funds Movements	Opening Balance 01/01/2024	Net Movement in Receipts and Payments	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Closing Balance 31/12/2024
Bro Gwydyr Restricted Fund	951	(177)	(774)	-	-
Churchyard Fund	8,577	60	734	-	9,372
Fabric Fund	12,496	8,419	-	-	20,915
Car Park Fund	23,474	-	(23,474)	-	-
Stripe funds	39	-	(39)	-	-
Revaluation reserves	3,220	-	(3,220)		-
Totals	48,758	8,302	(26,773)	-	30,286

Cwrdd Blynyddol Festri

2025

Annual Vestry Meeting

AGENDA

Croeso
Welcome

Ymddiheuriadau
Apologies

Cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf (2024)
Minutes of the last meeting (2024)

Adroddiad y Flwyddyn 2024
2024 Year Report

Etholiad Wardeiniaid
Election of Wardens
Etholiad Aelodau'r MAC
Election of MAC Members

Enwebiad archwiliwr yr cyfrifon
Nomination of examiner of accounts

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Teaching English to Asylum Seekers
Jan / Feb 2023

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It is always the privilege of the clergy to be present for and to help families through the significant events in the lives of the people of a parish. None so poignant as the funerals of those with whom we have lived and worshipped, argued, struggled, and also shared a drink and a laugh. This past year we have celebrated the lives of many very dear folk to us. But it is not the end of life I would like to focus on but new beginnings. For this, I have partly to pay tribute to the due diligence and attention to detail of the Faculty office of the Archbishop of Canterbury. I, and the couple who were married by 'Emergency Special License', (a very rare thing indeed) were extremely grateful for their help in ensuring the ceremony could go ahead in such a timely manner. The beginning of life, and in particular a life together is not normally so swiftly organised nor urgently undertaken. As we begin a new five year mission plan looking forward to all that this year might bring I am reminded of those marriage vows: To have and to hold, From this day forward, For better for worse, For richer for poorer, In sickness and in health, To love and to cherish, As long as we both shall live, According to the will and purpose of God, And to this I give you my pledge. They feel appropriate, not just for a couple who are intending to marry, but for the

church as a whole. There are some significant challenges ahead for us - not least the increasing financial cost of maintaining our structures and the diminishing grant funding. But also the commitment to and discipleship in God, which following our baptismal promise, is a commitment to live in communion with God. The marriage promises seem to be most appropriate for such a life of devotion. (Some orders of women are still referred to as 'brides of Christ'.) Not everyone is able, nor inclined, to live as in a monastic setting, yet there is something important about the shared religious life - literally a life in connection to each other and to God. As Richard Rohr writes: 'Whatever re-connects (Re-Ligio) our parts to the whole is an experience of God'. So as we go into this new pattern of mission, I'm looking forward hopefully to all that might enable that reconnection, the reaffirmation of old promises or the making of new promises which echo the timeless. Some of these may be very familiar to us and some of them may be new. So long as we remember it is: 'according to the will and purpose of God', whose ways are often cloaked in mystery and can only be seen, as St. Paul has it, 'Through a glass darkly'. As we begin to faithfully step out for this new chapter in the life of our Ministry Area, can I express my gratitude to you all for being on the journey, fellow pilgrims on the road.

Gyda pob bendith i chi i gyd, Stuart



Addoli Duw
Worshipping God



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Growing the Church



Caru'r Byd
Loving the World

Not only do we Worship God *in our services, but through our whole lives. When we gather for worship we are preparing to go out into the world.*

We continued our regular pattern of worship across the Ministry Area. Morning Prayer is held weekdays Monday (online) Tuesday (Dolgarrog) Wednesday (Penmachno). Most churches hold Sunday services every other week. Occasional alternative services have also been possible including a popular Evensong in Dolwyddelan and Celtic Services in Llanrhychwyn.

Our churches continue to be a place of welcome for significant events and we paid tribute to those who had died this past year. In September we bid sad farewell to our dear friend Ken. In Dolwyddelan we were honoured to mark the death of David Taylor with a 1662 funeral. David, a former organist donated the current organ in Dolwyddelan. St. Gwyddelan's Day was marked by a service followed by a shared meal in church.

The now Venerable David Parry and no less venerable Rev'd Eryl Parry move into Trefriw. Eryl is licensed as Pioneer Enabler between Bro Gwydyr and Bro Celynnin. The Archdeacon's first visitation took place in St. Mary's Betws-y-Coed at which the massed choirs of St Mary's Conwy and Bro

Gwydyr sang led by Chris Roberts. After the service we were treated to Gareth's excellent canapés and Prosecco.

Keith our Reader, who was licensed as a Lay Licensed Ministry Officer by the Archbishop of Wales in Bangor Cathedral in November, and Sue our Worship Leader continue to lead worship. In Penmachno every fifth Sunday has been given over to Family Worship. These dates provide an opportunity for a more free-form style of worship, which aims to complement the fortnightly Eucharist services. The year culminated with his “Carols, Crackers & Bacon Barms” service on New Year’s Eve.

In Trefriw the annual 'Carol Service and lighting the tree' was added to by a large nativity scene set outside the church.

In Dolgarrog the church has been used for worship and as a community space, hosting displays of art and historical images.

Christmas was celebrated in style this year across the Ministry Area In Penmachno a Morning Eucharist followed hot on the heels of The Big Sing. This was a wonderful community carol service, led by Eryl, on the evening of Christmas Eve. A large number of musicians contributed to this memorable event. Many people came to enjoy mince pies and singing! In Betws-y-Coed there was a community lantern parade, held in pouring rain, followed by a Carol Service during which Côr Penmachno sang after which Côr Rŵst entertained us. December finished in Betws-y-Coed with Christmas Eve Mass and Christmas Day Eucharist with a double Baptism.



Addoli Duw
Worshipping God



Tyfu'r Eglwys
Growing the Church



Caru'r Byd
Loving the World

Growing the church *through deepening our faith, commitment and understanding, taking it beyond purely increasing attendance.*

Warm Spaces, which ran for the first three months of 2023, were able to be offered in three locations. Penmachno provided tea, coffee and biscuits; games; a quiet corner for reading; soup and bread; and (of course!) a very warm welcome! The Gwydyr in Dolwyddelan provided a soup lunch. This was also able to be provided in Betws-y-Coed in the Church Hall. In Penmachno this was the catalyst for a return of the weekly Coffee Morning, which opens up the Church building to the community.

In Dolwyddelan the Church is open for private prayer/visitors every weekend and open daily from Easter to the end of the year and has continued this year to be a venue for a visiting retreat group seeking a quiet space for reflection and worship.

Penmachno Church has twice been used as a filming location. This brings visitors and good publicity to the village, and shows off our beautiful church building to the wider world. One was an Indian television production, and the other was a feature

about the Cerrig Penmachno for a Welsh medium magazine programme.

In Betws-y-Coed we returned to holding Ceilidhs which attracted a large number through the year. The first celebrating Burns Night, the last in tribute to Ken! The summer choir concerts began again and achieved pre covid success.

In Penmachno the school visited us twice this year. They visited in January to learn about the history of the church, and again in March to hear the Easter story told by Gwen through Godly Play. Creativity continued in Penmachno for Easter as Keith created the Easter Garden in church. This illustrated the empty tomb and placed it in the context of the Machno valley.

• Open Doors was supported once again in September at Penmachno and in Dolgarrog where an art exhibition displayed a history through the images of the people of Dolgarrog. All our church buildings remained open for visitors to come and enjoy. In Penmachno we welcomed ACE Cultural Tours for their annual visit in June.

This year there were two Posadas during Advent. Our famous hand-knitted Mary, Joseph and Donkey stayed one night in a different house until arriving at church on Christmas morning. Each house was offered a free book which told the Nativity story in an up-to-date way in either Welsh or English, and we just asked them to put the Posada in their front window so people could see where it was.



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Worshipping God



Tyfu'r Eglwys
Growing the Church



Caru'r Byd
Loving the World

In loving the world *we are fulfilling the commandment of Christ to 'Love one another'. Not just those in our communities, but all including the earth itself.*

In January and February we continued to teach English to the asylum seekers who were housed in the Hilton hotel Dolgarrog. They were moved on early in February to locations across Wales. We continue to receive donations for the Blaenau Food Bank in Dolwyddelan (Spar) Penmachno (Church) Betws-y-Coed (Church) and in Trefriw and Dolgarrog for the Conwy Bags of Love.

We ran a number of special events, aimed at fundraising while bringing the community together. At Penmachno an Easter Fair in April, a Family Picnic at Tŷ Mawr Wybrnant in May, and a Family Beetle Drive in October.

In Dolgarrog Caru Dolgarrog assisted by the Hilton Hotel put on afternoon tea for the eldest members in the village. Also through the Gŵyl Garrog Festival in September, people were invited to fill in questionnaires on what they thought Dolgarrog needed and what they loved about the village. An application to the Levelling Up fund was completed by Bro Gwydyr.

Gŵyl Garrog was attended by over 600 people mostly from the village and valley. Drama on the Legend of the dragon – workshops held in the church and acted by the young people took place. Stalls, Music through the day. And events for the children took place. Archbishop Andrew opened the festival and he came back to see the art exhibition in the church and to hear from Jackie Ley. The church now has a composting toilet facilitated by grants for these events.

Penmachno hosted a Plant Sale in June, which was very popular. Over £200 was raised for MIND.

In September Penmachno church hosted a Macmillan Coffee Morning. This follows the successful Macmillan Coffee Morning last year, and once again raised nearly £600 for the charity. This year we included a cake sale run by one of our young people, and enjoyed live music played by Geraldine and Alan.

Christmas Fairs were held in Penmachno and Betws-y-Coed. A great success once again. In Betws-y-Coed Santa arrived with Pero as his helper. In Penmachno over £250 was raised and £85 donated to Young Carers.

• Penmachno now hosts Community WiFi! This enables us to accept donations by card. The Church building now houses a donation box for the Blaenau Food Bank and a box of Covid Tests for anyone who requires them.















Sept 10th
Medi 10fed
12–6pm
ADVENTURE PARC SNOWDONIA, CONWY RD, DOLGARROG, CONWY LL32 8QE
Caru Dolgarrog Presents
Gŵyl Garrog Festival
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CANOLFAN GYNNES
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WARM SPACE
EVERY WEDNESDAY
10.30 – 1.30 at ST TUDCLUD'S
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FREE!
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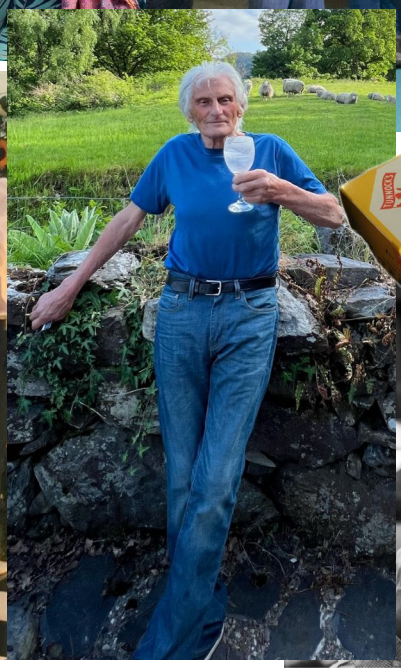


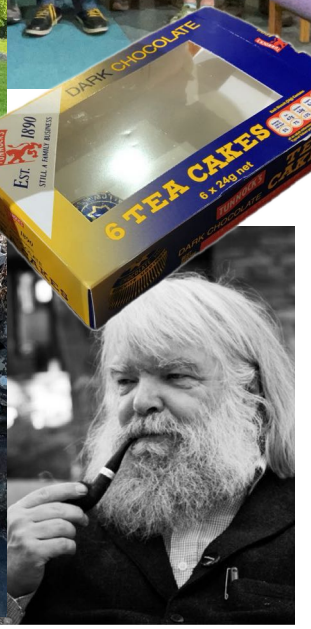


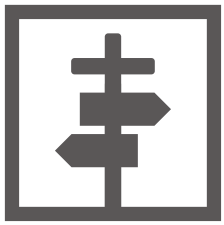









DARK CHOCOLATE
6 TEA CAKES
6 x 24g net



Cenhadaeth
Mission



Adeiladau
Buildings



Cyllid
Finance

Our new Mission Plan has been accepted by the Ministry Area Council.

For the next five years, our Local Church goals will be:

Encourage each other to gather for prayer and discipleship as the basis for all we do.

Caring for people, offering opportunities to promote healing and nurturing, and helping to develop and sustain supportive networks in our communities.

Making our worship services as accessible to all as is possible, and offering a pattern of 'gatherings' with a wide appeal.

Engaging with and communicating what we are doing, to our local communities in ways that are accessible to all.

Promoting low-carbon, sustainable lifestyles, and aiming for Gold ECO award for all our churches

Continuing with ongoing building maintenance as per our EZRA reports. Both keeping the buildings safe for the future and open where possible, in collaboration with local communities.

Raising funds through small and large fundraising / grant funded opportunities to do things we must do, and things we want to do.

To meet these goals, individual churches will:

Ensure that there are opportunities locally for communal prayer and discipleship. Commit to a regular corporate prayer practise and offer discipleship opportunities.

Hold congregational meetings to create and review their local version of the plan based on the goals above. The plan can grow and evolve through a process of trial and error, year on year.

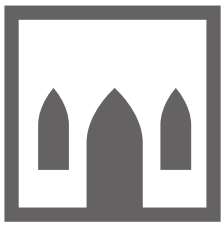
Engage with local communities, or use recent local community plans that have included community consultation, to understand local activities, needs and preferences. Use this information to determine which of the goals above are a priority and what actions, would help best meet local needs. Then act and build local community engagement and participation.

Publicise information about the Church so that it reaches the local communities. This would include regular updates on church notice boards.

Provide two brief updates a year to the MAC on activities undertaken and progress towards goals identified in each local community.



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Ongoing work to our buildings has been slow in 2023, however, with the appointment of Diocesan property advisor Paul Skeet, work has begun at Penmachno to repair the roof and rainwater goods. Schemes have been prepared to investigate and repair the damp in St. Mary's Betws-y-Coed. Work to the roof in Llanrhychwyn is expected to be completed early in 2024. The bell at Llanrhychwyn was returned after being restored and now sounds much clearer. The redundant building behind the church in Dolgarrog has been earmarked for demolition which will create part of the space for the new garden. A small garden area was planted by Pam in Penmachno and a plan for a patio area with pots in being prepared. Dolwyddelan Church submitted their application for a Silver Eco-Church award and were successful - Congratulations! As part of this, In June a survey was carried out to record plants/trees in the churchyard. Faculty advice has been received for a new stained glass window to replace the wired frosted glass window in Llanrhychwyn Church. This work will be entirely funded by a legacy. A faculty application has been submitted for work to the tower in Betws-y-Coed to receive a ring of bells following a survey to ensure the tower was capable of holding them.

Ardal Weinidogaeth
Bro Gwydyr
Ministry Area

ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN

2023

Diocese
Bangor

Parish
Bro Gwydyr

Church

Number of Legacies received 0

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
planned giving	14455.36	0	14455.36
fees	2428.00	982.00	3410.00
investment income	5827.50	901.60	6729.10
grants	20348.62	0	20348.62
money raising	72400.78	0	72400.78
loose collections	5273.22	0	5273.22
donations	14938.48	0	14938.48
other incoming resources	0	0	0
tax refunds - gift aid	3416.77	0	3416.77
legacy gifts received	0	0	0
for mission	2753.27	0	2753.27
tax refunds - gasds	0	0	0
Total for Income	**141842.00**	**1883.60**	**143725.60**
parish share	65000.00	0	65000.00
general parish expenses	14510.95	0	14510.95
maintenance of other property	15510.58	770.00	16280.58
other ministry support	167.15	0	167.15
maintenance of churches	20468.39	0	20468.39
mission:home/world	20287.64	0	20287.64
parochial expenses of clerics	2079.02	0	2079.02
mission:parish	5236.17	0	5236.17
capital payments	3344.64	0	3344.64
cost of money raising	6399.68	0	6399.68
maintenance of services	6113.23	0	6113.23
exceptional expenditure	0	0	0
Total for Expenditure	**159117.45**	**770.00**	**159887.45**
Net Income/Expenditure	**-17275.45**	**1113.60**	**-16161.85**
Balance as at 1st Jan	82157.66	45838.93	127996.59
Any transfers made between UF and RF	0	0	0
Any other recognised gains or losses	6437.26	1805.18	8242.44
Net movement in funds	-17275.45	1113.60	-16161.85
Balance as at 31 Dec	71319.47	48757.71	120077.18

Ardal Weinidogaeth
Bro Gwydyr
Ministry Area

All Churches

Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
Receipts					
Donations and legacies					
0101 - Standing Order Planned Giving	168.07	-	-	168.07	135.00
0102 - Occasional Giving via Bank	1,060.00	-	-	1,060.00	600.00
0110 - Gift Aid Envelopes - Occasional	253.50	-	-	253.50	537.30
0111 - Gift Direct	12,973.79	-	-	12,973.79	12,073.98
0112 - Other planned giving	-	-	-	-	45.00
0201 - Loose plate offering	1,754.45	-	-	1,754.45	3,286.84
0202 - Offerings - Weddings	-	-	-	-	50.00
0204 - Offerings - Funerals	3,518.77	-	-	3,518.77	1,000.68
0302 - Wall safe / box donations	4,301.97	-	-	4,301.97	3,765.97
0303 - One off Gift Aid donations	-	-	-	-	10.00
0305 - Donations appeals etc	1,125.49	-	-	1,125.49	562.94
0306 - Contactless Donations	9,511.02	-	-	9,511.02	6,399.97
0401 - Mission Boxes	14.29	-	-	14.29	106.25
0402 - Other collections/mission appeals	2,738.98	-	-	2,738.98	2,406.19
0501 - Recovered HMRC Gift Aid receipts	718.60	-	-	718.60	288.12
0503 - Recovered Gift Direct Gift Aid	2,698.17	-	-	2,698.17	2,413.90
0701 - Recurring grants	13.74	-	-	13.74	2,000.00
0702 - Non-recurring one-off grants	4,634.88	15,700.00	-	20,334.88	16,951.98
Donations and legacies Totals	**45,485.72**	**15,700.00**	**-**	**61,185.72**	**52,634.12**
Income from charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
0901 - Fees for Occasional Offices	120.00	-	-	120.00	100.00
0902 - Wedding fee	2,035.00	-	-	2,035.00	2,320.00
0904 - Publication of Banns	45.00	-	-	45.00	80.00
0905 - Funeral fee	228.00	-	-	228.00	1,078.00
0906 - Burial fee	-	-	282.00	282.00	308.00
0907 - Memorial fee	-	-	700.00	700.00	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	**2,428.00**	**-**	**982.00**	**3,410.00**	**3,886.00**
Other trading activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
0801 - Fund raising	5,698.62	-	-	5,698.62	8,298.15
0802 - Other funds generated	54,491.16	-	-	54,491.16	46,028.50
0803 - Hall Rental Income	6,726.25	-	-	6,726.25	5,036.10
0804 - Magazine/other publication sales	4,451.31	-	-	4,451.31	2,230.00
0807 - Church Building Rental	1,033.44	-	-	1,033.44	1,120.00
Other trading activities Totals	**72,400.78**	**-**	**-**	**72,400.78**	**62,712.75**
Investments (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
1001 - Dividends/investment income	504.19	-	901.60	1,405.79	997.26
1020 - Bank and building society interest	700.15	-	-	700.15	17.41

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
1030 - Rent from investment land or buildings	4,623.16	-	-	4,623.16	5,583.16
Investments Totals	**5,827.50**	**-**	**901.60**	**6,729.10**	**6,597.83**
Other income (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
1101 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	150.00
Other income Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**150.00**
Receipts Grand Totals	**126,142.00**	**15,700.00**	**1,883.60**	**143,725.60**	**125,980.70**
Payments					
Raising funds					
3103 - Costs of generating resoucres - giving	857.40	-	-	857.40	425.00
3104 - Costs of fund raising	5,542.28	-	-	5,542.28	3,904.00
Raising funds Totals	**6,399.68**	**-**	**-**	**6,399.68**	**4,329.00**
Expenditure on charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
2001 - Diocesan share	65,000.00	-	-	65,000.00	67,000.00
2101 - Clergy expenses	2,015.34	-	-	2,015.34	2,738.99
2145 - Parsonage - water	63.68	-	-	63.68	519.16
2170 - Professional development & training cost	-	-	-	-	1,020.00
2201 - Assistant clergy fees/expenses	134.55	-	-	134.55	-
2203 - Curate expenses	-	-	-	-	1,336.38
2211 - Readers expenses - printing/postage/stationery	16.62	-	-	16.62	-
2212 - Readers expenses - equipment	15.98	-	-	15.98	-
2340 - Maintenance of services	1,942.02	-	-	1,942.02	1,803.78
2341 - Costs of vergers, organists and choir	120.00	-	-	120.00	-
2342 - Music & performance expenses	446.21	-	-	446.21	1,297.95
2343 - Music Instrument Tuning/Maintenance	3,423.00	-	-	3,423.00	713.00
2345 - Costs of Copyright License	182.00	-	-	182.00	177.83
2401 - Costs of meetings	289.70	-	-	289.70	397.38
2402 - Bank and Credit Card Charges	2,160.85	-	-	2,160.85	2,127.51
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationery	1,191.55	-	-	1,191.55	2,881.83
2404 - MA - telephone/mobile/internet	640.49	-	-	640.49	594.29
2405 - Office and general expenditure	476.21	-	-	476.21	72.40
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	7,951.65	-	-	7,951.65	7,221.98
2408 - Leasing and Hire purchase charges	1,266.15	-	-	1,266.15	-
2412 - Trustee Training and development	-	-	-	-	374.68
2415 - Gifts to individuals	100.00	-	-	100.00	286.50
2421 - Admin/Staff HMRC payments	196.25	-	-	196.25	99.42
2423 - Admin/Staff Expenses	238.10	-	-	238.10	-
2501 - Church operatating costs - insurance	4,239.20	-	-	4,239.20	3,942.91
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	7,165.40	-	-	7,165.40	6,606.76
2503 - Church operating costs - gas	3,387.41	-	-	3,387.41	4,554.44
2504 - Church operating costs - water	648.04	-	-	648.04	253.06
2505 - Church operating costs - other	-	-	-	-	75.00
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	4,119.60	-	-	4,119.60	894.71
2509 - Church Cleaning	614.74	-	-	614.74	580.00
2511 - Church operating costs - fire equipment, roof alam, CCTV service	294.00	-	-	294.00	500.40

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
2601 - Churchyard management costs	-	-	-	-	450.00
2602 - Church hall operating costs - other	-	-	-	-	130.59
2604 - Church hall operating costs - gas	1,538.39	-	-	1,538.39	370.46
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	1,254.44	-	-	1,254.44	772.82
2609 - Church hall - equipment repair & renewal	-	-	-	-	76.42
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	2,542.43	-	-	2,542.43	2,496.00
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	10,175.32	-	-	10,175.32	11,647.09
2641 - Churchyard grass cutting	-	-	770.00	770.00	930.00
2642 - Churchyard structural repairs	-	-	-	-	210.00
2701 - Major building repairs and renovations	-	-	-	-	5,231.88
2805 - Cost of mission & evangelism	490.00	-	-	490.00	22.50
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	390.17	4,310.52	-	4,700.69	6,818.14
2807 - Cost of maintaining websites and social media platforms	45.48	-	-	45.48	59.99
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	660.91	17,926.73	-	18,587.64	1,235.10
2903 - Support of UK charities	1,700.00	-	-	1,700.00	83.99
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**127,135.88**	**22,237.25**	**770.00**	**150,143.13**	**138,605.34**
Other expenditure (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
3001 - Purchase of asstes for church purposes	-	1,589.48	-	1,589.48	-
3002 - Purchase of investments	658.62	-	-	658.62	-
3005 - Loss on sale of fixed asset	-	1,096.54	-	1,096.54	-
Other expenditure Totals	**658.62**	**2,686.02**	**-**	**3,344.64**	**-**
Payments Grand Totals	**134,194.18**	**24,923.27**	**770.00**	**159,887.45**	**142,934.34**

Ardal Weinidogaeth
Bro Gwydyr
Ministry Area

All Churches

Balance Sheet detailed

			As at 31/12/2023	As at 31/12/2022
Fixed assets				
	PT2512: Miss E M Evans Legacy		3,101.93	2,938.03
	PT3193: Arfon Roberts Bequest		31,063.50	29,422.22
	PT3718: Fabric Fund Shares		4,418.36	4,184.91
	B8A: BDT Bro Gwydyr General		19,510.18	16,781.13
	L31: BDT St Rhychwyn Fabric Fund		654.72	582.65
	L31T: BDT Mrs Henry Higgins		581.26	581.26
	T2: BDT Trefriw Rector & Churchwardens		-	1,096.53
	T2T: BDT Churchyard RES		3,030.56	1,600.41
	PT3892: Mrs Dorothy Brennnd Legacy		3,911.70	3,705.02
	970350001B: CCLA COIF St Gwyddelans Church		9,304.03	8,837.76
	PT3718IAS: Fabric Fund Income Accumulation Shares		12,221.85	10,922.27
		Total Fixed assets	**87,798.09**	**80,652.19**
Current assets				
	00018: Bro Gwydyr - Car Park Account		7,823.15	13,795.84
	00016: AG Bro Gwydyr MA Current Account		11,844.74	14,934.22
	00019: Bro Gwydyr - Deposit Account		35,129.67	12,005.04
	00001: Dolwyddelan Current Account		-	14,350.62
	00015: Bro Gwydyr Current Account		10,871.63	8,598.21
	00002: Dolwyddelan Deposit		-	15,280.67
	00100: PT3718 Cash Account		110.91	369.54
	00012: St Mary's Trefriw Current Account		-	1,426.27
		Total Current assets	**65,780.10**	**80,760.41**
Liabilities				
	6699: Agency collections		550.46	465.46
		Total Liabilities	**550.46**	**465.46**
		Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**153,027.73**	**160,947.14**
Reserves				
	Excess/(deficit) to date		(16,161.85)	(16,953.64)
	Z01: Starting balances		160,947.14	183,702.35
	Z02: Other gains/(losses)		8,242.43	(5,801.57)
	Z03: Gains/(losses) on reval of fixed assets		0.01	-
		Total Reserves	**153,027.73**	**160,947.14**

Accounts received at the AVM
Sunday 5th May 2024



Cwrdd Blynyddol Festri
2024
Annual Vestry Meeting
AGENDA

Croeso
Welcome

Ymddiheuriadau
Apologies

Cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf (2023)
Minutes of the last meeting (2023)

Adroddiad y Flwyddyn 2023
2023 Year Report

Etholiad Wardeiniaid
Election of Wardens
Etholiad Aelodau'r MAC
Election of MAC Members

Enwebiad archwiliwr yr cyfrifon
Nomination of examiner of accounts

ARDAL GWEINIDOGAETH BRO GWYDYR MINISTRY AREA

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Accounts

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Bro Gwydyr
Ministry Area

Addoli Duw
Worshipping God

Tyfu'r Eglwys
Growing the Church

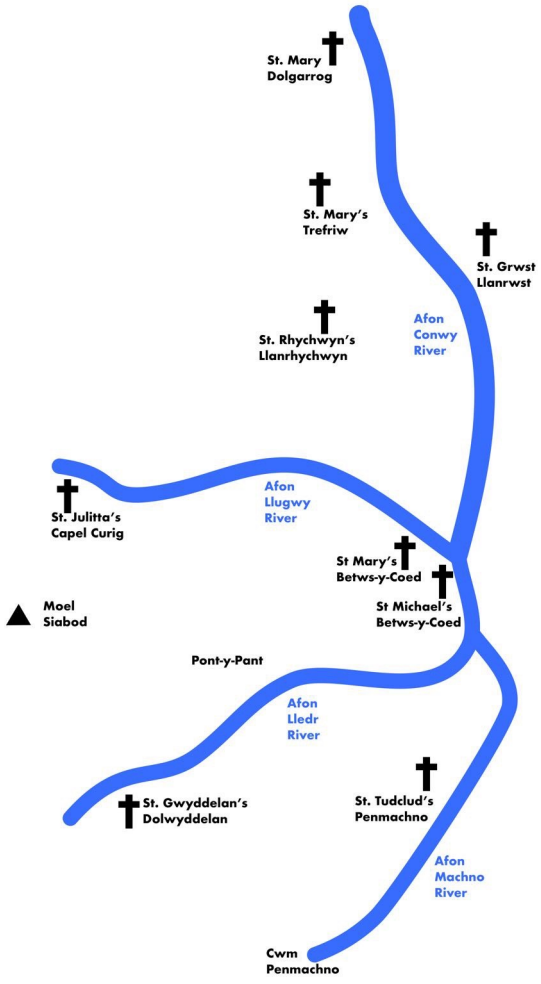
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Loving the World

Adroddiad Festri Blynyddol
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Annual Vestry Report

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- *Adeiladau // Buildings*
- *Cyllid // Finance*



The Annual Vestry Report focusses on the work in our Ministry Area of Bro Gwydyr within the three elements of our Diocesan vision and charitable objectives:

Worshipping God. Growing the Church. Loving the World.

Dear Friends, 2022 felt like a year of arrivals, it had its fair share of significant departures too. Archdeacon Mary was consecrated Bishop and Archbishop Andrew John was enthroned. The Rev'd Selwyn Griffith (and Pero) cast a brief spell over the Ministry Area following his ordination in June. The Summer Tea Party welcomed him on a rather wet day and saw off the vicar on his summer holiday! Selwyn remained with the Ministry Area until November, moving on to Beuno Sant Uwch Gwyrfai to continue his curacy. The year was also punctuated with significant events. Not least the death of Queen Elizabeth.

Social and fundraising events were able to begin again at Easter with the Abseil. Later in the year saw the return of the Male Voice Choir concerts and a first Ceilidh for some years.

July 2023 will see the 150th anniversary of the consecration of St. Mary's Church Betws-y-coed. Compared to the majority of the (medieval) church buildings in our area, it is a relative new-comer. However, this feels like a significant moment to celebrate all that has taken place over the years and look forward confidently for all that might take place in the future.

Stuart



Addoli Duw
Worshipping God



Tyfu'r Eglwys
Growing the Church



Caru'r Byd
Loving the World

Not only do we Worship God *in our services, but through our whole lives. When we gather for worship we are preparing to go out into the world.*

Our pattern of traditional worship has returned this past year. There were also significant moments through the year celebrating the festivals, events and seasons. Weekly Eucharists and Morning Prayers are shared throughout the Ministry Area with the Morning Prayer being led by Lay Readers and Worship Leader. The Wednesday afternoon service has grown again this past year and is 'Sunday' for some whose weekends are busy with work. We were pleased to be able to welcome visitors who were holidaying, or occasional visitors to our services; especially at festivals and special occasions such as Christmas. Our thanks to those within the congregation who continue to support the running and mission of the Church with a special thank you to all those who undertake ongoing maintenance, graveyard clearing, decorating for festivals, flowers, setting up, locking and unlocking, readings and prayers. There has been growth in the singing group at Dolwyddelan for the occasional Evensongs and during the Eucharist. We are thankful for all those who are able to offer

their time and talents to enable us in our worship. Our united services and events have continued to grow this year, moving around the Ministry Area for special occasions. We marked Lammas with the Scouts bread baking. Selwyn Led our Harvest Festival in Dolwyddelan. We came together to mark the death of Queen Elizabeth and we celebrated and mourned the lives of all those who have died at our Saints and Souls service. Archbishop Andrew joined us in Advent once again, almost exactly a year following his election as Archbishop. The Archbishop bravely agreed to answer questions from the congregation. It was a delight to hear him speak personally from the heart about the future of the church, about significant challenges and about his faith.

We began Forest Church this year with a walk into the canopy of a (fallen) Oak tree and marked the beginning of Lent going out into a wilderness to find signs of spring. Unfortunately these occasions were not able to continue for the rest of the year. A new pattern is being planned for the future.

Weekday morning prayer is now firmly established on Monday praying with the St. Deiniol's Way for the coming week. On Tuesday in the community of Dolgarrog and on Wednesday at Penmachno ensuring that our worship is not confined to Sundays.

Our Pilgrim walks were able to take place once again establishing their place as part of Holy Week.



Addoli Duw
Worshipping God



Tyfu'r Eglwys
Growing the Church



Caru'r Byd
Loving the World

Growing the church *through deepening our faith, commitment and understanding, taking it beyond purely increasing attendance.*

The 'We'll Meet Again' coffee mornings began again this year encouraging folk to come together to support each other.

The 'Darganfod Dolgarrog' project was a great success as community and church people worked with Jackie Ley to host an exhibition, a collection of photos of Dolgarrog past and present. These have all been put on the Community website. Following this there is now an Art Club which is meeting twice a month to produce an exhibition on how Dolgarrog is seen through art. Caru Dol-Garrog is a community group which has grown from this too. A Village Festival, Gŵyl Garrog, is planned in the coming year, which at its heart will look to the future. Keith has been into the schools across the area offering help with their new curriculum Ethics and Values - cake was provided - which was very welcome! From this we are developing links and offering Godly Play sessions. The Squirrel section of the Scouts are also taking advantage of Godly Play. Our hope is that this will grow in the coming year. Selwyn also went into Dolgarrog school to help run some Business

Enterprise sessions. Work continues at the Old School in Penmachno transforming it into a Community Hub, and it should be complete this year. This new community facility offers the opportunity to welcome clubs and societies within the village and surrounding areas. New county council grants will enable the Warm Spaces to begin in 2023 providing food, drinks, company and 'warmth'.

At Pentecost a small group from the Ministry Area joined the Church Missionary Society on Ynys Môn for a camping weekend, thinking differently about church, and trying some new things. Following this a pioneer group has started meeting in Trefriw, beginning around the question: "What does 'Church' look like for people like us?" This is being led by Eryl Parry, Pioneer Enabler for Synod Bangor.

The Summer 'Tea Party in a tent' (and the rain) was an opportunity to be church in a different way and to welcome people from a wider perspective, it also served as a good moment to welcome Selwyn.

The 1st Gwydyr Scouts are flourishing. The postponed Scout Camp finally took place in Capel Curig and Stuart was able to be with them for their opening and closing ceremonies.

The 'Posada' was sent out during Advent. Our famous hand-knitted Mary, Joseph and Donkey stayed one night in a different house until arriving at church on Christmas morning to a full congregation in Penmachno.



Addoli Duw
Worshipping God



Tyfu'r Eglwys
Growing the Church



Caru'r Byd
Loving the World

In loving the world *we are fulfilling the commandment of Christ to 'Love one another'. Not just those in our communities, but all including the earth itself.*

Thousands were raised by those abseiling down the church tower for church funds and for 1st Gwydyr Scouts.

At the Queen's Jubilee weekend over 35 boxes of afternoon teas for elderly and housebound were distributed around the community of Dolgarrog.

A successful Plant Sale was held in June and a successful Macmillan Coffee Morning once again raising nearly £600 for the charity in Penmachno.

July saw the restarting of the Male Voice Choir season after a gap of 2 years. In October a Ceilidh was held at Betws-y-coed in the church to raise money for the 5 scouts who are going to the World Jamboree meeting in South Korea.

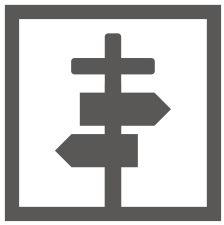
December saw very successful Christmas Fairs. Other groups from the community were welcomed to fundraise. The costumes: Santa and his dog, Mobile Snowman, Reindeer and Elf were much admired!

The Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area has continued to support the Blaenau Ffestiniog Food Bank, and the Conwy Bags of Love project giving goods, money and blankets. The support given is truly amazing and the Food Bank volunteers wish to give their most grateful thanks to you all.

Collections for the Food Banks have increased dramatically - along with the need. We were also able to help the Young Carers with some donations at Christmas time.

We received the news at the end of October that a group of Asylum Seekers had been placed at a Hotel in Dolgarrog. Stuart and Selwyn went to greet them and offered to help with donations and teaching English. Clothes were sorted and bagged individually for them and a plan to offer to teach English began just before Christmas. The fear and speculation around this small group of people soon dissipated as we met them, heard their stories and found how poorly they were being treated by government contractors.

One of the volunteers wrote: ”As the weeks passed, more people in Dolgarrog started meeting the asylum seekers. Gradually the rumours reduced and fear abated. Stories like a refugee (a carpenter) stopping by to help someone with woodworking, sharing the experience by face-timing their son in Iraq. And asylum seekers in the shop ‘always being courteous’.”



Cenhadaeth
Mission



Adeiladau
Buildings



Cyllid
Finance

The Mission Plan for 2023 onwards is now in development. It begins with the three areas of our Charitable Objectives: Worshipping God, Growing the Church and Loving the World. During our Ministry Area Council training with Ruth Bennet we reviewed our previous plan and set up a task group to take this forward. Together with essential building works, the Ezra Report (due to be updated in 2025) on the use of our buildings is part of our mission plan. The draft Mission Plan for 2023 is looking to improve community engagement and development across the five communities with the possibility of setting up a Trading Company to generate income through organising pilgrimages, retreats and similar activities. To consider contributing to Bethel chapel project to create affordable housing, and to fund a community hub/café. To Consider creating a centre for cycle tourism. To Continue work with schools and other youth organisations. To complete the Rich Picturing exercise, and propose actions. To investigate the 'health' of voluntary organisations across the Ministry Area and, if necessary, offer support. To identify someone in each church to lead on Carbon Net Zero using the ECO church programme from A Rocha.






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Scouts
1st Gwydyr
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Ministry Area



























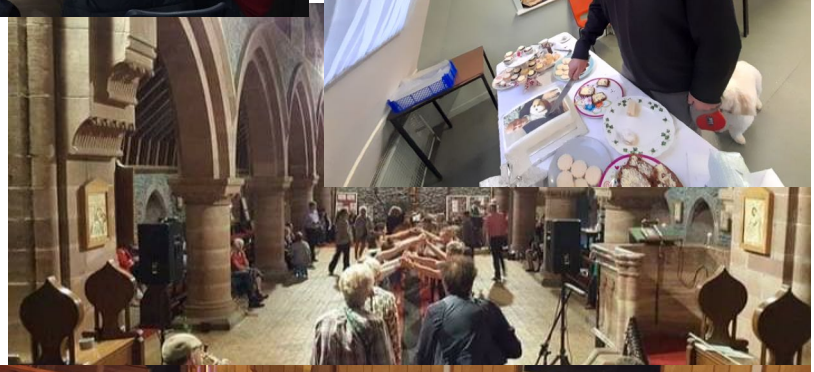
















Some significant building works began in 2022, particularly to the roof at Llanrhychwyn. Unfortunately due to the lack of time with the Architect, further works were not able to proceed. 'A' rated works identified within the EZRA report are still outstanding. These have either been passed for Faculty or are list B items and as such do not require a full faculty permission. The use of buildings will be looked at once again within the Mission Planning. Of significant concern is the damp in St. Mary's Trefriw and re-pointing at Betws-y-coed. A contractor has been identified for the roof to Llanrhychwyn (and the return of its bell) this should commence within 2023 should grant funding be forthcoming.

Significant decisions will need to be taken in the near future regarding the buildings in the Ministry Area if funding is not forthcoming or if the Mission Plan does not identify them as serving the mission of the church in the area.

The hall at Betws-y-coed is in desperate need of further insulation works. A local grant has been offered to cover part of these costs. Once permission has been granted, this will enhance the space for all users, especially those who find the room downstairs too noisy due to the echo.



Cenhadaeth
Mission



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Buildings



Cyllid
Finance

The financial picture of our Ministry Area in the attached accounts shows a smaller deficit than the previous year. Whilst this is welcome, it had been hoped to return to a break-even position by the end of 2022. The pattern of giving is changing - there was far more electronic giving via the Gift Direct scheme or by individual electronic donations this past year. The 'Give a little' app which is behind the donation boxes in Penmachno and Betws-y-coed allow gift aid to be claimed directly on these donations. It also collects (with the donor's permission) contact details to enlarge our weekly email list. Whilst this trend is reassuring, the gap between income and expenditure will need to close significantly this coming year.

As almost all other costs have risen the car park charges have also had to rise for the first time in many years. This rise will help with some of the deficit, but not all. This income continues to pay the majority of our Bishop's Ministry Fund payments.

Despite the challenges, it has been possible to do a lot of work in our communities with the aid of grant funding. Whilst this funding is limited to cover specifically the work it was granted for, it has allowed the Ministry Area to be able to further its work within the communities despite running into deficit.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN

2022

Diocese	Parish	Church
Bangor	Bro Gwydyr	

Number of Legacies received 0

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
money raising	62712.75	0	62712.75
fees	3578.00	308.00	3886.00
investment income	5883.12	714.71	6597.83
other incoming resources	150.00	0	150.00
planned giving	13391.28	0	13391.28
loose collections	4337.52	0	4337.52
donations	10738.88	0	10738.88
for mission	2512.44	0	2512.44
tax refunds - gasds	0	0	0
tax refunds - gift aid	2702.02	0	2702.02
legacy gifts - no. rec'd:_____	0	0	0
grants	18951.98	0	18951.98
other	0	0	0
Total for Income	**124957.99**	**1022.71**	**125980.70**
support for ministry other	1336.38	0	1336.38
maintenance of other property	15703.38	1380.00	17083.38
parish share	67000.00	0	67000.00
general parish expenses	14055.99	0	14055.99
mission: home/world	1222.50	0	1222.50
mission and grants home/world	96.59	0	96.59
capital payments	0	0	0
maintenance of services	3992.56	0	3992.56
exceptional expenditure	5231.88	0	5231.88
mission: parish	6840.64	0	6840.64
mission and grants parish	59.99	0	59.99
parochial expenses of clerics	4278.15	0	4278.15
maintenance of churches	17407.28	0	17407.28
cost of money raising	4329.00	0	4329.00
Total for Expenditure	**141554.34**	**1380.00**	**142934.34**
Net Income/Expenditure	**-16596.35**	**-357.29**	**-16953.64**
Balance as at 1st Jan	-55703.50	206455.30	150751.80
Any transfers made between UF and RF	0	0	0
Any other recognised gains or losses	-6154.37	352.80	-5801.57
Net movement in funds	-16596.35	-357.29	-16953.64
Balance as at 31 Dec	-78454.22	206450.81	127996.59



Received at the Annual Vestry Meeting

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies					
0101 - Standing Order Planned Giving	135.00	-	-	135.00	180.00
0102 - Occasional Giving via Bank	600.00	-	-	600.00	670.00
0110 - Gift Aid Envelopes - Occasional	537.30	-	-	537.30	436.25
0111 - Gift Direct	12,073.98	-	-	12,073.98	11,848.74
0112 - Other planned giving	45.00	-	-	45.00	1,055.00
0201 - Loose plate offering	3,286.84	-	-	3,286.84	3,605.66
0202 - Offerings - Weddings	50.00	-	-	50.00	-
0203 - Offerings - Baptisms	-	-	-	-	68.39
0204 - Offerings - Funerals	1,000.68	-	-	1,000.68	238.00
0301 - Gift day receipts	-	-	-	-	180.00
0302 - Wall safe / box donations	3,765.97	-	-	3,765.97	2,217.67
0303 - One off Gift Aid donations	10.00	-	-	10.00	10.00
0305 - Donations appeals etc	562.94	-	-	562.94	1,414.30
0306 - Contactless Donations	6,399.97	-	-	6,399.97	1,249.09
0401 - Mission Boxes	106.25	-	-	106.25	-
0402 - Other collections/mission appeals	2,406.19	-	-	2,406.19	824.00
0501 - Recovered HMRC Gift Aid receipts	288.12	-	-	288.12	3,006.87
0503 - Recovered Gift Direct Gift Aid	2,413.90	-	-	2,413.90	654.10
0601 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	500.00
0701 - Recurring grants	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
0702 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,951.98	15,000.00	-	16,951.98	1,900.00
Donations and legacies Totals	**37,634.12**	**15,000.00**	**-**	**52,634.12**	**32,058.07**
Income from charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
0901 - Fees for Occasional Offices	100.00	-	-	100.00	633.00
0902 - Wedding fee	2,320.00	-	-	2,320.00	1,830.00
0904 - Publication of Banns	80.00	-	-	80.00	-
0905 - Funeral fee	1,078.00	-	-	1,078.00	-
0906 - Burial fee	-	-	308.00	308.00	97.00
Income from charitable activities Totals	**3,578.00**	**-**	**308.00**	**3,886.00**	**2,560.00**
Other trading activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
0801 - Fund raising	8,298.15	-	-	8,298.15	2,809.87
0802 - Other funds generated	46,028.50	-	-	46,028.50	36,497.28
0803 - Hall Rental Income	5,036.10	-	-	5,036.10	1,710.00
0804 - Magazine/other publication sales	2,230.00	-	-	2,230.00	-
0805 - Sundry income	-	-	-	-	1,396.93
0807 - Church Building Rental	1,120.00	-	-	1,120.00	3,628.37
Other trading activities Totals	**62,712.75**	**-**	**-**	**62,712.75**	**46,042.45**

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
Investments (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
1001 - Dividends/investment income	282.55	-	714.71	997.26	415.98
1020 - Bank and building society interest	17.41	-	-	17.41	217.95
1030 - Rent from investment land or buildings	5,583.16	-	-	5,583.16	1,145.79
Investments Totals	**5,883.12**	**-**	**714.71**	**6,597.83**	**1,779.72**
Other income (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
1101 - Insurance claims	150.00	-	-	150.00	-
Other income Totals	**150.00**	**-**	**-**	**150.00**	**-**
Income and endowments Grand totals	**109,957.99**	**15,000.00**	**1,022.71**	**125,980.70**	**82,440.24**
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds					
3103 - Costs of generating resoucres - giving	425.00	-	-	425.00	975.00
3104 - Costs of fund raising	3,904.00	-	-	3,904.00	5,013.55
Raising funds Totals	**4,329.00**	**-**	**-**	**4,329.00**	**5,988.55**
Expenditure on charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
2001 - Diocesan share	67,000.00	-	-	67,000.00	53,500.00
2101 - Clergy expenses	2,738.99	-	-	2,738.99	3,675.39
2145 - Parsonage - water	519.16	-	-	519.16	392.72
2147 - Parsonage - electricity	-	-	-	-	38.43
2170 - Professional development & training cost	1,020.00	-	-	1,020.00	-
2202 - Readers Expenses	-	-	-	-	133.20
2203 - Curate expenses	1,336.38	-	-	1,336.38	-
2340 - Maintenance of services	1,803.78	-	-	1,803.78	200.70
2341 - Costs of vergers, organists and choir	-	-	-	-	325.00
2342 - Music & performance expenses	1,297.95	-	-	1,297.95	372.00
2343 - Music Instrument Tuning/Maintenance	713.00	-	-	713.00	-
2345 - Costs of Copyright License	177.83	-	-	177.83	-
2401 - Costs of meetings	397.38	-	-	397.38	-
2402 - Bank and Credit Card Charges	2,127.51	-	-	2,127.51	67.03
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationery	2,881.83	-	-	2,881.83	1,971.33
2404 - MA - telephone/mobile/internet	594.29	-	-	594.29	-
2405 - Office and general expenditure	72.40	-	-	72.40	2,055.26
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	7,221.98	-	-	7,221.98	6,533.81
2407 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	162.50
2412 - Trustee Training and development	374.68	-	-	374.68	-
2415 - Gifts to individuals	286.50	-	-	286.50	-
2421 - Admin/Staff HMRC payments	99.42	-	-	99.42	-
2423 - Admin/Staff Expenses	-	-	-	-	66.00
2424 - Admin/Staff Equipment	-	-	-	-	739.20
2501 - Church operatating costs - insurance	3,942.91	-	-	3,942.91	4,160.38
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	6,606.76	-	-	6,606.76	3,860.96
2503 - Church operating costs - gas	4,554.44	-	-	4,554.44	3,122.11

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
2504 - Church operating costs - water	253.06	-	-	253.06	95.01
2505 - Church operating costs - other	75.00	-	-	75.00	1,229.20
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	894.71	-	-	894.71	862.51
2509 - Church Cleaning	580.00	-	-	580.00	345.00
2510 - Church operating costs - tel/mob/internet	-	-	-	-	567.15
2511 - Church operating costs - fire equipment, roof alam, CCTV service	500.40	-	-	500.40	-
2601 - Churchyard management costs	-	-	450.00	450.00	1,520.00
2602 - Church hall operating costs - other	130.59	-	-	130.59	137.54
2604 - Church hall operating costs - gas	370.46	-	-	370.46	39.17
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	772.82	-	-	772.82	736.00
2606 - Church hall costs - repairs/maintenance	-	-	-	-	114.00
2608 - Church hall operating costs - water	-	-	-	-	185.36
2609 - Church hall - equipment repair & renewal	76.42	-	-	76.42	-
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	2,496.00	-	-	2,496.00	2,496.00
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	11,647.09	-	-	11,647.09	933.08
2641 - Churchyard grass cutting	-	-	930.00	930.00	-
2642 - Churchyard structural repairs	210.00	-	-	210.00	-
2701 - Major building repairs and renovations	5,231.88	-	-	5,231.88	11,400.00
2805 - Cost of mission & evangelism	22.50	-	-	22.50	-
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	-	6,818.14	-	6,818.14	245.00
2807 - Cost of maintaining websites and social media platforms	59.99	-	-	59.99	-
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	1,222.50	-	-	1,222.50	-
2903 - Support of UK charities	96.59	-	-	96.59	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**130,407.20**	**6,818.14**	**1,380.00**	**138,605.34**	**102,281.04**
Other expenditure (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
3001 - Purchase of asstes for church purposes	-	-	-	-	1,526.21
Other expenditure Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,526.21**
Expenditure Grand totals	**134,736.20**	**6,818.14**	**1,380.00**	**142,934.34**	**109,795.80**

Bro Gwydyr

Balance Sheet detailed

		As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
Fixed assets			
	B8A: BDT Betws y Coed - St Mary's Church Acco	16,781.13	15,057.35
	L31: BDT Llanrhychwyn - St Mary's Church	582.65	550.25
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	Total Liabilities	**465.46**	**288.46**
	Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**160,947.14**	**183,702.35**
Reserves			
	Excess/(deficit) to date	(16,953.64)	(27,355.56)
	Z01: Starting balances	183,702.35	204,917.14
	Z02: Other gains/(losses)	(5,801.57)	6,140.77
	Z03: Gains/(losses) on reval of fixed assets	-	-
	Total Reserves	**160,947.14**	**183,702.35**

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	22,211.39	53,176.37
Designated	59,946.27	51,732.01
Restricted	45,838.93	45,843.42
Endowment	32,950.55	32,950.55
Total	**160,947.14**	**183,702.35**

Cwrdd Blynyddol Festri

2023

Annual Vestry Meeting

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ARDAL GWEINIDOGAETH BRO GWYDYR MINISTRY AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1181120

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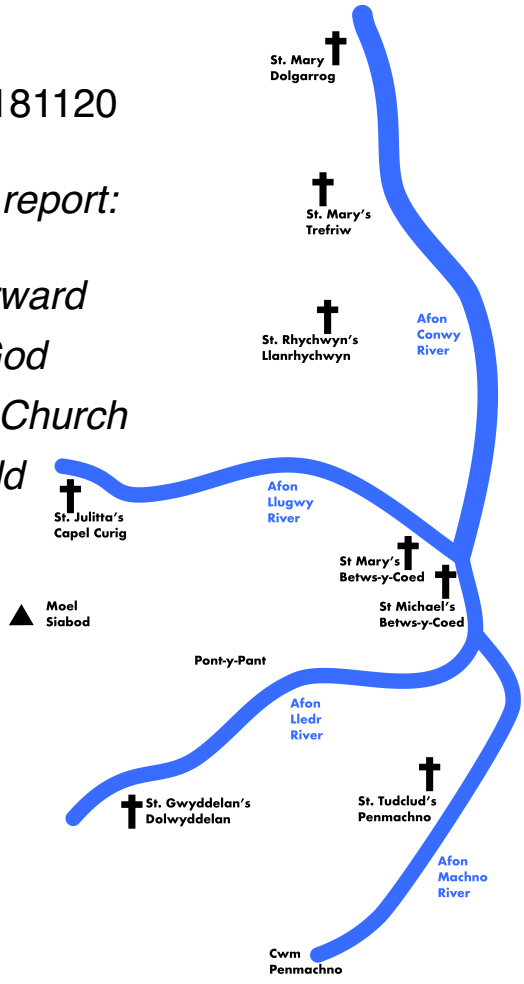
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Adroddiad Festri Blynyddol
1af Mis Mai 2022 1st May
Annual Vestry Report

Rhif Elusen / Charity Number 1181120

Yn yr adroddiad hwn: // In this report:

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The Annual Vestry Report focusses on the work in our Ministry Area of Bro Gwydyr within the three elements of our Diocesan vision and charitable objectives:

Worshipping God. Growing the Church. Loving the World.

Dear Friends,

As you will read in the coming pages there was a good deal of activity in our Ministry Area over the past year in spite of the continuing pandemic. I am heartened that we have for the most part, been keen to get on with doing what is possible.

As we begin this new chapter in our Ministry Area we look forward with hope that new projects and activity can begin to enliven our hearts and reach further into our communities.



I am particularly pleased to see the response to our fundraising initiative 'i lawr y tŵr' at St. Mary's Church Betws-y-Coed, especially so as it is working closely with our friends in 1st Gwydyr Scouts and Seren Ventures. I hope this will be a catalyst for other fundraising later this year so that we can fulfil at least some of the projects in the coming year. One project particularly close to my heart is the Taith Pererin, Pilgrim Trail. We have applied for funding to help publicise this, to produce a guided Pilgrim Trail leaflet and to look at the possibility of leading guided pilgrim walks.

These would be not just for our community, but for all and a potential source of income from visitors. We also hope to train pilgrim leaders from our community.

Darganfod Dolgarrog is another exciting initiative by a member of the community and her husband living in Dolgarrog. With the backing of the Ministry Area, they have applied for funding for an holistic project looking at the history of Dolgarrog and the legacy of this area for us today. Particularly exciting is the part of this project which looks forward and asks what next for this community. We are still exploring the idea of a new church and community resource in Dolgarrog together with the potential for social housing. The Charity, Faith in Affordable housing, are helping us with this. This project would be an excellent way of giving some shape to those ideas and involving the community in crafting the next chapter.

Whilst not the most appealing part of our common task, work continues to secure the buildings for the future. Architects and surveyors reports are slowly coming in and it is hoped to be making some significant repairs in the coming twelve months. Of highest priority are the works to the roofs of Trefriw and Llanrhychwyn church and the tower at Betws-y-Coed. A full list of all the works required over the coming years is available in each church building, along with projects which will enable us to use our buildings in better ways to support the community.

Stuart

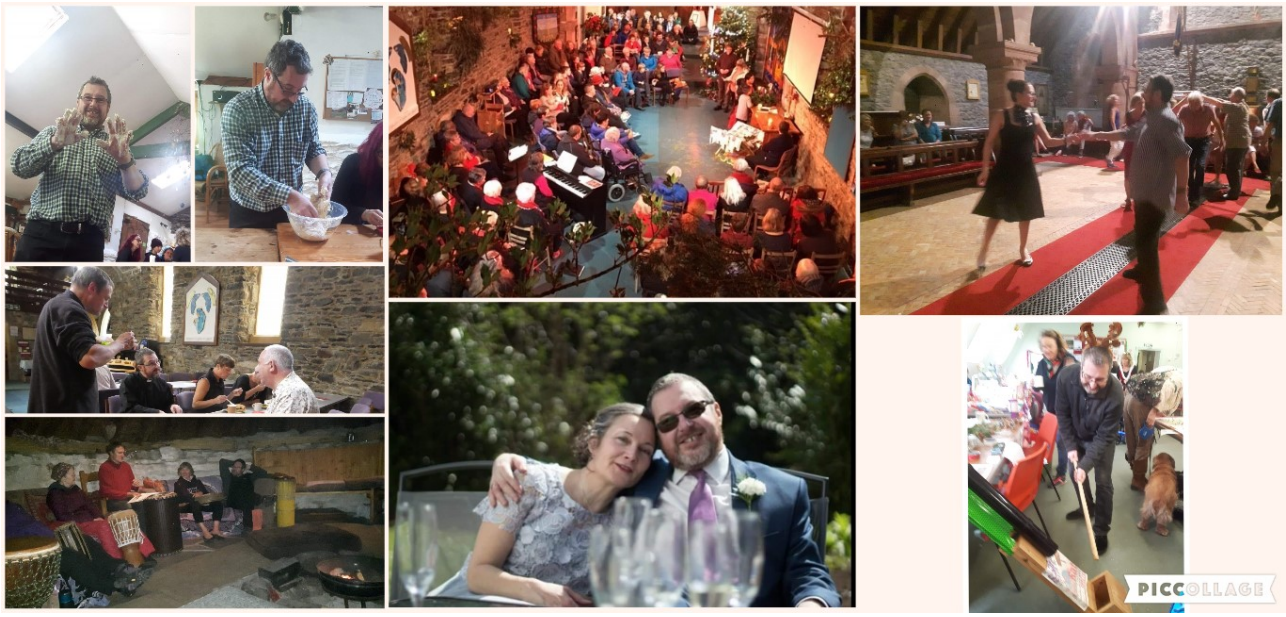
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Not only do we Worship God *in our services, but through our whole lives. When we gather for worship we are preparing to go out into the world.*

2021 began hopeful that the pandemic might be decreasing. However, once again, worship moved online until Palm Sunday. It was announced on this day that Simon and Belinda would be married, and that they would begin married life together with Simon accepting a post in the Llandaff Diocese.



Simon's final service was on Sunday 9th May in a 'full' St. Mary's church followed by a gathering on the green where we could say goodbye and wish Simon every blessing on his new ministry.

Zoom continued to be a useful platform to encourage each other with many 'coffee mornings', a Pancake party for Shrove



Tuesday, quizzes and bingo. Whilst worship in our church buildings began to return with a reduced rota, Wednesday Morning Prayer returned with café al Fresco. Worship outdoors was possible. Forest Church met at Caerdroia, walking the labyrinth. The power of water was reflected on in Dolgarrog at the Dam memorial garden. Bread was baked in Betws-y-Coed church garden. Each of the solar festivals were marked by a leaflet encouraging people to reflect outdoors





at important sites and with seasonal reflections. The pilgrim walks also continued walking the path from Penmachno through to Llanrhychwyn over two days with afternoon tea at Plas Penaeldroch. We witnessed an extraordinary 'moon rise' over the Conwy Valley as we finished the walk to Llanrhychwyn. Keith was licensed as





Reader at a service on 26th June and led his first service in this role at Penmachno. The return of singing to our services in the autumn was a great joy. Trefriw church opened it's doors to the

community for the first time since the beginning of the pandemic with an open weekend followed by a service for Saints and Souls to remember those who had died. It was a great joy to follow this service with a baptism in Trefriw church the very next month.

Towards the end of the year, services were returning across the ministry area led by Huw and Keith, Ministry Area Readers, Sue our Worship Leader and Stuart. On St. Nicholas' Day we celebrated the life of former organist at Dolwyddelan, Georgina Jones. The new Archbishop of Wales, our own Bishop Andrew



John, celebrated his first Eucharist as Archbishop in Penmachno on 21st December - we have the signature to prove it! The 'live broadcast' of some of our services continued to be important for some people, made possible by the wonders of Facebook. One regular visitor was from Myanmar, a former Warden of Betws-y-Coed - Albert Barton. Christmas services were well attended including a 'Christmas Christingle', Midnight Mass, the first Christmas Morning Service in Penmachno for a number of years and St. Stephen's Day at Betws-y-Coed. This year the Posada returned to Penmachno - a knitted Mary, Joseph and DONKEY travelled around the village looking for a home. Many families were visited increasing our reach at Christmas.



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Worshipping God

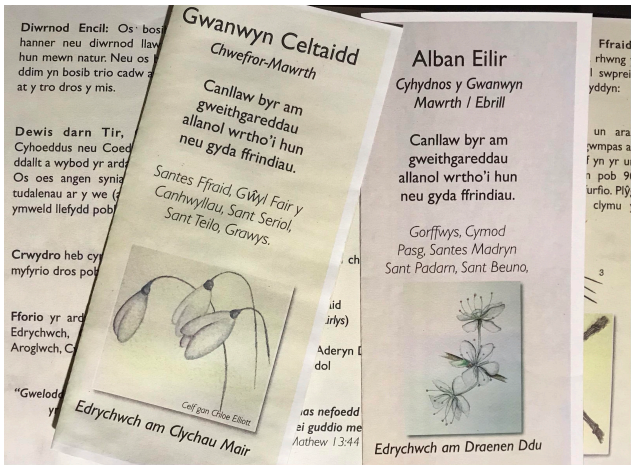
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Growing the church *through deepening our faith, commitment and understanding, taking it beyond purely increasing attendance.*

During 2021 it was a great joy to celebrate eight Baptisms and five Weddings - with more planned for 2022! The number on the Electoral Roll at Easter 2022 is 104.

The reach of our church has grown over the past year with the consolidation of our regular 'pastoral letters' which has proved to be popular, particularly amongst those who still feel unable to join us in person for worship. The series of leaflets reflecting the Celtic year proved to be very popular with those who could not, or would not normally attend a service in church, encouraging all to find a connection to the natural world and to God in creation.



The Zoom morning prayer each Monday has grown into a regular event which means that morning prayer is said communally on three days of the week.

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In loving the world *we are fulfilling the commandment of Christ to 'Love one another'. Not just those in our communities, but all including the earth itself.*

The local shops continue to be the main point for leaving food bank donations. Across the ministry area many donations have still been collected both for the food bank at Blaenau Ffestiniog and for the Conwy 'Bags of Love' project. A fantastic response



was received to the refugee donations day organised by 1st Gwydyr Scouts and our church communities. This was a very successful day and the donations far exceeded expectations, and a thanks must go to all who worked that day to sort and pack and to all who donated items. A Macmillan Coffee morning was a great success showing that we could still run great events.



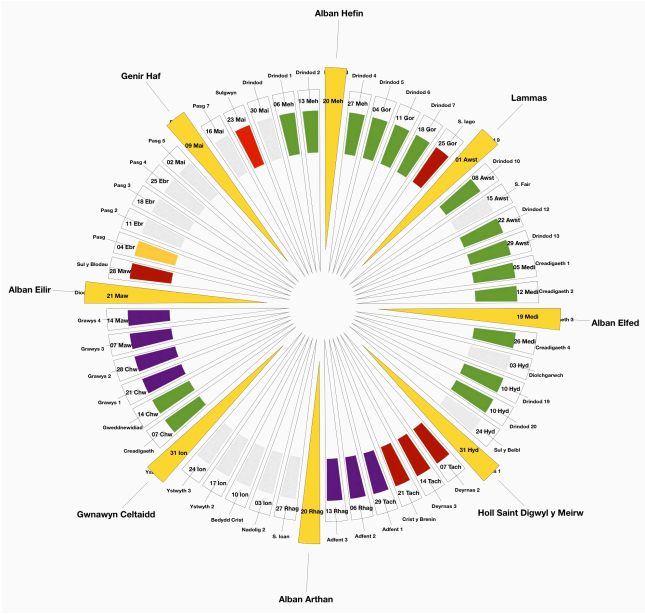
Two scythe training days were run in conjunction with the Wildlife Trust and Snowdonia National Park. They are supporting us to create wildflower meadows in our green spaces and churchyards.

Cenhadaeth
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As we emerge from the pandemic our pattern of worship, based on the Celtic year of eight festivals, will settle into a natural rhythm of high and low points of the year. Looking beyond 'Sundays' in our ministry area will be important as we try to serve the people of our communities.



The project at Dolgarrog is particularly exciting because it is focussed on the people of the community - asking them what they would like to see happen and interpreting the legacy of that community in images. In Penmachno the refurbishment of the community space at the Old School is an opportunity to be church in a different way. Our relationship with the 1st Gwydyr Scouts continues to grow with joint events and opportunities to reach much wider groups of people, offering all five sections hospitality in the hall at Betws-y-Coed. A group led by Keith is looking to further opportunities for working with families across the Ministry Area in the coming months.

There is a great deal of work and financial pressure involved in maintaining six elderly church buildings, not least when significant sources of income are reduced. There are however some potential projects for the future which aim to make the best use of the buildings we have. A high profile project is the potential for a ring of bells at Betws-y-Coed which could attract significant outside funding enabling the tower to be re-pointed, and clock and bell to be refurbished. Other projects include the kitchen area in St. Tudclud's church and the vestry library in Trefriw.

During 2021 some of the critical priority 'A' works were completed. The bell at Llanrhychwyn, which had been strapped up for many years, had finally been given permission to be lowered for refurbishment and will be re-hung in the coming year. Schedules of work and maintenance were prepared by the Architect and every church building has a list of tasks, some annual, some less often, to ensure they are maintained to a high standard in the future. Once the priority 'A' works are complete, projects which have a focus on the use of the buildings can begin.

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Once again we are indebted to those who have worked hard to tame the accounts into a presentable format.

Looking at the past year in purely financial terms, the Ministry Area appeared to bounce back relatively well after 2020.



Having a deficit of 'only' £21,848 is actually a real achievement. The Gift Direct scheme run on our behalf by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales has been promoted in the area with a significant take up, though there is always room for new members of this scheme! In 2021 the Bishop's Ministry Fund which pays for clergy, clergy housing and training for all licensed ministers was £48,500 which was generously subsidised by a diocesan grant of £9,000. Such subsidy cannot continue into the future. The uptick in visitor numbers and the installation of a card payment machine in the car park had a significant effect on the finances in this year. If 2022 can be a year of 'break even', then financially we will be extremely fortunate given the global financial situation and the significant rise in cost of living, which will impact on our energy bills in the future.

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Bro Gwydyr

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies					
0101 - Standing Order Planned Giving	180.00	-	-	180.00	-
0102 - Occasional Giving via Bank	670.00	-	-	670.00	-
0110 - Gift Aid Envelopes - Occasional	436.25	-	-	436.25	126.00
0111 - Gift Direct	11,645.23	-	203.51	11,848.74	9,391.80
0112 - Other planned giving	1,055.00	-	-	1,055.00	2,209.00
0201 - Loose plate offering	3,605.66	-	-	3,605.66	2,124.10
0203 - Offerings - Baptisms	68.39	-	-	68.39	-
0204 - Offerings - Funerals	238.00	-	-	238.00	174.47
0301 - Gift day receipts	180.00	-	-	180.00	-
0302 - Wall safe / box donations	2,217.67	-	-	2,217.67	890.53
0303 - One off Gift Aid donations	10.00	-	-	10.00	-
0305 - Donations appeals etc	1,414.30	-	-	1,414.30	7,296.77
0306 - Contactless Donations	1,249.09	-	-	1,249.09	-
0401 - Mission Boxes	-	-	-	-	63.86
0402 - Other collections/mission appeals	824.00	-	-	824.00	398.47
0501 - Recovered HMRC Gift Aid receipts	3,006.87	-	-	3,006.87	2,480.72
0502 - Recovered HMRC GASDS receipts	-	-	-	-	1,967.97
0503 - Recovered Gift Direct Gift Aid	654.10	-	-	654.10	-
0601 - Legacies	500.00	-	-	500.00	-
0701 - Recurring grants	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	1,000.00
0702 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,900.00	-	-	1,900.00	-
Donations and legacies Totals	**31,854.56**	**-**	**203.51**	**32,058.07**	**28,123.69**
Income from charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
0901 - Fees for Occasional Offices	633.00	-	-	633.00	998.00
0902 - Wedding fee	1,830.00	-	-	1,830.00	-
0906 - Burial fee	97.00	-	-	97.00	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	**2,560.00**	**-**	**-**	**2,560.00**	**998.00**
Other trading activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
0801 - Fund raising	2,809.87	-	-	2,809.87	3,151.80
0802 - Other funds generated	36,497.28	-	-	36,497.28	23,233.50
0803 - Hall Rental Income	1,710.00	-	-	1,710.00	2,255.00
0805 - Sundry income	1,396.93	-	-	1,396.93	161.12
0807 - Church Building Rental	3,628.37	-	-	3,628.37	-
Other trading activities Totals	**46,042.45**	**-**	**-**	**46,042.45**	**28,801.42**
Investments (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
1001 - Dividends/investment income	415.98	-	-	415.98	1,313.12
1020 - Bank and building society interest	217.95	-	-	217.95	88.78

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
1030 - Rent from investment land or buildings	1,145.79	-	-	1,145.79	5,728.95
Investments Totals	**1,779.72**	**-**	**-**	**1,779.72**	**7,130.85**
Income and endowments Grand totals	**82,236.73**	**-**	**203.51**	**82,440.24**	**65,053.96**
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds					
3103 - Costs of generating resoucres - giving	975.00	-	-	975.00	-
3104 - Costs of fund raising	5,013.55	-	-	5,013.55	6,640.00
Raising funds Totals	**5,988.55**	**-**	**-**	**5,988.55**	**6,640.00**
Expenditure on charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
2001 - Diocesan share	53,500.00	-	-	53,500.00	65,000.00
2101 - Clergy expenses	3,675.39	-	-	3,675.39	3,587.58
2145 - Parsonage - water	392.72	-	-	392.72	585.65
2147 - Parsonage - electricity	38.43	-	-	38.43	-
2149 - Parsonage - other expenses	-	-	-	-	1,330.81
2202 - Readers Expenses	133.20	-	-	133.20	-
2340 - Maintenance of services	200.70	-	-	200.70	1,461.55
2341 - Costs of vergers, organists and choir	325.00	-	-	325.00	-
2342 - Music & performance expenses	372.00	-	-	372.00	267.00
2401 - Costs of meetings	-	-	-	-	71.16
2402 - Bank and Credit Card Charges	67.03	-	-	67.03	-
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationery	1,971.33	-	-	1,971.33	1,749.65
2405 - Office and general expenditure	2,055.26	-	-	2,055.26	-
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	6,533.81	-	-	6,533.81	5,725.33
2407 - Depreciation	162.50	-	-	162.50	-
2423 - Admin/Staff Expenses	66.00	-	-	66.00	-
2424 - Admin/Staff Equipment	739.20	-	-	739.20	-
2501 - Church operatating costs - insurance	4,160.38	-	-	4,160.38	3,827.37
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	3,860.96	-	-	3,860.96	7,515.13
2503 - Church operating costs - gas	3,122.11	-	-	3,122.11	-
2504 - Church operating costs - water	95.01	-	-	95.01	68.13
2505 - Church operating costs - other	1,229.20	-	-	1,229.20	2,416.64
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	862.51	-	-	862.51	1,829.10
2509 - Church Cleaning	345.00	-	-	345.00	25.00
2510 - Church operating costs - tel/mob/internet	567.15	-	-	567.15	-
2601 - Churchyard management costs	1,520.00	-	-	1,520.00	-
2602 - Church hall operating costs - other	137.54	-	-	137.54	-
2604 - Church hall operating costs - gas	39.17	-	-	39.17	-
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	736.00	-	-	736.00	733.14
2606 - Church hall costs - repairs/maintenance	114.00	-	-	114.00	1,890.59
2608 - Church hall operating costs - water	185.36	-	-	185.36	185.81
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	2,496.00	-	-	2,496.00	2,576.00
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	933.08	-	-	933.08	4,192.67
2701 - Major building repairs and renovations	11,400.00	-	-	11,400.00	-
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	245.00	-	-	245.00	-
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	-	-	-	-	273.24
2903 - Support of UK charities	-	-	-	-	6,541.00

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**102,281.04**	**-**	**-**	**102,281.04**	**111,852.55**
Other expenditure (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)					
3001 - Purchase of asstes for church purposes	1,526.21	-	-	1,526.21	-
Other expenditure Totals	**1,526.21**	**-**	**-**	**1,526.21**	**-**
Expenditure Grand totals	**109,795.80**	**-**	**-**	**109,795.80**	**118,492.55**

Bro Gwydyr

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	6699: Agency collections	288.46	204.47
	Total Liabilities	**288.46**	**204.47**
	Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**183,702.35**	**204,917.14**
Reserves			
	Excess/(deficit) to date	(27,355.56)	(53,438.59)
	Z01: Starting balances	204,917.14	249,627.83
	Z02: Other gains/(losses)	6,140.77	8,727.90
	Z03: Gains/(losses) on reval of fixed assets	-	-
	Total Reserves	**183,702.35**	**204,917.14**

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	53,176.37	76,102.26
Designated	51,732.01	55,969.52
Restricted	45,843.42	39,894.81
Endowment	32,950.55	32,950.55
Total	**183,702.35**	**204,917.14**

Bro Gwydyr

Receipts & Payments by Report Group

For the period from 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

		General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last Year
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	Planned Giving	13,986.48	-	203.51	-	14,189.99	11,726.80
	Donations	5,071.06	-	-	-	5,071.06	8,187.30
	Loose collections	3,912.05	-	-	-	3,912.05	2,298.57
	Tax refunds - Gift Aid	3,660.97	-	-	-	3,660.97	2,480.72
	Tax refunds - GASDS	-	-	-	-	-	1,967.97
	Legacy gifts - No. rec'd: 1	500.00	-	-	-	500.00	-
	Grants	3,900.00	-	-	-	3,900.00	1,000.00
	For mission	824.00	-	-	-	824.00	462.33
SubTotal Donations and legacies		**31,854.56**	**-**	**203.51**	**-**	**32,058.07**	**28,123.69**
Income from charitable activities	Fees	2,560.00	-	-	-	2,560.00	998.00
SubTotal Income from charitable activities		**2,560.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,560.00**	**998.00**
Other trading activities	Money raising	46,042.45	-	-	-	46,042.45	28,801.42
SubTotal Other trading activities		**46,042.45**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**46,042.45**	**28,801.42**
Investments	Investment income	1,779.72	-	-	-	1,779.72	7,130.85
SubTotal Investments		**1,779.72**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,779.72**	**7,130.85**
Total Income and endowments from:		**82,236.73**	**-**	**203.51**	**-**	**82,440.24**	**65,053.96**
Expenditure on:							
Expenditure on charitable activities	Parish Share	53,500.00	-	-	-	53,500.00	65,000.00
	Parochial expenses of clerics	4,106.54	-	-	-	4,106.54	5,504.04
	Support for Ministry Other	133.20	-	-	-	133.20	-
	Maintenance of services	897.70	-	-	-	897.70	1,728.55
	General parish expenses	11,595.13	-	-	-	11,595.13	7,546.14
	Maintenance of Churches	5,072.53	-	-	-	5,072.53	3,852.37
	Maintenance of churches	9,169.79	-	-	-	9,169.79	11,829.00
	Maintenance of other property	6,161.15	-	-	-	6,161.15	9,578.21
	Exceptional expenditure	11,400.00	-	-	-	11,400.00	-
	Mission: home/world	-	-	-	-	-	273.24
	Mission: parish	245.00	-	-	-	245.00	-
	Mission and Grants Home/World	-	-	-	-	-	6,541.00
SubTotal Expenditure on charitable activities		**102,281.04**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**102,281.04**	**111,852.55**
Other expenditure	Capital payments	1,526.21	-	-	-	1,526.21	-
SubTotal Other expenditure		**1,526.21**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,526.21**	**-**
Raising funds	Cost of money raising	5,988.55	-	-	-	5,988.55	6,640.00
SubTotal Raising funds		**5,988.55**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**5,988.55**	**6,640.00**
Total Expenditure on:		**109,795.80**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**109,795.80**	**118,492.55**
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		**(27,559.07)**	**-**	**203.51**	**-**	**(27,355.56)**	**(53,438.59)**



Accounts received and accepted by the MAC and AVM

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Adroddiad Festri Blynyddol
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Annual Vestry Report

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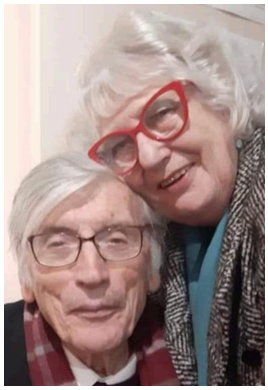
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The Annual Vestry Report focusses on the work in our Ministry Area of Bro Gwydyr within the three elements of our Diocesan vision and charitable objectives:

Worshipping God. Growing the Church. Loving the World.

Dear Friends,

Last Easter in the Vestry Report I reflected on Psalm 137.4 '*How can I sing the Lord's song in a strange land*?' A psalm which was written for a time of exile. In the prophet Isaiah we find a passage on returning from exile: '*The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing.'*



I don't think we are quite there yet, but I do believe it is in sight. 2020 was a year of adaptation and significant change. It began with sadness as our dear sister in Christ and Ministry Area Reader **Hilary Brookes Jones** was taken from us just as we were about to mourn with her the death of Gerry whose funeral on Monday 6th January 2020 was quite the Epiphany. We celebrated them together at **Candlemas** - our own 'Anna and Simeon' in a packed St. Mary's church Trefriw with the Archdeacon of Bangor Mary Stallard.

However difficult the year, we did, as a Ministry Area continue to 'Sing the Lord's Song' even though the land was strange and singing a rare event.

Though not quite as planned I still managed to take my sabbatical during the summer months. Whilst I was not able to do some of the things I had arranged it was a useful time of rest and preparation to return to working in the Ministry Area with renewed energy and vision. Without time for reflection it is difficult to see a way forward or to gain perspective on the work that needs to be done. I am enormously grateful therefore to the wardens and to Simon for doing far more than 'holding the fort'.

In effect we were all forced to take a break from doing many of the things we would ordinarily have done. This brought many challenges, changes and some sadness at not being able to be together in the ways we would like to. There was however much creativity to be found in and around the ministry area and therefore I commend this report of 2020 to you and invite you to read on and remember where we have been. We look forward to the time of 'abundant blossom to rejoice with joy and singing'.



Stuart

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Not only do we Worship God *in our services, but through our whole lives. When we gather for worship we are preparing to go out into the world.*

In terms of our worship the year began in good heart with a busy pattern of worship in each community. On March 16th services in church buildings were suspended. In order to provide some form of worship recorded services began to be developed beginning with a Mothering Sunday service from our area mother church - LLanrhychwyn. As the nation descended into a full lockdown from 23rd March thereafter the Ministry Area joined together for recorded services and Zoom meetings. The Bangor Diocese produced meditations and bible studies which were very helpful and enabled further study and gave much needed peace of mind. At Easter a 'video card' was created with contributions from many





different people across the ministry area. During Stuart's sabbatical some of the congregation undertook to do twice daily morning and evening prayer following the St. Deiniol's Way and the Bible readings. This has continued on Zoom on a Monday morning. Simon Freeman created weekly services by video as the closure continued through the summer. In preparing to return to worship in church buildings it was clear it would need to be in quite a different format; Soft furnishings removed, social distancing, masks to be worn, hand sanitizing and no singing. Track and Trace forms had to be completed for all services. We have become familiar with a new vocabulary over the last year. In order to limit the social contact it was important that those taking services did not attend other churches. Therefore a new pattern of worship began to be developed which would be sustainable in the longer term. As a Ministry Area we were very welcoming of Huw Thomas who offered to take on his Reader license once again, only sorry that this could not have been celebrated in person. Some services moved outside such as Remembrance and a fitting and moving tribute to Lillibet Connolly who was amongst those whose funeral services were adapted during the year. We also paid our respects to Joyce Jones, Hazel Jones, Shirley Hambridge and Richard Houghton.





It was clear that Christmas was not going to be the same without singing carols, therefore a 'Drive-in' carol service was arranged in the carpark of Betws-y-Coed church. Many were appreciative of the opportunity to sing again. We are very grateful to the 1st Gwydyr Scouts who helped us arrange the parking and to 'Disco Bob' for the sound equipment. Some members of Côr Penmachno were able to sing during the first Christmas morning service in Penmachno for 25 years.





Addoli Duw
Worshipping God



Tyfu'r Eglwys
Growing the Church



Caru'r Byd
Loving the World

Growing the church *through deepening our faith, commitment and understanding, taking it beyond purely increasing attendance.*

During 2020 there were no Baptisms and one wedding - though there were plenty of postponed ones! The number on the Electoral Roll at Easter 2021 is 80.

On Shrove Tuesday the 1st Gwydyr scouts provided pancakes. As Lent began on Saturday, 29th February, the Ministry Area joined together for a Quiet Day in St. David's Church, Blaenau Ffestiniog, led by Simon Freeman. It was clear that whilst Services online and meetings by Zoom were useful, not all could access these. An old tradition of the 'Vicar's letter' was returned to so that all were helped to maintain contact even if they couldn't access a computer or mobile phone or attend church. Our small but dedicated team of Pastoral Visitors have kept in touch with those who have no internet access in between the letters from Simon and Stuart.

In September 2020 we held two "Panad" sessions in the Beer Garden of the Eagles pub in Penmachno (one morning, one afternoon) and invited the Capel to support us, which they did.

It was an open community event and whilst there were a few non church people who came along it is clear we need to work on this. At the event we just encouraged conversation as to what the residents thought Penmachno needed and asked if there were ways we, as church, could offer support. There is an opportunity now to do more of these events.

Over the week of Remembrance and All Saints / All Souls an installation of Art Works was held in Betws y Coed. Many contributed stories, poems, pictures and the names of loved ones.

For advent an 'Advent Adventure' sheet was sent out to all on our mailing list. It was also offered to the schools who were very keen to accept it and share it.

At Christmas the Scripture Union resource 'A Christmas trail' followed QR codes. This was put up bilingually for the children. In the coming year we hope to be able to make plans to develop new worship opportunities for children and families across our Ministry Area.



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In loving the world *we are fulfilling the commandment of Christ to 'Love one another'. Not just those in our communities, but all including the earth itself.*

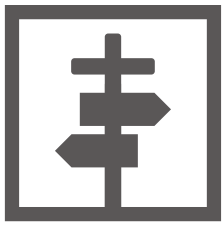
Fundraising for our charities did not take place in 2020. We hope to restart this in December 2021 by nominating charities for 2022.

Because of church closure, collections for the Food Bank were transferred to the village shops. This is a success story and the boxes continue to be very well supported. We were able to continue our supply of donations to the Blaenau Food Bank. During Sue Welsh's isolation Keith & Lee maintained the fortnightly collection from Penmachno, Betws & Dolwyddelan and were assisted by Carrie & Bill Clarke from Dolwyddelan. Donations from Dolgarrog supported the Conwy food Bank.

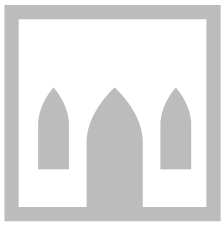
Welcome In – an outreach and social group, coffee morning was started but sadly closed due to Covid.

The photographic competition in Dolwyddelan had the village out with cameras. A 2021 calendar was created with profits going to the foodbank.

With work to reduce our carbon footprint, including changing electricity supplies; churches at Llanrhychwyn, Penmachno, Dolgarrog have joined Dolwyddelan in being awarded at Bronze level with Eco-Church - hopefully Betws-y-Coed and Trefriw will follow soon. Further churchyard management schemes are being considered across the ministry area working with the North Wales Wildlife Trust to conserve nature in our churchyards.



Cenhadaeth
Mission



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Buildings

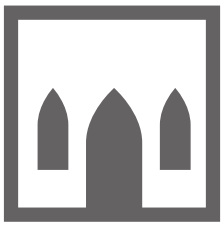


Cyllid
Finance

The Mission plan we adopted in 2018 was successful in helping us to reach further into our communities. As the pandemic begins to loosen its grip on the nation it is time to re-visit our Mission plan and re-create it for the coming years. It will be the task of the new Ministry Area Council to form the group to do this important work. One of the last tasks of the mission plan was to create a pattern of worship fit for the future. The pandemic has brought this work forward a little and a new pattern of worship - based on the eight fold annual cycle of solar festivals was created. Over the coming year this plan will be rolled out in the Ministry Area as a more holistic way of celebrating the seasons, and using the gifts of those in our Ministry Area to good effect.



Cenhadaeth
Mission



Adeiladau
Buildings



Cyllid
Finance

The period of closure and preparation for return enabled some much needed clearing and cleaning of our buildings. The final Ezra report into the fabric of the buildings was delivered in the summer of 2020. Simon led the MAC through the area church by church highlighting areas of concern and urgent works. Work to the roof of Penmachno church could not wait as ridge tiles had moved. The remainder of these works are being prepared for tender by architect Elinor Gray Williams. The ongoing maintenance of the six buildings in the Ministry Area is detailed below together with the items of urgent works.

For the preparation of the accounts this year we are indebted to Julie Bassett who undertook the task of entering the data. Also to Carrie White who prepared the accounts to go to be examined. Also to Owain Pritchard of the Diocesan team for his continual support at the end of an email or telephone. The accounts are presented in two formats. Firstly the annual return as required by the charity commission and the church in wales. We have also presented the accounts in a more readable format which gives far more detail as to the income and expenditure.

We face particular challenges financially. It was made particularly clear to us during the pandemic how reliant we are on visitor contributions - not least through the carpark monies at Betws-y-Coed. Our first duty each year is to pay the Bishop's Ministry Fund which amounted to £65,000.00 for 2020. Fortunately we were able to pay this. We have significant building works to undertake in the coming years and a programme of fund raising will need to begin in order to pay for these repair costs in addition to staff and running costs. In order to fund repairs into the future a further sum of around £37,000 will need to be raised each year. This is reflected in the Ezra report for ongoing maintenance.

Ardal Gweinidogaeth Bro Gwydyr Ministry Area

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies						
0110 - Gift Aid Envelopes - Occasional	126.00	-	-	-	126.00	1,585.45
0111 - Gift Direct	9,391.80	-	-	-	9,391.80	8,717.31
0112 - Other planned giving	2,209.00	-	-	-	2,209.00	4,136.55
0201 - Loose plate offering	2,124.10	-	-	-	2,124.10	8,944.47
0204 - Offerings - Funerals	174.47	-	-	-	174.47	229.53
0302 - Wall safe / box donations	890.53	-	-	-	890.53	6,505.67
0305 - Donations appeals etc	7,296.77	-	-	-	7,296.77	1,208.81
0401 - Mission Boxes	63.86	-	-	-	63.86	4,541.26
0402 - Other collections/mission appeals	398.47	-	-	-	398.47	2,089.65
0501 - Recovered HMRC Gift Aid receipts	2,480.72	-	-	-	2,480.72	2,645.53
0502 - Recovered HMRC GASDS receipts	1,967.97	-	-	-	1,967.97	-
0601 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	6,000.00
0701 - Recurring grants	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	2,000.00
0702 - Non-recurring one-off grants	-	-	-	-	-	4,251.00
Donations and legacies Totals	**28,123.69**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**28,123.69**	**52,855.23**
Income from charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)						
0901 - Fees for Occasional Offices	998.00	-	-	-	998.00	1,654.00
Income from charitable activities Totals	**998.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**998.00**	**1,654.00**
Other trading activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)						
0801 - Fund raising	3,151.80	-	-	-	3,151.80	3,543.42
0802 - Other funds generated	23,233.50	-	-	-	23,233.50	52,465.10
0803 - Hall Rental Income	2,255.00	-	-	-	2,255.00	2,995.50
0805 - Sundry income	161.12	-	-	-	161.12	1,457.50
0806 - Printing Income	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
Other trading activities Totals	**28,801.42**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**28,801.42**	**60,486.52**
Investments (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)						
1001 - Dividends/investment income	1,313.12	-	-	-	1,313.12	1,273.48
1020 - Bank and building society interest	88.78	-	-	-	88.78	180.82
1030 - Rent from investment land or buildings	5,728.95	-	-	-	5,728.95	6,899.74
Investments Totals	**7,130.85**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**7,130.85**	**8,354.04**
Income and endowments Grand totals	**65,053.96**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**65,053.96**	**123,349.79**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds						

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
3104 - Costs of fund raising	6,640.00	-	-	-	6,640.00	11,236.09
Raising funds Totals	**6,640.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**6,640.00**	**11,236.09**
Expenditure on charitable activities (Bro Gwydyr, St Gwyddelan, Dolwyddelan, St Mary, Betws-y-Coed, St Mary, Dolgarrog, St Mary & St Rhychwyn, Trefriw, St Tudclud, Penmachno)						
2001 - Diocesan share	65,000.00	-	-	-	65,000.00	68,091.00
2101 - Clergy expenses	3,587.58	-	-	-	3,587.58	5,632.25
2145 - Parsonage - water	585.65	-	-	-	585.65	489.55
2147 - Parsonage - electricity	-	-	-	-	-	77.28
2148 - Parsonage - Oil/wood/LPG/other	-	-	-	-	-	212.89
2149 - Parsonage - other expenses	1,330.81	-	-	-	1,330.81	15.00
2150 - Clergy - telephone/mobile/internet	-	-	-	-	-	632.86
2340 - Maintenance of services	1,461.55	-	-	-	1,461.55	2,046.60
2342 - Music & performance expenses	267.00	-	-	-	267.00	1,281.31
2401 - Costs of meetings	71.16	-	-	-	71.16	325.59
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationery	1,749.65	-	-	-	1,749.65	1,971.89
2404 - MA - telephone/mobile/internet	-	-	-	-	-	91.28
2405 - Office and general expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	2,281.84
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	5,725.33	-	-	-	5,725.33	5,351.30
2408 - Leasing and Hire purchase charges	-	-	-	-	-	149.63
2501 - Church operatating costs - insurance	3,827.37	-	-	-	3,827.37	3,196.64
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	7,515.13	-	-	-	7,515.13	6,530.28
2504 - Church operating costs - water	68.13	-	-	-	68.13	328.17
2505 - Church operating costs - other	2,416.64	-	-	-	2,416.64	226.43
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	1,829.10	-	-	-	1,829.10	8,608.70
2509 - Church Cleaning	25.00	-	-	-	25.00	849.85
2601 - Churchyard management costs	-	-	-	-	-	5,230.42
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	733.14	-	-	-	733.14	723.24
2606 - Church hall costs - repairs/maintenance	1,890.59	-	-	-	1,890.59	1,836.57
2608 - Church hall operating costs - water	185.81	-	-	-	185.81	-
2609 - Church hall - equipment repair & renewal	-	-	-	-	-	382.99
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	2,576.00	-	-	-	2,576.00	2,651.67
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	4,192.67	-	-	-	4,192.67	1,431.25
2804 - Cost of church publications	-	-	-	-	-	2,383.75
2805 - Cost of mission & evangelism	-	-	-	-	-	2,804.40
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	-	-	-	-	-	282.00
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	273.24	-	-	-	273.24	-
2903 - Support of UK charities	6,541.00	-	-	-	6,541.00	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**111,852.55**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**111,852.55**	**126,116.63**
Expenditure Grand totals	**118,492.55**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**118,492.55**	**137,352.72**