

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1181487

Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025  
For  
St George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester

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St George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester

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**St. George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester**

**Report of the Trustees**

**For the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

Objective of the Church is to promote the Indian Orthodox Christian faith.

The trustees have considered a charity commission's guidance on public benefit including the guidance 'public benefit running charity (PB2)'.

**SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES**

**Worship & Pastoral Care**

Worship & Holy Qurbana is celebrated on first & third Saturday of every month commencing with morning prayer at 09.00am and Qurbana from 09:30am.

Regular Sunday School classes, Marthamariam Samajam (MOMs) meetings, Youth meetings were conducted after Holy Qurbana at church.

Refreshments are served after the service, providing a time for fellowship and community interaction.

**Spiritual Organizations**

**Sunday School**

Sunday School classes were held actively & regularly after Holy Qurbana.

Unit level talent competition was held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April after Holy Qurbana.

A three-day Orthodox Vacation Bible Study (OVBS) took place from 16<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2024 Whetstone Memorial Hall High Street, Whetstone, Leicester, LE8 6LP under the ad-hoc guidance of Rev. Fr. Josen John, Rev. Fr. Tom Jacob.

**Marthamariam Samajam (MOMs)**

Marthamariam Samajam meetings were regularly held after Holy Qurbana and members actively supported all church activities.

Two food festival events were conducted by MOMs members.

Members of MOMs actively support and participate in all events hosted by the Diocese.

**Youth Movement**

Regular youth group meetings were conducted after Holy Qurbana. Youth members actively supported all church activities.

The 1<sup>st</sup> season of a football league named YFL was hosted by the youth team on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024, with church teams participating from across the UK. The tournament was conducted at Kettering Buccleuch Academy, Weekley Glebe Rd, Kettering NN16 9NS.

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#### **Prayer Groups**

Regular prayer meetings were conducted by churches' three prayer groups as below. These meetings offered an intimate platform for families to come together in prayer, reflect upon scripture and support on another in faith.

- St. George prayer group in Kettering region
- St. Mary's prayer group in Leicester region
- St. Gregorios prayer group for families outside Leicestershire

#### **Special Events**

##### **Feast of St. George**

The Feast of St. George was celebrated on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> May, evening prayer was held at the church, followed by a devotional speech.

On 4<sup>th</sup> May, Holy Qurbana was led by Rev. Fr. Joseph K. John and assisted by Rev. Fr. Josen John. The harvest festival and Perunal Nercha were conducted for all devotees after Holy Qurbana.

##### **BBQ & Sports Day**

A BBQ and Sports Day was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June at Glenfield Memorial Hall, 35 Stamford Street, Glenfield, Leicester LE3 8DL, providing all members with an opportunity to socialize and participate in various sports activities.

##### **Food Festival**

Our Christian values call us to support others in times of need. Upholding this core principle, the MOMs team organized two Food Festivals on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2024 and the 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2024, during which a variety of food items were sold. The proceedings of the events would be used as a source for charity projects.

##### **Onam**

The traditional South Indian festival of Onam was celebrated on the 21<sup>st</sup> of September. After the Holy Qurbana, attendees were served a delicious Onam Sadhya. A music festival session was also conducted for the guests coordinated by the youth members.

##### **Metropolitan Visit**

The Diocese Metropolitan H.G. Abraham Mar Stephanos Metropolitan visited the church on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2024. The Holy Qurbana was led by H.G. Abraham Mar Stephanos Metropolitan and assisted by Rev. Fr. Josen John.

##### **Feast of St. Gregorios**

The Feast of St. Gregorios was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 2024. Rev. Fr. Josen John (Vicar) led the Sunday Holy Qurbana followed by the Perunnal feast and special refreshments.

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##### **Mesthooso 2024**

Our church hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> season of choir signing competition Mesthooso (The Banquet) with 20 participating church choir teams from across the UK. H.G. Abraham Mar Stephanos (Diocese Metropolitan) & Rt Reverend Saju Muthalaly (Bishop of Loughborough, CofE) attended the event as key dignitaries.

The event was held on 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2024 (Saturday) at Judgemeadow Community College, Marydene Dr, Evington, Leicester LE5 6HP.

##### **Christmas Carol Visits**

Church carol visited homes of church members residences in the month of December 2024. The carol visits were coordinated by all the relevant prayer groups.

##### **Christmas Feast & Parish Day**

Christmas service was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

Parish day celebrations were conducted on 11<sup>th</sup> of January 2025 at Whetstone Memorial Hall High Street, Whetstone, Leicester, LE8 6LP featuring cultural activities performed by church members.

##### **Charity Projects**

A total contribution of £1750.00 towards charities in UK during the financial year.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

##### **Reserves**

The Church reserves are held to help its current and future activities including a separate savings account for acquiring assets. The retained surplus of parish as on 31/03/2025 was £22104 (£18689 on 31/03/2024).

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The Charity is controlled by its governing document, The Constitution adopted on 6th January 2018 and constitutes as an incorporated charity.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The Vicar is appointed by the Diocesan Bishop and his term will continue until further order from the Diocesan Bishop.

The Secretary, Treasurer and other committee members are elected by the Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of the charity.

**St. George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester**

**Report of the Trustees**

**For the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Name of Charity** St. George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester

**Charity Registration Number** 1181487

**Principal Address (Rented)**

St. Peters Church,  
Church Road, Glenfield,  
Leicester LE3 8DP

**Trustees**

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Rev. Fr. Josen John - Vicar and President

Mr. Jain Varghese - Hon. Treasurer

Mr. Binu John - Hon. Secretary

Mrs. Anitta Jinu - Committee Member

Mr. Anil Markose - Committee Member

Mr. Jacob Kuriakose - Committee Member

Mr. Jagan Abraham - Committee Member

Mr. Jiby Koshy - Committee Member

Mr. Libin Raj - Committee Member

Mr. Mathew Varghese - Committee Member

Mr. Siji Joy - Committee Member

Mr. Soji Thomas - Committee Member

Mr. Mebin Mathew - Ex-officio

Mr. Georgy Paul - Ex-officio

Approved by the Board of Trustees on .....27/1/2026..... and signed on its behalf by:



Mr. Binu John  
(Secretary)

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of**  
**St George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester**

I report on the accounts for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31 March 2025 set out on pages six to nine.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

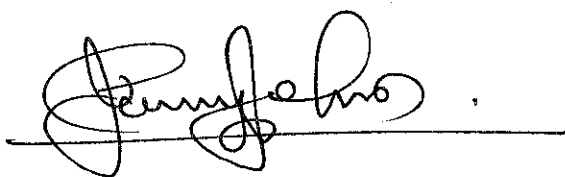
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date 28/01/2026

**St George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester**

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

		<b><u>Unrestricted</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted</u></b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
		<b><u>Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Total Funds</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
	Notes	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>					
Voluntary income		69,422	-	69,422	57,165
Activities for generating funds		4,199	-	4,199	2,050
Other incoming resources		828	-	828	379
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>74,450</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,450</b>	<b>59,594</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<b>Costs of Generating Funds</b>					
Charitable Expenditure		46,951	-	46,951	37,410
Fundraising Expenses		-	-	-	-
Governance Cost		4,780	-	4,780	2,949
Other Resources expended		614	-	614	545
		<b>52,345</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,345</b>	<b>40,904</b>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS</b>		<b>22,104</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,104</b>	<b>18,689</b>
Gross transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		<b>22,104</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22,104</b>	<b>18,689</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		<b>54,384</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,384</b>	<b>35,695</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>76,487</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,488</b>	<b>54,384</b>



Rev. Josen John  
Trustee

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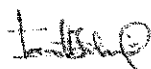


**St George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester**

**Balance Sheet**  
**At 31 March 2025**

	Notes	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Fund</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Fund</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2025</u> <u>Total</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>Total</u> <u>(£)</u>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Assets	4	1,841	-	1,841.2	1,636
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	5	10,538	-	10,538	9,219
Cash at bank and in Hand		<u>64,408</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,408</u>	<u>43,848</u>
		74,946	-	74,946	53,067
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(300)	-	(300)	(319)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)</b>		<u>74,646</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,646</u>	<u>52,748</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>76,488</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,488</b>	<b>54,384</b>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	7	-	-	-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>76,488</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,488</u>	<u>54,384</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted Funds	9	76,488	-	76,488	54,384
Restricted Funds		-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>76,488</u>	<u>54,384</u>

The financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 7/6/2025 and were signed on its behalf by



Rev. Josen John  
Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

**4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	<b><u>Fixtures &amp; Fittings</u></b>
	<b><u>(£)</u></b>
<b><u>COST</u></b>	
At 1 April 2024	2,880
Additions	819
Disposals	-
<b>At 31 March 2025</b>	<b><u>3,699</u></b>
<b><u>DEPRECIATION</u></b>	
At 1 April 2024	1,244
Charge for the year	614
Elimination on disposal	-
<b>At 31 March 2025</b>	<b><u>1,858</u></b>
<b><u>NET BOOK VALUE</u></b>	
At 31 March 2025	<b><u>1,841</u></b>
At 31 March 2024	<b><u>1,636</u></b>

**5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Gift Aid Receivable	10538	9,219
Prepayments & Accrued Income	-	-
	<b><u>10,538</u></b>	<b><u>9,219</u></b>

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	2025 £	2024 £
<b>6. CREDITORS; AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>		
Bank Loans and Overdrafts	-	-
Accrued Expenses	300	319
	<b>300</b>	<b>319</b>

**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.2024 £	Net Movement in Funds £	Transfers between Funds £	At 31.03.2025 £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				
General Fund	54,384	22,104	-	76,488
	<b>54,384</b>	<b>22,104</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,488</b>

Net movement in Funds, included in above are as follows

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended. £	Movement in Funds £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	74,450	(52,345)	22,104
<b>Restricted Funds</b>			
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>74,450</b>	<b>(52,345)</b>	<b>22,104</b>

**St George Indian Orthodox Church, Leicester**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	<b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>(£)</u></b>
<b><u>Incoming Resources</u></b>		
<b>Voluntary Income</b>		
Subscription	25345	16545
Donation	2570	5962
Gift Aid	10791	9219
Offertory	7927	9472
Passion Week	1800	2935
Sunday School and OVBS	2950	810
MOMS	2689	1488
Youth League	2519	182
DIOCEUK		808
Christmas Collections	2530	2403
Onam	1801	1790
Family Get Together(Mesthooso)	8500	5250
Sponsorship(Pending Dues)		
Charity		301
	<hr/> 69422	<hr/> 57165
<b>Activities for Generating Funds</b>		
Harvest Festival	4198.8	2050
Food Festival		0
	<hr/> 4198.8	<hr/> 2050
<b>Other Incoming Resources</b>		
Bank Interest Received	828.41	379
Miscellaneous income		0
	<hr/> 828	<hr/> 379
<b><u>Total Incoming Resources</u></b>	<hr/> <b>74450</b>	<hr/> <b>59594</b>

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025**

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	<b><u>2025</u></b> <b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b> <b><u>(£)</u></b>
<b><u>Resources Expended</u></b>		
<b><u>Charitable Expenditures</u></b>		
Vicars allowances	6250	3500
Catholicate day		150
DIOCEUK	2318	1620
Onam	2040	2200
Christmas	1898	1950
Perunal	2309	2026
Passion Week	4670	3480
Church Consumables	267	14
Sunday School , OVBS and Youth	5826	3960
MOMS	535	404
Christmas service	250	
Travel Expenses	207	
Family Get Together(Mesthooso)	8393	5568
Charity	1750	3415
Parish Day	1843	
Refreshment	8394	6463
Misc		2660
	<b><u>46951</u></b>	<b><u>37410</u></b>
<b><u>Fund Raising Expenses</u></b>		
Events Cost	0	0
<b><u>Governance Cost</u></b>		
Post, Stationery ,Telephone,Web	357	248
Gifts	409	100
Rent	3239	1946
Professional Fees		
Accountancy	300	300
Insurance	193	164
Bank charges	283	136
Sundry		
Subscriptions		56
	<b><u>4780</u></b>	<b><u>2949</u></b>
<b><u>Depreciation</u></b>		
Fixtures and Fittings	614	545
	<b><u>614</u></b>	<b><u>545</u></b>
<b>Total Resource Expended</b>	<b>52345</b>	<b>40904</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>22104</b>	<b>18689</b>

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