

St Andrew's Church, Girton

Annual Report for the year ending 31st December 2022



**Presented at the
Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Sunday 14th May 2023**



ST ANDREW'S GIRTON

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Agendas for the Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting

To be held in the church following the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, 14th May, 2023

Meeting of Parishioners Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the meeting of 8th May, 2022. See page [24](#).
3. Election of Churchwardens
4. Any other business

Annual Parochial Church Meeting Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the meeting of 8th May, 2022. See page [24](#).
3. Matters arising from the minutes
4. Number on the electoral roll
5. Questions about Annual Report (the report itself will be taken as read)

Please note - it would be helpful to have written questions in advance if you have questions of detail to ask.

6. Safeguarding
7. Financial report and accounts
8. Appointment of External Examiner of the accounts
9. Elections to the Parochial Church Council and Deanery Synod
 - a. Election of up to 2 members
 - b. Membership of Deanery Synod - Election of up to 2 members
10. Plans for 2023
11. Any other business - *items should be given to the Rector at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, please.*

Introduction



Rector

As always there is much to give thanks for as we mark another year in the life of this parish. I rejoice that we are such a loving, welcoming and positive community. This is evident in so many of the reports included below. I would like to thank all of the very many people who contribute to the life of the church; each and every one of you is noted and treasured. We are greatly blessed to have so many who play their part in practical, pastoral and prayerful ways. The Body of Christ only functions when every member does what they can.

2022 was a year of transition too. The country transitioned to a new monarch, and we look forward to marking the coronation year by restoring the Royal Coat of Arms. St Andrew's also transitioned to pay for a Children and Families Minister for the first time. Eona has been a great asset in helping us nurture the children in our care and also in helping us to reach out to those around us. We have also had some transition in our congregation; many new faces have joined us and some old faces have moved on, either into glory or to new places. What remains the same throughout is the loving kindness of God in Jesus Christ, who provides the solid rock on which we build.

I give thanks for the wonderful ministry team we have here, and the faithful service of our Church Wardens and PCC. Their commitment and generosity is commendable, and I would not be able to do what I do without them.

Thanks also to Dugald, as always, for compiling this annual report. I commend it to you.

Revd. Michael Bigg



Churchwardens

The Covid restrictions were lifted, and we gradually resumed normal seating arrangements and sang hymns again but kept a system in place for movement around the church to go up to the altar rail for communion. We were not quite back to handshaking to show signs of peace but certainly we became more relaxed.

Church members took over the running of Bobtails for mothers and young children to meet in the Cotton Hall. We advertised for a family and children's minister and appointed Eona Bell in May. She organises Bobtails, helps with Choir Church, introduces Godly Play for children every Sunday and liaises with the Glebe School.

It has been a relief to get back to normal, with events like the stall at Feast Day, the Art Exhibition and Hymns and Pimms. A questionnaire was devised to find out whether the congregation likes what is going on in the services and so on... which should help future planning.

Choir members gradually dropped out, and it was sadly disbanded this year.

There were many Platinum Jubilee celebrations in Girton. The church bells were rung for 70 minutes and there was a tea party in the North room. There was a book of condolences in church when Queen Elizabeth sadly died in September.

In November, The Mitten Tree was in place for a second year and even more donations were made.

Thanks go to Robin Bradford who stepped down after several years of Church Warden duties. We would like some more offers of help please! We much appreciate all the many helpers that make the church run so smoothly but a Church Warden team would be great.

Bruce and Wendy Hunter, Robin Bradford

Objectives and Activities

Girton PCC promotes the mission of the Church of England in the village of Girton by providing public worship and other related activities. In 2022 we have been able to worship with limited impact from Covid-19, and it was particularly pleasing to enjoy full services at Christmas time once again.

In 2022 our “worshipping community” numbered about 135 people, with a usual Sunday attendance of around 75 across all services. It has been pleasing to see the continuing good numbers of children attending services. However, we are starting to see that regular attendees now come 2-3 times per month rather than every single Sunday.

Early in 2022 we took over running the village toddler group (“Bobtails”) in the Cotton Hall and now have 15-20 families attending this most weeks during term time. We have also continued our regular services in the care homes across the village and these are well-attended.

The appointment of Eona Bell as our Children and Families Minister has been a great step forward in our outreach. She has facilitated growing discipleship among the children regularly attending church but is also helping us to reach out to the wider village through things like Bobtails.

Pastoral care and teaching continue to be areas in which we operate. Christina and Suzie do a huge amount of pastoral care coordination, and Dugald has put on a well-received range of study courses. In October we, along with our friends in Madingley, took a group to Little Gidding for a Quiet Day led by the Revd Dr Adrian Chatfield, which was appreciated by those who came.

There is, of course, more to be done. But God was worshipped in Girton throughout 2022 and we hope that the church provided comfort and support where we could.

Revd. Michael Bigg

Ministry

The Ministry Team

Rector

I am, as always, incredibly grateful to have such a thoughtful, talented and generous ministry team to work with. It's been a joy to add Eona Bell to the team as Children and Families Minister in June.

Dugald's ministry of teaching and preaching has enabled many to journey deeper into their faith. Christina's pastoral care ensures that everyone feels taken care of. Christine is a rock of prayer and praise, and offers reliable, honest and insightful counsel. Eona has thrown herself into ministry with children and families, but also seeks to connect these groups to the wider life of the church. I am grateful to all of them.

We also benefit from the preaching of Douglas de Lacey, the pastoral care of Suzie Filmer, and the input of two gifted ordinands.

I am glad also to have had regular meetings with Nick Lowe at Girton Baptist Church and hope that ecumenical relations in the village continue to improve for the benefit of our common mission.

At the end of 2022 we commissioned a survey of the congregation and were pleased with the results. The general sense was that people feel cared for and that they value the services offered at St Andrew's. However, the survey does reveal a need to enable the congregation to apply their faith more fully to "Monday to Saturday" life, and there is also a need to review the social life of the church. Both of these will be foci for 2023.

The other focus for 2023 will be completing the long-awaited West End Makeover project. I hope that this time next year I will be able to write about its successful and joyful completion!

As always, the harvest is plentiful and the labourers are relatively few. Please pray for the ministry of this church in Girton. Please contribute your time and resources to help it to happen. Please continue to support us as best you can!

Revd. Michael Bigg

Associate Priest

There is a pleasing sense of our life having returned to something which is akin to normal, even while keeping a weather eye open for potential further outbreaks of Covid. At the beginning of 2022 I was able to return to normal duties after my replacement hip operation so that gave a further sense of "business as usual."

That has included taking the monthly Communion service at Gretton Court, and writing and leading the material for their Advent and Lent discussion groups. I have also taken turns officiating at the Communion service at Abbeyfield. In addition my work has involved working with families and supporting them as I officiated at the funeral of a loved one.

In order for me to continue in my role in the church, and given that I am well past retirement age, every few years I have to go through a process to renew my PTO ["Permission To Officiate."] I have just completed that once more, Michael having been kind enough to sign a document stating that I am fit to carry on in my duties, the diocesan office having checked that all my safeguarding training is up to date, and the Retired Clergy Officer having contacted me to discern whether I'm happy to continue. By choice I am not doing as much as I have done in the past, but I am happy to continue for the next year at least!

Revd. Chris Barrow

Readers / LLMs

We have enjoyed a much more typical year, with Covid restrictions easing and its presence becoming less threatening. Of course, things have been affected by it, but we are definitely "on the up".

As it was during last year, we have enjoyed working with Michael: we still enjoy working with him! We do feel part of a team sharing and helping in the ministry work of the church. We are both aware that Michael is not full-time, and so are willing to step in wherever necessary and able. Our only plea is not to be asked to preach with 2 days' notice!

Dugald ran a short Lent course based on the life of St Winefride. While it was successful, it would be nice to grow the list of people willing to take part in this sort of venture. Courses like this help us to develop another aspect of our relationships in the church, allowing us to learn from each other through sharing our knowledge and experience.

Christina has a pastoral role within the church. She also spends some time as Reader Sub-warden; and is involved in the vocation discernment process and the LLM section process in the diocese.. Dugald is still employed in managing the service staffing rotas (see the secretarial report).

Christina Deacon and Dugald Wilson

Children and Young Families

Our ministry with children and young families has continued to develop, led by a loyal and experienced team of volunteers and – from Pentecost – our Children and Families Minister, Eona Bell.

Bobtails

This year, with support from the Girton Town Charity, St Andrew's took over responsibility for Bobtails, a weekly playgroup for under-fives, their parents and carers which had previously been run by volunteers from the village. Since February we have run drop-in sessions on Tuesday mornings during term time at the Cotton Hall. We offer free play, craft activities, hot drinks for adults and snacks for children, with singing, Bible stories and simple prayers. We inherited a good stock of toys and play equipment from the past Bobtails committee, and families are asked to make a small weekly donation towards the cost of room hire and refreshments.

Up to 18 families attend each week, with parents, grandparents and childminders coming from Girton and surrounding villages. It has been a pleasure to see new friendships formed and strengthened among people who can often feel isolated with small children at home. Two families have brought their children to church for baptism and others attended the Nativity and Christingle services.

Sessions have been led by a strong team of volunteers from the congregation including Kathryn Bigg, Caroline Blackmun, Christina Deacon, Suzie Filmer, Wendy Hunter, Katelyn McCraw, Joan Playfair, Mikaela Priddy, Cat Whittaker, Maria Sadler and Dugald Wilson – many thanks to them all! Eona Bell has coordinated the team since June. We are now starting to recruit more volunteers from among the families who attend.

Choir Church

Choir Church, our singing group for children aged 7+, met weekly after school during term-time and attracted children from two local primary schools and a family who are educated at home. Up to 12 children have attended, more than half of whom have little or no other contact with the church.

Children are greeted by members of the congregation serving juice and biscuits in the North Room and we are thankful for all who have volunteered their time. Rehearsals have been led by organist Richard Hinitt with support from Michael and Eona. The children have learned a variety of music including traditional hymns, contemporary worship songs, anthems and songs from musical theatre. In the summer they performed selections from the cantata *Jonah Man Jazz*. Choir Church sang at the Girton Feast in June, a Harvest-themed Evensong in October, and with the adult choir at the Advent Carol service. We were fortunate to be awarded a special project grant from the Church Schools of Cambridge Trust, which enabled us to buy choir robes for the children which they wore at services in October and December.

St Andrews for Kids

Our Sunday morning group for children of pre-school and primary school age met during the 10 am service on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month from January to June, and additionally on the 4th Sunday from June onwards. Attendance ranged from three to twelve children each week; we have seven or eight families who are regular worshippers and occasional visitors. One family moved away in the summer while two families joined during the year.

For the first six months the volunteer team were ably led by Jenny Prince and used the “Splash” resources from the Scripture Union to take the children through a structured programme focusing on Genesis, healing miracles and Easter. Since her arrival, Eona has been introducing Godly Play, an process akin to the spiritual accompaniment of children in which we reflect together on Scripture and key aspects of church tradition and liturgy. Over the summer and autumn we reflected on Psalm 23, sacred stories from the Old Testament and Isaiah. We are fortunate to have an experienced and skilled team of volunteer leaders and thanks are due to Susanna Carleton Paget, Wendy de Horsey, Wairimu Gatome, Jenny Prince, Jenny Knights, our parent helpers and ordinands Chris and Will.

The children raised over £100 for Christian Aid from the Coin Trail which has become a St Andrew’s tradition, and helped publicise the Advent Mitten Tree in support of Jimmy’s Cambridge and GrowKids Cambridge.

The Nativity play was a great success, with another original script written by Jenny Prince and a large cast including children, teenagers and adults from the Sunday morning congregation and Choir Church.

Schools and community

During August, we installed a temporary ‘wander and wonder’ trail through the churchyard inviting passers-by to stop and reflect on words from Psalm 23, with versions suitable for children and adults.

Cottontails Preschool visited the church at Harvest and Christmas to hear stories from the Bible and explore the church building.

Girton Glebe Primary School held their carol service in church and Michael and Eona have met with the new head teacher to plan future visits to the school by the ministry team and church members.

Eona Bell, Jenny Knights and Sheila Hiley joined a team from Girton Baptist Church providing free craft activities and a Nativity selfie booth during the Girton Glebe Christmas fair.

Eona Bell

Services

Sunday Worship

Our gathering for worship, Sunday by Sunday, continues to be at the heart of our activity as a church. Here we meet with God and one another to be empowered ready to live our Christian vocation throughout the week.

Numbers attending on a Sunday continue to be strong, with average Sunday attendance at around 75 (including 11 children). We also continue to make our Sunday services available on YouTube for those unable to attend in person.

Attendance at Christmas and Easter was pleasing, with many of the “fringe” people in our community starting to gather for the major festivals again. A particular highlight was running out of Christingles at our Christingle Service.

During the year I reinstated a second 8am BCP Communion each month and I have enjoyed the opportunity to offer this service more often. We were sad to mark the end of the monthly “Taize” service during 2022 and wait expectantly for something new to develop in its place to meet the need for more contemplative worship. With Caroline Blackmun training as a worship leader we hope to be able to offer something soon.

A focus for the year to come is encouraging more of our “worshipping community” (currently 135 people) to attend weekly where possible. I hope that we will be able to develop our “Monday to Saturday” faith and encourage people to be part of the wider activities of the church too.

Rev. Michael Bigg



Occasional Offices

In 2022 we offered a steady flow of occasional office ministry, seeing a particular increase in the number of baptisms.

The ministry team officiated at 12 funerals (6 in the church, 6 at the crematorium), and we also interred 4 sets of ashes in the churchyard from funerals we did not take. This is roughly the same number as in 2021 (13 in total). In particular we said a sad goodbye to Margaret Pumfrey who has been an incredibly faithful servant of the church for many years. The privilege of working with bereaved families is not one we take lightly. Our “In Memory” service was, again, well-attended and appreciated by those who came.

Two marriages were solemnised in the church in 2022. This is always a joy and delight!

Five baptisms took place in 2022 (up from one in 2021). It was a particular joy to baptise Iggy by full immersion in the churchyard, and to celebrate the adult baptism of Ash as an important step on his journey of faith. Our current position remains that baptisms should normally take place during Sunday services unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Revd. Michael Bigg

Taize

Up until October 2022 we continued meeting for Taizé worship on the first Sunday each month wherever possible. Exceptions this year were April, July and September. This year, Kay Barrett made the difficult decision to step down from leading our Taizé worship, with effect from the October service, after 25 years of offering Taizé worship in Girton. Unfortunately, no-one else felt able to take on the necessary planning and leading of the prayers and music, so this marked the end of our Taizé worship, at least for now.

A special hybrid thanksgiving service was held on 2 October. This was very well attended, both in-person and online. Former regulars Rob and Natalie Stone, and Reverend Diana Johnson, made the journeys from Gloucestershire and Northumberland to be with us, and the online participants included a Taizé friend from the US. Thanks are due to Michael Bigg for setting up the Zoom part of the meeting. After the service, Kay was presented with a thank you card and gifts. We also thanked Kay’s husband Dave, who has faithfully played guitar for the services and supported Kay over the years. Refreshments were served and we shared fond memories of St Andrews Taizé worship over the years and remembered absent friends.

Our other Taizé services alternated between an online and in-person format. We enjoyed being back in our old home of the North Room, but also wanted to continue to include folk who live too far away to come in person. Attendance at the monthly services ranged between 12 and 20 participants, with friends from further afield – including Germany and the US – joining the online worship.

Our themes generally followed the church lectionary, including prayers for the world and ourselves, Taizé chants, and a time of silent prayer and reflection.



In January, we met online for a new year service of quiet reflection, with Taizé chants and prayers at the start and finish of our time of quiet prayer.

In February, we met in the North Room for a Candlemas themed worship, which included the Taizé candle lighting prayer, where each person holds an unlit candle, and the flame is passed from person to person, lighting up the room.

In March, our Lent Taizé worship was held online and included prayers for Ukraine.

The April Taizé worship unfortunately had to be cancelled, as Kay wasn't well.

Our May Taizé worship was held online, and began with a recording of an Easter chant sung in the Chapel at Taizé and included the story of Peter impetuously diving into the sea to meet the risen Christ standing on the shore.

In June, our Pentecost Taizé worship was held in person, and included the chant 'Laudate Omnes Gentes', sung in Swedish and German as well as the original Latin.

The July Taizé worship had to be cancelled, as Kay's father broke his hip and she had to go to Loughborough to help her parents.

In August, our Taizé worship was online, with the theme of 'Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also'.

In September there was no service as Kay and Dave were away on holiday.

In October we held our hybrid service of thanksgiving for 25 years of Taizé worship at St Andrews: 1997 – 2023. We closed our worship with one of our favourite prayers from Brother Roger, founder of the Taizé community:

*Risen Christ, you take us with our hearts just as they are.
Why think we must wait for our hearts to be changed before we go to you?
You transfigure them.
With our thorns, you light a fire.
The open wound in us is the place through which your love comes streaming.
And within the very hurts themselves, you bring to fruition a communion with you.
Your voice comes to rend our night, and the gateways of praise open up within us.*

Kay Barrett



Messy Church

Messy Church is for children and Primary School age and younger and their parents or Minders. We meet at the Baptist Church on the second Thursday of each month at 3.30pm until around 6.00pm. It is very relaxed and starts with the children arriving from school and having snacks and drinks and then doing some colouring sheets and chatting until 4.00pm. The numbers of children vary between 8 – 24 and they mostly come from Girton and Oakington. Some of the older children have just left but we do have lots of younger ones who now come. Sadly, at the moment, there are no children for St Andrew's attending.

At 4.00pm we gather in the main room and Nick Lowe, the Baptist Pastor, introduces the theme of the week and Sheila Hiley and I explain the crafts for that session to the children. There are helpers there who have no children of their own and come for the enjoyment it brings by helping with an activity. It brings so much fun just making things and chatting with the children.

We always have a theme and these have included The Prodigal Son, the story of Ruth and Naomi, Harvest, Seeing, Calling the First Disciples, Christmas, Easter and Pentecost. Favourite activities have been any form of baking e.g. Easter egg nests, Piggy Biscuits and caterpillar cakes. Piggy balloons, sewing bookmarks and planting seeds have also been popular activities.

In July, being the end of the school year, we have a picnic on the field behind the Recreation Ground and we play games and usually have a Treasure Hunt before we have our picnic. After that we end with a prayer and a song thanking God for our wonderful world.

We are always wanting extra people to come along as helpers so if you think you might like to join us by fulfilling this role please talk to Sheila or me at any time.

Jenny Knights and Sheila Hiley

Pastoral Care

It is always pleasing to note the way that people in the congregation look after one another. Pastoral care is the responsibility of everyone and so everyone is encouraged to care for others within their circle and beyond.

“Formal” pastoral care is mainly conducted by me, Christina Deacon and Suzie Filmer. I am very grateful to Christina and Suzie for all of the faithful visiting that they do on behalf of the church. As much as we would like to be able to visit everyone on a regular basis, the formal part of pastoral care is inevitably rather reactive to events and needs. If you, or someone you know, would be grateful for a visit then please do not hesitate to ask! We always try to respond to requests for visits in a timely manner.

Revd. Michael Bigg

Pastoral ALM's Report

It has been an interesting year with the extreme heat and so much snow. Covid restrictions have also closed Abbeyfield and Arlington for some months during the year so we have been unable to visit. However, we have kept in contact by telephone just to keep an eye on how everybody is doing.

It is lovely to see so many new people joining the Church. We welcome them as pastoral care is expressed in the care we show to one another, not just 'the' visiting.

Unfortunately, I had a rather 'restricting' accident which meant I could not drive and have not been very well. So, this last couple of months, I'm afraid I have not been able to visit as much as I would like to.

However, I am much better and will be able to drive again soon. So will be out visiting as many people as I can.

I am guided in my passport care duties by Michael and Christina and so enjoy it. I feel very privileged visiting people and would welcome anybody else who would like to train to do the pastoral care visiting and join me.

The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn his face towards you to give you peace.

Suzie Filmer (Pastoral ALM)

[Michael adds: if you would be interested in training to do pastoral care please get in touch!]



Provision for the Elderly

Every month we hold a service in each of Gretton Court, Abbeyfield and Arlington Manor. These services are often well-attended and appreciated by those who come. The ability to meet with people who are unable to attend church on Sundays is very valuable.

We also seek to visit those who are housebound or otherwise unable to attend services. Please let us know if there are people in particular need of a visit at any time.

Christina Deacon and Michael Bigg

Music and choir (seniors)



This year (2022) we have unfortunately had to discontinue our weekly rehearsals due to reduction in numbers. However, through some adverts in the parish magazine, we did get some new singers and together with the juniors, sang a good selection of choir items (and well-known descants) for the carol service in December.

The all-age service band with Richard, Edwin & Helen, has been joined by our Ordinand Will on the piano and at one point Austin kindly stepped in at short notice with his guitar, when Richard was unable to lead the service due to Covid infection.

Richard Hinitt

Outreach

Our main focus for outreach this year has been through Bobtails. We are grateful for the financial support of Girton Town Charity in this venture. We regularly meet with dozens of young families in the village and beyond through this, providing a supportive environment for parents, grandparents and other carers (as well as their children).

We have also continued to develop our Choir Church initiative, although this has been somewhat hampered by Girton Glebe resuming its own choir.

We also try to engage with the community through activities outside of the church. For example, our stall at the village Feast Weekend and our “Christmas Dinner and Carols” event at the Old Crown.

It is hoped that once our West-End Makeover is complete we will have a better space to enable community engagement with what we do.

Revd. Michael Bigg

Ordinand Reports

As I come to the end of this stage of my training, I am filled with gratitude to everyone at St Andrew’s for the kindness that you have all shown to me and my family over the last 18 months. You immediately made us feel at home and part of the community, and as a result I haven’t felt like ‘the temporary trainee’, but rather a real part of the St Andrews Family.

Cat and I had been worshipping at a large city-centre church for the last 15 years or so, and so as part of my training it was suggested that, in order to become a ‘well rounded’ clergy member, it would be best for me to join a village parish church to learn from – in my tutor’s words – ‘the beating heart of the Church of England’. My time at St Andrews has shown you all to be just that: You pray fervently, you passionately read and discuss scripture, you love your community and commit to improving it, and you love and support each other so well as we all do our best to follow Jesus in our daily lives.

Thank you for being so patient with me and gracious with your feedback as I have been learning how to preach and deacon in services. I hope it wasn’t too obvious that I had never worn robes before setting foot in St Andrews!

Thank you all for everything you have done and been in supporting me with my training and welcoming the Whittakers in Girton. We will miss you!

Chris Whittaker (Ridley Hall)

Safeguarding

Firstly I would like to thank Sheila for passing the safeguarding work to me in such good order. When I have attended training sessions run by the diocese, it is clear that St Andrew's has a good approach to safeguarding, and we are in a much better position than many churches.

I have continued to administer DBS checks for new applicants and for renewals, and to keep records of training sessions attended. There are a number of people who are new for refresher courses this year, and I will be contacting them individually about this.

We have also made good progress with our Safeguarding Dashboard – the online tool which keeps track of when policies need to be reviewed. There are several levels to complete, and we are now working at the top level.

Anyone in the church can enrol to take one of the online safeguarding courses. They can usually be completed in an hour or two and do give useful advice on things to look out for in order to keep children and vulnerable adults safe. Please speak to Helen if you would like to know more about the courses, or any aspect of safeguarding.

Helen Wilson

Building and Fabric

Fabric

We have done all normal checks and servicing during the year.

The pigeons came back to roost again, but this problem has been successfully dealt with. This year they also nested the hopper at the top of the south wall drainpipe, blocking the pipe which caused a damp problem on the wall. This has been resolved by placing spikes where needed.

The South Wall had become damp, both outside and inside. Work to remedy this was very efficiently done by Abel and all is now dried out, and been redecorated. The board listing all incumbents has been treated and a metal plate has been inserted to prevent any possible future problems from dampness.

The roof has been cleared of leaves and plant material and the downpipes have been cleared. The parapet will probably need remedial work done in the not too distant future.

As overmuch effort has gone into reordering with the help and advice of Peter Slinger, the architect has now reached the point of inviting tenders to get the work completed.

Bruce Hunter



Churchyard

The monthly work party continued to meet throughout the year. I am always pleased to see how many people visit the churchyard and sit on the many seats and benches to enjoy this peaceful place. The family of Sally Robey donated a beautifully made bench this year.

The churchyard is a popular route through to the woods for dog walkers and we made the decision to lock the gate for January and February so that the path doesn't get too muddy. It also ensures that it doesn't become a public right of way.

Two enormous branches fell off the blue cedar in January. A tree surgeon checked that the tree was safe and fortunately no further work was needed. Several yew trees were professionally shaped. All other work has been done by capable helpers.

Four leaning headstones were straightened, and two wobbly crosses were mended by Hibbitts.

Thank you very much indeed to all the volunteers who help to keep the churchyard looking good and develop the area to encourage local flora and fauna too.



Wendy Hunter

Flower Arrangers

We have continued to have flowers in our church every week throughout the year. We were able to dress the church for the major festivals of Easter, Harvest and Christmas supported by some generous donations from our congregation. Particularly we put much effort into decorations for our late Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June and then, with great sadness, following her death in September. Additionally we dressed the church for 2 weddings and a funeral. In writing this report I would like to pay tribute to those ladies who have given so generously of their time, skill and enthusiasm over the year in achieving all that has been done to present our church so beautifully.

Anne Lorimer



Church Cleaning

The team has continued to keep the church clean week by week throughout the year. Many thanks to everybody!

Wendy Hunter

Administration

Electoral roll

As of the most recent revision (ending April 2023) we have 100 names on the Electoral Roll. We have lost a few through deaths and others moving away and have gained 6 members at this revision. New members are always welcome on the Electoral Roll at any time, so feel free to join if you would like to.

I would be more than happy if someone else were willing to take this on!

Alice Few

PCC Membership and Activity

The Parochial Church Council operates under the Church Representation Rules (2022). It is made up of *ex officio* and elected members as detailed below:

- Rector (*ex officio*)
 - Michael Bigg (inducted in September 2020)
- Church Wardens (*ex officio*)
 - Bruce Hunter
 - Wendy Hunter
- Deanery Synod Reps (elected in September 2020)
 - Malini Jesudason
 - Sheila Hiley
- Licensed Lay Ministers (re-appointed at 2022 APCM for as long as they are licensed)
 - Christina Deacon
 - Dugald Wilson
- Elected Members
 - Geoff Burt (2022-2025 - re-elected in May 2022)
 - Alastair Lorimer (2021-2023 - also PCC Vice Chair)
 - Martyn Johnson (2021-2024 - also PCC Treasurer)
 - Jenny Knights (2021-2024)
 - Helen Wilson (2022-2025 - from May 2022, also Parish Safeguarding Officer)
- Co-opted members
 - Revd. Christine Barrow (co-opted again in May 2022)

The PCC has also appointed John Hall to be PCC Secretary.

In 2022 the PCC met on 17th January, 21st March, 16th May, 11th July, 12th September and 7th November. Minutes of meetings are available on request via the PCC Secretary at pcc-secretary@girton.church

Standing Committee

The Standing Committee comprises the Rector, Church Wardens, Licensed Lay Ministers and Treasurer. This group meets from time to time as needed and has discretionary spending powers (to be reported to PCC at the next available meeting). It did not meet formally in 2022.

Ministry Team

The Ministry Team comprises the Rector, Church Wardens and Licensed Lay Ministers (and from 2022, the Children and Families Minister). The group meets every 2-3 months to discuss the general life and business of the church (including pastoral needs) but has no decision-making or spending powers.

Revd. Michael Bigg / John Hall

Secretarial / Pews News

The administration work of the church and parish is distributed amongst several people. There is no church secretary who would have been a focus of all this work.

Susie Cumming helps us in the preparation of the weekly Pews News and other occasional copying and printing and we are very grateful to her for it.

Dugald Wilson has managed many of the church service rotas. It is always appreciated that any changes are told to him in good time so that the service documentation can be updated in time for the Sunday services. Of course, there are other, non service specific, rotas managed by other people. All in all, the church seems to run pretty smoothly.

However, we'd like to raise the annual plea for volunteers for any task. People retire, but fewer people come to fill their places. As a result, the lists shrink and it puts more of a burden on the decreasing number of people, and on Dugald who has to arrange the rotas while endeavouring not to overwork anybody. We need sidesmen, readers, intercessors, camera operators. Further, it would be helpful to have more people willing to fulfil some of the wardens' roles required during church services.

Nigel Deacon has managed the church website, keeping it up to date. He has also managed the occasional electronic newsletters informing us of important upcoming events. There is also a small team of dedicated and talented camera folk keeping our Sunday morning service streaming going.

Dugald Wilson

Finance

Last year I made some major changes to our accounting structures, and am pleased to report that the changes have very much simplified the day to day handling of money.

I reported in 2022 that work was in progress to simplify some of the historical trusts which provide us with a modest income. This work is now largely complete. As a consequence, I have incorporated into the accounts the capital value of a number of trust funds held on our behalf by the diocese as custodian trustee. This has substantially increased the nominal value of the general and churchyard funds in the accounts. It is important to realise that this is not new money. It has been providing us with income for many decades and will continue to do so. The only real change is that the (fluctuating) value of the underlying investments are now included in the balance sheet.

Accounting artefacts aside, the major change in 2022 has been the employment of our Children and Families Minister. This entailed registering with HMRC as an employer, and with a workplace pension provider. The majority of the administration of the payroll is handled on our behalf by the "Stewardship" payroll bureau. For accounting purposes, I have created a fund called "Children" which records income and expenditure associated with our outreach to children and families. It was primed from the funding transferred to us from the old "Bobtails" group and has been supplemented by various donations and a generous grant from the Girton Town Charity, but at present is mainly supported by explicit transfers from the general fund. It is a challenge for us to find the funding to sustain this valuable activity in the long term.

We are fortunate that the Girton Town Charity's rental of the parish office continued for longer than initially expected. We do know that this will come to an end in 2023.

General increases in the costs of everything continue to be a matter of concern. The current financial position is reasonably healthy, but to remain that way we must aim to increase our income **at least** in line with inflation. As mentioned many times before, the Parish Giving Scheme helps with this by offering the option of automatic inflationary increases.

Martyn Johnson

The Wider Church

Deanery Synod

The year started with parishes being asked to answer some questions about how they feel they are doing in a variety of contexts and this information, which had to be in by April, would feed into the work being undertaken to produce a new plan. Our contribution was very largely written by Dugald and when the North Stowe Deanery *Living Ely 2025* Working Group was set up, Martyn was our representative. The development of this plan took up a good deal of the Deanery Synod business of the year. One reason for this is that we are tending to think of the church in terms of how it used to be whereas we need to be more realistic about unprecedented rises in the population at the same time as difficulty with sustaining stipendiary ministry. (There were two meetings to address these issues this year).

In January the meeting at Milton discussed the need for more resources for the new developments in the deanery, namely Waterbeach and Northstowe, and that the overall financial position of the Ely Diocese was not good, though better than some. Overall in the C of E, there is a £25 million shortfall in the pension fund.

Interesting fact----

Who is a typical member of the worldwide Anglican Communion?

She is a woman under 40 from Sub Saharan Africa.

The next meeting was at Madingley where Deanery representatives were invited to make comments and ask questions on the plan presented by the committee. Later this plan was discussed by our PCC. The issue which affects us in Girton is ministry in both Edington and Darwin Green and any changes have not yet been decided upon.

The North Stowe Deanery *Living Ely 2025* plan is an ongoing subject for our Deanery.

Sheila Hiley / Malini Jesudason

Friends of St Andrew's

Finally on 24th February 2022 all legal restrictions occasioned by the Covid pandemic were lifted, although we were advised to continue to "practise specific safe and responsible behaviour". The spectre and reality of Covid is with us still. Indeed, we were only able to arrange a Coffee Morning in August and a clarinet recital at church in October, raising between them just £696.60 for which we were nevertheless grateful.

Alastair Lorimer



Action Abroad

A total of £2748 was raised and sent to the Domboshawa Trust this year.

It was a relief to be able again to hold an Art Exhibition in the church after a 3 year gap, at which we raised a magnificent £1596. My thanks go to the many people who worked so hard to make it such a success. We are now in preparation for the 2023 exhibition. The remainder of the money raised was through the tithing of the GTC parish office income (£720), the coin trail and various donations and legacies. My thanks to Eona for running the coin trail for which the funds raised were donated to Christian Aid.

Domboshawa Theological College, in Harare, continues to be led by Roy Musasiwa, offering a Diploma in Pastoral Studies, a BA in Religious Studies and Theology and a Masters of Theological Studies.

In the years before and during the pandemic, Action Abroad as an entity has dwindled to the point of non-viability as a steering committee, and over the next few months, I think we should be considering as a parish how best to do our part in support of world needs for the future. This should be both at the level of which organisations to support and how this is managed by the parish. While I am happy to continue to lead the Art Exhibition myself, I think it is time to hand over the management and liaison tasks to fresh hands..

Claire Conboy

Appendix

Minutes of Previous APCM - 8th May 2022

(held following the 10 a.m. service)

Present (at both meetings): Michael Bigg, Rector, in the chair (= M.B.), and 31 parishioners.

Apologies for absence (for both meetings) were received from: Chris Barrow, Roger and Alice Few, Dugald and Helen Wilson, Jill Watkins, Claire Conboy, Robin Hiley, and Susanna Avery Quash.

Meeting of Parishioners

1. **Apologies for absence.** See above.
2. **The minutes** of the meeting of 16th May 2021 were approved, on the proposal of Wendy Hunter, seconded by Bruce Hunter.
3. **Election of Churchwardens.** Bruce and Wendy Hunter (both of them proposed by Alastair Lorimer, seconded by Anne Lorimer) were re-elected.
Robin Bradford, who had decided to stand down as Churchwarden, was thanked for his past service in that role, and a presentation was made to him.
Prayers were said for Wendy and Bruce in their continuing work as Churchwardens.
It was agreed that Charlotte Avery should act as unofficial deputy churchwarden when needed.
4. **Any other business.** None.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1. **Apologies for absence.** See above.
2. **The minutes** of the meeting of 16th May 2021 were approved, on the proposal of Jenny Knights, seconded by Jilinda Tiley.
3. **Matters arising from the minutes.** There were none.
4. **The electoral roll** now numbers 103 people. Five names were added at the latest revision, though other names were removed. Alice Few was thanked for her work as Electoral Roll Officer.

5. **The Annual Report.** Dugald Wilson was thanked for his work in compiling this.

M.B. mentioned that Jenny KNIGHTS is a PCC member, not Jenny Prince as wrongly stated in the first version of the report to be circulated. (The final version of the annual report is correct.)
6. **Safeguarding.** Sheila Hiley said that she had nothing to add to what is in the annual report. She said that the job of Safeguarding Officer is almost entirely one of administration, for instance of ensuring that all those required to do safeguarding training have actually done it.

Sheila Hiley stands down as Safeguarding Officer from today, May 8th, and Helen Wilson takes over from her. Sheila was thanked for her work and a presentation was made to her; prayer was said for Helen Wilson as she takes on the job.
7. **Finance.** Martyn Johnson said that he had nothing to add to what is in the Annual Report. The meeting thanked him for his work as Treasurer. M.B. appealed for a volunteer to come forward as deputy treasurer, to take over the job eventually.

The meeting also thanked Wendy Hunter for making jam for the benefit of church funds. (The money received is included in “cash donations” in the church accounts.)
8. **The external examiner of the accounts.** On the proposal of Martyn Johnson, seconded by Charles Avery, Jacquie Fisher was re-appointed.
9. **Membership of the Parochial Church Council (PCC).**
 - a. **Election.** There were re-elected/elected:

Geoff Burt, re-elected on the proposal of Rosemary Jones, seconded by Bruce Hunter

Helen Wilson, elected on the proposal of Chris Barrow, seconded by Martyn Johnson.
 - b. **Licensed lay ministers re-appointed as PCC members.**

On the proposal of Charles Avery seconded by Alastair Lorimer, Dugald Wilson and Christina Deacon were re-appointed.
10. **Recent developments and plans for 2022**
 - a. **Children and families minister.** M.B. reported that a Children and Families Minister has been appointed. It is hoped that she will start work in June.
 - b. **Re-ordering** is ongoing. The plan for underfloor heating had to be abandoned; instead, the overhead electric heaters have been installed.

Plans have been made for re-ordering the west end of the church. The pews will be removed, making possible a variety of uses for the west end of the nave. The north west corner will be a kitchen area, the south west corner will be the children’s corner. The plans are being sent to English Heritage and similar bodies to ascertain their views.

Money has been set aside to update the audio system.
 - c. **Damp in the south wall.** This has been caused by a blocked drain downpipe, which has now been cleared. Funds are available to erase the signs of damp on the internal wall once the damp in the wall has dried out.

- d. **Solar panels for the church roof.** A plan has been made and money set aside for this. We need to obtain approval both from South Cambs District Council and from church authorities.
- e. **Church needs.** There are three Ps:
 - i. Prayers
 - ii. People to be involved in church activities
 - iii. Pounds – additional funds are needed, especially for the Children and Families Minister post. Funds are available only for a three-year appointment. It would be of great value if funds become available to continue the post once the three years are up.

11. **Any other business.** There was none.

The meeting closed with prayer by M.B.

Annual accounts

For the benefit of those not familiar with the accounting structures of the church, some of last year's explanatory notes are repeated here with minor updates.

The PCC sometimes handles money that is not its own, but simply passes through our bank account for convenience. The most obvious example is the statutory fee income that we collect on behalf of the Diocese of Ely, but there are several other categories. In previous years these sums have appeared in the receipts and payments accounts, but this is not strictly correct as the money does not form part of the PCC's income and expenditure. In the new system, these sums continue to be recorded internally, but they do not appear in the reported receipts and payments accounts. Most of these items are cleared to a zero balance at the end of the year, but any temporary surplus that does exist at year end will be shown on the balance sheet as a liability to offset the excess funds on the assets side.

The money that the PCC does control falls into three broad categories: unrestricted, restricted and designated. Unrestricted funds can be used for any purpose the PCC sees fit. Restricted funds represent money that was given for a specific purpose, and we are legally obliged to spend it on that. Designated funds represent money that the PCC has decided to allocate to a purpose, either by formal resolution or general agreement. The introduction of a designated fund helps to ensure that the money is ring fenced, whilst retaining the flexibility to reallocate the funds explicitly in the future.

The funds have been slightly reorganised in the interests of clarity. For reference, the funds covered in this report are:

- **General:** The general fund holds all money used for general purposes which is neither restricted nor designated. Most everyday transactions use this fund.
- **Churchyard:** These are funds intended for the maintenance of the churchyard. It has both restricted and designated components, the latter being primarily fee income from burials and memorials.
- **Action Abroad:** Money associated with Action Abroad projects. Most of this fund is restricted since it comes from targeted fundraising. However the PCC has agreed to donate part of its income from the rental of the parish office to Action Abroad, and this appears as designated.
- **Fabric:** This is a designated fund which represents the money that the PCC has set aside as a sinking fund for future fabric maintenance. We aim to transfer funds into it at the end of each year, and spend from it as the need arises (most likely after the quinquennial inspection).
- **Legacy:** This is a designated fund to hold money received as legacies. Since this is not a regular source of income, the PCC prefers not to rely on it for routine operating costs. This fund helps to keep it separate for use as the PCC decides. Legacies which have spending conditions are accounted as restricted.
- **Grants:** This is a restricted fund used to hold funds from miscellaneous short term grants that have been received for a specific purpose. Such grants are typically 1-off payments which are spent shortly after being received (or in some cases before), and therefore do not justify creation of a named fund of their own.
- **Reordering:** Money assigned to the ongoing reordering project. The restricted component represents donations specifically for the project and the designated

component is for funds from other sources that the PCC has chosen to allocate to the project.

- **Children:** This fund is for activities relating to children and family outreach, such as Bobtails and Choir Church. Funds received specifically for these activities are restricted, and supplementary funding from other sources is designated.

For clarity, all amounts are individually rounded to the nearest pound. This rounding sometimes leads to small discrepancies in the column totals.

The reports that follow are:

- The receipts and payments accounts for each fund in turn, designated and restricted funds being shown separately. The top level breakdown of the income and expenditure is broadly intended to follow the charities' statement of recommended practice (SORP), though there is no legal requirement for receipts and payments accounts to do so.
- The balance sheet, showing the assets and liabilities at the end of the year, with a breakdown by fund.
- A fund movement report, giving a 1-page summary of the overall change in each fund over the year.
- A statement of assets and liabilities giving a breakdown of where the funds are actually held.

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Receipts and payments
Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Note	From To	01 January 2022 31 December 2022	01 January 2021 31 December 2021
General - General fund (Unrestricted) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
Collections - loose small cash		£1,892	£1,775
Collections - envelopes, cheques etc		£650	£1,125
Standing order donations		£12,436	£18,919
Donations received via CAF		£2,225	£3,051
Parish Giving Scheme income		£23,958	£13,010
Donations via card payment services		£846	£2,034
1-off small cash donations		£867	£1,049
1-off donations		£3,553	£4,113
Income from online merchants		£21	£34
Gift Aid tax recovered direct		£7,680	£4,765
Gift Aid recovered by others		£5,468	£3,190
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<i>£59,595</i>	<i>£53,065</i>
Income from charitable activities			
Occasional offices - statutory PCC fees		£1,398	£1,470
Occasional offices - supplementary items		£654	£405
	<i>Total Income from charitable activities</i>	<i>£2,052</i>	<i>£1,875</i>
Other trading activities			
North Room/church hire - fund raising		£2,928	£760
Parish Office hire - fund raising		£6,480	£4,860
Fundraising events		£764	£380
	<i>Total Other trading activities</i>	<i>£10,172</i>	<i>£6,000</i>
Investments			
Bank and deposit account interest		£2,683	£1,174
Income from investments		£1,150	£1,113
Rent from lands or buildings		£2	£180
	<i>Total Investments</i>	<i>£3,835</i>	<i>£2,466</i>
Other income			
LPOW grants (VAT recovery)		—	£412
Grants received		£600	—
Parish Share rebate		£780	£574
Parish office costs recovered		£122	£79
	<i>Total Other income</i>	<i>£1,502</i>	<i>£1,064</i>
Total income and endowments		£77,156	£64,471
Expenditure			
Raising funds			
Costs of fund raising resources		£79	£91
	<i>Total Raising funds</i>	<i>£79</i>	<i>£91</i>
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Giving to other charities		£120	—
Ministry parish share		£43,680	£43,021
Parish administrator		—	£468
Parish Office costs		£493	£303
IT-related costs		£476	£507
Working expenses of incumbent		£319	£123
Organist and choir leader payments		£3,864	£2,943

Note	From To	01 January 2022 31 December 2022	01 January 2021 31 December 2021
		£180	—
		£326	£110
		£180	£521
		£2,232	£963
		£121	£71
		£96	£87
		£190	—
		£2,535	£2,268
		£996	£170
		£764	£843
		£172	£211
		—	£1,958
		£767	£935
		£17	—
		£130	£105
		£81	£96
		—	£747
		£1,471	£1,522
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<i>£59,211</i>	<i>£57,973</i>
Other expenditure			
Sundry expenditure		£14	£152
	<i>Total Other expenditure</i>	<i>£14</i>	<i>£152</i>
Total expenditure		£59,304	£58,216
		£17,852	£6,255
		(£12,000)	£15,750
		£11,756	£28,113
		(£5,139)	£3,927
		£53,398	(£646)
Total carried forward balance		£65,868	£53,398

Churchyard - Churchyard fund (Designated) Fund

Income and endowments

Income from charitable activities		
Occasional offices - statutory PCC fees	£1,011	£3,071
Occasional offices - supplementary items	£50	—
<i>Total Income from charitable activities</i>	<i>£1,061</i>	<i>£3,071</i>
Total income and endowments	£1,061	£3,071

Expenditure

Expenditure on charitable activities		
Miscellaneous staffing expenses	£70	—
<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<i>£70</i>	<i>—</i>
Total expenditure	£70	—
		£991
Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure		£3,071
Brought forward balance	£3,071	—
Total carried forward balance	£4,062	£3,071

<i>Note</i>	From To	01 January 2022 31 December 2022	01 January 2021 31 December 2021
Churchyard - Churchyard fund (Restricted) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
Standing order donations		£200	£200
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<u>£200</u>	<u>£200</u>
Investments			
Bank and deposit account interest		—	£0
Income from investments		£866	£728
	<i>Total Investments</i>	<u>£866</u>	<u>£728</u>
Total income and endowments		£1,066	£928
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Upkeep of churchyard		£3,999	£1,133
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<u>£3,999</u>	<u>£1,133</u>
Total expenditure		£3,999	£1,133
Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure		(£2,933)	(£204)
Transfers to/(from)		—	£1,167
Gains & losses		£68,733	—
Gains & losses		(£5,737)	—
Brought forward balance		£4,181	£3,218
Total carried forward balance		£64,244	£4,181
AA - Action Abroad (Designated) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Other trading activities			
Parish Office hire - fund raising		£720	£540
	<i>Total Other trading activities</i>	<u>£720</u>	<u>£540</u>
Total income and endowments		£720	£540
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Giving to other charities		£1,079	—
Bank charges		£1	—
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<u>£1,080</u>	<u>—</u>
Total expenditure		£1,080	—
Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure		(£360)	£540
Brought forward balance		£540	—
Total carried forward balance		£180	£540

Note	From To	01 January 2022 31 December 2022	01 January 2021 31 December 2021
AA - Action Abroad (Restricted) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
Donations received via CAF		£60	—
1-off small cash donations		£115	£273
1-off donations		£411	£1,066
Gift Aid tax recovered direct		£98	£182
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<i>£683</i>	<i>£1,521</i>
Other trading activities			
Art exhibition entrance fees		£251	—
Art exhibition receipts from sales		£3,732	—
	<i>Total Other trading activities</i>	<i>£3,983</i>	<i>—</i>
Total income and endowments		£4,667	£1,521
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Giving to other charities		£3,594	£1,281
Refund of minor activity expenses		£52	—
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<i>£3,646</i>	<i>£1,281</i>
Other expenditure			
Art exhibition payments to artists		£2,441	—
	<i>Total Other expenditure</i>	<i>£2,441</i>	<i>—</i>
Total expenditure		£6,087	£1,281
	Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure	(£1,420)	£240
	Brought forward balance	£1,521	£1,281
Total carried forward balance		£100	£1,521
Fabric - Fabric sinking fund (Designated) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
1-off donations		£1,000	—
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<i>£1,000</i>	<i>—</i>
Total income and endowments		£1,000	—
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Church major works (repair)		£6,843	—
Church repairs and maintenance		£120	£718
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<i>£6,963</i>	<i>£718</i>
Total expenditure		£6,963	£718
	Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure	(£5,963)	(£718)
	Transfers to/(from)	£3,000	£3,000
	Brought forward balance	£14,311	£12,028
Total carried forward balance		£11,348	£14,311

Note	From To	01 January 2022 31 December 2022	01 January 2021 31 December 2021
Legacy - Legacy fund (Designated) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
Legacies		—	£5,000
<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>		—	£5,000
Total income and endowments		—	£5,000
Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure		—	£5,000
Brought forward balance		£50,908	£45,908
Total carried forward balance		£50,908	£50,908
Legacy - Legacy fund (Restricted) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
Legacies		£10,000	—
<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>		£10,000	—
Total income and endowments		£10,000	—
Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure		£10,000	—
Brought forward balance		—	—
Total carried forward balance		£10,000	—
Grants - Grant funds (Restricted) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
1-off donations		—	£1,000
<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>		—	£1,000
Other income			
Grants received		£240	£1,000
<i>Total Other income</i>		£240	£1,000
Total income and endowments		£240	£2,000
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Choir church		£240	—
Church major works (repair)		—	£2,000
Church repairs and maintenance		£200	—
<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>		£440	£2,000
Total expenditure		£440	£2,000
Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure		(£200)	—
Brought forward balance		—	—
Total carried forward balance		(£200)	—

Note	From To	01 January 2022 31 December 2022	01 January 2021 31 December 2021
Reordering - Reordering fund (Designated) Fund			
		£113,132	£113,132
Total carried forward balance		£113,132	£113,132
Reordering - Reordering fund (Restricted) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
1-off small cash donations		£23	£130
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<i>£23</i>	<i>£130</i>
Other income			
LPOW grants (VAT recovery)		—	£12,066
Grants received		—	£10,000
	<i>Total Other income</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>£22,066</i>
Total income and endowments		£23	£22,196
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Church major works (new)		£2,014	£71,783
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<i>£2,014</i>	<i>£71,783</i>
Total expenditure		£2,014	£71,783
		(£1,991)	(£49,588)
		—	(£18,750)
		£37,333	£105,671
Total carried forward balance		£35,342	£37,333
Children - Children and families support (Designated) Fund			
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies			
Donations via card payment services		£343	—
1-off small cash donations		£338	—
1-off donations		£1,406	—
Gift Aid tax recovered direct		£24	—
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<i>£2,111</i>	<i>—</i>
Other income			
Sundry income		£1,057	—
	<i>Total Other income</i>	<i>£1,057</i>	<i>—</i>
Total income and endowments		£3,167	—
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Working expenses of incumbent		£63	—
Service costs and consumables		£38	—
Refund of minor activity expenses		£243	—
Miscellaneous staffing expenses		£38	—
Children and families minister		£9,965	—
Hire of external venues		£1,023	—
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<i>£11,370</i>	<i>—</i>
Total expenditure		£11,370	—

<i>Note</i>	From To	01 January 2022 31 December 2022	01 January 2021 31 December 2021
	Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure	(£8,203)	—
	Transfers to/(from)	£9,000	—
	Brought forward balance	—	—
	Total carried forward balance	£797	—

Children - Children and families support (Restricted) Fund

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies			
Donations via card payment services		£6	—
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<i>£6</i>	<i>—</i>
Other income			
Grants received		£1,738	—
	<i>Total Other income</i>	<i>£1,738</i>	<i>—</i>
Total income and endowments		£1,744	—

Expenditure

Expenditure on charitable activities			
Refund of minor activity expenses		£161	—
Children and families minister		£1,386	—
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<i>£1,547</i>	<i>—</i>
Total expenditure		£1,547	—
	Excess of Income and endowments over Expenditure	£196	—
	Brought forward balance	—	—
Total carried forward balance		£196	—

Girton PCC - 1189339
Balance sheet (Church of England)
As at: 31 December 2022

	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Investments	£101,653	£32,040
	<u>£101,653</u>	<u>£32,040</u>
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	£254,842	£246,521
	<u>£254,842</u>	<u>£246,521</u>
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	£517	£166
Net current assets less current liabilities	<u>£254,325</u>	<u>£246,355</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>£355,978</u>	<u>£278,395</u>
Total net assets less liabilities	<u>£355,978</u>	<u>£278,395</u>
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General fund	£65,868	£53,398
Designated		
Designated - Churchyard fund	£4,062	£3,071
Designated - Action Abroad	£180	£540
Designated - Fabric sinking fund	£11,348	£14,311
Designated - Legacy fund	£50,908	£50,908
Designated - Reordering fund	£113,132	£113,132
Designated - Children and families support	£797	—
Restricted		
Restricted - Churchyard fund	£64,244	£4,181
Restricted - Action Abroad	£100	£1,521
Restricted - Legacy fund	£10,000	—
Restricted - Grant funds	(£200)	—
Restricted - Reordering fund	£35,342	£37,333
Restricted - Children and families support	£196	—
Restricted - Agency collection	—	—
Funds of the church	<u>£355,978</u>	<u>£278,395</u>

Girton PCC - 1189339
Fund movement by type
Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Fund and type	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances carried forward
General							
Unrestricted	£53,398	£77,156	£59,304	(£12,000)	£6,617	—	£65,868
Sub-totals	£53,398	£77,156	£59,304	(£12,000)	£6,617	—	£65,868
Churchyard							
Designated	£3,071	£1,061	£70	—	—	—	£4,062
Restricted	£4,181	£1,066	£3,999	—	£62,996	—	£64,244
Sub-totals	£7,252	£2,127	£4,069	—	£62,996	—	£68,306
AA							
Designated	£540	£720	£1,080	—	—	—	£180
Restricted	£1,521	£4,667	£6,087	—	—	—	£100
Sub-totals	£2,061	£5,387	£7,167	—	—	—	£280
Fabric							
Designated	£14,311	£1,000	£6,963	£3,000	—	—	£11,348
Sub-totals	£14,311	£1,000	£6,963	£3,000	—	—	£11,348
Legacy							
Designated	£50,908	—	—	—	—	—	£50,908
Restricted	—	£10,000	—	—	—	—	£10,000
Sub-totals	£50,908	£10,000	—	—	—	—	£60,908
Grants							
Restricted	—	£240	£440	—	—	—	(£200)
Sub-totals	—	£240	£440	—	—	—	(£200)
Reordering							
Designated	£113,132	—	—	—	—	—	£113,132
Restricted	£37,333	£23	£2,014	—	—	—	£35,342
Sub-totals	£150,465	£23	£2,014	—	—	—	£148,474
Children							
Designated	—	£3,167	£11,370	£9,000	—	—	£797
Restricted	—	£1,744	£1,547	—	—	—	£196
Sub-totals	—	£4,911	£12,917	£9,000	—	—	£994
Totals	£278,395	£100,843	£92,873	—	£69,613	—	£355,978

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by code)
As at: 31 December 2022

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
6431 : CBF CofE Investment Fund Income Shares	£28,285	—	—	—	£28,285	£32,040
6432 : G002 Girton Rector & Churchwardens	£10,372	—	—	—	£10,372	—
6433 : G008 Girton Farey Trust	—	—	£20,000	—	£20,000	—
6434 : G017 Girton Skinner Trust	—	—	£20,228	—	£20,228	—
6435 : G009 Girton Gutsell Grave Trust	—	—	£22,769	—	£22,769	—
Total	£38,657	—	£62,996	—	£101,653	£32,040
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
6501 : Bank current account	£12,533	£3,984	£870	—	£17,387	£32,678
6510 : CCLA (CBF) general deposit	£13,116	£90,208	£46,334	—	£149,658	£5,542
6515 : Flagstone deposit platform	£1,556	£86,236	—	—	£87,792	£207,945
6590 : Cash and cheques in hand	£6	—	—	—	£6	£357
Total	£27,211	£180,428	£47,204	—	£254,842	£246,521
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
6699 : Agency collections	—	—	£517	—	£517	£166
Total	—	—	£517	—	£517	£166
Net total assets	£65,868	£180,428	£109,683	—	£355,978	£278,395
Represented by						
Unrestricted - General	£65,868	—	—	—	£65,868	£53,398
Designated - Churchyard	—	£4,062	—	—	£4,062	£3,071
Designated - AA	—	£180	—	—	£180	£540
Designated - Fabric	—	£11,348	—	—	£11,348	£14,311
Designated - Legacy	—	£50,908	—	—	£50,908	£50,908
Designated - Reordering	—	£113,132	—	—	£113,132	£113,132
Designated - Children	—	£797	—	—	£797	—
Restricted - Churchyard	—	—	£64,244	—	£64,244	£4,181
Restricted - AA	—	—	£100	—	£100	£1,521
Restricted - Legacy	—	—	£10,000	—	£10,000	—
Restricted - Grants	—	—	(£200)	—	(£200)	—
Restricted - Reordering	—	—	£35,342	—	£35,342	£37,333
Restricted - Children	—	—	£196	—	£196	—
Total	£65,868	£180,428	£109,683	—	£355,978	£278,395

Copy of the Independent examiner's report to the PCC

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of St Andrews Glebe, Girton

This report on the financial statements of the Girton PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 1 and 2., is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 ("the Act").

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As members of the Girton PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and section 43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act and to be found in the *Church Guidance*, 2006 edition, issued by the Finance Division of the Archbishops' Council. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations
 - have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jacquie Fisher

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2nd April 2023



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