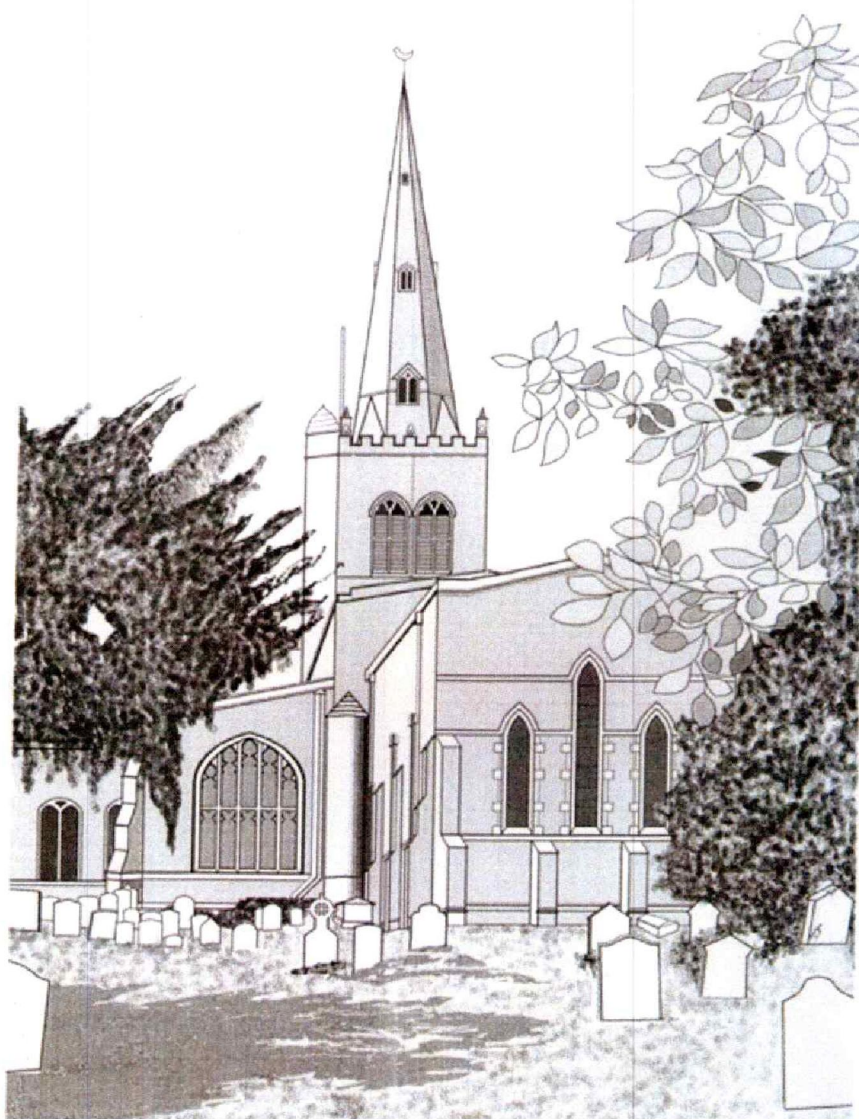




# **The Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin Godmanchester**



## **2022 ANNUAL REPORT**



# **2022 Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St. Mary the Virgin, Godmanchester**

## **Aims and Purposes**

St. Mary the Virgin's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend David Busk, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral - *to look after individual people*; evangelistic - *to tell the people the Good News and to invite them to accept it*; social - *to help the poorer members of society, and those suffering from racial, economic and other forms of injustice*; and ecumenical - *to encourage good relations with other Christian denominations*. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Hall in Chadley Lane.

## **Objectives and Activities**

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St. Mary the Virgin. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin and the adjacent Church Hall.

## **Achievements and Performance**

### **Worship and Prayer**

The PCC is committed to providing a wide and varied range of services throughout the year to engage with as many in the community as possible. Our regular Sunday services of Holy Communion or Morning Prayer, Sung Eucharist (with healing once monthly) and Evensong or Evening Prayer, are occasionally supplemented by a Family Eucharist, Parish Praise or a Taizé service. There is also a Holy Communion on a Thursday morning.

For 2022 we thankfully found ourselves able to hold our services in church following the countrywide reduction in COVID-19 virus cases. The popularity of Zoom services (especially amongst those who find it difficult to attend church) meant that we continued with

a Holy Communion via Zoom at 2.30pm on a Wednesday and a regular 6.30pm Compline every day except Sunday. We also held a bible study group on Zoom each Friday throughout the year.

We welcome everyone to our services and normally enjoy a well-attended Children's Church, although our youth group is currently in abeyance. There are currently 104 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll and our Sunday attendance figures have yet to fully recover post-COVID. Communion was available in one kind only this year. The church remained open each day for private prayer and visitors.

Normally our church affords the community a chance to give thanks to God for those special moments throughout life when we gather to celebrate baptism, marriage or the life of a departed loved one. This year we were able to celebrate 4 weddings and 6 baptisms in the church. There were 16 funerals, one memorial Eucharist and 7 burial of ashes.

### **Deanery Synod**

Our church is represented on the Deanery Synod by three members of the congregation who also sit on the PCC. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

### **The Church and Church Hall**

We envision our church building becoming the focal point for a greater number of community activities in the future and have a Transformation Project in progress that will see the removal of the fixed pews to create space and the introduction of kitchen and toilet facilities as well as a mezzanine floor with room to house the local museum securely.

The south door to the church is opened every day for visitors and private prayer. Our visitors Book (removed during COVID) returned in April and recorded 134 entries from individuals, families and groups over 8 months. Many overseas visitors from Australia, Canada, Croatia, France, New Zealand, Philippines, Poland, South Africa and USA were recorded.

For one week in September the church hosted a Book of Condolence following the death of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. During that week 188 people signed the Book of Condolence and 12 entries with 20 names also appeared in our visitor book.

Disabled access is currently available via the north door only for services and other major events. The building is already a venue for talks, concerts, the Summer Fete (when the weather is inclement), the Christmas Bazaar and Flower and other church festivals. The church is used for music concerts, displays, film shows and historical presentations to the community and has hosted the GMC Town Show. There are also regular educational visits from the local schools.

The church hall, a wooden building purchased by the PCC, in 1938 is in reasonably good structural order, adequately maintained and well equipped. The cost of running and maintaining the hall is met by the income from a contract with a day nursery which uses the facilities every weekday from 8am to 6.30pm and several external organisations that hire the building in evenings and at the weekend. The rental income provides a welcome addition to church funds.

## **Pastoral Care**

Reaching out to those housebound, in hospital or care homes and ensuring them that their St. Mary's family cares for them, and is praying for them, has been an important part of our pastoral care.

We are blessed to have a number of people in the congregation who like carrying out visiting. At the same time, Jonathan Young and Jean Morgan work tirelessly to ensure that anyone at home may receive the sacraments. Members of the team do shopping, give lifts to church and help the housebound as necessary. We find that people are most appreciative of visits, and it is frequently a joyous experience, as much for the visitor as for the visited. If any members of the congregation are aware of anyone in need of help please do not be afraid to ask. Alternatively, if you would like to join us on the team that would be wonderful too. Liz Irving 01480 382144 (Pastoral Care Co-ordinator).

## **Mission and Evangelism**

We believe that the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Godmanchester, exists to build up the individual and corporate spiritual life of our Church and to spread the love of Christ through word and deed, by enabling those who live and work within our town to come into contact with God's love and come to faith in Christ.

Group for Evangelism & Outreach (GEO) is responsible for reviewing and recommending the development of evangelism and outreach in the mission of the church, including changes to the Mission Action Plan to incorporate the new Diocesan Vision. Our latest outreach to the community has focussed on bringing families together once a month on a Friday at 5.15pm for 'Games, Grub and God' which is proving to be a popular event.

## **Ecumenical Relationships**

The incumbent priest is also responsible for St. Mary's Church, Hilton and we normally join them twice a year in a shared service. Members from the Hilton congregation often join those in Godmanchester for weekly worship and special services.

The church is a member of 'Churches Together in Huntingdon and Godmanchester' and we have joined for events and services each year, such as Worship in the Park during Gala Weekend and the Act of Remembrance in November. All Godmanchester churches also join together in publicising our Christmas services.

## **Financial Review**

Although the effects of COVID were still present during 2022 we ended the year with a shortfall of just £23 in our General Fund. This was due in no small part to the support of those who donate through regular, planned giving (£40,896 during 2022), the generosity of our congregation on Gift Day (£3,755) and our fête and bazaar which raised over £2,000 each. Grants totalling £2,348 from the Friends of St Mary's towards the cost of fabric maintenance and £600 from Ely Diocese towards the massive increase in utility costs all helped to keep the account on an even keel. Our 'Trading Activities', which include the hire of the church hall, magazine sales and advertisements and our grass cutting contract, raised £25,990 towards our church funds. The £17,120 raised from hire of the church hall made it self-sufficient in terms of utilities, repairs and maintenance and also provided £7,800 for General Funds and £1,000 for the Decorating Fund. We now have 38 members of our

congregation donating through the Parish Giving scheme which collects the direct debits for each parish, claims the Gift Aid and pays the total into our bank account. It also gives the option of increasing donations to match annual inflation. I would encourage anyone who wishes to donate regularly to use this scheme. Please contact the treasurer for details. Colin Thirlwall (Hon Treasurer).

## **Reserves Policy**

It is PCC policy to maintain reserves which equates to at least three months expenditure. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergency payments. For St Mary's this is around £28,000. The reserves held in unrestricted and designated funds less liabilities at year end was £59,287, well in excess of the minimum required. This included designated funds of £25,796 held in the Church Hall, Church Fabric, Churchyard and Mowers and Decorating Fund and £10,913 in unrestricted funds held in a Central Board of Finance fixed interest account.

Unrestricted funds can be used by the PCC for any purpose. Designated Funds are nominated by the PCC for a specific purpose e.g. Church Hall, Fabric, Decoration, but can be returned to the General Fund at the discretion of the PCC.

## **Optional Information**

### **Volunteers**

We are indebted to the many people and groups who support St. Mary the Virgin throughout the year in so many ways. The following reports in alphabetical order cover just some of the many activities that have been achieved during 2022 in spite of the adverse conditions that we have again had to endure.

If your group supporting church life would like to have its achievements included in the 2023 edition of the Annual PCC Report, please contact Jim Heeley on [jskc@btinternet.com](mailto:jskc@btinternet.com) by Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

### **Bell Ringers**

Godmanchester bells played their part in celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of Her Late Majesty the Queen and in marking her death. A quarter peal was rung on the first morning of the Jubilee Weekend (2<sup>nd</sup> June), the funeral bell was rung the day after Her Late Majesty's death and leading up to her funeral. The bells were rung fully muffled during the mourning period, in particular for the Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving.

Technically, there are only five Godmanchester ringers, but we are co-operating very closely with the Huntingdon ringers – typically, a few Huntingdon ringers will ring at Godmanchester for the 9.30am service and then a few Godmanchester ringers will ring for Huntingdon's 10.30am service. In this way, there have been very few occasions when Sunday morning ringing has had to be cancelled. Problems arise, however, on important occasions, such as Christmas Eve when services clash, and we were only able to ring at Godmanchester for the 6pm Carol Service. Similarly, we could only ring five bells for the Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving for her Late Majesty.

Although during the year, one of our ringers moved out of the area and another went to university, we have maintained our number by recruiting and training two new ringers. Again, Huntingdon have helped by playing a large part in their training. In November, we changed our practice times so that we could practice jointly with Huntingdon – practices at Godmanchester are now on the second Tuesday of the month, other Tuesday practices being held in Huntingdon. Formerly, Godmanchester and Hemingford Grey were holding joint practices alternating between the two towers. However, by convention, bell ringers from any tower are welcome at any practice and, at our practices we now benefit from the help of a number of experienced ringers from around the district.

During the past year, we have rung for three weddings and two funerals, notably that of Dai Morgan. We have hosted a quarter peal, rung for February's evensong service, and a district-wide advanced practice, held on a Saturday morning. The treble bell suffered both its clapper falling out and a broken stay. The tenor rope was discovered to have been too frayed to ring an in memoriam peal for Her Late Majesty. All of these have been repaired.

The bell ringers participated in the Church's fundraising by providing a hamper for the grand draw at the Christmas Bazaar. Charles Looker.

### **Charities**

Our fundraising activities returned to normal in 2022, and over £6,300 was raised by the Church and the Charities Committee through various events and activities.

In April we held a quiz night for Maya Parish in Uganda which raised over £600, and a collection at Christmas raised £160 for food hampers for Maya. A BBQ in July also raised over £600 for the Mashambanzou Care Trust in Zimbabwe, which supports children orphaned as the result of HIV/AIDS.

Several Coffee & Croissants and Bacon Butties events were held after the 9.30am service, raising over £300 for Service Charities, which was topped up to £400 from church funds, and £200 for Thrive, a charity established by the Diocese, which provides support, counselling and mentoring of young people in the Huntingdon area.

To support our usual Christmas Charities, we sent the proceeds from our Christmas Service collections, with a contribution from church funds, to Jimmy's Cambridge - £400; Cruse Bereavement Care - £200; East Anglia Children's Hospice - £150, and The Children's Society - £100.

A retiring collection in March and the Jubilee Concert in June raised nearly £1,950 for Ukraine, with some members of the congregation making donations directly to take advantage of Gift Aid.

A new initiative was the Christmas Tree Festival, where about 25 local organisations and businesses bought and decorated Christmas Trees. The trees were displayed in the church over the Christmas period, starting with the official opening on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December when the church was full of people who enjoyed the trees, entertainment provided by local children and mulled wine. £1,600 was raised, which was divided equally between Thrive and the GMC Food Bank.

In conclusion I would like to thank the members of the Charities Committee for their hard work during the year and also for coming up with new ideas for fundraising, which in the case of the Christmas Tree Festival really caught the imagination of the community. Robert Francis.

### **Children's Church**

Children's Church currently consists of 12 families who regularly attend, with other children and adults who join us on occasions. The sessions, run during the 9.30am Communion Service, are shared by a team of 9 leaders and 1 young leader.

In the last year Children's Church has continued to become more involved during the Parish Communion Service, both with leading prayers, taking part in the collection, taking the elements up to the altar and reading or sometimes dramatizing the Gospel! We again were very busy on Christmas Eve running the Nativity Service at 4pm, with all our families taking part including the debut performance of our youngest member playing Baby Jesus! We have also run stalls at both the Christmas Bazaar and summer fête helping to raise funds for church.

A big thank you to all the parents, grandparents and family members who help out every week and make my job of organising Children's Church a pleasure. Paula Williams.

### **Church Hall**

Throughout the year the hall remained busy, and the income it derives from Clarence House Pre-School Nursery continues to be an important part of our church income. Casual bookings have been buoyant, and the WI monthly booking on a Wednesday evening is another long stay commitment alongside those from the Godmanchester Garden and Camera clubs. It is pleasing to note that well-established organisations in the town are happy with our facilities when there is so much competition from elsewhere. Word has got around that the hall is a good venue for children's parties – why have noise and mess at home when you can have it elsewhere? – and the special rates we offer families with youngsters in the Children's Church make the hall an even more attractive proposition.

During the year the kitchen was painted and decorated and the wooden floor in the hall given its annual coat of varnish during the nursery's Christmas closure. A welcome surprise during the year has been the increase in the number of parishioners staying on in the hall for coffee after the 9.30am Eucharist. Thank you to all the volunteers on the coffee rota who make this possible, and to the ladies on the Charities Committee who provide croissants or bacon butties at various times throughout the year.

Looking ahead, a concern for the Treasurer will be paying the hall's rising heating bills during the energy crisis, but we are managing so far. Liz and Peter Irving.

### **Churchyard Grass Cutters**

The maintenance of the churchyard is the responsibility of the Town Council, and St Mary's has a contract from the Council to cut the grass, which provides useful income to the church. Our intrepid team of grass cutters kept the churchyard looking tidy throughout the year. The churchyard covers about two acres, which is divided into 15 plots, and we have 11 volunteers, including four ladies, who look after this area.

The system is very flexible: volunteers cut their patch at a time to suit themselves, and mowers, kept in tip-top condition by Gordon Peacock, and fuel are provided. We are always on the lookout for more volunteers, so if you are interested in helping please contact me. Robert Francis (Organiser).

## **Fabric Committee**

The following is a list of work completed in 2022 to maintain the fabric of the church and its surrounds in addition to routine annual maintenance:

- Repairs to the external security lights and, where possible, replacement of lamps with more eco-friendly LED versions. (£378)
- Replacement of the sump-pump in the boiler room. (£468 – funded by a grant from the Friends of St Mary's)
- Replacement radio mike and lead (£144)
- Re-oiling, repairs and improvements to the south and west doors including new locks on the west door as recommended by our architect. (£3,706)
- Bearing replacement and re-winding of the organ blower motor. (£1,770 – funded by a grant from the Friends of St Mary's)
- A survey of the soakaway system in the churchyard to determine work required to reinstate the fresh-water drainage from the church roof (this was mentioned in the 2021 report). Anglian drainage produced a comprehensive report that indicated significant damage and blockages to the system caused by tree roots and silt. This was particularly evident near the leaning conifer tree. Subsequently, our tree surgeon recommended that the tree be removed because of its danger to individuals and property and also the extent of root damage to the soakaways. (This work will be processed through Ely Diocese for a faculty and Godmanchester Town Council who manage the churchyard).
- Grass and weed removal from the land adjacent to the church building completed in spring and autumn. (£123.50)
- Repairs to the lamps over the churchyard gates. (£148 – repaid by GMC Town council)
- The quinquennial inspection was completed by our newly appointed Inspecting Architect. This was a second inspection as the report from the previous inspection in 2019 was not received by our church or diocese. The cost of these inspection is borne by Ely Diocese.
- Five yearly mandatory electrical survey of the church and church hall (£318)

The total spent on routine maintenance and other work in 2022 was £10,275. This was reduced by over £2,000 with the grants from the Friends of St Mary's.

The above figures include VAT which is reclaimable under the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme.

The Fabric Committee also maintains a decorating fund with the aim of building enough reserves to re-decorate the church every 25 years or so. This currently stands at £8,010 (31 Dec 2022). (Fabric Committee)

## **Facebook**

The Facebook page has been used to advertise key events in the church diary throughout the year.

The Facebook page is mostly used for enquiries relating to having baptisms and weddings in church, but also genealogical searches from as far-a-field as Australia. This is because



I can receive private messages via the page and some people prefer to communicate through Facebook rather than any other means.

Please, if there is anything happening in connection with the church - and especially if there is a poster for it - can the information/poster be forwarded to me so that I can place it on Facebook? Please email Facebook content to thefool1981@hotmail.com. Katie Keightley (Facebook Manager).

### **Flower Guild**

The aim of Flower Guild members is to enhance the church with floral arrangements throughout the year and especially for the major church festivals of Easter, Harvest, and Christmas. This we achieved in 2022 with the addition of colourful displays in red, white and blue plants and flowers to celebrate the special occasion of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Other events included the provision of bunches of daffodils for Mothering Sunday and in July arrangements for a wedding.

Our current membership is 23 and we always welcome new members, no previous experience of flower arranging is required. Barbara Thirlwall (Secretary) and Debbie Watts (Wedding co-ordinator).

### **Lesson Readers**

On most Sundays of the year one or two set lessons from the Old and New Testaments are read in church by members of the congregation.

A team of four people organise the readers each week: each member of the team does a 2-month 'tour of duty', before handing over to the next team member.

At present there are about 40 readers on the readers list, and we thank them all for their service. New readers are always welcome. If you would like to join the list, please contact one of the organisers: Anne Francis, Bill Templeton, David Bowers (07757 804747), or Lauren Hurst, who will gladly add your name to the list. David Bowers (Lead Organiser).

### **Magazine**

For the 10<sup>th</sup> year in a row our Parish News magazine continued to be published at the cover price of 50p. In the autumn the committee met in person and welcomed Peter Morgan to join us. As the production costs have increased the decision was made to increase the cover price of the magazine to 75p per issue from January 2023. This will be a significant increase, however, it was felt that in comparison to other similar publications we were charging considerably less.

In conjunction with next year's price increase the layout will be changed to include an additional puzzle page. The advertising prices will also increase following discussion with Robert Francis. This included after consultation with David Busk to use the back page of the magazine for a colour advert.

Thanks to the committee, Anne Francis and the distributors, Robert Francis for the advertising and Gill Bathurst-Hoile for the Prayer Calendar, and to all of the contributors. Anna Page (Editor).

### **Music**

This was another difficult year for church music with the ongoing effects of COVID restricting attendance for several of our choir and augmenters, so choir attendance at some services was limited. Nevertheless, we provided a strong choir for one wedding, two funerals/memorial services, including the memorial service for our own Dai Morgan, one of

our long-serving tenors, and also our festival services. The support of our regular augmenters for these major events was particularly appreciated. We do encourage anyone with an interest in church music to join our choir, either as a regular singer or augmenter to support the choir for special services. Please speak to Colin or Ken if you are interested.

In addition to our regular church music St Mary's hosted concerts by the Huntingdonshire Philharmonic Choir, Somersham Town Band, Harmonia Singers with Junior Prime Brass and the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary concert of Huntingdon Male Voices, supported by 'Military Wives Choirs' Wyton & Brampton, Riverport Singers and Westfield Junior School Choir. Colin Thirlwall (Organist & Choirmaster).

### **Safeguarding**

There have been no reported safeguarding incidents involving St Mary's Church, which continues to regard the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults as paramount in all of its activities. During the last year, a large proportion of the PCC and some other members of the church family involved with child activities or with vulnerable adults, were revalidated with new DBS certificates, which are now valid for a 3 year period. Online training courses continue to be available for free for anyone interested to find out how the Church protects its community. Anyone with any questions can contact me, Simon Prince (Parish Safeguarding Officer).

### **Sidespersons**

The number of Sidespersons increased to fifteen during the year; however, after very many years' service John & Bizz decided to step down although they still help out at special events. We were strengthened with Marian, Cathy and John joining the team.

The fifteen people who have been doing duty at the 9.30 Services in 2022 are Joan Adams, Cathy Barr, Lynn Batchelor, Liz Callaghan, Daphne Dobson, Malcolm & Rita Harris, Marian Makin, Karen Molloy, Peter & Jennie Morgan, John Newton, Jean Nicholls, Gordon Peacock and Arthur West.

Anyone wishing to join the Sidesperson Team, where you would normally be on duty once every seven weeks, please contact Peter Morgan – Lead Sidesperson.

### **Street Prayer Mission**

We continue our Street Prayer Mission through our intercessions in church at a Sunday Eucharist. A list of streets to be prayed for appears monthly in our Parish Magazine and weekly in the Newsletter. We also include a street each week from our sister parish of Hilton and additional streets from new developments in Godmanchester are included as residents move in.

### **Summer Fête & Christmas Bazaar**

Our Summer Fête was held on Saturday 25 June among the trees in the churchyard. With the relaxing of Covid restrictions we were able to socialise and enjoy the music of the Thrapston Town Band while supporting the church life through the many stalls. The Christmas Bazaar on 26 November raise a significant amount of money for church funds through the usual stalls and the ever-popular Grand Draw for which church organisations provided Christmas Hampers. Christmas music was provided by a contingent from Somersham town Band.

### **The Friends of St. Mary's Godmanchester**

The mandate of the Friends is to raise money by putting on events to help maintain the fabric of the church and to raise money for the Transformation Project.

Over the course of the year the Committee of the Friends met 10 times and we had a number of successful events:

A wonderful Valentine's Day film night, this time in the church where we showed the ironic romantic comedy 'Singing in the Rain' to a great reception helped I'm sure by Jan Tilden's delicious and plentiful Shepherd's Pie and Sticky Toffee Pudding. Washed down by our house red and white wines. A record £1,117 was raised.

I would also like to put on record our thanks to Sir Mark Prescott for his donation of £500 to the Transformation Fund following an event at The Godmanchester Museum which featured Lady Mayors of Godmanchester – one of which was Sir Mark's Great Aunt.

With the kind permission of Grace and Christopher Vane Percy we were able to repeat the successful Jazz on the Island on 6<sup>th</sup> August and by any measure it exceeded the previous one, raising the astonishing sum of £3,233 – and oh what fun we had!

On 22<sup>nd</sup> October we had our most successful film night ever where we showed *Operation Mincemeat* starring Colin Firth which raised £1,259.

So over the course of the year we raised nearly £7,000 donated £6,206 to the Transformation Project, paid £1,770 for the Organ Blower overhaul and £390 for a new sump pump

And I would like to end by thanking the Trustees of The Friends Colin Thirlwall, Christopher Vane Percy, Sue Worthington, Nick Leigh-Smith, Anja Busk, and our esteemed treasurer and secretary David Bowers and Kate Sington for their work in keeping the show on the road with diligence and immense enthusiasm. It really is a pleasure to chair such a fantastic group of people. Adrian Sington (Chairman).

### **The Upper Room**

During the financial year of 2022/2023 a total of £1,386.06 was raised from which £1,308.22 have been paid into the Church funds for the Transformation Project. The remaining £72.38 is kept, as a float for future events.

As my health issues are increasing, I am looking into more suitable ways to keep raising funds for our so much needed project. This includes keeping a stall at the church a few days per week to attract possible buyers. I also plan to return to car boot markets, as soon as possible. However, probably not so often.

If there is anyone crazy like me who wants to be my partner on the market, you would be very welcome. I promise there is nothing boring in it. Also, I would like you to know that the items I am not able to sell have been donated to Wood Green, as this is a Charity from our Town. In the meantime, I would like to say thank you to all of you who continue donating items to the Upper room. Without your help I would not be able to do what I do. Thank you and God bless. Lucilia Azevedo.

### **Transformation Project**

Having had our application to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) rejected in 2021, the majority of 2022 was spent trying to determine the HLF's latest criteria and adjust our bid accordingly as they seemed to have moved the goalposts since our original application. The emphasis was now on repairs to historic buildings and community-based projects. Places of worship seemed to be out of fashion. It was suggested by our funding advisors that to improve our

chances of a grant we should reduce our bid to the HLF to nearer £800K rather than the full cost of the project and we continued work on that basis with a requirement for more funding from local and smaller grantors. To reduce ongoing costs we put our contract with our Funding Consultants on hold.

Several events in 2022 slowed work down:

- The massive increase in the cost of raw materials and labour made our original Budget Estimate from 2018 invalid and our quantity surveyors were invited, through our architect, to revise their estimate.
- Our architect left Caroe Architecture to join Thomas Ford & Partners. We agreed to retain her as our architect so the contract was re-negotiated with the new company.
- Communication remained difficult because of the effects of COVID, with many organisations working from home and individuals not available for discussion. The use of Zoom provided some useful meetings.

The revised budget estimate gave a project cost of around £1.4M against the previous £1.25M. This compounded our problems with any HLF application and, although we had rejected the idea earlier, we decided to revisit the possibility of splitting the project into two phases. Phase 1 would be the west end, including the toilets, offices and space for the Godmanchester museum in the upper room in the tower with Phase 2 being the removal of the main nave pews, fitting underfloor heating with a level stone floor and, ideally, replace the boiler with a greener alternative. We therefore asked our architect to examine this proposal, but the estimated cost of Phase 1 was just over £1M and nowhere near our £800K target. Work will continue through 2023 to develop alternative options to spread the fundraising task even more while achieving the same objective. Colin Thirlwall (Project Lead).

## Website

The most dynamic parts of the website are the Calendar, the Vicar's Mailings and the Newsletter/Diary all of which change every week. The Calendar has details of all the services as well as other meetings about Church life.

| <b>2022 VIEWS</b> |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |      |     |       |       |              |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|-------|-------|--------------|
| Jan               | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov   | Dec   | <b>TOTAL</b> |
| 432               | 440 | 551 | 727 | 781 | 767  | 445  | 525 | 914  | 703 | 1,050 | 1,380 | <b>8,715</b> |

|      | <b>VIEWS</b> | <b>VISITORS</b> |
|------|--------------|-----------------|
| 2019 | 10,633       | 3,055           |
| 2020 | 6,445        | 2,162           |
| 2021 | 7,573        | 2,760           |
| 2022 | 8,715        | 2,953           |

| <b>2022 TOP POSTS</b>    |       | <b>2021</b> |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------|
| In-person services       | 3,146 | 2,997       |
| Calendar                 | 1,338 | 966         |
| Contact                  | 391   | 440         |
| Newsletter               | 602   | 396         |
| Buildings + Facilities   | 276   | 298         |
| Zoom Services & Meetings | 0     | 297         |
| Church Matters           | 247   | 250         |
| Vicar's Mailings         | 463   | 173         |

Any suggestions as to how the website can be improved are gratefully received. Also can all heads of department keep me informed as to any changes to their regular meetings etc. Adrian Sington.

### **Wives' Group**

We continue to meet although not in the same format; as our numbers are small we are now meeting at members' homes in the afternoon during winter and will return to evening meetings when the nights are lighter.

We served teas at the Fête in the summer and the Christmas Bazaar in November; helped by members of the congregation who made cakes etc.

Speakers for the group have been put on hold as Covid- although better, still was about. We hope to welcome speakers to our meetings next summer. Olwyn Hurd (Chairman).

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules 2020 (Revised Reprint 2021). The membership of the PCC for St. Mary the Virgin comprises the incumbent, churchwardens, the reader and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members receive initial training into the workings of the PCC.

The full PCC met nine times during the year, four in person and all others via Zoom, with an average level of attendance of 84%. Given its wide responsibilities the PCC has 10 sub-committees, each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life.

These sub-committees, comprising worship, evangelism and outreach, pastoral care, finance, charities, fabric, church hall, transformation, magazine and Fete & Bazaar, are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it regularly with minutes of their decisions being received by the full PCC and discussed as necessary.

## **Administrative Information**

St. Mary the Virgin is situated at the end of Chadley Lane, Godmanchester. It is part of the Diocese of Ely within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 59 Post Street, Godmanchester, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE29 2AQ. The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (Charity no 1194684).

Members of the PCC are Trustees of the Charity. The PCC is required by law to prepare an annual report identifying the activities of the Church to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit, including a statement of accounts verified by an Independent Examiner.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 until the date of this report was approved are:


Ex Officio members:

- Incumbent: The Reverend David Busk (Chairman)
- Honorary Curate: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Young
- Authorised Lay Minister and Church Warden: Jean Morgan
- Authorised Lay Minister: Gillian Bathurst Hoile
- Church Warden: Robert Hurd
- Representatives of the Laity on the Deanery Synod: Peter Morgan, Margaret Quaife

Elected members:

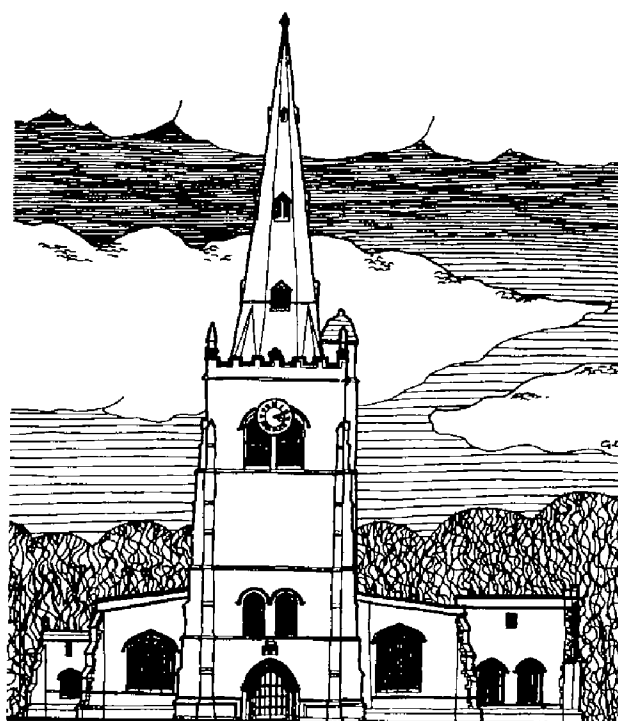
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| • Kate Robinson – PCC Secretary | • Nicholas Leigh Smith |
| • Adrian Sington                | • Robert Francis       |
| • Simon Prince                  | • Kevin Parks          |
| • Lucilia Azevedo               | • Colin Thirlwall      |
| • Lauren Hurst                  |                        |

Approved by the PCC on 27 April 2023 and signed on their behalf by the Reverend David Busk (PCC chairman).



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# **Church of St Mary the Virgin Godmanchester PCC**



## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**For the year ending**

**31<sup>ST</sup> December 2022**



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN GODMANCHESTER

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 DECEMBER 2022

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1194684

**Set out on pages**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2022

**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 (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

**Signed:**

*G. Fordham*

**Date:**

16/02/2023

**Name:**

GARY JOHN FORDHAM

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

INSTITUTE OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTANTS/FEDERATION OF TAX  
ADVISERS.  
MEMBERSHIP NO. 11621

**Address:**

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HILTON

HUNTINGDON, PE28 9NR



**ST MARY THE VIRGIN GODMANCHESTER PCC**
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 DEC 2022**

| <b>RECEIPTS</b>                           | <b>Notes</b> | <b>Unrestricted</b> | <b>Designated</b> | <b>Restricted</b> | <b>Endowment</b> | <b>2022<br/>Total</b> | <b>2021<br/>Total</b> |
|---|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Voluntary receipts</b>                 |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Planned Giving                            | a            | 40,898              |                   |                   |                  | 40,898                | 39,866                |
| Collections at services                   | b            | 7,308               |                   |                   |                  | 7,308                 | 6,499                 |
| All other giving/voluntary receipts       | c            | 7,505               |                   | 13,114            |                  | 20,619                | 19,246                |
| Gift Aid recovered                        |              | 13,309              |                   | 1,250             |                  | 14,559                | 11,483                |
| Legacies                                  |              | 0                   |                   |                   |                  | 0                     | 0                     |
| Grants (recurring and one-off inc VAT)    | d            | 4,254               |                   |                   |                  | 4,254                 | 6,042                 |
| <b>Activities for generating fund</b>     |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Church fundraising activities             | e            | 4,412               |                   |                   |                  | 4,412                 | 4,987                 |
| <b>Investment income</b>                  |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Investment income                         | f            | 1,674               |                   | 1,437             |                  | 3,111                 | 2,794                 |
| <b>Church activities</b>                  |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Fees retained                             |              | 3,482               |                   |                   |                  | 3,482                 | 5,604                 |
| Trading activities                        | g            | 4,413               | 21,577            |                   |                  | 25,990                | 22,627                |
| <b>Other receipts/income</b>              |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Receipts for church organisations         | h            |                     |                   | 1,759             |                  | 1,759                 | 687                   |
| <b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>                     |              | <b>87,255</b>       | <b>21,577</b>     | <b>17,560</b>     | <b>0</b>         | <b>126,392</b>        | <b>119,835</b>        |
| <b>PAYMENTS</b>                           |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| <b>Cost of generating funds</b>           |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Cost of fundraising activities            | i            | 568                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 568                   | 306                   |
| <b>Church activities</b>                  |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Mission & Charity Giving                  | j            | 2,609               |                   | 169               | -                | 2,778                 | 380                   |
| Parish Share                              |              | 67,447              |                   | -                 | -                | 67,447                | 66,425                |
| Staff Expenses                            |              | 289                 |                   | -                 | -                | 289                   | 330                   |
| <b>Church expenses</b>                    |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Mission and Evangelism                    | k            | 143                 |                   | (32)              | -                | 112                   | 300                   |
| Church Running Expenses                   | l            | 16,938              |                   | -                 | -                | 16,938                | 7,190                 |
| Church insurance                          |              | 7,679               |                   | -                 | -                | 7,679                 | 7,488                 |
| Church utility bills                      |              | 3,977               |                   | -                 | -                | 3,977                 | 2,975                 |
| Church hall expenses                      |              |                     | 6,522             | -                 | -                | 6,522                 | 6,385                 |
| Cost of trading                           | m            | 88                  | 117               | -                 | -                | 205                   | 160                   |
| <b>Major capital expenditure</b>          |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Major Repairs to the church building      | n            | -                   | -                 | -                 | -                | 0                     | 0                     |
| Major repairs to the church hall          | o            | -                   | -                 | -                 | -                | 0                     | 0                     |
| New building work to church property      | p            | -                   | -                 | 2,766             |                  | 2,766                 | 15,456                |
| <b>Other payments/expenditure</b>         | q            |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Payments for church organisations         |              | -                   | -                 | 1,546             | -                | 1,546                 |                       |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>                     |              | <b>99,739</b>       | <b>6,639</b>      | <b>4,449</b>      | <b>0</b>         | <b>110,827</b>        | <b>107,395</b>        |
| <b>NET RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS</b>          |              | <b>(12,485)</b>     | <b>14,938</b>     | <b>13,111</b>     | <b>0</b>         | <b>15,564</b>         | <b>12,440</b>         |
| <b>REVALUATIONS</b>                       |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| <b>Unrealised gain / (loss)</b>           |              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| CBF Fixed Interest Acc                    |              | (1,465)             |                   |                   |                  | (1,465)               | 398                   |
| Dorothy Allen Trust                       |              |                     |                   |                   | (11,499)         | (11,499)              | 5,175                 |
| CBF Sunday School Account                 |              |                     |                   | 10                |                  | 10                    | 10                    |
| <b>TOTAL REVALUATIONS</b>                 |              | <b>(1,465)</b>      | <b>0</b>          | <b>10</b>         | <b>(11,499)</b>  | <b>(12,953)</b>       | <b>5,583</b>          |
| <b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS/REVALUATIONS</b> |              | <b>(13,949)</b>     | <b>14,938</b>     | <b>13,121</b>     | <b>(11,499)</b>  | <b>2,611</b>          | <b>18,024</b>         |

**ST MARY THE VIRGIN GODMANCHESTER PCC**


**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**ASSETS**

|  | <b>31 DEC 2022</b> | <b>31 DEC 2021</b> | <b>± in 2022</b> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| <b>Petty Cash</b>  | <b>72</b>          | <b>49</b>          | <b>23</b>        |
| <b>Santander Bank (Current Account)</b>                  | <b>43,617</b>      | <b>39,360</b>      | <b>4,258</b>     |
| Plus cheques deposited but not cleared                   | 526                | 484                |                  |
| Less cheques issued but not presented                    | (3,303)            | (1,221)            |                  |
|  | <b>40,841</b>      | <b>38,623</b>      | <b>2,218</b>     |
| <b>Charity Aid Foundation Bank (Transformation Fund)</b> | <b>33,026</b>      | <b>20,389</b>      | <b>12,637</b>    |
| <b>Other Assets</b>                                      |                    |                    |                  |
| <b>C of E Central Board of Finance Deposit Accounts</b>  |                    |                    |                  |
| CBF Contingency a/c                                      | 11,641             | 11,220             | 422              |
| CBF Development a/c (Transformation Fund)                | 10,644             | 10,506             | 138              |
|  | <b>22,286</b>      | <b>21,726</b>      | <b>560</b>       |
| <b>Total Bank accounts/cash</b>                          | <b>96,225</b>      | <b>80,787</b>      | <b>15,438</b>    |
| <b>Trust Funds and Fixed Interest Securities</b>         |                    |                    |                  |
| CBF Fixed Interest Securities a/c                        | 9,449              | 10,913             | (1,465)          |
| Dorothy Allen Trust Fund                                 | 84,547             | 96,046             | (11,499)         |
| Sunday School Trust Funds                                |                    |                    |                  |
| CBF114001/103D   | 940                | 940                | 0                |
| CBF114001/702D   | 2,000              | 2,000              | 0                |
|  | <b>96,936</b>      | <b>109,899</b>     | <b>(12,964)</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                                      | <b>193,161</b>     | <b>190,686</b>     | <b>2,474</b>     |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                                       |                    |                    |                  |
| Fees owing to Ely DBF                                    | (583)              | (801)              |                  |
| <b>NET ASSETS/LIABILITIES</b>                            | <b>192,578</b>     | <b>189,885</b>     | <b>2,692</b>     |
| <b>FIXED ASSETS RETAINED FOR CHURCH USE</b>              |                    |                    |                  |
| Church hall and fittings                                 | 93,000             | 93,000             |                  |
| Storage shed & Church Hall shed                          | 3,075              | 4,100              |                  |
| Piano  | 5,000              | 5,000              |                  |
| Set of handbells   | 3,000              | 3,000              |                  |
| Four lawnmowers, three strimmers one leaf blower         | 492                | 656                |                  |
| Video projection equipment                               | 2,531              | 3,375              |                  |
|  | <b>107,098</b>     | <b>109,131</b>     |                  |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                                      | <b>299,676</b>     | <b>299,016</b>     | <b>660</b>       |

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 20 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd DW Busk  
Vicar and PCC Chairman

Signature   
Date 20/3/23

The notes on page 3 to 6 form part of this statement

**ST MARY THE VIRGIN GODMANCHESTER PCC  
OPERATING FUNDS 2022**

|   | <b>b/f from 2021</b> | <b>Receipts</b> | <b>Payments</b> | <b>Reval'n</b> | <b>c/f to 2023</b> | <b>± in 2022</b> |
|---|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| <b>Assets available (From Assets &amp; Liabilities)</b> |                      |                 |                 |                |                    |                  |
| Petty cash  | 49                   | 1,430           | 1,407           |                | 72                 | 23               |
| Santander (net)   | 38,623               | 131,013         | 128,795         |                | 40,841             | 2,218            |
| CBF Development Acc                                     | 10,506               | 138             | 0               |                | 10,644             | 138              |
| CAF Transformation Acc                                  | 20,389               | 15,403          | 2,766           |                | 33,026             | 12,637           |
| CBF Contingency Acc                                     | 11,220               | 422             |                 |                | 11,641             | 422              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>80,787</b>        | <b>148,406</b>  | <b>132,968</b>  |                | <b>96,225</b>      | <b>15,438</b>    |
| <b>Operating funds</b>                                  |                      |                 |                 |                |                    |                  |
| General Fund  | 24,265               | 83,558          | 83,581          |                | 24,242             | (23)             |
| Bellringers   | 1,666                | 1,168           | 855             |                | 1,979              | 313              |
| Children's Church                                       | 44                   | 54              | 0               |                | 98                 | 54               |
| Church Fabric   | 8,346                | 5,841           | 6,155           |                | 8,032              | (314)            |
| Church Hall   | 6,905                | 17,120          | 15,322          |                | 8,703              | 1,798            |
| Churchyard & Mowers                                     | 710                  | 4,509           | 4,169           |                | 1,050              | 340              |
| Decorating Fund   | 7,011                | 1,000           | 0               |                | 8,011              | 1,000            |
| Flower Guild  | 979                  | 591             | 691             |                | 879                | (100)            |
| Grub, Games & God                                       | 0                    | 109             | 77              |                | 32                 | 32               |
| Transformation Project                                  | 30,938               | 22,790          | 10,122          |                | 43,606             | 12,668           |
| Youth Group   | 34                   | 0               | 34              |                | 0                  | (34)             |
| Agency Funds <sup>(1)</sup>                             | (112)                | 11,667          | 11,962          |                | (407)              | (295)            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>80,787</b>        | <b>148,406</b>  | <b>132,968</b>  | <b>0.00</b>    | <b>96,225</b>      | <b>15,438</b>    |

**Operating Funds** have both income and expenditure during the year and individual balances are carried forward to the start of the next year. When necessary, transfers are made between operating funds during the year.

**Note (1) Agency Funds** are funds that are handled by the church but are not part of the church income and expenditure and are not included in the church annual accounts. Examples are fees for organists, vergers or choir at weddings and funerals and collections at funerals for a nominated charity.

# ST MARY THE VIRGIN GODMANCHESTER PCC

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT YEAR ENDED 31 DEC 2022

### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with both the Charities Act 2011, on the Receipts and Payments Basis, and the Church of England accounting regulations

### 2 ANALYSIS OF FUND MOVEMENT FOR THE YEAR

- (i) UNRESTRICTED FUNDS may be used by the PCC for any of its ordinary purposes. The movements in the fund are shown in the Receipts and Payments Account

| FUND NAME     | FUND PURPOSE      | Bal 1 Jan | Receipts | Payments | Bal 31 Dec |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| General funds | Gereal use by PCC | 24,265    | 83,680   | 83,581   | 24,242     |
|               |                   | 24,265    | 83,558   | 83,581   | 24,242     |

- (ii) DESIGNATED FUNDS represent funds set aside, out of ordinary unrestricted funds, for specific designated purposes, but they can be transferred back into general funds at any time

| FUND NAME           | FUND PURPOSE              | Bal 1 Jan | Receipts | Payments | Bal 31 Dec |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Church Hall         | Maintain hall             | 6,905     | 17,120   | 15,322   | 8,703      |
| Decorating fund     | Church redecoration       | 7,011     | 1,000    | 0        | 8,011      |
| Churchyard & Mowers | Maintain church surrounds | 710       | 4,509    | 4,169    | 1,050      |
| Grub, Games & God   | Mission and Evangelism    | 0         | 109      | 77       | 32         |
|                     |                           | 14,626    | 22,737   | 19,567   | 17,796     |

- (iii) RESTRICTED FUNDS represent either income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objectives provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, or donations or grants received or invited for a specific purpose. The funds may only be spent on the specific purpose for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent must be carried forward as a balance on that fund and cannot be absorbed into general funds.

| FUND NAME           | FUND PURPOSE                  | Bal 1 Jan | Receipts | Payments | Bal 31 Dec |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Transformation Fund | Church Transformation Project | 30,938    | 22,790   | 10,122   | 43,606     |
| Sunday School       | Fund Children's Church        | 44        | 54       | 0        | 98         |
| Youth Group         | Fund Youth Work               | 34        | 0        | 34       | 0          |
|                     |                               | 31,017    | 22,844   | 10,156   | 43,704     |

- (iv) ENDOWMENT FUNDS are funds whose capital must be maintained: only income arising from the investment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending on the purpose for which the endowment was established

| FUND NAME            | FUND PURPOSE                       | Bal 1 Jan | Receipts | Payments | Bal 31 Dec |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Dorothy Allen Trust  | 50% fabric, remainder unrestricted | 0         | 2,469    | 2,469    | 0          |
| Sunday School Invest | Religious education                | 0         | 20       | 20       | 0          |
|                      |                                    | 0         | 2,489    | 2,489    | 0          |

- (v) FUNDS LODGED IN THE CHURCH ACCOUNTS are funds belonging to church organisations that are lodged in the church accounts.

| FUND NAME         | FUND PURPOSE      | Bal 1 Jan | Receipts | Payments | Bal 31 Dec |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Bell Ringers Fund | Tower maintenance | 1,666     | 1,168    | 855      | 1,979      |
| Flower Guild Fund | Church flowers    | 979       | 591      | 691      | 879        |
|                   |                   | 2,645     | 1,759    | 1,546    | 2,858      |

### 3 TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS

| From                | To              | Amount |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------|
| Church Hall         | Gen Funds       | 7,800  |
| Church hall         | Decorating Fund | 1,000  |
| Churchyard & Mowers | Fabric Fund     | 4,000  |

**ST MARY THE VIRGIN GODMANCHESTER PCC**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT YEAR ENDED 31 DEC 2022**

**4. ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ITEMS**

| <b>RECEIPTS</b> |  | <b>Unrestricted</b> | <b>Designated</b> | <b>Restricted</b> | <b>Endowment</b> | <b>2022<br/>Total</b> | <b>2021<br/>Total</b> |
|-----------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Notes</b>    |  |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| a)              | <b>Planned giving</b>                      |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | BACS donations (regular)                   | 1,823               | -                 | -                 | -                | 1,823                 | 1,438                 |
|                 | Free-will envelopes                        | 3,008               | -                 | -                 | -                | 3,008                 | 3,609                 |
|                 | Parish giving                              | 24,498              | -                 | -                 | -                | 24,498                | 20,249                |
|                 | Standing orders/DDs                        | 11,570              | -                 | -                 | -                | 11,570                | 14,570                |
|                 |  | <u>40,898</u>       | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>40,898</u>         | <u>39,866</u>         |
| b)              | <b>Collections at services</b>             |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | Baptisms                                   | 298                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 298                   | 531                   |
|                 | Funerals                                   | 324                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 324                   | 920                   |
|                 | House communion                            | 172                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 172                   | 63                    |
|                 | Regular Sunday services                    | 4,581               | -                 | -                 | -                | 4,581                 | 3,308                 |
|                 | Special Services                           | 1,790               | -                 | -                 | -                | 1,790                 | 1,024                 |
|                 | Weddings                                   | 142                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 142                   | 654                   |
|                 |  | <u>7,308</u>        | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>7,308</u>          | <u>6,499</u>          |
| c)              | <b>All other giving/voluntary receipts</b> |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | Donations                                  | 3,750               | -                 | 13,114            | -                | 16,864                | 17,160                |
|                 | Gift day                                   | 3,755               | -                 | -                 | -                | 3,755                 | 2,086                 |
|                 |  | <u>7,505</u>        | <u>-</u>          | <u>13,114</u>     | <u>-</u>         | <u>20,619</u>         | <u>19,246</u>         |
| d)              | <b>Grants (recurring and one-off)</b>      |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | VAT Recovered                              | 1,306               | -                 | -                 | -                | 1,306                 | 0                     |
|                 | External Grants                            | 600                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 600                   | 6,000                 |
|                 | Friends of St Mary's                       | 2,348               | -                 | -                 | -                | 2,348                 | 42                    |
|                 |  | <u>4,254</u>        | <u>0</u>          | <u>0</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>4,254</u>          | <u>6,042</u>          |
| e)              | <b>Fundraising activities</b>              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | Summer fete                                | 2,324               | -                 | -                 | -                | 2,324                 | 0                     |
|                 | Christmas bazaar                           | 2,088               | -                 | -                 | -                | 2,088                 | 1,555                 |
|                 |  | <u>4,412</u>        | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>4,412</u>          | <u>1,555</u>          |
| f)              | <b>Investment income</b>                   |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | CBF Contingency acc                        | 150                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 150                   | 111                   |
|                 | CBF Fixed interest acc                     | 272                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 272                   | 310                   |
|                 | CBF Development acc                        | -                   | -                 | 138               | -                | 138                   | 87                    |
|                 | CAF Bank Interest                          | -                   | -                 | 27                | -                | 27                    | 0                     |
|                 | Dorothy Allen Trust                        | 1,252               | -                 | 1,252             | -                | 2,504                 | 2,477                 |
|                 | Sunday School Investments                  | -                   | -                 | 20                | -                | 20                    | 16                    |
|                 |  | <u>1,674</u>        | <u>0</u>          | <u>1,437</u>      | <u>-</u>         | <u>3,111</u>          | <u>3,001</u>          |
| g)              | <b>Trading activities</b>                  |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | Church hire                                | 1,525               | -                 | -                 | -                | 1,525                 | 410                   |
|                 | Hall letting                               | -                   | 17,120            | -                 | -                | 17,120                | 14,730                |
|                 | Magazine sales & advertising               | 1,829               | -                 | -                 | -                | 1,829                 | 2,648                 |
|                 | Sunday Coffee                              | 533                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 533                   | 43                    |
|                 | Book sales                                 | 526                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 526                   | 0                     |
|                 | Grasscutting contract                      | -                   | 4,457             | -                 | -                | 4,457                 | 4,250                 |
|                 |  | <u>4,413</u>        | <u>21,577</u>     | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>25,990</u>         | <u>22,080</u>         |
| h)              | <b>Other receipts/income</b>               |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
|                 | Bellringers                                | -                   | -                 | 1,168             | -                | 1,168                 | 1,425                 |
|                 | Flower Guild                               | -                   | -                 | 591               | -                | 591                   | 828                   |
|                 |  | <u>-</u>            | <u>-</u>          | <u>1,759</u>      | <u>-</u>         | <u>1,759</u>          | <u>2,253</u>          |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT YEAR ENDED 31 DEC 2022**

**4. ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ITEMS**

| <b>PAYMENTS</b>                                | <b>Unrestricted</b> | <b>Designated</b> | <b>Restricted</b> | <b>Endowment</b> | <b>2022<br/>Total</b> | <b>2021<br/>Total</b> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>i) Cost of fundraising activities</b>       |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Fete & bazaar                                  | 444                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 444                   | 183                   |
| Donation envelopes                             | 124                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 124                   | 122                   |
|  | <u>568</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>568</u>            | <u>306</u>            |
| <b>j) Mission &amp; charity giving</b>         |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Christmas charities                            | 1,344               | -                 | -                 | -                | 1,344                 | 100                   |
| Service charities                              | 177                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 177                   | 218                   |
| Mayor of Godmanchester's Charity               | -                   | -                 | 169               | -                | 169                   | 0                     |
| Other charities                                | 1,088               | -                 | -                 | -                | 1,088                 | 0                     |
|  | <u>2,609</u>        | <u>-</u>          | <u>169</u>        | <u>-</u>         | <u>2,778</u>          | <u>318</u>            |
| <b>k) Mission &amp; evangelism</b>             |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Children's church                              | 143                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 143                   | 62                    |
| Grub, Games and God                            | -                   | -                 | (32)              | -                | (32)                  | -                     |
| Othe donations                                 | -                   | -                 | -                 | -                | 0                     | 0                     |
|  | <u>143</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>(32)</u>       | <u>-</u>         | <u>112</u>            | <u>62</u>             |
| <b>l) Church running expenses</b>              |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Admin  | 5,052               | -                 | -                 | -                | 5,052                 | 4,740                 |
| Altar requirements                             | 240                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 240                   | 207                   |
| Auditor fee                                    | 240                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 240                   | 240                   |
| Maintenance                                    | 8,506               | -                 | -                 | -                | 8,506                 | 8,409                 |
| Organ & choir                                  | 2,504               | -                 | -                 | -                | 2,504                 | 407                   |
| Misc   | 396                 | -                 | -                 | -                | 396                   | 2,208                 |
|  | <u>16,938</u>       | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>16,938</u>         | <u>16,211</u>         |
| <b>m) Cost of trading</b>                      |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Mower expenses                                 | -                   | 117               | -                 | -                | 117                   | 168                   |
| Cost of goods (Coffee)                         | 88                  | -                 | -                 | -                | 88                    | 13                    |
|  | <u>88</u>           | <u>117</u>        | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>         | <u>205</u>            | <u>181</u>            |
| <b>n) Major repairs to church building</b>     |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Church fabric                                  | -                   | -                 | -                 | -                | 0                     | 0                     |
| <b>o) Major repairs to church hall</b>         | -                   | -                 | -                 | -                | -                     | -                     |
| <b>p) New building work to church property</b> |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Transformation project                         | -                   | -                 | 2,766             | -                | 2,766                 | 7,920                 |
| <b>q) Other payments and expenditure</b>       |                     |                   |                   |                  |                       |                       |
| Bellringers                                    | -                   | -                 | 855               | -                | 855                   | 1,300                 |
| Flower Guild                                   | -                   | -                 | 691               | -                | 691                   | 266                   |
|  | <u>-</u>            | <u>-</u>          | <u>1,546</u>      | <u>-</u>         | <u>1,546</u>          | <u>1,566</u>          |