

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ORDSALL AND RETFORD ST MICHAELS

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

Activities: To serve as One Church, in Ordsall and West Retford, offering love and welcome for all. We seek to be one loving, inclusive Church, reaching out to our local communities, welcoming all around the Lord's table, living an everyday faith and seeking to be people of peace.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Nottinghamshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£133,955	£145,114	-	-
2023-12-31	£113,013	£124,479	-	-
2022-12-31	£135,508	£121,244	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christopher Paterson Porter		2024-04-28
Gillian Mary Glover		2025-04-06
John Andrew Chambers		2025-05-15
Kenneth Nigel Newstead		2025-04-06
Kerry Ann Rawlings		2025-04-06
Lewis John Pugh		2025-05-30
Maxine Dawn Fisher		2025-05-15
Michael John Goffin		2025-05-15
Nigel Patrick Bower		2025-04-06
Paul Richard John Hardman		2025-04-06
Rachel Mary Waby		2023-09-20
Rev Alex Alan Terry Shiells		2022-03-06
Stephen Charles Thorpe		2024-05-15
Susan May Walker		2026-04-26
TESSA JEANNETTE ROLPH		2023-05-28

Accounts

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Annual Report 2024-25 & Financial Statement for 2024



The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Ordsall and
Retford, St Michael

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Parochial Church Council Membership 2024 - 2025

CLERGY

Alex Shiells
David Bean

WARDENS

Nigel Bower
Barbara Burrows
Michael Storey

DEANERY SYNOD 2023-2025

Helen Richards

UNTIL 2025

Janet Lewis
Kane Marsh
Amanda Old
Peter Thomas

UNTIL 2026

Pam Phillips
Isabelle Richards
Tessa Rolph
Alison Thorpe

UNTIL 2027

Martin Bloomfield
Chris Porter
Stephen Thorpe
Rachel Waby

CO-OPTED

Maxine Fisher
Don Phillips

EX-OFFICIO

Chris Trend

PCC Officers and Representatives:

Role	Name
Chair	<i>Alex Shiells</i>
PCC Secretary	<i>Alison Thorpe</i>
Lay Chair	<i>Isabelle Richards</i>
Treasurer - All Hallows and Retford St Michael	<i>Martin Bloomfield, Tessa Rolph acting treasurer</i>
Planned Giving Secretary - All Hallows	<i>Malcom McDonald</i>
Planned Giving Secretary - St Michael	<i>Martin Bloomfield</i>
Electoral Roll Officer	<i>Alison Thorpe</i>
Safeguarding Officer - All Hallows and Retford St Michael	<i>Don Phillips</i>
DBS Safe Recruiter	<i>Rachel Waby/ Helen Richards</i>
Health and Safety - All Hallows	<i>John Pashley</i>
Health and Safety - St Michael	<i>Rachel Waby</i>
Church Property	<i>Peter Thomas</i>
Christian Aid	<i>Pat Bloodworth</i>
Children's Society	<i>Sally Hardman</i>

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Women's World Day of Prayer

Margaret Green, Margaret Akerman

DRAFT Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 28th April 2024 in All Hallows Church

1. Attendance:

Joan Henderson	Shirley Thomas	Lavinia Swannack	Rachel Waby
Kathryn Biggs	Pat Bloodworth	Margaret Akerman	Alison Thorpe
Chris Porter	Janet Lewis	Barbara Burrows	Revd. Alex Shiells
Paul Richards	John Palmer	Michael Storey	Brian Crawley
Helen Richards	Joan Palmer	Malcom Mc Donald	Amanda Old
Isabelle Richards	Peter Thomas	Gill Glover	
Ivy Kibble	Jean Morris	Revd. David Bean	

Apologies:

Don Phillips	Sandra Sendall	Russell Bloodworth	Martin Bloomfield
Pam Phillips	Richard Sendall	Nigel Bower	Paul Hardman
Sally Hardman	Ann Jones		

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2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on **28th May 2023** in St Michael's Chapter House, to be agreed as a true record:

Proposed: Lavinia Swannack *Seconded:* Janet Lewis agreed: 14
Abstentions: 13

3. Electoral Roll: The total number of names on the Electoral Roll is 119.

4. Nominations for Churchwardens 4 vacancies

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Barbara Burrows	Helen Richards	Tessa Rolph
Nigel Bower	Rachel Waby	Pat Bloodworth
Michael Storey	Barbara Burrows	Ann Jones

5. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

6. Election of Churchwardens: Barbara Burrows, Nigel Bower, and Michael Storey, were duly elected.

Revd. Alex welcomed

7. Election of PCC members: *2 nominations x three year vacancy*

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Chris Porter	Peter Thomas	Barbara Burrows
Rachel Waby	Janet Lewis	Pat Bloodworth

8. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

9. Election of PCC Members for three years: Chris Porter and Rachel Waby were duly elected

10. Nominations for PCC Membership for one year - One Vacancy for one year - no nominations.

11. Election of Deanery Synod Representatives:

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Helen Richards	Barbara Burrows	Tessa Rolph

12. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

Revd. Alex thanked all those standing for office.
Revd. Alex also encouraged those present who were not members, to think about standing
as Deanery Synod Members or joining the PCC.

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1) Statutory Reports:

- a) **Safeguarding Report:** Thanks to Don Phillips our Safeguarding Officer for keeping us on track. Brian Crawley has now set the fastest record for completing the safeguarding training needed!
- b) **Electoral Roll:** No questions or answers.
- c) **Audited Accounts:** See Vicar's report
- d) **PCC Secretary:** No questions or answers.
- e) **Deanery Synod:** Revd. Alex again encouraged those present who were not members, to think about standing as Deanery Synod Members.
- f) **Fabric:** Many thanks to our Church Wardens and to Peter Thomas
- g) **Vicar:**

Financial Review: we have three sets of Accounts. One for each of our churches and one for the Common Fund. This is better for tracking our financial situation. There was a planned giving increase of 23% at All Hallows. The accounts also show the Charities that we have been able to support.

Many thanks to Peter Thomas who has gone above and beyond in obtaining grants for work done at All Hallows and the Parish Hall.

All Hallows new Insurance contracts are cheaper than the contracts they replaced.

Ordsall Parish Hall - there has been a significant increase in the use of the Hall.

The photocopier is very expensive so we are trying to keep its use to a minimum. Our outgoings are greater than our income.

The South side porch has been repointed. About £7,000 has been spent on both churches.

We are on track to pay our Parish Share in full.

The planned giving increase at St Michael's was about 16%.

A reminder that it is best to gift aid donations to the church if you pay tax.

The Organ recital at St Michael's and the Michaelmas Fair were well attended. The Michaelmas Fair raised more than £1000.

The Lightning Conductor has been sorted and the Sound system has been installed. Thanks to Russell Bloodworth and Martin Bloomfield for all their hard work.

Also at St Michael's, Pat Bloodworth and Nigel Bower have been looking at ways to develop the Church and the Community Hall. Simon Holdaway has been helping with future plans. Thanks to Pat, Nigel and Simon. Thanks also to Ivy Kibble.

Barbara Burrows thanked Revd. Alex, and all of our Ministry Team.

2) Property belonging to Ordsall and Retford, St Michael's Parish

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h) Ordsall Parish Hall: The Hall is now making more money, improvements have been made to the Hall during the year. Many thanks to Debbie Aston, Peter and Shirley Thomas and Tessa Rolph.

i) St Michael's Community Hall: Thanks to Prue Lamb

j) Croft Cottage, Glebe Cottage, 19, Grange Road: Many thanks to Peter Thomas for his management of the Church Property for many years. Rachel Waby has now taken over as our Property Manager - thanks also to Rachel.

k) All Hallows Allotment: Thanks to Peter Thomas

3) Church Activities throughout the year

l) Health and Safety: Thanks to John Pashley and Rachel Waby. There is now a new risk assessment for All Hallows.

m) Craft Circle: This has now changed its name to the Arts and Craft Café. These groups are both nurturing and caring. The group is smaller at St. Michael's but people keep popping in and out.

n) Bell Ringers: Thanks to the Tower Captain, Paul Richards. Potential new recruits are now being trained

o) Places of Welcome: Open Wednesdays at All Hallows - Bassetlaw Connect are not coming in as frequently. Thanks to Helen Richards and Tessa Rolph.

Open Tuesdays at St Michael's - between 25 and 30 people attend each week, about half are not church members, some have also started to come to Communion. Thanks to Pam Phillips, Janet Lewis, Nigel Bower and Christine Theodosius.

p) After Service Coffee: Thanks to Amanda Old and Richard and Julia Morton.

q) Mother's Union/Contact centre: Thanks to Tessa Rolph

r) Merry Ladies: Thanks to Irene Haw.

s) Churchyard Group: Thanks to Peter Thomas.

t) Events Committee: The Summer Fair Meeting is coming up.

4) PCC Links and Representatives

u) Christian Aid: The posters for the Christian Aid lunches are up already!

v) Rakitova Self Sufficiency Fund: thanks to Pam Phillips

Suggested date for next Annual Parochial Church Meeting: to be confirmed

Revd. Alex thanked everyone for coming to the meeting

The meeting finished with the Grace

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1. Statutory Reports

a. Safeguarding

Training

This year we have focussed our major effort on ensuring that all our excellent volunteers are up to date with their Safeguarding training. To that end we have organised two face to face courses for Safeguarding Basic Awareness and Foundation the latter of which was particularly well attended and included volunteers from other local churches. In addition, many other volunteers have completed online Safeguarding courses and face to face training elsewhere. To everybody who has undertaken the training and all of those who have supported and helped me in this effort please accept my grateful thanks.

National Safeguarding Standards

During the year the Church of England have launched their new National Safeguarding Standards to which all parishes must demonstrate compliance by the end of 2027. There are five standards:

- Culture, Leadership and Capacity
- Prevention
- Recognising, Assessing and Managing Risk
- Victims and Survivors
- Learning, Supervision and Support

Each of these standards has a list of 'What Good Looks Like' indicators to assist parishes in their achievement.

Initial work on achieving these standards has already started under the supervision of the PCC and is being led by Rev. Alex Shiells, Rev. David Bean and myself.

Safeguarding Hub

The Parish has for some years been using the Parish Dashboard to monitor compliance with the Church of England's safeguarding requirements and this year have commenced use of the Safeguarding Hub. This new system which is fully integrated with the Dashboard and will assist us to monitor our compliance comply with the Church of England's 'Safer Recruitment and People Management Guidance' mandatory requirements. The Hub

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and the Dashboard will also help us to monitor our progress in working towards compliance with the new National Safeguarding Standards.

Don Phillips Parish Safeguarding Officer

b. Electoral Roll

This year we had to prepare a new Electoral Roll. The formal notice of this revision was published on Sunday 2nd February 2025 and the Roll was closed to new entries on Sunday 16th March. It was then displayed for correction between Sunday 23rd March and Sunday 6th of April.

As of Sunday 16th March the total of the Roll was 86.

Alison Thorpe - Electoral Roll Officer

c. Independently Examined Accounts

Opening remarks -

It may not be obvious, but there has been a slight improvement in the normal day-to-day overall finances of the legal Parish, combining both St Michaels and All Hallows churches, compared with 2023! However, this was offset by some larger one-off expenses and there is still a current decline in ongoing account balances due to the continuing excess of expenditure over income. Looking forward, it is hoped that increased congregations will be able to support the continuing work of the two churches, both with their time and financially.

Planned giving has remained stable and the Parish Share was paid in full as a matter of policy. The work of our vicar, Revd Alex, together with other assisting clergy and readers is much appreciated by the congregation and community and there is a lot of additional support available from the Diocese in various ways.

By the nature of the physical church buildings, there is significant expenditure involved in their upkeep (repairs, roof alarms, insurance etc). Grants are always obtained where possible to help with repair work.

The cottages continue to offer some challenges at times and larger than usual expenditure was required for roof work at 19 Grange Road. However, they still provide a good return on investment and a notable income for the Parish.

In early 2024, a substantial part of the historic Miss Flowers endowment legacy became available for general use and a £9000 transfer was made

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from the Endowment to Unrestricted funds. This helped fund the work on the church roof and cottages.

During the year, Kathryn Watkinson was recruited to become our new Children and Families Community Engagement Worker on a one-year contract. We are grateful to Bassetlaw CVS and District Councillors for grants received to support her salary and work in establishing a Toddler Group in Ordsall. We are actively looking for ways in which this and other community work can continue.

Ordsall Parish Hall's finances have been in a much better position during 2024, with an increase in regular and one-off lettings.

All expenditure is constantly monitored for potential savings, but we do rely on increased congregations and increased giving generally (including potential legacies) plus additional fundraising, to ensure the future viability of the two churches.

Anyone wishing to discuss a change in their level of giving, a one-off gift or the wording for a potential legacy can contact either myself as the Treasurer at Tessa.owr@gmail.com or the regular giving officer, Martin Bloomfield.

All Hallows Ordsall -

Planned Giving – Regular receipts remained consistent during the year, augmented by regular Gift Aid and GASDS claims. 2024 totals of £29.2k were marginally less than the previous year (£29.4k)

Casual giving & donations – Plate collections were a mere £52 less than 2023. Casual donations were less by around £350 but were equally offset by an increase in online giving, either through the Sumup machine in church or by use of the donations section of the website.

Just over £3k of welcome donations were received for specific projects, with £2.2k of this given towards enhancing the floor in the Parish Hall - this enabled the new Toddler Group and other similar groups to take place safely.

Grants & legacies – Grants were received from Bassetlaw CVS and District Councillors to support our Community worker. An additional £4.6k grant was received from Bassetlaw DC for improvements to the Parish Hall lighting and insulation.

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A Growing Disciples grant was received from the Diocese. The aim of this grant is “to support mission & discipleship enabling the Diocesan Vision of Growing Disciples of Christ with Compassion, Confidence and Courage to flourish”. The money is being used in various ways to help support and encourage an increasing congregation, particularly through the use of up to date technology.

No legacies were received in 2024.

Fund raising & events – Having renovated the floor, Parish Hall lettings increased by £4.1k and particular thanks go to our Hall bookings officer for encouraging its usage. Though a decision was taken not to hold a Scarecrow festival in 2024, an increase in Live & Local receipts (£583), together with other Hall events, nevertheless ensured a regular stream of income and its financial viability.

The Summer and Christmas fairs resulted in a favourable £1.7k return, and refreshment donations saw an increase of some £517 (81.5%). Income from these activities realised a total increase of £6.7k (35.6%). All sundry cash donations are also eligible for an additional 25% top up from HMRC through the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme (GASDS)

Other income – The Church properties are now managed by professional letting agents, and regular rents were received on time. The total of £22,940 is an increase of £5.5k (31.8%) on the total in the previous year, part of which is due to accounting now for gross rental income, rather than netting off the letting agency charges. Bank interest and share dividends were broadly in line with the 2023 amounts.

Total income for 2024 resulted in an overall increase of £19.4k (23.7%), though it should be borne in mind that around £9k of that total represents new money from grants and donations for specific projects.

Charitable Giving – This was around £260 less than the previous year, partially due to fewer baptism services. Local charities continue to be supported, including Bassetlaw Food Bank. The customary Christmas Christingle service meant we were able to send money as usual to the Children’s Society.

Ministry costs – As mentioned at the outset, the Parish Share was paid in full, notwithstanding the increase of about £2.8K. Clergy expenses were consistent with expectations.

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Running costs - Insurance for both churches was paid from our Common fund, and the 2.9% increase of 2023 was within expectations. Telephone and internet costs rose by £380 (60.9%), mainly due to the cost of routers and service provider charges.

Utilities - Gas heating resulted in a modest increase of £535, whilst electricity remained roughly the same.

Church maintenance – Routine maintenance on the church properties amounted to an increase of around £600. Additional work is due to be carried out with reference to the 5-yearly Quinquennial Review and its priorities. Grants are obtained where possible to assist such work and Peter Thomas is very successful in researching all such sources.

Parish hall - Electricity and insurance met budgeted targets, though the cost of heating saw an unexpected reduction in gas expenditure, reducing by around £1k (79.4%). The hall's business rates have now levelled out from previous years, with a discount received of nearly 100%.

It was discovered that the Hall cleaner's pay had not been reviewed adequately in recent years and a back payment of more than £2k was issued. With this extraordinary item being stripped out, Parish Hall expenditure increased by £140 (1.6%).

Operating Activity costs – In 2024 these include the cost of our Community worker and associated activities, so the unusual increase of £4.5k (617.3%) is understandable.

Repairs & maintenance – Significant amounts were incurred for the church roof (£2.7k), Parish Hall (£6.8k) and properties (£5.2k), not all of which could be funded with grants. The resulting increase of £10.2k (223.8%) represents a major hit to our available funds and contributed to their overall reduction over the full year.

Support costs – We continue to apply an annual salary increase for our employees, by reference to the Living Wage.

The **Management & Administration** costs for 2023 included £1020 for the quinquennial inspection. If this is stripped out, the corresponding total for 2024 saw an actual reduction of £936 (27.6%). This is partially due to the reduction in travel expenses of £206 (33.6%) and the impact of Revd Alex's temporary absence.

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However there may be some necessary future outlay in accounting software and time for the maintenance of the churches' financial records, as this burden becomes impractical to be dealt with by one volunteer.

Tangible and Investment Assets – A modest percentage increase was applied to the year-end valuations of the Hall and cottages, representing a fair asset price in line with similar properties. (Note that the Church rental properties have now been reclassified as Investment Assets, rather than Tangible). Our shares increased in value by £282 (6.4%), meaning our tangible and investment assets increased by £24.3k (7.2%).

The balances held in our bank accounts and short-term deposits decreased by £2.1k (5.2%). Part of the bank accounts also represents advance grant receipts, the value of which will be utilised in 2025.

End of year assessment – the level of overall wealth increased by £20.7k (5.3%), with Fixed assets increasing by £24.8k (7.2%), and Net Current assets reducing by £4.1k (9.9%). The latter reduction continues to give some cause for concern, and requires constant review to ensure future solvency.

St Michaels -

Planned giving - increased by £382 (2%), with Gift Aid & GASDS providing an additional £201 income.

Casual giving & donations - Plate collections remained stable, and a similar practice of offering baptism donations to a charity of the family's choice was implemented. Voluntary donations were received towards the cost of the ongoing boiler contract.

Grants & legacies – A Growing Disciples grant was once again received from Southwell Diocese, allowing Revd Alex to implement improved outreach. No legacies were received during the year.

Fund raising & events – Hall lettings encouragingly increased by £160 (28.1%), and refreshment donations also saw an increase of £437 (56.1%). Whilst takings from the Michaelmas fayre reduced by £155 (15.3%), overall fund raising ended the year with a credible increase of £338 (11.0%).

Charitable giving - St Michaels continues to support RAKITOVO, as well as several local and wider charitable causes. The Charity fund was not utilised during the year.

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Running costs - Insurance continues to be paid via the Common fund held by All Hallows Ordsall, and a monthly contribution of £2,250 was made in 2024 by St Michaels to finance this and other identified common expenditure.

Utilities – Heating costs saw gas invoices reduce by £1k (37.2%), and electricity costs by £44 (8.7%). Each of these welcome reductions is to be applauded and perhaps display the value of negotiating better contracts, which came into force during the year!

Repairs & maintenance – An increase of £752 (41%) was experienced, with the security alarm bills representing around £600 (84.6%) of the total. The organ was not tuned during the year. A one-off cost item of £360 was paid to Windsor Garden Services to carry out a general tidy-up of the churchyard to improve the appearance of the church.

Development fund - £1500 was paid to Castle Surveys to carry out a 3D laser scan of the church building. This will assist with any plans which may be discussed in the coming months. Revd Alex utilised monies from the Growing Disciples grant towards additional multimedia capabilities, which should enhance members' and visitors' experiences.

Overall balances - The TSB bank account ended the year £4.2k (14.4%) lower than the previous year. Like Ordsall, it is recognised that such an ongoing reduction is unsustainable, and suitable remedial action will need to be implemented to halt this flow.

In conclusion –

Although the last three years have seen various challenges emerge at both churches, it is pleasing to report that these are being met head on. The financial situation has a more established footing, with the formation of individual finance committees overseeing the planning and development of a medium to long-term strategy.

Since the last funding campaign, significant contributions have been in evidence from loyal supporters at each church, and it is hoped that the next one will result in a similar amount of success. Regular Gift Aid and GASDS claims are submitted to HMRC to optimise the giving, and timely returns for VAT reclaims under the Listed Places of Worship Grant scheme also ensure all available income sources are utilised.

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A considerable emphasis is placed on fund-raising activities, and we are fortunate to have many dedicated volunteers who help ensure that every member and visitor has a positive experience. However, Covid and the passing of the years have taken their toll on these volunteers and there is always a need for new and/or younger members to offer their skills and help where possible.

A further degree of emphasis has been placed surrounding cost efficiencies. Insurance and utility contracts have been re-negotiated, and economies of scale are achieved through the Common fund.

At Ordsall, significant improvements have been made to the Hall and properties to maximise their income potential, and recent returns on those investments are now beginning to bear fruit.

St Michaels however, does not have the same historic investments and additional properties with their related interest and rental income. Instead, St Michaels relies solely on the goodwill of its members, both in terms of regular financial support and voluntary fund-raising. As one legal Parish though, each church supports the other financially.

The potential is there for the situation to be turned around, but progress may well be slow. It is hoped that the recent implementation of a Reserve fund will allow sustainable financial viability in the short term, until such long-term progress may be realised. Currently, a contribution of 10% of the Planned Giving is transferred into this Reserve fund, after an agreed monthly amount is contributed to the Common fund. It is hoped that this strategy will slow down the rate at which St Michaels reduces its overall wealth.

General Thanks

During 2024, there were some changes in the administration of the finances. The existing Treasurer, Martin Bloomfield, stood down later in the year and Tessa Rolph offered to take over as Treasurer in a caretaking capacity from the beginning of September, until a permanent replacement can be found. However, Martin Bloomfield continues to offer invaluable support, which is very much appreciated. He has been particularly helpful in collating the end of year accounts and in the continuing general support of the accounting software used.

Additional thanks are due to Russell Bloodworth and Nigel Bower at St Michaels Church for ensuring the smooth running of the finances there,

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Julia and Richard Morton and Michael Storey at All Hallows for their diligent banking and Malcolm McDonald for ensuring the Gift Aid records are kept up to date.

Tessa Rolph Acting Treasurer

d. PCC Secretary's Report

Our Parochial Church Council (PCC) is made up of representatives from our two congregations. It is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956). PCC members have a legal responsibility for our churches finances, their buildings, movable property, employees and safeguarding. PCC meetings are open to all. At the discretion of the chair anyone may contribute (and is welcome to do so), though only members may vote.

The full PCC has met six times during the year. Our Fabric and Finance Committees, meeting between our full PCC meetings, have allowed us to talk through in greater depth the various matters discussed. This has also helped to free up time in our PCC meetings.

The minutes of the PCC meetings can be viewed on our churches 'A Church Near You' pages. Please note that all matters of a confidential nature will have been removed from the minutes.

Martin Bloomfield resigned as Treasurer at the end of August and we thank him for his sterling work in this role. We are also extremely grateful to Tessa Rolph for taking on the job of Acting Treasurer.

I wish to thank Isabelle Richards (now Macpherson) for her work as Lay Chair and Nigel Bower for being willing to take over this important role.

We remember with great affection, Chris Trend, a much valued member of our PCC who sadly died in January. Chris was our Deputy Lay Chair who, sometimes at very short notice, was called upon to chair our meetings. He always did this with good grace and good humour. Chris will be much missed by all of us.

I would like to thank all PCC members for all their hard work during what has once again been a challenging year.

Alison Thorpe PCC Secretary

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e. Deanery Synod

Bassetlaw & Bawtry Deanery has met twice in the past year, on both occasions at St Anne's Church in Worksop. It is helpful to meet together with members of other churches to share good news and ideas on how to face common challenges. At the November synod we were guided through prayers for the situation in Gaza and Israel/Palestine and heard more about eco award scheme open to churches.

The March synod heard more about Growing Leaders/Enabling Commitment/Vocations from Rev Craig Hunt, the Diocesan Director of Ordinands. Rev Becki Hancock presented a report on the recent General Synod which was dominated by the Makin report and the aftermath of the resignation of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Future Deanery synod dates are: 2nd July & 19th November; 7.30pm at St Anne's, Worksop

Helen Richards Deanery Synod Rep.

f. Fabric Reports

i) All Hallows Fabric

You will note from the Agenda that there are vacant Churchwarden posts at All Hallows. Please consider standing for these important posts and our best wishes to those successfully appointed. The vacancies arise as the maximum six years term of office for Michael Storey is over and Barbara Burrows resigned from the office at the end of 2024.

The Church of England has described the role of church wardens as:

"the senior lay representatives of the parish. The role of the churchwarden is extremely varied but generally involves management, maintenance and mission in accordance with the Churchwardens Measure 2001 and the Canons of the Church of England (see in particular Canon E1). They are the foremost in representing the laity and in co-operating with the incumbent, and they have a duty to maintain order and decency in the church and churchyard, particularly during the times of divine service. In co operation with the incumbent, churchwardens are generally responsible for the day-to-day functioning of the parish."

The last year has not been an easy one as some of you will be aware but we have tried our best and are grateful for the support shown by the All Hallows congregation and our wider community. This was particularly evident in summer during the sick absence of our Vicar. Services continued as we had

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wonderful support from retired clergy within our congregations. You make the role worthwhile.

Last year we mentioned regular meetings with Rev Alex. Clearly these were unable to continue during his sick absence and then regrettably not formally reinstated during his reintegration into the full working role.

The fabric of the All Hallows building continues to be an issue. Work on the roof was done, as mentioned last year, but large amounts of paint continue(d) to fall at irregular intervals and we remain thankful that no one has been injured. Lots of people clean up the fallen paint and dust as they arrive and discover the mess – thank you. A large Thank you to Paul Richards who recently spent a morning scraping as much loose paint as possible. What is left on the walls looks much more secure. The advice we have been given is that the stonework needs to dry before paint is replaced and that paint is likely to be expensive – one contractor mentioned he has used paint costing over £100 per tin (and didn't let on how big a tin!)

The light needing repair has not been fixed. To do so requires expensive safety equipment. An inspection of the electricity supply to All Hallows is due so it will be better to receive that and consider our power supply needs as a whole.

Boilers are serviced annually but there have been a couple of call outs needed due to faults – one of which had never been seen before by the heating engineer but was effectively dealt with following advice from the boiler manufacturers.

Peter Thomas continues to deserve great thanks for his continued leadership of the Monday morning churchyard volunteers as well as often spotting building work that needs attention. But he doesn't stop there as he will find available grants and often successfully apply for grant money.

We also have the continuing support of John Pashley our Health & Safety officer making regular inspections and drawing attention to what needs doing.

Churchwardens *Michael Storey & Barbara Burrows* (to December 2024)

ii) St Michael's

This last year has been one of maintenance and planning.

All required maintenance has been completed to the alarm systems and fire extinguishers. The maintenance of the boiler systems has been handed over

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to Durham`s as planned last year and their first service is booked for April. P A T testing was completed in the summer.

Plans are afoot to re carpet the church and a faculty has been granted pending further information being provided.

The ongoing issue with the community hall roof leaking in heavy rain continues and a plan to have the gutters cleaned is in place as a possible solution?

Further enquiries have been made with the Diocesan Architect about upgrading the boiler and heating system.

Improvements to the bell chamber walls are also pending and the lighting has been improved.

Plans are being made to improve the lighting in the chancel.

I wish to give my thanks to everyone who has contributed in any way this year to maintain or improve our church and community hall and to Ivy for her sterling work keeping the hall clean.

Nigel Bower Church Warden

g. Vicar's Report

This year marks 3 years since I began in my role as Priest in Charge in the parish. It has been a difficult year for me in many ways, but as we look towards the future and what God is doing in our churches there is much to be excited about. As we continue to work towards our vision, we are seeing new people come to church and our community outreach expanding, and it is these things that I want to reflect on in this report.

Across the parish we have seen a real increase in new people looking to learn more about faith or deepen in their discipleship. As of the time of writing this report we have just started our Lent Courses and have seen around 30 people get involved so far. We also give thanks for record numbers at our Christmas services since the pandemic, very good engagement during Holy Week last year and a real increase in both our ministry to children and families and community outreach. In May 2024 we were able to employ Kathryn Watkinson for 12 months as our Children and Families Community Engagement Worker and this has led to the start of Ordsall Baby and Toddler Group, which meets every Monday morning

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and has seen 15-20 families attend each week. We are also seeing new families come to church at St Michael's, and the introduction of a monthly Kids Church service at All Hallows has been received positively. During this year we have also seen new clergy join our ministry team, and have appointed Becki Porter as our volunteer Children's Ministry Leader. It is fantastic to see new people becoming part of our team.

The highlight of our community engagement continues to be our Open Tuesdays and Open Wednesdays coffee mornings and places of welcome. Through these spaces we have been able to provide a warm space for anyone in the local area and offer a cup of tea or coffee, some refreshments and the opportunity for conversation and companionship. In both churches we have seen more people engage with these spaces and have received funding to help run each group. Thank you to everyone who is involved in this wonderful community work.

There are challenges ahead and we continue to discern how we can best rise to meet these. We are in a time of volunteer turnover, with a number of key individuals taking a break from PCC this year, and a need for more help in all areas of parish life. We continue to see a reduction in our overall funds each year, so further fundraising is needed to make us financially sustainable for the long term. In these challenges, we know that God is with us and will guide us. As we move forward together, our vision continues to be to share the good news of God's love and welcome for all. In the year to come we will do our best to share God's love with one another and our parish.

I also want to pay tribute to our friend and Licensed Lay Minister Chris Trend, who passed away suddenly in January 2025. This has been a significant loss to not only our parish but the wider Retford community, and we are still coming to terms with this. We held Chris's funeral service at St Michael's Church in February and had a packed church of people coming to pay tribute to Chris. I am so grateful for Chris's ministry and example to us, and the way that our community rallied to come together and support one another in the wake of his loss.

Finally, I want to say thank you to everyone who has supported me and our churches over this past year, particularly during my leave of absence. Thank you to everyone who helped to run our services and events and all of our volunteers, without which we can do nothing. Please join with me

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in giving thanks to God for all of our ministry together, and continuing to
pray for all that is to come.

Rev'd Alex Shiells

2. Property belonging to the Parish

h. Ordsall Parish Hall

Regular bookings throughout the week are looking very good with three new groups meeting on Monday evenings having relocated from a previous venue. Party bookings are currently slow but expected to pick up with the warmer weather.

The new lighting has been a huge success, with groups commenting on how much brighter the hall is, especially in the evenings. The outside light was recently replaced and this has improved the light levels on entrance and exit. The newly varnished floor continues to look good and is regularly cleaned with an appropriate detergent. The window blinds require frequent repair to maintain them and to keep up the hall's appearance.

Thanks to regular users for leaving the hall clean & tidy, and especially to Peter & Shirley Thomas for their help and support which is much appreciated.

Deb Aston – Hall Booking Secretary

i. Community Hall (formerly Chapter House)

Very little to report re St Michaels church hall. Two regular users as in previous years, plus open church activities on Tuesdays.

Prue Lamb

j. Cottages & Grange Rd

Glebe Cottage and Croft Cottage have been managed by JS Lettings Ltd since November 2023

Inspection reports were completed on both properties and rents were increased in November 2024.

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Croft Cottage revealed some non-urgent issues which included a sticking front door, and small cracks in the bathroom plaster work. There was also some moisture around one of the bedroom windows which could indicate a broken seal. The kitchen is dated and if the current tenants moved out, may need some investment to maximise rental potential.

Minor repairs have been carried out throughout the year.

Glebe Cottage inspection identified issues with the gable end with a gap between the fascia board and brick work. The work was completed with photographic evidence.

There was no smoke detector or CO2 detector in the property, both of which are legal requirements, so this was rectified immediately.

The cottage has been kept to a very high standard by the tenants, however again the kitchen is dated and although functional has issues with the sink and drainer. Consideration should be given to investment in the kitchen before it becomes a more significant issue.

Grange Road is managed by JS Lettings and the rent was increased from December 2024.

Considerable investment has gone into this property to address the damp, access for the water company which resulted in moving the existing fencing, a bathroom leak and replastering part of the kitchen ceiling.

Rachel Waby

k. Community Allotment

The allotments were established in 2008 and continue to flourish since lockdown. There were 14 tenants whose plots varied in size. An additional plot was created in 2024 on the bank. All plots have been kept in good order. The annual meeting in 2024 was well attended and a day agreed to sort out the compost bins. This day was also well attended. A notice was sent round towards the end of the year that the annual rent would be increased in 2025.

Peter Thomas

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3. Church activities throughout the year

I. Health & Safety

i) It pleasing to report that there have been no major accidents this year that's not to say we have been accident free

We had minor accidents, so lets not complacent. We are not only responsible for our own safety but we are also responsible for other people's safety.

All our statutory checks are up to date in the health and safety log.

The PAT testing I reported in 2019 has still not done.

John Pashley – All Hallows H&S Officer

ii) St Michael's

Risk assessment completed in January and as of March 2025, these are the areas that are still outstanding.

Areas to be addressed were:

- the sacristy back door raised mat area, still outstanding, mat now in place but warning tape could be put down to highlight
- the slate flooring has become detached in a small area to the left of the alter, still outstanding
- carpet area around the alter uneven, stuck down where possible but trip hazard requires addressing. still outstanding

The carpet around the alter has been discussed and quotes received for new carpet and the old heating plumbing pipe grates to be recovered, however action has not been taken due to concerns over whether the work will be permitted in removing the old grates. Still pending awaiting decision. As a significantly used area of the church it is recommended that this is addressed.

Rachel Waby – St Michael's H&S Officer

m. Craft Circle

This year both of our Craft Circle groups have continued to be successful and an important part of our community work, welcoming new people to come and craft and talk in a comfortable environment. At St Michael's,

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Craft Circle has taken on a life of its own as part of Open Tuesdays in the Community Hall, with anyone welcome to join us between 2pm and 4pm. After a busy coffee morning and lunch period, this has provided the opportunity for some quiet and a smaller group of people gather with a variety of craft projects.

At All Hallows' we took a break this year and decided to move the group from church into the Rectory Office, where the space is easier to warm and the lighting is brighter. To do this we purchased a 6ft table and this has proven to be a successful move, with both new members joining and existing members coming from church, and the group now meeting at the revised times of 1:30 - 3pm. As the group continues to welcome new people, we will explore whether a larger venue is needed and whether using the Parish Hall would help us welcome new members.

All are welcome to attend Craft Circle. If you would like more information or to get involved, please come along or speak to me and I will be happy to help.

Rev'd Alex Shiells

n. Bell Ringing

i) There is still a shortage of bellringers in Retford, however we now have eight ringers available to ring for Sunday morning services as two of our learners are now experienced enough to be able to join us, but this still means that most of us ring at both churches every Sunday. Our thanks go to these ringers, as without their continued willingness to be flexible we would be unable to ring for as many services as we do.

In addition, we have a further four trainee ringers attending regularly on practice nights, it would be fantastic if all of these can go on to become fully trained ringers. We have started holding one practice night each month at St Michaels, to give our new ringers experience of ringing different bells.

We continue to welcome visitors to the tower on practice nights and on other occasions by arrangement. We had a visiting group ring a full peal earlier this year and it is the donations from these occasional visits that have helped us collect enough funds for 50% of the cost of a new set of muffles. We also have put by funds for minor running repairs as and when these are required.

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We held a Christmas social evening for the ringers at the Parish Hall, which was a great success so we are planning a repeat in the coming year.

Paul Richards – Tower Captain (All Hallows)

ii) The West Retford & Ordsall Ringers continue to support each other to ring the bells for all occasions. There have been a number of visiting groups from different areas of the country visit in the past year. We have started to hold a practice on the first Monday of the month, this has been of benefit to the newer ringers learning at Ordsall, as the bells are hung on different bearings at West Retford. New and emergency lighting was installed in the tower and staircase a few months ago. It has been a great improvement and the ringers would like to thank the P.C.C for their quick response regarding this. The new muffles arrived on the 21st February, these are used on the clappers on solemn occasions, such as Remembrance Sunday. The ringers raised half of the total amount needed for the purchase of these. Special ringing this year will be for the 80th Anniversary of V.E Day on May 8th at 5.30pm and we hope to ring a quarter peal for the patronal festival of St Michael in September. Regular routine maintenance is carried out on the bells and fittings.
Kane Marsh Tower Captain (West Retford)

o. Places of Welcome

i) Open Wednesdays at All Hallows continues to see of members of the wider community regularly using church as place to rendezvous with friends, or somewhere to come when alone and needing space to be quiet or alternatively, the chance of some company over a cuppa.

We are immensely grateful to the team of loyal volunteers who staff the refreshment table and chat to our visitors, and have previously found this a gentle way to draw people into the life of the church. The necessary safeguarding training requirements has proved to be an insurmountable obstacle on occasion, but the volunteer team continues to grow and we frequently find we are scrambling to seat all of our guests.

Games, jigsaws and information are freely available to guests, and occasionally visitors from local agencies are invited to speak on a range of topics. Local Councillors are regular attendees and tell us that they pick up Ward/Division issues from speaking to members of the local community.

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Helen Richards All Hallows' Places of Welcome coordinator.

ii) Another year of Open Tuesdays has flown by. We have managed to stay open every week, even on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve! A big Thank You to our willing volunteers!

Our Tuesdays begin with a celebration of Holy Communion at 9.30am in church and then from 10.00am until 4.00pm the Community Hall is open to anyone.

We serve coffee, tea, toast, biscuits and sometimes cake until lunchtime, when from around 12 noon we offer soup and rolls as well, and occasionally 'pudding'!

We enjoyed a lovely shared lunch at Christmas too.

As well as general friendly chatting, we have had visitors from the CAB advising on the best way to save energy, and other people telling what the local council has to offer in the way of support. One of our young members is now a 'Health Ambassador' and keeps us well informed of new initiatives and advice.

We have a variety of games which some of us enjoy: dominoes, ludo, cards and even snakes and ladders!

Around 2.00pm the group becomes more craft-orientated.

There are regulars with others joining from time to time. Some just stay on to chat!

In 2024 we have served over 1238 drinks, 584 soups, given out more than 30 free coats from our rail, and made lots of new friends. We have between 25-30 visitors each week and of those around 20 are 'regulars'. Thank you to all the volunteers who help to make our Tuesdays welcoming and enjoyable.

Janet Lewis St Michael's Place of Welcome coordinator

p. After Service Refreshments

We have had another busy year of serving coffee after the Sunday Service at All Hallows and we also provided coffee and mince pies in December after the Carol Service.

We often have many words of appreciation from the congregation for providing refreshments and giving them the chance to enjoy socialising with friends. Thanks go to the small number of volunteers who give up their time to be part of this rota. I continue to organise the rota monthly

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and purchase the supplies needed which are funded by the generous donations for teas and coffees.

We are always happy to welcome new helpers. If you feel that you could be part of this volunteer group, please let me know.

Amanda Old

q. Merry Ladies – No report received.

r. All Hallows Churchyard

A small team of 5/6 volunteers has continued to maintain the top part of the churchyard on a Monday morning throughout the year, having a short break at Christmas. The lower section of the churchyard is maintained by Bassetlaw District Council. One more church volunteer joined the team in 2024 but most of the volunteers are community members rather than from church. Basic safeguarding training became a requirement in 2024. There was mixed reaction to this with one volunteer withdrawing altogether and 2 others declining to undertake the training. Four volunteers did complete the training.

The Pollarded Lime tree opposite the tower was inspected again in November 2024 and was found to be still in a satisfactory state. The hollow trunk did not seem to have deteriorated further. It will continue to be inspected periodically. The benches in the top churchyard were sanded and treated with preservative. A start was made on cutting back the rampant brambles in the section that had been left the previous year. Michael Szarelis continued to look after the 33 war graves that have been identified and place metal poppies on them. The grassed footpath no longer has any grass and as the surface becomes muddy in winter leaves and chippings from the church wood chipper are applied to make a walkable surface. The main tarmac path running parallel with All Hallows Street continues to crumble at the edges. Two reports were received of injuries sustained by falls on it. Applications for funding to repair the path were submitted with results expected in Spring 2025.

Peter Thomas

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s. Ordsall Events Committee

The programme of Social and Fundraising events continues to provide vital income to the Parish as well as being important occasions with which to enrich the cultural life of Ordsall and offer opportunities to connect outside of Worship. Quiz evenings, Pancake parties & Beetle drives, seasonal Fairs and live music & drama performances all reach beyond the church building and touch the lives of a wide network of people living locally. As ever, these events are planned, organised and delivered by a small and aging group of volunteers, so offers to support and shadow, with a view to eventually taking up the mantle, are welcomed.

Helen Richards

7.PCC links and representatives

t. Christian Aid – No report received.

u. Rakitova Self Sufficiency Fund

St Michaels Church continued to sponsor a teenager, in Rakitovo, Bulgaria through the Rakitovo Self Sufficiency Fund for the last year. A regular monthly amount was donated and extra amounts given at her birthday, Christmas and a return to school grant last September.

The fund was set up by Martin and Julie Peniston-Bird to provide hope and assistance to the Roma population in Rakitovo. The fund assists impoverished families to become self-sufficient through 'Project Potato' and provides training schemes for young adults which has successfully given them employment and hopes for the future.

Our sponsored child has written to us throughout the year and always expressed gratitude for our support through our sponsorship. In the summer she will have completed her education and will no longer be eligible for funding through the scheme. We wish her the best for the future and hope our sponsorship will lead to further training and employment.

Further details can be found at Rakitovo Self Sufficiency Fund. The e mail address is martin@peniston-bird.co.uk.

Pam Phillips

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ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

12.30pm in All Hallows Church, Ordsall on Sunday 6th April 2025

AGENDA

Apologies

Minutes of the meetings of

28th April 2024

Electoral Roll

Nominations for

Churchwardens for 2025-2026

(4 vacancies)

Appointment of tellers – if
necessary

Election of Church Wardens

Nomination for membership of
PCC

3 vacancies for 3yrs

Appointment of tellers if
necessary

Election of PCC members
(3years)

. Nominations for Deanery Synod
Reps. *(3 vacancies for 1 year)*

. Appointment of tellers - if
necessary

. Election of Synod Reps.

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Links and Representatives:

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*To all members of the Electoral Roll of the
Parish of Ordsall and Retford, St Michael*

You are warmly invited to the
Annual Parochial Church Meeting
of the
Parish of Ordsall and Retford, St
Michael
on
Sunday 6th April 2025
at 12.30pm
In All Hallows Church, Ordsall

The business of the meeting is to:

- Elect Church Wardens
- Elect Members of the PCC
- Elect Deanery Synod Representatives for the Parish
- Receive the accounts for 2024
- Receive the annual Report

There will be the opportunity for questions and discussions on any aspect of parish life.

Nomination Forms for the elected post are in both churches.
Nominations can also be made at the meeting.

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Financial Statements

For the year ending

31 December 2024

Charity No. 1198455

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Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

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S.O.F.A (Statement of Financial Activites)		Unrestricted	Designated	Endowment		
		Funds	Funds	Funds	2024	2023
Incoming Resources from Donors	2.1	62,159.78	20.00	-	62,179.78	62,454.58
Voluntary Incoming Resources	2.2	14,143.94	4,640.72	-	18,784.66	10,302.10
Income from Operating Activities	2.3	28,886.04	-	-	28,886.04	21,867.81
Income from Investments	2.4	23,140.82	248.78	-	23,389.60	17,719.56
Other Incoming Resources	2.5	315.35	400.00	-	715.35	669.33
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		128,645.93	5,309.50	-	133,955.43	113,013.38
Charitable Giving	3.1	1,054.69	-	-	1,054.69	1,444.20
Directly Related Activities	3.2	120,310.77	13,528.18	-	133,838.95	109,799.35
Management and Administration	3.3	2,431.94	108.00	-	2,539.94	5,488.42
Cost of Generating Funds	3.4	4,854.36	2,826.49	-	7,680.85	7,746.72
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		128,651.76	16,462.67	-	145,114.43	124,478.69
Net (outgoing) / incoming resources		(5.83)	(11,153.17)	-	(11,159.00)	(11,465.31)
Gains & Losses on investments		-	-	25,781.60	25,781.60	8,370.75
Transfers between funds		(10,980.28)	19,980.28	(9,000.00)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(10,986.11)	8,827.11	16,781.60	14,622.60	(3,094.56)
Total funds brought forward		49,095.94	16,217.22	354,410.55	419,723.71	422,818.27
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71

BALANCE SHEET

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets	4.1	-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	342,808.70
Investment Assets	4.2	-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
		-	-	370,192.15	370,192.15	347,219.25

Current Assets

Short Term Deposits	5.2	-	3.35	1,000.00	1,003.35	10,000.00
Bank Accounts and Cash	5.3	37,698.88	25,040.98	-	62,739.86	60,113.38
Debtors	6.1	3,331.15	-	-	3,331.15	3,099.23
		41,030.03	25,044.33	1,000.00	67,074.36	73,212.61

Current Liabilities

Creditors	6.2	2,920.20	-	-	2,920.20	708.15
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Net current assets

		38,109.83	25,044.33	1,000.00	64,154.16	72,504.46
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Total Assets less Current Liabilities

		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71
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BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS

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Unrestricted		38,109.83	-	-	38,109.83	49,095.94
Designated		-	25,044.33	-	25,044.33	16,217.22
Endowment		-	-	371,192.15	371,192.15	354,410.55
TOTAL FUNDS		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71

Accounts approved by the Parochial Church Council on
and signed on behalf of the members by

13th March 2025

Aiway J. Thorpe W. Shewell

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Notes to Accounts

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	2024	2023
2.1 Incoming Resources from Donors					
Planned Giving - Gift Aid	33,601.00	-	-	33,601.00	33,276.00
Planned Giving - non GA	4,006.00	-	-	4,006.00	4,944.00
Envelopes - Gift Aid	3,467.00	-	-	3,467.00	2,482.00
Envelopes - non GA	1,095.00	-	-	1,095.00	1,055.00
Gift Aid recovered	9,284.16	-	-	9,284.16	9,050.61
GASDS Top-ups	2,159.69	-	-	2,159.69	2,468.75
Collections	4,896.16	-	-	4,896.16	4,901.53
Baptisms	945.04	-	-	945.04	1,334.01
Church Box	141.52	-	-	141.52	279.52
Donations - Gift Aid	606.00	-	-	606.00	669.10
Donations - non GA	856.79	20.00	-	876.79	1,155.54
Online giving	854.10	-	-	854.10	567.77
Memorial services	247.32	-	-	247.32	192.75
Other donor income	-	-	-	-	78.00
	62,159.78	20.00	-	62,179.78	62,454.58
2.2 Voluntary Incoming Resources					
N01 Grants	10,825.14	4,000.00	-	14,825.14	5,396.00
VAT Recovered	-	452.12	-	452.12	974.14
Legacies	-	-	-	-	76.46
Messy Church receipts	29.00	-	-	29.00	3.50
N01 Restricted donations	3,289.80	188.60	-	3,478.40	3,852.00
	14,143.94	4,640.72	-	18,784.66	10,302.10
2.3 Income from Operating Activities					
Hall Lettings	9,468.00	-	-	9,468.00	5,170.00
N02 PCC fees retained	6,543.00	-	-	6,543.00	5,838.00
Heating fees	2,082.00	-	-	2,082.00	1,320.00
N03 Fund raising receipts	10,438.04	-	-	10,438.04	9,008.81
Allotment rent	355.00	-	-	355.00	531.00
	28,886.04	-	-	28,886.04	21,867.81
2.4 Income from Investments					
Interest	0.82	40.34	-	41.16	116.13
Dividends	-	208.44	-	208.44	172.83
Rent from Church use	200.00	-	-	200.00	30.00
House rents	22,940.00	-	-	22,940.00	17,400.60
	23,140.82	248.78	-	23,389.60	17,719.56
2.5 Other Incoming Resources					
Bell fund receipts	-	400.00	-	400.00	-
Ride & Stride receipts	110.00	-	-	110.00	174.00
Christingle service	175.95	-	-	175.95	-
TEAR fund receipts	-	-	-	-	125.44
Macmillan receipts	-	-	-	-	131.74
Sundry income	29.40	-	-	29.40	238.15
	315.35	400.00	-	715.35	669.33
Total Incoming Resources	128,645.93	5,309.50	-	133,955.43	113,013.38

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	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u>	Designated <u>Funds</u>	Endowment <u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
3.1 Charitable Giving					
Church Charities	-	-	-	-	30.00
Secular Charities	85.00	-	-	85.00	207.60
Baptism donations	65.65	-	-	65.65	445.47
Poppy appeal	86.20	-	-	86.20	25.00
Rakitovo	280.00	-	-	280.00	260.00
Childrens Society	175.95	-	-	175.95	158.15
Bassetlaw Food Bank	361.89	-	-	361.89	-
TEAR fund payments	-	-	-	-	186.24
Macmillan payments	-	-	-	-	131.74
	1,054.69	-	-	1,054.69	1,444.20
3.2 Directly Related Activities (sub-total)	120,310.77	13,528.18	-	133,838.95	109,799.35
3.21 Ministry Costs					
N04 Parish Share	62,592.00	-	-	62,592.00	59,700.00
Clergy expenses	152.75	-	-	152.75	143.39
	62,744.75	-	-	62,744.75	59,843.39
3.22 Running Costs					
N05 Insurance	5,687.88	-	-	5,687.88	5,529.62
Heating	5,642.74	-	-	5,642.74	6,107.09
Electricity	1,576.98	-	-	1,576.98	1,600.74
Sanitary / First aid supplies	44.60	-	-	44.60	-
Water & Sewerage (Ordsall)	179.17	-	-	179.17	112.97
Telephones / internet	1,214.01	-	-	1,214.01	779.59
	14,345.38	-	-	14,345.38	14,130.01
3.23 Church Maintenance					
Minor repairs	217.79	-	-	217.79	183.18
Equipment payments	226.41	-	-	226.41	30.00
PAT testing	60.00	-	-	60.00	-
Organ maintenance	-	-	-	-	334.00
Security alarm payments	2,954.40	-	-	2,954.40	1,985.40
Photocopier finance & maintenance	2,147.60	-	-	2,147.60	1,681.56
Fire extinguishers	219.00	-	-	219.00	247.20
Boiler maintenance	2,351.50	-	-	2,351.50	2,052.00
House payments	-	1,771.20	-	1,771.20	1,164.04
House insurance	-	1,122.31	-	1,122.31	1,104.44
Churchyard maintenance	-	312.70	-	312.70	133.01
Lightning conductor	-	-	-	-	108.00
Depreciation - Multimedia	402.33	-	-	402.33	402.33
Depreciation - Church equipment	-	2,406.37	-	2,406.37	2,406.38
Other routine maintenance	180.19	-	-	180.19	114.18
	8,759.22	5,612.58	-	14,371.80	11,945.72
3.24 Upkeep of Services					
Altar Requisites	959.94	-	-	959.94	678.97
Copyright Licence	624.09	-	-	624.09	591.10
Upkeep of Churchyard	360.00	-	-	360.00	9.06
Other upkeep of services	86.65	-	-	86.65	-
	2,030.68	-	-	2,030.68	1,279.13

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	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	2024	2023
3.25 Church Hall Costs					
Hall Insurance	978.24	-	-	978.24	951.00
Hall Heating	262.09	-	-	262.09	1,271.57
Hall Electricity	1,897.64	-	-	1,897.64	1,650.23
Hall Water (St Michaels)	462.11	-	-	462.11	406.54
N06 Hall repairs / maintenance	1,215.71	-	-	1,215.71	201.80
N07 Hall Cleaner	3,913.05	-	-	3,913.05	2,747.36
N07 Hall cleaner back pay	2,235.00	-	-	2,235.00	-
Alcohol licence	180.00	-	-	180.00	180.00
Business rates	2.77	-	-	2.77	1,209.47
Other church hall payments	384.08	-	-	384.08	588.00
	11,530.69	-	-	11,530.69	9,205.97
3.26 Operating Activities					
Training costs	265.16	-	-	265.16	444.26
Outreach costs	171.00	-	-	171.00	60.25
Community worker	3,640.00	-	-	3,640.00	-
Toddler Group equipment	500.00	-	-	500.00	-
Childrens Ministry payments	651.24	-	-	651.24	26.44
Alpha catering	-	-	-	-	196.68
	5,227.40	-	-	5,227.40	727.63
3.27 Major Repair Expenditure					
N08 Major Repairs - Structure	7,501.31	7,915.60	-	15,416.91	4,546.14
Lightning conductors	-	-	-	-	1,968.00
	7,501.31	7,915.60	-	15,416.91	6,514.14
3.28 Support Costs					
N09 Parish Administrator	6,815.83	-	-	6,815.83	5,054.40
Cleaner	1,355.51	-	-	1,355.51	1,098.96
	8,171.34	-	-	8,171.34	6,153.36
3.3 Management and Administration					
Professional fees	-	-	-	-	408.00
Auditor fees	1,080.00	-	-	1,080.00	900.00
Quinquennial inspection	-	-	-	-	1,740.00
Website costs	158.25	-	-	158.25	129.45
Subscriptions paid	70.00	-	-	70.00	70.00
Computer costs	315.37	-	-	315.37	179.58
Printing	21.11	-	-	21.11	151.80
Photocopying	189.16	-	-	189.16	592.88
Stationery	-	-	-	-	411.29
Publicity	134.42	108.00	-	242.42	20.00
Travel expenses	409.36	-	-	409.36	616.14
DBS checks	42.79	-	-	42.79	22.79
SumUp fees	11.48	-	-	11.48	6.95
Sundry expenditure	-	-	-	-	239.54
	2,431.94	108.00	-	2,539.94	5,488.42
3.4 Cost of Generating Funds					
Costs incurred per Grants	7.95	-	-	7.95	-
Investment costs & letting fees	2,163.55	-	-	2,163.55	1,025.00
N10 Fund raising costs	2,682.86	-	-	2,682.86	5,465.32
Development fund payments	-	1,500.00	-	1,500.00	-
Growing Disciples payments	-	1,326.49	-	1,326.49	-
Other costs of generating funds	-	-	-	-	1,256.40
	4,854.36	2,826.49	-	7,680.85	7,746.72
Total Resources Expended	128,651.76	16,462.67	-	145,114.43	124,478.69

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Notes to Accounts

		Unrestricted <u>Funds</u>	Designated <u>Funds</u>	Endowment <u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
4.1 Tangible Assets						
N11	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	340,960.06
N12	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	1,848.64
		-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	342,808.70
4.2 Investment Assets						
N11	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
5.1 Stock						
	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	-	-	-	-
	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
5.2 Short Term Deposits						
N13	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	3.35	1,000.00	1,003.35	10,000.00
	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		-	3.35	1,000.00	1,003.35	10,000.00
5.3 Bank Accounts and Cash						
	All Hallows Church Ordsall	24,171.81	13,425.25	-	37,597.06	30,732.75
	St Michael's Church Retford	13,527.07	11,615.73	-	25,142.80	29,380.63
		37,698.88	25,040.98	-	62,739.86	60,113.38
6.1 Debtors						
N14	All Hallows Church Ordsall	2,068.82	-	-	2,068.82	1,867.90
N14	St Michael's Church Retford	1,262.33	-	-	1,262.33	1,231.33
		3,331.15	-	-	3,331.15	3,099.23
6.2 Creditors						
N15	All Hallows Church Ordsall	2,920.20	-	-	2,920.20	708.15
N15	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		2,920.20	-	-	2,920.20	708.15
7.0 Analysis of Net Assets						
	Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	342,808.70
	Investment Fixed Assets	-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
	Current Assets	41,030.03	25,044.33	1,000.00	67,074.36	73,212.61
	Current Liabilities	(2,920.20)	-	-	(2,920.20)	(708.15)
		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71

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	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	Market value as at	
				31st Dec 2024	31st Dec 2023
8.1 Capital Investments					
All Hallows Ordsall...					
Lloyds Bank					
708 @ 0.5484	-	-	388.27	388.27	337.43
				-	
Severn Trent					
69 @ 25.09	-	-	1,731.21	1,731.21	1,778.82
				-	
Banco Santander					
701 @ 3.67	-	-	2,572.67	2,572.67	2,306.29
				-	
	-	-	4,692.15	4,692.15	4,422.54

The above market valuation is based on the mid-range price quoted on 31st December 2024

	All Hallows <u>Multimedia</u>	All Hallows <u>Equipment</u>	St Michaels <u>Sound system</u>	<u>Total</u>
8.2 Asset Depreciation				
Cost				
- at 1st January 2024	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
- disposals	-	-	-	-
- additions at cost	-	-	-	-
- at 31st December 2024	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
Depreciation				
- at 1st January 2024	804.66	1,115.46	3,697.30	5,617.42
- withdrawn on disposals	-	-	-	-
- charge for year	402.33	557.73	1,848.64	2,808.70
- at 31st December 2024	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
Net book value				
- at 31st December 2024	-	-	-	-
- at 31st December 2023	402.33	557.73	1,848.64	2,808.70

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9.0 Fund Movements	Opening <u>Balance</u>	Total <u>Income</u>	Total <u>Expenditure</u>	Total <u>Adjustments</u>	Closing <u>Balance</u>
Unrestricted					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	28,307.30	98,239.76	(121,051.35)	17,824.72	23,320.43
St Michael's Church Retford	20,788.64	30,406.17	(7,600.41)	(28,805.00)	14,789.40
	49,095.94	128,645.93	(128,651.76)	(10,980.28)	38,109.83
Designated					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	4,545.26	3,120.90	(12,412.84)	18,175.28	13,428.60
St Michael's Church Retford	11,671.96	2,188.60	(4,049.83)	1,805.00	11,615.73
	16,217.22	5,309.50	(16,462.67)	19,980.28	25,044.33
Endowment					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	354,410.55	-	-	16,781.60	371,192.15
	354,410.55	-	-	16,781.60	371,192.15
Total Funds	419,723.71	133,955.43	(145,114.43)	25,781.60	434,346.31

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	<u>All Hallows</u>	<u>St Michael's</u>	
	<u>Church</u>	<u>Church</u>	
	<u>Ordsall</u>	<u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N01 Grants & donations -			
Growing Discples (<i>Southwell DBF</i>)	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
Community Engagement (<i>BCVS</i>)	6,180.00	-	6,180.00
Toddler Group (<i>Councillor Naylor</i>)	300.00	-	300.00
Toddler Group (<i>Councillor Troop</i>)	300.00	-	300.00
Craft Circle (<i>Councillor Troop</i>)	200.00	-	200.00
Parish hall (<i>Bassetlaw District Council</i>)	4,645.14	-	4,645.14
Workshop Spire (<i>St Johns Church re administrator</i>)	60.30	-	60.30
Hall floor (<i>grants & donations</i>)	2,200.00	-	2,200.00
Carpet donations	-	125.60	125.60
Boiler donations	-	229.50	229.50
St Michaels bells	-	63.00	63.00
	15,885.44	2,418.10	18,303.54
N02 PCC Fees -			
Weddings & banns			6,019.00
Funerals, cremations, burials			11,330.00
Internment of ashes			768.00
Memorials & inscriptions			175.00
			18,292.00
Diocese statutory fees			(4,428.00)
Ministers			(2,664.00)
Vergers			(1,050.00)
Organists			(775.00)
Bell ringers			(600.00)
Wedding refund			(150.00)
Heating			(2,082.00)
Fees retained			6,543.00
N03 Fund raising & events - (see N10)			
Craft stall	10.00	-	10.00
Harvest competiton	136.20	-	136.20
Summer fayres	735.10	-	735.10
Winter fayres	997.20	853.90	1,851.10
Refreshments	1,152.43	1,217.55	2,369.98
Hall events	1,024.56	-	1,024.56
Live & Local	4,148.10	-	4,148.10
Christmas raffle	-	70.00	70.00
Ink recycling	-	93.00	93.00
	8,203.59	2,234.45	10,438.04

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	<u>All Hallows</u>	<u>St Michael's</u>	
	<u>Church</u>	<u>Church</u>	
	<u>Ordsall</u>	<u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N04 Parish Share - Diocese requested target paid in full			62,592.00
N05 Insurance -			
Church buildings	2,652.12	2,217.72	4,869.84
Church halls	978.24	818.04	1,796.28
	<u>3,630.36</u>	<u>3,035.76</u>	<u>6,666.12</u>
N06 Hall repairs & maintenance -			
Listers Technical (electrical inspection & smoke alarms)	599.40		
AGW electrical (toilet repair)	300.00		
Durhams (replacement water heater)	200.00		
Cannon Safety (extinguishers)	83.40		
Miscellaneous	32.91		
	<u>1,215.71</u>		
N07 Hall cleaner costs - includes wage rise from January 2023, and holiday / sickness cover			
N08 Major repairs -			
Church roof	2,712.72	-	2,712.72
Hall insulation	3,450.00	-	3,450.00
Hall floor	2,160.00	-	2,160.00
Hall lighting	1,195.14	-	1,195.14
19 Grange Road	4,871.68	-	4,871.68
Croft Cottage	331.20	-	331.20
Pinnacle conservation	-	696.17	696.17
	<u>14,720.74</u>	<u>696.17</u>	<u>15,416.91</u>
N09 Parish administrator - includes wage rise from April; funded by monthly contrubutions from each church			
N10 Fund raising costs - (see N03)			
Quiz night	137.20		
Harvest auction	45.00		
Christmas fayre	19.20		
Catering supplies	162.86		
Live & Local	2,318.60		
	<u>2,682.86</u>		

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<u>All Hallows</u>	<u>St Michael's</u>	
<u>Church</u>	<u>Church</u>	
<u>Ordsall</u>	<u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

N11 Church properties -

it was agreed with our accountants at the end of last year that the 2 cottages and 19 Grange Road should be reported as Investment assets, rather than tangible. The Hall should still be viewed as a tangible asset however. Accordingly, transfers of £288,000 assets were implemented at the start of 2024 financial year to bring the balances into line with the accountant's request.

At the year end the properties were revalued by the Trustees based on an open market valuation.

N12 St Michaels Sound system - £1848.64 was depreciated in full during 2024, leaving a nil balance

N13 Ordsall short term deposit -

Miss Flowers and Reserve Funds -

The restriction imposed on the endowment of £10,000 left by Miss Flowers allowed the majority of the funds to be utilised after 12th January 2024. A decision was made to transfer £9,000 to the newly formed Reserve Fund.

This led to an initial balance of £15,031.77 on the Reserve Fund, which allowed essential maintenance work to be carried out during the year to the Church roof and to the investment properties.

The £1000 remaining in the Miss Flowers Fund will support some recognition of Miss Flowers in the form of a commemorative plaque, to be erected in due course.

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		<u>All Hallows</u> <u>Church</u> <u>Ordsall</u>	<u>St Michael's</u> <u>Church</u> <u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N14	Debtors -			
	HMRC - Q4 gift aid	1,196.63	1,116.25	2,312.88
	HMRC - Q4 GASDS	205.69	146.08	351.77
	Hall lettings	666.50	-	666.50
		<u>2,068.82</u>	<u>1,262.33</u>	<u>3,331.15</u>
N15	Creditors -			
	BCVS - grant received, relating to 2025	1,320.00		
	EON Next - hall heating	270.00		
	SSE - Hall electricity	230.00		
	PAYE - Oct to Dec 2024	730.20		
	Live & Local - Polaris invoice	370.00		
		<u>2,920.20</u>		

Independent Examiner's Report to The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Neil M Roberts, FCA

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11 March 2025

The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

Financial Statements

For the year ending

31 December 2024

Charity No. 1198455

The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

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S.O.F.A (Statement of Financial Activites)		Unrestricted	Designated	Endowment		
		Funds	Funds	Funds	2024	2023
Incoming Resources from Donors	2.1	62,159.78	20.00	-	62,179.78	62,454.58
Voluntary Incoming Resources	2.2	14,143.94	4,640.72	-	18,784.66	10,302.10
Income from Operating Activities	2.3	28,886.04	-	-	28,886.04	21,867.81
Income from Investments	2.4	23,140.82	248.78	-	23,389.60	17,719.56
Other Incoming Resources	2.5	315.35	400.00	-	715.35	669.33
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		128,645.93	5,309.50	-	133,955.43	113,013.38
Charitable Giving	3.1	1,054.69	-	-	1,054.69	1,444.20
Directly Related Activities	3.2	120,310.77	13,528.18	-	133,838.95	109,799.35
Management and Administration	3.3	2,431.94	108.00	-	2,539.94	5,488.42
Cost of Generating Funds	3.4	4,854.36	2,826.49	-	7,680.85	7,746.72
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		128,651.76	16,462.67	-	145,114.43	124,478.69
Net (outgoing) / incoming resources		(5.83)	(11,153.17)	-	(11,159.00)	(11,465.31)
Gains & Losses on investments		-	-	25,781.60	25,781.60	8,370.75
Transfers between funds		(10,980.28)	19,980.28	(9,000.00)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(10,986.11)	8,827.11	16,781.60	14,622.60	(3,094.56)
Total funds brought forward		49,095.94	16,217.22	354,410.55	419,723.71	422,818.27
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71

BALANCE SHEET

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets	4.1	-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	342,808.70
Investment Assets	4.2	-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
		-	-	370,192.15	370,192.15	347,219.25

Current Assets

Short Term Deposits	5.2	-	3.35	1,000.00	1,003.35	10,000.00
Bank Accounts and Cash	5.3	37,698.88	25,040.98	-	62,739.86	60,113.38
Debtors	6.1	3,331.15	-	-	3,331.15	3,099.23
		41,030.03	25,044.33	1,000.00	67,074.36	73,212.61

Current Liabilities

Creditors	6.2	2,920.20	-	-	2,920.20	708.15
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Net current assets

		38,109.83	25,044.33	1,000.00	64,154.16	72,504.46
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Total Assets less Current Liabilities

		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71
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BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS

	9.0					
Unrestricted		38,109.83	-	-	38,109.83	49,095.94
Designated		-	25,044.33	-	25,044.33	16,217.22
Endowment		-	-	371,192.15	371,192.15	354,410.55
TOTAL FUNDS		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71

Accounts approved by the Parochial Church Council on
and signed on behalf of the members by

13th March 2025

Aiway J. Thorpe W. Shewell

The Benefice of Ordsall and Retford Saint Michael - Financial accounts year ending 31 December 2024

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	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	2024	2023
2.1 Incoming Resources from Donors					
Planned Giving - Gift Aid	33,601.00	-	-	33,601.00	33,276.00
Planned Giving - non GA	4,006.00	-	-	4,006.00	4,944.00
Envelopes - Gift Aid	3,467.00	-	-	3,467.00	2,482.00
Envelopes - non GA	1,095.00	-	-	1,095.00	1,055.00
Gift Aid recovered	9,284.16	-	-	9,284.16	9,050.61
GASDS Top-ups	2,159.69	-	-	2,159.69	2,468.75
Collections	4,896.16	-	-	4,896.16	4,901.53
Baptisms	945.04	-	-	945.04	1,334.01
Church Box	141.52	-	-	141.52	279.52
Donations - Gift Aid	606.00	-	-	606.00	669.10
Donations - non GA	856.79	20.00	-	876.79	1,155.54
Online giving	854.10	-	-	854.10	567.77
Memorial services	247.32	-	-	247.32	192.75
Other donor income	-	-	-	-	78.00
	62,159.78	20.00	-	62,179.78	62,454.58
2.2 Voluntary Incoming Resources					
N01 Grants	10,825.14	4,000.00	-	14,825.14	5,396.00
VAT Recovered	-	452.12	-	452.12	974.14
Legacies	-	-	-	-	76.46
Messy Church receipts	29.00	-	-	29.00	3.50
N01 Restricted donations	3,289.80	188.60	-	3,478.40	3,852.00
	14,143.94	4,640.72	-	18,784.66	10,302.10
2.3 Income from Operating Activities					
Hall Lettings	9,468.00	-	-	9,468.00	5,170.00
N02 PCC fees retained	6,543.00	-	-	6,543.00	5,838.00
Heating fees	2,082.00	-	-	2,082.00	1,320.00
N03 Fund raising receipts	10,438.04	-	-	10,438.04	9,008.81
Allotment rent	355.00	-	-	355.00	531.00
	28,886.04	-	-	28,886.04	21,867.81
2.4 Income from Investments					
Interest	0.82	40.34	-	41.16	116.13
Dividends	-	208.44	-	208.44	172.83
Rent from Church use	200.00	-	-	200.00	30.00
House rents	22,940.00	-	-	22,940.00	17,400.60
	23,140.82	248.78	-	23,389.60	17,719.56
2.5 Other Incoming Resources					
Bell fund receipts	-	400.00	-	400.00	-
Ride & Stride receipts	110.00	-	-	110.00	174.00
Christingle service	175.95	-	-	175.95	-
TEAR fund receipts	-	-	-	-	125.44
Macmillan receipts	-	-	-	-	131.74
Sundry income	29.40	-	-	29.40	238.15
	315.35	400.00	-	715.35	669.33
Total Incoming Resources	128,645.93	5,309.50	-	133,955.43	113,013.38

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	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	2024	2023
3.1 Charitable Giving					
Church Charities	-	-	-	-	30.00
Secular Charities	85.00	-	-	85.00	207.60
Baptism donations	65.65	-	-	65.65	445.47
Poppy appeal	86.20	-	-	86.20	25.00
Rakitovo	280.00	-	-	280.00	260.00
Childrens Society	175.95	-	-	175.95	158.15
Bassetlaw Food Bank	361.89	-	-	361.89	-
TEAR fund payments	-	-	-	-	186.24
Macmillan payments	-	-	-	-	131.74
	1,054.69	-	-	1,054.69	1,444.20
3.2 Directly Related Activities (sub-total)	120,310.77	13,528.18	-	133,838.95	109,799.35
3.21 Ministry Costs					
N04 Parish Share	62,592.00	-	-	62,592.00	59,700.00
Clergy expenses	152.75	-	-	152.75	143.39
	62,744.75	-	-	62,744.75	59,843.39
3.22 Running Costs					
N05 Insurance	5,687.88	-	-	5,687.88	5,529.62
Heating	5,642.74	-	-	5,642.74	6,107.09
Electricity	1,576.98	-	-	1,576.98	1,600.74
Sanitary / First aid supplies	44.60	-	-	44.60	-
Water & Sewerage (Ordsall)	179.17	-	-	179.17	112.97
Telephones / internet	1,214.01	-	-	1,214.01	779.59
	14,345.38	-	-	14,345.38	14,130.01
3.23 Church Maintenance					
Minor repairs	217.79	-	-	217.79	183.18
Equipment payments	226.41	-	-	226.41	30.00
PAT testing	60.00	-	-	60.00	-
Organ maintenance	-	-	-	-	334.00
Security alarm payments	2,954.40	-	-	2,954.40	1,985.40
Photocopier finance & maintenance	2,147.60	-	-	2,147.60	1,681.56
Fire extinguishers	219.00	-	-	219.00	247.20
Boiler maintenance	2,351.50	-	-	2,351.50	2,052.00
House payments	-	1,771.20	-	1,771.20	1,164.04
House insurance	-	1,122.31	-	1,122.31	1,104.44
Churchyard maintenance	-	312.70	-	312.70	133.01
Lightning conductor	-	-	-	-	108.00
Depreciation - Multimedia	402.33	-	-	402.33	402.33
Depreciation - Church equipment	-	2,406.37	-	2,406.37	2,406.38
Other routine maintenance	180.19	-	-	180.19	114.18
	8,759.22	5,612.58	-	14,371.80	11,945.72
3.24 Upkeep of Services					
Altar Requisites	959.94	-	-	959.94	678.97
Copyright Licence	624.09	-	-	624.09	591.10
Upkeep of Churchyard	360.00	-	-	360.00	9.06
Other upkeep of services	86.65	-	-	86.65	-
	2,030.68	-	-	2,030.68	1,279.13

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	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	2024	2023
3.25 Church Hall Costs					
Hall Insurance	978.24	-	-	978.24	951.00
Hall Heating	262.09	-	-	262.09	1,271.57
Hall Electricity	1,897.64	-	-	1,897.64	1,650.23
Hall Water (St Michaels)	462.11	-	-	462.11	406.54
N06 Hall repairs / maintenance	1,215.71	-	-	1,215.71	201.80
N07 Hall Cleaner	3,913.05	-	-	3,913.05	2,747.36
N07 Hall cleaner back pay	2,235.00	-	-	2,235.00	-
Alcohol licence	180.00	-	-	180.00	180.00
Business rates	2.77	-	-	2.77	1,209.47
Other church hall payments	384.08	-	-	384.08	588.00
	11,530.69	-	-	11,530.69	9,205.97
3.26 Operating Activities					
Training costs	265.16	-	-	265.16	444.26
Outreach costs	171.00	-	-	171.00	60.25
Community worker	3,640.00	-	-	3,640.00	-
Toddler Group equipment	500.00	-	-	500.00	-
Childrens Ministry payments	651.24	-	-	651.24	26.44
Alpha catering	-	-	-	-	196.68
	5,227.40	-	-	5,227.40	727.63
3.27 Major Repair Expenditure					
N08 Major Repairs - Structure	7,501.31	7,915.60	-	15,416.91	4,546.14
Lightning conductors	-	-	-	-	1,968.00
	7,501.31	7,915.60	-	15,416.91	6,514.14
3.28 Support Costs					
N09 Parish Administrator	6,815.83	-	-	6,815.83	5,054.40
Cleaner	1,355.51	-	-	1,355.51	1,098.96
	8,171.34	-	-	8,171.34	6,153.36
3.3 Management and Administration					
Professional fees	-	-	-	-	408.00
Auditor fees	1,080.00	-	-	1,080.00	900.00
Quinquennial inspection	-	-	-	-	1,740.00
Website costs	158.25	-	-	158.25	129.45
Subscriptions paid	70.00	-	-	70.00	70.00
Computer costs	315.37	-	-	315.37	179.58
Printing	21.11	-	-	21.11	151.80
Photocopying	189.16	-	-	189.16	592.88
Stationery	-	-	-	-	411.29
Publicity	134.42	108.00	-	242.42	20.00
Travel expenses	409.36	-	-	409.36	616.14
DBS checks	42.79	-	-	42.79	22.79
SumUp fees	11.48	-	-	11.48	6.95
Sundry expenditure	-	-	-	-	239.54
	2,431.94	108.00	-	2,539.94	5,488.42
3.4 Cost of Generating Funds					
Costs incurred per Grants	7.95	-	-	7.95	-
Investment costs & letting fees	2,163.55	-	-	2,163.55	1,025.00
N10 Fund raising costs	2,682.86	-	-	2,682.86	5,465.32
Development fund payments	-	1,500.00	-	1,500.00	-
Growing Disciples payments	-	1,326.49	-	1,326.49	-
Other costs of generating funds	-	-	-	-	1,256.40
	4,854.36	2,826.49	-	7,680.85	7,746.72
Total Resources Expended	128,651.76	16,462.67	-	145,114.43	124,478.69

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		Unrestricted <u>Funds</u>	Designated <u>Funds</u>	Endowment <u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
4.1 Tangible Assets						
N11	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	340,960.06
N12	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	1,848.64
		-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	342,808.70
4.2 Investment Assets						
N11	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
5.1 Stock						
	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	-	-	-	-
	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
5.2 Short Term Deposits						
N13	All Hallows Church Ordsall	-	3.35	1,000.00	1,003.35	10,000.00
	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		-	3.35	1,000.00	1,003.35	10,000.00
5.3 Bank Accounts and Cash						
	All Hallows Church Ordsall	24,171.81	13,425.25	-	37,597.06	30,732.75
	St Michael's Church Retford	13,527.07	11,615.73	-	25,142.80	29,380.63
		37,698.88	25,040.98	-	62,739.86	60,113.38
6.1 Debtors						
N14	All Hallows Church Ordsall	2,068.82	-	-	2,068.82	1,867.90
N14	St Michael's Church Retford	1,262.33	-	-	1,262.33	1,231.33
		3,331.15	-	-	3,331.15	3,099.23
6.2 Creditors						
N15	All Hallows Church Ordsall	2,920.20	-	-	2,920.20	708.15
N15	St Michael's Church Retford	-	-	-	-	-
		2,920.20	-	-	2,920.20	708.15
7.0 Analysis of Net Assets						
	Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	55,900.00	55,900.00	342,808.70
	Investment Fixed Assets	-	-	314,292.15	314,292.15	4,410.55
	Current Assets	41,030.03	25,044.33	1,000.00	67,074.36	73,212.61
	Current Liabilities	(2,920.20)	-	-	(2,920.20)	(708.15)
		38,109.83	25,044.33	371,192.15	434,346.31	419,723.71

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	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	Market value as at	
				31st Dec 2024	31st Dec 2023
8.1 Capital Investments					
All Hallows Ordsall...					
Lloyds Bank					
708 @ 0.5484	-	-	388.27	388.27	337.43
				-	
Severn Trent					
69 @ 25.09	-	-	1,731.21	1,731.21	1,778.82
				-	
Banco Santander					
701 @ 3.67	-	-	2,572.67	2,572.67	2,306.29
				-	
	-	-	4,692.15	4,692.15	4,422.54

The above market valuation is based on the mid-range price quoted on 31st December 2024

	All Hallows <u>Multimedia</u>	All Hallows <u>Equipment</u>	St Michaels <u>Sound system</u>	<u>Total</u>
8.2 Asset Depreciation				
Cost				
- at 1st January 2024	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
- disposals	-	-	-	-
- additions at cost	-	-	-	-
- at 31st December 2024	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
Depreciation				
- at 1st January 2024	804.66	1,115.46	3,697.30	5,617.42
- withdrawn on disposals	-	-	-	-
- charge for year	402.33	557.73	1,848.64	2,808.70
- at 31st December 2024	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
Net book value				
- at 31st December 2024	-	-	-	-
- at 31st December 2023	402.33	557.73	1,848.64	2,808.70

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9.0 Fund Movements	Opening <u>Balance</u>	Total <u>Income</u>	Total <u>Expenditure</u>	Total <u>Adjustments</u>	Closing <u>Balance</u>
Unrestricted					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	28,307.30	98,239.76	(121,051.35)	17,824.72	23,320.43
St Michael's Church Retford	20,788.64	30,406.17	(7,600.41)	(28,805.00)	14,789.40
	49,095.94	128,645.93	(128,651.76)	(10,980.28)	38,109.83
Designated					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	4,545.26	3,120.90	(12,412.84)	18,175.28	13,428.60
St Michael's Church Retford	11,671.96	2,188.60	(4,049.83)	1,805.00	11,615.73
	16,217.22	5,309.50	(16,462.67)	19,980.28	25,044.33
Endowment					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	354,410.55	-	-	16,781.60	371,192.15
	354,410.55	-	-	16,781.60	371,192.15
Total Funds	419,723.71	133,955.43	(145,114.43)	25,781.60	434,346.31

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	<u>All Hallows</u>	<u>St Michael's</u>	
	<u>Church</u>	<u>Church</u>	
	<u>Ordsall</u>	<u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N01 Grants & donations -			
Growing Discples (<i>Southwell DBF</i>)	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
Community Engagement (<i>BCVS</i>)	6,180.00	-	6,180.00
Toddler Group (<i>Councillor Naylor</i>)	300.00	-	300.00
Toddler Group (<i>Councillor Troop</i>)	300.00	-	300.00
Craft Circle (<i>Councillor Troop</i>)	200.00	-	200.00
Parish hall (<i>Bassetlaw District Council</i>)	4,645.14	-	4,645.14
Workshop Spire (<i>St Johns Church re administrator</i>)	60.30	-	60.30
Hall floor (<i>grants & donations</i>)	2,200.00	-	2,200.00
Carpet donations	-	125.60	125.60
Boiler donations	-	229.50	229.50
St Michaels bells	-	63.00	63.00
	15,885.44	2,418.10	18,303.54
N02 PCC Fees -			
Weddings & banns			6,019.00
Funerals, cremations, burials			11,330.00
Internment of ashes			768.00
Memorials & inscriptions			175.00
			18,292.00
Diocese statutory fees			(4,428.00)
Ministers			(2,664.00)
Vergers			(1,050.00)
Organists			(775.00)
Bell ringers			(600.00)
Wedding refund			(150.00)
Heating			(2,082.00)
Fees retained			6,543.00
N03 Fund raising & events - (see N10)			
Craft stall	10.00	-	10.00
Harvest competiton	136.20	-	136.20
Summer fayres	735.10	-	735.10
Winter fayres	997.20	853.90	1,851.10
Refreshments	1,152.43	1,217.55	2,369.98
Hall events	1,024.56	-	1,024.56
Live & Local	4,148.10	-	4,148.10
Christmas raffle	-	70.00	70.00
Ink recycling	-	93.00	93.00
	8,203.59	2,234.45	10,438.04

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	<u>All Hallows</u> <u>Church</u> <u>Ordsall</u>	<u>St Michael's</u> <u>Church</u> <u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N04 Parish Share - Diocese requested target paid in full			62,592.00
N05 Insurance -			
Church buildings	2,652.12	2,217.72	4,869.84
Church halls	978.24	818.04	1,796.28
	<u>3,630.36</u>	<u>3,035.76</u>	<u>6,666.12</u>
N06 Hall repairs & maintenance -			
Listers Technical (electrical inspection & smoke alarms)	599.40		
AGW electrical (toilet repair)	300.00		
Durhams (replacement water heater)	200.00		
Cannon Safety (extinguishers)	83.40		
Miscellaneous	32.91		
	<u>1,215.71</u>		
N07 Hall cleaner costs - includes wage rise from January 2023, and holiday / sickness cover			
N08 Major repairs -			
Church roof	2,712.72	-	2,712.72
Hall insulation	3,450.00	-	3,450.00
Hall floor	2,160.00	-	2,160.00
Hall lighting	1,195.14	-	1,195.14
19 Grange Road	4,871.68	-	4,871.68
Croft Cottage	331.20	-	331.20
Pinnacle conservation	-	696.17	696.17
	<u>14,720.74</u>	<u>696.17</u>	<u>15,416.91</u>
N09 Parish administrator - includes wage rise from April; funded by monthly contrubutions from each church			
N10 Fund raising costs - (see N03)			
Quiz night	137.20		
Harvest auction	45.00		
Christmas fayre	19.20		
Catering supplies	162.86		
Live & Local	2,318.60		
	<u>2,682.86</u>		

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<u>All Hallows</u>	<u>St Michael's</u>	
<u>Church</u>	<u>Church</u>	
<u>Ordsall</u>	<u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

N11 Church properties -

it was agreed with our accountants at the end of last year that the 2 cottages and 19 Grange Road should be reported as Investment assets, rather than tangible. The Hall should still be viewed as a tangible asset however. Accordingly, transfers of £288,000 assets were implemented at the start of 2024 financial year to bring the balances into line with the accountant's request.

At the year end the properties were revalued by the Trustees based on an open market valuation.

N12 St Michaels Sound system - £1848.64 was depreciated in full during 2024, leaving a nil balance

N13 Ordsall short term deposit -

Miss Flowers and Reserve Funds -

The restriction imposed on the endowment of £10,000 left by Miss Flowers allowed the majority of the funds to be utilised after 12th January 2024. A decision was made to transfer £9,000 to the newly formed Reserve Fund.

This led to an initial balance of £15,031.77 on the Reserve Fund, which allowed essential maintenance work to be carried out during the year to the Church roof and to the investment properties.

The £1000 remaining in the Miss Flowers Fund will support some recognition of Miss Flowers in the form of a commemorative plaque, to be erected in due course.

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		<u>All Hallows</u> <u>Church</u> <u>Ordsall</u>	<u>St Michael's</u> <u>Church</u> <u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N14	Debtors -			
	HMRC - Q4 gift aid	1,196.63	1,116.25	2,312.88
	HMRC - Q4 GASDS	205.69	146.08	351.77
	Hall lettings	666.50	-	666.50
		<u>2,068.82</u>	<u>1,262.33</u>	<u>3,331.15</u>
N15	Creditors -			
	BCVS - grant received, relating to 2025	1,320.00		
	EON Next - hall heating	270.00		
	SSE - Hall electricity	230.00		
	PAYE - Oct to Dec 2024	730.20		
	Live & Local - Polaris invoice	<u>370.00</u>		
		<u>2,920.20</u>		

Independent Examiner's Report to The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Neil M Roberts, FCA

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11 March 2025

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(& FINANCIAL STATEMENT for 2023)

**of the Parish of
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Ordsall & West Retford
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Alex Shiells
David Bean

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Pat Bloodworth
Niger Bower
Barbara Burrows
Michael Storey

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UNTIL 2024

Paul Richards
Rachel Waby

UNTIL 2025

Joan Henderson
Janet Lewis
Amanda Old
Peter Thomas

UNTIL 2026

Pam Phillips
Isabelle Richards
Tessa Rolph
Alison Thorpe

CO-OPTED

Martin Bloomfield
Don Phillips

PCC Officers and Representatives:

Role

Chair

PCC Secretary

Lay Chair

Treasurer - All Hallows and Retford, St Michael

Name

Alex Shiells

Alison Thorpe

Isabelle Richards

Martin Bloomfield

Planned Giving Secretary - All Hallows

Malcom McDonald

Planned Giving Secretary - St Michael

Martin Bloomfield

Electoral Roll Officer

Alison Thorpe

Safeguarding Officer - All Hallows and Retford St Michael

Don Phillips

DBS Safe Recruiter

Rachel Waby

Health and Safety - All Hallows

John Pashley

Health and Safety - St Michael

Rachel Waby

Church Property

Peter Thomas

CTiR Representatives

Christian Aid

Pat Bloodworth

Children's Society

Sally Hardman

Women's World Day of Prayer

Margaret Green, Margaret Akerman

DRAFT Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 28th May 2023 in All Hallows Church

1. Attendance:

Revd. Alex Shiells	Revd. David Bean	Christopher Trend	Isabelle Richards
Peter Thomas	Shirley Thomas	Jean Morris	Lavinia Swannack
Kathryn Biggs	Pam Phillips	Don Phillips	Nigel Bower
Malcom Mc Donald	Michael Storey	Janet Lewis	Rita Donohue
Ann Jones	Joan Henderson	Tessa Rolph	Barbara Burrows
Alison Thorpe			

Apologies:

Amanda Old	Julia Morton	Richard Morton	Collin Nicholson
Pat Bloodworth	Russell Bloodworth	Helen Richards	Paul Richards
Paul Hardman	Sally Hardman	Liz Thomas	Martin Bloomfield
Anthony Partridge			

2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Palm Sunday 10th April 2022 in St Michael's Chapter House. *Proposed:* Lavinia Swannack
Seconded: Joan Henderson *Agreed:* 19 *Abstentions:* 2

3. Electoral Roll: The total number of names on the Electoral Roll 113. Many thanks to Helen Richards our Electoral Roll Secretary.

4. Nominations for Churchwardens *4 vacancies*

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Barbara Burrows	Alison Thorpe	Malcolm McDonald
Nigel Bower	Janet Lewis	Pam Phillips
Pat Bloodworth	Janet Lewis	Pam Phillips
Michael Storey	Alison Thorpe	Amanda Old

5. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

6. Election of Churchwardens: Barbara Burrows, Nigel Bower, Pat Bloodworth and Michael Storey, were duly elected. Revd. Alex welcomed

7. Election of PCC members: *4 x three year vacancies*

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Isabelle Richards	Alison Thorpe	Barbara Burrows
Alison Thorpe	Rita Donohue	Pam Storey
Tessa Rolph	Alison Thorpe	John Palmer
Pam Phillips	Pat Bloodworth	Joan Henderson

8. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

9. Election of PCC Members for three years: Isabelle Richards, Alison Thorpe. Tessa Rolph and Pam Phillips were duly elected.

10. Nominations for PCC Membership for one year - Three Vacancies for one year - no nominations.

11. Deanery Synod Elections - No Nominations Isabelle Richards urged members of the congregation to consider standing as Deanery Synod members.

13. Election of Co-opted Members for one year:

Martin Bloomfield - our Treasurer

Don Phillips - our Safeguarding Officer

Proposed by: Revd Alex Shiells Seconded by: Tessa Rolph Unanimous

Revd. Alex thanked all those standing for office.

Revd. Alex also encouraged those present who were not members, to think about standing as Deanery Synod Members or joining the PCC.

1) Statutory Reports:

- a) Safeguarding Report:** Don Phillips has only been our Safeguarding Officer for three months. However he has worked as a Social Worker for 40 years, working in the West Midlands Social Services department, so we could not have anyone more qualified to do this very important job.

Don made it clear that we all have a role to play in safeguarding in our Parish.

Question - Tessa Rolph re Safeguarding Training. This can be done online, but on 14th June at 7.00pm there will help with training in All Hallows Church.

- b) Electoral Roll:** Janet Lewis thanked Helen for her work as Electoral Roll Officer.

- c) Audited Accounts:** Martin Bloomfield our Treasurer, has submitted the accounts. However there have been problems with the Auditor. Due to the long term illness of the person dealing with our accounts they have not as yet been audited. When they have been audited we will need a short meeting to agree the final audited accounts.

Martin Bloomfield has taken over the role of Treasurer from Rachel Reeves. We are struggling to pay our Parish Share. We have had a Funding Campaign and are indebted to those involved with events such as Live and Local. Shirley and Peter Thomas have been joined by Tessa Rolph in the organisation of these events.

As regards the accounts we have a much improved situation with detailed accounts for each church. It has been a difficult year but we are seeing improvements.

Peter Thomas thanked Martin Bloomfield for his hard work and detailed accounts. Russell Bloodworth was also thank for the work that he has done.

- d) PCC Secretary:** No questions or answers.

- e) Deanery Synod:** Revd. Alex again encouraged those present who were not members, to think about standing as Deanery Synod Members.

- f) Fabric:** At All Hallows the pointing has been completed on the church, the Lych Gate is now in place and new technology has been installed.

At St Michael's there is new signage and sound systems have been set up. However there have been continuing problems with the Community Hall roof.

- g) Vicar:** This year's Parish Vision Day will be led by Sarah Patten. Chris Trend will be leading a walk from 9am to 10.am before the start of the meeting.

Revd. Alex thanked all of those who keep our churches going, for all the seen and unseen work.

He also thanked Revd. David Bean and Chris Trend our Licensed Lay Minister, and hopes that they will contribute to the report next year.

Barbara Burrows thanked Revd. Alex for everything that he has done over the past year.

2) Property belonging to Ordsall and Retford, St Michael's Parish

- h) Ordsall Parish Hall:** We need to encourage more groups to use the Hall. Rates for use of the Hall have been raised slightly. Many thanks for the hard work done by Debbie Aston and Peter and Shirley Thomas.
- i) St Michael's Community Hall:** The Community Hall has a new sign - thanks to Don Phillips and Russell Bloodworth. Again we need to encourage more people to use the Hall. Many thanks to Prue Lamb for handling the bookings.
- j) Croft Cottage, Glebe Cottage, 19, Grange Road:** The property at Grange Road is now vacant. Newton and Fallowell have taken over responsibility for this property.
- k) All Hallows Allotment:** The allotments are flourishing even on the sloping side. Thanks to Martin Kennedy for making sure that the carboy is full of water.

3) Church Activities throughout the year

- l) Health and Safety:** Thanks to John Pashley and Pat Bloodworth for checking and dealing with Health and Safety issues in our Parish. Thank you to Janet Lewis for looking into accessibility issues at St Michaels. Thank you to Rachel Waby who has volunteered to take over the Health and Safety role at St Michaels.
- m) Craft Circle:** Many thanks to Catherine for her work with the Parish Craft Circles.
- n) Bell Ringers:** The bell ringers would like more members. Janet Lewis very much appreciates hearing the bells.
- o) Places of Welcome:** Tessa Rolph mentioned that a variety of people attend at Wednesdays at All Hallows. Janet Lewis thought that the need was there and encouraged others to come to St Michaels on Tuesdays. Some people who attend on Tuesdays are now coming on Sundays.

Isabelle Richards thanked all the volunteers who keep Places of Welcome open.
- p) After Service Coffee:** Thanks were given for everyone who volunteered. More volunteers would be welcomed. It is a significant ministry for the church. All Hallows now has a new coffee machine - the fresh coffee is very much appreciated!
- q) Mother's Union/Contact centre:** Tessa Rolph thanked Rita Donahue for her work at the Contact Centre.
- r) Merry Ladies:** Thanks to all concerned.
- s) Churchyard Group:** Again it would be good to get more people involved. It is hoped to create a wildlife area. The ground needs to be carefully prepared before wild flower seed can be sown.

t) Events Committee: There have been very full programmes at both church meetings. Again, there can be a shortage of volunteers.

4) PCC Links and Representatives

u) Christian Aid: Thanks to Paul Hardman.

v) Rakitova Self Sufficiency Fund: Thanks to Pam Phillips. The address given in the report is not accurate at the moment, but so far there isn't an updated address.

Margaret Akerman asked if there were volunteers who could take people to events such as the Memorial Services.

Suggested date for next Annual Parochial Church Meeting: to be confirmed

Revd. Alex thanked everyone for coming to the meeting

The meeting finished with the Grace

Minutes of the meeting of the PCC held on Sunday 28th May 2023

Attendance:

Revd. Alex Shiells	Revd. David Bean	Chris Trend	Michael Storey
Peter Thomas	Isabelle Richards	Joan Henderson	Barbara Burrows
Don Phillips	Pam Phillips	Janet Lewis	Alison Thorpe

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Secretary	Alison Thorpe	Joan Henderson	Isabelle Richards
Lay Chair	Isabelle Richards	Alex Shiells	Pam Phillips
Treasurer	Martin Bloomfield	Alex Shiells	David Bean
Plan Giving Secretary - All H	Malcolm McDonald	Tessa Rolph	Chris Trend
Plan Giving Secretary - St M	Martin Bloomfield	Tessa Rolph	Chris Trend
Electoral Roll Officer	Alison Thorpe	Joan Henderson	Janet Lewis
Safeguarding	Don Phillips	Alex Shiells	Tessa Rolph

Revd. Alex thanked all Officers for standing.

1. Statutory Reports

a. Safeguarding:

There have not been any reports of Safeguarding Concerns or Allegations referred to me during the year.

Safeguarding has been an Agenda item at all PCC meetings throughout the year.

The PCC has agreed to restart use of the 'Parish Dashboard' which generates an Action Plan to monitor progress in keeping up to date with local and national safeguarding requirements. A progress report on the Action Plan has been reported to the PCC at every other meeting throughout the year.

As a further aid to compliance with national guidance particularly in relation to Safer Recruitment and People Management the PCC has recently approved the use of the Safeguarding Hub.

The PCC continues to work towards full compliance and has 'due regard' to the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance and further guidance as issued and as stated above is adopting systems to more accurately monitor and evidence its progress.

Thank you to everybody who has undertaken Safeguarding training during the year and assisted me in many ways in my role.

Don Phillips Parish Safeguarding Officer

b. Electoral Roll:

At the point at which the Roll closed on Sunday 7th April, the total number of names enrolled was 119. This reflects one name being removed from the Roll, with eight additional names enrolled during the year.

Alison Thorpe, Electoral Roll Officer

c. Financial Review:

Opening remarks -

2023 was the first full year that I completed as your Parish Treasurer, and in terms of keeping me busy, it did not disappoint! It was also the first full year after the funding campaigns held in 2022, and which were seen to produce a positive result. The Parish Hall moved from previously making a loss, to making a small income return, demonstrating the potential of becoming a viable source of future revenue. A new Common fund into which each church made monthly contributions was implemented, resulting in tighter controls of our overall income and expenditure. This in turn ensured a greater level of Parish Share contribution, whilst maintaining the required level of solvency at each church.

All Hallows Ordsall -

Planned Giving - An overall increase of around £4.3k (23.3%) was in evidence, testament to the funding campaign held last year! The resulting Gift Aid & GASDS recovered was in excess of £6.5k

Casual giving & donations - Several baptisms were held during the year, receiving £1100, much of which was donated to charitable causes chosen by the baptism parties. Plate collections were also strong at £3.6k, demonstrating a willingness to support the church financially. A further £2400 was received for ongoing projects, like the long-awaited refurbishment of the Lych gate, and for charitable causes such as the TEAR fund, and Macmillan nurses.

Grants & legacies - A variety of grants were in evidence for use by both the church and hall, with significant support for the pointing undertaken during the year. A small legacy was received from the estate of the late Cyril John Newton in support of wildlife surrounding the churchyard.

Fund raising & events - Live & Local continues to go from strength to strength, and the £3.5k it raised augmented well the further £4.6k received from other lettings. The annual Scarecrow festival also attracted a goodly number of visitors, resulting in overall fund raising receipts of £12.1k, £840 (7.4%) increase on 2022!

Other income - Management of our cottages was handed to agencies for the first time, and JS Lettings in particular are to be commended in their timely communications and rent collection. Several weddings &

funerals contributed around £5.8k to our new COMMON fund, and VAT was recovered for fabric repair work carried out during the year.

Charitable Giving - As mentioned above, a variety of chosen charities received over £400 from baptism donations, whilst the Childrens Society benefited from the annual Christingle service.

Ministry costs - The new Common fund was established to finance costs attributable to both churches, and a concerted effort was made to pay an amount towards parish Share, which was both reasonable and affordable. Whilst we were not in a position to hand over 100% in that regard, we contributed more than double that of the previous year. At the time of compiling this report, we believe we are in a position to achieve 100% of the requested figure for 2024.

Running costs - Insurance for both churches was also to be paid from the new fund, and we benefited from the new contracts diligently negotiated by Alex last year. Other running costs were within acceptable levels.

Utilities - Gas and electricity expenditure was in line with expectations, and the contracts ensured similar levels to the previous year. Heating grants were made available to offset these costs, and it is to be hoped that future grants may also be available.

Parish hall - Gas, electricity and insurance met budgeted targets, whilst the cost of the annual alcohol licence more than doubled, after the hall rateable value had been reassessed in April 2023. A modest 1% expenditure increase was experienced overall.

Trading - Whilst fund-raising and event costs were reasonable, an unexpected set of invoices were received in respect of unpaid Live & Local events relating to 2022. Consequently, an extraordinary one-off total of over £1250 contributed to a disappointing 22.5% increase in these costs, though this gives rise to a potentially higher surplus in 2024!

Repairs & maintenance - The main obstacle of the year proved to be the troublesome office photocopier. Despite a number of engineer visits and subsequent assurances, we found ourselves in dispute with the leasing company over the non-effectiveness of the supplied machine. This resulted in the company providing a refurbished machine, and a return to the original contract, paving the way for a significant reduction in similar

costs in the future. We remain locked in to this contract for a few months yet, so it is hoped that the reliability of the copier will remain effective.

Control costs – We continue to apply a salary increase to our employees, opting to pay the living wage each year. These contracts are now subject to PAYE, and a monthly payroll routine has been implemented to ensure compliance with HMRC regulations.

Letting fees have now been introduced to cover the management of our cottages, but we consider these to be fair and appropriate. Quinquennial inspections were undertaken for both the church and hall, the cost of which had been budgeted for at the start of the year. We continue to have our end of year accounts examined by Wright Vigar, the cost of which is borne by the Common fund for both churches, and a set of required consolidated accounts for provision to both the Diocese and Charities Commission.

Account balances – A modest percentage increase was applied to the value of the hall and cottages, representing a fair asset price in line with similar properties. Our shares increased in value by a single digit percentage, meaning our capital holdings increased by 1.93%. The balances held in our bank accounts meanwhile, saw a reduction of around £10.3k (25.1%). This had been calculated at the start of the year, and was agreed in order to offset the Parish Share shortfall of the previous year.

St Michaels -

Planned giving - increased by £2.6k (16.2%), with Gift Aid & GASDS providing an additional £714 income.

Casual giving & donations - Plate collections remained stable, and a similar regime of offering baptism donations was implemented.

Grants & legacies - Grants were received to support rising energy costs, as well as to assist with offering a "Warm Space" to those who wish to welcome the opportunity to do so. No legacies were received during the year.

Fund raising & events - An organ recital was given in October, whilst an entertaining Quiz night was held in April. Refreshments continue to be served regularly in the newly named "Community Hall", and the Michaelmas Fayre exceeded expectations raising in excess of £1000.

Charitable giving - St Michaels continues to support RAKITOVO, as well as a number of local and wider charitable causes. The Deacon fund provided by Revd David Bean has now been rebranded as a Charity fund, in order to render further support in this regard.

Running costs - as previously reported, Insurance is now paid for out of the Common fund, and a monthly contribution is made to finance this and other identified common expenditure. The historic honorarium offered to a resident organist is no longer applicable, and services are now covered by a combination of multimedia, and occasional volunteer organists who request no remuneration!

Utilities - These costs were in line with budgeted targets, though a new 12 month contract has just been established which will see the cost of gas increase by just under £1k, and which continues to be an area of concern.

Repairs & maintenance - The lightning conductor was checked and received remedial work in the Spring at a cost of just under £2k, but it is hoped that this one-off cost will be superceded by regular less expensive future regular checks.

Control costs - A quinquennial check was also carried out at St Michaels costing £720. All other similar borne costs were at expected levels.

Development fund - This fund was put to good use, paving the way for new multimedia facilities, and new signage to make the church and hall appear more welcoming. Splendid new curtains have been hung in the hall, which have the effect of making evening PCC meetings more cosy!

Overall balances - The TSB account ended the year £8.2k (21.9%) lower than the previous year. Like Ordsall, this had been calculated at the start of the year, and was agreed in order to offset the Parish Share shortfall of the previous year.

In conclusion -

Church life continues to throw up challenges, some of which happen to be financial! My role as Treasurer is primarily to provide accurate and timely information to assist the PCC in its decision making. Arguably the major challenge each year, is to work out how to attempt to pay the Parish Share in full, whilst maintaining solvency in order to carry out daily church life! In that regard, it will be obvious that the reduction in overall balances at each church is significant. It equally follows that such a rate of future

reduction is unsustainable, and so the task is to ensure a balance of controls and best practices are put in place, to provide an early warning system for when the alarm bells will begin to sound.

It is important to stress however, that church finance should be seen as an exercise carried out in partnership, in which the Diocese undoubtedly plays its part. If we continue to optimise our income, by organising regular giving campaigns and submitting regular Gift Aid claims, minimise our cost base by ensuring no wastage and exorbitant contracts, adopt a policy of annual budgeting to fairly assess what is realistically affordable, then it can be demonstrated that all attempts have been made to ensure a level of financial control. In those circumstances, it will be difficult for anyone to reproach us for our efforts.

My role therefore carries a myriad array of tasks, from maintaining the ledger, submitting regular claims to HMRC, reclaiming VAT on repair work carried out, ensuring compliance with both HMRC and the Charities Commission, issuing invoices to clients who use our facilities, reconciling PCC fees and submitting monthly Diocesan payments to name but a few!

It is also fair to say, that I could not attempt to do any of these tasks without the support and co-operation of my friends and colleagues across both churches! I would like to take this opportunity therefore, to thank each and every one of you who helps me in any way, and be assured that your assistance is greatly appreciated!

I look forward to my future involvement with both churches, and the challenges that will continue to present themselves.

Martin Bloomfield, Parish Treasurer

d. PCC Secretary:

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is made up of representatives from our two congregations and in partnership with our clergy share in decision about the life and work of the church. The PCC's main function is to co-operate with the Vicar in promoting the ministry of this church. PCC members are in effect the trustees of a charity, they have a legal responsibility for the church's finances, its buildings, movable property, employees and safeguarding.

The PCC has dealt with a wide range of issues and concerns during the year. The full PCC has met five times since our last APCM meeting with an average attendance of 14 out of a membership of 19. Our meetings take place on Wednesdays at 7.00pm, alternating between St Michael's in the Community Hall and All Hallows Church.

Taking place in the months between PCC meetings are our Working Group meetings for both All Hallows and St Michael's. These groups have been working well. However, during the year it was felt that their purpose should be more clearly defined and that their role should be concerned with Fabric and Finance. These are areas which would free up time in our full PCC meetings. They are useful discussion groups generating good ideas but not formal decision making groups. Any decisions needed have to be discussed and voted on by the full PCC. Anyone who is interested in joining these groups would be most welcome to do so.

Joan Henderson, a faithful and very longstanding member of the PCC, has resigned this year. We are extremely grateful for her always pertinent contributions to our PCC meetings.

Our Parish Away Day took place on 3rd June 2023 at Idle Valley Nature Reserve to further consider our Parish Vision. The provisional date for this year's Parish Away Day is Saturday 8th June. Do join us if you can.

I would like to express my thanks to Revd. Alex for his support and also for his excellent chairing of the meetings throughout the year.

We always welcome new members to the PCC and we hope that some of you will consider joining us.

Alison Thorpe, PCC Secretary

e. Deanery Synod:

Bassetlaw & Bawtry Deanery Synod Review for 2023

The Bassetlaw and Bawtry Deanery Synod met three times during 2023, 29th March, 6th July and 16th November at St Anne's in Worksop. Thank you to St Anne's and the Area Dean for hosting us each time.

Meetings

The meetings during 2023 gave opportunities to gather, support each other and share about the good news happening in the churches. There were discussions on Parish Share, a chance to pray for each other, Updates on the vacancies in the Deanery, Diocesan Synod and General Synod. Living in Love and Faith was a major item on the agenda at General Synod and this filtered down to the Deanery Synod through out the year. Parish share was calculated differently for 2024, following a review by the Diocese, acknowledging it is a huge struggle to give when costs are going up. We are thankful for the contribution all the churches make during the year.

In March we invited Robert Cleaves, the Diocesan Environment Officer to share with us the Eco project to help the Diocese work towards becoming carbon neutral by 2030. Giving us ideas and introducing the Rocha Eco Church project for all churches to become involved with.

In July, Zoe Ball from 100 Homes shared with us the work they are doing to help foster children in the County. Looking to pray for, encourage and support foster carers and hold meetings in your locality to engage and recruit foster carers. We were also joined by some of the Deanery's Churchwardens, when Revd Dave Gough Admitted them with a short Visitation Service.

At the November meeting, Bryony Wood shared her book 'The Sound of Musings' and how it can be an engaging read for everyone, based around the film of the 'Sound of Music'. It is arranged in 52 chapters for weekly meditation and there is a free 6 week course on her website for people to use in home groups or small groups.

Clergy Chapter

Revd Luiz Lima moved to the Diocese of Portsmouth as Priest in charge of St John's, Locks Heath.

Isabelle Richards, stepped down as Lay Chair in May, our thanks to her for all the time and energy over the last three years as Lay Chair.

In September we welcomed three curates Liz Mack, Nigel Stones and Edith Onovo, Liz is serving her curacy with Revd Becky Hancock in the River Idle Benefice and Nigel and Edith are serving their curacy with Revd David Gough at Worksop St Annes and Norton Cuckney.

Stephanie Baker became the new Deanery Treasurer in July; we welcome her to working in the deanery.

Vacancy

The churches in Vacancy- Blyth, Scrooby & Ranskill, Idle and Sands Benefice, Oswaldbeck Benefice, The Rivers, Retford Benefice. Christ Church Worksop & Shireoaks Benefice came into vacancy in the summer, following Revd Luiz moving on.

Our thanks go to the Churchwardens, PCCs and the wonderful Retired Clergy and PTOs who faithfully continue to serve the churches, congregations and parishes during the sometimes long vacancies. The Lay Chair post is vacant.

Our thanks go to: The Deanery Synod Members for all their time they give to serve their Benefices and Churches. To the Deanery Standing Committee Members for their time and energy to help lead the Deanery. To the Deanery Treasurer, Deanery Administrator for their work and the Area Dean who helps to hold everything together.

f. Fabric Report:

i) All Hallows'

Many reports leave thanking people to the end - and folk don't always get that far so let us do it first!

There are many more people deserving thanks than we could name but we say special thanks to all who volunteer and help in whatever way you can. We are fortunate that you continue contributing positively to All Hallows Church and our community whether it be refreshments, flower arranging, grass cutting, painting, cleaning, children's activities,

supporting others in need and in the many other ways we aren't always aware of. This is giving and giving isn't just about money. Everyone has a talent to offer (and here you do so). A couple of people must be named though; with thanks are once again to Peter Thomas who often spots building work needing attention and actions any work necessary. This church community remains very thankful and grateful to Peter and also to John Pashley who has continued as our Health & Safety officer.

We were privileged to be elected as your Churchwardens at the APCM and in June were both able to attend the Archdeacons Visitation at Southwell to be officially admitted as Churchwardens. Training courses had to be undertaken (and passed!) - including Basic Awareness, Safeguarding Foundation, Safeguarding Leadership. Other administration tasks continue - a risk assessment is being completed, we have checked the terrier is up to date and that the photographs of church plate are still relevant.

Maintenance of the church building is a constant issue and we try to keep our building in a good condition. Our Quinquennial inspection last year is of great help in this. The recently repaired roof was unfortunately not completed before heavy rain penetrated the building resulting in a large amount of paint falling leaving a mess but no damage. Some pointing of stonework took place removing inappropriate mortar and replacing it with appropriate mortar. A light needs repair but as it is high up and to reach it will require safety equipment it may be better to consider lighting and electricity as a whole. Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) has not been done by a professional electrician but rules allow us to examine appliances ourselves for obvious issues such as bare wires which we look for regularly and ask that if anyone has concerns please tell us.

We now have regular meetings with Rev Alex and our fellow wardens at St Michaels to share concerns (few!) but mainly to share how we are doing and what we can progress together. We know there will be challenges and difficulties as we move forward but we also know there will be success and celebrations.

'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today'

Matthew 6.34

Barbara Burrows & Michael Storey Churchwardens

ii) St Michael's

We have had no major projects this year.

We have completed all necessary servicing, to the heating boilers, in the Church and Community Hall the repair work to the boiler outlet has been completed and we are in the process of engaging Durhams Heating on a contract basis to service both boilers.

The high gutters have been cleaned as have the low rain drains, we may have to look further into the drainage as it has been found that there are tree roots growing into the underground drainage.

Some roof tiles on the south porch have been replaced, and the breather strip on the ramp to the Community hall has been replaced.

The fire extinguishers have been serviced, both internal and external intruder alarms have been serviced.

PAT Testing has been done.

We still have an ongoing problem with the Chapter House roof leaking.

The Quinquennial inspection has been carried out. There were no major concerns.

At the recommendation of the Architect, and to aid us in further work on the church, a ground survey has been undertaken.

Thank you to the dedicated team who continue to help clean and maintain the church, Community Hall and grounds and for Ivy who continues to clean the chapter house.

Nigel Bower & Pat Bloodworth – Churchwarden

g. Vicar's Report:

It's amazing to think that this is my third vicar's report, the first having come within two weeks of my arrival in 2022. Catherine and I have recently celebrated 2 years of ministry in the parish and Easter for the third time here. During this last 2 years the landscape of our ministry has changed significantly and it's only in 2024 that we're beginning to experience what life after the pandemic truly looks like.

As I write this report on Holy Saturday, we've had a truly remarkable Easter so far. Our Good Friday children's activities at All Hallows' welcomed 34 children and adults, with many expected to join us for our Easter Day celebrations. This work has built on the attendance of over 100 children at our most recent Spooky Spectacular, as well as a packed Crib Service at Christmas. At All Hallows' our children's ministry is growing and we are engaging with families on a more regular basis, with the planned appointment of a children's worker and regular children's groups planned for the spring and summer of 2024. Church attendance is on the rise, with numbers at our 11am service beginning to move into the 50's. This takes us back towards pre-covid numbers, with many new faces as well as those who have returned.

A similar picture is emerging at St Michael's, where on Good Friday we had 28 people at Stations of the Cross, an unprecedented increase in attendance on previous years. Our Sunday attendance is also showing signs of growth, with numbers regularly in the 30's and many people joining us during the week for Open Tuesdays – our community space comprising coffee morning, lunch club and arts and crafts café every week. At both churches there is a welcoming midweek space for members of the community to experience refreshment, fellowship, and advice, and this has been the engine room for our growth.

While it's important that we celebrate these areas of numerical growth, we're aware that there are so many other things we can give thanks for. In this past year we've seen new people join our ministry team, new volunteers get involved, confirmations, and countless other steps forward in faith. The measurable signs of growth are an indicator of the depth that many are finding in Christ in our churches.

Rev'd Alex Shiells

2. Property Belonging to the Parish of Ordsall & Retford, St Michael

h. Ordsall Parish Hall

Regular Hall bookings are filling up the week now with the addition of an extra Diddy Explorers session and, more recently, a 'Sew & sew' group of like minded ladies who join together with their sewing machines.

Party bookings and enquiries have increased, and the £15 per hour move has been readily accepted as it is inline with other booking venues.

The blinds are looking better now they have been repaired and, along with the newly sanded and varnished floor, the hall looks vastly better and has been much appreciated by all the groups but particularly by the Diddy Explorers group which sits on the floor along with their young children and babies.

The restoration of the hall was supported by the following;

- Notts CC Community Fund £1000
- BDC £500
- Retford Rotary £900
- Voluntary donations £800

Thank you to Peter and Shirley for your tireless work and support over the last year.

Deb Aston, Booking Secretary

i. St Michael's Community Hall formerly Chapter House

As usual very little activity from St Michaels community hall to report. Tuesdays warm welcome day continues to thrive, which is a bonus (but not in a financial way!)

Retford Civic society use the space on a monthly basis. U3A cycle group hold occasional meetings , and there is an occasional booking for a private party.

The hall is always kept clean and warm by willing and much appreciated volunteers. I understand internal refurbishment is on the horizon.

Prue Lamb

j. Cottages, Grange Rd

Glebe Cottage and Croft Cottage have been managed by JS Lettings Ltd since November 2023

Inspection reports were completed on both properties.

Croft Cottage revealed some non-urgent issues which included a sticking front door, and small cracks in the bathroom plaster work. There was also some moisture around one of the bedroom windows which could indicate a broken seal. The kitchen is dated and if the current tenants moved out, may need some investment to maximise rental potential.

Two fence panels blew down for this property and were replaced including concrete poles. Photographic evidence provided as proof of work.

Glebe Cottage inspection identified issues with the gable end with a gap between the fascia board and brick work. The work was completed with photographic evidence.

There was no smoke detector or CO2 detector in the property, both of which are legal requirements, so this was rectified immediately.

The cottage has been kept to a very high standard by the tenants, however again the kitchen is dated and although functional has issues with the sink and drainer. Consideration should be given to investment in the kitchen before it becomes a more significant issue.

Grange Road is still being managed by Newton Fallowell until May 2024, when it will subsequently be managed by JS Lettings. Once we have received the report from JS, we will have a better understanding of possible future investment requirements.

There is still an issue regarding the deposit from a previous tenant who managed to put it in a state of limbo, with the church unable to retrieve it to pay for the damage that this tenant did on the property before vacating. There is a hope that this may be retrieved in May before Newton Fallowell finish the management agreement.

Rachel Waby

k. All Hallows Allotment

There have been several changes of tenants during 2023 but most allotments were kept in good cultivation. Only one tenant had to be given notice due to non cultivation of their plot. Two new plots were created on an area previously not in cultivation. The water carboy was kept topped up from the church supply by Martin Kennedy. Its supporting platform collapsed and had to be rebuilt with timber supplied by one of the tenants. The Annual Allotment Holders Meeting and Social was held in January 2023 and was well attended. In March several tenants met together to sort out the compost bins which had been filled with unsuitable material. Plot rents have made a contribution to church income.

Peter Thomas

3. Church Activities throughout the year

I. Health & Safety

i) Ordsall

It is pleasing to report that there are no major accidents to report in the last year, however we should not become complacent so please take care not only in church but also in the churchyard and the church hall. Please remember that we are not only responsible for our own safety but the safety of other people's safety around us.

All of our statutory checks for the church and the church hall are up to date.

A new Risk Assessment is being done at the moment. I don't know how that's going but I am sure I will find out in due course,
Big thank you to Helen for all your help again this year.

John Pashley.

ii) West Retford

A risk assessment was completed on St Michaels church on the 19th of May 2023 and will require to be reviewed in May 2024.

Areas to be addressed were:

- the sacristy back door raised mat area,
- the slate flooring has become detached in a small area to the left of the altar,
- carpet area around the altar uneven, stuck down where possible but trip hazard requires addressing.

The carpet around the altar has been discussed and quotes received for new carpet and the old heating plumbing pipe grates to be recovered, however action has not been taken due to concerns over whether the work will be permitted in removing the old grates. Still pending awaiting decision. As a significantly used area of the church it is recommended that this is addressed.

Rachel Waby

m. Craft Circle

Craft Circle has now been running in both churches for the past two years: in St Michael's Community Hall on Tuesday afternoons between 2pm and 4pm, and in All Hallows' Church on Wednesdays at the same time. Each group has continued to run each week and has taken on a life of its own, with those who attend appreciating the conversation and crafts. At St. Michael's it has continued as part of 'Open Tuesdays', which started as a warm space but has continued throughout the year. This means that there is a fluid group of people who come for coffee or lunch and stay for as long as they like, as well as a core group who come to work on projects each week. At All Hallows' the group has grown and we now welcome as many as 16 people who join us, the majority of which are members of the community not connected to church. We have once again received a grant of £200 from Councillor Carolyn Troop, who we are grateful to for her kind support.

Over the next year, we would like to welcome new people to join us each week. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age or ability, and can bring their own craft projects or come and ask for suggestions. Some people just come along for a drink and a chat! To help spread the word we plan to produce some new leaflets and change the name of the groups to 'Arts and Crafts Circle' at All Hallows', and 'Arts and Crafts Café' at St Michael's. Thank you to everyone who has supported the groups and we look forward to the year ahead.

Catherine Shiells

n. Bell Ringers

There remains a shortage of bellringers in Retford, and we are reduced to 5 regular ringers following the departure of two of our younger members to pursue careers and training in other parts of the world. With this small group we have managed to keep all the bells ringing on Sunday mornings at both churches most weeks.

Our thanks go to these ringers as without their continued willingness to be flexible we would be unable to ring for as many services as we do.

We currently have six keen trainee ringers attending regularly on practice nights, it would be fantastic if all of these can go on to become fully trained ringers.

Paul Richards – All Hallows Tower Captain

o. Places of Welcome

i) Ordsall

The weekly Wednesday morning opening of church to the wider community continues to be appreciated by those who come alone or to rendezvous with friends. We have weekly regulars as well as those who pop in only from time to time. Walkers (both two and for legged) regularly call in and a number of jigsaws have been completed. Some attendees have said that they value us as an opportunity for relaxed companionship without the need to make formal arrangements, especially between those of different genders.

The Bassetlaw Connect service no longer use us as a satellite venue but others agencies occasionally attend. Tessa keeps us well supplied with information leaflets and guidance on a variety of topics and, in order to comply with the requirements of a successful Grant Funding application from late last year, we are now keeping a tally of the types of guidance/support we sign post people towards. Our average attendance is 18, of whom nearly half are not members of the weekly worshipping

congregation. So far this year, we have served 242 hot drinks to our community.

Helen Richards

ii) West Retford

Tuesdays start with a celebration of Holy Communion at 9.30am in church and then from 10.00am until 4.00pm the community hall is open to anyone.

We serve coffee, tea, toast, biscuits and sometimes cake until lunchtime, when from around 12 noon we offer soup and rolls as well. During Lent we were delighted to enjoy Nigel's very special home-made soups.

As well as general friendly chatting, we have had visitors from the CAB advising on the best way to save energy, and other people telling of health initiatives and what the local council has to offer in the way of support.

We have a variety of games which some of us enjoy: dominoes, ludo, cards and even snakes and ladders!

During Lent Alex led a course based on Rev. Bryony Wood's book about The Sound of Music, which was attended by some of our visitors.

Around 2.00pm the group changes and becomes more craft-orientated, led by Catherine.

There are 6 regulars with others joining from time to time.

Since New Year we have served over 280 drinks, 130 soups, given out 10 free coats from our rail, and made lots of new friends. We have between 25-30 visitors each week and of those around 20 are 'regulars'.

Thank you to all the volunteers who help to make our Tuesdays welcoming and enjoyable.

Janet Lewis

p. After Service Coffees - All Hallows

Refreshments have been served after most of the Sunday services this year provided by a small but dedicated team of volunteers, we thank them so much for their time. Thanks also go to Richard and Julia for all their work organising the rota, kitchen and buying the supplies.

Since June 2023 I have taken on the role of buying supplies and now organise the rota each month. New storage boxes have been purchased from the donations and these have been labelled to try and keep the kitchen organised when various groups of people use the facilities throughout the week.

We currently have 10 people who regularly help to serve the coffee and we are so pleased to welcome our new volunteers this year. We know that the congregation appreciate the opportunity to meet and talk after the service and enjoy the refreshments that we can provide.

If you feel that you could join the rota to serve the coffee, please contact me.

Amanda Old

q. Mothers Union Contact Centre

There is no local branch MU here at the moment, although a few church members are Diocesan Mothers Union. However, this year the Contact Centre (and its volunteers) has enabled several children to start meeting with their non-resident parent in a safe and neutral venue, as a stepping stone to more permanent arrangements being put in place for continuing contact. The running of the Centre has recently had to transfer to Children's Links due to the need for a paid member of staff but many of the existing volunteers will continue to help parents and children at the Centre.

Tessa Rolph

r. Merrie Ladies

The Merry Ladies continue to meet every Wednesday at 10am at The Glass House. Our numbers vary between 6 & 12 and we have welcomed new members this year. We extend a warm welcome to any lady who wishes to come along and have an hours company.

Merriment, though not obligatory is favoured and much appreciated.

Irene Haw

s. Ordsall Churchyard Group

A small team of 5/6 volunteers has continued to maintain the top part of the churchyard on a Monday morning throughout the year, having a short break at Christmas. The lower section of the churchyard is maintained by Bassetlaw District Council. Following advice from Notts Wildlife the section nearer the church was untouched. This made management easier and it was thus possible to keep the furthest part more under control. Clumps of bramble will be left for the birds as food. A donation of wild flower seeds was made by Derek Swinton and areas prepared but due to lack of people power the seeds were not sown. They will be sown in 2024. I was nominated for a BCVS annual award and was surprised and honoured to be awarded BCVS Outdoor Volunteer of the Year 2023.

The Pollarded Lime tree opposite the tower was inspected in November 2023 and was found to be in a satisfactory state. The hollow trunk did not seem to have deteriorated further. It will continue to be inspected periodically.

In the lower part a bench was installed in memory of Mr Bircumshaw by his family. The long awaited new Lych Gates were installed and dedicated to the memory of Paul and Pauline Partridge in a small ceremony attended by family members and others. The gates will need annual maintenance. Flooding in the lower part of the churchyard resulted in the sinking of two graves. One has since been filled in.

Peter Thomas

t. Events Committee

Various events have been arranged during the year for fundraising and other purposes, including quizzes, a Christmas Fair, social games evenings, a tabletop sale and coffee morning. Additionally, there have been five very successful gigs and dance events held in the Parish Hall, many under the Live & Local banner. We are very grateful to the many volunteers who have cheerfully helped with all these.

Tessa Rolph

4. PCC Links and Representatives

u. Christian Aid No report received

v. Rakitovo

St Michaels Church continues to sponsor a teenager, in Rakitovo, Bulgaria, through the Rakitovo Self Sufficiency Fund. We donate a regular monthly amount and give extra money at her birthday, Christmas and a return to school grant in September.

The fund was set up by Martin and Julie Peniston-Bird to provide hope and assistance to the Roma population in Rakitovo. The fund assists impoverished families to become self-sufficient through 'Project Potato' and provides training schemes for young adults which has successfully given them employment and hopes for the future.

The children have returned to full time education at school and in the summer the families travelled to the mountains to pick mushrooms and herbs which are sold to provide much needed extra income.

Our sponsored child writes to us throughout the year and always expresses gratitude for our support and enjoys the extra little treats received through our sponsorship. In the next year she will have completed her education and has let us know she is already applying for the training schemes on offer to further her employment and future opportunities.

If anyone wishes to sponsor a child or to donate to this worthwhile fund, please contact Martin at The Rakitovo Self Sufficiency Fund. The e mail address is martin@peniston-bird.co.uk.

Pam Phillips

The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

Financial Statements

For the year ending

31 December 2023

Charity No. 1198455

The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

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The Benefice of Ordsall and Retford Saint Michael
Accounts for year ending 31st December 2023

S.O.F.A (Statement of Financial Activites)	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2023	2022
Incoming Resources from Donors	2.1	62,376.58	78.00	-	-	62,454.58	57,434.82
Voluntary Incoming Resources	2.2	6,085.30	4,216.80	-	-	10,302.10	33,961.88
Income from Operating Activities	2.3	21,867.81	-	-	-	21,867.81	23,316.78
Income from Investments	2.4	17,719.56	-	-	-	17,719.56	18,563.97
Other Incoming Resources	2.5	589.33	80.00	-	-	669.33	2,231.24
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		108,638.58	4,374.80	-	-	113,013.38	135,508.69
Charitable Giving	3.1	1,444.20	-	-	-	1,444.20	1,520.64
Directly Related Activities	3.2	98,264.28	11,535.07	-	-	109,799.35	114,059.64
Management and Administration	3.3	6,152.63	360.79	-	-	6,513.42	2,789.90
Cost of Generating Funds	3.4	3,814.94	2,906.78	-	-	6,721.72	2,873.93
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		109,676.05	14,802.64	-	-	124,478.69	121,244.11
Net (outgoing) / incoming resources		(1,037.47)	(10,427.84)	-	-	(11,465.31)	14,264.58
Gains & Losses on investments		870.75	-	-	7,500.00	8,370.75	14,926.12
Transfers between funds		(3,155.07)	3,555.07	(400.00)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(3,321.79)	(6,872.77)	(400.00)	7,500.00	(3,094.56)	29,190.70
Total funds brought forward		52,417.73	23,089.99	400.00	346,910.55	422,818.27	393,627.57
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		49,095.94	16,217.22	-	354,410.55	419,723.71	422,818.27

BALANCE SHEET

(Statement of Assets and Liabilities) **Notes**

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets	4.1	402.33	2,406.37	-	340,000.00	342,808.70	338,117.41
Fixed Investments	4.2	-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
		402.33	2,406.37	-	344,410.55	347,219.25	342,527.96

Current Assets

Short Term Deposits	5.2	-	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	17,910.77
Bank Accounts and Cash	5.3	46,302.53	13,810.85	-	-	60,113.38	60,738.44
Debtors	6.1	3,099.23	-	-	-	3,099.23	5,641.10
		49,401.76	13,810.85	-	10,000.00	73,212.61	84,290.31

Current Liabilities

Creditors	6.2	708.15	-	-	-	708.15	4,000.00
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Net current assets

		48,693.61	13,810.85	-	10,000.00	72,504.46	80,290.31
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Total Assets less Current Liabilities

		49,095.94	16,217.22	-	354,410.55	419,723.71	422,818.27
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BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS

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Unrestricted		49,095.94	-	-	-	49,095.94	52,417.73
Designated		-	16,217.22	-	-	16,217.22	23,089.99
Restricted		-	-	-	-	-	400.00
Endowment		-	-	-	354,410.55	354,410.55	346,910.55
TOTAL FUNDS		49,095.94	16,217.22	-	354,410.55	419,723.71	422,818.27

Accounts approved by the Parochial Church Council on

and signed on behalf of the members by

A. Shewell

M. L. L. L.

The Benefice of Ordsall and Retford Saint Michael - Financial accounts year ending 31st December 2023

Notes to Accounts

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Endowment Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
2.1 Incoming Resources from Donors						
Planned Giving - Gift Aid	33,276.00	-	-	-	33,276.00	29,268.00
Planned Giving - non GA	4,944.00	-	-	-	4,944.00	3,080.00
Envelopes - Gift Aid	2,482.00	-	-	-	2,482.00	1,631.00
Envelopes - non GA	1,055.00	-	-	-	1,055.00	825.00
Gift Aid recovered	9,050.61	-	-	-	9,050.61	11,382.44
GASDS Top-ups	2,468.75	-	-	-	2,468.75	2,457.14
Collections	4,901.53	-	-	-	4,901.53	5,256.15
Baptisms	1,334.01	-	-	-	1,334.01	-
Church Box	279.52	-	-	-	279.52	148.98
Donations - Gift Aid	669.10	-	-	-	669.10	575.00
Donations - non GA	1,155.54	-	-	-	1,155.54	2,175.81
Online giving	567.77	-	-	-	567.77	635.30
Memorial services	192.75	-	-	-	192.75	-
Other donor income	-	78.00	-	-	78.00	-
	62,376.58	78.00	-	-	62,454.58	57,434.82
2.2 Voluntary Incoming Resources						
<i>N01</i> Grants	5,396.00	-	-	-	5,396.00	23,653.48
VAT Recovered	333.80	640.34	-	-	974.14	-
Legacies	-	76.46	-	-	76.46	10,000.00
Messy Church receipts	3.50	-	-	-	3.50	83.30
Restricted donations - All Hallows	175.00	3,380.00	-	-	3,555.00	-
Restricted donations - St Michaels	177.00	120.00	-	-	297.00	170.10
Other voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-	55.00
	6,085.30	4,216.80	-	-	10,302.10	33,961.88
2.3 Income from Operating Activities						
Hall Lettings	5,170.00	-	-	-	5,170.00	3,663.44
<i>N02</i> PCC fees retained	5,838.00	-	-	-	5,838.00	8,964.78
Sequestration fees	-	-	-	-	-	717.80
Allotment rent	531.00	-	-	-	531.00	480.00
Heating fees	1,320.00	-	-	-	1,320.00	-
<i>N03</i> Fund raising receipts - All Hallows	7,037.19	-	-	-	7,037.19	7,703.54
<i>N03</i> Fund raising receipts - St Michaels	1,971.62	-	-	-	1,971.62	1,787.22
	21,867.81	-	-	-	21,867.81	23,316.78
2.4 Income from Investments						
Interest	116.13	-	-	-	116.13	189.21
Dividends	172.83	-	-	-	172.83	148.26
Rent from Church use	30.00	-	-	-	30.00	52.50
House rents	17,400.60	-	-	-	17,400.60	18,174.00
	17,719.56	-	-	-	17,719.56	18,563.97
2.5 Other Incoming Resources						
Insurance Claims	-	-	-	-	-	175.00
Ride & Stride receipts	174.00	-	-	-	174.00	813.00
TEAR fund receipts	125.44	-	-	-	125.44	-
Macmillan receipts	131.74	-	-	-	131.74	-
Sundry income	158.15	80.00	-	-	238.15	1,243.24
	589.33	80.00	-	-	669.33	2,231.24
Total Incoming Resources	108,638.58	4,374.80	-	-	113,013.38	135,508.69

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3.1 Charitable Giving						
Church Charities	30.00	-	-	-	30.00	-
Secular Charities	207.60	-	-	-	207.60	1,074.40
Baptism donations	445.47	-	-	-	445.47	-
Ex-Gratia payments	-	-	-	-	-	28.00
Poppy appeal	25.00	-	-	-	25.00	20.00
Rakitovo	260.00	-	-	-	260.00	260.00
TEAR Fund payments	186.24	-	-	-	186.24	-
Childrens Society	158.15	-	-	-	158.15	138.24
Macmillan payments	131.74	-	-	-	131.74	-
	1,444.20	-	-	-	1,444.20	1,520.64
3.21 Ministry Costs						
<i>N04</i> Parish Share	59,700.00	-	-	-	59,700.00	46,774.15
Clergy payments	143.39	-	-	-	143.39	-
Visiting / Retired Clergy	-	-	-	-	-	646.00
Fees Paid to Diocese	-	-	-	-	-	938.00
	59,843.39	-	-	-	59,843.39	48,358.15
3.22 Running Costs						
<i>N05</i> Insurance	5,529.62	-	-	-	5,529.62	6,455.74
Heating	6,107.09	-	-	-	6,107.09	6,030.91
Electricity	1,600.74	-	-	-	1,600.74	854.56
Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	24.88
Sanitary / COVID supplies	-	-	-	-	-	11.19
Water & Sewerage	112.97	-	-	-	112.97	61.18
Telephones / internet	779.59	-	-	-	779.59	477.02
Other running costs	-	-	-	-	-	150.00
	14,130.01	-	-	-	14,130.01	14,065.48
3.23 Church Maintenance						
Minor repairs	183.18	-	-	-	183.18	142.40
Equipment payments	30.00	-	-	-	30.00	270.26
Organ maintenance	130.00	204.00	-	-	334.00	426.10
Security alarm payments	1,985.40	-	-	-	1,985.40	1,677.12
Photocopier maintenance	1,681.56	-	-	-	1,681.56	448.08
Fire extinguishers	247.20	-	-	-	247.20	222.00
Boiler maintenance	2,052.00	-	-	-	2,052.00	2,196.25
House payments	-	1,164.04	-	-	1,164.04	222.43
House insurance	-	1,104.44	-	-	1,104.44	1,024.71
Churchyard maintenance	-	133.01	-	-	133.01	187.04
Lightning conductor	108.00	-	-	-	108.00	-
Depreciation - Multimedia	402.33	-	-	-	402.33	402.33
Depreciation - Church equipment	-	2,406.38	-	-	2,406.38	557.73
Other routine maintenance	114.18	-	-	-	114.18	68.95
	6,933.85	5,011.87	-	-	11,945.72	7,845.40
3.24 Upkeep of Services						
Altar Requisites	678.97	-	-	-	678.97	180.10
Copyright Licence	591.10	-	-	-	591.10	690.17
Flowers	-	-	-	-	-	35.99
Upkeep of Churchyard	-	9.06	-	-	9.06	405.94
	1,270.07	9.06	-	-	1,279.13	1,312.20

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	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Endowment Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
3.25 Church Hall Costs						
Hall Insurance	951.00	-	-	-	951.00	981.84
Hall Heating	1,271.57	-	-	-	1,271.57	918.84
Hall Electricity	1,650.23	-	-	-	1,650.23	2,669.02
Hall Water	406.54	-	-	-	406.54	319.68
Hall repairs / maintenance	201.80	-	-	-	201.80	19.00
Hall Cleaner	2,747.36	-	-	-	2,747.36	3,555.08
Business rates	1,209.47	-	-	-	1,209.47	-
Alcohol licence	180.00	-	-	-	180.00	70.00
Other church hall payments	588.00	-	-	-	588.00	300.00
	9,205.97	-	-	-	9,205.97	8,833.46
3.26 Operating Activities						
Training costs	444.26	-	-	-	444.26	376.33
Outreach costs	60.25	-	-	-	60.25	-
Messy Church payments	26.44	-	-	-	26.44	35.96
Alpha Catering	196.68	-	-	-	196.68	-
	727.63	-	-	-	727.63	412.29
3.27 Major Repair Expenditure						
Sound system	-	-	-	-	-	5,545.94
Lightning conductors	-	1,968.00	-	-	1,968.00	-
N06 Major repair work - All Halls	-	4,546.14	-	-	4,546.14	11,019.98
Capital depreciation - church equipment	-	-	-	-	-	1,848.65
	-	6,514.14	-	-	6,514.14	18,414.57
3.28 Support Costs						
Parish Administrator	5,054.40	-	-	-	5,054.40	5,873.40
Verger	-	-	-	-	-	30.00
Organist	-	-	-	-	-	413.00
Cleaner	1,098.96	-	-	-	1,098.96	-
New Start payments	-	-	-	-	-	8,499.80
Other support costs	-	-	-	-	-	1.89
	6,153.36	-	-	-	6,153.36	14,818.09
3.3 Management and Administration						
Professional fees	240.00	168.00	-	-	408.00	-
Quinquennial inspection	1,740.00	-	-	-	1,740.00	-
Independent Examiner fees	900.00	-	-	-	900.00	830.00
Website costs	129.45	-	-	-	129.45	71.86
Subscriptions paid	70.00	-	-	-	70.00	115.00
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	37.50
Computer costs	179.58	-	-	-	179.58	-
Printing	151.80	-	-	-	151.80	33.49
Photocopying	592.88	-	-	-	592.88	955.04
Stationery	411.29	-	-	-	411.29	169.49
Publicity	20.00	-	-	-	20.00	113.00
Postages	-	-	-	-	-	17.73
Travel expenses	616.14	-	-	-	616.14	424.00
DBS Checks	22.79	-	-	-	22.79	22.79
SumUp fees	6.95	-	-	-	6.95	-
N07 Letting fees	1,025.00	-	-	-	1,025.00	-
Sundry expenditure	46.75	192.79	-	-	239.54	-
	6,152.63	360.79	-	-	6,513.42	2,789.90

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	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Endowment Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
3.4 Cost of Generating Funds						
Costs incurred per Grants	-	-	-	-	-	10.00
Fund raising costs	-	-	-	-	-	89.89
Ride & Stride payments	-	-	-	-	-	620.00
Fund raising costs - All Hallows	2,441.34	1,157.02	-	-	3,598.36	2,154.04
Fund raising costs - St Michaels	117.20	1,749.76	-	-	1,866.96	-
Other costs of generating funds	1,256.40	-	-	-	1,256.40	-
	3,814.94	2,906.78	-	-	6,721.72	2,873.93
3.2 Directly Related Activities (sub-total)	98,264.28	11,535.07	-	-	109,799.35	114,059.64
Total Resources Expended	109,676.05	14,802.64	-	-	124,478.69	121,244.11

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		<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Endowment Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
4.1 Tangible Assets							
N08 All Hallows Church Ordsall		402.33	557.73	-	340,000.00	340,960.06	334,420.12
St Michael's Church Retford		-	1,848.64	-	-	1,848.64	3,697.29
		402.33	2,406.37	-	340,000.00	342,808.70	338,117.41
4.2 Fixed Investments							
All Hallows Church Ordsall		-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
		-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
5.2 Short Term Deposits							
All Hallows Church Ordsall		-	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	17,910.77
		-	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	17,910.77
5.3 Bank Accounts and Cash							
All Hallows Church Ordsall		26,745.22	3,987.53	-	-	30,732.75	23,129.61
St Michael's Church Retford		19,557.31	9,823.32	-	-	29,380.63	37,608.83
		46,302.53	13,810.85	-	-	60,113.38	60,738.44
6.1 Debtors							
N09 All Hallows Church Ordsall		1,867.90	-	-	-	1,867.90	4,508.12
N09 St Michael's Church Retford		1,231.33	-	-	-	1,231.33	1,132.98
		3,099.23	-	-	-	3,099.23	5,641.10
6.2 Creditors							
N10 All Hallows Church Ordsall		708.15	-	-	-	708.15	2,000.00
St Michael's Church Retford		-	-	-	-	-	2,000.00
		708.15	-	-	-	708.15	4,000.00
7.0 Analysis of Net Assets							
Tangible Fixed Assets		402.33	2,406.37	-	340,000.00	342,808.70	338,117.41
Investment Fixed Assets		-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
Current Assets		49,401.76	13,810.85	-	10,000.00	73,212.61	84,290.31
Current Liabilities		(708.15)	-	-	-	(708.15)	(4,000.00)
		49,095.94	16,217.22	-	354,410.55	419,723.71	422,818.27

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	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Market Value	Original Cost
8.1 Capital Investments - (All Hallows)						
Lloyds Bank						
708 at 0.4766	-	-	-	337.43	337.43	307.70
Severn Trent						
69 at 25.78	-	-	-	1,778.82	1,778.82	1,677.39
Banco Santander						
701 at 3.29	-	-	-	2,306.29	2,306.29	2,425.46
	-	-	-	4,422.54	4,422.54	4,410.55

The above market valuation is based on the mid-range price quoted on 31st December 2023

	All Hallows <u>Multimedia</u>	All Hallows <u>Equipment</u>	St Michaels <u>Sound System</u>	<u>Total</u>
8.2 Asset Depreciation				
Cost				
- at 1st January 2023	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
- disposals	-	-	-	-
- additions at cost	-	-	-	-
- at 31st December 2023	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
Depreciation				
- at 1st January 2023	402.33	557.73	1,848.65	2,808.71
- withdrawn on disposals	-	-	-	-
- charge for year	402.33	557.73	1,848.65	2,808.71
- at 31st December 2023	804.66	1,115.46	3,697.30	5,617.42
Net book value				
- at 31st December 2023	402.33	557.73	1,848.64	2,808.70
- at 31st December 2022	804.66	1,115.46	3,697.29	5,617.41

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9.0 Fund Movements	Opening <u>Balance</u>	Total <u>Income</u>	Total <u>Expenditure</u>	Total <u>Adjustments</u>	Closing <u>Balance</u>
Unrestricted					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	29,223.00	77,782.99	(101,943.62)	23,244.93	28,307.30
St Michael's Church Retford	23,194.73	30,855.59	(7,732.43)	(25,529.25)	20,788.64
	52,417.73	108,638.58	(109,676.05)	(2,284.32)	49,095.94
Designated					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	6,245.62	4,176.80	(9,032.23)	3,155.07	4,545.26
St Michael's Church Retford	16,844.37	198.00	(5,770.41)	400.00	11,671.96
	23,089.99	4,374.80	(14,802.64)	3,555.07	16,217.22
Restricted					
St Michael's Church Retford	400.00	-	-	(400.00)	-
	400.00	-	-	(400.00)	-
Endowment					
All Hallows Church Ordsall	346,910.55	-	-	7,500.00	354,410.55
	346,910.55	-	-	7,500.00	354,410.55
Total Funds	422,818.27	113,013.38	(124,478.69)	8,370.75	419,723.71

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	<u>All Hallows Church Ordsall</u>	<u>St Michael's Church Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N01 Grants -			
Notts County Council	2,227.00	-	2,227.00
National Grid	646.00	645.00	1,291.00
Southwell Diocese	250.00	250.00	500.00
Est Midlands Business	-	328.00	328.00
Retford Rotary Club	900.00	-	900.00
Bassetlaw District Council	150.00	-	150.00
	4,173.00	1,223.00	5,396.00
N02 PCC fees -			
Weddings & banns			4,396.00
Funerals, cremations or burials			8,193.00
Burial of ashes			1,248.00
Memorials & Inscriptions			413.00
<i>less -</i>			14,250.00
Diocese payments			(4,962.00)
Minister payments			(575.00)
Verger payments			(735.00)
Organist payments			(500.00)
Bell ringers			(320.00)
Heating repayments			(1,320.00)
			5,838.00
N03 Fund raising -			
Live & Local receipts	3,565.10	-	3,565.10
Scarecrow festival	1,028.51	-	1,028.51
Refreshments	635.00	780.00	1,415.00
Christmas / Autumn Fayres	932.45	1,008.72	1,941.17
Cheese & Wine evening	136.90	-	136.90
Hall events	739.23	-	739.23
Quiz night	-	150.00	150.00
Other	-	32.90	32.90
	7,037.19	1,971.62	9,008.81
N04 Parish Share -			
Deanery target			(78,192.00)
payments rendered			59,700.00
resulting shortfall			(18,492.00)
N05 Insurance -			
All Hallows church	2,578.34	-	2,578.34
St Michaels church	-	2,156.04	2,156.04
St Michaels community hall	-	795.24	795.24
	2,578.34	2,951.28	5,529.62

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	<u>All Hallows Church Ordsall</u>	<u>St Michael's Church Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N06 Major repairs -			
Lych gate	704.10	-	704.10
Pointing	3,842.04	-	3,842.04
	<u>4,546.14</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,546.14</u>
N07 Letting fees - this is a new category introduced in 2023, in respect of monthly rent percentages paid to our letting agencies who now manage Ordsall church cottages.			
N08 Revaluation of Ordsall properties -			
Glebe cottage	2,500.00	-	2,500.00
Croft cottage	2,500.00	-	2,500.00
19 Grange Road	1,500.00	-	1,500.00
Parish hall	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
	<u>7,500.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,500.00</u>
N09 Debtors -			
Gift aid pending	1,261.88	1,009.82	2,271.70
GASDS pending	606.02	221.51	827.53
	<u>1,867.90</u>	<u>1,231.33</u>	<u>3,099.23</u>
N10 Creditors -			
Pozitive Energy (<i>Hall heating</i>)	550.00	-	550.00
Childrens Society (<i>Christingle proceeds</i>)	158.15	-	158.15
	<u>708.15</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>708.15</u>

Independent Examiner's Report to The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 1 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

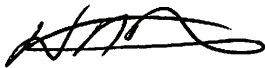
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Neil M Roberts, FCA

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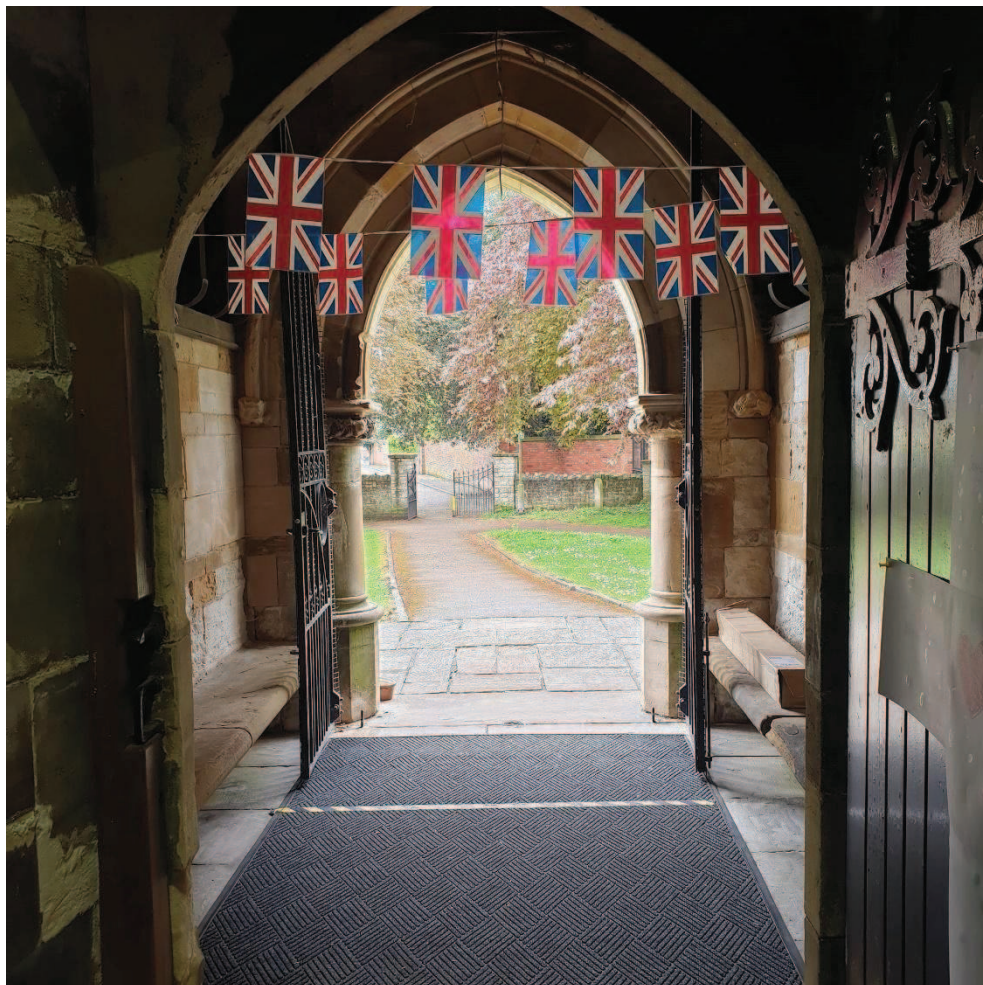
22 March 2024

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The Annual Report and Financial Accounts

for the Parish of

Ordsall and Retford, St Michael



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Parochial Church Council Membership 2022 – 2023

CLERGY

Alex Shiells
David Bean

WARDENS

Pat Bloodworth
Barbara Burrows
Michael Storey

DEANERY SYNOD 2021-2023

Ivy Kibble
Isabelle Richards
Shirley Thomas

UNTIL 2023

Pam Phillips
Helen Richards
Alison Thorpe

UNTIL 2024

Ben Chapman-Hart
Ivy Kibble
Paul Richards

UNTIL 2025

Joan Henderson
Janet Lewis
Amanda Old
Peter Thomas

CO-OPTED

Rachel Reeves

EX-OFFICIO

Chris Trend

PCC Officers and Representatives:

Role	Name
Chair	<i>Alex Shiells</i>
PCC Secretary	<i>Alison Thorpe</i>
Lay Chair	<i>Isabelle Richards</i>
Treasurer - All Hallows and Retford St Michael	<i>Rachel Reeves</i>
Planned Giving Secretary - All Hallows	<i>Malcom McDonald</i>
Planned Giving Secretary - St Michael	<i>Martin Bloomfield</i>
Electoral Roll Officer	<i>Helen Richards</i>
Safeguarding Officer - All Hallows and Retford St Michael	<i>Barbara Burrows</i>
DBS Safe Recruiter	<i>Frances Costello</i>
Health and Safety - All Hallows	<i>John Pashley</i>
Health and Safety - St Michael	
Church Property	<i>Peter Thomas</i>
CTiR Representatives	<i>Chris Trend</i>

Christian Aid
Children's Society
Women's World Day of Prayer

Pat Bloodworth
Sally Hardman
Karen Gair

DRAFT Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Palm Sunday, 10th April 2022 in St Michael's Chapter House

1. Attendance:

Revd. Alex Shiells	Ben Chapman-Hart	Keith Robinson	Revd. Liz Thomas
Isabelle Richards	Frances Costello	Amanda Old	Peter Thomas
W.R Gibbings	Jean Morris	Ivy Kibble	Shirley Thomas
Paul Richards	Lavinia Swannack	Pam Phillips	Anthony Partridge
Helen Richards	Joan Henderson	John Catling	Margaret Akerman
Janet Lewis	Carole Robinson	Jo Catling	Rita Donohue
Christopher Trend	Mick Storey	Rachel Reeves	Alison Thorpe
Barbara Burrows			

Apologies:

Revd. David Bean	Julia Morton	Richard Morton	Craig Watson
Pat Bloodworth	Russell Bloodworth	Margaret Watson	Christine Theodosious

2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Thursday 22nd April 2021 in All Hallows Church, Ordsall and online in a Zoom Meeting

Proposed: Joan Henderson *Seconded:* Shirley Thomas agreed: 22 Abstentions:

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3. Electoral Roll: The total number of names on the Electoral Roll 102. Many thanks to Helen Richards our Electoral Roll Secretary.

4. Nominations for Churchwardens 4 vacancies

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Barbara Burrows	Alison Thorpe	Isabelle Richards
Pat Bloodworth	Christopher Trend	Ivy Kibble
Michael Storey	Helen Richards	Carole Robinson

5. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

6. Election of Churchwardens: Barbara Burrows, Pat Bloodworth and Michael Storey, were duly elected.

Revd. Alex thanked all the wardens for all their hard work and for agreeing to stand again for another year.

7. Election of PCC members: 4 x three year vacancies

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Janet Lewis	Pat Bloodworth	Nigel Bower
Amanda Old	Joan Henderson	Peter Thomas
Joan Henderson	Ben Chapman-Hart	Amanda Old
Peter Thomas	Rita Donohue	Sally Hardman

8. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

9. Election of PCC Members: Janet Lewis, Amanda Old, Joan Henderson and Peter Thomas were duly elected.

10. Election of PCC members: 1 x 1 year vacancy

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Carole Robinson	Joan Henderson	Shirley Thomas

11. Appointment of tellers: *Not necessary*

12. Election of PCC Members: Carole Robinson was duly elected.

13. Election of Ex Officio Member:

<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconded</i>
Christopher Trend	Janet Lewis	Ivy Kibble

14. Election of Ex Officio Member: Chris Trend was duly elected

Revd. Alex thanked Janet Lewis, Amanda Old, Joan Henderson, Peter Thomas, Carole Robinson and Chris Trend for standing for office.

Revd. Alex also encouraged those present who were not members, to think about standing as Church Warden or joining the PCC.

2. Statutory Reports:

Safeguarding Report: Page 6, Barbara Burrows pointed out that the following sentence should have been inserted at the beginning of the Report:

'Sec 5 of the Safeguarding + Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 states: all authorised clergy, bishops, archdeacons, licensed readers and lay workers, churchwardens and PCCs must have 'due regard' to safeguarding guidance issued by the House of Bishops.'

There were no further questions or comments.

Revd. Alex thanked all who were involved in the work of our Churches.

Thanks were given to Amanda Old who is stepping down as one of our representatives on Churches together in Retford.

Our Treasurer, Rachel Reeves was thanked for her work in registering the PCC as a charity. This can be accessed through the Charity Commission website.

Our name is 'The PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Ordsall and Retford, St Michael.'

Our charity number is: 1198455

Revd. Alex pointed out that this will be particularly helpful in obtaining grants for our Parish.

Revd. Alex has now been with us for four weeks, and thanked everyone for their welcome.

Thanks were given to John Catling for playing the organ so splendidly at today's service.

Keith Robinson has been All Hallows Planned Giving Secretary since 2007! He is now in the process of handing over this important work to Malcolm McDonald. Keith was thanked for all the work that he has done for us over so many years.

Revd. Alex talked about trying to do things as one Parish where possible. Barbara Burrows is now taking over as Safeguarding Officer for the whole Parish. Barbara was thanked for this, as was Pat Bloodworth for her work as Safeguarding Officer for St. Michael's Church.

The coffee morning at St Michael's will be extended to provide a Place of Welcome at the Church. This is most likely to take place on a Tuesday. Revd. Liz Thomas did point out that Tuesday was the emptiest day in Retford.

At the moment mid-week services of Holy Communion are being alternated between the two Churches, Tuesdays at St Michael and Wednesdays at All Hallows both services starting at 9.30 am.

Revd. Alex would like to approach those people who used to attend All Hallows for the 8 o'clock Sunday Service. If enough people are interested he would like to offer a monthly service.

Revd. Alex suggested a 9.30 am service for St Michael's followed by an 11.00 am service at All Hallows - 9.00 am might be too difficult for the Bell ringers!

Appointment of Auditors:

Wright Vigar are willing to continue as auditors.

Proposed: Rachel Reeves **Seconded:** Ben Chapman-Hart **Unanimous**

Revd. Alex suggested that a Financial Management Committee would be useful to help with our finances.

Question re Audited Accounts: Shirley Thomas said that when applying for grants it is often necessary to see the Audited Accounts - this will be discussed at the next PCC meeting

Suggested date for next Annual Parochial Church Meeting:

Sunday 2nd April - Palm Sunday 2023

Revd. Alex thanked everyone for coming to the meeting

The meeting finished with the Grace.

1) Statutory Reports

Safeguarding:

As I was only officially appointed as the Parish Safeguarding Officer by the PCC at its meeting on 15th March 2023 this is a brief report of work to date.

At the request of Alex, I have revised the four existing Parish Safeguard Policy documents into one document for the whole Parish which is hopefully more readable, understandable and useful to anybody entering the Churches. We have also created a single training record point held by me for copies of all Safeguarding Training Certificates coupled to a spreadsheet which will enable us to identify and if needed remind people when training is required.

Finally, we have agreed a work programme for the coming year with a priority being given to the revision/completion of Safeguarding risk assessments for the various Parish groups and activities.

Don Phillips

Electoral Roll

At the point at which the Roll closed on Sunday 7th May, the total number of names enrolled was 113. This total reflects an increase of 11 since our last APCM, due to additional names enrolled during the past year.

Helen Richards

OWR Churches - Financial Review 2022

Opening remarks

2022 proved to be a watershed year. We started in January knowing that Alex was to be installed in March, and in September, we sadly lost Her Majesty the Queen after a lifetime of dedicated service to her subjects. Also in September, it was sad to lose the services of our Parish Treasurer, Rachel Reeves, who announced that due to personal circumstances, she felt it necessary to step away from the post.

As always, church life continues despite such setbacks, and a set of accounts was produced notwithstanding. At the time of writing these are being examined by our auditors.

Income

Planned Giving - Funding campaigns were held at both churches in the Autumn, with a number of new givers being identified at each. The campaigns were run in collaboration with Tony Brown, Diocesan Giving Advisor, who advised us on how these might be orchestrated. The resulting increase in pledged giving was significant, though did not match the targeted figure overall. The full impact of this increase will not be realised until the end of 2023, as not all of the pledges were actioned by the end of 2022. Full use was made of the Gift Aid Recovery scheme, and all claims had been submitted by the end of the year. These totalled £11,382, an increase of around £2,261 (24.8%) on the same total for 2021.

Casual giving - The further relaxation of the COVID pandemic saw a significant increase in visitors to both churches, resulting in more donations, and plate collections. Online card readers were purchased for both churches, providing yet another avenue for generating income. All of which enabled a top-up to be obtained via the GASDS scheme.

The total planned and casual giving amounted to £57,435, an increase of £6,869 (13.58%) from 2021.

Grants - New Start grants were secured, allowing us to employ 3 temporary workers in the Autumn. Monies were also obtained from the Diocese and elsewhere, enabling both churches to offer a "Warm Place" each week during the Winter to all who would come to appreciate this initiative! As can be seen from the accounts, more than £23.5K was put to good use, and thanks go to all our benefactors.

St Michaels was the recipient of a £10K legacy, and it was decided that this should be used towards the future development of the church.

Fund raising - Live & Local & the annual Scarecrow Festival continue to be the bedrock of the Parish Hall income at Ordsall, whilst St Michaels hosts a successful Cheese & Wine evening each summer. Various "fayres" take place at both churches, and pleasing donations are received from refreshments served at each, all of which resulted in around £3.7K over the year.

Other income - Post pandemic, usage of Ordsall's Parish Hall & the Chapter House at St Michaels saw a return of several users, generating just under £3.7K across both churches. Weddings & funerals were much in evidence, resulting in nearly £9K in PCC fees. The cottages owned by Ordsall remained fully tenanted, and the rents were increased early in 2023 to reflect the rise in inflation.

Total income - Overall, 2022 resulted in an increase of £35,611 (35.6%)

Expenditure

Parish share - It became clear in the first half of the year, that the requested target for both churches would be sadly unachievable. As a result, it was decided that payments between September and December should be suspended, and Alex met with the Diocese to explain our circumstances.

At the start of 2023, the Standing Committee discussed a series of remedial proposals, all of which were subsequently approved by the PCC. These proposals are designed to ensure greater financial stability, and although the 2023 target is still likely to be unachievable, an agreed monthly figure should be sustainable, and result in a greater contribution as a whole. An ad-hoc payment of £2K was also paid to the Diocese in January 2023, as a goodwill gesture in this regard.

Utilities - Whilst various grants towards fuel costs came from both the Diocese and Government, the expected rises began to bite home in October. As a consequence, Gas & Electricity totalled £6,885, roughly £1,000 more than 2021.

Alex negotiated new contracts for both the church and hall, hopefully minimising the overall cost as we move into 2023 and beyond. St Michaels are still under exiting fixed contracts, so a further hit may be expected once these have to be re-negotiated in the future.

Insurance - Alex again attempted to reduce our overall costs, by negotiating new contracts with Trinitas, moving away from a long-standing arrangement with Ecclesiastical.

Repairs and maintenance - Major works were required on Ordsall's cottages, and the lightning conductor proved to be a source of frustration. The latter was eventually resolved by employing a different contractor, who has since undertaken similar work at St Michaels in early Spring 2023. With the exception of these 2 setbacks, all other minor repairs were within expected boundaries.

Exceptional expenditure - A new sound systems is now in evidence at St Michael's, the value of which has been added to our Asset Register, and will be depreciated to an approved schedule. Similarly, media equipment and furnishings to provide suitable children friendly areas have been purchased, and it is gratifying that much of this expenditure has been funded by a variety of grants.

Total expenditure - Stripping out the effect of Parish Share, a total of £74,470 saw an increase of £9,613 (14.82%) on the 2021 total of £64,857.

Restricted funds & Endowments -

Development funds - have been implemented at both churches, the proceeds of which will be utilised to fund specific projects at each. It is not anticipated that these monies will be used for general purposes.

Ordsall Cottages - whilst these provide a significant amount of rental income, it is recognised that this will be accompanied by periodic maintenance, As such, it has been decided that 10% of the monthly income should be set aside to offset this expenditure.

Deacon fund - this St Michaels fund is managed by David Bean, and is to be utilised at his discretion. In April 2023, this total has been transferred to form a new Charity fund, which in turn will allow support to be given to local needy causes.

St Michaels Organ fund - this was set up by the late Michael Cowgill, and is to allow regular tuning and future remedial work when appropriate.

Miss Flowers - this Ordsall fund represents an Endowment, from which All Hallows has been able to use the interest on the Capital investment. The restriction on this fund will expire in January 2024, after which the church will be able to gain access to the capital value, at the same time recognising the goodwill received from the Flowers family. The PCC will discuss how these monies should be best used.

In conclusion

Like most churches, financial matters continue to provide a significant challenge to Ordsall & St Michaels. As outlined above, it was disappointing not to be able to pay our Parish Share in full, and we also recognise that Ordsall's Parish Hall is currently running at a loss. A Parish Hall management committee has been formed to facilitate tighter control over its finances, and hopefully move towards it becoming an eventual profitable enterprise.

Since I received the Treasurer's baton last September, it is fair to say that a number of unexpected situations have arisen, each presenting a fresh challenge! That said, my belief is that we are reaching a position where matters should be running more smoothly, with income being optimised, and costs receiving a tighter control.

I would not be able to carry out my duties without a great deal of support, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who assists me in that regard.

Alex has been particularly supportive, and I would also like to extend my thanks to key individuals - Russell Bloodworth, Amanda Old, Malcolm McDonald, Richard & Julia Morton. Thank you all for your patience!

I look forward to my future involvement with both churches, and trust that future services and events provide a platform for ensuring the long-term financial stability.

Martin Bloomfield, Parish Treasurer

PCC's Secretary's Report

The Parochial Church Council concerns itself with all aspects of the life of the churches in All Hallows Ordsall and Retford, St Michael's Parish.

PCC meetings are open to all. At the discretion of the chair anyone may contribute (and is welcome to do so), though only members may vote. Meetings encourage discussion and involvement from all members.

The main issue dominating our year was our financial situation. The cost of living for churches is no different from that in the real world. Essential repairs have to be done, heating and lighting and more have to be paid for. The Financial team of Reverend Alex, Rachel Reeves, Martin Bloomfield and Russell Bloodworth was set up to help deal with these problems. It has also helped to free up space in our PCC meetings. It is hoped that the Hall and Properties Management Committee will also help to streamline PCC procedures

In our January meeting Revd. Alex suggested that St. Michaels and All Hallows PCC members could meet separately on occasion. Members of the church communities would be encouraged to join these meetings and might even be persuaded to join the PCC! Every other month we would meet as a Full PCC. These Working Groups met in February and April 2023 and so far, the results have been very encouraging.

In June 2022 we had a Parish Away Day at the Idle Valley Nature Reserve to consider our Parish Vision. This was a thought provoking and successful meeting. Our next Parish Away Day will take place on 3rd June 2023

Both Carole Robinson and Ben Chapman-Hart have had to resign from the PCC this year. We are extremely grateful for their contributions to our PCC meetings. Rachel Reeves our Treasurer has also resigned. We thank her for all the hard work she put into this very time consuming and demanding job. We are also indebted to Martin Bloomfield for taking over this position.

I would like to express my thanks to Reverend Alex Shiells for his excellent chairing of the PCC meetings throughout the year.

As always, we welcome new members to the PCC and hope that some of you will consider joining us.

Alison Thorpe PCC Secretary

Deanery Synod

Shirley, Ivy and myself have attended Deanery Synod meetings on behalf of the parish throughout the current three-year triennium period which is now drawing to a close. In the final year of the current triennium Synod has considered the allocation of Parish Share, ongoing clergy wellbeing, Living in Love & Faith, Eco Church initiatives, and Church schools etc.

The new Synod will be formed from those members elected in this spring's round of APCMs and first order of business will be to elect a Lay vice chair and treasurer to assist the Area Dean in the important work of the Deanery.

I would like to thank Ivy & Shirley for their diligence and commitment throughout the last three years.

Isabelle Richards – Parish Representative and outgoing Lay Chair of the Deanery Synod.

Fabric – All Hallows

Building issues are ongoing and huge thanks to Peter Thomas for his considerable and invaluable help.

The repointing of external stonework is being done as this report is being written. The lightning conductor issue has received considerable attention with large expense with thanks to Rev. Alex for his great input. Rules and regulations for this seem to change regularly but it appears we are relatively fine at the moment.

The good news is that the Lych Gates have finally been replaced with considerable input and help from the aforementioned Peter.

Michael Storey – Church Warden

Fabric Report - St Michaels

We have had no major projects this year.

The lightning conductor has been inspected and work has been completed to bring it up to the required standard.

We have completed all necessary servicing, to the heating boilers, in the Church and Community Hall (Chapter House) it is necessary to do some minor repair work to the boiler outlets.

The fire extinguishers have been serviced, both internal and external intruder alarms have been serviced.

We still have an ongoing problem with the Chapter House roof leaking.

The Quinquennial inspection is due to be carried out in 2023.

Thank you to the dedicated team who continue to help clean and maintain the church and for Ivy who continues to clean the chapter house.

Pat Bloodworth

Vicar's Report:

'I thank my God every time I remember you. In every prayer for all of you, I always pray with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.'
Paul's Letter to the Philippians Chapter 1, verses 1-3

As I write this report I'm reflecting on a momentous year, full of encouragement and joy. When I wrote my first vicar's report last year, I had been here for a matter of weeks and we were just starting out in our ministry together. Since then, much has changed and I'm so thankful for the welcome that Catherine and I have received, and for all the ways that we've seen God at work over this past year. I want to thank

everyone who has supported our parish, attended services and events, volunteered, given financially and prayed for our churches. This report could be entirely made up of the names of everyone that deserves our grateful thanks.

There have also been moments of sadness over the past year. It was just a year ago that we lost our good friend and organist John Catling, and later in the year Rev'd Bob Smith. These are just two members of our congregations who have gone before us and who we now remember in love. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge their service that has sustained our ministry over the past few years, and their families for their continued support. In 2022 we also experienced the sad loss of the late Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and we were able to take our place in helping our nation to mourn. Now with the coronation of King Charles III having taken place earlier this month, we find ourselves in a new era.

It has also been a new era for us as a parish. Last year we were still emerging from the pandemic, returning to regular services and discovering a new normal in our life together. Starting on Easter Day in 2022 we were able to return to weekly services in each church on Sundays as well continuing the midweek services. We started a new coffee morning at St Michael's, established craft groups in each church and met together at various times in the year for courses and bible study groups. During this time, we've been learning what it means for us to be one parish in unity and diversity, developing distinctly as two churches while growing together around one common vision for our communities.

As a PCC and congregations, we discerned and developed a parish vision statement: *to serve as One Church in Ordsall and West Retford, offering love and welcome for all*. Shaped by our values of gathering at the table, being inclusive, loving our local area, living an everyday faith and going out as people of peace, we're

growing together. We've experimented with new styles of worship, started a new All Age service at All Hallows', invested in our buildings and have seen new people joining our churches and getting involved. This is but a short summary of the many ways we've been able to gather together and reach out beyond our walls.

At the heart of all that we do is worship and growing in the knowledge and love of God. In May 2023 we've had confirmation services for three young people, and we're starting an Alpha Course in June. My greatest prayer for the next year is that many people in Ordsall, West Retford and beyond will have the opportunity to hear about the transforming love of God. I'm excited by all that has been happening, some of the details of which you'll read more about in our other reports. God is at work among us and this is only the beginning of the work there is for us to do. Please continue to pray that we will be able to discern and follow the call of God, and that new members will continue to join us.

Rev'd Alex Shiells

2) Property belonging to Ordsall & Retford, St Michael's Parish

Ordsall Parish Hall:

Regular Hall bookings are still quite sparse, new enquiries don't seem to be forthcoming, talking to other halls the opinion is that the cost-of-living crisis has badly affected people spending money on leisure and entertainment against food and heating.

Children's Party bookings are steady and the new hourly rate increase to £15 which is in line with surrounding halls has now been accepted.

We do have an additional regular Friday booking of Diddy Explorers which is proving very popular, our loyal groups, Brownies, Rainbows, keep Fit and Tai Chi continue.

Plans are in hand for the blinds to be repaired and quotes for revarnishing the floor are being sought, both of which would greatly improve the appearance of the hall. Thank you again Peter and Shirley Thomas for your help and support over the last year.

Deb Aston (booking secretary)

Chapter House:

There is little to report on behalf of bookings for St Michaels Community Room.

There are only two regular users; Retford Civic Society who hold a monthly meeting, and Ginny Landoni who runs a successful weekly exercise class.

In spite of the recently installed disability ramp, parking remains a deterrent.

There has been no increase in rental charges for many years, but the Civic Society pays a little extra every month.

One suggestion is that maybe using Facebook could create more interest.

Again, many thanks to Ivy for keeping the space clean.

Prue Lamb

Croft Cottage

After extensive investigation the decision was taken to strengthen the roof with steel beams due to bowing out of the side and rear wall. This was carried out in September 2022 with the supervision of a Structural Engineer. A slipped hip tile was replaced at the same time. The tenants signed an undertaking that the back garden would be returned to its state at the start of their tenancy. The annual gas service was carried out in November 2022. The faulty shower was replaced with a new one in January 2023. The rent was increased from the end of January 2023.

Glebe Cottage

As with its neighbouring cottage there is bowing out of the side wall which has been investigated. However, there are no significant internal cracks and rather than carry out roof strengthening tell tales were fitted to the side wall at eaves level in December 2022 to monitor any movement. These will need an annual inspection. There were repairs to the toilet cistern in October. The annual gas service was carried out in November 2022. The rent was increased from January 2023.

Grange Road

The tenant at the start of 2022 gave notice and vacated in March. Extensive redecoration and repairs to storm damaged fencing were carried out prior to a new tenant moving in May 2022. The annual gas service was carried out in December 2022 and a carbon monoxide monitor fitted.

Peter Thomas Property Manager

Allotment Report

The allotments were established on the vacant piece of land next to the church in 2008 and have flourished since. After Covid 19 Lockdown the interest in allotments increased and following a year when several plots were vacant 14 allotments became let in 2022 with a further two pieces made into allotment plots at the start of 2023. Currently 16 plots are let. An annual social gathering has been held and an annual work day when many of the plot holders have worked together to improve composting facilities. Water is stored in a large carboy which is kept filled from the outside tap on the Vestry by Martin Kennedy. The plots produce an additional income for the church.

Peter Thomas

3) Church Activities through the year

Health & Safety – All Hallows:

It is pleasing to report no major accidents to report in the last year, however we should not become complacent so please take not only in church but also in the churchyard and the church hall. Please remember that we are not only responsible for our own safety but the safety of other people's safety around us. All of our statutory checks for the church and the church hall are up to date,

The PAT testing is out of date but I have spoken to Michael about it and hopefully it will be sorted in the near future,

Nothing to else to add just big thank you to everyone who has helped me with health and safety issues this year, I couldn't do it without you all, thank you.

John Pashley

Health and Safety St Michaels

There were no Health and Safety issues, apart from discussion around how we get back to normal running of services after Covid, we had discussions about using the common cup for communion.

We are in need of a Health and Safety officer for St Michaels, although we have had the offer from someone to carry out Risk assessment, the current ones are out of date and overdue.

We have updated the signage for use of the accessible entrance as the steps at the front of church are quite difficult to use, and have erected a barrier at the end of the external ramp.

Pat Bloodworth

Craft Circle

We started Craft Circle as a new group in both of our churches as a place where anyone can come and bring their craft projects to work on together. It takes place between 2pm and 4pm every Tuesday in St Michael's Community Hall, and every

Wednesday in All Hallows' Church. We usually have a handful of people each week, ranging anywhere between 2 or 3 some weeks and as many as 11 or 12 other times. It has been appreciated by those who have come along, including some who are members of the local community otherwise not connected to church. Over the winter, Craft Circle has been part of our Warm Spaces initiative and we were sometimes able to welcome people who had come to be warm, as well as those who have made donations of craft supplies. We were especially grateful to receive a grant of £200 from Councillor Carolyn Troop, which has been used in part to buy some new lights and equipment. There are a range of crafts that are done each week, including knitting, crochet, card making, mending, lace-making, spinning wool, mindful colouring, quilting, flower arranging, embroidery, or even just coming for a cup of tea and a chat! We were also able aid the hospice in sewing together knitted squares into blankets.

Going forward, we hope to keep meeting each week in both churches and would like to spread the word so that more people can join us. It is open to anyone regardless of their ability or experience level, and even to those who would just like to come and have a chat! I would welcome anyone to come and join us, or to invite someone who might appreciate the conversation and time to work on a craft project.

Catherine Shiells

Bell Ringers:

A small but dedicated team of ringers continues to ring the bells of All Hallows & St Michael's churches for Sunday morning worship and other occasions. In the past 12 months we have rung for joyous occasions such as the late Queen's Platinum jubilee, the ascension and coronation of King Charles III and for weddings. We have also tolled to mark the passing of the late Queen.

We know from many comments from the wider community just how much the sound of the bells means to people. We support other towers as and when we can, and are supported by them in our turn. There are more bells across the area than there are bellringers so we are always keen to welcome newcomers.

The team meet to practice most weeks at 7pm on Monday evenings in the tower of All Hallows and welcomes anyone who wishes to try their hand at learning a new skill or return to a pastime from previous years.

Paul Richards Tower Captain

"Places of Welcome" Coffee Mornings - All Hallows

Weekly Wednesday mornings continue to see All Hallows open to welcome members of the wider community (plus their children and dogs) for free refreshments. Boardgames, books and local information leaflets are always available, plus occasional plants, vegetables and cakes for sale. On the first Wednesday of each month Bassetlaw Connect attend with their free advice clinic to support access to a range of services. Numbers of attendees varies from week to week, but sometimes exceeds the numbers of chairs available. Many folk drop in throughout each session, some staying for a quick cuppa while others stay for a longer meet-up with friends.

During the heating crisis we extended our opening hours through the lunchtime period until 2pm when Craft Circle took over until 4pm. A simple lunch of hot soup & roll was freely available for anyone from 11am onwards and although take up was low, these lunches were greatly appreciated by those who partook.

District & County Councillors have made use of the weekly opening to meet with Constituents and in September we again hosted a charity coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Some regular attendees have now volunteered to join the refreshment rota and others have joined in with supporting seasonal preparations such as wrapping Santas gifts and decorating the church Christmas tree. Training

opportunities offered by Transforming Notts Together (the Notts Places of Welcome co-ordinators) have been circulated amongst the volunteers and we continue to develop our Wednesday morning Places of Welcome as something that both serves the local community and which offers an 'easy way' into greater involvement with church.

We wish to thank everyone who continues to support these Wednesday coffee mornings through their volunteering, especially Rita who puts together the rota and Julia who keeps us supplied with biscuits & teabags!

Helen Richards & Tessa Rolph – PoW Coordinators

St Michael's Places of Welcome

We have been open every Tuesday from 10.00am , offering a Warm Place, free drink and biscuits, with soup and rolls from 12.noon until 2.00pm.

We have a small group of regular volunteers and a small but grateful number of visitors, some of them church members, but also others looking for a welcome and refreshment. During the colder months we had a rack of free coats. We received many donations and were able to help quite a few find what was needed.

It has been interesting to be involved and although we have not been overwhelmed with customers, I think that it is a worthwhile venture for our church to continue.

Janet Lewis

After Service Refreshments - All Hallows

Following the relaxation of Covid restrictions, the service of refreshments on Wednesday and Sundays resumed in May 2021. We would like to thank everyone who volunteers for the rotas on both days and in particular Rita Donohue for organising the Wednesday rota. Without these volunteers we would not be able to offer this service which we hope is seen as part of the welcome offered by the Church. In addition, the generosity of parishioners who make donations towards the cost of refreshments has enabled us to bank £580:00 in the Church's account during

the last tax year. We are grateful to the Treasurer for his help in claiming Gift Aid on this amount.

We would welcome any volunteers to help on the rota to ensure the service of refreshments is continued.

Richard & Julia Morton

Mothers Union and Retford Child Contact Centre (a Mothers Union project)

The Mothers Union branch at All Hallows hasn't met since before Covid but we are hoping to restart meetings very soon.

However, Retford Child Contact Centre (a Mothers Union project) was back up and running from about a year ago. When parents separate, it can happen that children lose contact completely with one of their parents. Contact Centres were set up as a result to be places where children can meet with a parent (or sibling or grandparent) they no longer live with, where it is safe to do so.

The Contact Centre in Retford was set up by the local Mothers Union in the late 1990s and has run successfully since that time. Its past Coordinators have included Pauline Partridge and Barbara Burrows and other church members have been and still are heavily involved. The service is free for families to use on Saturday afternoons on a fortnightly basis. We are delighted to report that the Contact Centre currently has a full complement of 3 families. **Four children are now able to meet with a parent that they might otherwise have lost contact with - it is a joy to see them playing together with their parent and getting to know them again.**

The Centre had to close down during Covid for a prolonged period, initially due to Covid itself but the owners of the building then decided to do some renovation work, which took a lot longer than they anticipated. Eventually when the Centre could re-open in the premises, we found many volunteers were unable to return for various reasons and in September 2021 we had a major recruitment campaign. This was very successful and, after the necessary checks and training, we officially re-opened in February 2022.

The Contact Centre is now extremely lucky to have the use of the recently restyled "Family Hub" building in central Retford from January 2023. This is only one minute from the main shopping street and is ideal for children with its outdoor space.

It has been quite an upheaval for us all since 2020 with two changes of premises and a raft of new volunteers but things are beginning to settle down again.

The Centre is always looking for more volunteers to ease the burden, not only on the Saturday rota (with a duty roughly every 2 months) but also for various standalone administration tasks, eg drawing up the rota, or as a Committee member. The duties are not onerous but they are necessary for the efficient running of the Centre! And it is so worth it when you see children meet a parent again who they may not have seen for some months, or sometimes years. Volunteers do not need to be MU or church members and both male and female volunteers are welcome.

Should you live in the Worksop/Retford/surrounding areas and might be interested, please contact me, Tessa Rolph, on 01777 472461 or email retfordccc@gmail.com. We can also arrange a visit to the Centre so that you can see it in action.

Tessa Rolph, Chair – Retford Child Contact Centre

Merry Ladies Annual:

The Merry Ladies continue to meet every Wednesday morning at 10am at The Glasshouse.

Our numbers have increased slightly which is encouraging but we always welcome more ladies to join us.

Recipes are exchanged but political discussion are always discouraged.

Irene Haw

Ordsall Churchyard Group

Four volunteers worked on the maintenance of the top churchyard once a week throughout the year. A couple of other volunteers appeared when they were available. The successful application for grants enabled the purchase of a Stihl strimmer and a wood chipper. A NewStart Scheme enabled us to have two part time paid workers for 13 weeks which together with extra equipment enabled significantly more work to be done. After a Facebook appeal we were given two extra mowers and a multi-tool. However, the Honda strimmer developed a fault and was out of action most of the year awaiting a part. An extra lock was fitted on the store to improve the security of the storage. The wood chipper made a significant difference to reducing the need to

make trips to the tip and helped the improvement of the unpaved paths. The paved path however from one end of the churchyard to the other continues to deteriorate and presents a safety issue for pedestrians in icy weather. The pollarded lime tree close to the church tower appears to have made a good recovery but it was noticed that it was hollow and a survey was carried out by a tree surgeon who pronounced it was not a danger but recommended its health be monitored towards the end of 2023 and subsequent years. Notts Wildlife surveyed the top churchyard at the start of 2023 and made various recommendations which are being put into operation this year. In the lower churchyard a Mountain Ash tree was donated by Derek Swinton and ceremonially planted to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The Lych Gates were removed in 2022 due to poor repair and an order placed for new gates which will be hung in Spring 2023.

Peter Thomas

Events Committee – All Hallows:

As the world slowly emerges from Covid we have slowly begun to return to a more familiar routine of special events and activities.

Peter & Shirley Thomas have, with support of their team of helpers, arranged, promoted and delivered a full programme of Live & Local performances again this year. The Live & Local performances have contributed towards the financial viability of the parish, and to the vitality of the local area for a number of years. Peter & Shirley are stepping down from this role after decades of service and we owe them both a huge debt of gratitude for the joy they have injected into our community. Tessa Rolph, along with others, is stepping into Peter & Shirley's shoes so we are very pleased to say that 'the show WILL go on'.

The Platinum Jubilee celebrations last June were marred by poor weather. Nevertheless, the street party moved inside the parish hall and was greatly enjoyed by everyone.

The annual Scarecrow Festival goes from strength to strength, and is another event that is equally financially and socially rewarding. The death of her late Majesty just days before last year's Festival caused uncertainty about the appropriateness or otherwise of continuing. In the end we opted to carry on, and the response was

overwhelmingly positive. We are always scrambling to get enough scarecrows so can I appeal to everyone to please consider signing up to make & display a scarecrow for this year's event over the weekend of Sept 9th & 10th.

The 'Spooky Spectacular' held each Hallowe'en has become something of an Ordsall tradition, offering local families an alternative to Trick or Treating. Church was again full of youngsters dressed up as witches and vampires exploring the church and discovering why there is no need to fear the dark when you have Jesus to light up your life.

Christmas and summer fairs are again in the pipe line for this year, and we have a Coronation to celebrate - fingers crossed for better weather for the Church Lane Street party on Sunday 7th May.

Many, many thanks to everyone who helps us to deliver such a dynamic programme of Events.

Helen Richards

4) PCC Links & Representatives

Christian Aid

Retford Christian Aid Group is an ecumenical group.

At present we have representatives from The Well and Grove St. Methodist Church as well as Anglicans.

Our purpose is to support the work of Christian Aid by fundraising for Christian Aid and by telling people about the work of Christian Aid.

Our main events are the Christian Aid Lent Lunches and the Christian Aid Service which this year is at The Well on 14/5/23 at 6 pm.

The committee is very small and we could do with more members.

Our parish is represented by Pat Bloodworth, Paul Hardman, Sally Hardman.

Joan Henderson supports the work by ordering the Christian Aid Week resources each year.

Last year we raised, across Retford, £2006.16

Please consider joining the Christian Aid Group: if we had more members we could put on more events and raise more money.

Paul Hardman

Rakitovo Self Sufficiency Fund:

St Michaels Church continues to regularly sponsor Monica, a teenager, in Rakitovo, Bulgaria through the Rakitovo Self Sufficiency Fund. We also give extra money for her birthday, Christmas and a return to school grant in September.

As most of you will be aware the fund was set up by Martin and Julie Peniston-Bird to provide hope and assistance to the Roma population in Rakitovo. The fund assists impoverished families to become self-sufficient through 'Project Potato' and provides training schemes for young adults in cookery, massage, waiting and bar work which has successfully given them employment and hopes for the future.

2022 continued to be a difficult year all around the world and the children, young adults, and their parents in Rakitovo are grateful for another year of our support in helping them to cope with the difficulties of their life. In the early part of the year Covid kept many of the children and young adults away from their teachers and friends so in the summer it was with extra joy that the families could meet up in the mountains and while there were able to provide much needed extra income with the picking and sale of mushrooms and herbs.

Monika writes to us throughout the year, you may have seen some of her letters in church, and she is always extremely grateful for our support and enjoys the extra little treats she and her family receive through our sponsorship.

If anyone wishes to sponsor a child or to donate to this worthwhile fund, please contact Martin at The Rakitovo Self Sufficiency Fund. The e mail address is martin@peniston-bird.co.uk.

Pam Phillips

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

12.30pm in All Hallows Church, Ordsall on Sunday 28th May 2023

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the meetings of 10th April 2022
3. Electoral Roll
4. Nominations for Churchwardens for 2023-2024 (4 *vacancies*)
5. Appointment of tellers – *if necessary*
6. Election of Church Wardens
7. Nomination for membership of PCC
4 vacancies for 3yrs
8. Appointment of tellers – *if necessary*
9. Election of PCC members (3yrs)
10. Nomination for membership of PCC
3 vacancy for 1yrs
11. Appointment of tellers – *if necessary*
12. Election of PCC members (1yr)
13. Nomination for Deanery Synod Rep.
3 vacancies for 3yrs
14. Appointment of tellers – *if necessary*
15. Election of Synod Rep.

1) Statutory Reports:

- a) Safeguarding
- b) Electoral Roll
- c) Audited Accounts
- d) PCC Secretary
- e) Deanery Synod
- f) Fabric
- g) Vicar

2) Property belonging to Ordsall & Retford, St Michael's Parish

- h) Ordsall Parish Hall
- i) St Michael's Chapter House
- j) Croft Cottage; Glebe Cottage;
19, Grange Road
- k) All Hallows Allotment

3) Church Activities through the year:

- l) Health & Safety
- m) Craft Circle
- n) Bell Ringers
- o) Places of Welcome
- p) After Service Coffee
- q) Mothers Union/Contact Centre
- r) Merry Ladies
- s) Churchyard Group
- t) Events Committee

4) PCC Links & Representatives:

- u) Christian Aid
- v) Rakitovo

5) Any other business

6) Date of Next Meeting:

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The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

Financial Statements

For the year ending

31 December 2022

Charity No. 1198455

The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

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S.O.F.A

(Statement of Financial Activities)	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022	2021
Incoming Resources from Donors	2.1	57,434.82	-	-	-	57,434.82	50,566.24
Voluntary Incoming Resources	2.2	11,386.40	22,575.48	-	-	33,961.88	14,199.96
Income from Operating Activities	2.3	23,316.78	-	-	-	23,316.78	16,839.77
Income from Investments	2.4	18,497.43	66.54	-	-	18,563.97	17,721.34
Other Incoming Resources	2.5	2,111.24	120.00	-	-	2,231.24	570.00
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		112,746.67	22,762.02	-	-	135,508.69	99,897.31
Charitable Giving	3.1	1,520.64	-	-	-	1,520.64	480.50
Directly Related Activities	3.2	92,908.67	21,150.97	-	-	114,059.64	131,239.61
Management and Administration	3.3	2,789.90	-	-	-	2,789.90	1,902.07
Cost of Generating Funds	3.4	2,873.93	-	-	-	2,873.93	402.52
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		100,093.14	21,150.97	-	-	121,244.11	134,024.70
Net (outgoing) / incoming resources		12,653.53	1,611.05	-	-	14,264.58	(34,127.39)
Gains & Losses on investments		1,206.99	7,219.13	-	6,500.00	14,926.12	6,515.00
Transfers between funds		(5,161.00)	5,161.00	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		8,699.52	13,991.18	-	6,500.00	29,190.70	(27,612.39)
Total funds brought forward		43,718.21	9,098.81	400.00	340,410.55	393,627.57	421,239.96
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		52,417.73	23,089.99	400.00	346,910.55	422,818.27	393,627.57

BALANCE SHEET

(Statement of Assets and Liabilities) Notes

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets	4.1	804.66	4,812.75	-	332,500.00	338,117.41	326,000.00
Fixed Investments	4.2	-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
		804.66	4,812.75	-	336,910.55	342,527.96	330,410.55

Current Assets

Short Term Deposits	5.2	5,564.44	2,346.33	-	10,000.00	17,910.77	39,279.08
Bank Accounts and Cash	5.3	44,407.53	15,930.91	400.00	-	60,738.44	23,604.30
Debtors	6.1	5,641.10	-	-	-	5,641.10	1,581.25
		55,613.07	18,277.24	400.00	10,000.00	84,290.31	64,464.63

Current Liabilities

Creditors	6.2	4,000.00	-	-	-	4,000.00	1,247.61
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Net current assets

		51,613.07	18,277.24	400.00	10,000.00	80,290.31	63,217.02
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Total Assets less Current Liabilities

		52,417.73	23,089.99	400.00	346,910.55	422,818.27	393,627.57
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BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS

9.0

Unrestricted		52,417.73	-	-	-	52,417.73	43,718.21
Designated		-	23,089.99	-	-	23,089.99	9,098.81
Restricted		-	-	400.00	-	400.00	400.00
Endowment		-	-	-	346,910.55	346,910.55	340,410.55
TOTAL FUNDS		52,417.73	23,089.99	400.00	346,910.55	422,818.27	393,627.57

Accounts approved by the Parochial Church Council on

and signed on behalf of the members by

10/6/2023

A. Shewell
Amanda J. Old

The Benefice of Ordsall and Retford Saint Michael - Financial accounts year ending 31st December 2022

Notes to Accounts

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022	2021
2.1 Incoming Resources from Donors						
Planned Giving - Gift Aid	29,268.00	-	-	-	29,268.00	12,910.00
Planned Giving - non GA	3,080.00	-	-	-	3,080.00	888.50
Envelopes - Gift Aid	1,631.00	-	-	-	1,631.00	685.00
Envelopes - non GA	825.00	-	-	-	825.00	800.00
Gift Aid recovered	11,382.44	-	-	-	11,382.44	9,121.10
GASDS Top-ups	2,457.14	-	-	-	2,457.14	595.60
CAF and other Vouchers	-	-	-	-	-	10.00
Collections	4,692.66	-	-	-	4,692.66	2,621.23
Church Box	148.98	-	-	-	148.98	72.86
Donations - Gift Aid	575.00	-	-	-	575.00	100.00
Donations - non GA	272.81	-	-	-	272.81	168.00
Covenants	-	-	-	-	-	19,982.00
Funeral Collections	293.72	-	-	-	293.72	1,342.09
Wedding Collections	269.77	-	-	-	269.77	96.35
Donations	1,903.00	-	-	-	1,903.00	1,173.51
Online giving	635.30	-	-	-	635.30	-
	57,434.82	-	-	-	57,434.82	50,566.24
2.2 Voluntary Incoming Resources						
N01 Grants	11,278.10	12,375.38	-	-	23,653.48	180.00
N02 Legacies	-	10,000.00	-	-	10,000.00	-
Messy Church receipts	83.30	-	-	-	83.30	72.46
Restricted donations - St Michaels	-	170.10	-	-	170.10	13,947.50
Other voluntary income	25.00	30.00	-	-	55.00	-
	11,386.40	22,575.48	-	-	33,961.88	14,199.96
2.3 Income from Operating Activities						
Hall Lettings	3,663.44	-	-	-	3,663.44	820.00
Magazine income	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
Fees Received - Weddings & Funerals	8,964.78	-	-	-	8,964.78	9,494.00
Fees Reimbursed - Sequestration	717.80	-	-	-	717.80	357.60
Saleable Items	-	-	-	-	-	55.60
Allotment Rent	480.00	-	-	-	480.00	225.00
N03 Fund raising receipts - All Hallows	7,703.54	-	-	-	7,703.54	5,305.79
N03 Fund raising receipts - St Michaels	1,787.22	-	-	-	1,787.22	18.00
Other operating activity income	-	-	-	-	-	463.78
	23,316.78	-	-	-	23,316.78	16,839.77
2.4 Income from Investments						
Interest	122.67	66.54	-	-	189.21	103.33
Dividends	148.26	-	-	-	148.26	168.01
Rent from Church use	52.50	-	-	-	52.50	-
House rents	18,174.00	-	-	-	18,174.00	17,450.00
	18,497.43	66.54	-	-	18,563.97	17,721.34
2.5 Other Incoming Resources						
Insurance Claims	175.00	-	-	-	175.00	570.00
Ride & Stride receipts	813.00	-	-	-	813.00	-
Sundry income	1,123.24	120.00	-	-	1,243.24	-
	2,111.24	120.00	-	-	2,231.24	570.00
Total Incoming Resources	112,746.67	22,762.02	-	-	135,508.69	99,897.31

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Notes to Accounts

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022	2021
3.1 Charitable Giving						
Secular Charities	1,074.40	-	-	-	1,074.40	203.00
Ex-Gratia payments	28.00	-	-	-	28.00	-
Poppy Appeal	20.00	-	-	-	20.00	17.50
Rakitovo	260.00	-	-	-	260.00	260.00
Other disbursements	138.24	-	-	-	138.24	-
	1,520.64	-	-	-	1,520.64	480.50
3.21 Ministry Costs						
N04 Parish Share	46,774.15	-	-	-	46,774.15	69,168.00
Visiting / Retired Clergy	646.00	-	-	-	646.00	321.00
N05 Fees Paid to Diocese	938.00	-	-	-	938.00	-
	48,358.15	-	-	-	48,358.15	69,489.00
3.22 Running Costs						
Insurance	6,455.74	-	-	-	6,455.74	4,002.41
Heating	6,030.91	-	-	-	6,030.91	3,621.75
Electricity	854.56	-	-	-	854.56	2,264.85
Cleaning	24.88	-	-	-	24.88	37.79
Sanitary / COVID supplies	11.19	-	-	-	11.19	13.54
Water & Sewerage	61.18	-	-	-	61.18	116.60
Telephones / internet	477.02	-	-	-	477.02	534.46
Other running costs	150.00	-	-	-	150.00	-
	14,065.48	-	-	-	14,065.48	10,591.40
3.23 Church Maintenance						
Minor repairs	142.40	-	-	-	142.40	484.00
Equipment payments	270.26	-	-	-	270.26	99.99
Organ maintenance	130.00	296.10	-	-	426.10	125.00
Security alarm payments	1,677.12	-	-	-	1,677.12	3,114.96
Photocopier maintenance	448.08	-	-	-	448.08	448.08
Fire extinguishers	222.00	-	-	-	222.00	200.40
Boiler maintenance	2,196.25	-	-	-	2,196.25	1,764.00
House payments	222.43	-	-	-	222.43	729.83
House insurance	1,024.71	-	-	-	1,024.71	920.34
Depreciation - Multimedia	402.33	-	-	-	402.33	-
Depreciation - Church equipment	-	557.73	-	-	557.73	-
Other routine maintenance	68.95	187.04	-	-	255.99	-
	6,804.53	1,040.87	-	-	7,845.40	7,886.60
3.24 Upkeep of Services						
Altar Requisites	180.10	-	-	-	180.10	20.93
Copyright Licence	690.17	-	-	-	690.17	660.58
Flowers	35.99	-	-	-	35.99	-
Upkeep of Churchyard	-	405.94	-	-	405.94	839.92
	906.26	405.94	-	-	1,312.20	1,521.43
3.25 Church Hall Costs						
Hall Insurance	981.84	-	-	-	981.84	3,240.54
Hall Heating	918.84	-	-	-	918.84	200.81
Hall Electricity	2,669.02	-	-	-	2,669.02	303.58
Hall Water	319.68	-	-	-	319.68	303.12
Hall repairs / maintenance	19.00	-	-	-	19.00	412.75
Hall Cleaner	3,555.08	-	-	-	3,555.08	-
Alcohol Licence	70.00	-	-	-	70.00	70.00
Other church hall payments	300.00	-	-	-	300.00	-
	8,833.46	-	-	-	8,833.46	4,530.80

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Notes to Accounts

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022	2021
3.26 Operating Activities						
Training costs	376.33	-	-	-	376.33	-
Messy Church payments	35.96	-	-	-	35.96	88.48
	412.29	-	-	-	412.29	88.48
3.27 Major Repair Expenditure						
<i>N06</i> Major repair work - All Hallows	4,185.79	6,834.19	-	-	11,019.98	1,683.06
Major repair work - St Michaels	-	-	-	-	-	27,400.00
Sound system	-	5,545.94	-	-	5,545.94	-
Capital depreciation - church equipment	-	1,848.65	-	-	1,848.65	-
	4,185.79	14,228.78	-	-	18,414.57	29,083.06
3.28 Support Costs						
Parish Administrator	5,873.40	-	-	-	5,873.40	4,589.01
Verger	30.00	-	-	-	30.00	-
Organist	413.00	-	-	-	413.00	20.00
Cleaner	-	-	-	-	-	3,439.83
New Start payments	3,024.42	5,475.38	-	-	8,499.80	-
Other support costs	1.89	-	-	-	1.89	-
	9,342.71	5,475.38	-	-	14,818.09	8,048.84
3.3 Management and Administration						
Professional fees	-	-	-	-	-	246.00
Independent Examiner fees	830.00	-	-	-	830.00	761.00
Website costs	71.86	-	-	-	71.86	-
Subscriptions paid	115.00	-	-	-	115.00	65.00
Bank charges	37.50	-	-	-	37.50	15.00
Printing	33.49	-	-	-	33.49	-
Photocopying	955.04	-	-	-	955.04	698.13
Stationery	169.49	-	-	-	169.49	65.49
Publicity	113.00	-	-	-	113.00	-
Postages	17.73	-	-	-	17.73	-
Mileage	424.00	-	-	-	424.00	51.45
DBS Checks	22.79	-	-	-	22.79	-
	2,789.90	-	-	-	2,789.90	1,902.07
3.4 Cost of Generating Funds						
Costs incurred per Grants	10.00	-	-	-	10.00	-
Fund raising costs - All Hallows	2,154.04	-	-	-	2,154.04	352.52
Fund raising costs - St Michaels	89.89	-	-	-	89.89	-
Ride & Stride payments	620.00	-	-	-	620.00	50.00
	2,873.93	-	-	-	2,873.93	402.52
3.2 Directly Related Activities (sub-total)	92,908.67	21,150.97	-	-	114,059.64	131,239.61
Total Resources Expended	100,093.14	21,150.97	-	-	121,244.11	134,024.70

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Notes to Accounts

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022	2021
4.1 Tangible Assets						
All Hallows Ordsall	804.66	1,115.46	-	332,500.00	334,420.12	326,000.00
St Michaels Retford	-	3,697.29	-	-	3,697.29	-
	804.66	4,812.75	-	332,500.00	338,117.41	326,000.00
4.2 Fixed Investments						
All Hallows Ordsall	-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
	-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
5.2 Short Term Deposits						
All Hallows Ordsall	5,564.44	2,346.33	-	10,000.00	17,910.77	28,818.46
St Michaels Retford	-	-	-	-	-	10,460.62
	5,564.44	2,346.33	-	10,000.00	17,910.77	39,279.08
5.3 Bank Accounts and Cash						
All Hallows Ordsall	20,345.78	2,783.83	-	-	23,129.61	5,310.77
St Michaels Retford	24,061.75	13,147.08	400.00	-	37,608.83	18,293.53
	44,407.53	15,930.91	400.00	-	60,738.44	23,604.30
6.1 Debtors						
N07 All Hallows Ordsall	4,508.12	-	-	-	4,508.12	568.60
N07 St Michaels Retford	1,132.98	-	-	-	1,132.98	1,012.65
	5,641.10	-	-	-	5,641.10	1,581.25
6.2 Creditors						
N08 All Hallows Ordsall	2,000.00	-	-	-	2,000.00	1,117.28
N08 St Michaels Retford	2,000.00	-	-	-	2,000.00	130.33
	4,000.00	-	-	-	4,000.00	1,247.61
7.0 Analysis of Net Assets						
Tangible Fixed Assets	804.66	4,812.75	-	332,500.00	338,117.41	326,000.00
Investment Fixed Assets	-	-	-	4,410.55	4,410.55	4,410.55
Current Assets	55,613.07	18,277.24	400.00	10,000.00	84,290.31	64,464.63
Current Liabilities	(4,000.00)	-	-	-	(4,000.00)	(1,247.61)
	52,417.73	23,089.99	400.00	346,910.55	422,818.27	393,627.57

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Notes to Accounts

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Market Value	Original Cost
8.1 Capital Investments - (All Hallows)						
Lloyds Bank						
708 at 0.47541	-	-	-	321.50	321.50	307.70
Severn Trent						
69 at 26.51	-	-	-	1,829.19	1,829.19	1,677.39
Santander						
701 at 2.485	-	-	-	1,741.99	1,741.99	2,425.46
	-	-	-	3,892.68	3,892.68	4,410.55

The above market valuation is based on the mid-range price quoted on 31st December 2022

	<u>All Hallows Multimedia</u>	<u>All Hallows Equipment</u>	<u>St Michaels Sound System</u>	<u>Total</u>
8.2 Asset Depreciation				
Cost				
- at 1st January 2022	-	-	-	-
- disposals	-	-	-	-
- additions at cost	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
- at 31st December 2022	1,206.99	1,673.19	5,545.94	8,426.12
Depreciation				
- at 1st January 2022	-	-	-	-
- withdrawn on disposals	-	-	-	-
- charge for year	402.33	557.73	1,848.65	2,808.71
- at 31st December 2022	402.33	557.73	1,848.65	2,808.71
Net book value				
- at 31st December 2022	804.66	1,115.46	3,697.29	5,617.41
- at 31st December 2021	-	-	-	-

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9.0 Fund Movements		<u>Opening Balance</u>	<u>Total Income</u>	<u>Total Expenditure</u>	<u>Total Adjustments</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u>
Unrestricted						
	All Hallows Ordsall	21,234.22	81,944.88	(70,002.09)	(3,954.01)	29,223.00
	St Michaels Retford	22,483.99	30,801.79	(30,091.05)	-	23,194.73
		43,718.21	112,746.67	(100,093.14)	(3,954.01)	52,417.73
Designated						
	All Hallows Ordsall	2,346.33	10,525.38	(13,460.28)	6,834.19	6,245.62
	St Michaels Retford	6,752.48	12,236.64	(7,690.69)	5,545.94	16,844.37
		9,098.81	22,762.02	(21,150.97)	12,380.13	23,089.99
Restricted						
	St Michaels Retford	400.00	-	-	-	400.00
		400.00	-	-	-	400.00
Endowment						
N09	All Hallows Ordsall	340,410.55	-	-	6,500.00	346,910.55
		340,410.55	-	-	6,500.00	346,910.55
Total Funds		393,627.57	135,508.69	(121,244.11)	14,926.12	422,818.27

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Notes to Accounts**

	<u>All Hallows</u> <u>Ordsall</u>	<u>St Michaels</u> <u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N01 Grants -			
New Start	13,323.48	-	13,323.48
Growing Disciples Fund	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
Lottery Funding	1,400.00	-	1,400.00
Rotary Club of Retford	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Warm Spaces in Bassetlaw	720.00	480.00	1,200.00
Notts Historic Churches	-	2,730.00	2,730.00
	<u>18,443.48</u>	<u>5,210.00</u>	<u>23,653.48</u>
N02 Legacies -			
Janice Staniland	-	10,000.00	10,000.00
	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>
N03 Fund raising -			
Live & Local receipts	3,764.54	-	3,764.54
Scarecrow festival	1,388.92	-	1,388.92
Refreshments	799.78	505.00	1,304.78
Christmas / Autumn Fayres	761.06	874.92	1,635.98
Cheese & Wine evening	-	325.00	325.00
Other	989.24	82.30	1,071.54
	<u>7,703.54</u>	<u>1,787.22</u>	<u>9,490.76</u>
N04 Parish Share -			
Targets issued	50,280.00	25,140.00	75,420.00
payments rendered (62% target achieved)	(28,014.15)	(18,760.00)	(46,774.15)
resulting shortfall	<u>22,265.85</u>	<u>6,380.00</u>	<u>28,645.85</u>
N05 Fees paid to Diocese - represents backdated payments from All Hallows to 2020			

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	<u>All Hallows</u> <u>Ordsall</u>	<u>St Michaels</u> <u>Retford</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
N06 Major repairs -			
Lych gate	550.00	-	550.00
Cottages	5,161.00	-	5,161.00
Lightning conductor	2,428.80	-	2,428.80
depreciation	2,880.18	-	2,880.18
	11,019.98	-	11,019.98
N07 Debtors -			
Gift aid pending	3,434.50	960.25	4,394.75
GASDS pending	1,073.62	172.73	1,246.35
	4,508.12	1,132.98	5,641.10
N08 Creditors -			
Soutwell DBF - (late Parish Share payment_	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
N09 Revaluation of Ordsall properties -			
Glebe cottage	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Croft cottage	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Grange cottage	1,500.00	-	1,500.00
Parish hall	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
	6,500.00	-	6,500.00

Independent Examiner's Report to The Benefice of Ordsall & Retford Saint Michaels

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 1 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



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31 May 2023