

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
St.Mary's Indian Orthodox Church , Northwest London

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St.Mary's Indian Orthodox Church , Northwest London

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Report of the Trustees For the year ended 31st March 2025

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and Aims

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

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

Significant activities

Holy Qurbana & Divine services: The Holy Eucharist services were initially conducted on all Sunday afternoons at St. Anselm's Church premises till August 2024. From September 2024, the services were moved to the current premises at Hayes Methodist Church Hall and services were conducted on all Saturday mornings to better suit the needs of the community.

Church Feast: The Church celebrated its Perunnal (Feast) on 19 May 2024. The Chief-celebrant of the Feast was Diocesan Metropolitan H. G. Abraham Mar Stephanos. On this auspicious day, His Grace announced the elevation of the Congregation to a Parish.

Holy Baptism: During the year 2024-25, we were able to provide the sacrament of Holy Baptism to three children, welcoming them to body of Christ, the Church.

Family Get-together: Family get-together for all the families in our community was organized in August 2024 where more than 30 families came together to spend time in games and fun activities.

Onam Celebration: The Onam celebration was organized within the church premises in September 2024. There was a large participation from among the members who took initiative towards having cultural dance, songs and traditional food.

Food Festival: The Church organized a food festival in July 2024 where members were motivated to make food items at the homes and to be purchased by members of the community.

Harvest Festival: First fruits auction or Harvest Festival was held in the month of February 2025.

Christmas Carols: Christmas Carol rounds were held during the three Saturdays of December before Christmas and we were able to visit 20 families to spread the message of birth of Jesus Christ.

Charity Works: During the year, we were able to extend support to 3 members of our church through the Benevolent Fund which was created for the sole purpose of helping our members in times of financial crises.

Sunday School: During the year, the Sunday School held the Orthodox Vacation Bible School (OVBS) in October 2024.

Daily Evening prayers: The Sunday School children have been leading in the daily evening prayers in English since the 2nd week of January 2024.

Youth Fellowship (Marian Youth): Our youth have represented the Church at various conferences and actively helping the congregation.

Women Fellowship (MMVS): There has been an active representation of the members of MMVS who actively helped during harvest festival and the family get together.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves

The Church reserves are held to help its current and future activities including maintenance of the church building. The retained surplus of parish as on 31/03/2025 was £26,103 { 31/03/2024 was £6,881 }

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is controlled by its governing document, constitution adopted on 14th January ,2023.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The vicar is appointed by the diocesan Bishop and his term will be until further order from the Diocesan Bishop. The Secretary, Treasurer and other committee members are elected at the annual general body meeting of the charity.

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Report of the Trustees

For the year ended 31st March 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Name of Charity : **St.Mary's Indian Orthodox Church ,Northwest London**
Charity Registration Number : **1204724**
Principal address : **44 FIRCROFT CLOSE**
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READING
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Trustees

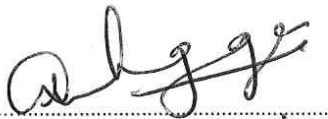
The Officers serving during the year were as follows:

Fr. Shyju P. Mathai : Vicar and President
Mr. Jobin George : Treasurer
Mr. Nishin George : Secretary
Mr. Bittoy George : Committee Member
Mr. Lajeev Rajan : Committee Member
Mrs. Nimmy Varghese : Committee Member
Mrs. Bennette Roshan : Committee Member
Mr. Stanlin Johnson : Committee Member
Mr. Shiji Varghese : Committee Member
Mr. Babil Bino Mathew : Committee Member
Mr. Jose John : Committee Member
Mr. Anish Philip : Internal Auditor

Independent Examiner

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Approved by the Board of Trustees on **03-Jan-2026** and signed on it's behalf by:



Mr. Nishin George
(Secretary)

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
St.Mary's Indian Orthodox Church , Northwest London

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Financial Position and the related notes.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.


Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr Thomas David FCCA
Thomas David Accountancy & Taxation Limited
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Date : 15/01/2026

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Statement of Financial Activities

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

				2025	2024
	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	Total funds	Total funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	68,493	-	68,493	31,653
Investment Income	3	6	-	6	-
Total		68,499	-	68,499	31,653
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities &					
Church Running Costs		(49,277)	-	(49,277)	(27,349)
Total		(49,277)	-	(49,277)	(27,349)
NET INCOME		19,222	-	19,222	4,303

CONTINUING OPERATIONS*

All income and expenditure have arisen from continuing activities.

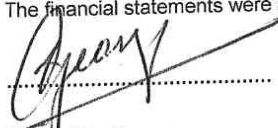
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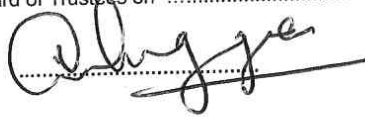
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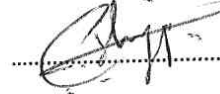
At 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	4	2,039	959
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	12,621	240
Cash at bank and in hand	6	11,744	6,635
		24,364	6,875
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(300)	(953)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		24,064	5,922
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		26,103	6,881
NET ASSETS		26,103	6,881
FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted funds		26,103	6,881
Restricted funds		-	-
TOTAL FUNDS		26,103	6,881

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on **03-Jan-2026** and were signed on its behalf by:


Mr. Jobin George
(Treasurer)


Mr. Nishin George
(Secretary)


Fr. Shyju P. Mathai
(Vicar & President)

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments which are included at market value and the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and the Charities Act 2011.

St Stephen's Indian Orthodox Church, Birmingham meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes(s).

Incoming resources

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	: 15% on reducing balance basis
Computer equipment	: 33.33% on reducing balance basis

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

2. Income From Donations & Legacies

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations Received	<u>68,493</u>	<u>31,653</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank Interest	<u>6</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>6</u>	<u>-</u>

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£
COST			
At 1 April 2024	727	232	959
Additions	<u>1,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,371</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u><u>2,098</u></u>	<u><u>232</u></u>	<u><u>2,330</u></u>

DEPRECIATION

At 1 April 2024			
Charge for year	<u>214</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>291</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u><u>214</u></u>	<u><u>77</u></u>	<u><u>291</u></u>

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 March 2025	<u><u>1,884</u></u>	<u><u>155</u></u>	<u><u>2,039</u></u>
At 31 March 2024	<u><u>727</u></u>	<u><u>232</u></u>	<u><u>959</u></u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Gift Aid Tax Receivable	12,621	-
Debtors/Prepayments	-	240
	<u>12,621</u>	<u>240</u>

6. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash in Hand	381	760
Bank Account Lloyds A/c 72963	3,061	-
Bank Account Lloyds A/c 66960	8,301	5,875
Total	<u>11,744</u>	<u>6,635</u>

7. CREDITORS

AMOUNT FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors & Accruals	300	953
Total	<u>300</u>	<u>953</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 01.04.24	Net Movement In Funds	Transfers between Funds	At 31.03.25
	£	£	£	£
Funds				
General fund	6,881	19,222	-	26,103
	<u>6,881</u>	<u>19,222</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,103</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>6,881</u>	<u>19,222</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,103</u>
		Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Movement in Funds
		£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund		68,499	49,277	19,222
Total		<u>68,499</u>	<u>49,277</u>	<u>19,222</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
I. INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
<u>Donations and legacies</u>		
Subscriptions	12,370	8,271
Harvest Festival	4,006	2,674
Gift Aid HMRC	17,900	-
Offertory	11,302	8,231
Donations - Refreshments	4,319	-
Birthday & Wedding Anniversary Donations	675	-
Holy week Donations	285	2,086
Other Donations	7,015	4,095
Onam	1,214	-
One Day Trip	64	385
Sunday School	814	835
Food Fest	2,497	-
Donations - Feast Day	796	-
Martha Mariam Vanitha Samajam	755	-
OVBS	460	-
Christmas & Carol	905	680
Youth Fund	741	401
Family Get Together	1,012	172
Catholicate Day	240	150
Donations-Eucharist	63	
Donations-Baptism	375	156
Marthoman Sangamam	610	60
Other Income	32	2,347
Donations- Books	35	100
Diocesan Contributions	10	1,010
Total Donations & Legacies (A)	68,493	31,653
Bank Interest	6	
Total Investment Income (B)	6	-
Total Incoming Resources (A+B)	68,499	31,653

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
II. EXPENDITURE		
<u>Charitable Activities</u>		
Vicar Allowances	13,550	8,000
Visiting Bishop & Priests	800	750
Insurance	101	101
Refreshments	10,603	4,310
Mementos & Gifts	563	307
Charity	3,485	1,500
Sunday School	1,001	740
Youth Movement	600	1,580
OVBS	62	
Sacramental (Qurbana) Materials	1,284	-
Martha Mariam Vanitha Samajam	655	45
Rent -Building	7,535	4,600
Onam Festival	2,188	-
Computer software and consumables	638	114
Travell & Expense	2,975	1,350
Church Events	100	104
Family Get - together	420	37
Christmas	388	118
Catholicate Day	215	150
Diocesan Contribution	500	1,000
Diocese Meetings(Malankara Sangamam)	100	190
Sundry Purchases	38	613
Bank Charges	1	-
Accountancy	671	-
Harvest Fest expense	460	-
DBS	12	-
Depreciation	291	-
Printting, Stationery & Postage	42	1,741
Total Resources expended	49,277	27,349
Net income	19,222	4,304