

# **Edenderry Parish Church**

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

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**For the year ended 31 December 2024**

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Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

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## Edenderry Parish Church

### Charity Details

Charity Number: 104766

Charity Address: Crevenagh Road, Omagh

### Trustees

Canon Robert Clarke (Rector)	Mrs Iris Moffitt – Scott	Mrs Eleanor Connor
Mrs Elaine McKeag	Mrs Ann Orr	Mr Edwin Heatherington
Mrs Nicola Carlin	Mr Roy Graham	Mrs Evelyne Heatherington
Mrs Audrey Dempsey	Mr William Todd	Mr Lee Price
Mr Niall McKelvey	Mrs Kay Clarke	Mr Alistair Orr
Mr Adrian Pollock	Mrs Sonya McKelvey	Mrs Jean Gormley

### Office Bearers during the year

Rector: Canon R W Clarke

Hon. Secretary: Mr Adrian Pollock

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs Sonya McKelvey

Rector's Churchwarden: Mrs Jean Gormley

People's Churchwarden: Mrs Evelyne Heatherington

Sunday School Superintendent: Mrs Kay Clarke

**Independent Examiner:** Leonard Knox FCA

**Bankers:** Bank of Ireland 25 Campsie Road Omagh BT79 0AE

# Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

The trustees present their annual report and statements of receipts and payments and assets and liabilities for Edenderry Parish Church for the year ended 31 December 2024.

## Objectives and Activities

The charitable purpose of the Church of Ireland is the advancement of religion through holding regular worship and communicating with and caring for parishioners and others in the community.

The principal function of Edenderry Parish Church is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of the parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The spiritual life of the Church is defined by the Holy Bible and a classical Anglican ethos as set out in the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion. The Bible is central to the work at all levels in the parish. Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help are fundamental to the practical delivery of the benefits of Christianity.

As a result of activity in the pursuit of the advancement of the Christian religion, Edenderry Parish Church has custody of property and of records, materials and artefacts of significance to the cultural and religious heritage, maintenance of which is undertaken by the Select Vestry of the parish.

## The Activities of the Charity

At the heart of Edenderry Parish Church is a passionate desire to glorify God and to demonstrate His love. Our varied services such as Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Lenten and Harvest services provide opportunities for everyone to engage in worship and prayer. In addition, a number of organisations such as Mothers' Union provide opportunities to engage with each other and to be built up in a practical Christian way. The parish bowling, badminton and youth clubs, along with weekly pilates classes, provide a both a social setting and an opportunity for exercise for people of all ages and interests.

## Pastoral Care

We recognise that there are issues in our parish which stem from sickness, bereavement, the elderly, the housebound, as well as those receiving medical treatment, care in hospital and local nursing homes, and we are committed to helping these people in need with empathy, love and compassion. We also actively seek to reach out into our community through a range of caring and educating programmes for young people.

## Missions and Evangelism

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. Edenderry Parish Church reaches out into the local community with support for a number of local charitable organisations and missions including LEMOF, Royal British Legion and the Mothers' Union Mums in May

Mission also extends beyond Ireland, and donations from Edenderry Parish help to support different missionary societies such as Bishops' Appeal and the Church Missionary Society (CMS Ireland).

This year, members of the parish hosted a Holly Jolly Afternoon Tea party which raised funds for Sands. Sands are a UK based charity who support families affected by pregnancy loss or the death of a baby.

## The Achievements of the Charity

Central to the work at all levels in the parish is the teaching of God's Word to bring parishioners into a deeper knowledge and understanding of Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, so that they are thoroughly equipped and disciplined to reach out into the community beyond the parish. We strive to inspire all parishioners to transform the local community and to build a Christ-centred congregation which will be a witness for Jesus Christ and to work for the advancement of His Kingdom.

The direct benefit of participation in church life includes the enjoyment of public worship, and the giving and the receiving of pastoral ministry, improved understanding of the Bible and extended values relating to civic engagement.

Church services continued to take place weekly on Sunday mornings throughout the year, following the Church of Ireland Liturgy. Attendance has remained at a similar level to the previous year.

The expression of the precepts of the Christian religion through engagement with the general public, and in particular with the disadvantaged, the sick, the elderly and the young is a public benefit.

This can be measured and evidenced through regular visitation, increased social integration and pastoral care delivered at the point of need. In addition, Sunday School continued weekly throughout the school term for the young members of the parish, and provided teaching in line with the Diocesan Cycle of Lessons. A number of varying events and initiatives were held over the course of the term. Confirmation was held in June 2024 with four candidates participating from Edenderry. This year it was decided to hold a service of Love and Remembrance which was an opportunity to bring together families who lost loved ones during the years when Covid-19 imposed restrictions on traditional funeral services. Following a review of the Parish Youth Club, the committee agreed to rebrand the youth club under the new name of Surge, open it to all primary school age children and meet weekly on a Friday evening throughout the school term. The parish bowling and badminton clubs were also held weekly, with the latter again having a success in the local badminton leagues. The Mothers Union again played an important role within the parish and wider community, hosting a number of events and social gatherings.

Also important is the building of community cohesion which will promote a bridging between diverse groups as well as improved educational outcomes through the church's ministry of teaching.

A number of activities and events were held throughout the year including providing catering services at the Annual Omagh Show, a Parish Concert and a Holly Jolly Afternoon tea party as mentioned above. It is acknowledged that these events play an important role and opportunity for fellowship.

Overall, the beneficiaries of Edenderry Parish Church are the general public and the public valuation of the benefits can be evidenced through attendance at public worship, participation in church governance and the willingness to support the continuing witness of the church through contributions.

The wider benefits to the public are both the availability of a place for worshipping in the course of Christian outreach and also the facilitation of baptisms, weddings and funerals. In the period there were a total of two baptisms, one wedding and three burials. Any private benefit arising out of the fulfilment of our Christian ministry or to lay staff is essential to the fulfilment for the purpose of religion. No trustee receives remuneration, reward or other private benefit for carrying out their trustee responsibilities.

Moreover, the direct benefits flowing from the purpose of the church includes the provision of archive records, the public enjoyment of historic buildings and artefacts such as church plate, furnishings and materials as an overall improved appreciation of a longstanding Christian heritage. This is demonstrated through the ongoing provision of access to records and the use made of these records in, for example, research and genealogy, property and artefacts, and the subsequent requests for access and use of our materials by the wider society.

To mitigate against harm, the trustees ensure adequate health and safety measures are in place at Edenderry Parish Church. The charity is also committed to ensuring all children and vulnerable adults are protected from harm and subsequently have implemented Safeguarding policies and procedures which include training and child protection checks for those involved in children's and youth work.

No private benefit is received from trustees fulfilling their responsibilities in respect of buildings, artefacts or records. In the course of conservation and to make records accessible to the public, no professional staff are engaged for the fulfilment of the purpose. The beneficiaries are solely the general public.

## Financial Review

Parish income and expenditure remained at similar levels to previous years with no major exceptional items of expenditure recorded during the financial year. Total reserves, excluding heritage assets, of £98,061 (2023 £88,024) in the form of bank balances and investments remain satisfactory.

## Recruitment and Appointment of Select Vestry

All members of the Church of Ireland who are over the age of 18 and are either resident within the parish or live elsewhere but have been accustomed members of the congregation for at least three months may register as members of the General Vestry of the parish, allowing them to attend and vote at meetings of the General Vestry and to stand for election to the Select Vestry. Meetings of the General Vestry are held at least once a year. The Select Vestry is elected as part of the General Vestry meeting. The Select Vestry will hold their positions for a period of one year. The Select Vestry members may be re-elected annually and there is no limit on the number of terms which may be served.

## Organisational Structure

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day to day management of the parish. The Select Vestry consists of the clergy serving in the parish, the church wardens, the glebe wardens and generally not more than 12 other members of the General Vestry elected at the annual General Vestry meeting. The Select Vestry is chaired by the Rector. Select Vestry members are responsible for making decisions on matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding how parish funds are to be applied. Trustees are elected by the Select Vestry.

## Compliance with Public Benefits

The parish has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve the parish's objectives and activities, as well as providing public benefit.

## Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the statement of receipts and payments and statement of assets and liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with income of less than £250,000 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the parish's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets and liabilities of the parish. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the parish and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf by:

R.W. Clarke

Canon R W Clarke (Rector)

Sonya McKelvey

Sonya McKelvey (Hon. Treasurer)

Date: 30/09/2025



## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Edenderry Parish Church**

I report on the accounts of Edenderry Parish Church for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 9 to 12.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

I have examined the Church accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the Church and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



**Name:** Leonard Knox

**Relevant professional qualification:** Chartered Accountant

**Address:** 4 Crevenagh View, Omagh

**Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Edenderry Parish Church

### Statement of Receipts and Payments – Year Ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Receipts</b>						
Open collections		1,004	-	-	1,004	425
Donations, freewill offering and sustentation		33,997	-	-	33,997	34,929
Missions collections	Note 3	-	6,396	-	6,396	3,324
Harvest collection		-	1,110	-	1,110	1,080
Gift Aid tax reclaimed		7,361	244	-	7,605	6,528
Investment income		1,939	-	-	1,939	1,461
Legacies		950	-	-	950	180
Net Proceeds of Omagh Show catering		8,039	-	-	8,039	8,278
Insurance claims		1,919	-	-	1,919	6,074
Grave fees, catering and hall rent		3,235	-	-	3,235	4,205
Other income		3,241	-	-	3,241	6,487
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>61,685</b>	<b>7,750</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,435</b>	<b>72,971</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Diocesan Sustentation		36,416	-	-	36,416	35,050
Missions payments	Note 3	-	6,635	-	6,635	4,260
Heat, light and power		7,094	-	-	7,094	7,606
Telephone		737	-	-	737	802
Repairs and maintenance		3,477	-	-	3,477	17,506
Rates, water and insurance		4,525	-	-	4,525	4,246
Printing, stationery and advertising		237	-	-	237	190
Rector's Office Allowance		884	-	-	884	884
Sunday School expenses		759	-	-	759	505
Bank fees		227	-	-	227	298
Other expenses		1,660	-	-	1,660	1,786
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>56,016</b>	<b>6,635</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62,651</b>	<b>73,133</b>
<b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) for the year</b>		<b>5,669</b>	<b>1,115</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,784</b>	<b>(162)</b>

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## Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Funds Reconciliation</b>					
Opening balances as at 01/01/2024	3,038,766	15,178	38,672	3,092,616	2,881,660
Surplus/(deficit) this year end	5,669	1,115	-	6,784	(162)
Increase in value of fixed assets	225,344	-	-	225,344	209,623
Increase / (decrease) in value of investments	-	-	3,253	3,253	1,495
Closing balances as at 31/12/2024	<b>3,269,779</b>	<b>16,293</b>	<b>41,925</b>	<b>3,327,997</b>	<b>3,092,616</b>
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>					
Bank Deposit accounts				694	678
Bank Current accounts				55,442	48,674
Cash on hand				-	-
				<b>56,136</b>	<b>49,352</b>
<b>Endowment Funds</b>					
Church of Ireland Trustees (M & G Charifund)				2,140	2,140
Church of Ireland Trustees (CIT Unit Trust)				37,012	33,759
R B General Unit Trust (NI)				2,773	2,773
				<b>41,925</b>	<b>38,672</b>
<b>Fixed Assets - Heritage Assets</b>					
Church building and graveyard				1,740,962	1,619,500
Church hall				877,772	816,532
Rectory and outbuildings				611,202	568,560
				<b>3,229,936</b>	<b>3,004,592</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>				<b>3,327,997</b>	<b>3,092,616</b>

Signed on behalf of the Trustees by:

R.W. Clarke

Canon Robert Clarke (Rector)

Sonya McKelvey

Sonya McKelvey (Honorary Treasurer)

Date: 30 September 2025

# Edenderry Parish Church

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

### 1. Accounting policies

Set out below are the principal accounting policies that have been adopted in the compilation of the Receipts and Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

(a) Receipts and Payments Account

All items of income and expenditure included within the Receipts and Payments Account have been accounted for on a cash receipts basis.

(b) Statement of Assets and Liabilities

*Assets retained for the Parish's own use*

The assets of the Parish, retained for its own use comprise:

- Church building and graveyard
- Church hall
- Rectory and outbuildings

All of the above buildings are deemed to be Heritage assets as defined by the Charities SORP (FRS102). These Heritage assets are included in the statement of assets and liabilities at insurance valuation as a professional valuation is not available and such information cannot be obtained at a cost commensurate with the benefit to the users of the accounts and to the parish. Heritage assets are not depreciated.

### 2. Summary of Movements in Funds

	At 01/01/2024 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	At 31/12/2024 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General fund	3,038,766	287,029	(56,016)	-	3,269,779
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Missions	-	6,640	(6,635)	-	5
Fabric fund	15,178	1,110	-	-	16,288
	15,178	7,750	(6,635)	-	16,293
<b>Endowments</b>					
Bequests	38,672	3,253	-	-	41,925
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>3,092,616</b>	<b>298,032</b>	<b>(62,651)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,327,997</b>

Purposes of unrestricted funds

General fund - for the day to day expenses of Edenderry Parish and to support restricted activities as required. Includes fixed assets at insurance values.

Purposes of restricted funds

Missions - financial support for missionary and charitable work.

Fabric fund - harvest collection for upkeep of fabric of church building.

Purposes of endowments

Bequests - bequests and donations held in trust by Representative Church Body, with proceeds for general unrestricted use.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

## 3. Missions

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Missions collections</b>		
CMS - Lenten collection	689	700
CMSI - Maridi Lenten collection	134	-
Bishops Appeal	1,032	1,935
Tyrone Protestant Orphan Society	-	510
Royal British Legion	33	-
Omagh Womens Aid	-	179
SANDS	3,474	-
Mums in May	402	-
L.E.M.O.F.	339	-
COI Ministry Fund	293	-
Gift Aid tax refund	244	754
	<b>6,640</b>	<b>4,078</b>
<b>Missions Payments</b>		
Church Missionary Society	689	1,032
CMSI - Maridi	127	-
Bishops Appeal	1,253	2,419
Royal British Legion	58	25
Tyrone Protestant Orphan Society	-	605
Omagh Womens Aid	-	179
SANDS	3,474	-
Mums in May	402	-
L.E.M.O.F.	339	-
Col Ministry Fund	293	-
	<b>6,635</b>	<b>4,260</b>

## 4. Transactions with related parties and trustees

During the year, expenses were reimbursed totalling £988 to the Rector, £116 to Mr Roy Graham and £262 to Mrs Kay Clarke. No other trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year. No trustee or a person related to a trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the Church during the year.

## 5. Events after the end of the reporting period

There were no significant events after the end of the reporting period.