

# ANNUAL REPORT 2020

AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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## A Vicar's reflection on a year of response, recovery and rebuilding at St Mary's and SWCC

*Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens. Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? - Psalm 8:1-4*

British astronaut Tim Peake has talked about his mission to the International Space Station. Apparently, when astronauts first step outside, they are so blown away with the view that NASA now builds awe-time into their schedule; just a few moments to take in the wonder. After that, even the mundane maintenance tasks that follow take on a whole new significance.

*"This is a great habit to cultivate – the habit of building in awe-time into our daily lives."*

I think this is a great habit to cultivate – the habit of building in awe-time into our daily lives. Time when we take in the wonder of the creation, the wonder of human life, the wonder of God's presence & movement in our lives... After that, even the mundane tasks we tackle take on a whole new significance.

It is good to look back on what has been a remarkable 12 months! Can we recognise the God-moments in the midst of the momentous events that have buffeted our lives? Do we recognise the things that are worth reflecting on and celebrating?

### PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

Both Jane Beaumont and I have faced a massive learning curve in these past few months. I certainly could never have predicted the need to record sermons and services at home, rely on social media to maintain church life and hold all church meetings / courses on Zoom.

Before COVID-19 I was looking forward to finishing my MA in Theology and launching the long-planned Discipleship Pathway in church. Much to my relief I did manage to finish my dissertation, but the Discipleship

Pathway had to go on the back burner. It may be delayed, but it won't be forgotten! I still believe that the Discipleship Pathway will be a significant tool for our church in enabling every person to encounter God, at every stage of the faith journey. And the lockdown period has been far from a waste; Jane and I have seen many people explore faith, come to Christ, and take steps forward in their discipleship.

### CONNECTING

It has been difficult and sad to lose weekly face-to-face contact with a large proportion of the church family, but it has also been heartening to see God continue his work! We have been contacted by people who have never been to our services, but who have discovered us via the church website, Facebook or YouTube. Online church has been a great 'surrogate' for this time and it is here to stay, undoubtedly, in some form or other. I would like to thank Emma Atkinson and Jane Mottram for the phenomenal job they have done in developing our website and establishing a strong presence on many different platforms.

### SERVICES

You may have noticed that church services have been quite a smorgasbord recently. We have offered in-person services, pre-recorded services, livestreamed services and YouTube catchups. We have been able to do all this thanks to our musicians, techies and stewards. Their flexibility, skills, positive attitude and hard work have been priceless! I would also like to make special mention of the Carols in the Car Park event which was a triumph of logistics and ingenuity! Poor Jane may have got drenched leading the first set of carols, but my lasting memory is that this was an uplifting and heartwarming event. Thank you to the awesome team who made it happen!

One person with undeniable 'lockdown sparkle' has

been Julie, our Children's Pastor. Julie's Junior Church videos have been hilarious, warm, godly and utterly engaging! I'm nervous Blue Peter may come knocking on her door at any time...

People keep telling me that they cannot wait to sing and worship together at church again. Jane and I echo those sentiments, and hopefully it won't be very long... It will be a joyous experience for Jane and I to preach to real people again, and not just to rows of empty chairs.

### COMMUNITY

In the wider community Carol Dodgson (Sale West Children and Families Worker) has done a remarkable job of organising, preparing and leading online craft sessions for the Keep Calm and Craft group with the support of Shauna Hancock. These sessions have made a huge difference to people struggling with mental health during the pandemic.

Carol and Danielle Markland also prepared over 60 Christmas hampers with food and gift items donated by church members. The hampers were distributed around the Sale West estate and beyond. The church gave generously and it was a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate God's loving goodness to us all.

The Keeping Connected scheme continues to be a wonderful blessing! Church members are in touch with around 100 people through regular phone calls. We also deliver monthly letters and prayer sheets to 40+ people with no access to the internet. One lady stopped me on a street recently just to let me know how much she had valued contact of this kind.



*Photo taken at Carols in the Carpark*

Many people have also appreciated the private prayer slots at St Mary's church. A dedicated team has been there to open up and to provide welcome 6 days a week during lockdown. The team wanted to give us all the prophetic sign that the church is still open and God is still on his throne!

### THE FUTURE

Jane and I have taken part in recent webinars in which church leaders and educators have made links between current church ministry and trauma response. We have considered 3 different stages:

- 1) **RESPONSE:** The immediate trouble shooting and coping mechanisms that kick in. I think much of what I have described in this report covers that.
- 2) **RECOVERY:** I feel that we are now entering this second stage. This stage is more measured; it can be anticipated and planned for. The Recovery stage addresses mental health, prolonged isolation and grief. Jane Beaumont has been spearheading the preparation for this stage. She has raised a team which spent the last 6 months going through the Kintsugi Hope training to get ready to lead the course which will help people (both inside and outside of church) with mental and emotional wellbeing. Karen MacMillan has also been training and has started running a Bereavement Course for people struggling with grief and loss.
- 3) **REBUILDING:** What will church look like going forward? What are the good things we should continue after lockdown? What should we lay down? There are many questions bubbling up which we will pray about and write about later on.

But for now, do remember to enjoy some awe-time with God who is...

Above you to bless you  
Below you to support you  
Before you to guide you  
Behind you to protect you  
Beside you to comfort you  
And in you to sustain you.

*Steve Rankin*

# PCC REPORT

St Mary's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of working with the incumbent, the Revd. Stephen Rankin, in furthering the mission of the church in the whole parish: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and Church Centre.

PCC members and deanery synod representatives are elected each year at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Roles on the PCC are then elected at the first PCC meeting following the APCM.

Role	Name	Office held
Incumbent	Revd Steve Rankin	Chair, S, F
Associate Vicar	Revd Jane Beaumont	
Head of Operations (co-opted)	Jane Mottram	PCC secretary, Electoral Roll Officer & HR
Readers	Stewart Darlow (until Sep 2020)	S, F
	Brian Macfaden	Treasurer, S, F
	Outi Rankin	
	Lynne Raphael (until Nov 2020)	
Pastoral Workers	Gill Hart	
	Mags Holt	
	Ann McBurney	
Wardens	Anne Keast	S, F
	Matthew Holland	S, F
Deanery Synod	Avtar Diggwa	
	Jeff McBurney	F
	Rosemary Sigee	F
	Barrie Lund (until Oct 2020)	
	David Atkinson	
Elected members	Jeremy Barnes	
	Janet Darlow	
	Joan Heys	Assistant Treasurer, F, HR
	Lorna Hitchin	Vice Chair, S, F
	Simon Hollingworth (from Oct 2020)	
	Helen Jarvis	F, HR
	Elaine Jones	
	Matthew Kay	
	Barbara Shimmings	
	Ian Thwaites (until Oct 2020)	M

(S – Standing Committee, F – finance committee, HR – HR committee, M – Missions committee)

## PCC MEETINGS

Due to the pandemic, 5 PCC meetings took place during 2020, 2 were in-person, 1 via email and 2 over zoom. The APCM took place in October which was in-person and online. The items discussed at the PCC meetings included:

- Safeguarding reports
- Missions giving
- Pastoral worker application
- Maintenance
- Ministry updates
- Our response to the pandemic
- Online giving
- Church survey

## STAFFING

The PCC employs a Head of Operations, Receptionist & Parish Administrator, Parish Finance Officer, Administration Assistant, Youth Pastor (this role became vacant in March 2020), Children's Pastor, Café Manager, Church Centre Caretaker and ten staff to run the Pre-School Group 'Butterflies'.

## ELECTORAL ROLL

The number on the electoral roll at the 2020 APCM in October was 439.

# WARDEN'S REPORT

WARDENS:  
ANNE KEAST & MATT HOLLAND

On reflection of the last few months we realise we have faced a time of immense change demanding steep learning curves and adaptability. We thank God for his goodness and faithfulness and rest assured that He holds us safely in his hands in our ministry and through these unprecedented times.

During the pandemic we have had weekly morning services and more recently an evening service every fortnight. There have been times when the church was open to our church family and witnessed the joy that has brought to the congregation and times when Jane and Steve shared the Word to just video and Zoom. What a tremendous and amazing job they did. Their 'Thoughts for Day' have been a comfort and inspiration to many. We are also grateful to the technical staff whose expertise made all this possible.

Much of our work in the community has been affected by the lockdown with limited numbers permitted at both weddings and funerals. The café has been missed by many regulars who enjoyed a chat and a coffee but Butterflies has fortunately met since September on a regular basis.

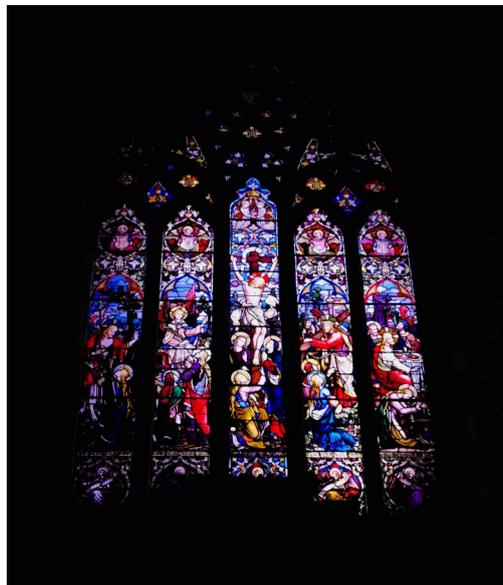
We are blessed that so many of our church family are willing to serve and support the work of our church. A

shining example of this is Private Prayer. This has been a valuable and necessary addition to our work and has continued even when church has been closed to our congregation. Our thanks are due to Helen Jarvis for her sterling work dealing with the health and safety of members and organising the volunteers to enable this to take place.

Prior to Christmas we were unsure what events we would be able to arrange. The church looked beautiful with the forest of Christmas trees and lights and the constant light through the night was a joyous beacon to herald the coming of the Messiah. Our Carols in the Car Park was a great success and was over-subscribed, so much so that an extra slot had to be organised. The weather was

not always favourable but this did not dampen our spirits. Our thanks go out to all helpers but especially to Janet and Peter McIlhagger for their tireless work in arranging the social distancing tapes and cones and the Salvation Army band, and to Helen Jarvis for arranging the volunteers equipped with hi-vis jackets, torches and umbrellas. Other events included an excellent Taize service, Christmas Eve Holy Communion and Christmas Day family service. Thanks are also due to the team who were involved in the preparation of the numerous Christingle bags to enable participation in the Zoom Christingle service and to Danielle Markland and her

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and faithfulness"*



*The church lights shone through our windows and the Christmas Tree was lit up through the night*

team who collected, collated and delivered the mountain of produce and Christmas treats for the Sale West hampers.

The Terrier (church inventory) has been completed and everything is present and correct. The Quinquennial (five year building inspection) was due to take place in 2020 but due to COVID-19 restrictions, this has still to be completed. General maintenance work on our buildings continues to be carried out by Norman Elston and Alec Brownsmith and a number of additional volunteers, and we thank them for all their effort and hard work. Our thanks also go out to all other volunteers who complete their work tirelessly. These include the Thursday working party, the church cleaners, flower arranging team, the deputy wardens, sides people, members of the PCC, band members and worship leaders, the team who organise bookings for each service, the team who work on the sound, vision and live streaming. Apologies if we have omitted anyone, but all your work, so willingly given, is much appreciated.

Thanks also to Brian our treasurer, and the dedicated staff working from home and in the church office, Jane, Emma, Insook and Danielle whose expertise ensures the church and church centre run smoothly. To all people who work and volunteer to make St Mary's the vibrant, dedicated and active church it is, we offer you our grateful thanks.

We thank God for Steve and Jane whose leadership, guidance and teaching maintain continuity during this ever changing and sometimes difficult time. With God's grace, the pandemic will soon be over and we can quickly get back to normality and we pray the Lord will continue to bless and provide for St Mary's for many years to come.



*Donations collected for the Christmas hampers*



*Volunteers organising and packing all the donations*

We give thanks to God for His ongoing provision for our work in Sale, through the generosity of His people. While 2020 was a challenging year in many ways due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the regular giving of our church members enabled us continue many of our activities, start new ones and adapt quickly to the changing environment.

In 2020 our income exceeded our expenditure by £20,849. At 31st December 2020 we held cash at the bank, including short term deposits, of £136,131. This gives us reserves of 3.6 months of regular expenditure.

We approach the challenges and opportunities of 2021 with confidence in God's continuing provision and your support.

## COMPARISON TO 2019

We have seen a significant impact from the COVID-19 pandemic, with the church buildings at reduced capacity for much of the year.

Most of the donations we receive come through regular standing orders and stewardship envelopes, and we were blessed as this continued at about the same level in 2020 despite the pandemic restrictions (£272,741 in 2020 vs £276,936 in 2019).

Income from cash donations, legacies, the cafe and church centre lettings were significantly reduced from the previous year (total of £28,321 vs £106,565).

We received grants from the Diocese and the Job Retention Scheme (furlough) to assist with the impact of COVID-19 restrictions.

The reduction in income was partially offset by not employing a youth pastor after Jonny Davies left at the end of February 2020 (£5,133 in 2020 vs £29,298 in 2019), lower ministry costs and lower church centre running costs.

We did very little maintenance during the year due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Butterflies Pre-School Group had a surplus of £8,842 in 2020 (deficit of £6,786 in 2019). The surplus or deficit varies year by year depending on the number of children attending.

## RESERVES

All charities are expected to hold an appropriate level of reserves, which we use for:

- Working capital to balance our income and expenditure streams. This allows us to pay salaries, bills and expenses in a timely manner without having to wait for income to come in.
- Providing a cushion to enable us to plan ahead even though our income varies from year to year.
- Meeting maintenance needs and responding to opportunities as they arise.

It has been our goal for some years to maintain approximately 3 months of regular expenditure in our reserves, and in January 2021 the PCC adopted this as a formal policy. At the end of 2020 our reserves were 3.6 months of regular expenditure, which we expect will reduce in 2021 as we plan to employ a new youth pastor and catch up on maintenance.

The trustees are confident that, with continuing regular income from church members, there are sufficient reserves to support ongoing commitments for the next twelve months.

## INVESTMENT POLICY

Cash not required for day to day operations is held on deposit with the CBF Church of England Investment Fund.

No funds are held as custodian trustee.

# MISSION GIVING

As a church we donate 10% of the giving we receive to missions, both here in the UK and overseas. We see this as our stewardship, or good management, of the money we receive from God, just as we encourage church members to steward their income.

In practice we donate 10% of our previous year's giving, and in 2020 this amounted to £29,093. In previous years the income from the Christmas Market has also been donated to missions, but we were unable to run it in 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The Missions Committee oversees how we distribute these funds, together with the PCC. Most of the mission budget is given as regular support to organisations and individuals where there is a link with our church. We also retain some funds to allocate flexibly during the year.

This is where our support was donated in 2020. Our mission partners are shown in bold.

## OVERSEAS MISSIONS

Church Mission Society	£1,200
Tim & Miho Walker	
- Overseas Missionary Fellowship	£1,800
Simon and Sue Yeomans	
- Operation Mobilisation	£4,500
Open Doors	£1,500
Philippines Outreach Centre	£2,500
<b>ACTS - Education in Africa - Burundi School</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
David & Mary Robinson	
- Overseas Missionary Fellowship	£700
Armonia	£650
Langham Trust	£400
A Rocha - Christian conservation	£200
FEBA (Arab world gospel radio)	£200
Tearfund (Relief & development work)	£200

## UK MISSIONS

Boaz Trust	£1,500
Youth for Christ	£3,800
Hope for Justice	£1,500
Church Urban Fund	£150
Redeeming Our Communities	£240
Bible Society	£1,400
Church Pastoral Aid Society	£1,200
Universities & Colleges Christian Fellowship	£400
Trafford South Foodbank	£400
Chester Clergy Families Trust	£400
St Luke's Hospital	£100
Fusion	£400
NDE	£100
Evangelical Alliance	£150
Jonny Davies - Bethel training	£1,500
Sale West Community Urban Trust	£503



# MINISTRIES & MISSION

## CHILDREN

*"With God all things are possible" - Matthew 19:26*

In March 2020 after St Mary's and Sale West closed its doors for the first lockdown, Junior Church went online! With no prior experience of filming, it was a fast and steep learning curve of how to write, create, film and edit new content each week. Where we might only see our own vulnerabilities and limitations, God sees possibility and over 50 videos later, we are producing weekly content for Junior Church.

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Over the past year, we have reached an average of 162 views per video and have reached an audience of almost 14,500! Since schools returned in September, these videos have been played in St Mary's School each week for their worship time and during the most recent lockdown also sent home to those who were home schooling.

The aim of Junior Church over the past year, has been to help and encourage children through this difficult season. We wanted to have fun and show them that God loves them; that no matter what is happening around us or how we are feeling God's love is constant and unwavering. He is a God who is interested in us and we can chat to Him anytime and anywhere and is also a God who wants to chat back to us.

As primary aged children do not have social media accounts, there has also been a great opportunity to connect with, encourage and equip parents and carers during this season through Facebook. Encouraging them to share faith in their everyday lives through sharing posts, articles and resources from The Kitchen Table Project, Care for the Family, Together at Home and Home For Good.

The downside of online ministry is the lack of social connection but there have been times where we could connect with others. Here are a couple of highlights.

- **Light Party** - As one of our most popular in person events, we wanted people to celebrate God's light in



*Julie presenting Junior Church online*

their own homes and empower families with ideas and resources so that they could easily and cost effectively recreate all the fun of the light party at home. The aim was to give away about 50 goodies bags but demand was so high we more than doubled this to 120 and were able to bless well over 40 local families.

- **Christingle Service** - The online Christingle announcement video had 3,500 views demonstrating that people were keen to celebrate this service together. A group of wonderful volunteers made up Christingle Kits so that people could make the Christingle candles in their own homes, with 800 kits being handed out to local people, both Church and Non-Church members. The service itself had 348 views, equating to an audience of over 1,000.

We are looking forward to meeting again once the restrictions have been lifted in both Junior Church and have especially missed meeting with new Mums and Dads at Caterpillars. In the meantime, we know that prayer is powerful so please keep praying for our children, parents, carers, their families and schools during this time.



*Julie and Jane giving out Christingle packs*

# MINISTRIES & MISSION

## YOUTH

We have been without a Youth pastor since Jonny's departure just before the lockdown last year. The Fuel Leadership Team did a great job keeping Fuel running until the summer of 2020. At that point Beth - our intern - and the first Fuel 'graduates' moved on.

Since September the Fuel leadership team has expanded to include Steve Rankin, Shauna Hancock (Sale West Children and Families Worker), Dave Atkinson (from Trafford Youth for Christ) and Beth Ellis (3-year placement student from Nazarene college). The young people in Fuel meet online once a week and it is so encouraging to see them growing in their faith!

## ONLINE RESOURCES

At the beginning of 2020 there were plans to update the website, little did we know how many updates the website would get and how vital it would become, not only in communicating information but also in providing resources and hosting services.

alongside the Sunday service pages where you could find all you needed to guide you through worship, including a talk, worship songs, prayers of intercession, Holy Communion and Junior Church.

At the beginning of the lockdown, Jane Beaumont put together a range of 'top tips' videos, each a 2-3 minutes long to inspire us in our personal prayer life. Morning prayer videos were filmed, guiding us through the daily office, one for each day of the week, and online giving was set up, for people who wanted to make online donations to the work of the church. All of this

We also started livestreaming our services (recording the service in church and broadcasting it live) on Facebook and YouTube which has been a great way for people, who might otherwise find it difficult to come along on a Sunday, to engage in our worshipping community.

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*"For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together."* - Colossians 1:16-17

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## PRIVATE PRAYER

Church has been open for private prayer since 29 June 2020. We have a fantastic team that faithfully opens the church and ensures everyone is welcomed into a COVID-secure environment. I'm not sure any of the team realised that we would be continuing this ministry over such a long period but every one of them is committed to opening the church for those who choose to come.

*"...the overwhelming consensus was the acknowledgement of the tangible presence of God."*

We have opened each Monday to Saturday from 10am to 11am and have welcomed people in including church members from St Mary's, Sale West and other churches and people from the community. Some come regularly, some drop in from time to time and some have visited once. Welcomers often stand outside the church to greet and open discussions with those who pass-by and have been known to look after dogs to enable their owners to make an unscheduled visit to church.

In the lead up to Christmas one of our new church members invited a number of friends to come and experience St Mary's. We received feedback that was most encouraging about the peace, the beauty, the Christmas decor, the effectiveness of the reordering but the overwhelming consensus was the acknowledgement of the tangible presence of God. Amen!

# MINISTRIES & MISSION

## KEEPING CONNECTED

Back in March 2020 when the country went into lockdown a new initiative was quickly established, our Keeping Connected ministry. We asked for volunteers to make regular calls and keep in touch as a support network and to offer prayer for those who may need it in our church community. Our purpose is for Unity, Faith and Friendship.

*"Our purpose is for Unity, Faith and Friendship."*

55 volunteers came forward and we identified 266 people who might need a call which included people from the housebound through to those not yet in a discipleship group.

The testimonies from both callers and receivers has been heart warming and encouraging. The blessings are tangible, friendships have been made and people have found creative ways to stay in touch and keep our

## MONTHLY LETTERS

Lockdown has been very hard for some members of our church. Most of us are fortunate enough to have access to a computer, although sadly, for some who don't, this last twelve months has been even harder.

Each month we send a letter of hope and provide resources and offers of support. We include a daily prayer service, with readings and prayers plus a freephone number (0800 804 8044) which provides wonderful resources from the Church of England, including favourite hymns, meditations, readings, and the occasional thought from Archbishop Justin Welby. Do phone.

The main tool in evangelism has been the Faith Matters course which was written in 2018. Until then we had used the Alpha course for many years and, whilst we certainly saw blessings and fruit from Alpha, we decided it was time for something new and fresh. The Faith Matters course is more flexible than Alpha in that it is shorter and more relational. It requires fewer leaders

community connected.

Some feedback we've received...

*"One person I called said "She knows God sent me to her the first time I rang because she really needed someone""*

*"Last week as I prayed for someone- they suddenly felt encouraged and empowered to deal with something they were struggling with. It felt like God was reaching out to them through me. It affirmed that God is in this 'keeping connected' with us. I am really enjoying asking them for prayer pointers and praying there and then for those situations. "*

*"I have made some real friends with people I didn't know. I am looking forward to meeting them in person when lockdown ends."*

Please could you pray for our volunteers and that we reach everyone that needs a call.

We know this resource is of great comfort even though we would much prefer to see everyone in person. That day will come!

*"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." - 1 Thess 5:11.*

If you know of anyone who doesn't already receive a monthly letter by post and would value one, please contact [office@stmarysaom.org](mailto:office@stmarysaom.org).

## FAITH MATTERS

and it works well in person and on Zoom. We have run the course 4 times during lockdown, with the help of new emerging leaders. Sixteen people have come to faith, and for them the lockdown has been a life-changing experience! All those who finish Faith Matters are encouraged to join a New Life group as a good next step for growth and encouragement.

# MINISTRIES & MISSION

## DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

*"We are hard wired to connect with others. It's what gives purpose and meaning to our lives, and without it there is suffering."* - Brené Brown

People are valuing their discipleship group more now than ever before because of this need to connect. Be it a Small group, Cluster, New life Group or Huddle, each is thriving numerically and in the quality of the discussions, studies and prayers.

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Whilst numbers aren't everything, and should never be so, a staggering 49 people have joined a discipleship group in the last 12 months, proving Brené Brown's theory to be true. 7 new huddles have started, and there is a large increase in the numbers attending the existing Discipleship Groups.

Zoom has had a significant impact; increasing capacity, reducing travel, and allowing everyone to stay in their favourite comfy chair. Once everyone got over the initial challenges of Zoom, the benefits have been worth their weight in gold! Thank you to those who have 'opened up your Zoom home' and invited others; such an excellent illustration of Acts 2:42-46.

## COME FLY WITH ME

'I can't wait for the meetings to come round', wrote one person. 'It's the highlight of my month', said another. 'I have never experienced anything like this before, I am speechless', said yet another who was overwhelmed when Father God spoke directly to her for the very first time, speaking things only He would know.

Isn't this what we read in the bible; people hearing Father, Jesus or Holy Spirit speaking words of tenderness, saying things only He knows about them? Doesn't this make church worth coming to? Isn't this the reality of the Lord's Prayer – heaven on earth? Isn't this the Kingdom of God at work amongst us? This is life in all its fullness, (John 10:10), there is no mistaking! Surely all of us want to hear God?

Each month, with a little biblical teaching and a lot of encouragement, we listen to Holy Spirit, sharing what we believe we have been given, under the care of a mature group leader. At our most recent meeting of 32 participants, 22 people gave a word of knowledge and 12

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received a meaningful word of knowledge. We had 4 guests from other churches, each of whom received from God and were completely overwhelmed (in a good way) by His personal and intimate words of care for them.

And the best bit – those who attend are ordinary church members; you would pass them in the church car park (the best we can do nowadays) and they don't look weird!

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*Every Christian can hear God; sometimes we just need a little convincing. 1 Cor 14:1.*

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# MINISTRIES & MISSION

## PRAYING FOR THE NATIONS

*Praying for the nations. Change the world in 60 minutes.*

I used to be so anxious about praying out loud. I felt inadequate, my prayers weren't as eloquent as other people's, and I wasn't convinced that God was listening. Does this resonate with you? I (Jane Beaumont) would avoid prayer meetings like the plague until I heard a still small voice saying, 'Jane, you are not praying to other people, you are praying to me'. From then on everything changed. He was right, I'm not praying to impress; that was the problem, nor am I praying to others. I'm praying because I care, very deeply, and because I believe my prayers bring change. "Ah, but do they?" I hear you ask. Do they bring change?

We can convince ourselves why not to pray or we can read the Bible, hear the Spirit and see the evidence of answered prayer, and commit to praying. Need more convincing? Read Revelation 8:3-5.

We are not called to be convinced to pray; we are called to pray. At our 'Prayer For The Nations' meetings we pray for 4 nations of the world; 1 hour every 2 weeks. So far, we have prayed for 44 countries.

Testimony: One member of the group doubted the effectiveness of their prayers and vulnerably expressed it. That night we were praying for Eritrea. The following day a member of the group forwarded an article to them about a man who had been released from prison in Eritrea. It was considered miraculous. It was the day of the prayer meeting! Convinced sufficiently to attend?

Do join us; we are all given prayer pointers and so we don't need to know the details of the country for ourselves. Someone else does the leg work, we just do the heart work.

Change the world, one prayer at a time, in 60 minutes.

## MISSION PARTNERS

*"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields : for they are white already to harvest" - John 4:35*

St Mary's and Sale West support nine Mission Partners through annual giving based on 10% of the income from the previous year. Our Mission Partners range from asylum seekers in Manchester to Bible Translators in Tanzania! We also include persecuted Christians around the world.

We aim to highlight each group in turn each month, this has been difficult with online services BUT God is not limited. 2020 saw new initiatives despite everything! These initiatives include:

- Church Interviews. Jane Beaumont led interviews talking with our partners.
- Prayer for the Nations - praying for different countries every fortnight with the aim to cover every country in prayer!
- We've added 'Hope for Justice' our new Mission Partner.
- Small groups increasingly supporting Mission Partners .

### WHAT HAS THE LORD BEEN DOING?

- Tanzania - Nyakyusa New Testament translation completed.
- Burundi Technical School thriving despite the local terrorists. Security Fence funds trickling in
- Filipino children cared for in the Pandemic.
- Thai and Japanese coming to faith .
- Homeless cared for despite all.

### VISION – PRAYERS FOR 2021

- Engagement in our new monthly mission articles on the Church website.
- A new quarterly zoom prayer meeting for our Mission Partners.
- Creative fundraising to supplement Church Giving.
- God's mighty hand at work among all who we support.

Thanks for all your support!

# MINISTRIES & MISSION

Food, Friendship and Fellowship....some of what is on offer at the Heartbeat Café.

Like most other cafes we have had to close our doors in the recent months, but prior to that we had been welcoming both regular and new customers, enjoying the regular homemade soups and specials on offer.

Along with a fabulous and loyal team of volunteers, I have had the pleasure of serving and getting to know so many people. Be they individuals who come in for some peaceful, reflective time, groups of friends enjoying a coffee and chat or various organisations and clubs such as Pilates, HeatherCare, children and staff from Pictor School, Butterflies Pre-school and a number of church groups to name a few.

Being able to share our faith in a warm, friendly way through food and drink is rewarding, one volunteer has

## HEARTBEAT CAFE



an eye for noticing new customers! It is encouraging to see people return and ask questions about what else goes on at St. Mary's.

We look forward to re-opening soon and encourage you to come and enjoy some fellowship and homemade food. We pray that customers continue to feel blessed and valued and that the wider community will also come to "Taste and see that the Lord is good" (Psalm 34 v8).

## MONDAY LUNCH FELLOWSHIP

Monday Lunch Fellowship, was initiated in the 1990's by Dorothy White and Elizabeth Smallwood, offering a social lunch for 'those who would otherwise eat alone'.

The people invited to join us every week have been a lively bunch mostly widows and of a certain age but not always. We share a 3-course meal followed by tea or coffee, prepared and served by a team of faithful volunteers.

## OFF LIMITS

Off Limits is a social group for the over-50s age bracket (the 'Off' in the title stands for 'over fifty-five') and we normally meet on a Friday afternoon. Roughly half our meetings include talks, entertainment and outings, with



the rest 'in house' meetings for informal chat, sometimes with board games and jigsaws. Membership is not confined to St Mary's members, and about half of our regulars either attend another church or have no regular church affiliation. Loneliness has been identified as a major problem for older

Unfortunately we had to pause this ministry during the pandemic and our last lunch was on 2nd March 2020. We are grateful to St Mary's for all the support that has been given the Lunch Fellowship and we pray that it will not be too many months before we may celebrate being together again.

adults, many of whom live alone, and Off Limits provides an opportunity to meet socially with others.

At the end of 2019 two of our long-standing committee members, Cynthia Hitchcock (formerly Hollingworth) and Dana Laidlar stepped down, and we welcomed David Shimmings, Peter and Heather Tomlinson and Terri Brooke on to the committee. David has volunteered to organise our programme, which got off to a good start in 2020 until the pandemic forced us to suspend our meetings until further notice. The regulars are missing our meetings, but maintaining telephone contact in order to keep in touch until we are able to meet in person again. We always welcome newcomers, and when our meetings resume, we extend a warm invitation to all in the age group to give Off Limits a try. We want everyone who comes to our meetings to feel welcomed and valued.

The Keep Calm and Craft group is a haven for vulnerable people who suffer from mental health issues, who feel lonely and marginalised, and who find parenting in COVID times extremely challenging. Each week craft packs are prepared and delivered to each group member, which usually ends up with fruitful (socially distant!) conversations on the doorsteps.

Since the group started we have engaged with 70 adults and 51 children, delivering a total of 936 craft packs!

Shauna Hancock, who helps to deliver the craft packs got talking to one lady about faith and invited her on to Faith Matters, this is what the lady had to say:

*"I realised I had a lot of misconceptions about faith and following God. I bought a Bible of my own and I talked with Shauna about it. She encouraged me to believe in what I was learning, believe in what I was feeling and trust in the people around me. Shauna is a friendly, empathetic compassionate person. Without her and Carol I'm not sure how I would be coping with lockdown."*

## BUTTERFLIES

Our Preschool welcomes children from 2 years of age until they start school reception. Anyone who spends time at Butterflies immediately picks up the amazing atmosphere, the children quickly become part of the family and the level of security and trust they have while



*Children playing together at Butterflies*

ROC mentoring has seen a total of 25 families referred to the scheme since it started in 2018. Due to the pandemic some families have been unable to continue with the meetings, however 3 families are currently being supported and there are strong links with NHS, council and other charity organisations in the area who have all made referrals.

Other community activities in Sale West include:

- Mentoring individuals from the Keep Calm and Craft group
- Supporting charities through the Keep Calm and Craft activities
- Involvement in Sale Community Hub, which helps to join up the support offered to the community during the pandemic
- Providing 66 Christmas hampers to people in the community
- Hosting a zoom Christingle service for those who received a hamper
- Hosting Sale West cluster discipleship group.

they are with us enables them to flourish and learn, thus achieving their best possible outcomes.

Christianity is part of daily life at Butterflies with prayers and conversations throughout the day. We have a strong ethos of caring and sharing with each other, guiding the children to understand good values.

Here are a few highlights from 2020:

- During the lockdown we got creative and kept the children engaged with activity packs and videos providing daily challenges
- Since reopening in September all places have been booked, all staff were able to return and there have been no recorded COVID cases.
- Butterflies were the first preschool in Trafford to reach the gold level of the Trafford Giving Voice Scheme which has been developed to enhance communication and language in the early years - we are now working towards the highest level - Platinum.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARY MAGDALENE, ASHTON-ON-MERSEY WITH SALE WEST COMMUNITY CHURCH, CHURCH OF ENGLAND DIOCESE OF CHESTER

Registered Charity No. 1133105

Year ended 31 December 2020

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Under charity law, the trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements for each financial year which properly present the state of affairs of the charity and of the excess of income over expenditure for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, generally accepted accounting practice entails that the trustees:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements comply with the trust deed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are required to act in accordance with the trust deed of the charity, within the framework of trust law. They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, sufficient to disclose at any time, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the charity at that time, and to enable the trustees to ensure that, where any statements of accounts are prepared by them under section 132(1) of the Charities Act 2011, those statements of accounts comply with the requirements of regulations under that provision. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charity and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the PCC



Revd Stephen Rankin

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MARY MAGDALENE, ASHTON-ON-MERSEY WITH SALE WEST COMMUNITY CHURCH

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

I report to the PCC on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 set out on pages **20 to 27**.

### RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the PCC 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 2011 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

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants for England and Wales.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act: or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in 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.



Mrs Susan Suchoparek FCA

5<sup>th</sup> April 2021

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

*For the year ended 31 December 2020*

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
	2				
Voluntary income (direct giving)		277,164	-	277,164	290,928
Other voluntary income		3,548	-	3,548	44,674
Gross income from events and activities		113,863	-	113,863	108,807
Other ordinary income		8,760	6,573	15,333	8,018
Income from trading		20,266	-	20,266	47,759
Income from investment		186	-	186	214
Other income	4	18,496	-	18,496	-
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>£442,283</b>	<b>£6,573</b>	<b>£448,856</b>	<b>£500,400</b>
<b>RESOURCES USED</b>					
	3				
Grants		38,775	-	38,775	39,254
Support costs		29,846	-	29,846	61,770
Directly relating to the work of the church		297,284	-	297,284	312,778
Fund raising and publicity		87	-	87	83
Church management/administration		62,015	-	62,015	61,612
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES USED</b>		<b>£428,007</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>£428,007</b>	<b>£475,497</b>
Net incoming resources		14,276	6,573	20,849	24,903
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>£14,276</b>	<b>£6,573</b>	<b>£20,849</b>	<b>£24,903</b>
Balances brought forward at 1 January		557,576	-	557,576	532,673
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
<b>Balances carried forward at 31 December</b>		<b>£571,852</b>	<b>£6,573</b>	<b>£578,425</b>	<b>£557,576</b>

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	5	437,128	437,128
Investment assets	9	131,420	131,079
		<b>£568,548</b>	<b>£568,207</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	7	6,725	8,017
Short term deposits		43,822	43,637
Cash at bank and in hand		92,309	72,137
		<b>£142,856</b>	<b>£123,791</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	-1,559	-3,343
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	6	<b>£141,297</b>	<b>£120,448</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>£709,845</b>	<b>£688,655</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted	10	571,852	557,576
Restricted	11	6,573	-
Endowment	9	131,420	131,079
		<b>£709,845</b>	<b>£688,655</b>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 29th March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

The Revd Stephen Rankin (Chairman)

Ms Lorna Hitchin (Vice Chair)




The notes on pages 23-27 form part of these accounts

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT

### for the year ended 31 December 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	20,849	24,903
Adjustments for:		
Interest receivable and similar income	-186	-214
Interest payable and similar charges	-	-
Increase/decrease in other debtors	1,292	-706
Decrease/increase in other creditors	-1,784	-1
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>20,171</b>	<b>23,982</b>
Cash flows from investing activities	186	214
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>214</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b> (Interest paid)	-	-
<b>Net cash from financing activities</b>	-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	20,357	24,196
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January	115,774	91,578
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	<b>136,131</b>	<b>115,774</b>

#### ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2020 £	2019 £
Cash at bank and in hand	92,309	72,137
Short term deposits	43,822	43,637
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>136,131</b>	<b>115,774</b>

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## For the year ended 31 December 2020

### NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations together with Charities Statement of Recommended Practice Financial Reporting Standards 102 (SORP FRS102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

#### Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. These include funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC.

The purpose of any restricted funds is noted in the accounts.

The accounts include transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC can be held responsible. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe an affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

#### Incoming Resources

##### *Voluntary income and capital sources*

Collections are recognised when made.

Amounts receivable under covenant are recognised only when honoured by the covenanter.

Income tax recoverable on covenanted or gift aid donations is recognised when claimable.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its entitlement and the likely amount due.

Funds raised by fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

##### *Other ordinary income*

Rental income from the letting of church premises is accounted for when earned.

Parochial fees due to the PCC for weddings, funerals etc are accounted for on an event by event basis.

*Income from investment* - Dividends and interest are accounted for when due. Tax recoverable on such income is accrued for on the same basis.

*Investment gains and losses* - Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

#### Application of Resources

*Grants* - Grants and donations are accounted for when paid.

#### Fixed assets

##### *Consecrated land and buildings and movable church furnishings*

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(c) of the Charities Act 1993.

No value is placed on movable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be an inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off.

*Other land and buildings* - Other land and buildings held on behalf of the PCC for its own purposes is valued at cost. No depreciation is charged against such properties but any expenditure on maintenance or minor improvement is written off as incurred. Improvement expenditure in excess of £40,000 is capitalised.

##### *Other fixtures, fitting and office equipment* -

Equipment used within the church hall is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off in the period in which the asset is acquired.

*Investments* - Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

#### Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less any provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the Central Board of Finance or at the bank.

## NOTE 2 - INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
2(a) Voluntary income (direct giving)				
Planned giving	211,127	-	211,127	210,303
Income tax recovered on Gift Aid	49,709	-	49,709	51,743
Giving received gross of Income Tax	11,905	-	11,905	14,890
Collections (open plate) other than	4,423	-	4,423	13,992
	<u>277,164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>277,164</u>	<u>290,928</u>
2(b) Other voluntary income				
Fund raising income	166	-	166	9,243
Donations, appeals	1,382	-	1,382	25,431
Legacies	-	-	-	10,000
Grants received	2,000	-	2,000	-
	<u>3,548</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,548</u>	<u>44,674</u>
2(c) Gross income from events and activities				
Lunch Fellowship	750	-	750	2,940
Church Bookstalls	105	-	105	958
Pre-School Group	109,305	-	109,305	91,170
Social Fund	914	-	914	2,048
Café	2,250	-	2,250	9,383
Caterpillars	429	-	429	1,666
Off Limits	110	-	110	642
	<u>113,863</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>113,863</u>	<u>108,807</u>
2(d) Other ordinary income				
Service fees	2,000	-	2,000	1,908
Administration service charges	400	-	400	400
VAT recovered	-	-	-	-
Rent received	6,360	-	6,360	5,710
Sales of fixed assets	-	6,573	6,573	-
	<u>8,760</u>	<u>6,573</u>	<u>15,333</u>	<u>8,018</u>
2(e) Income from trading				
Church Centre lettings	20,266	-	20,266	47,759
	<u>20,266</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,266</u>	<u>47,759</u>
2(f) Income from investment				
Interest received	186	-	186	214
	<u>186</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>186</u>	<u>214</u>
2(g) Other income				
Job Retention Scheme	18,496	-	18,496	-
	<u>18,496</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,496</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<u><b>£442,283</b></u>	<u><b>£6,573</b></u>	<u><b>£448,856</b></u>	<u><b>£500,400</b></u>

## NOTE 3 - RESOURCES USED

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
<b>3(a) Grants</b>				
Overseas missionary societies	13,150	-	13,150	16,448
Overseas relief and development agencies	1,800	-	1,800	5,073
Home missions and other church societies	13,270	-	13,270	16,798
Secular charities	10,555	-	10,555	935
	<u>38,775</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,775</u>	<u>39,254</u>
<b>3(b) Support costs</b>				
Parish training and mission	478	-	478	2,957
Junior Church/Youth	2,692	-	2,692	5,244
Children's Pastor	20,730	-	20,730	21,014
Youth Pastor	5,133	-	5,133	29,298
Equip Interns	813	-	813	3,257
	<u>29,846</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,846</u>	<u>61,770</u>
<b>3(c) Directly relating to the work of the Church</b>				
Parish Share	128,546	-	128,546	125,712
Clergy expenses	2,749	-	2,749	3,593
Clergy housing costs	6,047	-	6,047	7,575
Church & Services costs	14,717	-	14,717	15,012
Church Utilities	8,099	-	8,099	8,458
Church Centre running costs	19,000	-	19,000	25,081
Church Bookstalls costs	103	-	103	846
Lunch Fellowship costs	409	-	409	2,051
Pre-School Group costs	100,463	-	100,463	97,956
Social Fund costs	805	-	805	913
Café costs	6,289	-	6,289	12,711
Off Limits costs	141	-	141	671
Caterpillars costs	264	-	264	1,558
Administration	8,257	-	8,257	6,790
Major repairs	1,395	-	1,395	3,851
	<u>297,284</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>297,284</u>	<u>312,778</u>
<b>3(d) Fund raising and publicity</b>				
Cost of stewardship/fundraising	87	-	87	83
	<u>87</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>83</u>
<b>3(e) Church management and administration</b>				
Secretarial/administration salaries	59,624	-	59,624	59,331
Employer pension costs	1,590	-	1,590	1,921
Professional Fees	801	-	801	360
	<u>62,015</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62,015</u>	<u>61,612</u>
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES USED</b>	<u><b>£428,007</b></u>	<u><b>-</b></u>	<u><b>£428,007</b></u>	<u><b>£475,497</b></u>

#### NOTE 4 - STAFF COSTS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages, Salaries, National Insurance and Pensions	177,490	190,317

During the year the PCC employed a Youth Pastor, Children's Pastor, Pre-School Group Manager and Assistants, Café Manager, Head of Operations, Parish Finance Officer, Receptionist & Parish Administrator, Administration Assistant and two Cleaners, none of whom earned £60,000 p.a. or more. Procedures set out in our Conflicts of Interest Policy have been followed in any matter involving a related party to a trustee.

COVID-19 restrictions limited a number of our activities and therefore we placed some staff on the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (furlough) during the year and claimed appropriate payments from HMRC. These are entered in the accounts as Other income.

	2020	2019
	£	£
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme claims	18,496	-

#### NOTE 5 - FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC

	2020	2019
	£	£
Freehold land and buildings – balance at 31 December	437,128	437,128

The freehold land and buildings as at 31 December 2020 comprise the houses located at 23 Rydal Avenue, Sale, and 109 Ascot Avenue, Sale.

#### NOTE 6 - ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	437,128	-	131,420	568,548
Current assets	134,724	6,573	-	141,297
Fund balance	£571,852	£6,573	£131,420	£709,845

#### NOTE 7- DEBTORS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Debtors	6,725	8,017

#### NOTE 8- LIABILITIES: AMOUNT FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020	2019
	£	£
Accruals	140	346
Accrued Income	-	1,460
Accrued Agency	1,419	1,537
	1,559	3,343

## NOTE 9 - FUND DETAILS

The Endowment Fund comprises the following permanent endowments:

	2020	2019
	£	£
St Mary's Endowment Fund	131,420	123,849
Fielder Memorial Trust	-	7,230
	<u>£131,420</u>	<u>£131,079</u>

The Ashton-on-Mersey St Mary Endowment Fund allows income arising to be used for stipend payment for the incumbent of the parish. The income from this fund is now paid to the Diocese of Chester, since they are responsible for all stipend payments.

The Fielder Memorial Trust dated from 1883 and allowed income arising to be spent on the upkeep of the Fielder Memorial Window (church east window) and other ornaments to the church. The value of this trust has declined over the years as funds have been used, and it was closed during 2020. Under Charity Commission rules for small trusts the permanent endowment was released to be spent on other purposes. We are currently seeking permission from the Charity Commission to change the objects of this trust. The proceeds of £6,573 were paid into a restricted fund, see note 11 below.

## NOTE 10 - UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Balance brought forward at 1 January	557,576	521,524
Surplus in year	14,276	25,930
Transfer from restricted	-	10,122
Balance carried forward at 31 December	<u>£571,852</u>	<u>£557,576</u>

## NOTE 11 - RESTRICTED FUNDS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Balance brought forward at 1 January	-	11,149
Income in year	6,573	-
Resources used in year	-	-1,027
Transfer to unrestricted	-	-10,122
Balance carried forward at 31 December	<u>£6,573</u>	-

The restricted fund in 2019 related to the Church Re-ordering Appeal and it was closed in 2019. The restricted fund in 2020 holds the income from the closure of the Fielder Memorial Trust.

## NOTE 12 - LINKED CHARITY

The PCC is the trustee of an unregistered charity called the All Saints Church of England School, known as the Glebelands Trust. The charity owns a piece of land and property on Glebelands Road Sale which is rented out. Net income is applied at the discretion of the PCC. Total reserves as at 31 December 2020 were £127,301.

# CONTACT US

If you would like to find out more about all we do at St Mary's and Sale West Community Church, or would like to speak to a member of staff, please use the contact details below:

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