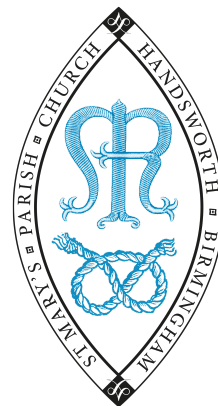


# The Parish of Handsworth

The Church of St Mary

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## THE PARISH OF HANDSWORTH (ST. MARY)

St, Mary's Parish Church  
Registered Charity Number. 1171344

St. Mary's Church Hall  
Registered Charity Number: L4/603/840

## ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019

Rector:  
The Revd Dr Robert Stephen  
Handsworth Rectory  
288 Hamstead Road  
Birmingham

Bankers:  
TSB plc  
Birmingham

Independent Examiner:  
Mr Laurence Parkes

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## ***Preamble***

St. Mary's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Dr Robert Stephen, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church of St. Mary's, Handsworth.

## ***Objects and Activities***

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our church and to become part of our parish community at St Mary's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament. In particular, we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our Church through:

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

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of St. Mary's.

## ***Worship and Prayer***

The pattern of services has continued with a Holy Communion at 8.00am every Sunday using the Book of Common Prayer (1662); The Parish Eucharist is at 11.00am every Sunday; and Evensong is at 5.00pm, usually on the third Sunday of the month. All of these services have viable numbers attending,

All are welcome to attend our regular services and we are glad that our worshipping community is so very diverse in age, ethnic origin, employment and family situations. Given the demographic of the area, where only 22% would identify as Christians and these are not all Anglicans, we can be confident in a steady growth. There were 66 parishioners on the Electoral Roll at the beginning of 2019. The Roll was completely revised in March 2019 and now represents 71 regular worshipers, 23 of whom live beyond the Parish.

During 2019 we have had the challenge of adapting to using the Church Hall from worship when the Church building closed for worship following the Candlemass Service. This was a very positive experience for us all. Attendances were generally slightly better than they had been in an unheated Church and the experience of having a smaller space into which we had to fit ourselves meant that we got to know each other better. We were able, with slight adaptation, to engage in the whole range of Holy Week and Easter Services and, whilst we didn't undertake any marriages or funerals, we did have baptisms.

We returned to the Church on the 25<sup>th</sup> August and on that date the Lord Bishop of Birmingham, the Rt Revd David Urquhart, led the commemorations for the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of James Watt and the preacher for that service was the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, the Rt Revd Colin Sinclair.

The work hadn't been completed and so we coexisted in Church with the builders but were able to have a Christmas Tree Festival with splendid musicians providing entertainment as people visited. It may be the renewed building, but the attendance at Carols in the Park (held indoors with the Birmingham Salvation Army Band because of the inclement weather), Nine Lessons and Carols and the Midnight Mass for Christmas were significantly better attended than in recent years.

I have been glad to have had the support of my 4 licensed Readers who have assisted as Liturgical Deacons at the Parish Eucharist, have officiated at other services, have preached and have supported me in the pastoral care of the congregation. I also express my thanks to my Churchwardens, Doreen and Keith Hemmings, for their constant and consistent support, advice and encouragement and their unstinting generosity with their time and talents.

## ***Deanery Synod***

4 members of the PCC sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. During this year the new Handsworth & Central Deanery has been formed, of which we are part.

## ***Pastoral Care***

Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. The Rector or one of the Readers have visited all church members who have requested it, to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital. There is a very good and effective support network in the fellowship and this is a source of encouragement to many.

## ***Financial Review***

The details of the Parish and Church finances follow in this report. We have spent a very large amount of money during this year to make the reordering and the new heating system possible. We have also been glad to receive a number of grants towards these works from various bodies. We have also been very glad of the List Places of Worship Grant Scheme that has refunded most of the VAT for the project to us.

## ***Volunteers***

We are a Church together and there is always a willing group of supporters for the many and various activities from cleaning to cooking and supporting special ventures (e.g. the annual beer festival): there are too many to mention by name. However, I would be remiss if I did not thank Edna Simkin, our Treasurer; Eddie Lear, who manages our investments and the Hall accounts; Laurence Parkes, our new independent examiner (we pay particular tribute to Roger Tipper who had undertaken this work but who, as a result of major health issues, died. It was particularly good that he was with us for the Watt Bicentenary service.); to Betty Lear our PCC Secretary who has resigned after over 25 years in post and to Margaret Thomas who has been appointed to the post by the PCC; and to Christopher Hazeley-Jones for managing the Hall bookings together with Ron Hollins who has taken on additional care taking duties.

## ***Structure, Governance and Management***

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. Mary's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our Rector), churchwarden(s), the readers and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members will receive initial training into the workings of the PCC. Given its wide responsibilities the PCC has a number of committees each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life.

The standing committee of the PCC is the Finance and General Purposes Committee and it is responsible to the PCC and reports back to it regularly with regular reports given to the full PCC and discussed as necessary. Other committees deal with safeguarding, pastoral matters and social activities. The PCC are responsible to the Diocese to act as Trustees for the Church Hall.

## ***Administrative information***

St. Mary's Church is situated on Hamstead Road, Handsworth, Birmingham. It is part of the Diocese of Birmingham within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, 288 Hamstead Road, Handsworth, B20 2RB. The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and is an independent charity registered with the Charity Commissioners.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1st April 2018 until the date this report was approved are:

### **Ex Officio members:**

- ✠ Incumbent: The Reverend Dr Robert Stephen (Chairman)
- ✠ Readers: Mrs Ruth Cooper; Mrs Eureka Drayton; Dr Stephanie Hayton; Mrs Penny Stephen
- ✠ Wardens: Mrs Doreen Hemmings; Mr Keith Hemmings (Vice Chairman)
- ✠ Miss E J Simkin (Parish Treasurer)
- ✠ Mrs M Thomas, (PCC Secretary)
- ✠ Mr V F Daniel (Deputy Warden)
- ✠ Mr C Hazeley-Jones (Deputy Warden)
- ✠ Mr Ray Mahay (Deputy Warden)
- ✠ Mr Thaddeus Ede (Deputy Warden)
- ✠ Mr G Walters (Deputy Warden)

### **Elected**

- |                                             |                      |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| ✠ Mrs L Colwill                             | (elected until 2020) |
| ✠ Mrs Diana Duggan                          | (elected until 2021) |
| ✠ Mr D Holmes                               | (elected until 2021) |
| ✠ Mrs B Lear                                | (elected until 2021) |
| ✠ Mrs Camelia Paton-Devine                  | (elected until 2020) |
| ✠ Mr Richard Paton-Devine                   | (elected until 2020) |
| ✠ Mrs E V Lubin                             | (elected until 2020) |
| ✠ Mrs E Moore                               | (elected until 2020) |
| ✠ Miss R.J. Seadon (Electoral Roll Officer) | (elected until 2021) |
| ✠ Mrs S Taylor                              | (elected until 2020) |

### **Co-Opted**

- ✠ Mr E Lear OBE – Hall & Investment Treasurer

Approved by the PCC on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Dr Robert Stephen (PCC chairman)

There has been a great deal of work completed at St Mary's during this year. After years of planning and then securing the Faculty for the work, the congregation moved out in February and the builders moved in in March. Our thanks to Andrew Slater of Acanthus Clews, our architect, and to the team supporting him. Also, to Stone Edge the main contractor who worked so very well with the Church during the project but who, regrettably, went into administration at the end of the year. Also to Josh Saunders of Bates & Lambourne for the magnificent woodwork in the Church.

In brief, we have:

- i) Installed a new heating system. This has meant that we have had to rebuild the organ blower room to allow for the air-exchange units to be housed. The plant room now has a very sophisticated two boiler system. The Church is to be kept at a constant 13 degrees at all times using the air-exchange units to generate heat that is distributed around the under-floor heating and then, using the boilers and the fan distribution system to boost the temperature to 20 degrees when the Church is occupied.
- ii) We have laid a new floor that is clay tiled as an homage to the historian tiles that are preserved for posterity under the new floor that is designed to accommodate the underfloor heating. The joins to the pillars have been facilitated using custom made metal grills.
- iii) We have created a Nave Altar Platform and moved the pulpit so that the liturgical space can be better seen. The Baptistry and Nave Altar Platform has been finished in stone to mark the hierarchy of space.
- iv) The vestry has been returned to its 15<sup>th</sup> century location under the tower and (with a separate Faculty having been granted) the Canning Screen from the North Transept has been moved to create a clear walkway through from the Nave to the new toilets, floristry and ancillary facilities, thereby exposing the stained glass window in the North Transept to be viewed from the Nave.
- v) The accessible toilet has been totally refurbished, a floristry area created, three new toilets have been formed in the old vestry and a new office space created above them. All of the toilets have hot and cold running water to the sinks and air-blade hand driers.
- vi) A Refectory area has been created in the North Aisle with a bespoke island unit that includes a sink, a tap that gives boiling water, a dishwasher, a fridge and storage cupboards. The only outstanding part of the work is the installation of the glass screens that will enclose this area.
- vii) All the electrics, with the exception of the lighting in the Church, have been renewed.
- viii) Bespoke pews have been made for the Nave and cupboards in the same wood as the West End for storage units and Refectory island.
- ix) The Wyrly Chapel has been refurbished. The floor has been levelled and new seating used. This space has become much more fitting and useable.
- x) The pipe organ has been packed up and is stored in the organ case and the organ console and choir organ sound board has been removed (making the Wyrly Chapel more useable). A new digital organ has been purchased with a more moveable console on the Nave Altar Platform and the speaker array within the organ case.
- xi) The external paths have been reworked to allow for level access to the Church, with a ramp at the South Door and up to the Wyrly Chapel so that the building can be used more fully by those with mobility issues.

The regular programme of maintenance has been continued, especially with the clearing of the roof areas and the gutters and drains.

Our thanks to all those members of the congregation and community who have supported the various cleaning days: the transformation from building site to place of worship at the end of August was spectacular and the ongoing cleaning as the dust has settled has been very much appreciated.

The Finance & General Purposes Committee (as the only Standing Committee of the PCC) continues to carry most of the workload behind the scenes on behalf of the PCC. Currently serving on this committee are:

The Revd Dr Robert Stephen	(Incumbent & Chair);
Christopher Hazeley-Jones	(Hall Letting Officer);
Doreen Hemmings	(Churchwarden);
Keith Hemmings	(Churchwarden);
David Holmes	(PCC Appointment);
Eddie Lear	(Hall & Investment Treasurer);
Rosemarie Seadon	(Gift Aid & Electoral Roll)
Edna Simkin	(Parish Treasurer)
Shane Taylor	(Social & Fund-raising Committee)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE P.C.C. OF ST. MARY, HANDSWORTH**

This report on the financial statements of the Parochial Church Council ("PCC") and St. Mary's Church Hall Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019, which are set out on pages 9 to 16, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act").

**Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the Examiner**

The PCC is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The PCC considers that an audit is not required for this year under S.144 of the Charities Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under S.145 of the Charities Act
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under S.145 (5)(b) ) of the Charities Act and to be found in the Church Guidance, 2006 edition, and
- To state whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission and Church Guidance. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the PCC officers concerning 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 statement 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 S.130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the requirements of the Charities Act and Regulations

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.

Laurence E Parkes FCA  
Chartered Accountant

5 Crondal Place  
Birmingham

4<sup>th</sup> May 2020



HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST. MARY)					
PARISH BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2019					
PARISH FUNDS		Note			2018
Endowment:	Capital Funds		319,617		434,783
	Accumulated income		3,499		21,657
				323,116	456,440
Restricted:	St. Mary's Fabric Fund		36,035		90,461
	Church Hall Capital		3,229		10,742
				39,264	101,203
Designated:	Parish Reserve		-		376,563
	Special Projects Fund		(57,853)		224,293
	St. Mary's Churchyard		-		1,361
				(57,853)	602,217
Unrestricted:	General Fund		78,681		66,537
	Church Hall		21,167		18,296
				99,848	84,833
Total Funds Held				404,375	1,244,693
Reprresented by:					
Assets held by Birmingham Diocesan Trustees:					
Portfolio managed by Barclays Wealth			199,145		176,259
CBF Investment Units			80,522		86,004
CBF Property Fund			-		102,079
				279,667	364,342
CBF Investment Units			-		85,739
Portfolio managed by Cannacord			-		376,563
Charities Aid Foundation			-		24,118
Black Rock Charishare			-		28,573
M & G Charifund			66,195		56,762
Cash Deposits: CBF Deposit Fund Balances			13,290		275,759
				79,485	847,514
				359,152	1,211,856
Current Assets:					
	Amounts owing to the Parish		1,191		266
	TSB Bank		44,979		33,453
			46,170		33,719
Current Liabilities:					
	Amounts owing by the Parish		948		882
Net Current Assets					
				45,222	32,837
				404,375	1,244,693

HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST. MARY)				
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2019				
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT (CONSOLIDATED)				
	Unrestricted	Restricted &		
	& Designated	Endowment	Total	
	Funds	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	
RECEIPTS				
Voluntary receipts	57,806	263	58,069	
			0	
Activities for generating funds	14,835	-	14,835	
			0	
Investment income	20,957	10,397	31,354	
			0	
Other incoming resources	136,925	-	136,925	
			0	
	230,523	10,660	241,183	
PAYMENTS				
Church Activities	1,171,224	568	1,171,792	
(Deficit) / Surplus for the year	(940,701)	10,092	(930,609)	
Change in value of investments	31,065	59,227	90,292	
Transfers	264,581	(264,581)	-	
Balances at 1st January 2019	687,050	557,642	1,244,692	
Balances at 31st December 2019	41,995	362,380	404,375	
PREVIOUS YEAR				
	Unrestricted	Restricted &		
	& Designated	Endowment	Total	
	Funds	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	
RECEIPTS				
Voluntary receipts	48,424	280	48,704	
			-	
Activities for generating funds	20,652	-	20,652	
Investment income	23,808	11,751	35,559	
			-	
Other incoming resources	33,724	-	33,724	
	126,608	12,031	138,639	
PAYMENTS				
Church Activities	151,750	563	152,313	
(Deficit) / Surplus for the year	(25,142)	11,468	(13,674)	
Change in value of investments	(34,894)	(39,472)	(74,366)	
Balances at 1st January 2018	747,086	585,646	1,332,732	
Balances at 31st December 2018	687,050	0	557,642	0
			1,244,692	

HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST. MARY)													
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2019													
PARISH ACCOUNTS (ENDOWMENTS)													
	Timms	Vaughton	Arrand	Arrand	Assistance	Assistance	James	James	Coffee	Coffee	C Hall	Small Trust	Total
	Bequest	Bequest	Legacy	Legacy	Clergy	Clergy	Watt	Watt	House	House	Residue	Capital	
	Capital	Capital	Capital	Income	Capital	Income	Capital	Income	Capital	Income	Capital	602054004S	
RECEIPTS													
Investment income:													
CBF interest				59							1,566	0	1,625
	0	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,566	0	1,625
PAYMENTS													
Investment management fees	568			0									568
	568	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	568
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(568)	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,566	0	1,057
Change in value of unvestments	23,454	10,190	9,433	0	8,264	0	1,207	0	1,277	351	6,576	172	60,924
Transfers	0	(106,45	0	(8,500	0	(5,575)	0	0	(11,26	(4,492	(56,000	(1,735)	(194,02
Transfers											(1,285)		(1,285)
	22,886	(96,266	9,433	(8,441	8,264	(5,575)	1,207	0	(9,983	(4,141	(49,144	(1,563)	(133,32
Balances brought forward	176,25	96,266	63,724	8,454	28,573	5,575	6,444	3,486	9,983	4,141	51,972	1,563	456,439
Balances carried forward	199,14	0	73,157	13	36,837	0	7,650	3,486	0	0	2,828	0	323,117
PARISH ACCOUNTS (ENDOWMENTS)													
PREVIOUS YEAR													
	Timms	Vaughton	Arrand	Arrand	Assistance	Assistance	James	James	Coffee	Coffee	C Hall	Small Trust	Total
	Bequest	Bequest	Legacy	Legacy	Clergy	Clergy	Watt	Watt	House	House	Residue	Capital	
	Capital	Capital	Capital	Income	Capital	Income	Capital	Income	Capital	Income	Capital	02054004S	
RECEIPTS													
Investment income:													
Trust income						1,047		217		62			1,326
Dividend income				3,148									3,148
CBF interest				18									18
	0	0	0	3,166	0	1,047	0	217	0	62	0	0	4,492
PAYMENTS													
Investment management fees	563			0									563
	563	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	563
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(563)	0	0	3,166	0	1,047	0	217	0	62	0	0	3,929
Change in value of unvestments	(13,658	(8,067)	(8,715	0	(2,924)		(98)		150			(3,523)	(36,835
	(14,221	(8,067)	(8,715	3,166	(2,924)	1,047	(98)	217	150	62	0	(3,523)	(32,906
Balances brought forward	190,48	104,333	72,431	5,288	31,497	4,529	6,541	3,268	9,833	4,079	51,972	5,086	489,349
Balances carried forward	176,25	96,266	63,724	8,454	28,573	5,576	6,443	3,485	9,983	4,141	51,972	1,563	456,439

<b>HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST. MARY)</b>					
<b>YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2019</b>					
PARISH ACCOUNTS ((RESTRICTED))					
		St Mary's	St Mary's	Parish	
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Special Projects</u>	<u>Churchyard</u>	<u>Reserve</u>	<u>Total</u>
RECEIPTS					
Investment income:					
Income CBF		4,371			4,371
Other Incoming Resources:					
Insurance claims		130			130
Legacies		-		-	-
Donations and grants		131,661			131,661
				0	
		131,791			131,791
Total Receipts		136,161.59	-	-	136,162
PAYMENTS					
Church activities:					
Accanthus Clews Architects		43,721			43,721
EEP Heating		32,250			32,250
Allen Organ		109,403			109,403
Stone Edge		972,364			972,364
Bates & Lambourne - Pews		106,301			106,301
Asbestos Survey		1,074			1,074
Site Clearance (Veolia & container)		10,560			10,560
Consulting Engineers		2,622			2,622
Pulpit		-			-
Flagpole		-			-
Legal fees		-			-
Major work on Tower		-			-
Other expenditure		7,540			7,540
Value Added Tax recovered		(190,558)			(190,558)
					0
Total Payments		1,095,278	-	-	1,095,278
Surplus (Deficit) for the year		(959,116)	0	0	0
Change in valuation of investments		-	-	25,028	25,028
Transfers from other Reserves		268,341		0	268,341
Transfers from other Reserves		402,952	(1,361)	(401,591)	-
Balances brought forward		224,293	1,361	376,563	602,217
Balances carried forward		(63,530)	-	-	(63,530)

<b>HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST. MARY)</b>					
<b>YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2019</b>					
PARISH ACCOUNTS (DESIGNATED)					
		St Mary's	St Mary's	Parish	
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Special Projects</u>	<u>Churchyard</u>	<u>Reserve</u>	<u>Total</u>
RECEIPTS					
Investment income:					
Income CBF		1,827			1,827
Other Incoming Resources:					
Insurance claims		130			130
Legacies		-		-	-
Donations and grants		136,621			136,621
				0	
		136,751			136,751
Total Receipts		138,578	-	-	138,578
PAYMENTS					
Church activities:					
Accanthus Clews Architects		43,721			43,721
EEP Heating		32,250			32,250
Allen Organ		109,403			109,403
Stone Edge		972,364			972,364
Bates & Lambourne - Pews		106,301			106,301
Asbestos Survey		1,074			1,074
Site Clearance		10,560			10,560
Pulpit		-			-
Flagpole		-			-
Legal fees		-			-
Major work on Tower		-			-
Other expenditure		10,163			10,163
Value Added Tax recovered		(191,542)			(191,542)
					0
Total Payments		1,094,294	-	-	1,094,294
Surplus (Deficit) for the year		(955,716)	0	-	-
Change in valuation of investments		2,277	3,760	25,028	31,065
Transfers from other Reserves		322,434	-	-	322,434
Transfers from other Reserves		406,712	(5,121)	(401,591)	-
Balances brought forward		224,293	1,361	376,563	602,217
Balances carried forward		-	-	-	-

	St Mary's Church		
	Year Ended 31 December 2019		
	<b>Re-Ordering Expenditure</b>		
	Michael Barrie	566.20	
	Accanthus Clews	43,721.48	
	Andrew Bird	3,288.00	
	Andy Bourne	500.00	
	Asbestos Survey	1,074.00	
	Bates & Lambourne	106,300.80	
	Broughton Piano	276.00	
	Organ	99,795.00	
	Veolia	7,500.00	
	Stone Edge	972,363.88	
	Spencer	1,740.00	
	Pro-Fit	1,080.00	
	Just Giving	90.00	
	Hockley & Dawson	2,622.36	
	Eb7	480.00	
	EEP	31,770.45	
	F11 Organ	9,607.50	
	F14 Container	3,060.00	
	VAT	(191,541.96)	
		1,094,293.71	

HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST. MARY)							
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2019							
PARISH ACCOUNTS (UNRESTRICTED FUNDS)							
		Notes	St . Mary's	Church Hall	Total		[2018]
RECEIPTS			£	£	£		£
Regular Giving:							
	Gift Aided Receipts		24,581		24,581		29,337
	Other Pledged Giving		7,283		7,283		3,975
	Income Tax recovered		9,633		9,633		9,072
	Open		4,909		4,909		4,271
			46,407		46,407		46,655
Other voluntary receipts:							
	Special Collections		1,493		1,493		875
	Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals		2,825		2,825		81
	Donations		7,081		7,081		813
			11,399		11,399		1,769
Receipts from activities for generating funds:							
	Lettings		-	11,585	11,585		15,457
	Fundraising		3,250		3,250		5,195
			3,250	11,585	14,835		20,652
Receipts from investments:							
	Trust income		15,607	-	15,607		9,268
	Church Hall Residue income		-	-	-		4,506
	Parish Reserve investments		3,344	-	3,344		4,413
	Substation rent		-	75	75		75
	Interest CBF		-	8	8		37
	Interest TSB		-	95	95		0
			18,951	179	19,130		18,299
Other incoming resources:							
	Donations - settlement		-	-	-		10,000
	Sundry receipts		174	-	174		552
			174	-	174		10,552
Total Receipts			80,180	0	11,764	0	91,945
Total Payments			68,037	0	8,893	0	76,930
Surplus (Deficit) for the year			12,144	0	2,871	0	15,015
Transfer to Special Project Fund			(57,853)	-	(57,853)		-
Balances brought forward			66,537	18,296	84,833		79,713
Balances carried forward			20,828	0	21,167	0	41,995

HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST. MARY)						
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2019						
PARISH ACCOUNTS (UNRESTRICTED FUNDS)						
		Notes	St . Mary's	Church Hall	Total	[2018]
PAYMENTS			£	£	£	£
Common Fund			30,000		30,000	28,140
Church Service:						
	Service expenses		3,521		3,521	738
	Ecclesiastical requisites (donated)		5,724		5,724	2,344
	Organist		4,686		4,686	3,240
	Organ maintenance & repair		282		282	294
			14,213		14,213	6,616
Church Maintenance:						
	Electricity		5,266		5,266	3,569
	Gas		1,095		1,095	1,369
	Insurance		7,828		7,828	9,300
	Sundry repairs & maintenance		1,914		1,914	8,229
	Cleaning		90		90	882
	Other expenses - Welcome		120		120	120
			16,314		16,314	23,469
Clergy Housing:						
	Water rates and insurance		373		373	361
	Utilities		605		605	625
	Sundry repairs & maintenance		-		-	312
			978		978	1,298
Clergy Expenses:						
	Telephone		214		214	214
	Motor and travelling expenses		780		780	661
			994		994	875
Church Hall Maintenance:						
	Cleaning			826	826	384
	Water charges			114	114	400
	Electricity			545	545	645
	Gas			1,370	1,370	1,202
	Repairs and maintenance			2,486	2,486	1,247
	Refurbishment			1,758	1,758	19,116
	Insurance			1,171	1,171	1,512
	Other expenses			623	623	1,826
				8,893	8,893	26,332
Other:						
	Charitable donations		-			875
	Printing, stationery & postage		3,044		3,044	2,344
	Sundry expenses		2,494		2,494	2,858
			5,538		5,538	6,077
	Total Payments		68,037	8,893	76,930	92,807
					St. Mary's	66,475
					Church Hall	26,332
						92,807



**HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST MARY)**  
**ST.MARY'S MOTHERS' UNION**  
**YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

**Officers:**

<b>Branch Leader:</b>	Eureka Drayton
<b>Secretary:</b>	Penny Stephen
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Edna Simkin
<b>Chaplain:</b>	The Revd Dr Robert Stephen, Rector

**Secretary's Report:**

The St Mary's Mothers Union has had a very successful year with a mix of speakers from the MU Head Office and Charitable Organisations. We have also had many self-led sessions, such as a quiz, a poetry evening, a cream tea and some very sociable craft sessions. Our membership has remained stable at around 12, with visitors being welcomed to many of the events held.

We continue to knit hats and sew garments for premature babies and have also supported a MU appeal for toiletries for the homeless or less well off in Birmingham. We also provided a Christmas tree for the St Mary's Tree Festival.

We look forward to restarting our meetings after the Covid-19 pandemic with another full programme for this year.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Receipts:	Diocesan Subs @ £23 per member	£253.00
	Branch Subs	£209.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£462.00</b>

Payments:	Diocesan Subs @ £23 per member	£253.00
	Branch Running Costs	£19.00
	Donations	£65.39
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£337.39</b>

<b>Balance</b>	at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2019	<b>£137.80</b>
	at 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	<b>£262.41</b>

Prepared by Edna Simkin (Treasurer)

Approved by E O Drayton (Branch Leader)

Independently Examined by Rosemarie J Seadon

**HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST MARY)  
ST.MARY'S BELLRINGERS  
YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

**BELL TOWER FUND**

Receipts:	Visitors	£48.00
	Birmingham School of Bell ringing	<u>£280.00</u>
		<b>£328.00</b>
Payments:	Clock	£8.00
	9 mats	£26.91
	Carpet	£307.20
	Christmas Tree Festival	<u>£10.00</u>
		<b>£352.11</b>
Balance in hand at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2019		£1843.31
Balance in hand at 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019		£1819.20
Cash in hand		£32.59
TSB Bank		<u>£1786.61</u>
		<b>£1819.20</b>

**OFFICERS**    Rosemarie Seadon  
                  David Holmes

**AIMS**

To ring the Church bells prior to services to 'call people to worship'. We aim to ring every Sunday from 10.40 – 11am.

To ring for weddings when requested.

To teach new recruits to ring to ensure continuity of the band. New members are always welcome.

To ring commemorative quarter peals or peals to mark special events.

To maintain the ring of bells in good working order. To this end we have a bell tower fund in which we collect fees for weddings and from visitors who make a donation when they ring quarter peals, peals or visit on an outing. This money can then be used for repairs, e.g. new ropes and stays.

**ANNUAL REPORT**

We continued to ring for the 11am service on Sundays, and occasionally welcomed visitors. We also rang on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

During the year members of St Martins Guild redecorated our ringing room, replacing the polystyrene ceiling tiles with plasterboard, painting the ceiling and walls and fitting a new carpet. New ropes are on order hopefully arriving by summer 2020 when we hope to hold another open evening.

The bells continued to be used regularly on a Saturday morning by the Birmingham School of Bell ringing for stage 2 of their teaching programme.

We would welcome more people who would like to learn to ring; we are still aiming to have all eight bells rung on a Sunday. Practice night is Wednesday 8 – 9pm, (in addition the School of Bell Ringing run a beginner's course at St. Pauls on a Saturday morning) please ask Rosemarie for details.

**HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST MARY)  
ST.MARY'S MUM'S & TODDLERS  
YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 2019**

Opening Balance from 2017, Lloyds TSB, Great Hampton Street Branch, £1921.07

Closing Balance at the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018, £1297.92

Term	Date	Outgoings	Income	Balance
1	January - February	£90.44 <sup>1</sup>		£1830.63
2	February - March		£59.09	£1889.72
3	March - May		£53.87	£1943.59
4	June - July		£31.74	£1975.33
5	July - August		£55.33	£2030.66
6	September - October	£750.00 <sup>2</sup>		£1280.66
	October - November		£92.26	£1362.92
	November - December	£65.00 <sup>3</sup>		£1297.92
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£905.44</b>	<b>£282.26</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Insurance (Morton Michel)

<sup>2</sup> St Mary's Church (Wyrly Chapel Carpet)

<sup>3</sup> Christmas Tree Festival Advert

RW Hollins, *Treasurer*

Mrs D Hemmings, *Volunteer Leader*

**AIMS**

To promote a safe and friendly church-based playgroup for pre-school children; a place, not only for mothers and carers to meet, but also a place where their children will have the opportunity to learn, to share in activities and to respect the beliefs and cultures of others and so enrich their lives within the rich diversity of our local community.

**REPORT**

We are into our second year since the refurbishment of the Church Hall and attendance has been moderate; that is partially due to the Government Scheme that provides free nursery care for toddlers who are 3 -4 years old. This has meant that we have become more of a nursery group. Nevertheless, the aim of our group is still the same in that it introduces them to our Church and also brings a new found friendship to visiting mothers and provides a safe and playful time for their little ones.