PARISH OF GLAN ITHON

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Registered Charity No: 1176319

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VICAR'S FOREWORD

This Annual Report speaks to what we have done, who we are and where we are going as a parish. These aspects are vital for our growth, and in these pages, you will find a review of what we have already achieved, and about our commitment to our future ministry as a parish and as part of the Ministry Area of West Radnor.

The Covid-19 pandemic has been with us for another year and like the last, has had a significant impact on any plans that had been made. However, we continued to embrace the many challenges that arose, with some churches being open and others closed for worship! The services that have taken place have been heavily restricted in various ways, with no singing, the wearing of masks and limited numbers who had to book their place!

Communicating our message through means already learned, such as the internet, recorded reflections and services was not so prevalent, due to our being back in the church buildings. We did attempt to stream services from Holy Trinity, but our technology was not quite up to the mark, an issue to be sorted for the future!

However, what we have learnt, we must endeavour to use as we move forward, as it is affords us the opportunity to reach more people and helps us get over the aspect of distance in our Ministry Area. This situation has caught everyone unawares, but we must learn from it, plan for the future as best we can, by asking hard and relevant questions about how we move forward as a parish and Ministry Area.

Whilst it is I who write this introduction, I am very aware of the many people who contribute so much to the everyday mission and ministry of our parish. To all of you I extend a heartfelt thank you for all you do, because I, the parish and churches could not function without you. I commend this report to you for your consideration.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parish is part of the Church in Wales in the Area Deanery of Radnor and Builth in the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon. The Parish is situated in the communities of Llandrindod Wells, Howey, Diserth, Llanyre and Llanfihangel Helygen. The Churches which make up the Parish are:

Holy Trinity, Llandrindod Wells

Old Parish Church, Llandrindod Wells

St Michael, Cefnllys St David, Howey

St Cewydd, Diserth

St Llyr, Llanyre

St Michael, Llanfihangel Helygen

The Parish is registered with the Charity Commission. Registration Number: 1176319

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

The members who served from 1 January 2021 until the date of this report were:

Ex Officio:

Incumbent (Rector): Revd Andrew Perrin (Chairman)

Assistant Curate: Revd Peter Letson
NSM Curate Revd Bronwyn Curnow

Vicar's Warden:Jeanne HughesPeople's Warden:Jenny DaviesWarden Emeritus:Roy Palmer

Elected:

Stephen Ashley Tim Mann

Robert Atkins Phyllis May (resigned 19 December, 2021)
Joyce Bibb Phyllis Mills (resigned 28 February 2022)

Pamela Davies Beverley Nethercoat
Barbara Fraser- Duthie Pamela Nethercoat
Granville Gelder Martin Nosworthy
Robin Gibson-Watt Dawn Rowlands

Pamela Lewis (resigned 13 April 2021) Richard Webb (resigned 31 December. 2021)

Christopher Kendrick (appointed 13 April 2021) John Wilson

Margaret Mason (resigned 10 April 2021)

ADVISERS

Independent Examiner: Peter Lane, Rhayader

Architect:

Bankers: Lloyds, Barclays, HSBC, CAF Bank, Shawbrook Bank, CCLA,

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Church in Wales is governed by its Constitution, set up under section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body. The PCC is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedures and powers are regulated by the Constitution, which provides that before assuming office, every member must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Constitution provides that the members of the PCC shall be: The Incumbent, Vicars and Assistant Curates; two Church Wardens, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM); two Subwardens for each Church where there is more than one Church in the Parish, one appointed by the Incumbent and one elected at the AVM; up to 25 lay members elected at the AVM; co-opted Secretary and Treasurer (if not already exofficio or elected); and up to 7 further co-opted members. Lay, communicant persons over the age of 16 may be entered on the Electoral Roll (subject to certain conditions) and all such persons, so entered, are entitled to vote and to stand for election.

OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

As required by the Charities Act 2011, the PCC has given due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission in respect of the operation of the public benefit requirement. The activities undertaken to fulfil the PCC's purposes for the public benefit are described and detailed hereunder. The Church in Wales is a Province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission. It is the responsibility of the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Parish for the promotion of the mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Parish. The PCC is responsible, inter-alia, for the parochial budget and all expenditure thereunder, the care and maintenance of Church fabric and of the churchyards, and for any action or other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution, and is the normal channel between parishioners and the Diocesan Bishop.

The PCC provides a benefit to the public by:

- The provision of regular public worship.
- The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation.
- Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved.
- Teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups.
- Taking of Assemblies in local schools.
- Promotion of Christianity through staging of events and services, and the distribution of literature.
- Promoting the whole mission of the Church in Wales in aiding community cohesion through provision of activities for older people, mothers and toddlers and other specific groups.
- Utilisation of church property for community use.

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

	This year	Last year
Members on Electoral role at 30 April 2021	142	142
Easter attendance	75	0
Christmas attendance	80	0
Average weekly attendance	45	0

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Our Vision, Aims and Goals

We seek to increase our knowledge and sharing of Christ, doing all in His name for His glory. Within our Parish we aim to offer:

- welcome.
- worship,
- prayer,
- fellowship,
- listening,
- care, and
- teaching.

Parish Review

Worship continues to be very different due to the on-going Covid situation, although it is getting back to somewhere near pre covid! The use of the internet, through such avenues as Zoom and YouTube has in many ways stopped. From Easter some of the churches started to open, which brought yet another challenge to how we conducted worship, who would have believed we would ever have to book to come to church!

The experience of worshiping in these different ways over the year, has made many of us look at worship in a different light, challenging our perception of how worship should be conducted.

Fellowship is a vital part of our parish and church life and is encouraged greatly, but again due to the virus situation it has been very different. Much of the fellowship came through the medium of the internet, the telephone, and when we were back in church, socially distanced, it has not been easy, but I know a tremendous effort has been made by all to stay in touch and my thanks to you all for the part you have played.

Assets throughout the parish have been mainly locked as per the guidance of the CinW during the pandemic, so very little has been done. The churches, whilst some need work, remain in relatively sound condition considering they have been out of action for a considerable amount of time.

Mission has been difficult, again due to the pandemic and its restrictions on movement, but where opportunity has presented itself we have taken the opportunity to engage with people.

Ministry continues to advance through the encouragement of people to take on roles within their churches, and the provision of training and development for all is available.

Future Planning

Worship and its future will be regularly looked at to assess our needs in this area, a large factor in future worship will be the development of the Ministry Area of West Radnor, of which we are a part. Our involvement in the Ministry Area, will afford us the opportunity to share our resources, experiences and gifts, as well as receive the same from the other parishes in the MA. Although it has stalled at present, it is felt the continuation of online worship opportunities, should be explored, this will be looked at as we go forward.

Fellowship, whilst hampered because of government restrictions, continues to be a vital part of our future, and it is hoped that we can develop opportunities to experience and share our Christian faith and all that that means. It is anticipated that this can be propagated within church, and across the parish and MA, growing and sustaining our churches must come from us working together in support of each other. We must also embrace this aspect through the use of the internet.

Assets, our churches and halls within the parish are very much opportunities, this may be a difficult notion for people to understand having worshipped in a building that has not changed much for a century or more! However, we must look at all our assets, to make sure we are making the most of them for our mission and ministry! Some may not change at all, but others will be more suited to new opportunities and over the coming year we will be looking at how we can realise any opportunities that become apparent.

Mission will continue to be looked at, to see if there is more we can do to reach out to the community around us. We will endeavour to enhance what we do, but will also look for new ways that can bring the love of God to our neighbour.

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Church Initiatives

The parish has continued during these times, to maintain its contribution to help and support many in our community and further afield in such areas as:

The Food Bank, by collecting food and financially supporting.

Africa Greater Life Mission UK (Bulabakula)

The Parish has continued to support Africa Greater Life Mission, UK (AGLMUK) over the past year. The charity works with a charity Africa Greater Life Mission (AGLM) in Uganda to relieve financial hardship, sickness and distress, and to advance the education of children and young people in Uganda. Although there have been major changes in the Uganda charity recently, AGLMUK still currently supports around a hundred children and young people, raising money for school fees, school requirements (such as books, toilet rolls, stationery, mosquito nets), apprenticeship fees, university fees, small business set-up costs and other essentials.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the yearend are shown in the statement of accounts which accompany this report.

- As with many charities the Covid-19 Pandemic has continued to have an effect on the finances of the Parish of Glan Ithon, and in this second year of restrictions total receipts reduced by £38,459 and payments increased by £20,580. The financial outcome for the year showed a deficit of £12,468 (unrestricted funds showing a surplus of £1,511 and restricted funds showing a deficit of £13,979).
- In 2021 planned giving continued to reduce. Donations for the last 2 years were greatly boosted by a one-off single donation of £16,000 in 2021 and a one-off single donation of £30,000 in 2020. The lockdown still had an effect on the ability to fundraise, and most of the income received was from hall rentals. Legacies continue to come in with 4 legacies received this year totalling £9,500, compared to 5 legacies last year totalling £31.277.
- Ministry Share reduced by some £11,500 generously supported by assistance from the Diocesan Board of Finance and the Representative Body of the Church in Wales. There were small increases in the day to day maintenance of the churches and parish expenses as churches were able to open again for services in April. The main increase in costs were due to the cost of re-pointing of the west wall of Llanyre Church (£15,717) and the installation of heating in Llanyre Church Hall (£13,608).
- "Free" unrestricted reserves shown by the Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Monetary Assets) at the yearend totalled £172,510.

RESERVES POLICY

The PCC aims to retain a balance of unrestricted "free" reserves to provide working capital at least equal to six months payments. Any free reserves in excess of this amount are held for immediate and medium term church fabric repairs, as detailed in the churches quinquennial reports.

APPROVED by the Parochial Church Council on Tuesday, 5 April, 2022

Revd Andrew Perrin, Chairman

Annual Financial Return For the period from 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

			Unrestricted funds	Res / End funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts	Donations and legacies	Planned giving	45,456	440	45,896	47,199
-	-	Loose collections	2,871	_	2,871	2,051
		Donations	19,671	2,185	21,856	34,745
		For mission	743	_	743	_
		Tax refunds - Gift Aid	10,670	30	10,700	12,186
		Tax refunds - GASDS	1,062	_	1,062	1,457
		Legacy gifts - No. rec'd: 5	5,000	4,500	9,500	31,277
		Grants	28,821	2,950	31,771	36,735
	Charitable activities	Fees	4,168	9,413	13,581	12,427
	Other trading activities	Money raising	11,064	408	11,472	10,130
	Other Income	Other incoming resources	775	_	775	499
	Investments	Investment income	758	168	926	906
Total receipt	ts		131,059	20,094	151,153	189,612
Payments	Charitable activities	Parish share	60,172	_	60,172	71,727
•		Parochial expenses of clerics	2,508	1,965	4,473	3,205
		Other ministry support	_	_	_	_
		Maintenance of services	3,581	_	3,581	1,731
		General parish expenses	6,843	_	6,843	9,221
		Maintenance of churches	41,457	5,020	46,477	29,783
		Maintenance of other property	7,980	27,088	35,068	21,486
		Exceptional expenditure	_	_	_	_
		Mission: parish	4,308	_	4,308	4,349
		Mission: home/world	2,530	_	2,530	1,480
	Other expenditure	Capital payments	_	_	_	_
	Raising funds	Cost of money raising	169	_	169	59
Total payme	ents		129,548	34,073	163,621	143,041
Net receipts	/payments for the year		1,511	(13,979)	(12,468)	46,571
Gross transf	ers between funds		(12,000)	12,000	_	_
Excess of rec	ceipts over payments before	other gains / losses	(10,489)	(1,979)	(12,468)	46,571
Gains and lo	sses, own use	-	_	_	_	_
	sses on investments		_	_	_	_
Net moveme	ent in funds after transfers		(10,489)	(1,979)	(12,468)	46,571
Total funds l	brought forward		182,999	99,578	282,577	236,006
	carried forward		172,510	97,599	270,109	282,577

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Res /End funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Monetary Assets:				
Bank and Cash Balances	£172,510	£97,599	£270,109	£282,577

The church buildings together with the contents and churchyards are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales:

Holy Trinity, Llandrindod

Old Parish Church, Llandrindod

St Michael, Cefnllys

St David, Howey

St Cewydd, Diserth

St Llyr, Llanyre

St Michael, Llanfihangel Helygen

The church halls are vested in the Swansea and Brecon Diocesan Trust:

Llandrindod

Llanyre

Funds held in Trust by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales:

Units	Details	Church	Valuation	Prior year	
				valuation	
7120	Chancel Repair Fund	St Llyr	16,670	14,916	
11804	Chancel Repair Fund	St Michael, Helygen	27,637	24,729	
2760	Amalgamated Funds	St Llyr	6,462	5,844	
37	Thomas Evans Legacy	Holy Trinity	87	78	
1039	Thomas Lant Legacy	Holy Trinity	2,433	2,200	
125	Mr Edwin E Hawthorn Trust	Holy Trinity	293	265	
344	Miss Miriam Jones Legacy	Holy Trinity	805	728	
1208	Venerable William George Wilkinson Gift	Holy Trinity	2,828	2,558	
695	Mrs Gertrude H C Sheehan Decd	Holy Trinity	1,627	1,472	
2667	Miss Sarah Louisa Francis Decd Bequest	Holy Trinity	6,244	5,647	
119	Mrs F E Betts Gift	Old Parish Church	279	252	
162	G H L Buchanans	Old Parish Church	379	343	
112	Edwin Hawthorn Gift	Old Parish Church	262	237	
344	Miss H G Chune Legacy	Old Parish Church	805	728	
707	Miss Adeline Mary Davies Gift	Old Parish Church	1,655	1,497	
432	Miss Catherine Mary Cresswell Decd Legacy	Old Parish Church	1,011	915	
432	Powell Thomas Jones Gift	Old Parish Church	1,011	915	
920	Jas W Lloyd Jones Decd Legacy	Old Parish Church	2,154	1,948	
4220	Miss G Vaughan Whittall Legacy	Old Parish Church	9,880	8,936	
951	Miss Edith A Jones Legacy	St Cewydd's	2,227	2,014	
Funds held by CCLA:					
84.39	BA A Severns Charity for the Poor	Holy Trinity	1,736	1,520	

APPROVED by the Parochial Church Council on Tuesday, 5 April, 2022

Revd Andrew Perrin, Chairman

PARISH OF GLAN ITHON INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for:

PARISH OF GLAN ITHON For the year ended 31 December 2021

The Parish of Glan Ithon consists of 7 churches, and accounting records are kept by each church, together with a Parish Account. In all 7 sets of accounts are produced as follows:

Holy Trinity, Llandrindod Wells

Old Parish Church, Llandrindod Wells

St Michael, Cefnllys

St David, Howey and St Cewydd, Diserth

St Llyr, Llanyre

St Michael, Llanfihangel Helygen

Parish Account

The 7 sets of accounts are consolidated to produce a Receipts and Payment Account for the Parish of Glan Ithon.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust'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

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

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I 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.

Signed

Dated 18 February 2022

Peter Lane Shalom, Rhayader, Powys