

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of the Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Corringham

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2017, which are set out over 5 enclosed pages.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 142 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act;
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion on the accounts.

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 2011 Act or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) Which, in my opinion, should be drawn to the notice of the PCC in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



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**THE PAROCHIAL CHUCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL
PARISH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN CORRINGHAM**

Financial Statements for the Year Ended

31st December 2017

Registered Charity Number:1138056

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>		
<u>Incoming resources from donors</u>		
Planned giving	23,078.00	23,202.00
Collections and other giving	5,501.00	5,726.00
	28,579.00	28,928.00
<u>Other Voluntary Incoming Resources</u>		
Donations	2,177.00	2,054.00
Restricted Donations	6,569.00	9,231.00
Charities	1,192.00	1,578.00
Fundraising Events	1,381.00	1,634.00
Hall Income	12,878.00	13,230.00
	24,197.00	27,727.00
<u>Income from Charitable & Ancillary Trading</u>		
Sale of magazines & candles	739.00	876.00
Fees PCC	6,848.00	6,085.00
Fees (Restricted)	13,100.00	13,851.00
Sundries	969.00	1,702.00
	21,656.00	22,514.00
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>	<u>£74,432.00</u>	<u>£79,169.00</u>

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<u>Payments</u>			
<u>Grants</u>			
Charities	1,083.00	1,253.00	
		1,083.00	1,253.00
<u>Activities directly relating to the work of the Church</u>			
Diocesan Quota	34,043.00	33,381.00	
Clergy Expenses	2,602.00	3,243.00	
Return Fees (Designated)	13,570.00	10,489.00	
Sanctuary	1,846.00	3,482.00	
Flowers	1,026.00	663.00	
Building,maintenance,etc	9,191.00	9,150.00	
Use Restricted Funding	2,128.00	6,222.00	
		64,406.00	66,630.00
<u>Church management & administration</u>			
Printing & stationery	3,258.00	4,943.00	
Power & Utilities	4,082.00	2,966.00	
Miscellaneous	5,030.00	5,206.00	
		12,370.00	13,115.00
<u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u>		<u>£77,859.00</u>	<u>£80,998.00</u>
Excess of payments over receipts			
Excess of receipts over payments		-3,427.00	-1,829.00
Transfer Reconcilliation		-216.00	-242.00
Opening balance at 1st Jan		15,982.00	18,053.00
Closing balance at 31st Dec		<u>£12,339.00</u>	<u>£15,982.00</u>

Approved by Parochial Church Council on
and signed on its behalf by:-

Revd. D. Rollins (Chairman)

Mrs. B. Howells (Treasurer)

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Repair Fund Receipts and Payments-Restricted Fund

		<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<u>Receipts</u>			
Restricted Donations	723.00		2,910.00
Donations	30.00		100.00
Fundraising Events	1,846.00		1,476.00
Legacy CCLA	54.00		71.00
		2,653.00	4,557.00
<u>Payments</u>			
Maintenance			
Administration/Fabric			2,592.00
Specific Fund			
Miscellaneous	2,774.00		
		2,774.00	2,592.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments			1,965.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts		121.00	
Opening Balance 1st January	19,575.00		17,610.00
Closing Balance at 31st December		19,454.00	19,575.00

Miss S.E.Long Endowment Fund

<u>Receipts</u>			
CBF Deposit Interest		51.00	44.00
Accumulated income which could be used by Parish for Repair Fund		1,063.00	1,012.00

Kathy Charlton Legacy

Held on behalf of Kathy Charlton Legacy-opened in 2007

Deposit Fund Investment (CCLA)	17,250.00	17,250.00
Accumulated Fund Investment (CCLA)	43,886.00	42,208.00

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2016

Sunday Morning Coffee

Opening Balance 1st Jan	165.00		88.00	
Donations		297.00		399
Expenses		464.00		322
Excess of Payments over Receipts			77.00	
Excess of Receipts over Payments	167.00			
Closing Balance 31stDec		-£2.00		£165.00

Lunch Club

Opening Balance 1st Jan	4,005.00		4,942.00	
Income from Trading	2,456.00		2,790.00	
Interest from Bank Account	2.00		14.00	
		2458		2804
Expenses	915.00		1,345.00	
Equipment for Church	680.00		2,396.00	
		1595		3741
Excess of Receipts over Payments	863.00			
Excess of Payments over Receipts			937.00	
Closing Balance 31stDec		£4,868.00		£4,005.00

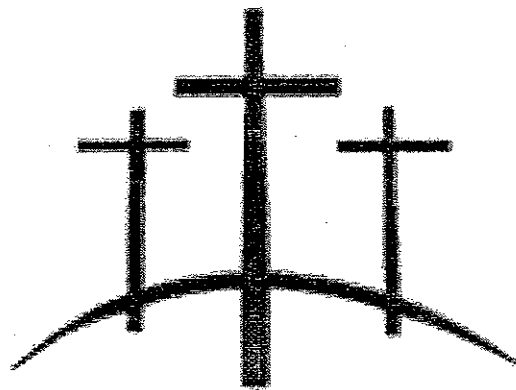
Call in for Coffee

Opening Balance 1st Jan	391.00		365.00	
Donations		617.00		648.00
Expenses/gifts		867.00		622.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts			26.00	
Excess of Receipts over Payments	250.00			
Closing Balance 31stDec		£141.00		£391.00

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2017

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<u>BARCLAYS</u>		
Bank Current Account	12,339.00	15,982.00
Bank Repair Fund	19,454.00	19,575.00
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>£31,793.00</u>	<u>£35,557.00</u>
<u>DEPOSITS</u>		
Miss Long Account	1,063.00	1,012.00
Deposit Fund Investment	17,250.00	17,250.00
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>£18,313.00</u>	<u>£18,262.00</u>
<u>SHARES</u>		
Accumulated Fund Investment	<u>£43,886.00</u>	<u>£42,208.00</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>£93,992.00</u>	<u>£96,027.00</u>



Parish of St. Mary the Virgin and
St. John the Evangelist,
Corringham

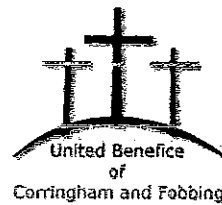
United Benefice of
Corringham and Fobbing.

ANNUAL PAROCHAL CHURCH MEETING

Sunday 22nd April 2018

After 10.45 Mass

St. Mary's Church, Corringham



The Churches of St Mary & St John Corringham & St Michael Fobbing

These past twelve months have been busy with the regular pattern of weekday and Sunday worship and Occasional Offices (Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals) across the whole Benefice. The Parochial Church Councils of Corringham and Fobbing have continued to meet regularly and you will find details of those meetings elsewhere in the report. I commend to you the whole report which identifies the many activities which take place across the Benefice.

In last years Annual Report it stated that I was to be appointed as Priest-in-Charge of E & W Tilbury with Linford with an appointment of an Associate Priest who would take a House for Duty post at E & W Tilbury. An appointment hasn't been made and following consultation it has been decided not to continue a link with our Benefice.

The proposed formation of a MMU Ministry & Mission Unit with our neighbours at Stanford-le-Hope and Bulphan, Horndon-on-the-Hill and Orsett continues. The clergy continue to meet to discuss how we can move this proposal forward.

I do need to express my thanks for the hard work of my Ministry Team colleagues, Fr Justin, Wendy LLM, David Reader and Len Pastoral Asst. Their continued contribution to the work of the whole Benefice is appreciated by us all. There are many activities which are constantly taking place which others take a lead in on our behalf and I would like to express my gratitude for all that you do.

Fr Justin sadly left us in February 2018 to take up the post of Vicar of St James Clacton with St Christopher Jaywick in February and his contribution will be greatly missed. We, however, wish him Anna and the family well as they embark on this next stage of their journey.

Wendy continues with her Training at St Mellitus to join us in September as a Locally Deployed Curate. Alongside her studies she continues to lead :

- the Edward Bear Toddler Group with assistance from Deborah, June, Peter & Jean.
- our Messy Church (Messy Mass) which continues to go from strength to strength with great support from the whole team of volunteers.
- Wendy is also a part of the Chaplaincy Team at St Luke's Hospice where her ministry is very welcomed by staff and users of the service.

David alongside his role as Reader acts as Chaplain to the Christian Care Homes and teaches on the Course in Christian Studies

Len - as Pastoral Asst has completed his studies as an Evangelist Enabler and continues to take a lead in co-ordinating the Men's Group

I am also grateful to:

Pam for co-ordinating the MU for these past few years.

To Helen & Kim who take the lead for our Little Feet Group with meets on the last Sunday of each month at St Michael's

Lesley and her Team for the Lunch Club which although now only meeting monthly is appreciated by all who attend

Christine who takes a lead in co-ordinating the Knit & Natter group which works hard in knitting Booties and Christening Shawls for our our Baptism families.

Pam who is an active members of Open the Book a group which visits local schools leading assemblies.

For myself I have roles beyond the Parish which involve me in vocations work, acting as an MDR reviewer, and lead half termly assemblies at our local Primary School.

I would like to thank all the Officers of our two PCC's who do much work during the year. To our PCC secretaries Carole and Marion, to our treasurers Bev & Beryl, Beryl is stepping down this year after many years service, and our church wardens Mo, Christine , Peter and David, David is also stepping down this year also after many years service, thank for all you do.

Our Parishes wouldn't function without the team of people who play their roles whether that is Darryl our Benefice Organist, the choir or the teams of readers, intercessors, cleaners, those who launder our linen, those who prepare refreshments week by week. Thank you for offering yourselves in service to the church and our worshipping community.

Sadly though the year we have lost dear friends, some have moved to pastures new, others have been called home to God and we feel their loss as a community.

As we reflect on the work of the past year, we have a new year ahead and many challenges, with continued maintenance to keep our buildings 'fit for purpose' and the challenge of how we evangelise and reach out to our local community by sharing the 'Good news' of the Gospel message.

Finally I would like to thank each of everyone of you who attend our churches and all who offer financial contributions, as we like any home have many demands upon our financial resources and wouldn't be able to meet those demands without your regular support.

I know we all look forward to the arrival of our new curates John and Wendy in September and I know that together as a United Benefice we will continue to strive to further the work of God's Kingdom.

David

Rector - March 2018

CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT 2017

Firstly a huge thank you to everyone who helps to care and look after St. Mary's and St. John's Churches. Without your assistance our task would be more onerous.

During 2017 all checks and safety requirements have been carried out including boiler service and gas inspection, PAT testing, and electrical inspection. A new electrical earth has been installed at St. Mary's.

Our architect has drawn up specifications for the roof works as part of the recent Quinquennial for St. Mary's church. Estimates have been received for work to commence in June 2019 and for this we need to raise approximately £90,000. A fundraising committee has been formed and many events have been planned for 2018. As the Tag-a-Tile scheme was a great success for the tower roof we will be doing this again as another way to raise money.

Estimates have also been received for work at St. John's church for replacement gutters, downpipes and soffits. This work will hopefully be completed in 2018.

We continue to open St. Mary's every Wednesday from 10.00am to 4.00pm from March to the end of October as part of our requirement for receiving a grant from Historic England (formerly English Heritage) as we received a grant for the work to the tower. We have to open the church 10 years and 2017 was year five so we are now half way through. Thank you to all who give up their time on a Wednesday to welcome visitors to our beautiful historic church. Volunteers are always wanted so please see Peter Craggs if you can help in any way.

During the year we were offered a replacement organ for St. Mary's, from St. Edward's School in Romford, with the only cost being the transportation and re-assembly. We offer our thanks to Daryl East for obtaining photographs and measurements etc. so as to ensure it will fit in the church. We are currently in the process of seeking Diocesan authorisation.

This year David is standing down as Churchwarden as he has served his maximum term of office. Peter would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all he has done over the last nine years.

We have had many visiting celebrants and preachers during the year including our new Archdeacon, the Venerable Mike Lodge. We continue to share services with St. Michael's Church such as Harvest and a United Benefice Service on the fifth Sunday of the month. Next year we may have to plan a few more joint services as we say goodbye to Father Justin as our curate, leaving Father David as our only Priest for the Sunday and weekday Masses until June 2019.

Thank you for all the support and assistance we receive and thank you also to Father David for the tireless and diligent work he undertakes on behalf of us all.

David Mott and Peter Craggs, Churchwardens, February 2018.

Treasurer's Report 2017

Many thanks to all those people who have helped in so many ways- particularly Lunch Club, Call in for Coffee and the Sunday morning Coffee-the people who organise these events give so much of their time and it is a great outreach into the community. I would also like to thank those people who are involved in the Social Committee- it's becoming increasingly difficult to motivate people into coming to the events but we do rely on the income from these events to boost our coffers.

This year our Incoming Resources was similar to last year however donations, fundraising and Hall Income were all down. Luckily our overall giving was down too so the loss we made wasn't as bad as I had feared.

We have given less to charities this year which we should try to change as we, as a church, are expected to donate to those less fortunate.

Unfortunately, we have again finished the year with a lower bank balance than when we started, this is mainly due to an aging congregation and less people using the church for occasional offices

We are still waiting for payment from the Income Tax- the system has changed and Elizabeth has been having all sorts of problems with them. We thought everything had been sorted and then changes were made- we are now optimistically hoping for at least 3 years payment. We agreed as a PCC that this money would be put into 2018 fund raising for the roof

Our Diocesan Quota has again increased this year however we have continued to meet the required figure

Very little has changed in the Repair Fund

I would like to say a huge 'Thank You' to Wendy who has helped in so many ways especially when I am away. John Hibbert has agreed to take over as assistant treasurer so many thanks to him. I would also like to thank Fr David & Fr Justin for all that they do to help our Church maintain our accounts

2018 will be a very difficult year we have to try and maintain our income as well as raise £90,000 for our church roof- if we want the church to be part of our community for the future we need to be doing everything we can now to maintain it's present condition

Bev Howells- Treasurer

DEANERY SYNOD REPORT FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

The Thurrock Deanery met for four meetings during 2017, the main focus again of these meeting being The Transforming Presence. There have been two talks from organisations, Little Haven Hospice and the work of the Mission to Seafarers.

Peter Handscombe, David Tweddle and Len Collier.

Health & Safety Officer's Report 2018.

St. Johns' Church and Hall

Fire extinguishers have been tested and are correctly placed.
Accident Book is checked on a regular basis and incidents reviewed. There were no incidents of concern during the year.
All necessary signs are in place and properly displayed.
Both the Hall and Church are examined on an on-going basis for trip hazards and risks assessed.
The gas central heating system has been tested and certificates obtained.
The electrical appliances have been PAT tested and we have this year our own register of appliances tested, which is held in the Health & Safety File in the Parish Office. The emergency lighting system in the hall is connected to the electrical system and is activated in the event of an interruption of the supply. Torches have been supplied for the Church in the event of an interruption of supply.

St. Mary's Church

Fire extinguishers have been tested and are correctly placed.
There are no incidents of concern in the Accident Book.
An emergency lighting system operates when the electrical system is interrupted. Electrical appliances have been PAT tested and in the register as above for St. John's.
The Gas Boilers have been serviced
Exit signs are displayed at all exit doors.
The standing gravestones in the Churchyard have been tested by applying physical pressure and found to be secure.
The Church and grounds have been examined for trip hazards and risks assessed and remedial work undertaken where required, steps have been marked with white paint.

Peter Handscombe Health & Safety Officer

THE UNITED BENEFICE OF CORRINGHAM
AND FOBGING MOTHERS' UNION
BRANCH LEADERS REPORT

Our branch has had a varied range of speakers during the last year.

January 2017, Carole Goddard spoke to us about her work as a Prison Chaplain. She explained that this was a very interesting job which she enjoyed. During the year we also had Pauline Briggs (Hymns and their history) and Lucy Bubb (Overseas Links). These speakers were all Mothers' Union endorsed speakers of which the Diocese paid any fees to them.

Canon Edward Carter came and gave a talk on Board Games. Canon Edward is a great collector and belongs to a board games club in Chelmsford. We were shown various games, some old and some new, that he had collected and gave a short history on each game which he turned around to mean something from the scriptures – very cleverly done.

During the rest of the year David Tweddle spoke about Women in the Bible and at another meeting we discussed our favourite books.

We had a Wine and Cheese evening in July in conjunction with the 'blokes club' another church run organisation. Donations from this went to AFIA.

In summing up, we had a good year and in 2018 I hope that we can try and encourage more to join us.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped with refreshments and bought raffle prizes. Thanks also go to Pearl for keeping our books up to date.

One final 'thank you' goes to Jenny who at the end of last year stepped forward to offer her services as Secretary. I really appreciated this since it has been very difficult trying to keep the secretarial work going and I look forward to working with Jenny throughout the year.

Pam Hibbert

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPORT

Complying with all the regulations for safeguarding within our Parish, we continue to have the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy and our Safeguarding Statement as our focus. The PCC have reviewed the Parish Safeguarding Statement as part of the annual expectation of the Safeguarding Requirements. All applications and updates of DBS have been completed as necessary.

Risk Assessments have continued to been undertaken for all activities around Messy Mass, our youth events, the Solid Festival Camp, the overnight stay in St John's and our Children's Christmas Party.

Our Benefice Safeguarding Statement, as always, is displayed on both Church notice boards and on the Hall notice Board. Other contact numbers and the safeguarding looking the other way is not an option leaflet remain available. A hard copy of the complete policy is kept in the vestry at St John's and is available for access if need be.

As I conclude my final year as Safeguarding Representative, due to my changing role in the Benefice, I would like to thank the PCC for allowing me to hold the role and offer thanks to everyone for completing regulatory paperwork and always being aware that looking the other way is not an option.

Contact details for the new Safeguarding Representative will be on the Benefice Safeguarding Statement and in the magazine.

Wendy Mott
Parish Safeguarding Representative.

Chaplaincy Report (2017 – 2018)

It has been a good year at the Christian Care Homes. There are two Residences in Stanford, one on the Southend Road which is Cedar House and the other is Oak House on the Corringham Road. The third home is Beech House in Basildon.

Jenny and I share the chaplaincy work and this year, we had help from Len Collier as part of his evangelism training. We have started to increase the number of times that we hold services in the homes. This year, we go to Cedar and Beech twice a month and we hope to do this for Oak this year.

The service takes the form of a session of hymn singing which the residents enjoy followed by a short service of Holy Communion with the reserved wafers. We have plenty of fun and fellowship carrying out our work here.

This year has been tinged with some sadness as we have lost a few of our elderly friends but we will continue to remember them in the hymns that they loved to sing. For both Jenny and I, it has been a good year and a worthwhile ministry.