

THE PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON
ANNUAL REPORT 2017

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Members of the Parochial Church Council
2017 - 2018

*****VICAR AND CHAIRMAN**

Rev Janet French

*****ASSOCIATE PRIEST**

Vacant

*****READERS**

YEAR ELECTED

*****WARDEN**

Mrs Irene Morris
Mr Frank Murphy

2016
2017

TREASURER

Mr Andrew Minors

*****GENERAL SYNOD REPRESENTATIVE**

Mr Geoffrey Tattersall

*****DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES 2017 - 2020 (3 VACANCIES)**

Mrs Laraine Mason	2017
Mr Adam Syddall	2017
Mrs Hazel Tattersall	2017

2015-2018

Ruth Syddall	2015
Anthony Goulding	2015
Sharalyn Brackall	2015

2016-2019

Mr Stuart Barnes	2016
Mrs Cheryl Westwell	2016
Mr Andrew Minors	2016

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2017-2020

Mrs Alison Dickinson	2017
Mr Peter Hodson	2017
Dr Gai Murphy	2017
Mrs Stephanie Oakley	2017
Mrs Katrina Speakman	2017

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES FOR 2015 -2016

PCC CHAIRMAN (Ex Officio)	Rev Janet French
VICE CHAIRMAN	Mrs Irene Morris
WARDENS	Mrs Irene Morris
	Mr Frank Murphy
ASSISTANT WARDENS	Mr Peter Chapman
	Dr Raj Ariyaratnam
	Mr Howard Entwistle
	Dr Gai Murphy
TREASURER	Mr Andrew Minors
PATRONAGE SCHEME SECRETARY	Mr Andrew Minors
BOOK-KEEPER	Mr Andrew Minors
PCC SECRETARY	Mrs Jocelyn Walsh
ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER	Miss Victoria Tattersall
FREE WILL OFFERING SECRETARY	Mrs Hazel Tattersall
GIFT AID ADMINISTRATOR	Mr Peter Hodson (acting)
CLERK OF WORKS	Mr Stuart Barnes
CENTRE MANAGER	Vacant
CHRISTIAN AID REPRESENTATIVE	Mrs Pam Hodson
CHILDREN'S SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE	Mrs Jane Chapman & Mrs Julie Steele
SERVERS ADMINISTRATOR	Vacant
EDITOR OF PARISH MAGAZINE	Ms. Rachel Winstanley/Rev Janet French
HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER	Mr David Bainbridge
CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER	Mrs Pamela Knight
<i>STANDING COMMITTEE</i>	
Ex-Officio:	The Vicar, Churchwardens
Elected by the PCC:	Adam Syddall, Andrew Minors, Stuart Barnes
BUILDING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE	
Chairman:	Rev Janet French
Warden:	Mrs Irene Morris
	Mr Frank Murphy

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Warden Emeritus:	Mr Andrew Minors
Treasurer:	Mr Andrew Minors
Centre Manager:	Vacant
Clerk Of Works:	Mr Stuart Barnes
Health & Safety Officer:	Mr David Bainbridge
Elected by the PCC:	Mr Adam Syddall
	Mrs Hazel Tattersall
	Mrs Alison Dickinson

VICAR'S REPORT

Once again, let me thank everyone who helps to make Christ Church a place of prayer, worship, care and outreach.

Sabbatical

This year I have taken a long overdue Sabbatical break for three months between August & November. It was not easy to make arrangements with having such a long vacancy for an Associate Priest, though with our small team of retired clergy I was able to set things in motion. A Sabbatical is not a long vacation! Although I was away from Benefice duties for a three month period I had other plans to pursue. A Sabbatical cannot be taken without a proposal, with book list, being produced for the approval of the Bishop. Then there is a report to write at its end. My plans included a retreat on Iona, plenty of reading and time and space to pray and reconnect; to listen to others' preaching. Although I was away for quite a while, I was also home for some of the time but not taking on any usual duties, though the churchwardens were able to contact me if necessary.

A good definition of a Sabbatical is -a disengaging from normal ministry and leadership involvement for a period of time to allow for soul rest. It is a time to make space to hear God. Jesus often withdrew from the crowds and went to "lonely places" to rest, pray, (Mark 1:35; Luke 5:16).

Regular periods of rest from work are part of God's plan for all of us as can be seen in the Creation account.

I am enormously grateful to Rev David, Rev Alan & Rev Lynne for all that they agreed to take on during my Sabbatical.

Father, we thank you for the peace you offer, a peace beyond all human understanding. Grant us to know your peace and your presence in all our work, rest and play. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

I attended Passion for Bolton 2030 Vision Conference

The Passion for 'Bolton 2030 Vision' Conference, held at the Macron Stadium on 24th May to explore the Bolton Christian community's commitment to the Bolton 2030 Vision, was a great success. The Mayor of Bolton, Roger Heyes, with the Mayoress, Jaleh Heyes, in attendance, kindly opened the event at which we had 85 people attending on the day including representatives from 32 different Bolton churches, from 9 different denominations and 28 leaders of specific Christian organisations/ projects. We also had representatives from Bolton Council, the Bolton 2030 Vision partnership, Bolton Interfaith Council and Bolton Community and Voluntary Services (Bolton CVS). The conference focused on 3 specific aspects of the Bolton 2030 Vision - Starting Well, Living Well and Ageing Well - giving attendees the chance to share current practice and explore ideas for the future. Also Caroline Wyke explained the work of Seedbed and Roger Sutton spoke about church Unity. The conference organising team are

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now looking at ways forward from the event itself and the feedback received on the day. *Taken from Bolton Christian Community Cohesion Newsletter (June 2017)*

I attended Manchester Diocesan Clergy Conference: Church for a Different World. 26-28 June at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick. This year we had two excellent speakers: Firstly, Emeritus Professor David Ford who spoke enthusiastically on John's Gospel. He is the author of many books and has spent 13 years writing a commentary on John's Gospel - and it is still not finished. We were not surprised as with his wealth of knowledge we felt through his talks we had just begun to scratch the surface of this important gospel. Our other main speaker was Loretta Minghella OBE, the CEO of Christian Aid. She told us several accounts of dire poverty that she had personally encountered over the years in her work. Encouragingly, Loretta also told us the many differences we are all making through the pennies and pounds donated to Christian Aid. With so many supporters, Christian Aid is also in a position to influence policies. The day after her final talk to us it was announced that Loretta has been appointed as First Church Estates Commissioner.

I attended a farewell to Matt Thompson of The Parish Church as he left to become Dean of Birmingham Cathedral.

The **Archdeacon of Bolton** retired towards the end of the year.

Interviews for Associate Priest July 2017

I was delighted that we were able to hold the interviews prior to my Sabbatical and that as a result The Rev Philip Burman was offered and accepted the post of part-time Associate Priest for the Benefice on a House for Duty basis. The service to licence Philip to the post took place on 14 December 2017 led by Bishop David, the Bishop of Manchester. As the Bishop said, it is good to have the post filled after such a long vacancy (since Feb 2014). The Bishop has given us permission to publish his sermon notes and these we hope will be in our church magazines early 2018. Together with our retired clergy we meet together occasionally to discuss rotas, pray and eat together

Youth Worker

Following consultation with our own Young People led by the Diocesan Youth Officer, Susie Mapledoram, the PCC agreed to appoint a sessional Youth Worker for a 6 month period. Susie also led the interview process. We were delighted to appoint Callum Fairhurst to the role, beginning in November. Callum is studying a degree in youth and community studies at Bolton University.

Theology Book Club continues to meet approx. monthly

Finished 'Prayer: Does it make a Difference' by Philip Yancey.

Started Paul Through Mediterranean Eyes: Cultural Studies in 1 Corinthians by Kenneth E Bailey

Bible Study - John's Gospel continues to meet approx. monthly. Another looking at Mark's gospel meets monthly led by Rev Alan.

Messy Church

Continues to draw a good number of children and adults.

Retirement of John Craggs

We had a small 'thank you' gathering in the centre as John Craggs retired as our Centre manager at the end of March. It was a role John had successfully held for many years. Arnold also retired his maintenance helping role.

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Deanery Visioning Day 21/1/2017 was attended by myself and a few of our Deanery Synod members. Mike Chesterton, Diocesan Mission Development Officer, was the main speaker. '120 people from across Bolton Deanery gathered together for 'United in Christ' - a deanery vision morning. Every church in the deanery was represented as we met to worship, celebrate all that God is doing across our churches, reflect on our shared mission and what we hope to achieve in the future as we seek to be church for a different world. The morning was led by Mike Chesterton, Diocesan Mission Development Officer. He reminded us of the biblical mandate of our mission and guided us through the Mission Action Planning process to help us think about how we might fulfil our mission. Mike helped us to think about what we as individual churches could offer to the wider church to help each other in our mission. Finally we started to dream dreams and came up with possible newspaper headlines reporting what we as churches might do in the future. Everyone was very encouraged by the morning which finished in true Bolton style with a Carrs Pastie and Peas lunch! Area Dean, Vincent Whitworth was delighted by the event "It was a privilege to hear what God is already doing in our churches through community fun days, the Passion for Bolton event and foodbanks, to name just a few missional activities. We also reflected on where God is leading us in the future and how we might work together more closely as we seek His kingdom in our borough. We have a long journey ahead of us as we seek to be Church for a different world, but we've now "started the conversation". Mike Chesterton added, "It was a real privilege to see people thinking creatively about how we can be more relevant to our community and seek ways to engage with community rather than expect community to engage with us. Each group grappled with what it looks like to be a worshiping, growing and transforming Christian presence at the heart of their community, and I'm excited about what the future holds for the deanery, its churches and the people they are called to challenge and serve." '

<https://www.manchester.anglican.org/news/2017/01/24/bolton-catches-vision>

MAP

The PCC invited Mike Chesterton to talk to us in November about producing our own Mission Action Plan (MAP). The project is in progress.

Social /Fundraising

A Race night was held on 6/5 organised by Hazel & Social Committee.

A Welsh Male Voice Choir concert took place on 10 June organised by Rev Alan. The Maelgwm Male Voice choir concert was well attended. <http://cormaelgwn.cymru/>

Lent Book

Our Lent Book in 2017 was 'Abraham, a Journey through Lent' by Meg Warner we had Bring and Share lunches. Our Lenten charity was Emmaus Bolton and we were able give them a donation and some socks etc.

'Emmaus Bolton is a charity for previously homeless people, providing them with a home, a family and work. Our recycling business makes us sustainable.' 'We really need warm coats, jumpers and socks please!also hats, scarves, toiletries and non perishable food'. .

Derby Barracks, Fletcher Street, BL3 6NF

<https://www.facebook.com/Emmaus-Bolton-589354547779428/>

<https://www.emmaus.org.uk/bolton>

Toys: At the Toy Service gifts were given to Fort Alice and The Lions.

Shoeboxes: Thank you to all those who contributed to the **Shoebox Appeal** in November. We collected a total of 59 shoeboxes for Samaritans Purse which is amazing and greatly appreciated.

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Harvest: Gifts were given to local people, Fortalice, Destitution Project, Salvation Army and Bolton Hospice. Thank you to all who made donations.

Numbers of:

Baptisms	23
Funerals at church	11
Funerals at Crematorium	3
Weddings	7
Confirmation	1
Admitted to Communion	7

Hugh helped providing cover for leading Morning Prayer and the occasional funeral. We were delighted that our churchwardens Irene Morris and Frank Murphy were re-elected and serve us excellently. Jocelyn continues to provide much appreciated administrative support. Rachel Winstanley continues as our very capable magazine editor; Susan bundles the magazines for distribution. We have a variety of people helping with cleaning, maintenance, gardening, magazine delivering and many other tasks 'behind the scenes'. Our thanks to you all.

To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy, to the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen (*Jude 24-25*)

Janet

The Rev Janet French

Vicar Christ Church Heaton & St Margaret's Halliwell

ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL 2017

The PCC has met regularly and had several special PCC meetings especially over issues to do with the adjacent land and the fence. During 2017 the PCC continued to discuss ways to meet our Parish Share obligations. The PCC have appointed a Youth Worker to the Parish in order to improve the activities we can offer our older children, in particular those of Secondary School age. An associate minister has been successfully appointed and we welcome Philip Burman to the Church. With much input from B&F, the properties have been monitored and we are now looking for new tenants for both the Church rented properties. The Church has had a new boiler installed and thanks are given to all who have contributed both financially and practically to this process.

The PCC wishes to thank everyone for their contributions to Christ Church.

Jocelyn Walsh, PCC Secretary

CHURCH WARDENS REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCH AND CHURCH PROPERTIES

We cannot start our churchwardens report without paying tribute to Stuart Barnes. He was an integral member of the PCC and a huge loss to the Churchwardens. We hope that by ensuring that the work that Stuart commenced, can be completed by the PCC in the manner and spirit that Stuart upheld.

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The congregation numbers continue in a downward trend despite the number and variety of services that are held. We are grateful to Janet, Alan, Lynne and David for striving to maintain the services in their present form, and we welcome Philip to the team.

CHURCH BUILDINGS AND CONTENTS

The church building remains in a relatively good state of repair and we continued with the upgrade of the electrics in 2017, and the programme of repairs that were needed. As you are all aware the lack of heating was a significant problem in 2017. The PCC's priority was to solve the problem of the heating not switching on at all when needed, however this has been resolved by the installation of the new boiler. We continue to review the heating provision to try to get the maximum benefit from the heating system.

The PCC is currently in the process of sourcing a new external Noticeboard as the existing one is in a state of disrepair. Again this was a project that Stuart commenced and we are very grateful to him for the work he has put into this project.

VICARAGE

The vicarage did not require any major repairs that were the responsibility of the PCC.

CHURCH PROPERTIES

Unfortunately we are looking for new tenants for the two properties. The work on the Scout Hut lease and arrangements commenced in 2016 continued to slowly progress, but was not finalised. The Scout Association remains an important and key part of the outreach and mission of the church, and we continue our support of all the Uniformed Organisations.

CHURCH GROUNDS

In July 2017 the PCC formalised the gardening arrangements into a single gardening provider and we thank them for their efforts to maintain our lovely church grounds. We also thank all the members of "Men of Christ Church" who continue to undertake snow duty, clear up days and other general work that helps to maintain the church grounds. As you are all aware, the land to the rear of the car park continues to be developed which has created some problems for Christ Church. The PCC intend to erect a border fence along the north and east sides of the car park when the development work is completed.

CHURCH CENTRE

Unfortunately we have been unable to fill the vacancy of Centre Manager therefore we have had to combine the efforts of the Wardens, PCC members, and Volunteers. We thank all the people who have helped to keep the Centre functioning. We would like to thank Jocelyn Walsh for her work in coordinating the business of the Centre and working with us on the all matters related to the church and centre business.

Irene Morris - Church Warden

Frank Murphy - Church Warden

ELECTORAL ROLL

There are 375 names recorded on the Electoral Roll for 2017.

Victoria Tattersall, Electoral Roll Officer

GIFT AID

During 2017 regular donations totaling £58,999 of gift-aided giving were made which will result in a payment from HMRC of approximately £14,750. In addition, gift-aided donations totaling

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£5,955 were made towards the replacement boiler which will produce a further £1,489. A further claim will be submitted in respect of loose cash offerings for 2017 at the close of the 2017/18 tax year. Although the total giving during 2017 was significantly lower than last year, the tax claim of approximately £16,239 is a substantial amount and very important to our church's finances. I sincerely thank all those who have contributed and trust that you will continue with your financial support.

The Gift Aid envelopes in the pews are still proving to be successful. However, when completing the personal details on the blue envelopes please ensure that only the person who signs the declaration is named on the envelope and that they are a UK tax payer. That said, it would be really helpful if people who make regular contributions via the blue envelopes considered using a standing order for their giving. Giving by standing order reduces the time and cost of dealing with cash and helps in the planning of the church's finances.

It is likely that there are still some parishioners who are taxpayers and are not in the Gift Aid scheme and so I appeal to anyone in this situation to contact me (or the Vicar or Wardens or Treasurer) to maximise their giving. Conversely, if any Gift Aid donor has ceased to be a taxpayer then it is important I am informed.

Peter Hodson - Acting Gift Aid Administrator

FAIR TRADE

Our Fair Trade stalls continued to be held on the first Wednesday and the second Sunday of the month throughout 2017, with Fairground in Blackburn providing foodstuffs and cards each month and Justicia in Bolton providing a selection of unusual gifts for Christmas, Easter, etc. However, at the end of 2017, Fairground sadly closed resulting in us needing to rely on Justicia for all of our supplies in the future. We are sorry that this link with another Parish has ended and equally sorry that it has also resulted in the loss of our Wednesday stall. From January 2018, stalls will be held after the 9.30am service on the second Sunday of each month. Fairtrade Fortnight this year invited us to 'Put Fairtrade into our breaks' - and not to 'feed exploitation'. In an attempt to raise awareness of the many and varied Fairtrade options that are available for snacks, packed lunches, etc we held a 'tasting' session after the Parade Service on 12th March. This was a great success - with the children in particular! A huge thank you to those who set up, served and cleared away afterwards. May we take this opportunity to thank those who organise the goods for sale, those who help to staff the stalls and clear away afterwards, and especially all those who purchase Fairtrade goods both here in Christ Church and elsewhere. Our small but significant contribution directly benefits an estimated 7.5 million people (farmers, workers and their families) in over 66 developing countries. Thank you.

Pam Hodson, Brian and Elsie Peel

CHRISTIAN AID

Christian Aid Week was introduced 60 years ago to raise funds to support work with refugees in Europe following the Second World War. The need to provide support for refugees is as acute now as it was then and Christian Aid week in May 2017 focussed on rebuilding a world where everyone has a safe place to call home. Money raised during the week was used to help relieve the suffering experienced by refugees and to support them in rebuilding their lives. This year we circulated envelopes with our May edition of the Church magazine, carried out a much reduced (4 collectors in 4 streets in the Parish) house to house collection, distributed envelopes with hymn books at our Church services on the Sundays at the beginning and end of the week and Junior Church held a 'bucket' collection after the 9.30 service at the beginning of half

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term. We collected just over £600.00. A huge thank you to everyone who was involved in the many tasks required to undertake this venture.

Pam Hodson

MAGAZINE

We would encourage all Parishioners to take one complimentary magazine to any new neighbour in their area as a way of introducing themselves. We are once again trying to encourage Parishioners who pick up a single magazine each month to pay £6 in advance for the year.

I thank our many dedicated Distributors, who do an excellent job, the Parishioners for buying the magazine, Vicar Janet French and many others who offer help and support to all aspects of the magazine. Without you all this wouldn't be possible.

Rachel Winstanley - Magazine Editor

DEANERY SYNOD

2017 was the year of the Mission Action Plan (MAP) at all levels of the Church - diocesan, deanery and parish. The first meeting of the year was held on a Saturday morning in January at The Bridge Church. It was led by Mike Chesterton, the Diocesan Mission Action Planning Officer, and was open to all members of the Deanery, not just synod members. Entitled "United in Christ" just over 100 people attended the meeting at which Mike outlined the diocesan process for developing a MAP. There were four stages (i) Reviewing - where are we? (ii) Prioritising - what are our hopes and dreams? (iii) Practicality - how do we achieve them? (iv) Doing - what are we actually doing? The meeting was the beginning of the process. The meeting in June was the first meeting of the new synod and the Bishop of Bolton celebrated Holy Communion and preached before the business meeting elected the officers. At the meeting in September Ian Fellows, the Young People's Vocations Champion for the diocese talked about how young people were discouraged from testing their vocations. He said that the churches needed to be safe places and that at all stages of the journey people needed company. Cecily, who was 17, spoke about her journey since she felt a calling to ministry three years ago. Jamie McKenzie spoke about the Authorised Lay Ministry Course. The courses are contextually based and the core module has been rewritten. ALM's range in age from 23 to 87 years. At the last meeting of the year "Engaging with Muslims" was the speaker Hilary Jones's topic and although she mentioned the "Friendship First" course she spoke mainly about mission.

Hazel Tattersall

CHILD PROTECTION CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

I am pleased to report that I have had no complaints of any kind reported to me this past year. All records and paperwork are up to date, with eleven volunteers attached to various church groups having an up to date DBS disclosure. Our paid Youth Group Leader, Callum, has also been checked this year following his recent appointment.

It is important that the details of any prospective volunteers are forwarded to me at the earliest opportunity so that they can be registered and checked in accordance with the Diocese policy prior to their appointment. I am satisfied that the requirements of the regulations are currently being met.

Pam Knight - Child Protection Co-ordinator

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OPEN DOORS - space for prayer and reflection

This summer we opened our Church Doors to the public (and members of our congregation!) on one Tuesday and one Thursday morning each month between April and September. Our visitors included existing members of the Church, passing runners who were interested to see inside the building they run past on a regular basis and (the icing on the cake) 95 year old Grace Beech and her daughters. Grace married John Roland Beech (orig. from Bromley Cross) in Christ Church in July 1947 and has lived in Australia for over 60 years. It was an emotional visit for the family who were overjoyed to find us open.

A huge thank you to the individuals and couples who came to staff the open door sessions each month for their patience and perseverance. Like Grace, those who visited and found us open were delighted to do so and were very grateful for the opportunity to chat or explore a 'beautiful building they had walked/run past so often'.

We look forward to the opportunity to share our beautiful building with the wider community again in 2018.

Pam Hodson

CHOIR REPORT

The Choir leads the singing of Evensong each week and enjoys the reverence and quiet dignity of this service. In addition they also sing at the monthly 11.15.a.m. Sung Eucharist.

They join with the Parish Church Choir to sing the Advent Carol Service in the Parish Church and are always pleased that so many of the congregation support them and derive so much from this service in the candlelight. The Choir also presents a service of 'Nine Lessons and Carols' assisted by readers from the church organisations.

The Choir undertakes special music for Passiontide and Holy Week.

Once again, some members of the Choir took part in the RSCM Music Festival, which was held at Chester Cathedral in October. There are always a good number of choristers of all ages singing Evensong and it is good to sing new music and different settings of familiar pieces.

The Choir also does an updated and simpler version of Evensong eight or nine times in the year, (normally on the 3rd Sunday of the month) and this has brought two or three people but we could still do with more interest. To be involved, entails coming at 5.20.pm on the relevant Sundays, rehearsing for forty- five minutes and then taking part in the 6.30.pm Evensong.

We were greatly saddened at the death of Stuart Barnes this last year. Stuart had been a member of our extended Choir for many years and will be much missed.

John F. Balshaw - Organist and Choirmaster.

CRECHE

The crèche meets during the 9.30am Family Communion Service and is for children from birth to 3 years old. A number of our older children moved into the next Group in September 2017, however we have been delighted to welcome some new faces over the last term and have a core group of very regular families.

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The children are encouraged to participate in activities such as simple arts & crafts, listening to stories, role play, singing and dressing up. We took part in the Sermons performance last summer, and joined in the older children's Christmas production as small animals in the stable. We try to gently introduce the simplest Bible stories and Christian values, as well as encouraging the children to be aware of and appreciate the world around them. We always start with our 'good morning' song and finish with 'ten little thank you's to God'.

Some of our activities over the last 12 months have included walks in the church garden to look at the signs of changing seasons, a Teddy Bear's picnic to link in with the story of the 'Feeding of the 5,000', and making paper plate doves to represent the Sermon's theme of peace.

Katie Hodgkiss & Katie Dunne

YOUNG CHURCH 4 - 7 YEARS OLD

This year, as always, I included a major 'character' from the Old Testament for the children and this was 'Noah'. I do enjoy their reaction to these superb stories and this year, we all enjoyed the taking of the animals onto the ark but I did draw the line on taking on a slug!! As always, these 'characters' from the Bible can easily hold their own among the modern heroes and heroines.

I like to cover the miracles stories of Jesus and the vestry can become a tossing boat on Lake Galilee or a courtyard where a paralysed man can be lowered through the windows in the roof, which was done once again today!

The Christmas presentation this year was one of my favourites. It told the story of Mary and Joseph being fast asleep and baby Jesus awaking. At the instruction of the donkey all the animals try to sing him to sleep. This means that all the children can easily take part and this year we had again the lovely addition of a group of 'mice' from the Creche. I never know just what will happen, as we do not rehearse in the church and with the delight of the smallest of the Creche joining with us it was a special occasion. I am always very grateful to the parents who, at such a busy time, provide such fantastic costumes.

I would like to thank the older children who come out to the Vestry to help. I equally would like to thank Kate Hodgkiss and Sarah Butler, who cover for me. I would also thank the parents who come out with the children and help, and especially Catherine Walmsley who has been a major support to me for many years.

Janet Balshaw

YOUNG CHURCH - CENTRE GROUP

Numbers attending the sessions during the 9.30am service remain high. Sadly each year, when the acceptance letters from Canon Slade are received we lose one or two children. However, from conversations with other Churches, it appears we are not alone.

Our focus remains the same: a) To ensure that the children are introduced to the many stories within the Bible. b) To make them aware of important Christian festivals; c) To provide Christian values and to help them to demonstrate these in their daily lives; d) To ensure that they feel a valued part of our Church family. Our challenge is to use as many different activities as possible to maintain the interest of the children within the very short time that is allocated to us each week. This requires spending time and effort researching ways to introduce topics in

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new and memorable ways. Perhaps a short description of two recent sessions might demonstrate the sort of meetings which we plan.

- 1) The First Miracle by Jesus - The Wedding at Cana in Galilee: We began by discussing modern weddings and the involvement of our children within those which they had attended. We then explained how different weddings were in the time of Jesus. We related the story of the turning of the water into wine and showed them a picture of the large stone water storage jars. To help them to remember the story we then filled two containers; one with plain water and the other with some red cordial. We poured the plain water into the colour based container, watched it change to red and then gave them some to drink. Finally we gave each child a sheet of paper containing pictures of the story in jigsaw type pieces which they had to cut out and fit together with three of the pieces not being part of the story. The story was told and we hope that the activities gave some enjoyment to the children and helped them to remember it.
- 2) The Healing of the Man with Leprosy - Mark 1. V. 40 - 42: Quite by chance due to 'Songs of Praise' I discovered that January 28th was deemed 'Homeless' Sunday. Apparently this has been recognised for several years and recently we have all been confronted by the stark reality of the increase of people on the streets. The above story linked well with the theme. We approached it in a dramatic and hopefully memorable way. We produced a pair of very distinctive, old battered boots and gave them to volunteer child A, who put them on and crouched down, hunched up miserably and froze. Child B came along and also froze with palms held up in a shrug of hopelessness. Child C followed, froze and pointed an accusing finger at child A, child D appeared, froze and held up a hand in a 'stop gesture', turning away from child A. But child E approached and put a reassuring hand upon child A. We then asked the children what children B, C, D and E might be saying, which one was Jesus? Which one would you be? We helped them to realise that Jesus actively sought out those who needed Him and never turned away. Child A then took off the boots and offered them to children B, C, D but they hurriedly left. Child E took them and sat in the same way that A had done. Many famous and rich people have spent time on the streets to try to raise the plight of the homeless. We then told the story of the leper whom Jesus, with compassion, healed. The leper would have been shunned and driven from his home. We ended by reinforcing that as they are children, our group must not approach people on their own but try to imagine what it would be like to be homeless, what would they miss? How can we help? This led us to emphasise again that by encouraging them to bring an item for the Grub Tub each week we can help to further the work of 'Urban Outreach'. Tiny drops a mighty ocean makes! We ended the theme with a Prayer.

As usual, we maintained the traditions of Sermons Sunday and Christingle with the children singing, reading and leading Prayers. With all the activities in which the children are involved and half term breaks etc. it is a real challenge to produce our offerings for these services, but we remain determined to continue them and hope they give enjoyment to the congregation as we glorify God.

I extend my thanks to all who help, particularly Pauline Cull, my constant support, my daughter, Joanna, John who plays with his usual professionalism for Sermons and Christingle and to the

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teenagers who still come regularly as helpers. We quietly continue week by week hoping that we are helping the children on their journey of faith.

Julie Steele - Young Church - The group which meets in the Centre.

CHRIST CHURCH ABC GROUP (ADULTS BABIES AND CHILDREN)

Christ Church ABC Group runs on Wednesday afternoons during school term time from 1.30pm until 3pm and welcomes parents and carers with children under school age.

The ABC team consists of Jane Chapman, Heather Lowe, Lesley Youngman & Janet Balshaw. Each week we encourage parents & carers to chat with each other and make new friends while the children play and participate in craft activities. Everybody joins in the singing to end the session. We have a few new helpers on our coffee bar rota and we remain extremely grateful to all our coffee bar helpers who add to the welcoming atmosphere.

The ABC group has 26 families on the register this year, with between 8 - 11 families attending the group each week. The families tell us that they enjoy the intimate, friendly nature of the group.

The small weekly financial contributions from the families allow us to purchase refreshments and craft materials, replace & renew toys and equipment, and to make charity donations and contribute to church purchases when possible. Our funds remain very low. We raised £38.25 in commission from our annual photography session with Tempest Photography which was put towards our Christmas party.

The highlight of our year, enjoyed by all Adults, Babies and Children, was the Christmas Party. We are very fortunate that *Father Christmas* continues to make an appearance every year. The families always appreciate the opportunity to go into church with the vicar to hear the Nativity story. The cost of the Christmas party and children's gifts was covered by the weekly takings and a small contribution from the families.

Several ABC group families attended the Crib service, after which ABC group helpers provided and served coffee and mince pies in the Church centre.

We feel privileged to provide a link between the local community and the church and to maintain the tradition of having a group for Adults, Babies and Children at Christ Church.

Jane Chapman

MEN OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

The MCC year again followed the pattern of recent years in that no regular meetings were held but by taking part in or hosting various events we were able to maintain a presence in the life of the Parish.

As is customary the year began with the annual Renewal of Commitment at the 9.30 service at the end of January. On Shrove Tuesday the MCC helped provide the Pancakes at the annual Pancake Party and Quiz with an enthusiastic group manning the kitchen. It is hoped that the event will continue to be part of Parish life and. Shortly afterwards the MCC were again in the kitchen, this time running the Coffee Bar on Mothering Sunday.

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The Annual Dinner was held at the beginning of October. For the 2nd year the Dinner took place at The Old Forge Restaurant at Bob's Smithy Inn. A total of 27 attended and we were again pleased to welcome a number of friends from St Margaret's for what was an enjoyable evening.

In November the Annual Joint Meeting of the MCC and Mothers' Union took place. This meeting was, as is usual, well attended and the MCC Chairman tested our knowledge on a variety of subjects with a quiz.

William Nightingale - Chairman, Men of Christ Church

MOTHERS UNION

The Mothers' Union theme for 2017 was "Faith In Action". Christ Church has had a Branch of MU since 1901 and is part of the worldwide Christian movement, begun by Mary Sumner in 1876, which has grown to have over 4 million members in 83 countries. Members who put their faith into action within their communities; including some of the most impoverished areas of the world. In 2017 members made a positive difference to the lives of hundreds of thousands of families who were in need. Much of our work is centred on prayer and many of our own members regularly attend the Corporate Communion Services at Christ Church on the 1st Wednesday of the month. We each have our own MU Families Worldwide Prayer Diary and have attended Deanery, Archdeaconry and Diocesan Services. Some of our members led the Thursday Prayers in the Cathedral in August. We began and ended 2017 with 66 members. Doreen Canham was enrolled at our AGM in March. In the summer Hilda Pickles and husband Norman moved to Pershore in Worcestershire to live near to one of their daughters. Hilda is sadly missed, having been a member for 59 years. We gave Long Service Certificates to Beryl Shaw (30 years) Margaret Goudge (50 years) and to Kathleen Dobb (55 years). We had a varied programme of speakers during the year including Revd Lynne Taylor about her journey of faith, Revd Alan Pierce on Eric Liddell, Doreen Hough, David Mulligan, Christine Ogden and Joyce Vickers. We enjoyed the Joint meeting with the MCC when William challenged us all in a quiz! We hosted a very well attended Summer Supper. We were very privileged to welcome The Rt Revd Mark Ashcroft, the Bishop of Bolton as our Speaker. He talked positively of his experiences of MU when he was working in Kenya.

Socially we enjoyed a Beetle Drive with Bring and Share Supper, a Spring lunch together at the Retreat and thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas dinner again at the Ridgmont. We all made it there despite the ice and snow! We collected Easter Eggs and Christmas gifts for Fortalice and Margaret Goudge and I attended a Celebration of 40 Years for Fortalice at the University in September. During the year we raised money through a Coffee Morning and annual Summer Supper for MU projects including the "Just Up Your Street" and "Away From It All Holidays" projects in Manchester. We also sent donations to the "Make a Mother's Day" appeal, The Literacy Development Fund and the Big Summer Appeal. A total of £1,000 was sent to these important projects.

Our Knitting Club continues to provide outreach and fun. We have knitted items requested by the Baby Mortuary at the Royal Bolton Hospital. We were given lots of chunky wool and so knitted lots of items for Fortalice.

Our members continue to help at Baptism services and we provide the Baptism books that are given out. There were 25 Baptisms at Christ Church in 2017. Our thanks go to Lynne Fisher who has organised the Baptism rota for many years and we are grateful that Clare King has now

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taken over this role. We bunch the daffodils for Mothering Sunday and share the cost of this with Women's Guild. All of our members are active in Church activities. Our meetings are enjoyable and usually quite well attended but it would be good to see more of our younger members at the meetings. We have been running with a very small committee and no Branch Leader since May 2015. Thank you to Ruth Syddall and Stephanie Oakley (who both stepped down during the year) for all the work that they did whilst on the Committee. We welcomed Revd. Alan Pierce, Elaine Holland and Margaret Goudge onto the Committee last March to join Jan Pierce our Treasurer, Heather Wilkinson and me. I would like to thank them all for all their hard work, enthusiasm and dedication.

We very much appreciate the support given to us by Janet and all our members who give so generously of their time, talents and Christian friendship.

Sue Critchley (Secretary)

CHRIST CHURCH PLAYERS

The Christ Church Players 2017 production of 'Twelfth Man', which ran from 8th - 11th February 2017 by kind permission of Samuel French Ltd, attracted four sell out audiences of 110 people each night, in addition to an overflow audience for one of the dress rehearsals.

Directed by Ruth Syddall, the cast - Janet Balshaw, Brenda Griffiths, Ben Latham, Jill Leatherbarrow, Martin Miller, Geoffrey Pearson, Brian Peel, Fran Shinks, Julie Steele, Adam Syddall, Ruth Syddall and Mike Thomas - worked hard to ensure a high standard and enjoyable performance (despite a last minute change of script (!)) and produced the light hearted comedy that H Connolly himself would have been proud of.

The back-stage aspect of a play can often go unnoticed and unrewarded and the CCP committee are enormously grateful for their help, support and tireless dedication behind the scenes on every level, for without them this production could not have taken place. Particular thanks go to our set-builders, Geoffrey Pearson and Martin Miller with help from David Howarth, and Stage Manager/Properties Co-ordinator Judith Pearson, all of whom gave up extraordinary amounts of time and effort to move heavy pieces of scenery from storage and subsequently design and construct a safe cricket pavilion in which the action could take place.

Christ Church Players would like to thank Polyfab and Formings Limited, Alan Lever Windows, Marco Players, Bolton Little Theatre, DPE Systems, Bolton Motor Cycles, our advertisers who donated the raffle prizes and the 17th Bolton Scout Group for their generous support and assistance with this production and of course, our audience for turning out despite the weather. Together we raised £3,000.00 for Christ Church.

Though Christ Church Players continue to be a group of amateurs, the group remains in contact with other well established, highly recognised BATS (Bolton Amateur Theatre Societies) groups including the likes of Bolton Little Theatre, more than two thirds of whom produce anything up to 6, sometimes 7 productions or shows on an annual basis. Awards given by BATS are therefore highly competitive and we have been delighted that CCP have been recognised for their talents receiving awards from BATS for the last several years.

We are always delighted to welcome new faces to both the cast and crew and it is hoped that we can continue to grow the Christ Church Players family in 2018 - our 20th anniversary - to ensure the future of this society. If anyone is interested in taking part in any capacity you would

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receive a warm welcome. Rehearsals for our 2019 production will commence in mid-October with a break over Christmas and then 2-3 rehearsals a week from the break until performances. Both cast and crew will be pulling out all the stops to ensure another successful production.

Brenda Griffiths and Pam Hodson - Co Chairs

COFFEE BAR

Over the past year the coffee bar has provided tea/coffee/juice and biscuits to the congregation following the 9.30am Family Communion services to allow an opportunity to chat to friends and welcome new members to the congregation. I would like to say a big thank you to all the very willing volunteers who work so efficiently to keep the coffee bar up and running each week, to everyone for their contributions which help to fund the coffee bar and also aid different charities each year. This year we have profits of £308.92 from the coffee bar and I would be very grateful if you would let me know the chosen charities for our contributions for this year.

Ruth Turner

CHRIST CHURCH WOMEN'S GUILD

Once again we have had another year of fun, fundraising and fellowship.

Our programme started with a meeting at Create Café Bolton which 17 Guild members attended, we had a chance to show our creative skills by decorating tiles and sharing in some rather lovely home cooked food.

In April we had our Afternoon Tea which was our annual fundraising event held in the church centre. Thanks to everyone who helped and came along to support us.

We have had only one trip in the year which was the outing in September to St Helens World of Glass. Sixteen members attended this event where we received a guided tour around the glass museum, a glass blowing demonstration and lunch. Everybody had an enjoyable day out.

In October we had our first speaker Gill Lee who gave us a very emotional and informative talk about her life in the police and Re-Track. She told us all about her charity trips and how the children benefit from all the services visiting and supporting them and she also spoke about her time in the police and her experiences. Thank you to Gill for taking the time to talk to us which was really enjoyed by all.

The Harvest distribution was on the 9th October. The chosen charities this year were the Salvation Army, Fort Alice, Bolton Hospice and the Destitution Project. We also sent personal gifts of flowers and chocolates to 20+ individuals who had been highlighted as people who would benefit from a harvest parcel. Members of the Guild sorted the goods and packed and distributed them. Thank you to everybody that helped on this morning as we only had a small team and lots to do so it made the delivery a lot easier. We received several thank you letters after the Harvest so all our hard work was very much appreciated.

In November, Elsie Peel came to talk to us about the work she does for the Destitution Project which was a very informative afternoon for everyone that attended. Thank you to Elsie for speaking to us.

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December saw the annual dressing of the Christmas tree in the Centre. Thanks must go to Jane Chapman and Callum with the Youth Group for dressing the tree. A huge thank you must also go to Maureen Barnes for everything that Stuart and herself did for our church including dressing our Christmas tree over the past years.

We held our Annual Guild Luncheon in January which was once again held at Bolton Golf Club. Forty six ladies attended this year to help make this a really happy occasion with lovely food and a great fellowship. Thank you to all who attended.

Membership: Our membership fee will remain at £5 per annum and a charge of £2 for non-members attending social events.

We have sent numerous cards and flowers to our members following bereavement or during illness and thanks must go to Christine Hayes for fulfilling this duty.

I want to thank Janet French for being our Chair and also for all of the help and support she has provided to both Alison and myself throughout the year.

I also would like to take the time to thank all of the committee members for your dedication and guidance which is very much appreciated.

God Bless

Steph Oakley & Alison Dickinson

CHRIST CHURCH LUNCHEON CLUB

We have had another enjoyable and successful year, with an average attendance of 44 per month. Unfortunately, due to bad weather conditions and illness, we had a smaller attendance than usual at our December meeting. It is very encouraging for us to see so many people enjoying themselves with good fellowship and food. Our new sound system has made a big difference, enabling our members to hear speakers and announcements clearly. Our thanks to the Women's Guild for their contribution to the cost.

Our year began with another visit from Russell Hedley - always a popular speaker. He was to have shown us slides of his trip to the Galapagos Islands. Unfortunately, he had technical problems with his projector, so instead he gave us a most interesting and informative talk about the Woodland Trust and its work at Smithills. Being a local project, this engendered much discussion and questions. In February, we had a visit from Dame Dolly Dishcloth aka Martin Wrench, who gave us a most amusing and unusual insight into his role as a pantomime dame in amateur dramatics. The following month, our own Alan Pierce gave us memories of his life growing up in a large family in South Wales.

In April, it was good to welcome back Chris Schofield, who showed us slides of a journey he and Linda took from Istanbul to Petra. Then in May, Eric Beardsworth gave a very entertaining talk entitled, 'Coward at War', in which he did impersonations of Noel Coward. Our next speaker in June, Kevin Fitzpatrick, told us of his work as a BBC reporter.

After our summer break, Sharon Richards gave us an enthralling story telling session. The following month, John Clayton, from Radio Lancashire, told us of his work interviewing people, with many amusing anecdotes included. In November, we were entertained by the magician Peter Turner, with the aid of volunteers from our Luncheon Club! As in past years, for our December meeting, we were entertained by the children from Beech House - all 75 of them!

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They were dressed in their delightful nativity costumes and sang a selection of Christmas Carols. A collection was made and £100 given to their charity - The Manchester Children's Hospital.

Our Luncheon Club outing in May was to Oswaldtwistle Mill, for some retail therapy and a lovely meal. Then we went on to Blackburn Cathedral, where we had a most interesting and informative talk, followed by tea in their modern café Northcote.

Lastly, but most importantly, grateful thanks to all those volunteers who prepare the food, work in the kitchen, serve the meals and wash up - all of which is essential to the smooth running of the club. As our Luncheon Club membership has increased, we have endeavoured to recruit more volunteers as some of our helpers have reached retirement age. Due to this, we would welcome some new, younger volunteers.

Pauline Cull - Luncheon Club Leader

Messy Church

We meet in the Church Centre in the school holidays with our team of helpers and we had a really good year at Messy Church. We met 4 times last year in February, April, July and October and all sessions were well attended. We have a mixture of ages attending and always see a few new faces at each session.

Children attend with an accompanying adult(s) and there are various craft games and activities all based around a Bible theme. We then continue the theme in Church for some songs and a talk. Following this we all sit down together to share a simple meal and fellowship.

The event is free but donations are welcomed, we do generally cover our costs and where possible we use fair trade produce.

February

Theme: Feeding of the 5000

45+ attended

Food: Bread to accompany fish/veggie fingers and beans.

Craft Activities: Making their own bread, Group project banner, Fishing game, making fish on a string, Bread of Life book, Face of love plates, Word searches.

Our craft group projects are always displayed in the centre for all to see.

April

Theme: Easter

30 Attended

Food: Ham/cheese sandwiches, crisps, carrot sticks, mini scotch eggs, bread and butter.

Craft Activities: Colour cones to hold mini eggs in, Easter Cards, Easter egg hunts, Popcorn making.

July

Theme: Joseph and his Technicolour Dream Coat

35/40 Attended

Food: Pasta sauce and garlic bread.

Craft Activities: Paper coats decorated by each other, a wool joseph made from a lollipop stick, spinning tops, nail painting, Face painting; Group project was mini coats placed on a large display paper made with thumb prints.

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October

Theme: The light of life

30+ Attended

Food: Mashed potatoes and beans with bread and butter.

Craft Activities: Candle book marks, light window, Group project was a lighthouse with prayers around it, Decorating a candle holder to take a candle home in it, Glittery star hangers.

A huge Thank you must go to all our many helpers Messy couldn't run without you all.

The Messy Team

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Once again the Church hosted the coffee morning on the last Friday in September. The event was well attended despite a very wet start to the day. We are grateful for the continued help we receive from everyone both on the day & by supplying raffle prizes, cakes, handicraft items & cards. We raised £850 for Macmillan on the morning. A further £382 was added to the total from the October book sale & other kind donations. Again we welcomed Bolton Hospice who raised £327 selling their Christmas cards & calendars. The total raised for the two charities by our church community since 1998 is now in excess of £31,000. We are one of the largest contributors in the North West to the Macmillan Coffee Morning. The amount we have raised has funded a Macmillan Information Space including building costs, IT equipment, furniture & decor. The space is used to give privacy to people accessing help & support about cancer. We have received a special "Thank you" for this massive contribution. Many thanks for your continued support for this event.

Heather Lowe

BROWNIES

The year opened with a belated Christmas party - delayed because Judith and I had not been at Brownies together since before October half term. At the end of January a gentleman from the RSPB came and talked about bird recognition and feeding them. He ended the evening by giving the girls a quiz to do. The rest of the term was taken up with cross stitch embroidery for Mothering Sunday. At Easter the other Brownie pack (54th Bolton) closed mainly due to a lack of leaders. However we ourselves gained from this because Alice Fletcher who had planned to do the service part of her D of E with them came to us instead. Although she has now completed this, she has decided to continue as a Young Leader. We welcome her and thank her for her help so far. In summer, we did the Agility badge and some cooking, rounding off the term with a barbecue. At Easter and in the Autumn for Harvest, we made craft items to decorate the Church windows. At the end of the year we invited some ladies from the parish to our meeting but instead of the usual nativity play the Brownies recited Christmas poems and sang carols. Some of the Brownies attended the Division Christmas party where they enjoyed traditional party games and a visit from Father Christmas. As ever I am very grateful to Judith Newton for her help and support throughout the year. At the moment we do have space for girls to join us so if there are any 7 to 9 year olds who would like to come along to the Church Centre on a Wednesday evening please have a word with Judith or I.

Hazel Tattersall.

17th BOLTON SCOUTS

The spring term was a mixture of badgework and fun activities. Some of the activities that the Scouts participated in was working towards their badgework; for example we held an A-Z at

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Morrison's where the Scouts had an hour and a half to go shopping for articles that started with each letter of the alphabet with a limited budget of £8! This was for their Skills and Teamwork Challenge Awards.

Kaa and Raksha (Anika and Vicky) ran a successful evening where they looked at International themed evening which worked towards the Scouts' International Activity badge. The enjoyable evening, which I unfortunately missed, was when the Scouts went to visit the Mayoress of Bolton at the Town Hall. I gather they had an informative evening with a lot of information about the history of Bolton given as well. And then the term finished with the annual Easter Egg hunt at Brownstones Quarry (where the Easter bunny forgot to place the eggs around the place) but the Scouts still found them in the boot of my car. Whilst at the quarry we managed to do some bouldering, get 16 Scouts and 2 Young Leaders into a tree and play several rounds of man hunt. This year's Easter camp was a one night backwoods camp held at Ashworth Valley, where the Scouts and Leaders spent 2 days, 1 night under a tarp in an orange survival bag. I think great fun was had by all and the glorious weather helped a lot. The Scouts arrived on the Saturday morning, after a very frosty start but then the sun came out! The Scouts went down to out site and put their tarp up and managed their area. Wood collecting was high on the agenda as we needed it for all the weekend and for lunch! Shinsky snacks (which are pitas stuffed with cheese, meats, onions to make a kind of stuffed pizza.) Whilst on camp, the Scouts cooked on open fires without pans, used the barest of implements and even had a cake in an orange! They also had a river walk, wide games and campfire songs. There was also an appearance of Brother Chil on the Sunday morning, at the Scouts' Own in Ashworth Valley's very own outdoor chapel. After the success of this one, we are hoping to hold another one again in the next couple of years. In the Summer Term we covered a few badge work sections including Emergency Aid Level 3, Outdoor Challenge Award and World Challenge Award. These were completed in the hut doing first aid, discussing at and looking at the importance of good personal and kit safety and hygiene whilst at camp and we also did a litter pick at Christ Church and then up Markland Hill. In the middle of the term we had a night hike and sleepover where the Scouts proceeded to do a self-led circular walk from and to the hut. Once they got back to the hut, we put on some pizzas and chips before the Scouts had a good nights sleep and then walked down to church in the morning for church parade.

The Summer term was also a wet term, besides the rain! We went for a river walk from White Coppice up Black Brook to Wheelton Moor. We then invested the new Scouts at the top and then walked back down the moor. The other wet evening we had, was when we had our annual water fight on the last evening with the Guides. A lot of fun and merriment was had involving ice cream cones, ice cream, hundreds and thousands and sauces followed by shaving foam on the head. We then had the usual, get everyone as wet as possible. We also did cooking on fires which went down a treat as usual by making the fires and then eating. Then there was our summer camp in Scotland. This year's week long summer camp was to Fordell Firs National Activity Centre, north of the Firth of Forth, Edinburgh.

Unfortunately we only had 4 Scouts this year but a great year was had by all and the Scouts managed to get so much learnt and done. The other added bonus, the Scottish schools had gone back so we had a 42 acre site all to ourselves!

Before I go any further, I want to congratulate Baloo and Chil (Josh and Sam) for organising a fantastic camp. We all had a great time. At the minute, they are waiting for final validation to get their camping nights away permits (due any time in the next couple of weeks).

At camp, the Scouts had the opportunity to gain several badges. One of them being the Scottish

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Thistle Challenge, which is to gain an understanding of Scottish heritage.

After leaving at 8.30am and a quick 4 hour car ride up to Fordell Firs. We were greeted by Chil and Baloo who had got to the site an hour earlier and we had lunch and got our tents pitched. In the afternoon we explored the site and played games. On Sunday morning, we held the campsite flag break where our Scouts raised the Fordell Firs flags. Scouts' Own was then held by the campsite warden, Stevie. In the afternoon we went for a local walk all the way down to Dalgety Bay. This was our own haggis hunt. On Monday, it was the turn of the Navigator badge and we went south of the Forth to the Pentland Hills where we taught the Scouts in-depth navigation (and how to cross a bog safely!). Once back at site, it was traditional Scottish meal evening; haggis, neeps (carrots in our case as someone(!) couldn't find neeps in the supermarket!) and tatties. This was followed by another Scottish delicacy of cranachan. Tuesday was on site where the Scouts eagerly took to knots to try to complete their Minuteman badge and to start learning a Scottish poem: "My Heart is in the Highlands" by Robert Burns. In the afternoon, there was an on-site caving system, so the Scouts spent an hour and quarter crawling through the tunnels and caverns. In the evening we had a 2 hour tour of the Fordell estate by Bob, the senior warden of 17 years at Fordell Firs. We had an educational day in Edinburgh on the Wednesday. We had a Chil guided tour of the castle finishing off with the 1 o'clock cannon. This was then followed by a Chil guided tour of the Royal Mile down to Holyrood Palace, stopping in St. Giles Cathedral on the way down. Once back at site, the Scouts then got their sleeping stuff together and spent the night sleeping in the cavern, 6 foot under! Thursday was an on-site day again, where in the morning, we had Stevie take us climbing at the climbing tower. In the afternoon, we finished the poem and started timing and presenting the Minuteman badge. At flag break on Friday morning, we were joined by Graham (Scouts Scotland Operation Manager (top dog from the office side!)) and Kabweh, from Zambia who was here volunteering at Fordell Firs. Kabweh was presented his wood badge. Then afterwards, we went Facebook Live and Scouts recited the poem and were then presented their Scottish Thistle Challenge badges. We then caught the 10 o'clock train and headed into Edinburgh. The Friday surprise this year was to spend the day at the Edinburgh Fringe! The Scouts decided what they wanted to see and do, which ended up being several street performers and two improv shows. For tea, it was to the takeaway for whatever they wanted. Then a quick jog back to the station. Back on site, we invited the 36 Guides on the neighbouring pitch, up for the weekend, to join us for the campfire and were then joined by 10 Cubs. A lot of noise was made! On the Saturday morning, we had a laid back morning and headed off at lunchtime for an evening arrival in Bolton with 8 tired, happy and smelly Scouts and Leaders!

Once again, congratulations Baloo and Chil.

At the start of the Autumn Term we did the Hobbies Activity badge where the Scouts came in and gave a 5 minute presentation of their hobby (whether this was an activity or collection). It was nice to see a variety of different things being presented. We also completed a couple of the "religious" badges; we had a tour of the Central Mosque, Daubhill and Christ Church, Heaton for the World Faith and My Faith Activity badges, respectively. The term started off with a trip to Horwich Community Fire Station, where we had a guided tour with one of the firemen. The evening ended with the Scouts having the opportunity to use the hoses (and giving my car a good wash!) In the middle of the term, we had our joint evening with the Guides at the Halloween & Bonfire party, which involved messy games and culminating with fireworks. On the following Friday was the group Bonfire and Firework evening, where the whole group (Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) got together, played games, sang campfire songs and ended with a 20 minute

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firework display. We then finished the term off with a joint carol singing with the Guides at two residential homes. What started out as "O.M.G." (as all the cool kids say!) "What's this going to be like" ended with "Can we do it again next year?". The Scouts, Guides, Leaders and the old people had a really good time.

For the whole of last year, we presented 198 badges to the Scouts for all the badgework they completed.

Christopher.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2017

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, together with FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at fair value.

The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

1.1 ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property and moveable church furnishings

In so far as consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the statutory definition of 'charity' by Section 10(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011 such assets are not capitalised in the financial statements.

No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since PCC considers this to be inalienable property. All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement is written off as expenditure on purchase.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church and parish centre is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £4,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

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1.2 Investment Assets

Investment property

	Welbeck Rd	Markland Hill
Value b/fwd.	169,950	134,950
Revaluation Inc/dec	---	---
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Value c/fwd.	<u>169,950</u>	<u>134,950</u>

Basis of valuation

The property values are in accordance with Bairstow Eves reports dated 28 February 2007.

Land at Markland Hill

The land upon which the Scout Hut was built was leased to the 17th Bolton (Christ Church Heaton) Scout Group on 31 December 1963 for 25 years at a rent of one shilling per annum. The lease was renewed with effect from 25th December 1988 for a further 25 years from then by counterpart lease dated 21st December 1994. Negotiations for the grant of a new lease are ongoing since expiry 25 December 2013. As disposal of this asset is not likely in the foreseeable future and income is less than £250 per annum no value has been assigned to this property. The Scout building itself is not owned by the church.

1.3 FUNDS

Unrestricted funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, **including amounts designated by the PCC for specific purposes** for example on the general upkeep of church buildings or on repair and maintenance of the organ. Designated funds are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds which must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and are shown in the notes to the accounts.

The Church had the following specific funds in 2017 -

- Church Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Fund – To receive donations toward the cost of central heating replacement boilers in church.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2017 (Cont.)

- Organ and Choir Funds - To provide funds for the maintenance of the Organ and support of the Choir.

1.4 Recognition of income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the PCC becomes legally entitled to the use of the resources;
and inflow of economic benefit is probable;
- and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Specifically;

- Collections/donations/planned giving are included in the SOFA when received by or on behalf of the PCC.
- Gift aid and other tax claims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the cash donations to which they relate
- Income tax recoverable on gift aided donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.
- Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.
- Rental income from the letting of the two houses owned by the church is recognised when rental is due.
- Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable
- Investment gains and losses are recognised either when the investment is sold or as a result of revaluation of investments to market value at the end of the year.
- The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Annual Report.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2017 (Cont.)

1.5 Expenditure and Liabilities

- Grants and donations are recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made externally and there are no pre-conditions still to be met for entitlement to the grant which remain within the control of the PCC.
- Governance costs Include costs of the examination of statutory accounts and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.
- Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation and settlement is probable and quantifiable
- The parish share or diocesan quota is accounted for when paid. Any share unpaid is not accrued at the year end, as no legal liability exists, except where PCC has given a commitment may a further payment to the outstanding amount immediately after the year end.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2017 (Cont.)

Financial Review

Total receipts of unrestricted funds were £134,903.92 of which £75,181 were unrestricted voluntary donations. The planned giving through envelopes and banker's orders decreased by 11.5% (£7,706).

There were restricted donations totalling £14,305. Of this £6,425 was donated as the result of an appeal for funds towards the cost of the new boilers in Church, £4,880 from an anonymous donor to cover the cost of repairs to the porch on the vestry, £2,000 & £500 from the Women's Guild and Luncheon Club respectively to cover the cost of improvements to the sound systems in Church and in the Centre and £500 from the Men of Christ Church towards the cost of a replacement boiler in the Centre. An unrestricted donation of £3,000 was made by Christ Church Players. Gift Aid will be claimed from personal donations where possible. A big thank you must go to all donors for their generosity.

The houses at Welbeck Road and Markland Hill were let during the whole of 2017, however, there has been non-receipt of several rent payments from the tenant at Markland Hill leading to court action. The income owed is included in the debtor figure as the tenant promises to pay the arrears though consideration may have to be given to write off the amount owed in due course. There is no day to day property management cost though some legal costs have been incurred in relation to the Markland Hill property. A special thank you to Dave Bainbridge who has put in a lot of time into dealing with the difficulties at the Markland Hill property. His efforts have saved significant legal costs. In February 2018 both properties became vacant.

We were grateful for pecuniary legacies of £5,000 and £500.

Total expenditure was £180,549 including Capital Expenditure and payment of 100% of the Diocesan Parish Share of £85,000. The Diocesan Parish Share largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy. Day to day costs have stayed fairly level.

There has been a significant overspend amounting to £31,220 which has been funded from reserves.

In the main this is due to a significant increase in Capital expenditure on the church and Centre. In total £44,303 has been spent on new boilers for the Church and Centre, improvements to the sound system, replacement of part of the porch on the vestry and further updates to the electrical infrastructure to meet current regulations and as recommended by the last Quinquennial Inspection. The donations of £14,305 towards this expenditure have helped to reduce the overspend.

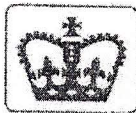
At the beginning of 2017 PCC decided to restructure its various nominal funds to help clarify what is held in cash and what is represented by the values extended to the two properties. As a result, the Fabric Fund was renamed Church Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Fund, a PCC Property Fund, a PCC Property Maintenance, a Special Projects Fund and a Youth Work Fund were established.

Various sums were designated to these funds (see note 9 in the accounts) with the value of the two properties put into the PCC Property Fund. The Organ & Choir Designated and Restricted Funds remained. During the year a Church Building and Grounds Maintenance Restricted Fund was established to receive donations towards the boilers.

At the year end the total fund balances stood at £440,781, a reduction of £31,220 due to the overspend. The fund balances are made up of the value of the houses at Welbeck Rd and Markland Hill, £304,900 and cash held at Barclays and on deposit with CCLA of £135,881.

The continued decline in the level of income will place an increased reliance on use of reserves if PCC chooses to meet its Parish Share in full in the future. In any event it is recommended that PCC consider and implement an action plan to increase levels of income and look for possible cost savings.

Andrew Minors
Honorary Treasurer
March 2018



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Trustees/
members of

The Parochial Church Council of Christ Church Heaton

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2017

Charity
number

1132861

Set out on pages

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Respective
responsibilities of
Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. 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 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent
Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any 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 section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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.

Signed:

Date:

21st April 2018

Name:

Anthony J Slack

Address:

50, Devonshire Road, Heaton, BOLTON BL1 4PQ



PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON

Registered Charity No 1132861

Financial Statements for the period 1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
		<u>funds</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Note		£	£	£	£	£
Income and Endowments:						
Voluntary income	2{a}	97,051	15,914	-	112,966	112,346
Church activities	2{b}	16,561	-	-	16,561	16,789
Activities for generating funds	2{c}	4,659	-	-	4,659	5,141
Investment income	2{d}	14,176	-	-	14,176	14,717
Other incoming resources	2{e}	542	-	-	542	-
Total Income		132,990	15,914	-	148,904	148,993
Expenditure:						
Church activities	3{a}	132,557	352	-	132,909	144,770
Raising funds	3{b}	1,305	-	-	1,305	1,984
Support costs	3{c}	1,606	-	-	1,606	781
Capital expenditure	3{d}	28,509	15,794	-	44,303	9,688
Total Expenditure		163,977	16,146	-	180,124	157,223
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)		-30,988	-232	-	-31,220	-8,230
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		-30,988	-232	-	-31,220	-8,230
Extraordinary items		-	-	-	-	-
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		-30,988	-232	0	-31,220	-8,230
Total funds brought forward		467,166	4,835	-	472,001	480,231
Total funds carried forward		436,178	4,603	-	440,781	472,001

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON
Registered Charity No 1132861

Balance sheet as at 31st December 2017

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total this</u>	<u>Total last</u>
	<u>funds</u>	<u>income</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>year</u>	<u>year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>

Fixed assets

Investment Property (Note 1.2)	304,900	-	-	304,900	304,900
Total fixed assets	304,900	-	-	304,900	304,900

Current assets

Stocks	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 6)	25,538	1,489	-	27,026	14,083
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 8)	111,933	-	-	111,933	196,260
Total current assets	137,471	1,489	-	138,959	210,343

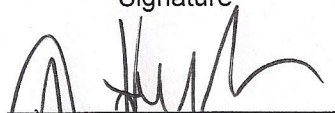
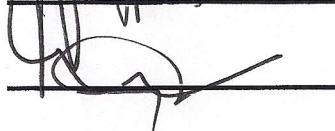
Current Liabilities

Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 7)	3,079	-	-	3,079	43,242
Net current assets/(liabilities)	134,392	1,489	-	135,881	167,101
Total net assets/(liabilities)	439,292	1,489	-	440,781	472,001

Represented by:
Funds of the Church

Restricted income funds (Note 9)	-	4,603	-	4,603	4,835
Unrestricted funds	436,178	-	-	436,178	467,166
Revaluation reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds	436,178	4,603	-	440,781	472,001

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature



Print Name
Rev Janet French
Chairman

Andrew Minors
Honorary Treasurer

Date of approval
29/4/18

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value.

The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Funds

General Funds

These 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.

Designated Funds

These are Funds designated for particular purposes by the PCC and are also unrestricted as the PCC can reassign those monies if it so desires.

Restricted Funds

These can only be used for their stated purpose(s).

The Church has the following specific funds -

Church Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Church and its environs without recourse to realising fixed assets and to enable such maintenance to be undertaken at short notice.

Organ and Choir Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Organ and support of the Choir.
A transfer from the General Fund is made in lieu of the organists Honorarium.

PCC Property Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the properties at Welbeck Rd and Markland Hill.

Youth Work Fund

- To provide funds for employment of a Youth Worker and associated costs

Special Projects Fund

To provide funds for such individual projects as PCC decides

Incoming Resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on gift aided donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal

entitlement and the amount due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Resources used

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation of the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish share or diocesan quota is accounted for when paid. Any share unpaid is not accrued at the year end (unless a balance payment has been committed by the PCC) as no legal liability exists.

Fixed assets

Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

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

No value is placed on moveable 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 inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure on purchase.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £4,000 or less are written off when 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 provision.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

CHRIST CHURCH, HEATON

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2017

Fixed Assets

Investment Property

39 Welbeck Rd Heaton	112 Markland Hill Heaton	Total
£	£	£
Value B/F 169,950	134,950	304,900
Revaluati -	-	-
Value C/F <u>169,950</u>	<u>134,950</u>	<u>304,900</u>

Basis of Valuation

The property values are in accordance with Bairstow Eves marketing reports dated 28 February 2007.

Movable Church Furnishings

These are vested in the Church wardens on behalf of the PCC. They cannot be disposed of without a faculty and therefore no value is assigned to them. Expenditure on additions to such inalienable assets is written off on purchase

Land at Scout Hut, Markland Hill, Bolton

The land on which the Scout Hut was built was leased to the 17th Bolton (Christ Church Heaton) Scout group on 31 December 1963 for 25 years at a rent of One Shilling per Annum. This was renewed with effect from 25 December 1988 for a further 25 years then by counterpart lease dated 21st December 1994. As disposal of this asset is not possible for the foreseeable future, and income is effectively NIL, no value has been assigned to this property in the accounts accounts. The Scout Hut itself is not owned by the Church

Expenditure on Church Property

At 31 December 2017 the PCC had no approved expenditure not yet incurred

2 Income and Endowments

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2017</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2016</u> <u>£</u>
2{a} Voluntary income					
Gift Aided Planned Giving	60,125	-	-	60,125	67,382
Other Planned Giving	3,643			3,643	5,444
Collections at services	6,969			6,969	6,765
Gift Aid Recovered	16,590	1,489	-	18,079	20,293
Legacies	5,500	-	-	5,500	5,000
Other	4,223	14,426	-	18,648	7,462
Total	97,051	15,914	-	112,966	112,346
2{b} Church activities:					
PCC Fees (Weddings & funerals etc)	6,148	-	-	6,148	6,562
Parish Magazine (Sales)	1,608	-	-	1,608	1,666
Church Centre lettings	8,805	-	-	8,805	8,453
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total	16,561	-	-	16,561	16,681
2{c} Activities for generating funds:					
Magazine (Advertising)	2,234	-	-	2,234	2,734
Fundraising events	2,425	-	-	2,425	2,386
Other			-	-	129
Total	4,659	-	-	4,659	5,249
2{d} Income from investments:					
Bank and CCLA interest	357	-	-	357	594
Dividend on CCLA Funds	79	-	-	79	73
Rental income from houses	13,740	-	-	13,740	14,050
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total	14,176	-	-	14,176	14,717
2{e} Other incoming resources:					
Contribution to shared costs	542	-	-	542	
TOTAL INCOME	132,990	15,914	-	148,904	148,993

Other information:

All income in the year, with exception of funds donated towards the Porch, Sound System, Boilers and for Emmaus, was unrestricted

3 Expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2017</u> £	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2016</u> £
3{a} Church Activities					
Donations to outside organisations	30	120	-	150	159
Diocesan Parish Share	85,000	-	-	85,000	100,000
Clergy Working expenses	1,535	-	-	1,535	1,321
Vicarage/other ministry expenses	3,122	-	-	3,122	2,785
Salaries, wages & honoraria	6,496	-	-	6,496	6,172
Miscellaneous	477	-	-	477	-
	<u>96,660</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>96,780</u>	<u>110,437</u>
Church Running Costs					
Church running expenses	11,302	-	-	11,302	9,375
Church utility costs	3,793	-	-	3,793	3,638
Upkeep of services	1,337	-	-	1,337	1,422
Upkeep of churchyard	1,570	-	-	1,570	2,050
Parish Centre running costs	9,413	-	-	9,413	9,430
PCC property costs	765	-	-	765	869
Magazine costs	3,120	-	-	3,120	3,274
Cost of church administration	3,306	-	-	3,306	2,740
Organ & Choir costs	1,291	232	-	1,523	1,535
	<u>132,557</u>	<u>352</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>132,909</u>	<u>144,770</u>
3{b} Raising funds					
Stewardship, Male Voice choir,	1,305	-	-	1,305	1,984
	<u>1,305</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,305</u>	<u>1,984</u>
3{c} Support Costs					
Independent Examiner	100	-	-	100	100
Professional Fees	1,254	-	-	1,254	453
Payroll Services	252	-	-	252	228
Total Support Costs	<u>1,606</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,606</u>	<u>781</u>
Total General Expenditure	<u>135,469</u>	<u>352</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>135,821</u>	<u>147,535</u>
3{d} Capital Expenditure					
Church buildings	28,509	15,794	-	44,303	5,892
PCC Properties	-	-	-	-	3,795
Total Capital Expenditure	<u>28,509</u>	<u>15,794</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,303</u>	<u>9,688</u>
TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE	<u>163,978</u>	<u>16,146</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>180,124</u>	<u>157,223</u>

4. Funds received as agent

<u>Description/name of party</u>	<u>Related party (Yes or No)</u>	<u>Amount received</u>		<u>Amount paid out</u>	
		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Childrens Society	No	298	343	298	343
Christian Aid	No	600	1,154	600	1,154
Just Trading (Fairtrade)	No	-	83	-	83
Parkinsons Society	No	1,078		1,078	
Total		1,976	1,580	898	1,580

5. Paid employees

5.1 Staff Costs

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Salaries and wages	6,062	5,888
Social security costs	234	59
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)		
Other employee benefits	-	-
Total staff costs	6,296	5,947

5.2 Average head count in the year

		<u>This year Number</u>	<u>Last year Number</u>
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	Administration	1	1
	Youth Worker*	1	
	Total	2	1

* Commenced November 17

5.3 Honorary payments totalling £150 were paid to Apparitors from General Funds as there was no matched fee income
There were no ex-gratia payments to employees or others

6. Debtors and prepayments

<u>Analysis of debtors</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Trade debtors*	5,750	2,604
Prepayments and accrued income	3,636	4,150
Tax recoverable under Gift Aid	17,641	7,330
Total	27,026	14,083

*Included in Debtors is £4,815 of unpaid rent. The former Tenant still intends to pay this

7. Creditors and accruals

Analysis of creditors

	<u>Amounts falling due within 1 year</u>	
	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-
Trade creditors	1,382	470
Accruals and deferred income	1,697	42,823
Total	3,079	43,292

8. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Short term deposits	105,556	130,202
Cash at bank and on hand	6,377	66,057
Other	-	-
Total	111,933	196,260

9. Church funds

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

*R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and UR - unrestricted funds

<u>Fund names</u>	<u>Type R or UR *</u>	<u>Purpose and Restrictions</u>	<u>Fund balances b/forward</u> £	<u>Income</u> £	<u>Expenditure</u> £	<u>Transfers In</u> £	<u>Transfers out</u>	<u>Fund balances c/forward</u> £
General Fund	UR	Unrestricted fund for use on the general purposes of the PCC.	371,386	127,490	-133,114		-357,520	8,242
Columbarium Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for maintenance of Columbarium Wall.	2,153	-	-		-2,153	-
Organ & Choir Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for maintenance of the organ and support for the choir.**	22,822	-	-1,291	1,978		23,509
Organ & Choir Fund	R	Funds restricted by the respective donors for maintenance of the organ and support for the choir.	4,835	-	-232	-		4,603
Church Buildings & Grounds maintenance (formerly Fabric Fund)	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for the maintenance of the Church and associated grounds and buildings.	70,805	-	-28,511	25,000	-50,805	16,489
PCC Property Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds representing value of 2 properties	-	-		304,900		304,900
PCC Property Maintenance Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for maintenance 2 properties	-	-	-765	3,600		2,835
Special Projects Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for such Special Projects as PCC decides	-	5,500		90,000	-25,000	70,500
Youth Work Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for costs of Youth work provision	-	-	-297	10,000		9,703
Church Buildings & Grounds maintenance	R	Restricted funds donated for specific projects	-	15,794	-15,794			-
Outside organisations	R	Funds restricted by the respective donors for charities and outside organisations	-	120	-120	-	-	-
Total Funds			472,001	148,904	-180,124	435,478	- 435,478	440,781

** An annual transfer from General Funds is made in lieu of organists honorarium.

10. Transactions with trustees and related parties

Trustee remuneration and benefits

The following trustees received remuneration from the Church solely for duties carried out as Apparitor:

Mrs A Dickinson £25

Mrs K Speakman £200

Mrs J Walsh (PCC Secretary) £150

The Following Trustee received indirect benefit:

Mr Peter Hodson (Mrs Pam Hodson - Apparitor) £100

Note: In general this remuneration does not come from PCC funds. Matching income is generally collected from