



ST DENYS

# ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING 22nd April 2018



## **BELONGING / SERVING / BLESSING**

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**Parish Church of St. Denys, Lisvane**  
**Annual Vestry 2018**  
**Sunday 22nd April 2018 at 7.00pm in St Denys Church**

**Agenda**

1. Prayers.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Chairman's welcome.
4. To receive and confirm the Minutes of 2016 Annual Vestry held on 3rd April 2017.
5. To receive and discuss the Parish Report including the Audited Accounts for 2017 and the Budget for 2018
6. To receive *en bloc* Reports which are included in the Parish Report.
7. To make the following elections
  - Churchwarden-the People's warden.
  - Parochial Church Councillors not exceeding 12 in number.
  - Sides Persons/Welcomers
8. To appoint an Auditor.
9. To consider any other business of which notice has been given and to which the Meeting consents.
10. Closing Prayer and Blessing

A qualified Elector is a Communicant member over the age of sixteen whose name is entered on the Electoral Roll of the Parish.

All nominated for any office must be communicant members, eighteen years old or over and a qualified elector.

No person should be nominated unless he/she has signed the consent column of the Nomination Form.

Notice of other business under Item 9 should be given in writing to the Chairman (Vicar) or Secretary of the P.C.C. not less than 24 hours before the Annual Vestry Meeting

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING  
MONDAY 3rd APRIL 2017 AT 7.30pm  
ST. DENYS CHURCH**

**Present: Rev Chris Burr (Vicar and Chairman)  
Mr Stephen Brunker (Churchwarden)  
26 Parishioners attended the meeting.**

**1. PRAYERS.**

Stephen Brunker opened the meeting with prayers.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

These were received from David de Lloyd, Melanie Falley, Ros Brunker, Michael & Elsebeth Brooke, Michael & Rosemary Durrant.

**3. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME.**

Rev Chris welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

Rev Chris referred to the recent retirement of Bishop Barry and the ongoing elections to name his successor. He said we should not become distracted by what on the surface at least can appear to be divisive human conflicts of interest and struggles for power. The Church is the body of Christ, not the hierarchy nor the wider institution, both of which exist merely to serve the church's mission and ministry. Rev Chris asked that we pray that ultimately it will be God's choice of person who is appointed and who will seek only to serve Him and His Church. Any progress on Mission Areas is on hold pending a Bishop's appointment and whoever is appointed will bring a new flavour to the Diocese. We have nothing to fear in working collaboratively. A great example of this is how a collaborative initiative has grown and flourished is the Lent course with Christ Church which has between 70/80 people attending each week.

We have had a year of change and have lost some people in key positions. Rev'd Hector took up his position in Jerusalem and the People's Warden Keren Rogerson left St Denys in December. Thanks were extended to both for their service. Meanwhile we appointed Charis Moon as a full time Youth Leader last autumn and she has satisfactorily completed her 6 month probationary period.

We are blessed to have a steady flow of students and ordinands assisting us at St Denys. This year students are assigned for 2 days a week rather than merely on a Sunday so Ceri, our student this year, joins Rev Chris on parish work each Monday. This invariably creates more work but Revd Chris considers it a great honour to be entrusted with a stake in the student's exploration of vocations and in their training once at theological college.

Highlights of the past year included a second trip out to Mbale, Uganda, a very successful Alpha Course and the rather surprising and very welcome agreement by the Diocese to release the parish equity on the Vicarage in response to our Mission Report on Church House.

Looking ahead Rev Chris wishes to place emphasis in the coming year on community and personal Discipleship.

Rev Chris concluded by saying it has been a privilege to serve at St Denys and thanked everyone for their ongoing support of him as our parish priest and for them as a family. It was exactly 7 years since they moved to Lisvane and Rev Chris looked forward with anticipation to the year ahead and that it was good to partner St Denys in building God's Kingdom here.

#### **4. TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING HELD ON 18th APRIL 2016**

The minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record and signed by the Vicar. Proposed and seconded.

#### **5. TO RECEIVE AND DISCUSS THE PARISH REPORT INCLUDING THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR 2016 AND THE BUDGET FOR 2017**

The accounts and budget were accepted as detailed in the Annual Parish Report.

Mr Nigel Morris, Treasurer, presented the financial report covering the accounts for 2016 and the budget for 2017 as printed in the Parish Report.

Nigel reported that 2016 was generally a very quiet year. The main matter arising was the good news that the Diocese purchased our share of the Vicarage at the agreed open market value of £384,000. These funds are ring fenced for the development of the Church House site.

Although the number of church attendees increased slightly, there was a fall in planned giving of £9,000 when compared to the previous year. This also had a knock on effect with Gift Aid. , There were no unexpected items of expenditure in the year, and with Charis not joining us until the summer rather than the planned date of Easter, despite the reduction in income, 2016 showed an overall surplus of just over £18,000, which meant we could repay the outstanding Diocese loan of £13,500 without any impact on our bank balance.

However some of our planned repair work did not get done in 2016 and has been carried over to this year, and with Charis here for a full year, our expenditure in 2017 is obviously going to be higher. So unless income rises it is going to be tight to balance the books this year. Income has fallen again in the first quarter of 2017, but we do have at present a healthy bank balance of about £40K.

A question from the floor flagged up the availability of Gift Aid envelopes at one off services and Nigel and Revd Chris said mention is made of these envelopes in church pamphlets at these services and this would certainly be borne in mind for the future.

Nigel thanked Roy Goddard for his work as Independent Finance role and thanked Diana, as Gift Aid officer also and was grateful that both are continuing with these important roles for another year.

Rev Chris thanked Nigel for all his hard work, his diligence and expertise as always and also expressed his gratitude to Diana and Roy for the invaluable work they do.

Andrew Keogh, Electoral Roll Officer reported that during the last 12 months 5 people left the roll and one person sadly died. However we have 7 new entries on the roll this year taking our overall total to 190. The new members are Jill Shortland, Charis Moon, Christopher Mawer, Suzanne Mawer, Carol Davies, Herbert Clarke and Doreen Hall.

Andrew gave us an illuminating talk on the new lighting at St Denys. Rev Chris thanked Andrew for all his hard work.

## **6 TO RECEIVE *EN BLOC* REPORTS WHICH ARE INCLUDED IN THE PARISH REPORT**

Rev Chris referred to the reports contained in the Parish Report. Rev Chris made mention of the fact that following the departure of Keren the decision was made to bring the All Age Worship back to St Denys with the highly successful New Year Breakfast again being held at the Old School. Rev Chris said the Wednesday morning service continued to grow and was now the primary service for 8 or 9 people. The reports were accepted en bloc unanimously. Proposed and seconded.

## **7. TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING ELECTIONS**

### **7.1 Churchwardens**

Stephen Brunker will continue in his role as Vicar's Warden

There was one nomination for People's Warden, Duncan Shadwell. Proposed and seconded.

Rev Chris welcomed Duncan into the role.

### **7.2 PCC**

12 people were due to be elected to the PCC this year (plus a youth rep) but there were 13 nominations. Permission was sought from the meeting to go with the 13 names and that the PCC had no objection. There were no objections. This was proposed and seconded and all 13 were voted on. The following are elected as the PCC for 2017/18

Ros Brunker	Kim Greig	Mike Inkpen	Justine Jones
Andrew Keogh	John Lancaster	Jan Marsden	Martin Plow
Martyn Ridge	Matt Sellers	John Steward	Mererid Stone
Lianne Toye	Youth Rep to be advised		

### **7.3 Sidespersons/welcomers**

As a rota is in place for these duties no vote had to take place.

**8. TO APPOINT AN AUDITOR**

Roy Goddard who undertakes this role and does an excellent job has very kindly agreed to continue for a further year which is much appreciated.

**9. TO CONSIDER ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AND TO WHICH THE MEETING CONSENTS**

None given.

**10 CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING**

At 8.30pm the meeting stood for a minute's silence in memory of Betty Church and Angela Brown who had passed away in the previous year as well as remembering Colin Jones, the Revd Gerald Lovitt and the Revd Gwilym Williams.

Duncan Shadwell closed in prayer followed by a blessing from Rev Chris.

Accepted as a true and accurate record

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Amendments to the minutes

## PARISH REPORT FOR 2017

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## OBJECTS AND CONSTITUTION

The Parish of St Denys, Lisvane, in the Cardiff Deanery, is part of the Diocese of Llandaff within the Church in Wales. The parish is situated to the north of Cardiff, east of Llanishen and adjoining the Diocese of Monmouth.

The church address is:-  
The Church in Wales  
St Denys Church  
Church Road  
Lisvane  
CARDIFF CF14 0SJ

The Church in Wales is a province within the Anglican Communion and, as such, exists to advance the Christian Religion through world-wide mission. The object of the Parochial Church Council is to ensure that the Life and work of the Church within the Parish helps to fulfil that mission, both locally and more widely.

The P.C.C. is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedure, and powers are regulated by the Constitution of the Church in Wales, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body, set up under Section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914. Elections are held at an Annual Vestry Meeting which must take place on or before 30<sup>th</sup> April. All persons whose names are entered on the Electoral Roll are entitled to vote and stand for election. Before assuming office, every member of the Council must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Representative Body of the Church in Wales holds the land and property of the Church in Wales, including St. Denys' Church building, its contents and the churchyard. The Representative Body is an Exempt Charity and was set up under Section 13(2) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914. It acts on behalf of the Province in paying the stipends of full time clergy, and administers the Church in Wales scheme of Gift Aid giving and recovers tax on behalf of parishes. The P.C.C. is responsible inter alia for promoting the mission of the church, the parochial budget and all expenditure there under, the care and maintenance of the church fabric and of the churchyard, and for action on any other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution.



The Council is also the normal channel of communication between the parishioners and the Bishop of the Diocese.

It is the responsibility of both the P.C.C. and the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance in the parish for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic and ecumenical in the parish.

The parish policies and aims are encapsulated in our Church Mission Statement:

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## PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

At the Vestry meeting on 18th April 2017, the new Parochial Church Council comprised: -

### Ex Officio (7)

**Chairman** Rev'd Chris Burr

**Lay Reader** Dr Duncan Shadwell

### Churchwardens

#### **Vicar's Warden** (Appointed)

Mr Stephen Brunker  
11 Pen-y-Wain Place  
Roath  
CARDIFF  
CF24 4GA

#### **People's Warden** (Elected)

Mr Duncan Shadwell  
Hillcrest  
Lisvane  
CARDIFF  
CF14 0SE

**Secretary** Mrs Denise Searle

**Treasurer** Mr Nigel Morris

**Co-opted Youth Representative** None appointed

### Elected Members (13)

Ros Brunker	Kim Greig	Mike Inkpen	Justine Jones
Andrew Keogh	John Lancaster	Jan Marsden	Martin Plow
Martyn Ridge	Matt Sellers	John Steward	Mererid Stone
Lianne Toye			

N.B. Our Gift Aid Secretary, Mrs Diana Morris, is not a P.C.C. Member.

The positions of Ministerial Assistant and Secretary are held by salaried members of staff and therefore are on the PCC as permanent observers.

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## Incumbent's Report

### *A new journey ...*

In the last year, we have seen the appointment of a new Bishop in our Diocese. The Right Reverend June Osborne has already brought her own distinctive flavour and personality to the post and introduced the idea of the Diocese setting off on a 'new journey'.

We are very fortunate in that Bishop June has already visited St Denys, presiding as she did at our Confirmation Service back in January. Here we saw several members of our church, young and not quite so young, and from across all 3 of our Sunday congregations, make a commitment to put Jesus at the centre of their lives and make a public pledge to follow him. At that service Bishop June reminded us of our responsibilities as a church and as fellow travellers along that Christian path to prayerfully support those candidates, and that's a commitment I'm sure we will take forward into the year to come.

As a rule people don't like the idea of 'new journeys' because they often feel threatened by the idea of change or embracing new ways of doing things. But the idea of change lies at the very heart of the Gospel, though we're probably more familiar with the term transformation than we are change. We are called to be 'transformed' as individuals by the Gospel (Romans 12) and in doing so we are called to transform the world around us.



That has always been our aim, and I'm sure will continue to be so. But it's good to have a Bishop so vocal in her commitment to mission, and who is committed to a growth agenda rather than one of managing decline.

### *Looking back ...*

Looking back over the past year once again it's not been without its challenges, but then life never is. But it's also been a time when we have welcomed many new faces into our church community and that is real cause for celebration.

In the last year we undertook what has been arguably the largest collaborative project between St Denys and Lisvane Baptist Church that there's been to date. The Lisvane Mission last Autumn culminated in a wide variety of services and events taking place in the 'Big Tent' and we estimate close to 500 people attending the final Sunday service. When I look back at that now that was a remarkable achievement in itself, but in the months that led up to that new friendships were forged between our two churches and also between folk from right across our own church. That bodes well for our joint vision of growing the influence of the Kingdom of God in our community, and indeed the wider communities we represent at St Denys.

In terms of people, this time last year I was delighted to welcome Duncan Shadwell on board as our People's Warden, and I continue to value both he and Steve Brunker's (Vicar's Warden) support and wisdom.

We parted company with Charis Moon as our youth leader, but welcomed Pete Letson as our Ordinand on placement from St Padarn's. We also welcomed James Roach who worked as a ministry intern with us for several months, and who made an enormous contribution behind the scenes to the Mission last autumn.

### ***Looking at where we are ...***

In the coming year I want us to take the opportunity to think and pray about the particular journey that we are on as a church. There have been so many good things to celebrate this past year, and a great deal to look forward to over the coming 12 months too! But it's good from time to time to stop and take stock of where we're at, and to ensure at all times that our energies remain focused on our core task of building the Kingdom of God in this place.

It is with this in mind that the Wardens, PCC and I have decided to organise a day away for the whole church where we can spend time together prayerfully discussing our vision and priorities for the coming year and beyond. I'd like to propose this then becomes a

key annual date in our church diary when we review the year that's past, but more importantly re-view where we're heading in accordance with our core values.

I'm sure I don't need to remind you of the three we have at present of Belonging, Servicing and Blessing.

These core values should motivate us to make our church as welcoming and inclusive as possible; serving the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the best of our abilities; and blessing one another and our community in all manner of practical ways.

### ***Looking forward ...***

We should really begin to see things take shape with regard to Church House. Indeed, if all goes to plan, it's hoped that we may have use of this great new resource towards the middle of next year. Between then and now however there is an enormous amount of work to be done of course, and we have the small matter of raising the monies needed to decorate and kit it out. We haven't focused on money and stewardship at St Denys for quite some time, but this year we really need to think about how we fund our mission, of which Church House will afford us many more practical opportunities.

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We will continue to work closely with Christchurch Roath Park, and we will continue to feed into the Diocesan conversation on Ministry Areas as part of the 20/20 vision. I suspect that by this time next year we will also see a much clearer picture of where Bishop June sees the mission and focus of the Diocese heading, and how we dovetail into that.

### ***Saying thank you ...***

I think here I'm going to cheat and basically default to what I said in last year's report (mainly because I thought I put it rather well!) It's just not possible to thank all those who deserve to be thanked for their contribution to the life of our church, but again I'm hoping that you know who are. I recognise the effort you put in and the difference that makes. I am especially grateful to those who actively exercise a ministry of encouragement both to myself and others. Its invaluable and makes such a difference.

We all know that living in community can be hard, and it's much easier to be critical than it is to be tolerant. But we are called not just to talk about grace and humility but to model it too for this is when we enable the Holy Spirit to work most effectively and transformationally to come back to where I began this report.

When all is said and done, and whatever our plans and strategies, if the Gospel of Jesus Christ is not at the centre of all that we do and that we seek to do, we won't further the Kingdom of God one iota. But in Christ, and through the power of the Spirit, we ordinary people can do extraordinary things.

Every blessing

***Rev Chris***

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## Electoral Roll & Church Attendance



The electoral roll was renewed in 2015 in accordance with the constitution of the Church in Wales.

The number on the new electoral roll at the 2015 AVM was 188 and, during the last three years it has remained steady at around 190.

The Sunday average attendances for May 2017 ( including children ) was **138**, similar to the average for May 2015 at **139**. The average for 2016 was much lower at 114 (not 112 as previously reported) as a result of the velothon in May that year.

In 2017 total communicants at Easter was **200** (201 in 2016, **171** in 2015 and **184** in 2014 ). On Christmas Day there were **131** communicants ( **156** in 2016, **171** in 2015 and **206** in 2014).

The average 2017 attendances for persons over 18 years, as required for the report to the Archdeacon, is **124**, an increase over 2016's total of **120** and 2015's total of **118**.

In 2010 it was **133**; in 2011 it was **142**; 2012 it was **137**; in 2013 it was **131** and in 2014 also **131**. There was a significant fall in the numbers of under 18's to a total of **1359** attendances for 2107 compared with **1643** in 2016.

These figures are based upon the average for the middle 27 weeks, excluding the highest 13 weeks and the lowest 13 weeks (2017 was a 53 week year). The Diocese uses these averages to calculate the value of the Parish Share paid to the Diocese.

This share accounts for a substantial proportion of our parish expenditure each year. Any increase in our average attendances is something of a mixed blessing, as it leads to an increase in our parish share.

I do hope that our electoral roll and average attendances will increase in the coming year, and look forward to seeing you all at EVM on 22nd April.

*Andrew J Keogh*  
*Electoral Roll Officer*



## Church-warden's Report

Our Wardens' report for the 2017



Easter Ves-

try Meeting looked at the life of our church community as a shared journey, ending with the thought that: "... we know ultimately where we're heading: the Promised Land, the Celestial City, Aslan's Country. And, just like the children of Israel in the Exodus, we're journeying there together, part of that great, true story of God's of holy people on our way home."

Rev Chris's report picks up the theme of being on a journey and covers much of where we've been in the last twelve months, where we are now and where we hope to go.

We can look back with thanks for the continued service of so many people at St Denys with a special mention to those who have maintained the Youth & Children's work amongst our young people, to Martin Plow for the considerable amount of time and expertise he devotes to his role as Fabric Officer, and to Nigel Morris who stands down as PCC Treasurer after many years of impeccable service.

We gratefully acknowledge the vital contribution that Home Groups and the various Prayer Groups make to the life of our church. It's great to see many new faces at all three Sunday morning services and it's so important 's that people feel 'at home at church'. Let us all consider how we can consciously build meaningful relationships with new people (maybe through hospitality, or simply making the effort to get to know them better on a Sunday). Let us also renew our commitment to prayer as the lifeblood of our relationship with God, with each other and with the world outside our four (or should that be six?) walls.

Thinking ahead, we certainly need to keep praying for our plans to expand our mission and ministry to Lisvane through the redevelopment of Church House. Praying, not just that the project would run smoothly, but that God would give us generous hearts to support this venture financially, and a real desire to use it for His glory ... beyond what we might dare to ask.

Returning to the story of the children of Israel, we must remember that we are but one family of but one clan in but one tribe. Whilst we can thank God for the continued leadership of Chris and the very special ministry of Helen, we know that other churches in our part of Cardiff are going through great change in terms of their leadership. Let us support them, too, in prayer and friendship, understanding that we are all part of Christ's body and are all sustained by one Spirit.

*"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. "So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."*

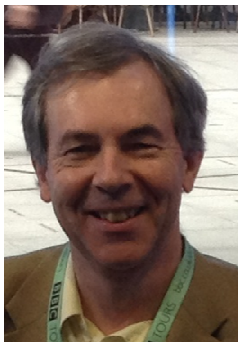
*Stephen Brunker. & Duncan Shadwell*

*Wardens*



## Treasurer's Report

It is disappointing to report a further fall in planned giving income, caused basically by the loss of long-standing members of the congregation, this loss not being replaced by the giving of newer members. There is to be a Stewardship campaign in the next few months to address this issue.



But at least there were no areas of unexpected expenditure in 2017, so the annual deficit on unrestricted funds was only £8,645, as compared to the budgeted break-even situation. Our total of balances at bank and other net current assets is healthy, standing at just over £40,000.

So finances are in a stable situation as we head into 2018, a year when the big development at Church House should take place.

As many of you know, after 18 years as Treasurer of the Church, family commitments have dictated that it is time for me to stand down. It has been a privilege to have served in this way, and I hope that Linda, my successor, will get as much satisfaction from the role as I have done.

*Nigel Morris*  
Treasurer

## Gift Aid Secretary's Report

Gift Aid is the way that the Church can augment its income by 25% in respect of donations from any person that pays personal tax to H.M. Revenue & Customs (HMRC).



The Parish received £21,292 in 2017 from Gift Aid claims so this is a very important source of income. This is detailed further below:

	2017	2016
Total Gift Aid reclaimed	<u>£21,292(*)</u>	£23,777 (*)
Made up of :		
Reclaims on Envelopes & standing orders to St. Denys account	£17,365(*)	£18,159(*)
Reclaims from Church in Wales	£3,677	£5,618
Give Direct scheme		
Reclaimed on Big Tent Donation	£250	-
Total 2017 Gift Aid Reclaimed	<u>£21,292</u>	<u>£23,777</u>

(\*) these amounts include the £2,000 Gift Aid that the Church is permitted to claim annually on unidentified collections.

The amount of Gift Aid reclaimed on regular giving has decreased by over 10% this year due to the impact of various change of life events for some regular givers exceeding new givers during the year.

If anyone would like to check that they have a St Denys Gift Aid form filed, or a query on an aspect of Gift Aid then please contact me. Also, to ensure that HMRC rules are complied with, please contact me if personal circumstances change resulting in a gift aid donor no longer paying tax.

### **Confidentiality is assured.**

Information sheets about Gift Aid and a supply of Gift Aid forms and one-off Gift Aid envelopes can be found at the entrance to church.

*Diana Morris*  
Gift Aid Secretary

## OTHER REPORTS

*Please note that although the Vestry Report is dated 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 to coincide with the financial requirements, some of the group reports refer to activities up to March 2017*

### All Age

#### Worship @ Llysfaen Primary

All Age Worship is now firmly back and re-established at St Denys having moved back from Llysfaen primary School the previous year. Charis Moon coordinated it for a wee while before she moved on last Autumn. Don Martin also stood down from the team so these days its Julia Plaut and Ros Bruncker who oversee it on the first Sunday of every month. It may be a much smaller team these days than we've had in the past but Julia and Ros have been absolutely brilliant in the way they have involved others in the services themselves. Both have such a gift in this area, and we have had a great deal of fun too, which has traditionally been one of the hallmarks of All Age Worship in the past. There have been special guest appearances too, and we were delighted to welcome cooking legend Paul Hollywood (who did look very much like Martin Plow it has to be said!) to St Denys to judge our very own bake off.

We have also seen a wonderful group of young musicians develop under Julia's supervision who now regularly lead worship at the All Age Service. Thank you Julia for overseeing that and to each of the young musicians, vocalists and dancers to make such a difference to our All Age Worship.

Its wonderful for me to know that or All Age Service is in such good hands.

*Rev Chris*

### Little Angels

Little Angels meets in the church hall during the 11.00am service except on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month when we all meet together for All-Age worship.



We cater for the pre-school and infant school age group and at present we have 8 regular attendees, though numbers do vary Sunday to Sunday.

We have continued to use material from the Urban Saints energise website to plan our sessions and teaching linking with Disciples to cover the same themes and Bible Stories where appropriate. In the autumn term we looked at characters from the Old Testament, Abraham, Moses, Ruth, Joseph and John the Baptist leading up to the Christmas story. In the Spring term we have followed a theme 'Encounters with Jesus' thinking about how meeting Jesus changes people's hearts and lives. Following on from the Easter story and Jesus resurrection we will continue with this theme with Peter, Paul, John and Barnabus.

Every week we begin with a time of sharing news, remembering names and simple games. We tell a Bible story trying to use different means including drama, DVD's and storytelling. Wifi in the hall has also allowed us access material from the internet which all helps to keep the sessions fresh and interesting for the varied age group.

CD's allow us worship with lots of action songs which that younger age group particularly enjoy. We spend some time doing a craft, lots of sticking and colouring and finish the morning by praying together, everyone happily contributes their prayers, their trust and faith are a wonderful witness to us all.

Our team is Helen Burr, Fiona Porter-Smith, Emma Porter and myself. Louise Nessbert has been a faithful member of the Little Angels team for many years and she is now very kindly helping with the Disciples group. No retirement for Louise!

We are very grateful to welcome Holly Roach to the team this term, Holly is doing her Duke of Edinburgh and is volunteering most Sundays with us which is wonderful, we hope she will enjoy it very much.

Thank you to all the team who prepare the sessions each week and lead this lovely little group, encouraging them in their walk with Jesus. Thanks also to the parents for their encouragement and support and to the children for being such great fun to spend a morning with.

*Jane Shadwell*



## Disciples

At Disciples we have a lovely group of keen, thoughtful and very on-the-ball young folk in years 3 to 6. They can teach us all a thing or two about following Jesus!

Most sessions are focused around a bible story, which we include alongside major events in the Christian Calendar, such as Pentecost and of course Christmas and Easter. In the autumn term we were thinking about how the Bible sets out God's plan to redeem all people, beginning with Adam and Eve, and then Abraham, Joseph, Moses, Ruth and David. After those two wonderful weeks in the big tent, we looked to the coming of the Messiah with sessions on Isaiah and John the Baptist leading into Christmas.

In the Spring term, we focused on encounters with Jesus in the Gospels including Barnabus, Mary and Martha, Jesus healing the sick and his dealings with Pilate.

This coming term we shall look at New Testament accounts - including Stephen, Paul and Barnabas – and what it means to be a disciple of Jesus today.

We use resources from Urban Saints, a wonderful organisation whose mission is to share the Gospel with children and young people. Formerly known as 'Crusaders' it has been in existence since 1900. Resources are easily accessible at <https://www.urbansaints.org/resources> if you want to take a look.

Sessions are short, to fit in with the 11am service – we share news, explore the bible story in various ways, and conclude with a prayer time. We meet in the lower room at Church House. It's a small space, but it's 'ours' and the children love this. We use the garden when we can.

I would like to say a massive thank you to our dear leaders of the past year – Trish, Steve and Louise - and thank Lianne, Beth, John and Mark who have each stepped in on occasion to bridge the gap! We have had a number of shared sessions with Little Angels/TGIs in past months, which is ok occasionally, but the Disciples really like to be their own little group.

We very much need one or two new leaders/helpers from September. If this is something you would like to try, please contact me. No experience is required and you will have a lot of fun.

Comments from last Sunday:

"Disciples is perfect fun." **Eva**

"We do really creative things." **Isobel**

"We learning about Jesus in a crafty way."

**Stephanie**

*Caroline Willis*



### Sunday Night Youth Group

Sunday Night Youth meets every 2 or 3 weeks, we currently have 7 young people from Year 10 upwards and we meet from



6.30pm-8pm. We've only been going since the end of January and are still all getting to know each other. We normally start the session with refreshments and just generally chatting and chilling out. We then will usually have some form of game or activity followed by a time looking at a Bible passage and some prayer together, all normally topped off with another activity. At the moment we are working through the first few chapters of James, looking at what it might have to say about certain aspects of our lives.

So far it seems to be going well! I would like to say a big thank you to the other leaders, Louise and Beth and a particular thanks to Caroline and John for kindly hosting us each time!

*Pete Letson, Ordinand*

### Youth Cell

We have around 10-13 young people who attend the Wednesday evening youth Cell ages from 12-15. We meet at 6.30pm until 8pm. I provide snacks and drinks for them each week, which they love.

At the end of every term, we have pizza and movie night, which always goes down well, they choose a film from a selection brought by myself and some other youngsters.

We have a short time of any news and general chatting for around 20 minutes, then we have a planned session which is taken from Urban Saints, with some games and discussions around the topic we are doing. This special time allows the youngsters to discuss openly how they feel and what they know about any subject that we are doing.

They all get on really well and so are generally open to discuss in a safe environment what they believe in.. This can be such fun and really interesting, some of the comments and thoughts brought forward are quite astonishing and they never cease to amaze me...

Although there is work to do setting up the sessions, its such a privilege doing Gods work and I always pray that His presence will be encountered in a real way for these wonderful teenagers.. God is good, All the time..

*Lianne Gatheridge*

### TGIs

The TGI group for 11-15 year olds continued to meet on Sunday mornings two to three times each month during the 11.00 am service in Church House (across the road from St Denys).

There are a good number of youngsters of this age and up to twelve have attended on a regular basis.

We follow Urban Saints Energise material Urban Saints strap line is: **JESUS CALLS US TO SHARE THE GOSPEL AND MAKE DISCIPLES, AND THAT IS WHAT URBAN SAINTS IS ALL ABOUT**, and we agree.

Each session aims to present a bible based topic for discussion and reflection. This year we have followed a series on Old Testament characters and looked at what Christian character is. Currently we are looking at the Ten Commandments and what they mean for us today. We also look at topical subjects at the appropriate time of year such as Christmas and Easter

Every meeting has elements of games, fun, bible reading, video and lively discussion. Sometimes we make something to take away and remind us of what we talked about.

The aim is for the young people to explore Christianity and its teaching from the bible. We aim to present the material in a way they will find accessible, without any pressure to conform or believe, we depend on the material itself and the Holy Spirit to enlighten us.

We hope and pray that all the young people will find a living, life transforming faith in God through Jesus that will give them a sure foundation and guidance for the whole of their lives.

Prayer is an important part of our meetings and there is opportunity to pray together for those things that are concerning the young people personally and in the world around them

I would like to thank KIM, Melanie and Pete who have all given their time to this important work and all the TGI members for being themselves and great fun.

*Duncan Shadwell*

### **Friday Night Youth Club**

FNYC has been in existence for several years run by volunteers from Lisvane Baptist Church.

The club was held at the Old School on Friday evenings during term time from 7 to 8.30.

It was intended for young people from the community between 11 and 16 but has tended to attract young people who already attend the Baptist church. Historically the club did not have permission to talk openly about Jesus but has been run as a Christian organisation within the community.

Over the last year the club has changed in several ways. It is now being run by volunteers of both LBC and St Denys, including American intern Abbie, and we are working together to serve the young people of both churches and the friends that they bring along. During the first week of each term leaders meet at the Old School to pray, plan and discuss the term ahead.

After a visit to the club from a representative of the Old School trustees, we now have permission to talk openly about our faith for 1/2 hour of each of the 1 1/2 hour clubs that are run at the Old School. These half hour sessions are carefully planned to include,

visiting speakers, testimonies, biblical themes, youth topics, exploration of God given talents or activities to promote well-being and self-esteem. The remainder of the session is a time to chat, relax and play games. Club still begins at 7 pm but leaders arrive at 6 to pray around the building, for our young people and for the planned evenings activities. Although the club still welcomes young people from the community we find that it is currently made up of young people from the churches / with a church background. Because these are the young people that God has given us to care for, we took the decision to create a four week rota, so that we meet at the school for week 1 and week 3, week 2 is held at the homes of leaders and is a chance to look more deeply into the Bible and to get to know each other better in a relaxed environment, while week 4 is an event or outing to develop relationships and promote community within the group. Our most recent outing was to a Christian Youth event called Lift which was held at Freedom Church in the town centre. Last year we ran a sleepover at the Crow's farm and we hope to run a youth weekend again this summer.

*Kim Greig*

## Wednesday Eucharist and Coffee Morning Outreach



The Wednesday Morning Eucharist continues to provide a quiet reflective Service in the middle of a busy week. We have a very regular and committed congregation of about 16 to 20. We enjoy a Service that is often challenging and thought provoking as we listen to excellent sermons from Chris.

We are grateful to the visiting priests, including Neville and June, who stand in when Chris is not available. The Service also provides an opportunity for our placement students to gain the experience of preaching and leading a Service.

We are so pleased that George Munday continues to be able to enjoy this Service thanks to our 'volunteers' who collect and return him.

I would like to thank especially Bill and Christine, Sheila and Brendan, and all our Readers as well as the ladies who regularly do the washing up!

So, come and join us one Wednesday morning at 10.15 am. You will be sure of a warm welcome and a biscuit and often cake!

*Angela Goddard*





## Choir

Our numbers have fallen back over the past two years but we have been able to sustain our singing at the 9.30am Eucharist and Evensong services, as well as the occasional mid-week services, and of course, weddings.



The Annual Dinner last January was an Evening of Reflection celebrating all the years we have cooked and entertained at this event, going back to 1975, and entertainment since 1988. This was probably our last in this role, but the Annual Dinner will continue.

In May we had our annual "Choirmens Walk" which was organised by John Richards. This year we travelled to Worcester for two nights, walking along the canal and into the river Severn. This has now become a regular event which we hope to repeat in Salisbury next year. We also have local walks throughout the year where some of the ladies join us.

For the Choir Outing, we visited Croome Park, which was like going back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War airfield. We also visited the large House. We rounded off the day with our evening meal at the Foresters Oaks in Langstone. Another very enjoyable day with good sunshine throughout.

On Advent Sunday the Advent Carol Service was again well attended, as was the Annual Nine Lessons & Carols at Christmas. This included well known favourites and some new carols.

Thanks again to Branwen for her care in looking after the choir robes; to Tony Edwards, for his assistance in playing,

and sincere thanks to Roy for his continued invaluable help, particularly when we sing away.

We sang at Tewkesbury Abbey on Low Sunday, and are booked to sing again at our own Llandaff Cathedral next year in September.

We would welcome some new younger choristers, especially sopranos and altos which would be of great assistance and support to our very faithful few.

Sincere thanks again to all those in, or associated with the Choir for their continued hard work, loyal support, fun and fellowship in all that we strive to achieve in our worship together.

*Martyn Ridge*

## Fabric Report

Following the confirmation that the Diocese had agreed to buy out the parish's equity share in the vicarage, a shortlist of suitable architectural practices were asked to provide fee proposals.



A Buildings Steering group was established as well, consisting of Michael Inkpen, Justine Jones, Melanie Falley, Steve Brunner and myself, so that the various congregations would have a few points of contact for information, feedback, etc.

In June two architectural companies were invited for interviews, these were carried out by Steve and myself.

Following the interviews, the PCC held a special meeting so that we could outline our findings and discuss the matter.

At the meeting it was agreed to appoint Downs Merrifield Architects, a Cardiff based practice of husband and wife, Nick Downs and Caroline Merrifield, to provide design services for the project.

Downs Merrifield met with members of the steering group and we outlined our needs and requirements, also, flexibility of the spaces was important.

We interviewed several quantity surveying companies, to provide budget costs and financial management of the building element. Strongs Partnership Ltd of Taff Well were appointed for this service.

During the summer holiday period, Downs Merrifield produced a number of options which the steering group reviewed and with minor changes, it was felt that a one of the schemes could be put to a meeting of congregation member, this was held on the 12<sup>th</sup> October and the proposal was outlined by Caroline and Nick, with Rev Chris, Steve and I being on hand to answer questions. The consensus of the meeting was that the scheme met our requirements.

We also arranged a meeting for the neighbours in Church Close, Church Road and our local government and community councillors.

The comments raised at both meetings were discussed and minor changes were made to the scheme, with a planning application being submitted in early November with Cardiff Council Planners.

During the consultation period, comments and objections were submitted and again, minor changes were made. We had to arrange for a Bat survey to be carried out, the findings were issued to the council and will be included in the conditions of the approval.

It was expected that a decision would have been received in Feb/March 2018, however, as I write this report, we have been informed verbally that all the concerns raised have been overcome and that the scheme has been recommended for approval, however, written confirmation has not yet been received.

The steering group will be meeting shortly to review what we need to do as a church and a meeting will be held with the architects to discuss construction options and then go on to prepare working drawings, and with the assistance of the QS, who will prepare a more detailed budget cost, which will include fit out costs. We will inform the congregation of progress and costs as things proceed.

### **Audio visual system**

Shortly after the new system had been installed, problems were experienced with one of the projectors- the image became "psychedelic", it was sent back to the manufacturer and was returned after a lengthy repair. Not long after, the second unit developed the same fault, this was returned and again after a lengthy repair was refitted. That wasn't the end, the first unit then developed the same fault! By this time, it was felt that whilst the units were still under the manufacturer's warranty, we didn't have any confidence that they would not re-develop the same faults if they were repaired.

We spoke with the supplier and after lengthy discussions, the manufacturer offered a small amount of compensation, but the supplier agreed to replace both projectors at no cost to the church.

At this time, we also upgraded some of the radio microphones, and the I-Pad controller.

In last year's 2016 Fabric report, I confirmed that we had been unsuccessful in obtaining a grant to replace the roof covering.

The PCC have been reminded that within the next five years, we will have to carry out repairs, or replace roof coverings, possibly with a phased programme of replacement. Funds for these works will have to be raised/sourced.

The electrical system received its five-year check-up and the PCC was informed that whilst there were recommendations for improvement work, these could be actioned. However, as the fuse board was installed in 1979, there is no earth leakage protection (RCD circuit breakers) so where sockets are located near to external doors, there is the potential for harm, if electrical appliances are used outside- this used to happen with the Christmas tree lights. It has been agreed that the board should be replaced to meet current standards subject to funds, this has been confirmed by the treasurer and invitations will be sent out for quotations. This would bring the electrical system up to the standard.

The PCC also agreed to install remote access controls for the heating system in the church. This will allow the heating to be programmed and controlled without the need to visit the church- this would have been very useful when we had the two periods of snow!

Again, many thanks to Denise Searle, parish secretary- who reminds us when we have to submit reports for the PCC, AVM, Diocese, CinW and other red tape requirements, stock keeper for communion wine and photocopier paper and for all she does around the church.

*Martin Plow*

*Fabric Officer*

## The Paradise Run



The Paradise Run was set up in 1995 by Elizabeth Perret Atkins. There are 28 teams from various groups in Cardiff who go out every evening to feed the homeless, vulnerable and anyone in need.

It is part of an organisation called Rainbow of Hope and whilst they have a registered office in Broadway, Cardiff, the Paradise Run serves food in the open at the rear of Marks and Spencer, Queen Street at 8pm every evening.

St. Denys has been involved in excess of 10 years. We go out once a month and our slot is a Sunday evening. This works well as packed meals can be brought to church and we are able to prepare simple hot meals. This is very welcome since not all groups are able to serve hot food.

We also take toiletries, clothes and shoes and sleeping bags and blankets. People from all services prepare sandwich meals to be distributed and these are collected after the 11 am Service. Since the food is served on the street we take camping tables to put everything on. We serve the hot food and drinks first and then distribute the sandwiches, clothes and toiletries.

The number of people who come along varies and can be anything from 50 -80 (men and women) and the occasional dog. We try to plan but it is always difficult to estimate yet there always seems to be just enough to go around.

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A core group of 10 people go from St Denys each month and we are joined by members of our extended families, friends and neighbours who loyally join us and we are grateful for their support.

We see regular faces each time we go. Friendships have been made and people are anxious to have a chat and update us about their situation. There are probably more people now who we would class as 'vulnerable' rather than those who are homeless. A few sleep rough, whilst some have to queue for a room or floor space at the Huggard Centre. Some have somewhere to live but struggle with mental illness and everyday life whilst others are refugees and asylum seekers who live in very basic accommodation without cooking facilities.

Many are just lonely and we may be the only person they speak to. One man brings scissors and asks us to cut his hair. They know that we are a Christian group and sometimes people ask us to pray with them.

It is a real privilege to serve God in this way and as a group we thank everyone at St. Denys who faithfully make sandwiches each time we go out and answer requests for specific items.

*Melanie Falley*

*Bev Plow*



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THE RIGHT REVEREND JUNE OSBORNE**



**ST DENYS VISIT TO MBALE, UGANDA  
JANUARY 2017**



**PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**  
**TO THE MEMBERS OF**  
**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LISVANE**

I report on the Financial Statements of the Parish for the year ended 31 December 2017, which are set out on pages 2 to 7.

**Respective responsibilities of Parochial Church Council and Examiner**

As the Parochial Church Council, you are responsible for preparing the Financial Statements: you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

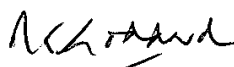
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Parochial Church Council and a comparison of the Financial Statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the Financial Statements, and seeking explanations from you as the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion as to whether the Financial Statements present a "true and fair view" and my report is limited to those matters set out in the following statement.

**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 aspect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act, and to prepare Financial Statements which accord with those accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act, have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn, to enable a proper understanding of the Financial Statements to be reached.

Signature:



Name:

R. T. GODDARD

Address:

26, ROWAN WAY

LISVANE

CARDIFF CF14 0TD

Dated:

20 February 2018

## PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

INCOMING RESOURCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>				
<b>A. Direct Giving</b>				
Planned				
Regular contributions	63,598		74,423	
Gift Aid envelopes	18,601		17,734	
Other envelopes	<u>2,902</u>		<u>3,882</u>	
	85,102		96,039	
Collections	<u>12,608</u>		<u>12,105</u>	
	97,710		108,144	
<b>B. Tax Refunds</b>	<u>21,292</u>		<u>23,777</u>	
		119,002		131,921
<b>F. Other Income</b>				
Fees	6,767		5,567	
Donations	30		1,150	
For PONT	1,809		4,506	
For Outreach	4,354		3,487	
For Christian Aid	<u>1,085</u>		<u>0</u>	
		<u>14,045</u>		<u>14,710</u>
		<u>133,047</u>		<u>146,631</u>

## PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

RESOURCES EXPENDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
<b>A. Mission and Charities</b>				
(i) <u>Home</u>				
National:-				
Compassion UK	300		286	
Bloodwise	81		100	
UK Kawasaki	400		0	
Sepsis	160		0	
Others	<u>490</u>		<u>1,829</u>	
		1,431		2,215
Parish:-				
Children and Youth Work	3,817		3,824	
Outreach Work	<u>4,354</u>		<u>3,487</u>	
		8,171		7,311
Local:-				
Vicar's Discretionary	590		366	
Noah's Ark	701		339	
Llandaff Widows and Orphans	800		1,000	
2 Wish upon a Star	500		110	
Ty Hafan	675		857	
Barry Beavers	300		0	
City Hospice	140		1,000	
Cardiff Nativity	300		500	
Huggard Centre	301		1,000	
New Wine Cymru	400		500	
Cardiff Concern	600		1,000	
Velindre Cancer Care	145		115	
Llandaff Cathedral Friends	100		0	
Paradise Run	185		46	
Marie Curie	132		250	
Believe	75		72	
Others	<u>0</u>		<u>879</u>	
		5,944		8,034
(ii) <u>World</u>				
PONT	4,593		1,926	
Christian Aid	1,085		0	
Water Aid	0		535	
Just Earth	0		500	
Care for Uganda	<u>0</u>		<u>250</u>	
		<u>5,678</u>		<u>3,211</u>
Carried Forward		21,224		20,771

## PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

RESOURCES EXPENDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
Payments brought forward		21,224		20,771
<b>B. Maintenance of Ministry</b>				
Parish Share	53,330		54,224	
Visiting Clergy and Preachers	750		1,343	
Clergy Offering	<u>1,200</u>		<u>1,200</u>	
		55,280		56,767
<b>C. Maintenance of Buildings</b>				
Light and Heat	2,775		2,379	
Insurance	517		514	
General Repairs	4,315		1,427	
Water Rates	<u>246</u>		<u>271</u>	
		7,853		4,591
<b>D. Maintenance of Services</b>				
Consumables	3,084		3,011	
Organ and Choir	<u>554</u>		<u>784</u>	
		3,638		3,795
<b>E. Parochial Expenses of Vicar</b>				
Light and Heat	2,812		2,745	
Car Mileage and Travel	3,094		2,525	
Telephone	1,104		1,032	
Water Rates	874		856	
Training and Hospitality	<u>576</u>		<u>167</u>	
		8,460		7,325
<b>F. General Parish Expenses</b>				
Youth Worker's Salary	20,919		7,654	
Telephone, Stationery and Postage	5,847		5,442	
7 Church Road Running Costs	4,928		4,537	
Secretarial Salary	7,277		6,948	
Sundry Expenses and Cleaning	1,726		779	
Depreciation of Fixtures	<u>600</u>		<u>600</u>	
		41,297		25,960
<b>G. Cost of Raising Money</b>				
Envelopes & Loan Interest		113		216
<b>H. Gardening</b>		<u>5,139</u>		<u>5,412</u>
		<u>143,004</u>		<u>124,837</u>
<b>(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>				
Unrestricted	-8,645		18,214	
Restricted	<u>-1,312</u>		<u>3,580</u>	
		<u>-9,957</u>		<u>21,794</u>





## PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	2017		2016	
		£	£	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
7, Church Road, Lisvane	1		137,443		123,873
Office and Other Equipment	1		354		954
Diocesan Investment Funds			<u>380,220</u>		<u>384,300</u>
			518,017		509,127
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Stocks		500		500	
Bank Balances		36,392		45,708	
Debtors		<u>9,437</u>		<u>9,335</u>	
		<u>46,329</u>		<u>55,543</u>	
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors		<u>5,896</u>		<u>5,753</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
			<u>40,433</u>		<u>49,790</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
			<u>558,450</u>		<u>558,917</u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>					
Unrestricted Reserves	5	162,391		171,036	
Restricted Reserves	4	<u>396,059</u>		<u>387,881</u>	
			<u>558,450</u>		<u>558,917</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 5/3/2018 and signed on its

behalf by  (Chairman).

*Revd C Burr*

**PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE****NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable UK Accounting Standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" (SORP (FRS 102)) issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations. The historical cost convention is used, except for the valuation of freehold property and contents used for Church purposes. No transitional adjustments are necessary as a result of the new SORP, and advantage has been taken of the exemption not to prepare a cash flow forecast.

**A - Freehold Property**

The Church and Churchyard are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales and form no part of the assets of the Parish, any expenditure incurred by the Parish being written off in the year. The property at 7, Church Road, Lisvane was bequeathed to the Parish in December 1999 and is stated at probate valuation plus subsequent improvement costs. No provision is made for depreciation of freehold property since the value is considered to be not less than the accounts value.

**B – Contents used for Church purposes**

Church contents require a faculty for disposal and hence are considered to be inalienable property. They are represented by a large number of fittings, utensils and ornaments, many being historic in nature. Costs are not available for many of the items, and it does not appear practical or economic to obtain valuations, also to list or describe individual items might increase the risk of theft or vandalism. Therefore, expenditure on such items is written off in the year it is incurred.

**C – Office and other equipment**

These items are stated at cost less depreciation, which is calculated at 25% per annum on cost.

**D – Incoming Resources**

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received, tax refunds being recognized when the incoming resource to which they relate is received.

**2. PCC REMUNERATION**

No member of the Parochial Church Council received any remuneration or expenses in the year or previous year.

**3. EMPLOYEES**

The Parochial Church Council employed two persons in the year (2016 – 2) at a total cost of £28,196 (2016 - £14,602).

## PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
<b>4 RESTRICTED RESERVES</b>				
<b>a) HUGGARD CENTRE</b>				
Opening Balance	1		1	
Received in the Year	2,149		1,933	
Paid out in the Year	<u>-2,150</u>		<u>-1,933</u>	
Closing Balance		0		1
<b>b) PONT CHARITY</b>				
Opening Balance	3,580		0	
Received in the Year	1,809		4,506	
Paid out in the Year	<u>-3,120</u>		<u>-926</u>	
Closing Balance		2,269		3,580
<b>c) CHANCEL REPAIR FUND</b>				
Opening Balance	300		300	
Uplift to Current Valuation	<u>7,644</u>		<u>0</u>	
Closing Balance		7,944		300
<b>d) CHURCH HOUSE DEVELOPMENT</b>				
Opening Balance	384,000		0	
Transfer in of Vicarage at Current Value	0		384,000	
Interest Credited	<u>1,846</u>		<u>0</u>	
Closing Balance		<u>385,846</u>		<u>384,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u><b>396,059</b></u>		<u><b>387,881</b></u>
<b>5 UNRESTRICTED RESERVES</b>				
Opening Balance	171,036		310,204	
(Deficit)/Surplus for the Year	-8,645		18,214	
Transfer of Vicarage to Development	<u>0</u>		<u>-157,382</u>	
Closing Balance		<u><b>162,391</b></u>		<u><b>171,036</b></u>

In 2016 the Diocese bought back our share of the Vicarage for £384,000, but this sum had to be used to develop the site at 7 Church Road for appropriate uses. Funds are being released to us as and when needed for the development of the site - £13,570 has been released to date. When completed and all funds spent, then the Development Fund will become Unrestricted.

## PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

BUDGET WORKSHEET  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2018

	2017 (Budget)		2017 (Actual)		2018 (Budget)	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>PART 1: PAYMENTS</b>						
<b>A. Mission and Charities</b>						
National	2,000		1,431		1,500	
Children and Youth Work	3,800		3,817		3,800	
Local	7,500		5,943		6,000	
World	<u>2,500</u>		<u>1,473</u>		<u>1,500</u>	
		15,800		12,664		12,800
<b>B. Maintenance of Ministry</b>						
Parish Share	53,330		53,330		50,754	
Visiting Clergy and Preachers	500		750		750	
Clergy Offering	<u>1,200</u>		<u>1,200</u>		<u>1,200</u>	
		55,030		55,280		52,704
<b>C. Maintenance of Buildings</b>						
Light and Heat	2,700		2,775		3,000	
Insurance	520		517		541	
General Repairs and Maintenance	6,500		4,315		5,936	
Water Rates	<u>280</u>		<u>246</u>		<u>250</u>	
		10,000		7,853		9,727
<b>D. Maintenance of Services</b>						
Consumables	3,000		3,084		3,000	
Organ and Choir	<u>1,000</u>		<u>554</u>		<u>1,000</u>	
		4,000		3,638		4,000
<b>E. Parochial Expenses of Vicar</b>						
Car Mileage and Travel	2,600		3,094		2,600	
Telephone	1,100		1,104		1,100	
Light and Heat	3,000		2,812		3,000	
Training and Hospitality	430		576		600	
Water Rates	<u>870</u>		<u>874</u>		<u>900</u>	
		8,000		8,460		8,200
<b>F. General Parish Expenses</b>						
Telephone, Stationery and Postage	5,500		5,847		6,000	
7 Church Road Running Costs	4,600		4,928		5,000	
Secretarial Salary	7,100		7,277		7,300	
Youth Worker Salary / (2018 Help)	20,600		20,919		7,000	
Sundry Expenses and Cleaning	700		1,726		1,800	
Depreciation of Fixtures	<u>600</u>		<u>600</u>		<u>354</u>	
		39,100		4,129		27,454
<b>G. Cost of Raising Money</b>						
Envelopes		125		113		115
<b>H. Gardening</b>		<u>4,945</u>		<u>5,139</u>		<u>5,000</u>
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<u>137,000</u>		<u>134,444</u>		<u>120,000</u>

## PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

BUDGET WORKSHEET  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2018

	2017 (Budget)		2017 (Actual)		2018 (Budget)	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>PART 2: RECEIPTS</b>						
<b>A. Direct Giving</b>						
Regular Contributions	73,000		63,598		60,000	
Gift Aid Envelopes	18,000		18,601		19,000	
Other Envelopes	<u>4,000</u>		<u>2,902</u>		<u>3,000</u>	
	95,000		85,102		82,000	
Collections	<u>12,000</u>		<u>12,608</u>		<u>12,000</u>	
		107,000		97,710		94,000
<b>B. Tax Refunds</b>		<u>23,500</u>		<u>21,292</u>		<u>20,000</u>
		130,500		119,002		114,000
<b>F. Other Income</b>						
Fees	5,500		6,767		6,000	
Donations	<u>1,000</u>		<u>30</u>		<u>0</u>	
		<u>6,500</u>		<u>6,797</u>		<u>6,000</u>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<u>137,000</u>		<u>125,799</u>		<u>120,000</u>
<b>(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>		<u>Nil</u>		<u>-8,245</u>		<u>Nil</u>

Note: Outreach activities are funded separately and are not included in the Budget Worksheet.

