

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1122211

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2018
For
St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol

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St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol

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St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol

Report of the Trustees For the Year Ended 31st March 2018.

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31st March 2018. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name: St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol, UK

Charity Registration Number: 1122211

Operational Address: Vicarage, 24 Millward Grove, Fishponds, Bristol, BS16 5 AJ.

Worshipping at: St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Stackpool Road, Southville, Bristol, BS3 1NW.

Vicar & President: Rev. Abraham P Mathew

Charity Trustees for the year 2017-18

Mr. Niana Panickar	Vice President
Mr. Saji John	Secretary
Mr. Moncy V Mathew	Treasurer
Mr. Biju George	Accountant
Mr. Sam K Varughese	Lay Leader I
Mr. Sanu Samuel	Lay Leader II
Mr. Abrahham N T	Mandalam Representative
Mrs. Suja B George	Diocesan Assembly Representative
Mrs. Maya Sunil	Edavaka Mission Representative
Mrs. Elizabeth Mathew	Sevika Sangham Representative
Mr. Alan B John	Choir Representative
Mr. Anu Devanesan	Youth Fellowship Representative
Mrs. Jinie Sam	Sunday School Representative
Mr. Binu B Varghese	Prayer Group Representative
Mrs. Sara Sanu Samuel	Prayer Group Representative
Mrs. Jinu Susan Varughese	Prayer Group Representative
Mrs. Lenitha Sunu	Prayer Group Representative
Mr. P.S.John	Prayer Group Representative

Internal Auditors: Mr. Samuel Sam Moni and Mr. Saji Mathew

Independent Examiner: John's Accountancy and Taxation, 4 Northville Road, Filton, Bristol, BS7 0RG.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution adopted on 26th November 2006 as amended on 28th October 2007 and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Risk Management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives and Activities

Review of Activities

Sunday worship service starts at 9:30 am. The Holy Communion Service is celebrated in Malayalam on all Sundays except fourth Sundays on which the Holy Communion Service is celebrated in English.

On 1st of April 2017 we had dedicated our new church building after the completion of renovation work and the dedication service was led by our Diocesan Episcopa, Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa. Very. Rev. V.T. John (Vice President, U.K & Europe Centre) Rev. Chris Dobson (Ecumenical co-ordinator, Church of England); Fr. Joseph Puthenpurackal, Rev. Dr. Abraham Mathew & Rev. K.P. Johnson (Former Vicars) and the Vicars from sister churches and parishes were present in this service and blessed us.

A first communicants service was held on 2nd April 2017 led by our Diocesan Episcopa, Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa. There were 13 children participated in this service after preparation and became the communicant members of the parish.

VBS was held from 31st May to 03rd June 2017 and the theme was "Thy Kingdom Come". Mrs. Pincey Santhosh, Carmel MTC, Liverpool was the leader. 66 children from our parish and sister churches attended the VBS.

Annual parish convention was held from 6th July to 9th July 2017. Evg. Babu Pullad was the main speaker and our Vicar also delivered the word of God. The theme for this year's convention was "Rebuild our spiritual wall".

The Parish day was celebrated on 03rd Sept.' 2017. Rev. M J Cherian (Retd.) was the chief guest and gave the message. As a token of our appreciation and recognition, we had distributed Parish's certificate to our children those who passed GCSE, A-Level and University exams in last academic year during the parish day celebration.

Education Sunday was observed on 03rd Sept.'17 with a dedication service for all our students.

The harvest festival was celebrated on 10th September, 2017.

Family Sunday was celebrated with Holy Communion on 22nd October 2017. Almost all the families of the parish re-dedicated their lives during this service.

Edavaka Mission and Sevika Sanghom joint centre meeting was held on 29th October 2017 in our parish.

To share the joy of Christmas with our fellow parishioners, a group of our members visited the houses of all the parish members for carol singing during the Christmas season.

The Christmas carol service was held on the evening of 23rd December 2017. Fr. Joy Vayalil was the chief guest and delivered the message.

Our parish was hosted the Ecumenical Carol Service which involves all the Malayalam churches in Bristol on 26th December, 2017. Rev. Saji Abraham, Vicar of St. Stephen's Knanaya Church, Cardiff, delivered the Christmas message.

Watch night service on New Year's Eve 2017 started at 9:00 pm with praise & worship and testimonies. We entered into the New Year with the celebration of Holy Communion. Our Vicar, Rev. Abraham P Mathew gave the message and led the Service.

The first time in the history of our parish all prayer groups jointly conducted a get together on 1st January 2018 in our church hall. It was a memorable evening packed with talent shows and a fellowship meal.

Our church is a mission oriented church and our parish also has been actively involved in mission and charitable work here in UK and in India. This year, we have supported few people to meet their medical expenses.

Our Sunday school is continuing to support the “Snehatheeram project” in India from the offertory collection taking from Sunday school children. This is a project which takes care of the HIV patients and their dependents.

Our Youth group helped four youths in Kerala, India, who needed financial support in their education through Vayojana Mandiram, Trivandrum. The Youth Fellowship Committee conducted a tithe collection for charity activities.

The Sevika Sangham (Women’s wing) of St Thomas Mar Thoma church, Bristol, plays a major role in our church, they meet every Sunday after the service. Every year, this organization raises funds to be donated to the charitable organisations and other causes.

We have an active choir which supports worship service, parish convention, Christmas carol service, Ecumenical carol service, etc with their talented voice.

Our Edavaka mission focuses on the spiritual growth of our parishioners by conducting retreats, intercessory prayers, dhyana yogham and night prayer.

Area prayer groups meet once in a month in South Bristol, North Bristol, Bath, Yeovil-Taunton and Gloucester-Swindon areas for prayer meeting.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all our parishioners for their various contributions and prayers towards the growth of our parish.

For and on behalf of the Trustees

Saji John
Secretary.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018 set out on pages five to nine.

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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is required.

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 Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 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

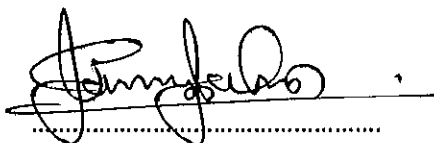
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (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 to 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.



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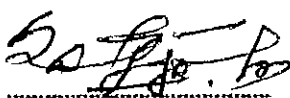
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Date 26/01/2019

St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol

Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

			2018	2017
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total
	Fund	Fund		
Notes	(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income	149,011	-	149,011	240,039
Activities for generating funds	9,550	-	9,550	8,018
Other incoming resources	2,638	-	2,638	41
Total incoming resources	161,199	-	161,199	249,290
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Costs of Generating Funds				
Charitable Expenditure	45,760	-	45,760	68,208
Fundraising Expenses	-	-	-	-
Governance Cost	47,806	-	47,806	11,879
Other Resources expended	6,978	-	6,978	5,093
	100,573	-	100,573	86,079
NET INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS	60,624	-	60,624	163,211
Gross transfer between funds			-	-
Net incoming resources	60,624	0	60,624	163,211
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	451,430	-	451,430	288,219
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	512,054	-	512,054	451,430



Saji John
Secretary



Biju George
Accountant



Moncy V Mathew
Treasurer

The notes form part of these financial statements

St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol

Balance Sheet
At 31 March 2018

		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
		<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
	Notes	(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	4	848,831	-	848,831	838,730
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	22,083	-	22,083	25,005
Cash at bank and in Hand		31,388	-	31,388	6,093
		<u>53,469</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,469</u>	<u>32,058</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(20,121)	-	(20,121)	(47,057)
NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		<u>24,348</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,348</u>	<u>(15,929)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		871,179	-	871,179	820,801
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	7	350,124	-	350,124	359,371
NET ASSETS		<u>512,055</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>512,055</u>	<u>451,430</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds	9			488,533	451,430
Restricted Funds				23,522	-
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>512,055</u>	<u>451,430</u>

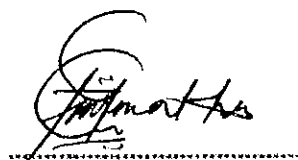
The financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on and were signed on its behalf by



Saji John
Secretary



Biju George
Accountant



Moncy V Mathew
Treasurer

St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All Incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- not provided
Furniture and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance basis
Motor vehicles	- 20% on straight line basis
Computer equipment	- 33.33% on reducing balance

The Trustees have carried out a full impairment review in accordance with FRS11, as a result of which no depreciation charge is made in respect of freehold property on the grounds that the estimated residual value is not materially different from its carrying value in the Balance Sheet.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2018	2017
	£	£
Harvest/Auction	9,550	8,610
Direct Event Income	-	-
	<u>9,550</u>	<u>8,610</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2018 nor for the year ended 31 March 2017.

Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2018 nor for the year ended 31 March 2017.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Freehold Property</u> (£)	<u>Property Improvements</u> (£)	<u>Fixtures & Fittings</u> (£)
COST			
At 1 April 2017	813,383	4,087	25,251
Additions	12,242	-	6,634
Disposals			3,336
At 31 March 2018	825,625	4,087	28,549
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2017	-	-	12,334
Charge for the year	-	-	4,295
Elimination on disposal			1,540
At 31 March 2018	-	-	16,089

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 March 2018	825,625	4,087	13,460
At 31 March 2017	813,383	4,087	12,917

	<u>Motor Vehicles</u> (£)	<u>Computer Equipments</u> (£)	<u>Total</u> (£)
COST			
At 1 April 2017	10,500	6,692	859,914
Additions	-		18,876
Disposals			3,336
At 31 March 2018	10,500	6,692	875,454

DEPRECIATION

At 1 April 2017	7,700	3,149	23,183
Charge for the year	2,100	584	6,979
Elimination on disposal			1,540
At 31 March 2018	9,800	3,733	28,622

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 March 2018	700	2,959	848,831
At 31 March 2017	2,800	3,543	838,730

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2018 £	2017 £
Gift Aid Receivable	4,190	8,006
Prepayments	17,153	17,959
Accrued Income	740	
	22,083	25,965

St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol
Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

	2018 £	2017 £
6. CREDITORS; AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
Bank Loans and Overdrafts	11,388	11,388
Prepaid Collections	250	-
Accrued Expenses	17,483	10,354
Interest Free Loan	-	10,000
Building Contractors	-	16,245
	29,121	47,987

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
HSBC Mortgage	359,124	369,371

8. SECURED DEBTS

Following secured debts are included within creditors:

HSBC Mortgage	370,512	380,759
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.2017 £	Net Movement in Funds £	Transfers between Funds £	At 31.03.2018 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Fund	401,844	57,431	(23,522)	435,753
Sevika Sangham	1,320	2,950		4,270
Youth League	2,492	(584)		1,908
Sunday School	301	203		504
Edavaka Mission	952	716		1,668
Choir	316	(92)		224
Reserve Fund (Parish Project)	44,207			44,207
	451,430	60,624	-	488,533
Restricted Funds				
Parsonage/Church Property Fund		-	23,522	23,522
	-	-	23,522	23,522
TOTAL FUNDS	451,430	60,624	-	512,055

Net movement in Funds, included in above are as follows

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended. £	Movement in Funds £
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	151,592	(94,161)	57,431
Sevika Sangham	4,100	(1,150)	2,950
Youth League	745	(1,329)	(584)
Sunday School	1,463	(1,260)	203
Edavaka Mission	3,291	(2,575)	716
Choir	8	(100)	(92)
	161,199	(100,575)	60,624
Restricted Funds	-	-	0
TOTAL FUNDS	161,199	- 100,575	60,624

St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Bristol
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

	<u>2018</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2017</u> <u>(£)</u>
<u>Incoming Resources</u>		
Voluntary Income		
Subscription / Stewardship	22,812	22,572
Offertory	19,765	16,266
Solidarity Fund	50	4,052
Gift Aid	24,387	38,807
Carol Rounds	5,276	5,285
One Day Income	8,526	6,215
Parish Project	-	-
Donations	11,911	1,195
Sevika Sangham	4,100	3,867
Youth League	745	3,340
Sunday School	1,463	2,280
Diocesan Collection	-	2,299
Recessa & Lent Collection	822	1,289
Edavaka Mission	3,291	1,489
Choir	8	511
Congregation of Cardiff - Contribution	-	850
VBS Donations	1,255	675
Special Collections	11,134	2,197
Church Property Donation - Restricted	35,764	127,551
	149,011	240,639
Activities for Generating Funds		
Harvest/Auction	9,550	8,610
Direct Event Income	-	-
	9,550	8,610
Other Incoming Resources		
Bank Interest Received	2	41
Rent Income (South Ville Premis)	2,236	
Gain on asset disposals	400	
Miscellaneous Income		
Total Incoming Resources	161,199	249,290
<u>Resources Expended</u>		
Charitable Expenditures		
Gifts to Visiting Clergy	150	1,200
Church Rent	1,875	4,500
Vicar's Cost	21,021	20,980
Motor & Travelling Expenses	3,633	4,044
Convention Expenses	600	1,925
Choir Expenses	100	250
Carol Expenses	223	449
Clergy Relocation Expense	7,129	7,181
Clergy Conference & Training	1,345	-
Solidarity Fund	1,000	7,345
Charity & Evangelism		2,500
Sabha/Diocese Donation & Special Collection		5,433
Grant to Organisations (Internal)	650	
Donations & Gifts		700
Edavaka Mission	2,575	783
Sevika Sangam	1,150	4,082
Recessa & Lent		634
Youth League	1,329	867
Refreshments	392	1,544
Sunday School Expenses	1,280	2,328
VBS Expenses	1,358	1,252
Family Retreat/Picnic/Seminar		210
	48,780	68,208
Fund Raising Expenses		
Events Cost	-	-

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2018 (Continued)

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
	<u>(£)</u>	<u>(£)</u>
Governance Cost		
Post, Stationery & Telephone	1,409	1,252
Sundries		81
Accountancy & Payroll Cost	400	400
Church/Hall - Repairs		35
Parsonage Repairs	247	56
Insurance	2,285	1,037
Church Expenses-Electricity/Water	6,231	92
Parish Repairs		-
Diocesan Mandarlam Travel Cost		-
Administration Expenses	1,433	836
Membership for CTE/COMPE	260	250
Special Events/ Centre Meeting	20,198	2,131
Mortgage Interest and Charges	13,558	5,710
Loss on asset disposals	1,797	
	<u>47,806</u>	<u>11,879</u>
 Depreciation		
Motor Vehicles	2,100	2,100
Fixtures and Fittings	4,295	3,174
Computer Equipments	584	719
	<u>6,979</u>	<u>5,993</u>
 Total Resources Expended	 100,575	 88,079
 Net Income	 <u>60,824</u>	 <u>163,211</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements