Parish of St. Mary the Virgin Nunthorpe-in-Cleveland

# **ANNUAL YEAR BOOK**

Incorporating the
Annual Report
And
Financial Statements
Of

Nunthorpe Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018

A meeting of the parishioners to elect Churchwardens
Followed by the
Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Will take place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.30p.m.
at St. Mary's Church Hall, Morton Carr Lane, Nunthorpe
Reception at 7pm

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# PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, NUNTHORPE-IN-CLEVELAND Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church Hall, Morton Carr Lane, Nunthorpe

### **MEETING OF THE PARISHIONERS - AGENDA**

- 1. Prayers
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Minutes of the meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (published)
- 4. Election of Churchwardens

# **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING - AGENDA**

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (published)
- 3. Matters arising from the Minutes
- 4. Report on finance and adoption of accounts (published)
- 5. Electoral Roll report
- 6. Churchwardens' report on the fabric, terrier & inventory of the church
- 7. Deanery Synod report (written)
- 8. Written reports on a) PCC Teams:
  - 1) Communications
  - 2) Fabric
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  - b) Safeguarding
  - c) Deanery Synod
  - d) The Children's Society
  - e) Choir & Music
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  - o) St. Mary's Pram Service
- 9. Election of Deanery Synod representatives

Parochial Church Council representatives

- 10. Appointment of
- a) Sidesmen
- b) Independent examiner
- 11. Vicar's Address

# The Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Nunthorpe-in-Cleveland Minutes of the Meeting of Parishioners held on Tuesday 27 March 2018 in the Church Hall at 7pm

Anne Graham advised the meeting that, as St Mary's did not have an incumbent at present, the meeting would be chaired by Janet Barker.

**Prayers** were led by the Revd Pat Harrison

**Present:** 37 parishioners

**Apologies:** Edytha Bowles, Vera Charlton, Judy Cook, Gary Cox, Sue Cox, Betty Griffin, Chris Hassall, Graham Hinton, Carol Keen, Christine Kenyon, Beryl Levie, Helen Woodhouse McLeod, Linda Smith, June Styles.

Minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2016 (published). Acceptance proposed by Merrik Brown and seconded by Janet Hinton. All in favour. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

**Election of Churchwardens:** There were two nominations, Mike Arnott and David Young. There being no other candidates, Mike and David were duly elected in accordance with Church Representation Rule 11(3).

Anne Graham 28 March 2018

The Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Nunthorpe-in-Cleveland Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Tuesday 27 March 2018 in the Church Hall immediately following the Annual Meeting of Parishioners

**Present:** 37 parishioners

The meeting was chaired by David Young.

**Apologies:** Edytha Bowles, Vera Charlton, Judy Cook, Gary Cox, Sue Cox, Betty Griffin, Chris Hassall, Graham Hinton, Carol Keen, Christine Kenyon, Beryl Levie, Helen Woodhouse McLeod, Linda Smith, June Styles.

Minutes of the meeting held on 28 March 2017 (published). Acceptance proposed by Angus Levie and seconded by Janet Jameson. All in favour. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the Minutes: None

Report on finance and adoption of accounts (published).

Mrs Styles was unable to attend the meeting and had sent the following report which was read out by Mrs Graham -

Firstly there is a typographical error (mea culpa) in the Annual Report on page 8 of the Year Book. Under 'Worship and Prayer', second paragraph, it should say "...Our regular Sunday services have comprised a Eucharist at 9.15am from **Common Worship**" not Book of Common Prayer. This had been checked by all of the PCC but it took Patricia Harrison to spot it! Well done Patricia.

With this amendment, I trust that you will agree to adopt the Annual Report & Accounts, for which I will need a proposer and seconder.

As you are no doubt all aware, I am not the Treasurer, just the book-keeper, but I do keep a close eye on the funds. However this would be more difficult if I did not have assistance. Doris Lawson and Ivan Lake make an excellent job of recording and banking everything that goes through the safe. I am extremely grateful to them and trust that they will continue to carry out this valuable work for the foreseeable future.

Edmund Levie deals with the regular income that comes to us via the Freewill Offering envelopes. Needless to say he is most efficient and I greatly appreciate his dedication to this important task. I do hope that you, Edmund will continue in this vital role.

I have not yet let Gary 'out of my clutches'. He is still my go-to-person when I hit a snag on the Finance Coordinator package. He has continued to deal with the Pay As You Earn and National Insurance monthly returns to HM Revenue & Customs and he submits our annual claim for Gift Aid refunds based on the figures supplied by me at the end of the year. And what is more, he never complains - at least to me, I can't speak for Sue. So, a very big 'thank you' to Gary for your continuing and valuable assistance; and to Sue for being an ever-smiling packhorse.

Finally, my thanks to Sandra and Mike Arnott for being what I can only describe as my 'Postmen Pats'. Recognising that I only have so many hours in a day, they ferry money, documents, notices and post to various places.

I cannot finish without saying how much I have appreciated the backing and assistance of the Revd Paul. He is hyper-efficient and has always been available to discuss a tricky question. I am already missing his input but I am looking forward to the arrival of Tessa and all that she will undoubtably bring to our parish.

Adoption of the Annual Report & Accounts was proposed by Barry Glover and seconded by Angus Levie. All in favour.

Janet Hinton commented that the amount of giving was decreasing, resulting in a deficit budget and that this needed to be addressed. Graham Hassall said that one answer would be to increase the number of givers.

**Electoral Roll report:** David Cook said that at the accounting date there were 181 names (currently 179) on the Roll, of whom 55 were non-resident.

Churchwardens' report on the fabric, terrier and inventory of the Church - Mike Arnott said that this was as printed in the Annual Year Book and the report was now signed by the Churchwardens. The report is kept in the safe at Church and has an electronic back-up.

**Deanery Synod report (published).** No comments.

# Written reports -

#### **PCC Teams**

- **Communications** Bill Colombi reminded everyone to inform him of any changes so that he can can update the website. David Young thanked Bill for the work he does to maintain the excellent website.
- Fabric David Young advised that -
  - ▶ as reported in the Year Book, Ripon Road was currently let at £700pm, less 9% agents' management fee and, at the tenant's request, the lease had been extended until December 2018.
  - ▶ a number of items in the Hall enhancement budget had been deferred, to ensure that the commitments remained within means. In answer to a query from Janet Hinton, he confirmed that the purchase of a new projector had been agreed by the PCC and this item had not been deferred.
  - it had not been possible to obtain any grants to help with costs of the Hall enhancement.

- ▶ roller blinds for the Hall were to be ordered this week.
- ▶ the flooring in the Hall was to be refurbished, possibly in the summer.
- changes to the heating system were to be decided in the next few months.
- Social Events no comments.

The written reports from Safeguarding, Deanery Synod, The Children's Society, Choir & Music, Church Cleaning & Sanctuary Linen, Church Hall Bookings, Churches Together in Marton & Nunthorpe, Nunthorpe News, Nunthorpe Players, St Mary's Youth, St Mary's Flower Guild, St Mary's Ladies' Luncheon Club, St Mary's Mothers' Union and St Mary's Pram Service were as printed in the Year Book. There were no questions or comments and David Young thanked everyone involved.

**Election of Deanery Synod Representatives** - none. The current members are Graham Hassall, Linda Smith and Christine Young. At last year's meeting Paul Peverell had commented that Janet Hinton was on Deanery Synod by virtue of being a Licensed Reader, however Janet said that this was not the case.

**Election of Parochial Church Council Representatives** - Anne Graham advised that three members had retired by rotation: David Cook, Ivan Lake and Gill Wherritt. There were therefore seven vacancies: four for three years and three for two years. She had received nominations from David Cook, Brian Dinsdale and Ivan Lake - there being no further nominations, these three were elected under Church Representation Rule 11(3), all for three years.

**Appointment of sidesmen** - David Young read out the list as follows: Ann Atkin, Janet Barker, Patricia Bingham, Ray Burton, Joan Collins, Alison Colombi, Edith Dobson, Barry Glover, Shirley Glover, Chris Hassall, Graham Hassall, Carol Keen, Cliff Kitching, Ivan Lake, Joan Lake, Angus Levie, Beryl Levie, Carol Levie, Edmund Levie, Madge McMillan, Alma Nicholson, Irene Tyrer, Graham Tyrer, Julie Williams and Christine Young. These were accepted by the meeting.

Bill Colombi asked if it was necessary to be on the list of sidesmen in order to verge at weddings and it was confirmed that this was not a requirement.

#### Appointment of Independent Examiner - currently Baldwin's (Guisborough) Ltd

In the light of Revd Peverell's comments last year regarding charges, Basil Eddershaw queried if the PCC should consider appointing a different examiner. Christine Young suggested that it could be beneficial for the Deanery to negotiate an examiner on behalf of all the parishes, to see if a collective deal could be obtained and perhaps she could raise this at Deanery Synod.

David Young replied that he thought the matter had already been considered at PCC but it would now be reviewed.

# Any other business

- Graham Hassall said that he felt that worship in the Hall had lost out on services and also that the Church had lost part of its youth work. Mike Arnott replied that he thought the new incumbent would maintain the existing services for the time being, but they would be reviewed in due course.
- Angus Levie said he wished to thank the Churchwardens for all their work over the previous twelve months.
- Tony Hughes said he thanked the congregation who had stuck with the Church through thick and thin.
- Merrik Brown said June Styles was to be congratulated for all her work and for holding everything together.
- David Young said there had been lots of help from many people and he thanked them all. He also thanked Anne Graham for stepping in to take the minutes at short notice as June Styles was unwell.

Mike Arnott gave the following information about the new Vicar, Tessa Stephens -

Tessa is originally from London and studied Russian and German at the University of Leeds. After graduating she taught English in Leipzig for a couple of years, then moved to a career in marketing and communication. A work related move to Northampton led to her attending an Anglican Church, then being baptised and confirmed in 2003.

She married Gerard in 2004 and moved to Rotherham. In 2007 she was accepted for ordination training at St John's College in Nottingham. During that year her eldest daughter Ellie was born. She was ordained in 2010 and her curacy post was in the parish of Hipwell at Catterick Garrison. During this time she had two more children, Lucy and Matthew now aged six and four respectively.

The family moved to Middlesbrough with Gerard's work and Tessa obtained a post as Chaplain to Teesside University and Associate Minister at St Barnabas in Linthorpe. They moved into St Mary's Vicarage on 16 March.

Mike concluded by saying that this was Tessa's first parish and she would have lots to learn but with God's help we would find the right way forward for us all.

# The meeting closed at 7.45pm

Anne Graham 28 March 2018

# Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Nunthorpe-in-Cleveland

**Diocese of York** 

**ANNUAL REPORT** 

and

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

of

# THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

ST MARY THE VIRGIN NUNTHORPE

For the year ended 31st December 2018

Incumbent:

**Rev'd Tessa Stephens** 

Bank.

Santander Bootle, Merseyside L30 4GB

Independent examiner:

Jon Gresham FCCA

Baldwins (Guisborough) Limited

New Garth House Upper Garth Gardens, Guisborough TS14 6HA

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006)

and a registered charity, registration number 1134124

#### **Notes to the Accounts**

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual report, together with financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the current Church Accounting Regulations. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published on 16 July 2014 (as amended by Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016).

# Aims and purposes

Nunthorpe PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church of St. Mary the Virgin (including the Church yard and Millennium Garden); Church Lane, Nunthorpe; St. Mary's Church Hall, Morton Carr Lane, Nunthorpe and 15 Ripon Road, Nunthorpe (originally purchased as housing for an assistant curate).

# **Objectives and activities**

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of the parish community at St. Mary's – both Church and Hall. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

# **Achievements and performance**

Our aim is to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. We have two places of worship – the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in Church Lane, Nunthorpe and St. Mary's Church Hall in Morton Carr Lane which houses a dedicated Chapel within its confines.

# **Worship and prayer**

The average weekly attendance on Sundays was 80 adults and 2 children.

At the Church, our regular Sunday services have included a Eucharist at 9.15am (Common Worship) and at 5.30pm, a BCP Communion on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, and Evensong on the other Sundays. It has been a great delight to have the choir with us on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, both supporting the hymn singing and contributing an anthem.

At the Hall a more informal service takes place at 11am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. There is a Eucharist every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Hall Chapel and our Eucharistic ministers visit 3 retirement and nursing homes in the area.

At the end of December there were 176 parishioners on the Electoral Roll of whom 55 are not resident in the parish. 2 names were added during the year and 7 were removed as they had died. The usual Sunday attendance was 80 adults and 2 children, but this number increased at Festivals with 126 attending on Easter Day, including Easter Eve, and 335 at all services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's Blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief, give thanks for the life now complete and commend the person into God's keeping. We have celebrated 31 baptisms, 24 weddings and 22 funerals.

We give thanks to God for his faithfulness throughout 2018 and pray for the continued flourishing of the ministry of our church in 2019.

# **Deanery Synod**

Three members of the PCC sit on Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

# **Our buildings**

With the assistance of a willing band of volunteers, the church is maintained to an excellent condition

Utilising the money raised from sale of land and property at the church, the PCC has carried out a major upgrade of the Church Hall, at a total cost of £414,811. This has made the Church Hall an ideal venue for community activity as well as events to raise resources to assist in meeting essential costs.

The house in Ripon Road has been leased out to a private tenant since its vacation by our Youth worker, earning valuable revenue for the PCC. From mid-2019 it will again revert to its original use to house our new curate.

# **Pastoral care**

Some members of the parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. Our Eucharistic Ministers regularly visit them, whether in one of the nursing/retirements homes in the area or in their own homes to celebrate communion.

# Mission & evangelism

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. We again provided a sum of £500 to each of 8 deserving charities during the year as part of our mission giving programme

Our parish magazine, which is shared with the Methodist Church, keeps parishioners informed of important matters affecting our church, in conjunction with our newly updated and extended web site and weekly bulletin.

A number of young person's groups are organised each week – Scramblers and Element 4/12, which provide much needed community activity in the Church Hall

Our Pram Service, which is open to all mothers, carers and pre-school children, meets in the Church Hall each Thursday morning during term time from 10.00am to 11.30am. Adults enjoy coffee and fellowship following a short service of songs, prayer and a story while the children play. Mothers' Union members organise and assist with caring and refreshments as part of their outreach in the parish.

Nunthorpe Mother's Union, meets in the Church Hall on the first and third Tuesdays in the month (one in the afternoon and the other in the evening). Following an act of worship, they are addressed by an invited speaker on a variety of subjects. They provide the catering at the two church Fairs held during the year and are always willing to assist.

St. Mary's Ladies' Luncheon Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month. Originally founded in 1982 to provide a regular income to the church and enrich the community life of Nunthorpe, run and catered totally by a volunteer committee, it continues to achieve its original aims.

Additionally, the Flower Guild goes from strength to strength providing glorious displays at Church services and Weddings

# **Ecumenical relationships**

The church is a member of Churches Together in Nunthorpe and Marton.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW 2018**

The following statement of financial activities for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018, has been independently examined in accordance with Church Accounting Regulations 2006.

#### 'Unrestricted' Income

The Financial Statement shows that incoming resources of £104,312 were ahead of those of 2017 (£87,507), after deducting non-recurrent items in both years. Since 2014 our recurrent income has been showing a steadily weakening trend, apart from 2015, which included a large legacy. This trend has been reversed significantly in 2018

Giving by parishioners has fallen year on year since 2014, but that trend has been reversed in 2018 with a rise in both planned and occasional giving.

Year	Total	Regular
	Giving	(Planned)
		Giving
2014	57,734	37,230
2015	50,823	32,559
2016	49,357	29,857
2017	46,958	29,942
2018	51,026	32,141

Despite the welcome increase in 2018, total giving (which includes gift aid and occasional giving) has fallen from £57,734 in 2014 to £51,026 in 2018 (a fall of 11.6%) and in the same period regular (planned) giving has fallen by 13.6%. It should be noted that since 2014 the average adult attendance at Sunday services has *increased* by 6%.

Voluntary Income from donations was £3726 in 2018 (2017: £4295), continuing recent downward trends.

Funeral & Wedding Fees increased substantially from £9,652 in 2017 to £15,601 in 2018, reflecting a significant increase in Church activity in these areas.

Income from social events and fayres also increased materially reflecting the hard work of the social events team and the generosity of those attending, from £3735 in 2017 to £5356 in 2018

Income from clubs and associations has shown a similar welcome rise from £9246 in 2017 to £10,331 in 2018

Church Hall rental income has increased following the successful refurbishment from £5,977 in 2017 to £9496 in 2018.

It should be noted that accounts have now been finalised in respect of the Hall refurbishment project, bringing the total cost including accrued retentions to £414,811

Income from investments increased with the rental from Ripon Road (parish house) generating an additional £3,503 above the 2017 level, partially offset by a reduction of £2,332 in interest receipts following expenditure on the Hall refurbishment

# 'Unrestricted' Expenditure

Spending in 2018 amounted to £406,549. After removing £303,352 spent on the Hall refurbishment this amounted to £103,197; slightly up on 2017 (£101,153)

The cost of generating funds (which includes all subsidiary activities (Young person's groups, Flower Guild, Luncheon Club etc) remained relatively stable between 2017 and 2018; as did our mission giving to deserving charities

Our 'Freewill Offer' to the Diocese increased from £53,000 in 2017 to £60,000 in 2018, which was more than offset by lower maintenance costs at the Church and our Ripon Road premises

Overall, this resulted in a small surplus of £1,115, compared to a deficit in 2017 of £13,646.

# 'Restricted' Income and Expenditure

Net restricted spending was substantially in excess of 2017. Hall refurbishment costs were met from the 'Hall Kitchen Enhancement Fund' (£25,362) and the Capital Fund (£1,016), both of which were set up for such a purpose and are now fully depleted.

The 'Cremated Remains Fund' has been re-evaluated to exclude non-restricted monies held to cater for headstone breakages and fully reconciles with monies held for five future interments.

A new fund, entitled 'The Weatherburn Fund' was created during 2018 using monies received in 2013 to be spent on books/liturgy. New Hymn Books were purchased from the fund (£892). Sponsorship receipts from parishioners have restored the fund to £868.

Reserves held on a restricted basis fell from £30326 in 2017 to £2626 in 2018

#### **Bank Balances**

PCC bank balances decreased in the year from £443,385 in 2017 to £85,218, almost wholly as a result of spending on the Hall refurbishment; with the fixed term deposit account being replaced by a Santander Business deposit account.

# **Mission Giving**

#### **Church Funds Church Collections** Barnabas Fund £500.00 Air Ambulance £79.90 Big Kids £500.00 Big Kids £193.33 Embrace the Middle East £500.00 Bloodwise £83.92 Methodist Asylum £500.00 Bowel cancer UK £251.80 Methodist Live at Home £500.00 **Butterwick Hospice** £540.37 Middlesbrough Trussel £500.00 **CAUSE** £84.76 The Leprosy Mission **Churches Together** £254.65 £500.00 **USPG** £500.00 Clic Sargent £84.58 Compassion £25.00 **Daisy Chain** £185.94 Children's Society £1,577.00 DEPAUL £86.50 £5,602.00 **Herriot Hospice** £375.80 Messerani £193.34 McMillan £193.33 'Club Funds' **Motor Neurone** £140.00 Roy Castle Cancer £288.50 Compassion 180.00 RNLI £127.65 **Royal British Legion** £374.78 South Tees Hospital £1,045.83 Stroke Association £622.20 Teesside Hospice £318.50 Zoe's Place £1,731.22 £7,256.90

The amount donated to charities from Church and 'Club' funds increased slightly from 2017 (£5686) but Church Collections passed on to nominated charities increased substantially, from £5061 in 2017 to £7257 in 2018.

# **Reserves Policy**

It is the policy of St Mary's PCC to review the balances held in reserves on an annual basis. This reserve will be held as two 'Designated' amounts (i.e. still available to be spent at the discretion of the PCC if it meets the intention for which it is designated) and one 'General' amount which can be used to meet day to day costs subject to conditions set out below.

As at the 31st December 2018 we aimed to hold in reserves:

- A designated RISK FUND equivalent of up to one quarter of the year's income, so that should income reduce dramatically or running costs increase dramatically we will have a threemonth window to address the problem. NB: Income is net of any monies which PCC has no ability to influence e.g. restricted funds or Diocesan fees. A sum of £25,000 is agreed to be sufficient for these purposes.
- 2. A designated **CAPITAL FUND** readily available to ensure that all properties are compliant with Health and Safety regulations and are always a secure and safe environment. The sum available on 31 December 2018 is £38,338 after accruing retentions due on the Hall refurbishment. It is agreed that this balance should not be allowed to fall below £25,000 unless exceptional circumstances require it, to cater for any urgent remedial works that might arise that would restrict the continuation of Church activity.
- 3. A GENERAL FUND, currently £19,520, which is available to supplement day to day costs of the PCC, subject to this being part of an agreed budget that seeks to identify longer term income streams to meet future recurrent expenditure, or to meet specified non-recurrent costs such as new enhancements, replacement equipment or specific activity specified by the PCC

# Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. Nunthorpe PCC consists of the Incumbent, 2 churchwardens and a reader plus 3 Deanery Synod representatives and a maximum of 12 lay representatives elected by those members of the congregation who are on the Electoral Roll of the church. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The full PCC held 8 meetings during the year, one of which was a 'Section 11' meeting to appoint parish representatives and accept the Parish Statement. The average attendance was 11 members.

The PCC has a number of committees (or teams) each of which deals with a particular aspect of parish life. These include Communications, Fabric, Safeguarding, Social Events and Youth, each of which reports to the PCC for discussion and/or decisions. Each PCC member is asked to serve on at least one committee and non-PCC members can be co-opted.

The Standing Committee consists of the Incumbent, churchwardens, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer. They meet to deal with urgent matters and to set the Agenda for the next PCC meeting.

The Rev'd Tessa Stephens was inducted as Vicar for the Parish on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

# **Shared Ministry**

We would like to thank everyone in our community who works so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is.

Approved by the PCC on 28th February 2019

and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Tessa Stephens (PCC Chairman)

Tessa Stephens Rev'd Tessa Stephens

# **Administrative Information**

The Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Nunthorpe-in-Cleveland is situated in the Borough of Middlesbrough. It is part of the Diocese of York within the Church of England in the Archdeaconry of Cleveland and the Deanery of Stokesley. The correspondence address is St. Mary's Church Hall, Morton Carr Lane, Nunthorpe, Middlesbrough TS7 0JU.

PCC members who have served from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex-Officio M	embers		
Priest in	The Rev'd Paul Peverell	Chair	(Until 22/02/18)
Charge			
Vicar	The Rev'd Tessa	Chair	(From 08/04/18)
	Stephens		
Wardens:	Mr. Michael Arnott		
	Mr. David Young		
	Mrs. Janet Hinton	Reader	
Representati	ives on the Deanery Synod:		
	Dr. Graham Hassall		
	Mrs. Linda Smith	Safeguarding Officer	
	Mrs. Christine Young		
Elected Members:			
	Mrs. Dorothy Buckle		(Until 27/09/18)
	Mr. William Colombi		
	Mr. David Cook	Electoral Roll Officer	
	Mr. Brian Dinsdale	Hon. Treasurer	(From APCM 2018)
	Dr. Graham Hassall		,
	Mr. Graham Hinton	Deputy Secretary	(Until 17/07/18)
		Hon. Secretary	(From 17/07/18)
	Miss Janet Jameson		
	Mr. Ivan Lake		
	Mrs. Linda Smith		
	Mrs. June Styles - RIP	Hon. Secretary	(Until 17/07/18)
	Mrs. Gill Wherritt		(Until APCM 2018)
	Mrs. Christine Young		

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR TO 31st DECEMBER 2018

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2018 £	Total 2017 £
Income and Receipt of Endowment					
Income from donations and legacies	2	51,026		51,026	46,958
Other donations	3	3726		3,726	4,295
Income from activities for furtherance of					
PCC Objectives	4	15,601	1,437	17,038	10,686
Income from other trading activities	5	26,301	779	27,080	20,115
Investment income	6	7658	10	7668	6,582
Other non-recurring income	7	8,800		8,800	48,500
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		113,112	2226	115,338	137,136
December Funer ded					
Resources Expended Expenditure on raising funds	8	7,720		7,720	7,544
Mission Giving	9	5,602		5,602	5,687
Activities directly related to the work of	,	3,002		3,002	3,007
the Church	10	388,518	29,667	418,185	169,650
Support Costs	11	1,440		1,440	1,856
Church Management & Administration	12	3,269		3,269	3,097
Total Resources Expended		406,549	29,667	436,216	187,834
Net Movement in Funds		(293,437)	(27,441)	(320,878)	(50,698)
Net movement in funds before					
transfers				(320,878)	(50,698)
Transfers		259	(259)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(293,437)	(27,441)	(320878)	(50,698)
Balance b/fwd at 1st January		1,309,036	30,326	1,339,362	1,390,060
Balance to c/fwd at 31st December		1,015,858	2626	1,018,484	1,339,362

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2018

	Notes	Total 2018 £	Total 2017 £
Fixed Assets			
15 Ripon Road		150,000	150,000
Church Hall		783,000	783,000
	15	933,000	933,000
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Bank Balances			
Church of England Deposit Fund		27,431	177,165
Current Account		8,787	66,220
Deposit Account		49,000	200,000
Other "Club" Balances		2,542	2,353
Monies Due In (Debtors)	16	12,455	15,611
,		100,215	461,350
<b>Current Liabilities</b> Creditors - amounts falling due	_		
in one year	17	14,731	54,988
Net Current Assets /(Liabilities)		85,484	406,362
Total Assets less Current Liabilitie	es [	1,018,484	1,339,362
Capital 15 Ripon Road		150,000	150,000
Church Hall		783,000	783,000
	Γ	933,000	933,000
Fund Balances	19	•	,
Restricted Funds		2,626	30,326
Designated Funds		63,338	371,159
General Fund	Γ	19,520	4,877
	L	85,484	406,362
Total Funding	Γ	1,018,484	1,339,362
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The accounts were approved by the PCC on 28 February 2019

Signed by one trustee on behalf of all the trustees *Graham Hinton* 

Signed by the Treasurer, Brian Dinsdale OBE BA CIPFA *Brian Dinsdale* 

# Note 1 Accounting Policies

# General information and basis of preparation

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The charity has applied Update Bulletin 1 as published on 2 February 2016 and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is applying FRS 102 Section 1A.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

#### **Funds**

Restricted funds represent

- (a) Income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those Restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and
- (b)Donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes

# Note 1 Accounting Policies (continued)

# **Incoming resources**

Income is recognised when an inflow of economic benefit is probable.

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received. Tax refunds are recognized when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable, apart from Church Hall lettings where outstanding invoices are now accrued in the accounts. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

# **Resources expended**

Expenditure is recognised when the outflow of economic benefit is probable.

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if the payment of the grant is probable. The diocesan 'freewill offer' is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross including VAT which cannot be recovered.

#### **Fixed assets**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10 (2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time), any such assets are not valued in the financial statements as they are written off when incurred.

No original cost information is available for the Church Hall so it is included at fair value which is the insured value in March 2005. During 2019 a new valuation will be sought for the Church Hall to reflect the substantial refurbishment completed in 2018. The Ripon Road premises is included at its valuation figure obtained in 2017. At each year end the there is an assessment as to whether the freehold land and buildings should be written down (because the carrying value is more than the recoverable amount).

Depreciation is not provided on freehold land and buildings because, in the opinion of the trustees, the estimated residual value is in excess of the current book value. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2018 £	Total 2017 £
	Income from donations				
Note 2	and legacies				
	Tax Efficient Planned Giving	32,141		32,141	29,942
	Gift Aid Tax Refunds	10,885		10,885	10,209
	Other Giving	110		110	228
	Cash Collections	6,313		6,313	5,192
	Mission Giving	1,577		1,577	1,387
		51,026		51,026	46,958
Note 3	Other donations				
	Donations, church boxes,				
	gift days	3,726		3,726	4,295
		3,726		3,726	4,295
	<b>Activities for furtherance</b>				
Note 4	of PCC objectives				
	Fees for Funerals & Burials	6,259	1,137	7,396	5,521
	Fees for Weddings	9,342	300	9,642	5,165
		15,601	1,437	17,038	10,686
	Income from other trading				
Note 5	activities				
	Fund Raising Clubs/events	16,805		16,805	14,138
	Letting Church Buildings	9,496		9,496	5,977
	Hymn Book Sponsorship	0	779	779	0
		26,301	779	27,080	20,115
Note 6	Investment income				
	Dividends and interest	671	10	681	3,098
	Rent received from PCC				
	owned property	6,987		6,987	3,484
		7,658	10	7,668	6,582
	Other non-recurring				
Note 7	income				
	Other Income	8,800		8,800	0
	Sale/Revaluation of Asset	0		0	48,500
		8,800		8,800	48,500

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2018 £	Total 2017 £
Note 8	Expenditure on raising funds				
Note o	Fund Raising	7,720 <b>7,720</b>		7,720 <b>7,720</b>	7,544 <b>7,544</b>
Note 9	Mission Giving				
	Church Funds	4,025		4,025	4,300
	Children's Society boxes	1,577		1,577	1,387
		5,602		5,602	5,687
	Activities directly				
	related to the work of				
Note 10	the Church	60.000		60.000	F2 000
	Freewill Offer	60,000		60,000	53,000
	Working Expenses of the Incumbents	1,656		1,656	445
	Vicarage expenses	0		1,030	(218)
	Working Expenses of	O		O	(210)
	assistant staff	0		0	162
	Church Cleaning, &	J		J	101
	utilities & insurance	7,010		7,010	6,065
	Church Maintenance	297		, 297	3,100
	Upkeep of Services	3,575	2,166	5,741	4,155
	Upkeep of Churchyard	836	1,123	1,959	1,658
	Hall Upkeep	11,294		11,294	9,996
	Other PCC property				
	upkeep	498		498	6,206
	Major Refurbishment	303,352	26,378	329,730	85,081
		388,518	29,667	418,185	169,650
Note 11	Support Costs				
	Parish Administrator	1,440		1,440	1,856
Note 12	<b>Church Administration</b>				
	Church Administration	3,269		3,269	3,097

# **Note 13 Employee Emoluments**

There were no employees whose remuneration defined for taxation purposes amounted to greater than £60,000

	2018	2017
	£	£
<b>Gross Salaries</b>	1,440	1,856

The average number of employees during this year was 1 (2017: 1), being the Parish Administrator who was employed by the PCC until September 2018. The organists are self- employed.

# Note 14 Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No remuneration or expenses were paid to trustees in the current or previous year.

# Note 15 Tangible Fixed Assets

The property valuation for the Church Hall has not changed during 2017. This was last valued by Ecclesiastical Insurance in March 2005. The property valuation for Ripon Road was reviewed during 2017 and was increased to £150,000. It is the opinion of the trustees that these values do not exceed market value.

	·			2018 £	2017 £
	At Valuation			933,000	933,000
				2018	2017
Note 16	Debtors			£	£
	Hall Invoices			350	50
	Gift Aid			12,105	10,170
	Flower Guild			0	1000
	Accrued interest receivable			0	4,391
				12,455	15,611
				2018	2017
Note 17	Creditors: Amounts Falling Due	e Within One	Year	£	£
	Agency Collections			828	2,239
	Accruals			13,903	52,749
				14,731	54,988
Note 18	<b>Analysis of Net Assets by Fund</b>				
		General	Designated	Restricted	Total
		Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
		£	£	£	£
	Tangible Fixed Assets		933,000		933,000
	<b>Current Assets</b>	22,251	75,338	2,626	100,215
	<b>Current Liabilities</b>	(2,731)	(12,000)		(14,731)
		19,520	996,338	2,626	1,018,484

Note 19 Movement in Funds

	Opening Balance £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Closing Balance £
Restricted Funds					
Choir Fund	1,193	323	1,039		477
Cremated Remains Fund	2,108	1,142	1,123	*(1,259)	868
War memorial fund	178		137		41
Church Sanctuary Fund	114				114
Sylvester Fund	357	1	100		258
Weatherburn Fund	0	760	892	1,000	868
Capital Fund	1,016		1,016		0
Hall Kitchen Enhancement					
Fund	25,360		25,360		0
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	30,326	2,226	29,667	(259)	2,626
Unrestricted Funds					
General Funds	4,877	113,112	103,198	4,729	19,520
	1,211			.,	
Designated					
Legal and professional	5,000			(5,000)	0
Working Capital Fund	25,000				25,000
Capital Fund	51,404		13,596	530	38,338
Hall Enhancement Fund	289,755		289,755		0
Church Hall Revaluation	783,000				783,000
15 Ripon Road Revaluation	150,000				150,000
Total Unrestricted Funds	1,309,036	113,112	406,549	259	1,015,858
Total Funds	1,339,362	115,338	436,216	0	1,018,484

Restricted Funds are funds given to the PCC for specific purposes which are self evident from their titles.

<sup>\*</sup> Unrestricted monies returned to general fund

# St Mary's Luncheon Club Nunthorpe Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2018.

Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2018.				
2018		2017		
	INCOME			
4,046	Lunches	4,237		
462	Subscriptions	476		
90	Donations	10		
643	Raffles	524		
59	Gift Aid Tax Recovered	61		
5,300	Total Income	5,308		
		•		
	EXPENDITURE			
1,300	Food	1,555		
631	Speakers	737		
46	Admin incl Printing	63		
83	Raffle Prizes	97		
180	Chair Moving	200		
159	Security	177		
771	Washing Up & Travel	841		
20	Kitchenware & Napkins	51		
45	Flowers	20		
3,235	Total Expenditure	3,741		
2,065	Gross Surplus	1,567		
159	Refrigerator gifted to Hall			
1,750	Contribution to PCC	1,500		
59	Gift Aid Contribution to PCC	61		
97	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	6		
759	Opening Bank and Cash Balance	753		
97	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	6		
856	Closing Balance	759		
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# St Mary's Flower Guild Nunthorpe Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2018.

2018		2017
	INCOME	
176	Easter	175
217	Christmas	168
3,752	Wedding Fees & Donations	2,435
4,145	Total Income	2,778
	EXPENDITURE	
926		1 240
	Flowers & Sundries	1,240
45	Expenses	280
148	Festivals	184
1,111	Wedding fees	-
2,230	Total Expenditure	1,704
1,915	Gross Surplus / (Deficit)	1,074
1,500	Contribution to PCC	1,500
415	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(426)
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1,115	Opening Bank & Cash Balance	1541
415	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(426)
1530	Closing Balance	1,115

# St Mary's Pram Service Nunthorpe Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2018.

2018		2017
	INCOME	
211	Coffee Money	261
	December lunch collection	31
211	Total Income	292
	EXPENDITURE	
	Toys for Pram Service LEGO	20
20	Mothering Sunday Flowers	18
	Greetings cards	
16	(Mothering Sunday	7
	(Easter	
9	(Birthday	9
	(Christmas cards	
31	(Christmas gift books	43
52	Summer lunch expenses	60
49	Christmas lunch expenses	47
39	Coffee, milk, juice, biscuits	51
10	Gifts	11
14	Donations	31
	Beakers	4
240	Total Expenditure	301
(29)	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(9)
90	Opening Cash Balance	99
61	Closing balance	90

# Notes:

Collections of £406 are included in PCC collections

£30 to Children in need in November (£16 donation plus £14 above)

From the party in December a donation of £39 was added to the Children's society Christingle collection

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary the Virgin Nunthorpe for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018

I report to the charity's trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2018 which are set out on pages 10 to 20.

# Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the act").

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

# Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is to drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has since been withdrawn.

We understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair view" which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

J Gresham

J Gresham FCCA
Baldwins (Guisborough) Limited
Dated 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019

New Garth House Upper Garth Gardens Guisborough TS14 6HA

# **VICAR'S REPORT**

"Unless the Lord builds the house the builders labour in vain." Psalm 127

A change of role and the transition from associate minister or curate to vicar is always a challenge and it was with feelings of both excitement and trepidation that my family and I moved to Nunthorpe in March 2018. We were delighted to receive such a warm welcome from the church and the opportunity to take the Lady Day service for the Mothers' Union on the first day after licensing was a lovely way to start finding my feet in the parish.

Over the past year, I've discovered a church that is well on the way to restored health after the difficulties of recent years. That so much progress has been made is, in no small part, due to the interim ministry of our neighbour Revd Paul Peverell and the faith, hard work and commitment of so many of you.

As I look back after almost a year in Nunthorpe I have been particularly encouraged by the events that have helped us to reach out into the local community. Remembrance Day helped us to connect with many parishioners who would not normally be in church. The presence of Nunthorpe's very own horse and soldier at the war memorial, surrounded by a sea of hand knitted poppies, gave us a wonderful opportunity to raise the profile of the church and to welcome new people in. The Poppy Blessing service was also unique as it was the first time in my ministry that I've lead worship at a railway station!

The many social events organised throughout the year by a dedicated team offered the chance to connect with one another and with new people and also helped to support the church financially. The Advent and Christmas season showed the church at its best as candlelit services and a lively crib service encouraged people to come in and to hear the message of hope which Christ offers us, not only for Christmas but for the whole of our lives.

The many Christenings, Weddings and Funerals held at St Mary's during 2018 were wonderful opportunities to offer God's blessing to people at key moments in their lives and were greatly enhanced by the support of vergers, musicians and the flower guild. Outreach work continues in the parish throughout the year from the Pram Service and youth groups to the MU and regular nursing home communions. The musical life of the church has also grown and developed this year as we have welcomed Alex Best as our organist and as the choir have worked hard on their repertoire. That we are able to welcome people in to our church and hall is due in no small part to the dedicated work of those who look after the buildings - from repairs, to heating, to cleaning. To all involved in the life of St Mary's – thank you.

As I write, Lent, Holy Week and Easter lie ahead of us, bringing as they do, further opportunities to grow in faith and trust in God. Time spent in personal or group bible study and prayer will bring rich rewards both for us individually and for the life of the church as a whole. As we remember how much Christ gave for us, so we too may find ourselves prompted to give generously of our time, money and friendship both in the context of St Mary's and in the wider community. There are many challenges facing the Church of England nationally as well as here in Nunthorpe. It's easy to feel daunted by the scale of the task ahead of us. If we were to seek to build up the church in our own strength that would certainly be the case. Through the grace and mercy of God, we can learn to trust in him, seeking God's will for the future of his church here in Nunthorpe and knowing that "If the Lord builds the house, the builders will not labour in vain."

# **ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT**

At the end of 2018 there were 176 parishioners on St. Mary's Electoral Roll of which 55 were non residents.

**David Cook** 

# **CHURCHWARDENS REPORT**

#### **Activities**

The churchwardens are responsible for reporting to the APCM on the fabric, ornaments and goods of the church and we are again very pleased to report that all items (listed in the Terrier and Inventory) are present and in good order. The marked up inventory for church and hall are included with this report for examination as required

It was with great appreciation and rejoicing that Rev'd Tessa Stephens was appointed as Priest in Charge of the Parish and was collated and inducted on 08 April 2018. Her expertise, enthusiasm and guidance made an immediate impact and she very quickly integrated into the very busy spiritual and social life of the parish life

The majority of services throughout the year continued without interruption.

But the hall morning service was continued in temporarily reduced form from every Sunday to two Sundays per month (alternating Family Service and Family Communion). The structure of the hall service will be reviewed during the forthcoming year

Our Wednesday morning Hall Eucharist also continued without a break and it is generally pleasing to welcome a sustained regular attendance. This was enabled by our vicar plus support from our retired clergy

Our policy introduced last year of holding the majority of baptisms in church continued with most encouraging feedback. A total of 29 (Check). Baptisms were held in 2018

Our normal high level of weddings was maintained, 24 during the year the majority conducted by our vicar plus our retired clergy. Most appreciative and encouraging comments were received from wedding parties.

Our Remembrance Sunday Service was a great success and with good attendance by parishioners, Councillors, Scouts and Rainbows, The Act of Remembrance commenced at the First World War Memorial where we held our two-minute silence, Reveille and Last post (With our Bugler) followed by procession to the lych gate and church.

The Services was supplemented by a wonderful sea of knitted poppies (By the Nunthorpe Knitters) plus a full-size woven cane war horse (Warrior) and soldier.

Our Christmas Services also proved again to be very popular and included Toy Sunday Christingle, Crib Service, and Carol Service, "Midnight" Eucharist and Christmas Morning Family Service

Social Activities were very prominent during the year mostly with a musical leaning and including concerts involving local schools. Excellent refreshments, in usual Nunthorpe fashion (Organised by the Social Events Team – SET), of course, formed an important part of the curriculum.

A Christmas party, with an entertainer, attracted 80 children (plus parents)

We also held an auction of promises.

We were very fortunate in attracting a "new" resident organist to the Parish (Alex Best). He has provided music at many services and is working hard to re-establish a strong choir which is a key aim for the forthcoming year.

We look forward to the announced appointment of a new curate (subject to confirmation) in June /July 2019.

# **Appreciation**

We both express our thanks and appreciation to our Vicar for her ministry supported by the Revd. Judy Cook, Revd. Pat Harrison, Revd. John Blakesley and our licensed reader Janet Hinton.

We are also extremely grateful for the ongoing efforts of all teams, groups and individuals who offer their time expertise and commitment to ensure the smooth running and **exemplary** appearance of both church and hall and without whom our task would be impossible

**David Young and Mike Arnott Churchwardens** 

# **COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

Our website remains a key platform for making information about St Mary's available to all – particularly those unfamiliar with the church who want to attend worship there and to become involved. It is regularly updated with Services and Forthcoming Events.

All organisers of groups are encouraged to check references and contact details for their groups to make sure they are current. The Safeguarding Policy and the General Data Protection Regulations Policy have been added to the site and the weekly bulletin is now also available to download from the site.

The team has applied for and been granted planning permission for a new 'road sign' for the church, to be sited at the junction of Church Lane and Stokesley Road. This should appear within a few weeks.

With the appointment of the new administrator (Claire) the Communications Team is being redefined to include her, the vicar and the website editor. A number of banners have been organised by the team, used to advertise the various Fayres and Christmas and Easter Services. As part of our outreach to the wider public, St Mary's have a regular one page slot in the programme of each of the Nunthorpe Players productions.

**Bill Columbi** 

#### **FABRIC TEAM REPORT**

The Fabric Team continued to effectively maintain all parish assets including the Church and Churchyard, Millennium garden, Parish House 15 Ripon Road and the Church Hall

The team comprising members of the PCC plus co-opted persons as required, met often during the year (particularly during the hall major enhancement) but much of the work was completed outwith formal meetings

#### **Smaller Tasks**

Numerous activities were carried out and initiated by the team during the year and I will not attempt to summarise the completed tasks. Enough to state that the work completed included – building and equipment maintenance and inspection. Statutory inspection of gas boilers fire extinguishers, emergency lighting and electrical installations, as well as churchyard and millennium garden maintenance. **Nunthorpe Scouts** continued to clear the car park kerbs and drainage gullies and (at their cost) also replaced the rotted row of timber posts separating The Crescent from hall property

# **Major Activities**

#### 1. Church Hall Enhancement

After completion of the preliminary works for the hall enhancement, specified in last year's report, progress on the enhancement was accelerated and were completed by February 2018 including –

- Major roof work incorporating enhanced insulation with 120mm rigid polystyrene on butterfly, "flat" roofs and vertical faces
- Pitched "flat" roofs with correct drainage
- Major kitchen extension incorporating new cabinets and some new appliances
- uPVC windows, doors and roller blinds
- Replacement and testing of the electrical installation
- Enhancement of floors incorporating major work on the original main hall Maple Strip flooring
- Enhancement of the main entrance with a disabled person's ramp
- Confirmation of compliance with appropriate sections of the Building Regulations
- The planned work was completed within budget and on time

#### 2. Church Hall Car Park

Following consultation a section of the hall car park was leased to Northumbrian Water Limited for use as their site establishment during the construction of the major sewer installation. Ongoing "good relations" continued with Northumbrian Water Limited and Mott. Mac. Bentley during the sewer diversion. All site work was completed before Christmas and the majority of the Bentley Site Establishment cleared. Discussions were held and agreed with Northumbrian Water regarding re-establishment of the car park including an extension in lieu of replacing a section of damaged grassed area. Work is well advanced including replacement kerbs, surface preparation and drainage. Tarmac surfacing only will be carried out by R and C Council (using their nominated contractor)

# 3. Parish House 15 Ripon Road

Lease of the property continued to the same tenant throughout the period This provides a very welcome financial contribution. From January 2019 the property is leased on a month by month basis

### 4 WW1 War Memorial Refurbishment

Major refurbishment of the memorial was progressed during the year including repointing the column with lime based plaster (as per the original) relaying flagstones and landscaping. Further tree planting is planned. The work was organised and funded by Nunthorpe Parish Council. Thanks to Mr Bob Mullin and Mr David Leyland for coordinated all activities. A huge improvement

# **Appreciation**

The ongoing efforts of fabric team members, other support groups and individuals who offer their time expertise and commitment is greatly appreciated to ensure the smooth safe running and **exemplary** appearance of church, hall and churchyard

David Young

#### **SOCIAL AND EVENTS TEAM ANNUAL REPORT 2019**

The Team have had a very successful year, with many and varied events. A record total of £5357 raised in 2018 an increase of £1622 on our 2018 fund raising

We had a Quiz night in February, which was well attended, and a good time was had, many thanks to Dave Wherritt our entertaining Quiz master.

Our summer Fayre was in June, the hard work and generosity was well rewarded as all elements of our Church family came together

An Auction held in October was a great success and feedback was very positive from those who attended, again huge generosity shown by donators and buyers

Our Christmas Fayre again, was very successful, so much so we ran over our time, with a constant stream of visitors on the day.

In addition to fund raising for the Church we provide refreshments for other events including Our wonderful Children's concert held in June, choirs from various primary schools perform as well as guest singers, money raised on the evening is shared equally between charities chosen by schools and church:

**Churches Together** 

Lunch for our visitors from Texas

Bride and Groom Event

Church Open Day which included History boards

It has been an exciting and lucrative year, but it could not happen without the hard work, and incredible generosity of so many people.

Here's to 2019, many plans are already underway. We hope everyone will support the events as both fundraisers and social get togethers.

Grateful thanks to everyone who makes these events so successful and enjoyable, the small team which is the Social and Events Team come up with ideas and carry out the organisation of the event. But without the generosity and support of so many other people, we would not achieve the success we do.

So please join us this year...... And bring your family and friends, and their friends too.

**Linda Smith** 

# **SAFEGUARDING ANNUAL REPORT 2019**

All PCC members are DBS registered and basic Safeguarding training is ongoing.

I am currently arranging Safeguarding training for our Youth workers.

The Vicar and I will be completing a 'Self Audit' over the next few weeks.

Mike Arnott and I completed a training course at York, on DBS applications online, and we have attended 1 Safeguarding Forum to date, it is expected that these will be a regular occurrence in the future

**Linda Smith** 

### **DEANERY SYNOD REPORT 2018**

Our Parish has 3 representatives who attend the Deanery Synod. Christine Young, Linda Smith and Graham Hassall. The Synod met three times during 2018. In February we had a talk on Fundraising the Mission, Lent Services 2018 were discussed, Reports from the different Groups and Notice of the Pilgrimage and Restoration Service in York. In June we had a presentation on Setting Gods People Free and once again Funding the Mission. At the October meeting we had a presentation on Prayer by the Archbishops Co-ordinator and Advisor in Pastoral Care. A Deanery Plan for 2019 was circulated. We meet again in February 2019

**Christine Young** 

# **THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY**

We had an excellent result from the parish Children's Society Box Collection for 2018. Our fifty-two box-holders, together with other supporters, raised £1425.00. A further £152 was raised for the work of the Society from donations and collection at the Christingle service and Pram Service party. The Society says" We work with children and young people experiencing some of the most terrible things you can imagine. More often than not the children need help with multiple problems, not just one. Without your support we can't continue to help them"

**Edith Dobson** 

# **ST MARY'S CHOIR**

St. Mary's choir continues to the musical side of worship during the course of the past year. Once again, looking back over the year, it has been a busy year, and we can be proud of what our choir has accomplished in that time.

This past year has also been a year of transition, from Paul Peverell to Tessa Stephens, and also a change in our regular organist from Jeremy Harbottle to Alex Best. We would like to thank Jeremy for stepping into the breach and helping out the church in our worship and look forward to welcoming him back from time to time. We would also like to welcome Alex Best as our regular organist, and eagerly anticipate working together with him to extend the choir's repertoire.

We have gained some choir members during the course of the year, but we continue to look to add to our number and would warmly welcome anybody who wishes to join us, either having previously sung in the choir, or are new to our ranks. Also, we would welcome any suggestions from members of the church as to what they would like us to perform. We are always looking to try new things, as well as maintaining our established repertoire.

**Graham Hinton** 

# **CHURCH CLEANING**

The Church continues to look at its very best thanks to everyone who gives their time during the year. We have still got weeks where volunteers are needed so if anyone can help please let me know. We have had many visitors during the year congratulating us on how beautiful the Church looks so thank you to everyone who helps.

**Christine Young** 

# **SANCTUARY LINEN**

Our loyal band of helpers continue to keep the linen and altar cloths in lovey condition as they work quietly behind the scenes. We cover not only the Church but the Hall as well. Thank you to everyone who helps with this most invaluable job.

**Christine Young** 

# ST.MARY'S CHURCH HALL

During 2018 the Church Hall was totally renovated providing a much more modern feel to the facilities. The kitchen doubling in size created more storage space and a better environment for the Ladies Luncheon Club and other users to work in. The car park was extended by Northumberland Water who used the car park for storage of their equipment whilst working in Nunthorpe. They in turn gave a contribution to the church for this facility, and together with an auction and the two fayres held in the hall, a good source of income was added to the Church funds. One off bookings had increased over the number for 2017. However, whilst block bookings remained the same, 2019 is looking very promising for an increase in this number.

The weekly usage consists of Monday evenings for youth groups and Nunthorpe Knitters,

Whilst Friday evenings are left free for church events, all other evenings and some day time usages are taken up with bookings, i.e. Mothers Union, Scouts, Luncheon Club, Pram Service and Sunday and Wednesday services, being regular church activities, some of which provide a welcome source of income for the Church. Other outside bookings consisted of aerobics, Nunthorpe Players, Rainbows and single use private bookings.

Renovations which improved the hall aesthetically should encourage more people to use it, and to this end new booking fees have also been introduced for different events and times, especially to encourage day usage. As mentioned previously 2019 looks promising for block bookings. These include baby yoga and baby massage, Thursday evening dancing, zumba type aerobics, and adult yoga.

As I have now retired from my duties as Booking Manager, any enquiries for booking the Church Hall can be made through Claire, the Church Administrator at the Parish Office.

Sandra O'Shea

# CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MARTON AND NUNTHORPE.

The local Churches Together group in 2017/18 has really benefited from increased support from the local clergy – we have welcomed Claire at St. Cuthbert's and Tessa at St. Mary's. However, we had to bid a fond farewell to Jim from Nunthorpe Methodists who has been a valued part of our group for many years.

The joint service held at St. Mary's church during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU) at the beginning of 2018 was again very well attended, with numbers being boosted by our friends from the Roman Catholic and Baptist churches. A joint Soup Lunch was held at St. Cuthbert's, Marton during the same week. Funds raised from these events were shared between CAFOD and Christian Aid.

Lent groups took place at St. Mary's and St. Cuthbert's using the York course material. The topics and themes were good but the groups did not necessarily follow the questions in the booklets. Perhaps we might consider following a different course in 2019.

St. Cuthbert's hosted two all-age events during the year – a pancake lunch in February and Pentecost Songs of Praise towards the end of May. Both were well attended, particularly the latter which took place out-doors and featured the Lockwood Brass Band.

Rather than holding a local Summer Holiday Club, with the involvement of Big Kids, it was agreed that the local churches would support 'Feast of Fun' events organised by youth leaders in Middlesbrough churches. Help was needed to ensure that children and young people received a meal during the school holidays.

**Graham Hassall** 

# **NUNTHORPE NEWS**

Nunthorpe News is the magazine of the Anglican and Methodist Churches in Nunthorpe. The current committee consists of myself as Editor, Ivan Lake from St Mary's who is our Treasurer, Shirley Hinchley and Ruth Lewis from the Methodist Church. The Methodist Minister and St Mary's Vicar receive information and minutes and have an open invitation to attend all meetings. June Styles had been a stalwart of the committee for many years and also co-ordinated the distribution for St Mary's; June died in July 2018 and is very much missed.

The magazine costs £5 per annum for 11 issues, purchase is mostly by subscription but it can also be bought in the Churches and from Rookwood News. The subscriptions do not cover the production costs and the balance is met from advertising revenue; any surplus monies are donated to charities for the purchase of books. In 2018 we made donations to the four primary schools in Nunthorpe and have had some lovely contributions for the magazine from the pupils, with more promised for 2019.

Each month, once I have received all the contributions and adverts, I type up and compile the magazine and then email it to the Methodist Circuit Office in Nunthorpe for printing. On the third Tuesday of each month volunteers assemble the printed magazine ready for distribution. Many thanks to all the unsung heroes who are involved in the production and distribution of the magazine.

Thank you to everyone for their contributions this year and also to those who buy the magazine or advertise with us, your support is very much appreciated. If you know of anyone who would like to receive regular copies, then please put them in touch with Keith or myself (contact details are on page 2 of the magazine).

**Anne Graham** 

# **NUNTHORPE PLAYERS**

Our year started, as it always does, with the fun and excitement of our annual panto which this year was Frankenstein directed by Wendi Middleton. Although audiences were down slightly, it was still a financially successful one, making us a profit that supported our other productions throughout the year. We were pleased to see some new faces in leading roles and some familiar ones returning again, to top it all off we were very proud to win a NODA drama award for best pantomime in the area. Each year we select a charity to support, giving them the opportunity to run fundraising stalls at our performances and also raising money for them ourselves from the profits of our productions – this year Teesside Hospice were our chosen charity.

After the pantomime, it was almost straight into auditions and rehearsals for our spring production in May, which was Neil Simon's Plaza Suite, a play in three acts—directed by Sara Ramrekha, Ivan Lemon and Julie Hobson. A thought provoking 3 acts, set in the 1970s this featured an excellent cast who gave some excellent performances with a luxurious set and stunning costumes. There was also a small profit made. We then had a break and in August we started in earnest rehearsing "It will all be over by Christmas", written by local authors Gill Barlow and Colin Worswick, this began in August. This was a love story set in world war one, where a young man Daniel goes off to war in the trenches leaving his girlfriend Cecily. This was a very moving play that was performed on 100-year Remembrance weekend. The afternoon performance went particularly well with an afternoon tea given. There were numerous volunteers who turned up to serve up some heart-warming food. One

of the favourites being corn beef pie and scones. The show was ended with a beautiful rendition of the Last Call performed by Ivan Lake on the trumpet. This also made a successful profit.

A well-attended AGM in October saw the continued appointment of most committee members, however we had to endure the loss Liz Taylorson, stepping down as secretary. Liz has done so much over the past few years. She will be sorely missed. She was replaced by Emma Jones who has been in charge of front of house for 2 years.

Finally, the end of 2018 saw us looking forwards to our panto for January 2019, which is Alice in Wonderland written by Michael Tattersall and directed by Alex Duncan and Julie Hobson. After a recent meeting with the vicar Tessa, we have secured a Tuesday night slot for rehearsal time at the church as well as a Sunday when there is a production on. The society is extremely pleased to be back in the church twice a week and look forward to our up and coming productions, Drinking Habits and Worzel Gummidge. We hope to continue in supporting the church in way we can and hope to keep you entertained for the year,

Julie Hobson

# ST MARY'S YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S WORK

The Scramblers had a successful year in 2018. The group continued to meet on Monday afternoons from 3:30 - 5pm. Graham Hassall from St Mary's and Kirsty from Big Kids ran the group together up until the end of the Summer term. From September, Revd Tessa took over Kirsty's role in the group. The children have continued to enjoy creative and sometimes messy activities whilst learning more about God, Jesus and the Bible. It's been great to have more children joining us and the friendly relationships between parents, grandparents and children make Scramblers a special place to be. Thank you to Kirsty Gosnay, to Graham Hassall and to all the adults who work together each week to give the children a good experience and a delicious tea.

The Youth group also continued to meet led by Evie Strong.

**Tessa Stephens** 

# ST MARY'S FLOWER GUILD - 2018

It is over 20 years since the Guild was formed and one of our founder members was Lorna Bowes who, sadly, died this year. Lorna was a hardworking and valued member of the Guild and continued to take an active part in it until nearly the end of her life. She is sorely missed by members of the Guild.

Again, another successful year was achieved. Flowers were provided every week for weddings, donors, festivals and posies for Mothering Sunday. Usually Advent and Lent being the only exceptions. This year, for the first time, foliage was displayed on the Altar during Advent.

Team leaders, after discussion with brides, have organised and arranged flowers at 18 weddings, a Golden Wedding, and, on request, tributes for funerals.

Because of the hard work undergone by members of this Guild the sum of £1500 was handed over to the PCC in 2018.

Thank you to all donors who so generously give money for flowers.

Thank you to Angus Levie for auditing our accouts so efficiently.

As in other years sincere thanks are given to all Guild members and especially the team leaders for their continued commitments to making the church look beautiful on so many occasions.

**Betty Griffin** 

# ST MARY'S LUNCHEON CLUB

Normally the Luncheon Club has 9 meetings a year, 8 with speakers and an AGM.

This year because of the major refurbishment of the Hall we held our AGM in Church and a coffee morning in Church for the March meeting. We were very pleased to return to the Hall in April and held an extra lunch in July.

Further challenges lay ahead with part of the carpark becoming a works site for the much-needed sewer replacement. The ladies were generally understanding and patient whilst this work went on. The aim of the Luncheon Club is to provide social contact and funds for St Mary's Church. £1,750 has been contributed to Church this year and we bought a refrigerator for the new kitchen. The enlarged and improved kitchen is much appreciated as well as the other improvements.

The Luncheon Club has a very hard-working committee which provides excellent, varied menus, as well as our Speaker Finder Eileen bringing informative and sometimes amusing speakers.

The highlight of the year for me was the "Ascot Lunch "in June when the members dressed in their best outfits (think Mother of the Bride etc) and Pat Bingham did a flower display "Floral Ascot". We also made a determined effort to attract guests to this lunch with the view to increasing our numbers. Sadly, we have lost some members through death or illness recently. The death of June Styles was a very sad loss to St Mary's Church in general and to our Luncheon Club in particular. June had been a huge help to me when I took over as Chairman.

Recently with new members joining the numbers look more secure.

I have thoroughly enjoyed being Chairman and pleased to say that Brenda Goman has volunteered to take over at the AGM.I would like to thank the members and committee for their support.

**Brenda Thompson** 

# ST MARY'S MOTHERS' UNION

Our branch of forty-six members is part of a worldwide Christian organisation of over four million members. Sadly five of those died during the year.

We continued to meet twice monthly apart from August to hear speakers who have inspired us as they have spoken of their work with children and families who have dealt with adversity in their lives. Others have entertained us or raised awareness of issues affecting us as MU members.

Members had the opportunity to participate in events at Deanery, Archdeaconry and Diocesan level. Branch members have been generous with their time and skills to enable us to give £799 to MU charities. We continued to support mothers and children in the Redcar Refuge. We also supported the Middlesbrough Food Bank and the Methodist Asylum Project. The branch made a donation of £250 to the PCC, made up of £200 for use of the Church Hall and £50 for baptism candles.

We provided welcomers at baptisms and donated candles and books for the children. Parish events were supported in many ways including catering and manning stalls. Individual members serve as Eucharistic ministers, PCC members, visitors, magazine editor, Luncheon Club organisers, Children's Society Co-ordinator and wedding vergers.

**Edith Dobson** 

# **ST MARY'S PRAM SERVICE**

Mothers' Union members organise Pram Service on behalf of St. Mary's Church. Pram Service, which is self-supporting, met on thirty-two Thursday mornings and had regular contact during 2018 with thirty-four children who attended with a parent, grandparent or carer. A short service of story, songs and prayers is followed by playtime for the children while the carers enjoy social time and refreshments.

The children each receive a birthday card and a book and card at Christmas and a plant or flowers for Mothering Sunday.

Collections totalling £405 were donated to church funds. This amount was less than in 2017 as we were unable to meet in the Church Hall for several weeks during the early part of the year. Funds were also raised for The Mothers' Union "Make a Mother's Day" appeal. Our Parents and Carers made a donation of £30 to the Children in Need appeal and £39 to the Children's Society Christingle collection.

**Edith Dobson** 

# **ST MARY'S CHURCH KNITTING GROUP**

We meet on Monday nights in Term time 7.30 -9pm and are part of Nunthorpe and Marton Knitters. We have been meeting for about 3 years and started knitting and crocheting poppies for the first displays.

This is a very happy friendly group as well as being extremely supportive and generous. New members are welcome and a lady who joined recently is an expert in crochet, so we are benefitting from her "Master Classes".

The group makes items for all the public displays as well as making Trauma Toys, Blankets for Blue Babies i.e. babies born in ambulances and other good causes. These are often featured in the press and social media.

Recently TSB picked us out for a Community Pride Award. As well as featuring in the local newspapers a film crew came to film us in action as well as see the items we make for good causes. Last week there was an urgent plea for children's hats and gloves and within a few days generous knitters and crocheters had filled a bag.

Follow us on Facebook Nunthorpe and Marton Knitters.

**Brenda Thompson**