

All Saints' Church Breadsall



**Report and Financial Statements
Year ended 31st December 2017**

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Structure and governance

The PCC has the responsibility, in co-operation with the Clergy licenced to the Parish, for the mission of All Saints' Church. The PCC also has the responsibility for the maintenance of the Church buildings, the Church Yard and the Church Car Park.

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England, operating under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is excepted by order from registering with the Charity Commission.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All those attending church services are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and welcomed if they wish to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC has the right to appoint two Trustees to the Breadsall Church Heritage Trust. This is an independent Charity established by an initiative of the PCC in October 1996.

Aims and Objectives

The principle aim of the PCC is to co-operate in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

This is achieved by a number of important on-going objectives:

- Providing a varied range of services of worship suitable for all ages
- Developing a knowledge and understanding of our faith
- Providing pastoral care for those in difficulties within the parish
- Providing the occasional services of marriage and funerals
- Maintaining contacts with those within reach of the church who are not church members
- Helping young people to develop in our faith
- Ensuring the church buildings and their environs are maintained in an appropriate condition
- Keeping all those involved in church activities, safe and secure
- Supporting mission and ministry, and the alleviation of hardship both locally and abroad

The PCC is aware of the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit and have regard for it in its deliberations. The PCC believes that public benefit is provided by:

- ❖ Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers.
- ❖ Promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in and to the community, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Deanery Synod

Four members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This enable the church to engage with the wider church in the area and to share matters of concern. Breadsall is in the newly constituted Derby Deanery. Representatives have attended several meetings during the year and have discussed matters such as Giving, Safeguarding and how to respond to the City Development Plan (which involves the building of many thousands of new dwellings in the city area, some of which are within the parish boundary)

All Saints, Breadsall - Rector's Report 2017

As there has been no incumbent for the year, all relevant data is included in the report from the churchwardens.

Church Wardens Report

Sitting in our beautiful Church of All Saints, on Easter Monday, surrounded by white and yellow blooms you realise more than ever what a wonderful world our Father has created for us. We are here as His stewards promoting our Christian values, offering the whole Mission of the Church to the Parish and beyond so that those today and of future generations will know of His love and compassion for us.

We see God at work in many ways, we are a Church blessed with great people who through their lives and commitment to our Lord give of their many talents. We have been in an Interregnum for 15 months now, but, to visitors, they would not know. This is because of the steady faith and wisdom in the leadership of our three Readers – Chris Prior, Jane Williams and Fran Monahan. The Readers have been supported by visiting Clergy – Sister Diana, Revd Neil Broadbent, Revd Adam Dickens and Revd Sheana Barby, all have prepared and led our Sunday and special services over the past year. Our sincere thank you.

With this help we, at All Saints, are able to continue our worship on Sundays at an 8.00am Eucharist. Our 10.15am service includes an All Age Worship, two Eucharist services and a Baptism service each month. Five times in 2017 there was a fifth Sunday where our worship can take on a different pattern. In the evening at 6.30pm, we have different services during the month: Taize, Choral Evensong, Evening Prayer, and a Café Church which is lively, fun and prayerful. Most services are supported by our Director of Music Ministry, Dana de Waal, with our own All Saints Choir. For times of our services please see the monthly Breadsall Church News.

Our Church year is governed by 'special dates' – Easter, Pentecost, Harvest, Advent and Christmas. Readers, Leaders and many other members of our Church Family put so much into the worship, prayerfulness and joy of these festivals. We were fortunate to be able to welcome Bishop Jan (Bishop of Repton) to preach at our Harvest Eucharist in September. Around the time of All Saints day we held a Memorial service to remember the many family and friends who had died and on Remembrance Sunday we welcomed our MP Mrs Pauline Latham to our service along with the Parish Council, 91 children and 136 adults. The 'team' make sure children, young people and adults can all participate in the services. These special services along with funeral services arranged and attended by our Verger, Pat Lunn; weddings, with wedding administrator Val Stobbs and Verger; baptisms with baptism administrator Dorreen Milner all have additional support from our Sacristan, Mavis Collins. Thank you to everyone for their care and professionalism in the preparation of any of our services and for their welcome of visitors to these services.

The Children's and Young People's Ministry on Sundays is offered through All Age Worship, Sunday School with Wendy, Lizzie and Lisa and Sunday University with Kate and Ollie. Once a week, term time, we have 'Minnows', children 0/3yrs with Mums and carers. Children from our Church Primary school come to an after school club in Church called 'Funky Fish', and YPig (secondary school) meet once a week in the village hall for a variety of activities. These weekday sessions are overseen by Jane Williams. Pre-school now come for some 'special time' at Easter, Harvest and Christmas.

A team from our Church family take Collective Worship each week (term time) in our village Church school. Wendy Normanshaw and Fran Monahan currently serve as School Governors and will be

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joined by our new Rector when he/she is appointed in 2018. Our thanks go to a team of dedicated and inspirational Church family members for keeping our children and young people's work 'on track' and increasing their numbers. It is great to see this happening. Thank you to all who help, for sharing your faith and showing your love for this group in our Church family (reports of these various activities are given by the leaders of the groups).

Our Church Electoral Role, kept up to date by Claire Prior, remains constant, though many of our members are ageing. Unfortunately we do not have a Pastoral Care 'team' but several of our Church family do visit parishioners who are ill, confined to their homes, in care homes or in hospital. If you have time to help us in the continuity of this 'special' ministry, please contact us.

We know, as Church Wardens of All Saints, how much a Priest is missed. Many decisions to make, many questions to be answered. Our Parochial Church Council (PCC) has done and is doing sterling work under the Chairmanship of Lizzie Paish and the guidance of our Area Dean, Simon Taylor, and Archdeacon, Christopher Cunliffe. Their wisdom and inspiration has enabled us to move forward in our Church work planning and for the interregnum. So much of our Church work is governed by rules and regulations that the PCC finds it in our best interest to set up steering groups to report back their findings for agreement. Health and safety, Lindsey Williams, and re-ordering, Jane Williams, report back regularly. Jane Williams is putting in place the safe guarding standards required by today's society.

The programme for the re-ordering process in the Church is in three phases. Phase one plans for the South porch are underway. These changes are for the benefit of all ages and abilities. To maintain contact with our Deanery and the wider community four PCC members are elected to serve on the Deanery Synod, which meets at different Churches during the year; both clergy and lay members attend.

In our outreach Ministry we support four charities a year, plus fund raising within the Church. Such as the 'Ferrero Rocher knitting project' at Christmas, double income this year thank you Mavis. Foremost in our thoughts today is the Interregnum where All Saints Breadsall will join with St Matthew's Morley and St John the Baptist Smalley in a shared Ministry (one Incumbent). This has warranted a new Parish Profile prepared by a steering group from the PCC. It will be submitted after formal approval from the PCC to the Archdeacon and the Bishop, along with our aspirations for the advertising of a new Incumbent.

Other activities not mentioned earlier in our report and to whom we give our thanks are our Bell Ringers with Bell Tower Captain Fred Pearson - everyone in the village can enjoy the wonderful sound of the 8 bells. Rotas for cleaning, side persons and coffee – these are undertaken by Barbara Brown, who looks forward to volunteers contacting her, it is a difficult task. Also our bible readers for their input to our services.

The final area of report is on Church and Church yard maintenance and costs. The Church yard is still maintained by the Payback team at an agreeable cost. Adrian Lunn saves us hundreds of £££'s on our maintenance programme as he with a small team do many of the jobs themselves, such as repairing the Church gate to decorating the vestry, kitchen and toilet and finding, with the Treasurer, the most reasonable cost for other maintenance jobs. Adrian, unfortunately, cannot repair the spire and tower - this is where the Friends of Breadsall Church help with their members. They organise various fund-raising activities and outings during the year. The money raised goes to the Heritage Trust, which in turn, when approached, supports the fabric, restoration and maintenance of the Church building. The Heritage Trust has a Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary and, from the Church, the Rector, a Church Warden and a member of the PCC.

Our Treasurer, Chris Prior, will be the one to approach the Heritage Trust for help towards the cost of the spire and tower maintenance. He has an onerous task making the 'books balance' but as

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always has all under control. He is last but not least in this report, like others our treasurer has many other tasks and is mentioned elsewhere in this report.

A sincere thank you to all who help to keep All Saints Church alive. A worshipping Church, a caring Church, a living, lively and loving Church. This is because we all give our many gifts for the service of our Lord and Father.

Dorreen Milner

Jacqui Eastwood

Care of buildings and churchyard

Inspection of the spire, a requirement of the 2016 Quinquennial report, has been undertaken and repair work to joints is necessary over a significant area. Quotations for this work have been sought and work is now pending. The Breadsall Heritage Trust is being approached to assist in the cost, with the balance to come from reserves. The cheapest quote is close to £35000.

Numerous smaller tasks have been undertaken by Adrian Lunn and his small team of helpers.

Care of the churchyard has continued to be in the hands of the Probation Service team and the churchyard continues to be maintained in a good state of repair.

Further work in the churchyard has been undertaken, with removal of some trees and preparation of an area for an extension to the Garden of Remembrance which is needed to provide an additional area for the burial of cremated ashes.

Inside the building, the temporary extended area for children and the removal of pew frontals in the nave has proven beneficial in the increasing work with families and young children. Plans for the provision of disabled toilets and improved access to the building are being finalised and will be placed for consideration with the congregation and authorities when ready.

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £41861, of which £19186 was unrestricted planned voluntary donations and a further £6071 was from Gift Aid. The planned voluntary donations showed a small increase and the Gift Aid also had a small reduction due to the decrease in gift aided giving in 2016. This was offset by a claim using the GASDS (gift aid for small donations scheme) which has enabled the PCC to claim tax refund on cash collections. The figure for non-recurring grants shown in the statements reflect the recovery of additional costs to visiting clergy to cover the period during the interregnum.

2017 saw a lower volume of weddings than previous years and this is reflected in a small fall in income from the previous year. The DBF investments had an improved performance during the year, resulting in an increase in the dividend income.

The amount of money paid to the Diocese for the provision of clergy (previously known as Parish Share, now designated 'Common Fund) has been reassessed. Breadsall was considered to be capable of contributing an increased amount, totalling around 40%. In order to smooth the change, this is to be phased in over 3 years. The impact in 2017 was an increase from £25216 to £27659. This is planned to increase up to around £32000 in 2019.

Expenditure on running of the church has had to be kept under control. The continued use of the Community Payback team has kept the cost of churchyard maintenance down. Additional work in the churchyard to deal with dangerous trees accounted for the increase in cost in 2017. In the previous year, new contracts were put in place for the supply of gas and electricity. The anticipated savings have materialised with both gas and electricity costs lower than in 2016.

However, other costs for the maintenance of the building have increased compared with previous years. Some of this relates to work carried out following the Quinquennial inspection. The cost of this report is also shown in the accounts under the heading Church Maintenance. Further work has been undertaken to develop plans for changes to the building for disabled access and toilets. The cost for these architects fees is shown in the church maintenance area.

The net effect of the savings reported above against the additional costs for the building have resulted in expenditure being maintained close to the 2016 level. Together with the reported reduction in income and the increase in the Common Fund, this has resulted in a deficit for the year of £5720.

The investments revalued in 2016 have again appreciated in value during the year. The increase is £6467, which means that the overall funds available to the PCC has increased slightly during the year, despite the significant deficit in cash flow.

The investment noted above has been considered as providing for a source of income for the PCC. As such, it has not been included in the calculation regarding reserves. This will continue to be the case unless some of the funds will be needed to carry out some of the work being evaluated for the building (repair of spire or provision of disabled toilets).

Reserves

The Organ Fund has not changed during the year and the Flower Fund has reduced as fewer members are providing flowers for use in church and the wardens are consuming the previous surplus.

The PCC has an established policy of maintaining a reserve of unrestricted funds of no more than 'ten months' of total receipts. Reserves are now well above this level. However, the PCC is reviewing options for the provision of disabled toilets and improved access to the building. This will require significant investment. Additionally, an inspection of the church spire is being undertaken, and this may highlight other areas which may require significant expenditure. Accordingly, the PCC considers it prudent to retain the reserves at their current level.

Investments

The PCC continues to invest reserves to maximise both income and capital growth from these resources. However, the PCC attempts to minimise the risk to the funds by investing in low risk funds. Accordingly, excess funds have been invested with the Central Board of Finance (CBF) Church of England Funds. The rates offered by the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund are currently disappointing, but to find more competitive rates which are totally secure is difficult. The Church of England Investment Fund has an encouraging long-term performance record and has maintained dividends. The balance between current, deposit and investment account is regularly reviewed. Capital growth in 2017 was above average and is now reflected in the financial statements.

Lizzie Paish, Vice Chairman

On behalf of the PCC of Breadsall

Independent examiner's report to the Parochial Church Council of Breadsall

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2017 which are set out on pages 11 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

