

# ST MARY'S CHURCH INGLETON

## ANNUAL REPORT 2024



**To be presented to**  
**The Annual Parochial Church Meeting**  
**on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

## Welcome

Thank you for taking time to read this report on the activities of the parish. I believe that you will be encouraged and built up by all that you read. I am continually gratified by all that is achieved in the life of the church in this parish. There are some very gifted people and I am so grateful to God that these gifts are dedicated to the serving other people and to serving God. This all enables the ministry to continue and to expand and flourish. We may sometimes be aware of the challenges more than the encouragements but an annual report is time to look at the positives and give thanks for them.

During the year we were sadly the victims of theft with the church safe being broken into on the night of the 7<sup>th</sup> March and almost all the silverware stolen. The police and insurance were heavily involved, and the church council is taking steps to make the building secure and to prevent this happening again. The repairs were undertaken quickly thanks to our dedicated churchwardens and some helpful local firms. This event has not defined us however, and we continue to remain positive and hopeful about future life of the church. It has been touching to see the concern in the community as well for the church in the midst of a difficult moment.

*Revd Nick Trenholme*

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## Worship and Fellowship

### Services in Church

We maintain weekly worship services across the whole year. There was a slight adjustment to the pattern of services in April, when the 9am communion service moved to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month. On these days there is communion at 9am and 10:30am, but there is no communion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays. Some of the morning praise services were led by a small group; a practice which began during my Sabbatical in 2023, and which has again been enriching for all.

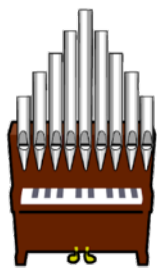
We held 2 baptisms and 2 weddings in church. Nine funerals were held in church, with another nine being conducted at crematorium for this parish by members of the clergy team.

We marked the church's seasons with services for Ash Wednesday, Mothering Sunday, Good Friday, Easter, Pentecost (a joint outdoor service with Ingleton Methodist Church),

Harvest, All Souls, Remembrance, Advent and Christmas. At Christmas time, we held two joint services with Ingleton Methodist Church, firstly the Nativity at IMC, and then the Carol Service in St Mary's again with Kirkby Lonsdale Brass Band playing and the Bishop of Ripon speaking. The congregation were invited to participate in the team services taking place in other parishes across the year as well. We welcomed Revd Colin Blake, a local retired vicar, to help us with a Café Church service in July. Initially there was a sense of uneasy uncertainty about what it would be like, but I believe for many it was a positive experience.

*Revd Nick Trenholme*

## Music in Church



We are blessed at St. Mary's to have Dorothy playing the organ for us regularly. Many thanks for her dedication to us and the other churches in the team, and for her advice on hymn selections. Rachel and Claire provide the alternate Sundays' music. We miss Andy playing regularly with us and are grateful for his continued support in setting up etc. Anyone is welcome to join in with "the band" if they would enjoy singing at the front or bringing their instrument along.

*Rachel Whaley*

## Children's Work

We continued to run craft events in the school holidays when possible. We held two during the year in the Easter and Summer holidays. These were open events aimed at families where we welcomed them into church for 2 hours in an afternoon, with craft activities, games, stories, food for the children all offered free of charge. The attendance at these has remained strong, with around 25 to 30 children coming each time. Again I would like to thank all involved who have helped make these such a success.

On Sundays we have continued to manage without separate children's ministry, instead focussing on activities for children who remain in the service, either as part of the worship or as a separate activity for them to engage with on tables at the side. This has enabled us to feel like we are worshipping together as the body of Christ across all ages. I have sought to make the services of Morning Praise interactive and accessible for a broad age range, as have the small groups when they have been leading. This is not always easy, but I believe it has been good for everyone to help us grow in faith.

We welcomed the local primary school for their carol concert once again, as well as the visit of a class to the church earlier in the year.

*Revd Nick Trenholme*

## House Groups

Currently there are two house groups meeting regularly, both on Monday evenings. "Cornerstone" (Good Monday Group) and the Monday Fellowship group.



### Cornerstone (GMG)

This group meets weekly on a Monday evening in members' homes. It is a time of fellowship around God's word with praise, learning, teaching and discussion - often lively. Our singing along with the computer is improving - our technical skills remain questionable. There can be around 12 of us - so lots of different views without censorship or judgement. Amongst our topics last year we looked at the prophets, forgiveness, programmes from Songs of Praise and latterly Romans using material from the Bible Society.

At Lent and Advent we joined together in church with the other Monday group plus other members of the congregation. One part of Lent last year was making things from clay - messy fun. And also bread - yummy.

We branched out in 2024 - planning and taking services in church. We improved as we went along - both in style and content but also in confidence - with dramatic skills to the fore ! It's not a closed shop and others are welcome to join. - why not give it a go?

*Tom Brown / Judith Shackleton*

### Monday Fellowship

The Monday Fellowship has been overshadowed this year by the loss of our dear sister in Christ, Viv. She was an amazing Bible teacher and we so enjoyed our Monday sessions. She made it such fun, but taught us so much. We will forever be grateful for God for these special times. We have joined with the Lent groups and Advent groups, and as always have enjoyed the sessions.

We continue to be open to anyone who would like to join us. There are so many benefits to studying and supporting one another. Long may this continue.

*Sheila Bibby*

## Team Vicar's Report and Outreach

This report is a brief summary of my ministry as the clergy in post relating to anything not already covered. As part of my personal development I accepted the offer of a place on a leadership course run by the diocese, called Confident Leaders for Missional Churches. It was run by trainers from the Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS) over 10 months





from May 2024 to March 2025. It was an encouraging and helpful course, with much food for thought to feed in to ministry.

I have continued to take communion to those who cannot join us in church. This has included those who are housebound, or unwell, and a monthly service at the Ingleborough Nursing Home. I have also sought to continue a pattern of visiting members of the community when I can.

Newsletters returned to being a monthly publication like they were before Covid struck. We held Lent and Advent courses in church. The Lent course sought to utilise the creative gifts of the congregation to help us reflect on faith particularly through looking at the miracles in John's Gospel. This took in art, story-telling, bread making and pottery.

The first session of the Advent Course was led by Rachel Whaley looking at what Advent is. For the second session Sue Simpson provided material looking at light, darkness and hope and I linked this with the Bible as a light to our path. In the third week Judith and the Monday prayer group took us through various Bible passages looking at Jesus as Emmanuel, God with Us.

Again we had a presence on the Gala field, with the coconut shy, games tables and the Water to Wine stall. In October and November we had the fundraising campaign Give to Go Green to raise money for the church porch, with match funding from the Church of England. This included a gift weekend, jazz concert, nearly new toy sale, and the village Christmas event, where we hosted stalls and offered refreshments.

*Revd Nick Trenholme*

### **Pop Up Pantry – Management Group Report**

Since the last Annual Report on the running of the Pop up Pantry here are St. Mary's Church, not a great deal has changed. We have six members of the management team, and three regular volunteers who run the Pantry every Monday and Saturdays. Unfortunately one of the regular members resigned this year so this depleted our work force.

Fareshare is still delivered on Monday mornings and the Pantry is open between 15.30 and 16.30 in the afternoon, and open Saturday mornings as usual between 10.00 and 12.00.

Saturdays are also coupled with church cleaning duties, fellowship and prayers.

We continue to collect donations from Morrisons in Skipton on the 1st Saturday of every month, of which these are gratefully received.

Pop up Pantry is well attended by local residents and we are now able to supply our local primary school with fresh foods we receive from Fareshare, we manage to do this on most Mondays depending on what we actually acquire from the delivery. We are most grateful.

I would like to take this opportunity to say that anyone who would like to join our team of volunteers would be most welcomed, and much appreciated. I would just add, that it gives satisfaction to serve our community and to know that our help is received with thanks.

God Bless.

*Chris Purcell*

### **Crossword and Quiz Group**

The crossword and quiz group enjoyed meeting regularly during 2024. Many thanks to Glenis Gaunt for organising this over the past 9 years. If anyone would like to take on the running of this group please let us know.



### **Board / table games**

This group meets twice a month on a Thursday afternoon - in warmer months in the church room but otherwise in a home.

We enjoy a game of Scrabble, dominoes, cards etc and our new challenge Sequence. It is all slightly competitive - never knew there were so many versions of dominoes! No falling out yet though.

We are open to new games and new participants. The tea and biscuits are always good.

*Judith Shackleton*

### **Charitable Giving**

Many years ago our church pledged to donate 10% of our received income to the work of Christian charities at home and abroad. 10% gifting is in compliance with the biblical ideal of tithing. Here in Ingleton we appreciate that we have much for which to be grateful when there is news of so many in need in our world. Each year the PCC debates and selects chosen charities, and in 2024 the following charities benefitted: Christian Solidarity Worldwide (CSW), Tearfund, Jubilee Outreach Yorkshire, NISCU, Through Faith Missions, Pioneer Projects Bentham, Leprosy Mission. In addition collections are raised at special services during the year for The Children's Society (Christingle), The Royal British Legion (Remembrance Service) and Jubilee Outreach Yorkshire (Harvest Festival).

### **A Word of Thanks from the Treasurers**

Overall, 2024 was a reasonably successful year financially due to the continued support from the congregation of St.Mary's and the wider community. We were able to organise more fundraising events and created opportunities to involve many local families and visitors. The great generosity shown by so many people is very much appreciated.

The receipts of the unrestricted funds were £58,028 and are detailed in the financial statements. Included in this figure, £34,016 was from voluntary receipts, £7,911 from Gift Aid recovered, £2,893 from grants received and £3,443 from fundraising. The fundraising figure this year is approximately £2,252 less than last year.

The total receipts in the restricted funds were £17,778 and are detailed in the financial statements. £1,902 was received in voluntary receipts, £2,580 from grants and £892 was from our Investment Income.

There was a deficit of £272 in the unrestricted fund due to payments exceeding receipts.

There was a surplus of £5,661 in the restricted fund due to receipts exceeding payments. This was mainly due to the Give to Go Green Campaign.

The unrestricted account was short of funds at the end of year therefore we borrowed £6,000 from the restricted fund to enable us to pay the Share. £3,000 was repaid before the end of 2024. This resulted in our being short of funds in the unrestricted account at the start of the new year.

Gift Aid for the last quarter of 2024 will not be claimed until 2025, this should amount to approximately £2,300.

Outstanding liabilities at the end of the year totalled £150, this being Rev Nick's expenses for the last quarter.

As mentioned, the financial success of St.Mary's Church has only been possible due to the hard work of many volunteers and the generosity of so many people. It is hoped this will continue in 2025 and the many fundraising ideas in the pipelines will come to fruition to create another successful year financially.

Funds raised in the Give to Go Green Campaign will be used for the repair and renovation of the porch.

At the end of the year the unrestricted cash fund – St.Mary's General Account – had a balance of minus £272.

The restricted fund – St.Mary's Fabric Account – had a balance of £5,661 of which £2,247 was ring fenced for the Pop-Up Pantry on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

We have two investment funds – a restricted fund with a market value of £32,649 as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 , and an unrestricted fund with a market value of £5,989 as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024. Both these funds yield a good rate of interest which is deposited into their respective accounts.

*John and Sue Scott*

## Church Wardens' Reports

It's been a busy year in church life at St Mary's. We are no longer a large fellowship, but it's great to belong to such a lovely group of fellow Christians looking out and caring for each other in a lovely way. It's been encouraging to see so many people taking on different roles and duties making sure that everything is covered,

This coming year is going to really test us as Andy steps down from being a warden and others leave the PCC. I'm sure the lord is prompting some of you to take on different duties.

### Building and Churchyard Report

Works to the Churchyard included: replacing the kerb edgings to front elevation path; extended paved areas in garden borders to receive future seating; rebuilt green waste bin area; took out section of garden border to left of front pathway, turfed and planted new trees; removal of Neal Family seat - due to being unsafe



Works to the Church Building included: cleaning out all low level gutters; high level gutters were inaccessible; cleared debris from leaded roof over tower; erected scaffold for repair works to clock face; repaired clock face and painted same; renewed the clock winding system and battery back-up mechanism.

Repair of the tower clock was a particular highlight for 2024 and was grant aided by the Millennium Trust.

Further repair works to roof and chimney over the Vicar's vestry. We had to involve the church architect to agree the best solution, the main problem being condensation and ingress of water around flashings around base of chimney. Vennings - Roofing Contractor has been supportive and helpful in improving this

Following the break-in, all the silverware was stolen. Repairs have been carried out to replace the damaged leaded window and supply new locks to the vestry doors and safe. Other repairs included: lighting repairs to outside lights, renewed light over tower door entrance, replaced one fluorescent light in back room, fitted outside socket for use at outdoor services, removed and sold 7no smaller pews from south aisle, fitted new carpet to same area, repairs to radio mikes, adjusting all the sound system ready for Christmas services.

*Tom Brown*



## Health and Safety

There have been no accidents during the last year. Loose tiles were secured in the entrance way and church aisles and a new fence installed along the top of the bank in the churchyard. There is a minor safety issue of installing the very heavy cross on top of the church tower. A lighter version will be sought and installed. PAT testing will be carried out this coming year on all portable electrical items.

*Andy Ive*

## Environmental

A new compost bin has been installed in the churchyard. The churchyard still needs a lot of work to bring it up to ecological standard for our EcoChurch gold award, which will involve planting trees and re-flowering some areas.

*Andy Ive*

## Safeguarding Statement

The PCC has complied with our duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and clergy discipline measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Safeguarding is a standing agenda item at PCC. We have had several safeguarding meetings to ensure that we have the correct job descriptions and confidentiality agreements in place so we can comply and bring our working and practices in line with Church of England Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance.

Sharon Rucastle is our appointed Safeguarding Officer for St Mary's and Chapel le Dale, after following safe recruiting procedure. Reverend Nick and Sharon have now put in place the Safeguarding Hub and Dashboard system which enables reminders to be sent from the diocese as new courses and paperwork are required.

Reverend Nick & Sharon have control and access to the Safeguarding Hub and Dashboard as well as securely held confidential paperwork. The Hub and Dashboard are confidential and secure on-line platforms maintained by the national Church Safeguarding Team for the use by individual parishes. As you would expect we are working within all Safeguarding guidance and information such as the Church of England Parish Safeguarding Handbook, Safer Environment Activities and Code of Safer Working Practice.

Many roles are now on the Safeguarding Hub with the appropriate people attached to them. All learning is either completed or identified as required and courses are online, as recently completed by some role holders and further face to face learning is scheduled for a few months' time. Sharon has now completed all diocesan courses for the role.

Anyone needing new DBS forms in July, have been identified and contacted to arrange new ones. Unfortunately, the diocese has stopped the automatic 3-year renewal process and new applications must be made.

We have had one safeguarding concern reported to the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer in 2024 and all paperwork is filed appropriately. No further action is now required on this concern.

Safer Recruitment is in place and we will guide any volunteers through this. We are grateful for all our volunteers and need to ensure that all paperwork and practices are in place to protect both the public and volunteers.

*Sharon Rucastle*

## Parochial Church Council

I am very grateful for the support of the PCC in overseeing the life of the church. The council comprised the following members during 2024:

Chairman – Rev Nick Trenholme

Vice-Chairman - Rachel Whaley

Churchwarden – Andy Ive

Churchwarden – Tom Brown

Graham Lynch

Chris Purcell

Carolyn Watt

Treasurers - Sue and John Scott

PCC Secretary - Sue Simpson/Rachel Whaley

Pat King-Sparke

Safeguarding Officer – Sharon Rucastle

Deanery Synod - Vacant

Disabilities – Andy Ive , Health & Safety – Andy Ive , Sidesperson – Andy Ive

Gift Aid Secretary – Jane Lupton (ex PCC)

The PCC meets about 6 times each year. Election to the committee provides an opportunity to be more directly involved in the decisions and activities of St Mary's. The Annual Meeting provides an opportunity for the PCC to be renewed and refreshed. If you would like to serve on the PCC, then do speak to Rev Nick or the Church Wardens.

Minutes of PCC meetings, along with dates of future meetings, are now displayed on the noticeboard at the back of church right by the door to the back room as you go through for coffee. Do take a look and see what issues are being discussed. The PCC is there to represent the views of everyone in church so if you have matters you would like discussed or questions to ask please speak to anyone on the PCC so we can add to it to a meeting agenda. All views and opinions are valued and it is important that everyone's voice is heard.

## Bowland and Ewecross Deanery Synod Meetings

There were three meetings of the Deanery Synod during 2024.

**Deanery Synod on 6<sup>th</sup> February at Settle Parish Church:** the main item was the need in our parishes for help with administration, grant applications, and finance, and the process of finalising our application for diocesan funding for a Deanery Support Officer from the Barnabas Project. This Project is funded by national strategic funds, not parish share.

**Deanery Synod on 15<sup>th</sup> May with Bishop Anna at St Andrew's Gargrave:** Bishop Anna reflected on her first 7 months in office, including meeting many faithful people in rural parishes, and the life and creativity that she has encountered around the Ripon episcopal area. She thanked us for sustaining the Christian presence in our communities despite often small numbers of volunteers, and she encouraged us to keep going. Her focus is things that will enable our churches to flourish, clergy wellbeing, and raising money to support our parishes.

**Deanery Synod on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September at Low Bentham:** good news stories from around the deanery were shared, including the news that our deanery has been awarded £20,000 by the Barnabas Project to pay for a Deanery Mission Enabler. We have not been able to recruit someone for this post yet, but we will be re-advertising in 2025. The diocese has identified St Andrew's Gargrave to be a lay training hub for Bowland & Ewecross and Skipton Deaneries, to save people having to travel into Leeds for training courses.

**The 2024 Deanery Lent Course: 'Our life is Love',** inspired by a Quaker quote, with speakers on health, aging, young people, wellbeing, and a plenary led by Bishop Anna in which we explored how our churches could engage more with these areas. The meetings were well attended, and also included time for worship, prayer, and reflection. We are thankful for the I.T. team and others at Settle Parish Church for hosting the Lent meetings.

Throughout the year we have looked for ways to support parishes in vacancy, and to share resources and work together as a Deanery. We also conducted elections for new members of Diocesan Synod. Whilst only elected Deanery Synod reps may vote, it has been agreed that PCC members from any of our churches are welcome to attend Synod meetings. The Deanery has a small fund for the purposes of supporting mission projects. In April Ian Greenhalgh raised £2,073 for deanery funds with a 75 mile run and cycle ride in celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of the Diocese of Leeds.

We are thankful for the hard work of our Area Dean (Canon Ian Greenhalgh), Lay Chair (Stephen Hogg), Revd John Davies who has co-ordinated the Lent Courses, and other members of the Deanery Standing Committee who have organised events and Synod meetings, together with members of the churches hosting meetings.

*Revd Sue McWhinney (Deanery Secretary)*

**Deanery Standing Committee members:**

Canon Ian Greenhalgh, Area Dean

Stephen Hogg (Settle, and member of General Synod), Lay Chair







Sue McWhinney, Deanery Secretary

Richard Pattinson, Deanery Treasurer

Sue Mann (Clapham with Keasden), Kate Croll (Langcliffe), and Marilynne Prayle (Stainforth)

Revd's John Davies, Stephen Dawson, and Nick Trenholme.

## Some of our events and activities through the year...2024

<p>Lent Groups</p> 	<p>Jigsaw Festival</p> 	
<p>Jumble Sale</p> 	<p>Supporting Village events –</p> <p>1940s weekend Ingleton Gala Village Christmas Event</p>	<p>Give to Go Green</p> <p><b>You give.</b> <b>We match.</b> <b>Double your impact.</b></p> <p>£10k raised, matched to £20k</p>
<p>Harvest Supper</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory</p> 	<p>Toy Sale</p> 





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# **PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH, INGLETON**

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### **Structure, Governance and Aims**

St Mary's Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2011) and a charity currently excepted from registration with the Charity Commission.

At St Mary's Church, the PCC consists of the team rector, team vicar, church wardens and elected members. The PCC is responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including how the funds of the PCC should be spent. The PCC met eight times during the year, with 75% attendance.

The PCC has the responsibility of working with Rev. Nick Trenholme (Team Vicar) and Rev. Peter Greenwood (Team Rector) to promote within the parish the mission of the church – pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. St Mary's church is part of the Ingleborough Team Ministry, together with the parishes of Bentham, Burton in Lonsdale Chapel-le-Dale, and Thornton in Lonsdale.

The PCC also has the responsibility for the maintenance of the church building and, alongside North Yorkshire Council, the churchyard.

### **Objectives and Activities**

The PCC, Clergy and congregation work together to make worship relevant and accessible to all people. We seek to welcome everyone to our services and to encourage them to become regular members of our worshipping community. The services and worship show faith in practice through prayer, study of God's word, music and sacrament. People are encouraged to live out their faith in the local, national and worldwide community through considering the Christian faith, pastoral care charitable and outreach work and involvement in community events.

There are 69 people on the Electoral Roll; 7 not living in the parish. At major festivals – Easter and Christmas – and special services e.g. Remembrance Sunday, Christingle – the congregation welcomes more people to worship. Baptisms, weddings and funerals draw in members of the local community.

### **Deanery Synod**

One member of the church were elected as representative at the Deanery Synod, also sitting on the PCC. This brings a link to the wider church in the Diocese. There were three meetings in 2024.

### **Pastoral Care**

Every member of the of the church is encouraged to support and care for fellow members as an expression of their Christian faith and the mission of the church. Fellowship groups meet to learn from God's word, support and encourage one another.

### **Mission and Evangelism**

The PCC and congregation are committed to reaching out with the gospel of Jesus and in helping others less fortunate. 10% of the church income (giving) is allocated to charities in the following year, in 2024 we gave £2,970. Letters of thanks are received with updates of the work and often prayer requests; there are services focussed on our charitable links.

We sought to engage with the community in a variety of ways through regular and occasional events. In 2024 this included a presence in the D-Day 80 anniversary events, as well as annual events like the gala, 1940s weekend, Remembrance ceremony and others. We continued to seek to help and serve the community through the work of the Pop Up Pantry and through the family craft events in the school holidays. The crossword group continued to meet in church.

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### Administrative Information

St Mary's Church is situated in Ingleton in the county of North Yorkshire. It is part of the Diocese of Leeds, within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Mary's Vicarage, Main Street, Ingleton, Carnforth, LA6 3HF. PCC members who have served from 1 January 2024 until the date of this report was approved are:

Rev. Peter Greenwood	Team Rector
Rev. Nick Trenholme	Team Vicar (Chairman)
Tom Brown	PCC member & Churchwarden (re-appointed 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2024)
Andy Ive	PCC member & Churchwarden (re-appointed 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2024)
<i>Elected/Co-opted</i>	
Graham Lynch	
Pat Kingsparke	
Christine Purcell	
Sharon Rucastle	(Parish Safeguarding Officer)
John Scott	(Treasurer)
Sue Scott	
Sue Simpson	Secretary (until 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024)
Carolyn Watt	(elected 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2024)
Rachel Whaley	Secretary (from 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024)

### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. The charity is entitled to prepare these statements on a receipts and payments accounts basis, together with a statement of assets and liabilities at the year end. The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025 and signed on its behalf by



Rev. Nick Trenholme (Chairman)



**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH, INGLETON**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	UNRESTRICTED FUND	RESTRICTED FUND	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
<b>RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT</b>					
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
<b>Voluntary receipts</b>					
Planned giving		25,395	320	25,715	24,027
Collections at services		4,446	--	4,446	3,871
All other giving/voluntary receipts 3a		4,175	1,582	5,757	8,214
Grants received		2,893	2,580	5,473	2,156
Gift Aid recovered		7,911	--	7,911	8,853
		<b>44,820</b>	<b>4,482</b>	<b>49,302</b>	<b>47,121</b>
<b>Activities for generating funds 3b</b>		<b>3,443</b>	<b>9,404</b>	<b>12,847</b>	<b>5,695</b>
<b>Investment Income 3c</b>		<b>163</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>1,055</b>	<b>1,039</b>
<b>Receipts from church activities 3d</b>		<b>1,594</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1,594</b>	<b>652</b>
<b>Insurance claim</b>		<b>1,258</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>Transfer of funds</b>		<b>6,750</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>9,750</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>58,028</b>	<b>17,778</b>	<b>75,806</b>	<b>54,507</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
<b>Church Activities</b>					
Diocesan parish contribution		35,140	--	35,140	39,069
Clergy		766	--	766	1,087
Church running expenses 3e		10,434	1,013	11,447	7,770
Church repairs and maintenance		5,990	1,516	7,506	1,928
Mission giving and donations		2,970	2,838	5,808	5,796
<b>Transfer of funds</b>		<b>3,000</b>	<b>6,750</b>	<b>9,750</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>58,300</b>	<b>12,117</b>	<b>70,417</b>	<b>55,650</b>
<b>Excess of Receipts over Payments</b>		<b>-272</b>	<b>5,661</b>	<b>5,389</b>	<b>-1,143</b>
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January		3,116	3,396	6,512	7,654
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December		2,844	9,057	11,901	6,511
<b>STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES</b>					
<b>Cash Funds</b>					
Bank current accounts		<b>2,844</b>	<b>9,057</b>	<b>11,901</b>	<b>6,511</b>
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>					
Amounts receivable in one year		--	3,000	3,000	--
Gift Aid recoverable		1,200	1,100	2,300	1,400
		<b>1,200</b>	<b>4,100</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>1,400</b>
<b>Investment Assets</b>					
Investment Fund shares at market value		5,989	32,649	38,638	38,000
		<b>5,989</b>	<b>32,649</b>	<b>38,638</b>	<b>38,000</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Amounts payable within one year		150	--	150	149
Diocesan parish contribution outstanding		--	--	--	--
Other amounts payable		<b>150</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>149</b>

The attached notes form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on

and signed on their behalf by

Rev Nick Trenholme Chairman

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH, INGLETON  
 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2024  
 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

2. The movements in cash funds were:

	Balance b/fwd £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/out £	Balance c/fwd £
Restricted Funds:					
Fabric Current A/c	3,396	17,778	12,117	-232 -65 +20 +892 +9,836	19,508
Unrestricted Fund:					
PCC General A/c	3,116	58,028	58,300	+232 +65 -20 -892 -9,836	-7,607
	6,512	75,806	70,417	---	11,901

These figures represent funds of:

**£232** that was banked into the Fabric account in error and therefore transferred to the General account.

**£65** was paid out of the general account for an item that should have come from the Fabric account.

**£20** was donated into the General account when it had been intended for the Fabric account.

**£892** was from CCLA investments which is paid into the general account but needs to be transferred to the Fabric account as these funds are Restricted.

**£9,836** represented funds raised for the Give to Go Green Campaign that was paid into the General account but the funds were intended for the Fabric account.

The Fabric Account represents monies held for expenditure related to remedial work on the fabric of the of the church i.e. porch and new doors, and monies held for other restricted projects. These include a church cleaning fund, the Pop-up Pantry fund, a children's craft event fund and a flower fund. All of this is held in cash assets.

3. Receipts and Payments Analysis	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 2023 £
Receipts			
a All-other giving/voluntary receipts	40		40
Donations	2,966	1,517	4,483
Online giving	739	65	804
Giving through church boxes	430		430
	4,175	1,582	5,757
b Activities for generating funds £10 challenge, jumble sale, gala, Sale of craft items, toy sale, Band concert, 5ps in jar, Give to go green, jigsaw festival. Sale of books	3,443	9,404	12,847
	3,443	9,404	12,847
c Investment Income Dividends and interest	163	892	1,055
	163	892	1,055
d Receipts from Church activities Fees from weddings and funerals retained by PCC	1,594	--	1,594
	1,594	--	1,594

Payments			
e Church running expenses.			
Bank charges	154	66	220
Organ tuning	--	240	240
Church gas/electric	5,518	--	5,518
Church water	386	--	386
Church Insurance	2,866	--	2,866
Printing/stationery	121	20	141
Repairs and maintenance	290	187	477
Upkeep of church yard	69	170	239
Other Church running costs	1,030	330	1,360
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	10,434	1,013	11,447
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# PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH, INGLETON

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### Independent Examiner's report to the members of The Parochial Church Council of St Mary's Church, Ingleton

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply 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 (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 act and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

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

#### Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the charities act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.

*J Thistlethwaite*

*24.03.2025*

Examiner details: Jennifer Thistlethwaite, MAAT.  
42 Paradise Row, Ingleton, LA6 3AQ.



AMENDED

**PARISH OF INGLETON ST MARY'S**

**MINUTES of THE ANNUAL MEETING of PARISHIONERS 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 12.06pm**

**Present:** Rev Nick Trenholme, Sheila Bibby, Beryl Brown, Jean Brown, Tom Brown, Sheila Tony Davidson, Davison, Marian Heald, Susan Hughes, Pat King-Sparke, Graham Lynch, Beryl Morphet, Chris Purcell, Sharon Rucastle, John Scott, Sue Scott, Judith Shackleton, Sue Simpson, Carolyn Watt, Rachel Whaley.

1. **OPENING PRAYER** : Rev. Nick Trenholme.

2. **APOLOGIES:** Anne Dent, Andy Ive, Ruth Ive

**3. THE MINUTES OF THE 2022 ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS:**

That these minutes be accepted as a true record:

Proposed : Pat King-Sparke seconded: Graham Lynch 18 in favour 1 abstention

**4. ELECTION OF CHURCH WARDENS** for the Ecclesiastical Parish

Tom Brown (proposed by Andy Ive, seconded: Sharon Rucastle) and Andy Ive (proposed by Tom Brown, seconded: Sharon Rucastle) All in favour  
were duly elected as Church wardens for the coming year. (All in Favour)

5. A.O.B. None

The meeting closed with prayer at 12.12pm

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PARISH OF INGLETON**

**MINUTES of THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**The meeting began at 12.15 pm**

**Present:** Rev Nick Trenholme, Sheila Bibby, Beryl Brown, Jean Brown, Tom Brown, Sheila Tony Davidson, Davison, Marian Heald, Susan Hughes, Pat King-Sparke, Graham Lynch, Beryl Morphet, Chris Purcell, Sharon Rucastle, John Scott, Sue Scott, Judith Shackleton, Sue Simpson, Carolyn Watt, Rachel Whaley.

1. **OPENING PRAYER:** Rev. Nick Trenholme prayed for the meeting and for the two Church Warden's Tom and Andy.

2. **APOLOGIES:** Anne Dent, Andy Ive, Ruth Ive

3. **MINUTES OF MEETING 8th. MAY 2022:**

That these minutes be accepted as a true record:

Proposed : Graham Lynch \* seconded: Rachel Whaley 17 in favour 2 abstentions

4. **ACCOUNTS FOR 2023:** (See the attached report)

The share was paid in full.

That the accounts be adopted by the meeting:

Proposed: Sharon Rucastle Seconded: Tom Brown All in favour

Sue proposed a vote of thanks which was seconded by Nick and agreement was shown by a round of applause.

5. **ANNUAL REPORT:**

**Report on proceedings of PCC** and activities of the church: Reports had previously been circulated among church members. There were no comments.

Nick Trenholme thanked the meeting for all who supported the church during his sabbatical..

The report was accepted by the meeting. Proposed: Sharon Rucastle Seconded: Sheila Bibby All in favour. Sharon and Sheila Thanked Sue on behalf of the meeting for compiling the report.

b) **Church Wardens' Report:** (within the Annual Report)

**Fabric and Ornaments:** Tom Brown reported on the situation following the recent burglary of Communion silver etc

c) **Team Vicar's Report:** (within the Annual Report)

d) **Deanery Synod Report:** (within the Annual Report)

Currently the Area Dean, Rev Ian Greenhalgh is the Chairman and Rev Sue McWhinney is the Secretary. Sue Simpson was elected to serve on the Deanery Synod. There remain two unfilled vacancies for parishioners.

AMENDED

e) **Safeguarding report:** (Within the Annual Report). Thanks were expressed to Sharon Rucastle for her work and explanation of her role. Information on incidents and disclosures is classed as confidential. Work to ensure that PCC members receive training and are asked to complete disclosure forms together with maintaining safer working practices is continually under review.

#### 6. **ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT:**

The number on the roll is now 71\*\*, 8 of whom live outside the parish.  
Next year (2025) a new roll will be prepared. This takes place every seven years.

#### 7. **ELECTIONS:**

To the Parochial Church Council the following were elected:  
Carolyn Watt                      (Proposed: Tom Brown seconded: Sheila Bibby, All in favour.

#### 8. **APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL EXAMINER:**

Jenny Thistlethwaite has agreed to take on this roll for 2024/5  
(proposed: Sharon Rucastle, seconded: Tom brown, all in favour.)  
Sue Scott has already sent a letter of thanks for her work on behalf of the meeting.

#### 9. **AOB AND QUESTIONS:**

- Judith Shackleton raised the issue of the Annual Report being circulated well in advance of the meetings. In reply, the secretary explained that delays are due to timely receipt of reports to be collated. Judith's point has been noted.
- There was an up-date on the pews and misunderstandings by some members of the community, because of rumours.
- Pat King-Sparke reported that surplus items from the Pop up Pantry are now sent to school for their use.
- Thanks were expressed for the continued musical contributions of Dorothy and Rachel.

As there was no further business, the meeting closed at 12.45 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_