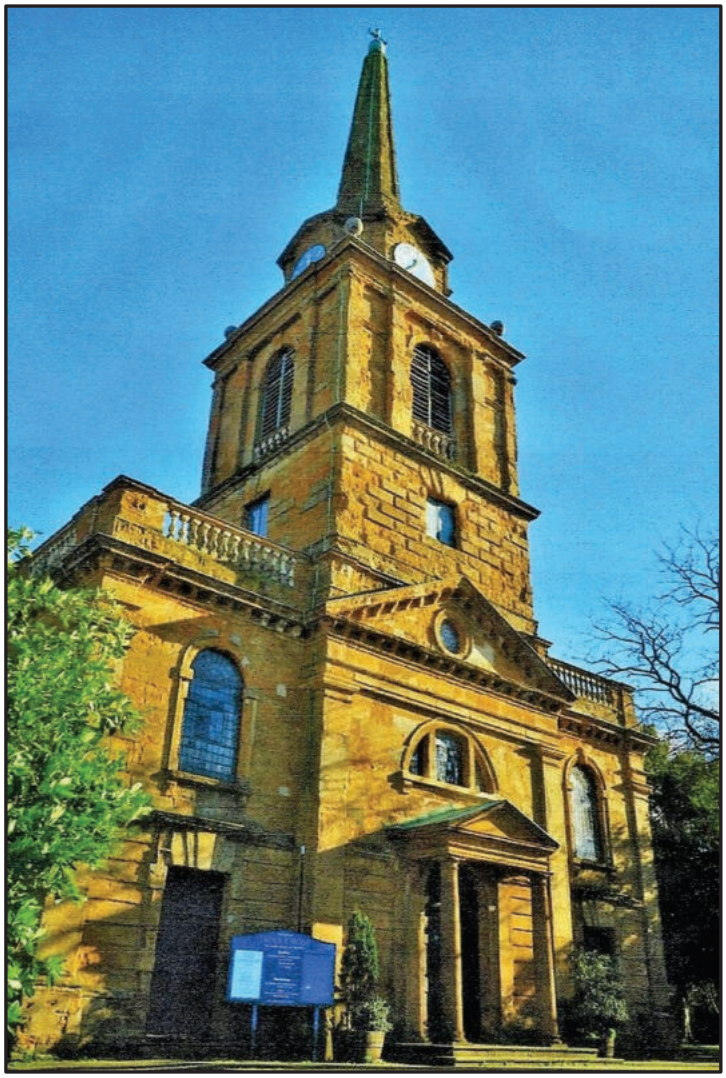
Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025 for

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH
OF HOLY CROSS, DAVENTRY
IN THE DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH



Registered Charity Number 1210926

Aim and purposes

The Parochial Church Council of the ecclesiastical parish of Holy Cross, Daventry in the Diocese of Peterborough (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Dawn Stokes, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Mindful of our commitment for being for the public benefit our Vision Statement which appears on our website welcome page is:

> At Holy Cross we endeavour to be a light in the darkness for the people of Daventry. We want to help our neighbours in practical ways and we want to encourage others to discover the love God has for each and every one of us.

We aim to make everyone feel welcome to come and join us, to learn more about God's love for us and to develop an understanding of the Christian faith through fellowship, worship and study. We aim to provide pastoral care to those within our parish; especially to those in our local hospital and in our local care homes and through home visits to individuals.

The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church, Church Walk, Daventry and the Church Hall, Market Square, Daventry which is key for the delivery of our programme of activities and for offering the community a suitable venue for their use.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Holy Cross. 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.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The PCC is focussed on enabling all members of our community, here in Daventry, to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- Missionary and outreach work
- Work with children and young people through schools

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of Holy Cross (which is a listed building) and the Church Hall.

The PCC recognise that members of our congregation and of our community contribute a significant amount of their time to commit to being volunteers to resource our programme of activities.

The PCC appreciate that volunteers need to re-access their individual commitments and it is therefore incumbent upon the PCC to regularly review our programme of activities and prioritise their importance to make sure they can be adequately resourced.

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. ln particular we want to mention our churchwardens John W. Robinson and Donna Mills who have worked so tirelessly on our behalf, Brian Donkersley who has helped us all to understand the church's accounts and its finances, and all the other members of the PCC for their valuable contribution to our ministry and for keeping the church running.

Achievements and Performance

Worship and Prayer

The PCC are keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling.

All are welcome to attend our regular services. At 31st December 2025 there were 103 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, of whom 4 are not resident within the parish, 1 name was added during the year and 0 removed.

Every six years a new roll has to be prepared according to Rules 6, 7 & 8 of the Church Representation Rules, rather than revising the existing roll. A new roll was prepared during 2025. A revision only is required in 2026.

The average attendance at Thursday Morning Prayer via the telephone was 6 (2024: 6). The public benefit is that all the details of how to join the service on the phone are published on the church website and in the digital weekly bulletins. Anyone can join the conference call, which is charged at the local rate of an individual's provider. This service was set up during Covid and has continued being of comfort and support to people who are housebound and no longer able to attend the church in person.

Our Christmas services were very well attended. The Christingle service was attended by 75 people (2024: 80), our Crib Service by 152 adults and 100 children (2024: over 200adults and children), our Service of Lessons and Carols by 190 adults and 8 children (2024: over 100 adults and children), 111people (2024: 95) attended our Midnight in Bethlehem Holy

Communion service on Christmas Eve and 58 people (2024: 50) attended our Family Service on Christmas Day.

Our monthly Young Families service met in the hall on the 1st Sunday of every month at which the average attendance was 20 adults and children a month (2024: 8 to 15).

An average of 25 people (2024: 30) attended our Prayer and Praise service once a month on a Sunday evening and an average of 18 people attended our new service, Café Church, once a month on a Sunday evening

Following preparation 2 people (2024: 7) were confirmed.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. 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 and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping. We have celebrated 12 baptisms (2024: 19) 9 weddings (2024: 1) and held 32 funerals (2024: 32).

We also held a number of other services in conjunction with the Daventry Town Council. Holy Cross led the public Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial and the subsequent Civic service for Remembrance Sunday, which was also attended by a Deputy Lord Lieutenant, our local MP and town Mayor. We also hosted the Civic Service for the new Mayor of Daventry which was attended by a Deputy Lord Lieutenant and other towns' mayors. In addition, Holy Cross led the Act of Remembrance on Armistice Day in the local shopping street.

Deanery Synod

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

The Church and the Hall

Holy Cross benefits from the support of its many volunteers within the congregation who maintain the church and prepare it for our various services and the seasons.

Whist we are unable to operate an open church policy due to our urban location and the diverse demographic of potential visitors presenting a safeguarding risk to our many more senior volunteers, we do open the church for local town events. This year we once again opened the church to coincide with the Easter, Foodie and Christmas Markets, put on by the Daventry Town Council. We also opened the church for the Daventry Motorcycle Festival, held in the town in June, and the Historic Churches Trust Ride & Stride Day in September.

These events typically bring in an average of 150 people. During one of these open days we held an exhibition of artwork by students from the Daventry Campus of Northampton College and at another, one of our ministry team staged the "Advent Journey" prayer stations.

The church once again proved to be a very suitable venue for concerts given by Daventry Choral Society, in March, and December. These were each attended by an average of 175 people.

The Daventry Air Cadets used the church for their annual awards evening. 55 cadets and their parents attended and awards were given to all the cadets from obtaining their First Aid certificates to promotions to corporals and sergeants. Most of these people had previously had no involvement with the church and they found the evening uplifting and were impressed with the church and the Christmas decorations.

Members of our congregation organised two fundraising events to contribute to church expenses; a fish and chip supper with quiz and a concert given by the Northampton Male Voice Choir

All statutory and required inspections of appliances have taken place, as has regular maintenance.

The PCC approved a Master Policies Manual which has brought together in one place polices and procedures relating to Risk Assessments, Health and Safety, Venue Evacuations, Security, Lone Working, Safeguarding, Media, Code of Conduct, GDPR and Venue Hire.

As reported in 2024 the PCC has taken the decision to prioritise the replacement of the old and very inadequate, not fit for purpose sanitary arrangements in the church. The architect has been consulted and quotes are currently being obtained for this work.

Our last Quinquennial Report in 2021 highlighted an issue with the Bell Tower louvres being loose and some requiring urgent replacement. As part of this project the PCC has agreed that it would make sense for the adjacent clock faces to be repainted. Requests for quotes have also been issued for this work which is estimated to be in the region of £60,000.

The PCC acknowledges that this will require some serious fundraising in order to match any grants that we might obtain through the efforts of a member of our congregation.

Our hall is used regularly for refreshments after our Sunday services, a monthly breakfast before the service, weekly Open House Café, two weekly Bible Study Groups, Confirmation Preparation sessions, harvest and similar lunches, and monthly Mothers' Union meetings.

The building is approximately 60 years old and is starting to deteriorate as is normal for buildings of this age and type of construction. It has a capacity for a maximum of 80 persons which makes it suitable for hiring to community groups, such as weekly keep fit sessions and

weekly support group sessions. In addition, it is available for private hire for events such as parties and funeral wakes.

The PCC has been investigating the practicalities and cost of providing a handrail for the approach to the hall as requested by some of its patrons in 2024. Some extensive work is required to meet all current statutory regulations, besides attention to a tree with a preservation order on it and repairs to an ancient boundary wall to the graveyard. The latter is the responsibility of the Daventry Town Council as it is a closed churchyard.

Pastoral Care

Open House Cafe, which meets in the church hall every Friday, attracts an average of 12 people each week. This was initially set up as a Warm Space and it now runs year-round for the benefit of mostly retired members of our congregation and visitors, giving them a place to meet and socialise.

"It was so helpful to be able to book a home visit to have the fire alarms in my home replaced and a worry taken care of."

The Open House Café hosted a talk by a member of the Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) Fire Protection Team. This was attended by 20 people who found it very informative. Some of the more elderly attendees qualified for home visits to provide fire alarms.

Our Mothers' Union has 19 members (2024: 20) and meets monthly for talks, prayer and fellowship. In addition, the MU makes the flower poises on Mothering Sunday for all the ladies present and provides and distributes Easter eggs to the congregation on Easter Sunday. A notable hour long talk in October was given by the South Northants First Responders to demonstrate the use of a defibrillator and resuscitation, to which the Mothers' Union invited other members of our congregation to join, as we purchased and had installed a defibrillator on the external wall of the church hall in 2024 for the public benefit.

The members of our Mothers' Union also support the raising of funds to send to the various Diocesan Groups and also two Prisons. They write cards to prisoners at Christmas and send them a small gift. They also send clothes so that prisoners who may have to attend a funeral have something suitable to wear. Lots of knitting is done for babies at home and abroad; and blankets for families in general who have very little, and rough sleepers. They support the *MU Away From It All Fund* which offers holidays or a day out to those in need of a break. They have purchased MU Baptism Anniversary cards for Holy Cross and also gift labels to attach to the Mothering Sunday posies. They have also made up hampers to raise money for our Church and donated two Shoe Boxes at Christmas.

Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. Either Reverend Dawn Stokes, Reverend Lesley Tomlin, our Curate, before she left us in August 2025 and since November by Rev Kim McCloghry, our newly appointed Assistant Priest or a

member of our Pastoral Team have visited all members of our community who have requested it, to celebrate Holy Communion with them either at their homes or in hospital or just to visit. The rota of volunteers, organised by our Curate Reverend Lesley Tomalin, have continued with this activity since her leaving.

The Rector continued in her duties as the Honorary Chaplain at Danetre Hospital, visiting patients and staff.

Collective Worship was delivered to our two Church of England Schools, The Abbey CE Academy School & Monksmoor Park CE Primary School, on a weekly basis during the school year, by the Rector and our Curate or more recently our Assistant Priest. Both schools have used the church for services, which they have led and invited parents and carers to at Easter, Harvest and Christmas. 5 schools in total visited the church to hold their Christingle/Carol Services in December.

Our Tuesday afternoon Bible Study Group has 15 members (2024: 15) who meet with the Rector and the Curate or more recently our Assistant Priest, weekly, to study books and letters from the Bible and our Wednesday evening Bible Study Group, aimed at those who want to find out more about the Christian Faith, met regularly during the year with an average attendance of 8 people (2024: 12).

Mission and Evangelism

The weekly bulletin is distributed by email to an average of 153 people who have requested it. It includes the Bible readings for the week, a thought for the week written by a member of the Ministry Team, all the services and other events for the week and notices. This clearly demonstrates that we have activities available most days of the week. The bulletin is available in church for those without access to email. Our website, Facebook and *A Church Near You* pages are kept up to date with similar content. On the website there are links to information about Life Events (Baptism, Weddings and Funerals), the church hall, bell ringing as well as the statutory safeguarding information.

The statistics show that we had over 68,000 views in the year to our Facebook page, 5,000 to our website and 12,500 to our *A Church Near You* page. Our Facebook page shows regular services in the page description and any special events or services are posted on the page. During the year we had 125 followers and 372 reactions (2024: 63 followers and 36 likes) to our Facebook page.

The PCC has approved all uses of social media for its activities and has ensured that there is a named person to whom all concerned are accountable. All church officers that use social media on behalf of the church are aware of the guidance in Section 12 of the Parish Safeguarding Handbook. The PCC is required to review, agree and minute annually that this particular guidance is being followed which it last did on 11th September 2025.

Our bellringers continue to communicate with the town by ringing every Sunday before our main service of worship, to call people to attend, and again on Tuesdays, their practice evening. We receive many positive comments on our town's social media sites from members of our local community.

During 2025 the bells have been rung for 63 services (2024: 52) including ringing after 4 weddings and 3 Civic occasions, namely VE Day 80, VI Day 80 and the Mayor's Civic Service. 33 different people rang at least once with 17 ringing for 5 services or more (2024: 17). Average attendance was 9.3 (2024: 9.1). All ten bells were rung for 22 services (2024: 26).

At the 51 practice evenings (2024: 50), 61 different people rang (2024: 61) at one or more of these including 36 who rang at 5 or more practices during the year (2024: 35). Average attendance was 19.2 (2024: 16.9).

We are very proud to have four young ringers and some of them were members of young ringer teams at three competitions during the year, and whilst not winning gave a good account of themselves.

Our congregation, at specific services and events during the year, collected a total of £2829 for specific charities and one-off events where there was a desperate and urgent need, including our local Food Bank as detailed in note 5 to the accounts. In addition, we continue to support our local Food Bank with weekly donated items as well as monetary contributions.

Members of our congregation once again very generously contributed new toys at our annual Christmas appeal for wrapping by Santa's elves before being handed over to the Homestart Charity. These toys were given to the children of the inmates in our local prison at Olney on Christmas Eve when they visited.

Members of our congregation also attended community lunches at Monksmoor Park CE Primary School where they sit with the young people and enjoy lunch and fellowship together. These are very humbling and inspiring occasions for both parties and some heart-warming relationships have evolved. One member of our congregation is appointed by the Diocese as a Foundation Governor at this school.

Coats for Kids was an initiative set up by our Ordinand, John S. Robinson, who recognised a need for proper winter coats and shoes to be provided for local school children, who lacked either or both essential items. This project is now in its fourth year and is a great way for our church to be seen leading on this. Initially it was funded just by members of our congregation, but it now includes several local groups, Rotary and Discover Daventry (which has links with most of the local businesses) and companies such as Cummins.

"My children having good quality shoes on their feet means a lot. And the fact that they are proper shoes means they are more versatile than the black trainers that we could afford."

"We have three school aged children and trying to provide everything for them is really difficult. Seeing all three children discreetly given brand new coats was such a relief and a weight off my mind as they can now go outside and not be cold."

This year Coats for Kids provided 60 coats and 11 pairs of shoes to three primary schools in the area with children in the age range of 3 to 11.

As part of our mission here at Holy Cross, our PCC also approved a payment to the charity Shelter Box, to support people affected by conflict and disasters around the world.

Ecumenical Relationships

The church is a member of the ecumenical community, Churches Together in Daventry (CTiD). This is a committee of clergy and Lay people from Holy Cross Anglican Church, The Daventry Methodist Church, Daventry Town URC, Our Lady of Charity and St. Augustine, Catholic Church, Daventry and the local Vineyard Free Church.

This committee meets four times a year to plan ecumenical services and events in Daventry. Each year it leads on providing 'Experience Christmas & Experience Easter' activities, to which all nine primary schools in the town are invited to attend. These events are well received by all the schools. On Good Friday all the churches meet together for a 'Walk of Witness', through the town. CTiD also coordinates and runs 'Holiday @ Home' - a three-day event for elderly and housebound people in the town. The Methodist church hosts this event, however volunteers from all the churches help to run it over three days.

CTiD holds ecumenical services throughout the year; Christian Unity Week, World Day of Prayer, Good Friday, two Christian Aid services a year, (which all the churches support and hold collections for). It also supports the Daventry Foodbank, which is run by the Vineyard Church in Daventry. Each church provides monetary and food donations and offers assistance with the distribution of food parcels.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £86514. Restricted donations of £11,303 were also received and are detailed in the Financial Statements.

The planned giving, mainly through standing orders, was 2.5% more than 2024 (£40,763) at £41,815. Total income, including gift aid recovered, increased by 2%.

£89,449 was spent to provide the Christian ministry from Holy Cross Church, including the contribution to the diocesan parish share which increased by 9.5% in the year and largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy. The sum that the churches in the Diocese have to find is shared between the churches according to a formula that is based mainly on a head count of the congregations. We contributed the share the Diocese requested, in full. The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts of £2,935 on unrestricted funds. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of

the year and taking into account a transfer from the Church Hall Fund of £1,957; the balances carried forward at 31st December 2025 on unrestricted funds totalled £45,615, a reduction of 2.1%.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to maintain an unrestricted General Fund equal to 6 months typical expenditure (currently £44,724) to cover any unforeseen emergencies and to support the Designated Church Hall Fund and the Designated Building Fund if needed.
The balance of £45,615 held on unrestricted funds, after designations, at the year-end meets this target.

It is the policy of this church to operate a nominal separate designated fund for Church Hall Income & Expenditure. This account will be topped up from the General Fund where necessary and if the balance ever exceeds £3,000 then the surplus will be transferred to the General Fund unless a higher balance is being built for a specific purpose. At the year end the surplus balance of £1957 was transferred from the Church Hall Fund to the General Fund.

It is the policy of this church to build up a designated fund large enough to not only enable all necessary ongoing repairs but to provide a cash reserve suitable to enable external grants for future improvements to be matched. Given that the only income source is from Donations, it is not envisaged that any funds will be used for any other purpose, so no upper limit has been set.

At the year end the Designated Building Fund balance was £71 following the replacement of the church boilers in November 2024 and the final balance of £13,765.75 being paid in 2025. This means that for the foreseeable future all building repairs will have to be expensed from the General Fund.

It is our policy to invest some of our funds' balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

Plans for future periods

As mentioned earlier in this report the next priorities identified by the PCC are a new toilet facility in the church and the repairs to the bell tower including the clockfaces. Funding for these will require a huge fundraising effort aimed at our town community and then the obtaining of matched funding.

Our Curate, Reverend Lesley Tomalin, having successfully completed her training at the start of 2025 left us in August 2025 when a suitable position was identified. It has been a pleasure to have Reverend Lesley with us since July 2023 which we celebrated with a farewell service and presentation of gifts from the congregation. We welcomed Rev Kim McCloghry who was

appointed as Assistant Priest in November 2025 at her licensing service. We are fortunate that we have four lay ministers and two in training as well as an Ordinand.

Risk Management

The PCC recognises that our biggest risk, as custodians of a grade 1 listed church building, is the funding of its upkeep and maintenance. No expenditure requiring major fundraising outside our congregation has taken place since extensive repairs to the stonework on the roof in 2012. During 2025 the remaining Designated Building Fund was spent on the balance of two new boilers for the church and this now needs replenishing in order to obtain matched grant funding. The PCC recognise that we will need to look beyond the financial resources of our congregation to achieve this. Quotes are being obtained for the bell tower repairs in order to have a financial fundraising target figure for sharing with the town community and the amount needed to preserve the church's unique and iconic status in the town.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At Holy Cross, the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our Rector), our Curate or Assistant Priest, churchwardens, the licensed lay ministers and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services as members of the congregation 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 to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The full PCC met 8 times during the year with an average level of attendance of 80%. Given its wide responsibilities the PCC has a Standing Committee which met at each quarter end to review the accounts in detail and discuss other items in order to make recommendations to the full PCC. This committee is responsible to the PCC and reports back to it regularly with minutes of their deliberations being received by the full PCC and discussed as necessary.

All members of the PCC, which includes the Ministry Team, have current enhanced DBS certificates; and our volunteers involved with Pastoral Care and our First Aider all have current basic DBS certificates. In addition, four bellringers have enhanced DBS certificates. All our DBS certificate holders, together with some additional volunteers, have received appropriate safeguarding training as required by the Church of England. During the year our Parish Safeguarding Officer led an informative safeguarding refresher training session at which 20 members of our ministry team, PCC Trustees and volunteers participated.

At the date of signing this report no serious safeguarding incidents had arisen that required reporting to the Charity Commission or any other authority.

Administrative information

Holy Cross Church is situated in Church Walk, Daventry and is part of the Diocese of Peterborough within the Church of England. The correspondence address is:
The Rectory, 28 Osprey Drive, Daventry, Northamptonshire NN11 0XP.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers, Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission since 13th November 2024, registration number: 1210926.

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2025 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex Officio members

Incumbent:	The Reverend Dawn Stokes	Chair
Assistant Priest:	The Reverend Kim McCloghry	Elected upon licencing 2nd November 2025
Curate:	Reverend Lesley Tomalin	Resigned 11th August 2025
Lay Ministers:	Janet Collins	Church Administrator
	Mark Lane	
	Angela Squire	PCC Secretary and Parish Safeguarding Officer
	Christopher Ward	Treasurer from 1st January 2026

Churchwardens:

John W. Robinson
Donna Mills

Elected members:

Brian Donkersley	Treasurer until 31st December 2025
Elizabeth Heath	
Martin Heath	From APCM 2025 27th April 2025
Stuart Hulme	
Eva Lane	Authorised Lay Minister from 27th September 2025
John S. Robinson	
Helen Smith	
Andrea Spaull	Resigned at APCM 2025 27th April 2025
Brian Spaull	Resigned at APCM 2025 27th April 2025

Deanery Synod members for three-year term:

Donna Mills	Elected at APCM 2023
John S Robinson	Elected at APCM 2024
John W Robinson	Elected at APCM 2025

The PCC looks forward to all 2026 has to offer us, as we continue to use our time and talents for the glory of God and the furtherance of His Kingdom in the community of Daventry.



Approved by the PCC on 26th February 2026 and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Dawn Stokes (PCC Chair)

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, DAVENTRY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT						
Receipts						
Voluntary Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
Regular Giving						
Receipts from Donors						
- Planned Giving	41,815	0	0	0	41,815	40,763
- Collections other than giving	8,740	0	0	0	8,740	9,714
Gift aid recovered from HMRC	12,074	0	0	0	12,074	11,023
	62,628	0	0	0	62,628	61,500
- Other voluntary receipts (note5a)	704	5,562	3,235	0	9,501	10,181
- Activities for generating funds (note5b)	6,163	200	2,441	0	8,804	7,978
- Receipts from Church Activities (note 5c)	14,981	0	5,627	0	20,609	17,751
- Church Hall hire and usage	0	2,911	0	0	2,911	2,230
- Investment Income (note 5d)	2,038	0	0	0	2,038	2,320
	86,514	8,674	11,303	0	106,491	101,959
Payments						
Church Activities						
- Diocesan Parish Share	57,019	0	0	0	57,019	52,082
- Other payments (note 5e)	32,430	18,927	4,967	0	56,324	50,598
	89,449	18,927	4,967	0	113,343	102,680
Excess of Receipts over Payments	-2935	-10254	6336	0	-6852	-721
Transfers between funds	1957	-1957	0	0	0	0
	-977	-12211	6336	0	-6852	-721
Bank current and deposit a/cs 1st Jan	46592	15412	10316	0	72320	73041
Bank current and deposit a/cs 31st Dec	45615	3201	16652	0	65468	72320
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES						
Cash Funds						
- HSBC current account	21355	0	0	0	21355	22560
- CAF current account	4650	0	0	0	4650	10563
- CBF Cof E deposit fund	19609	3201	16652	0	39462	39197
	45615	3201	16652	0	65468	72320
Other Monetary Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Assets						
415 CBF Church of England Investment Fund shares at market value - CCLA.	9,212	0	0	0	9,212	9,596
	9,212	0	0	0	9,212	9,596
Assets retained for Church use	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	13,766

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Note 5 Receipts & Payments analysis	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
a. Other voluntary receipts						
- Legacy	0	0	2,100	0	2,100	0
- Donations	704	974	1,135	0	2,813	7,181
- Grants	0	4,589	0	0	4,589	3,000
	704	5,562	3,235	0	9,501	10,181
b. Activities for generating funds						
Hire of church for event	1,014	0	0	0	1,014	150
Giving Machine	0	0	0	0	0	21
100 Club Donation	1,800	0	0	0	1,800	1,600
Fairtrade Receipts	330	0	0	0	330	350
Fundraising Activities	3,019	200	2,441	0	5,660	5,367
Miscellaneous income	0	0	0	0	0	490
	6,163	200	2,441	0	8,804	7,978
c. Receipts from Church Activities						
School church service	0	0	0	0	0	100
Weddings and funeral fees	14,541	0	0	0	14,541	14,335
Votive candles donations	440	0	0	0	440	252
Giving to other charities	0	0	5,627	0	5,627	2,717
Baby and Toddlers Group	0	0	0	0	0	130
Mission	0	0	0	0	0	217
	14,981	0	5,627	0	20,609	17,751
d. Receipts from Investments						
- Bank Interest	1,771	0	0	0	1,771	2,059
- CCLA investment income	267	0	0	0	267	260
	2,038	0	0	0	2,038	2,320
e. Church Activities - payments						
Diocese Dues Weddings & Funerals	7,868	0	0	0	7,868	2,781
Ministry costs	4,671	0	0	0	4,671	4,822
Organist and Verger Fees	1,395	0	0	0	1,395	870
Communion Wine & Candles	424	0	0	0	424	627
Coats for Kids	0	0	2,185	0	2,185	2,988
Giving to other charities	0	0	2,782	0	2,782	2,823
	14358	0	4,967	0	19,325	14,910
Gas, electricity and water	5814	1,775	0	0	7,590	6,716
Insurance	4644	648	0	0	5,292	5,117
Photocopier Finance & Servicing	1554	0	0	0	1,554	1,707
Membership Fees, Donations & Licenses	1376	0	0	0	1,376	1,472
Servicing and Repairs	2270	84	0	0	2,354	2,298
Mission	525	0	0	0	525	1,200
Bank Charges	267	0	0	0	267	236
Other Expenditure	1622	567	0	0	2,189	2,305
Building costs	0	15,853	0	0	15,853	14,636
	32,430	18,927	4,967	0	56,324	50,598

The attached notes form part of these financial statements

DA Stokes

Approved by the PCC on 26th February 2026 and signed on their behalf by Reverend Dawn Stokes (PCC Chair) and Brian Donkersley (PCC Treasurer until 31st December 2025)

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NOTES

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 Church retains no fixed assets.

3. The Church has no Endowment Funds.

4. In January 2025, the final amount of £13,765.75 was paid for the new boilers from the designated building fund.

5. The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were:

	Bal B/fwd £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfer £	Bal C/fwd £
Restricted					
Choir	202	0	0	0	202
Coats for Kids	336	2798	-2185	0	949
Family legacy	8135	0	0	0	8135
Church cloakroom refurbishment	1613	5676	0	0	7289
Collections for other charities	30	2829	-2782	0	77
Total Restricted	10316	11303	-4967	0	16652
Designated	0	0	0	0	0
Church Hall	5120	2911	-3074	-1957	3000
Building Fund	10162	5762	-15853	0	71
Baby and Toddler Group Fund	130	0	0	0	130
Total Designated Funds	15412	8674	-18927	-1957	3201

The Choir Fund represents the balance received when their separate bank account was closed.

The Coats for Kids represents outstanding donations in hand for the support of future need by children in our town.

The Family Legacy represents the outstanding balance of an amount donated in memory of a deceased member of the congregation for one off projects outside of the day-to-day costs of running of the church.

The Church cloakroom refurbishment represents the amounts donated by members of the congregation and funds raised towards the cost of refurbishing the church cloakroom.

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The Collections for Other Charities Fund represents the outstanding amount from one collection specifically for The Children's Society from 2024 and 2025.

The Church Hall Fund represents the excess of hire over costs in the year. The amount is held in reserve for day-to-day costs and maintenance.

The Building Fund represents the balance of receipts outstanding from donations and fund raising where the donors or organisers have asked for them to be used for building maintenance and projects after such costs during the year.

The Baby and Toddler Fund represents the amount outstanding at the date of closure in October 2024 and provide the funds for restarting the activity in the future.

6. The expenses paid to clergy may include a small immaterial proportion, which relates to their function as PCC members. £1200 was paid to one PCC member for providing administrative services during the year under the terms approved by the PCC on 12th September 2024. No other payments were made to PCC members.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF HOLY CROSS, DAVENTRY IN THE DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF HOLY CROSS, DAVENTRY IN THE DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Cross, Daventry for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the 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 2011 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

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:

1 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

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.

D W Mason

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Date: 26 February 2026