

Structures, Governance and Management

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The PCC has complied, to the best of its knowledge, with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance) on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. All Saints' is registered as a dementia friendly church.

The PCC met 5 times during the year with an average attendance of 80%. Due to Covid Restrictions three meetings were remotely by Zoom. The APCM was held in the Church on April 11th.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling the Church to stand as the centre of worship in the parish and encourages members of the village community to attend services and activities held in the church which offers a warm, welcoming environment to all.

Pre-Covid particular activities were held in the Church to bring members of the community into a building which increasingly had become unfamiliar to many. An example of this was a monthly Coffee Morning which became very popular indeed. Church members were able to meet and greet neighbours; offer prayer at difficult times by encouraging the use of the Prayer Tree and by personal contact; advertise church and village activities; invite new residents to the village to attend and be advised of the regular worship services available.

The Monday evening prayer group although small was able by personal contact to assure those in distress that they were prayed for if they wished. A wooden, praying hands icon was also lent to the seriously ill for a period if it gave comfort.

By this type of activity, we felt that the light of Christ was being shown to others through practical action and enabled conversations on belief to take place.

The Covid pandemic meant that face-to-face contact was restricted and during the Church closures regular Pastoral support was offered, to those unable to access Zoom meetings, by telephone contact and by visiting those who live alone. We were unable to have our regular gatherings i.e monthly coffee mornings; Armchair Travellers; quizzes. It is expected that resumption of some activities will take place in 2022.

Achievements and performance

Worship and Prayer

All are welcome to attend our regular Services. There are 37 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll.

Following a four month closure due to Covid in Spring and Summer 2020 and a further closure of 4 weeks in November 20 the PCC took the decision to resume regular Services within the Covid restrictions guidelines in 2021 as soon as it was practical to do so safely as many of our congregation were not at ease with the technology of Zoom services. Weekly services were therefore resumed on 28th Feb 2021, face masks were worn and social distancing adhered to. Doors were opened and the services were kept short. Communion in one kind was served in the pews. The majority of the congregation returned and an average congregation of 24 has been maintained. The Church building was opened from 10 am - 12 noon on Thursdays for private prayer and meditation

From January to September worship was led by the Reader, Audrey Brand, Revd. Christopher Strong PTO and Lay Leader of Worship, Deborah Maggs. In addition Revd V. Goodman (Roni) was appointed Rector in September and started to lead worship from the 19th Sept.

We have celebrated 2 weddings, a confirmation of wedding vows, 3 baptisms and 6 funerals in church.

Our good relationship with Campton Lower School continues although we can no longer take assemblies in person. The school held their Harvest and Nativity services in the church with restricted numbers.

The death of Prince Philip was marked by the tolling of the bell on 9th April and a short memorial service was held and candles were lit by

congregation and villagers who wished to mark the death of a relative during Covid.

2021 also saw us able to resume a full Remembrance Service in the presence of a Deputy Lord Lieutenant and with military personnel and their families from MOD Base within our parish.

We are also fortunate to have excellent group of Bell-Ringers under the captaincy of John Loveless. Although restricted during the pandemic, ringing has now resumed. Campton is recognised locally an excellent training tower, and we provide regular training sessions for ringers of all ages from across Bedfordshire, including initiatives to rebuild confidence and skills post-pandemic.

Unable to have the usual very-well attended Christmas Eve Carol Service in the church, this year we sang carols outside. The evening was a very wet one but 50 to 60 stalwarts sang lustily and very harmoniously despite the weather.

The annual Advent Festival which we share with the parish community also went ahead and we are grateful to all who organized it and took part.

Finally thanks are also due to all of those people who volunteer for so many jobs during the year to keep the Church and Churchyard in good order with cleaning and maintenance. The dedicated churchyard working party has been particularly busy this year. We are also fortunate to have some very talented flower arrangers, who beautify the church on Sundays and on special occasions throughout the year,

ACCOUNTS FOR ALL SAINTS CHURCH CAMPTON

1st January 2021-31st December 2021

	2021		2020
	£		£
ASSETS at 31.12...			
Cash in Hand	883.35		2,157.60
	Uncleared		Uncleared
	cheques	21.18	cheques
			-4,565.90
Barclays Bank	5,598.88		4,041.09
Barclays Community	9,424.26		4,799.08
CBF Deposit	1,086.83		1,086.26
CBF Reserve Fund	7,617.50		7,613.54
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	24,632.00		15,131.67

Investment Assets

	2021	2020
1. 220 Income Shares in the CBF Church of England Investment Fund representing the Stonebridge Fund - Restricted Fund for Upkeep of Church Fabric	5,151.98	4,498.27
2. 1146 Income Shares in the CBF Church of England Investment Fund representing the Boston Fund - Restricted Fund for Upkeep of Church Fabric	26,837.14	23,431.92

Parish Share Deficit

27,482.00	15,386.00
of which £12096 is from 2021	

Represented by:

General Fund

	2021		2020
Balance at 1st January	11,090.58		10,778.32
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	7,942.54	19,033.12	312.26
			11,090.58

Restricted Fund - Building Fabric

Balance at 1st January	4,041.09		3,461.16
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	1,557.79	5,598.88	579.93
			4,041.09

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General Fund Receipts & Payments

Receipts	Notes		
Covenants & Gift Aid	1a	7,527.89	7,432.81
Income tax recovered		2,831.64	4,662.78
Collections at Services		1,622.91	1,358.81
Gift days & sundry donations	1b	2,949.77	2,798.09
Fund Raising (Gross)	1c	1,101.12	1,209.25
Interest		4.53	36.77
Charitable & ancillary trading (gross)		3,350.00	1,625.50
Insurance claims & other income		840.54	479.42
Transfer from restricted fund			
Total Receipts		<u>20,228.40</u>	<u>19,603.43</u>
Payments			
Charities		393.60	939.50
Diocesan Quota		6,000.00	10,000.00
Upkeep of Church	2	3,540.26	6,184.67
Cost of services		2,084.50	467.00
Fund Raising and Church Admin		267.50	1,705.00
Total Payments		<u>12,285.86</u>	<u>19,296.17</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		<u>7,942.54</u>	<u>307.26</u>

Restricted Fund - Building Fabric

Receipts			
Investment Income		811.79	783.93
Donation		1,000.00	0.00
Payments			
Building Maintenance		254.00	204.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		<u>1,557.79</u>	<u>783.93</u>

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INCOME NOTES

Note Item

1a	Covenants	
	Standing Orders	770.00
	PGS	6,148.89
	Envelopes	609.00
		7,527.89
1b	Donations	
	Bells	603.82
	Sundry Donations (Misc)	2,345.95
		2,949.77
1c	Fund Raising (Gross)	
	Easter Quiz	116.87
	Christmas Festival	909.25
	Christmas Cards (2020/2021)	75.00
		1,101.12

EXPENDITURE NOTES

Note Item

2	Upkeep of Church and Services	
	Gas and electricity	1,318.00
	Insurance	1994.24
	Repairs and Maintenance	228.02
		3,540.26

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

PENDING

1. An agreement was reached with Campton Village Hall in December 2021 that backdated rental of £4,884 would be paid to the PCC in January 2022
2. A payment is due to Keech Hospice of £450 for the Christmas Festival

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I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31-12-2021, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

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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 present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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Dated 16th March 2022

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