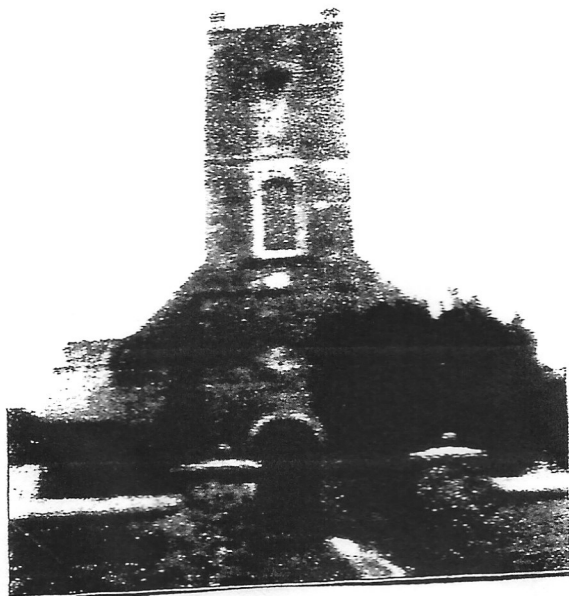


St John's Parish Church

Dromara



Financial Report 2024

St John's Parish Church, Dromara

References and administrative details

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Charity Registration Number 101675

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Mr William Kelsey
Mr William Norris
Mr Colin Hamilton
Rev George Okikiolu
Mrs Vera Norris
Mrs Mavis Thompson
Mrs Margaret Kelsey
Mrs Linda Stewart
Mrs Jennifer Carson
Mrs Paula Barr
Mrs Rita Fee
Mrs Nichola Dodds

Principal Office Bearers

Rector	Rev George Okikiolu
Secretary	Mrs Vera Norris
Treasurer	Mrs Mavis Thompson
Rector's Church Warden	Mr William Thompson
People's Church Warden	Mrs Mavis Thompson
Rector's Glebe Warden	Mr Colin Hamilton
People's Glebe Warden	Mr William Kelsey

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**Annual Report and Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

Attached is the Annual Report for St John's Parish Church for 2024.

There are 110 parishioners out of 120 who contributed via FWO, Harvest and Gift Day envelopes this year giving an income of £44,010.90, which is £4,336.40 more than 2023. Gift Aid Rebates were received. Expenses for 2024 were £71,649.52.

The Country Market and the Christmas Fair were held again and raised £2,834.00 and £1,676.50 respectively. The Country Market funds support our giving to Missions and Charities and the Christmas Fair funds went to the Restoration Fund, which was started with receipt of a legacy of £10,000.00.

Missions and Charities continue to be supported including the Poppy Appeal (£253.00). A special collection was taken for a Diocesan project to purchase Bicycles for Maridi Diocese (£470.00). The Church Hall is used weekly for Gymnastics and Karate for which we receive donations.

The General Bank Account opened in January 2024 with £55,735.88 and closed at the end of December with £71,480.40.

I would thank everyone for their giving to St John's Church during 2024 and those who have supported me during the year as I have carried out the duties of Treasurer – The Rector, the Wardens, the co-signatories of the accounts, the counting team and all who have helped me in any way. I would also thank the Independent Examiner, Mrs Mary Fee, for her work on the accounts.



Mavis Thompson
Honorary Treasurer

St John's Parish Church Accounts 2024

Rector's Stipend & Expenses

	2024	2023
	£	£
Stipend, Mobility, Office	25,249.14	22,622.86
Income Tax and National Insurance	6,333.30	6,514.93
Diocesan Charges - Clergy Pension Fund	7,681.44	
Rates for Rectory	<u>344.52</u>	441.72
Total Rector's Stipend and Expenses	<u>£39,608.40</u>	

General Payments

	£	£	£
Diocesan Charges - General Assessment		5,928.00	
Maintenance			
Hall Floor	200.00		
Replacing Rectory blinds	292.50		
Repair of Church roof	571.20		
Repair of Rectory toilet	41.07		
Replacement lights	<u>101.70</u>	1,206.47	
Photocopier & Printing			
Photocopier	860.96		
Photocopying	427.37		
Paper and Inks	<u>68.21</u>	1,356.54	
Missions & Donations			
Bicycles for Maridi Diocese	470.00		
Hope for Youth Ministries	75.00		
Leprosy Mission	300.00		300.00
Fields of Life	300.00		300.00
MAF	300.00		300.00
Bible Society Northern Ireland	300.00		300.00
Tear Fund	300.00		300.00
NI Children's Hospice	300.00		300.00
Via Wings	400.00		400.00
Air Ambulance NI	300.00		300.00
CMS Ireland	200.00		200.00
Church's Ministry of Healing	150.00		150.00
Southern Area Hospice	200.00		200.00
C/I Orphans & Children Society	200.00		200.00
Dromara Connect	300.00		300.00
Diocesan Church Planting	400.00		400.00
Bishops Appeal Middle East	200.00		200.00
Hosford Homelessness Services	300.00		
Poppy Appeal	<u>253.00</u>	5,248.00	180.00
(£150.00 was set aside for St John's Children & Youth Ministries)		230.00	290.00
Visiting Speakers		1,184.00	1,562.00
Electricity		3,713.00	3,740.84
Heating		1,425.00	1,095.00
Organist			

	£	£	£
Water		403.41	395.70
Insurance			
Church, Hall, Rectory	1,919.06		1,878.87
Safeguarding Trust	<u>58.10</u>	1,977.16	58.10
Books		128.90	
Bank Fees		183.43	166.52
Supplies & Services			
New fridge/freezer and unit for Rectory	641.25		
Entertainments Licence inspections	336.92		577.00
Church copyright and music licence	536.37		508.28
Petrol for lawnmowers	32.00		31.01
Flowers for Mothers' Day	50.00		
Palm crosses	19.73		
Chocolate for Fathers' Day	60.75		
Grave reregistration	57.00		
Flasks, disposable cups, paper towels	439.20		310.91
Electrical inspection at Church and Rectory	490.88		
Shelving for Hall	62.94		
Christmas tree and storage box	70.00		
General Supplies	<u>252.36</u>	3,049.40	344.11
Sunday School		971.60	610.97
Children & Youth Ministries		737.87	
Miscellaneous			
Two envelopes for 2025	329.72		272.39
Computer	449.99		
Remembrance Plaque for Church	54.99		
Anonymous donation for groceries for Parishioners	500.00		
Rectory telephone	470.34		401.04
Caretaking for Election	<u>115.80</u>	1,920.84	
Transfer to Development Acc.			
Gift Aid	701.00		
Christmas Fair	<u>1,676.50</u>	2,377.50	
Total General Payments		<u>£32,041.12</u>	
Garvaghy Parish Church share	£13,816.83		
		£	
Total Payments for Rector		39,608.40	
Total General payments		<u>32,041.12</u>	
Total year end payments		<u>£71,649.52</u>	

General Receipts

	£	£	£
FWO Envelopes		41,632.80	37,084.20
Harvest envelopes and Plate Collection		1,483.10	1,747.30
Gift Day Envelopes		895.00	843.00
Plate Collections			
General	1,377.84		1,428.24
Poppy Appeal	253.00		180.00
Bicycles for Maridi Diocese	<u>470.00</u>	2,100.84	
Graveyard Fees		12,210.00	1,190.00
Glebe Lands		3,600.00	3,600.00
RCB Trusts			
General Unit Trust	351.33		323.89
Scheme Income	<u>395.77</u>	747.10	364.85
Donations excluding Missions			
Anonymous donations for Church	570.00		390.00
Bible Study Books	94.00		
Sunday School	20.00		50.00
Chairs	60.00		
Holiday Bible Club	30.00		
In lieu of flowers	<u>25.00</u>	799.00	
Missions			
Country Market		2,834.00	2,193.38
St John's Hall			
Gymnastics	2,052.00		1,767.00
Karate	800.00		920.00
Pipe Band coffee morning	25.00		
Mothers' Union Diocesan Council meeting	25.00		
Election	<u>200.00</u>	3,102.00	
Miscellaneous			
Rectory telephone	470.34		401.04
Recycled clothes	192.00		384.00
Moms & Tots	82.12		69.75
Sunday Lunch	170.00		
Christmas Fair	1,676.50		1,461.00
Fee for Caretakers for Election	115.80		
Anonymous donation for groceries for Parishioners	<u>500.00</u>	3,206.76	
Sunday School		718.66	
Gift Aid			
2022	6,538.79		
2023	<u>6,616.17</u>	13,154.96	
Children & Youth Ministries		29.80	
Bank Interest - Savings Account		175.89	86.94
Garvaghy payments outstanding from 2023			
Rectory Rates	110.63		
Photocopying	<u>22.30</u>	132.93	
Transfer from Development Account			
Roof repairs		571.20	
Total General Receipts		<u>£87,394.04</u>	
Garvaghy Parish Church share	£13,816.83		

	£	£	£
General Account opening balance 1 January 2024		55,735.88	62,765.16
Receipts		<u>87,394.04</u>	<u>75,270.26</u>
		143,129.92	138,035.42
Payments for Rector 2024	39,608.40		
Payments 2024	<u>32,041.12</u>	<u>71,649.52</u>	<u>82,299.54</u>
General Account closing balance 31 December 2024		<u><u>£71,480.40</u></u>	55,735.88

Restricted Funds in General Account	£
Sunday School	291.69
Children & Youth Ministries	34.47
Catering	289.69
Freezer Ministry	47.89
Grave Reregistration	<u>10,130.00</u>
Total	<u><u>£10,793.74</u></u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £
Cash Funds			
Current Accounts	86,702.79	22,746.34	109,449.13
Deposit Account	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
Total Cash Funds	<u><u>£88,702.79</u></u>	<u><u>£25,746.34</u></u>	<u><u>£114,449.13</u></u>
Investment Assets			
Investments in RCB	<u><u>£747.10</u></u>		<u><u>£747.10</u></u>
Assets retained for the Parish's own use			
Treasurer's computer	498.20		498.20
Secretary's computer	<u>449.99</u>		<u>449.99</u>
Total Assets retained for the Parish's own use	<u><u>£948.19</u></u>		<u><u>£948.19</u></u>

125 Business Savings Account (includes Cunningham Bequest)

	£	£
Savings Account opening balance 1 January 2024		5,000.00
Bank Interest	175.89	86.94
Bank Interest transferred to General Account	- 175.89	-86.94
Savings Account closing balance 31 December 2024		<u><u>£5,000.00</u></u>

The Cunningham Bequest is restricted funding and the capital of £3,000.00 cannot be used.

Development Account

	£	£	£
<u>Development Payments</u>			
Bank Fees		40.57	45.90
Sand and varnish Hall floor		2,200.00	
Restoration Fund			
Roof repairs	570.00		
Repairing Organ window	6,000.00		
Transfer to General account - roof repairs	<u>571.20</u>	<u>7,141.20</u>	
Total Development Account payments		<u>£9,381.77</u>	

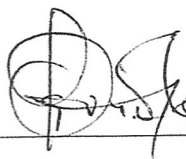
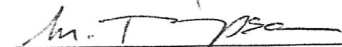
Development Receipts

	£	£	£
Development Envelopes		1,605.00	1,560.00
Bank Interest		90.70	75.17
Donations		100.00	
Gift Aid			
2022	359.00		
2023	342.00	701.00	
Restoration Fund			
Legacy from P McKinstry	10,000.00		
Ladies night at Mill Farm	525.00		
Donations	890.00		
Transfer from General account - Christmas Fair	<u>1,676.50</u>	<u>13,091.50</u>	
Total Development Account receipts		<u>£15,588.20</u>	

	£	£
Development Account opening balance 1 January 2024	31,762.30	30,605.23
Receipts for 2024	<u>15,588.20</u>	<u>8,376.82</u>
	47,350.50	38,982.05
Payments for 2024	<u>9,381.77</u>	<u>7,219.75</u>
Development Account closing balance 31 December 2024	<u>£37,968.73</u>	£31,762.30

Restricted Funds in Development Account	£
Organ Fund	5,675.00
Restoration Fund	5,950.00
Kitchen	<u>327.60</u>
Total	<u>£ 11,952.60</u>

On behalf of Trustees:

 - 16/3/2025
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