

## HON. TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear Parishioner

It is with pleasure that I present to you the financial accounts of the Church for the year 2022..

As normal I comment on the Freewill Offering, our main source of income which achieved the sum of £38,505.55, an increase of £1,988.47 (5.45%) on the previous year. Loose collections at £583.15 were substantially increased from the previous year when the sum of £227.50 was recorded. However, Annual Subscriptions fell remarkably to £650.00, the figure for the previous year being £1,110.00.

The Annual Harvest Appeal of the Building and Repair Fund achieved the sum of £2,236.00, an increase of £287.00 on the previous year, an increase of 14.7%. The main expenditure on this account was due to maintenance and redecoration of the Rectory in preparation for our new Rector, Rev. Geoffrey Haugh, who was welcomed as incumbent of the joint Parishes of Billy and Derrykeighan on 9th December 2022.

The Sunday School has not resumed since closure for the Covid-19 regulations. However, income from the Church of Ireland Trustees and the Down & Dromore Board of Education increased the closing balance on this account to £1,341.48.

Graveyard Fees at £2,260.00 were down on the previous year when £4,665.00 was recorded. After maintenance costs the account closed with a balance in hand of £6,688.69.

Gift Aid Tax returns continue to decrease, £1,860.19 was received being a decrease of £271.80 on the previous year. Can I again appeal to any contributor not already in the scheme and paying sufficient Income Tax to sign the appropriate Declaration Form and thereby increase their contributions by 25%.

Finally, may I conclude by thanking all who contributed financially to the Church during 2022 and wish all involved in the day to day affairs of our Church a successful 2023.

Yours sincerely  
Roland Hill  
Hon. Treasurer