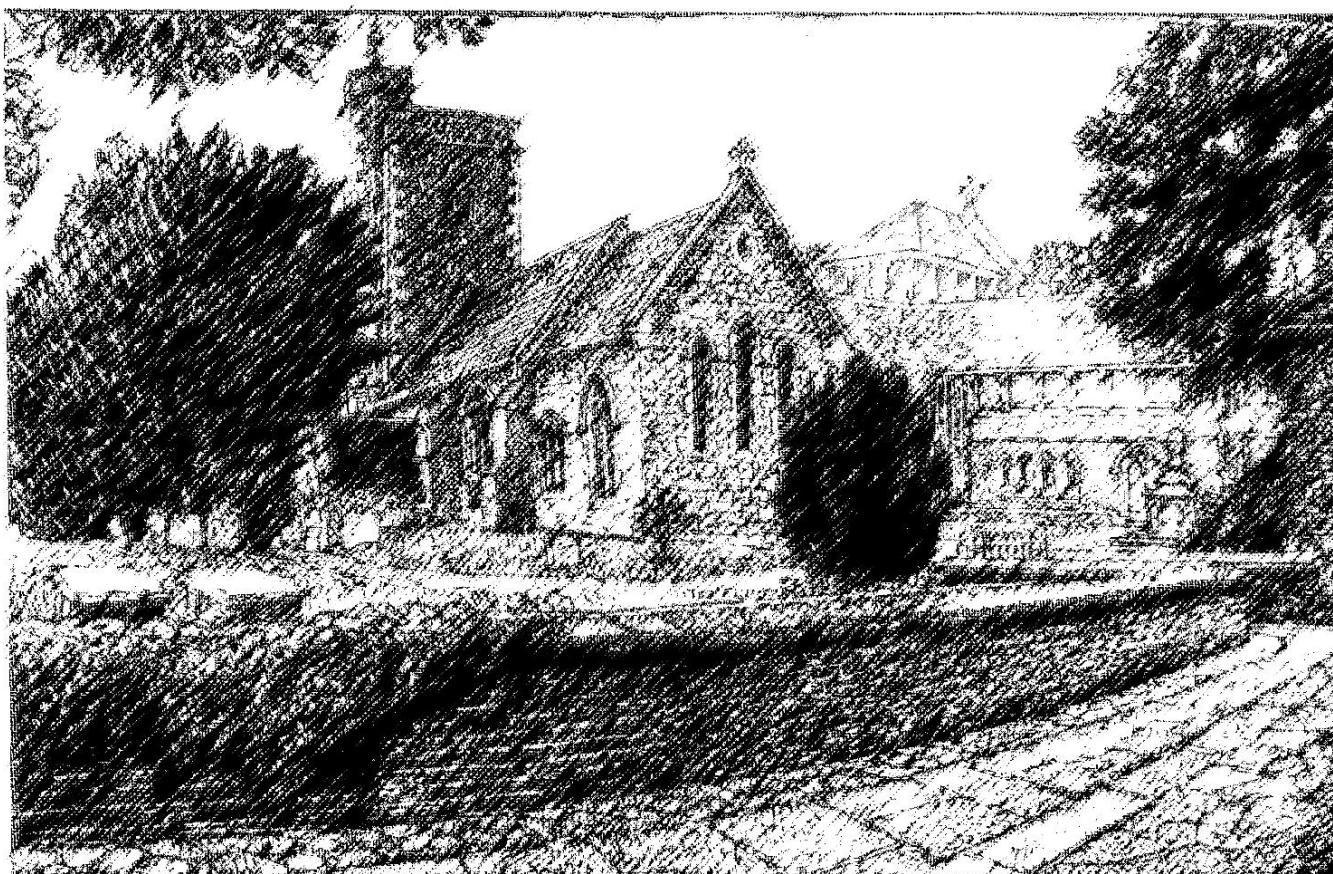


THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY'S

St Mary's Barnes Annual Report on 2022



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A G E N D A

The meeting opens in prayer.

A. The Annual Meeting of Parishioners 2023

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B. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2023

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 5 May 2022
3. Elections to the Parochial Church Council of three representatives to serve for three years
4. Elections to the Deanery Synod of five representatives to serve for three years
5. Report on proceedings of the PCC
6. Report on the Church Electoral Roll
7. Report on the annual accounts
8. Appointment of an independent examiner of the accounts for 2023
9. Report on the fabric of the church, and of the church hall
10. Statement on Safeguarding
11. Report from the Youth & Children's Workers
12. Report on the Team Council
13. Report on Deanery Synod
14. Rector's reflection
15. Churchwardens' report
16. Any other business
17. Date of next annual meeting



Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meetings 2022

Revd James opened the meeting in prayer.

1. Present: 30 members of the congregation.

Apologies were received from Sue Mackworth-Praed, Lucy Hine, Cathy Putz, Trisha Hawkins, Wiz Dundas, Ann Willard Sullivan, Peter Stanford, Lis and Sebastian Munden, Carolyn Wilson, Rachel Skilbeck

2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 29 April 2021 were signed as a correct record after the spelling of Philip Bladen's name had been corrected.

- A. The Annual Meeting of Parishioners 2022 for the purpose of electing two churchwardens to serve for the coming year.

Fouki Heller was proposed by Peter Boyling, and seconded by Patty Darke

Steve Cox was proposed by Phil Bladen, and seconded by Fouki Heller

Phil Bladen was thanked heartily for his service over the past two terms as church warden and our appreciation will be demonstrated fully at a later date.

- B. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2022

1. Report on the Church Electoral Roll: On behalf of the Electoral Officer it was reported that there were now 277 on the roll, an increase of 18 on 2021. Rachel Skilbeck, Trisha Hawkins and Cheryl Cole were thanked for all their work renewing the roll.

2. Elections to the Parochial Church Council of five representatives to serve for three years

Trisha Hawkins was proposed by Juliet Kingsmill Hogan and seconded by Paul Teverson

Alison Macmillan was proposed by Fouki Heller and seconded by Lucy Hine

Helen Eidi was proposed by Phil Bladen and seconded by Geoffrey Barnet

Carolyn Wilson was proposed by Phil Bladen and seconded by Natasha Mold

Geoffrey Barnet was proposed by Christabel Gairdner and seconded by Peter Boyling

All nominated candidates were duly elected.

3. Report on proceedings of the PCC was received.

4. Report on the annual accounts.

In Patrick's last Treasurer's report, he highlighted the main event was the receipt of £659K for our share of Boileau Road. While it looks like a big gain, but we had owned the property for 30 years, and had little income from it. The PCC agreed that the proceeds should go into Charity Investment Funds, in view of the performance of our existing investment (50K to 90K in 5 years). Due to recent world events, today it is showing a large loss but this is a long term investment.

There had been a major increase in "voluntary income" 13+% due to increased generosity. Other major increases – KH income up 42%, weddings etc. up 85%. We paid £183,600 into the Parish Support Fund, and were one of very few who increased their contribution. Other expenses had been well controlled and assisted by a further £14,000 from government Covid scheme. This year will be more difficult – giving is dropping, expenses are rising. Youth Fund pays the youth workers. It will be exhausted in a couple of years.

Patrick thanked Tiziana very warmly for her book-keeping assistance over the past 13 years and Richard du Parcq for his invaluable work as Banking Officer.

Patrick was thanked warmly for all his work. Michael Ross-McCall will be appointed at the first PCC meeting.

5. Appointment of an independent examiner of the accounts for 2022

Resolution: That following the retirement of Alastair Cameron as the independent examiner, the PCC is authorised to appoint a suitably qualified independent examiner of the accounts for 2022 and to agree the remuneration. Clare Boyling proposed and Patrick Findlater seconded. All in favour.

6. Report on the fabric of the church, and of the church hall were received. James expressed his thanks for all the work undertaken. A new hall manager has been appointed, Anita Janus, to release Cheryl to focus on her role as the Church administrator.

7. Report on the Team Council was received. James is very pleased that there is a very good relationship across the 3 parishes and there will be further opportunities for working together.

8. Report on Deanery Synod was received.

9. Rector's reflection.

It is important to celebrate the quiet good things undertaken during the year. We are in a great time of change and uncertainty with Covid, Ukraine and cost of living crisis for recently. This will mean more challenges that we need to address. The first Ukrainian refugees have arrived in the parish. There is change in parish life too with a new Church Warden and Treasurer, and Sue Adams stepping down as Chief Florist, after 21 years. Many thanks to Sue and all who supported her in that role. Judith Blacklock is going to help in the transition. We are seeking to appoint an Associate Priest, shared 50/50 with St Michaels. Both churches have similar problems; lots of people who are aware of the churches but James and Stephen needed more clergy support to engage more people. This is a great opportunity to work with St Michaels. Lectionary reading for today: Acts 8 v26. 'I need someone to guide me'. The danger is we can have a very welcoming front door but also a large back door. We need to nurture any newcomers. James thanked everybody for support over the past year. It is going to be a testing time but we can grow through it. There was a question from Roger Jeffries about the liturgy. He had found that the BCP language at Morning Prayer and Evensong had been diluted. Common Worship was introduced in 2000. BCP is read at every 8.00 service on Sundays, half of the midweek services and half of evensongs. We seek to have a balance.

Joan Wheeler Bennett made a comment that when the Scouts were in church, there were no rousing, familiar hymns. She offered to produce a list of rousing hymns. We are mindful of having appropriate hymns. Last night we interviewed for the new Director of Music last night. A candidate has been offered and accepted verbally. James hopes we shall integrate the music more with the liturgy in future. Paul Teverson asked whether there should be a revision of the liturgy for the All Age services. While it was different to the regular liturgy, it is still quite challenging and we should be braver and go further. James agrees and will follow it up.

10. Churchwardens' report by Fouki. – thanked James very much. He has added new spiritual input.

11. Any other business

Judy Gowing was thanked for her work as PCC Secretary for the past 11 years. She has expressed a wish to stand down and we are looking for a replacement. Cheryl Cole was also thanked for everything she does running the Church Office so efficiently. She handles people very appropriately and sensitively.

12. Date of next annual meeting: Date will be announced.

Closed with the Grace at 20.40.

REPORT ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL

Electoral Roll 2022 total was 277

- 160 – Residential
- 117 - Non Residential

ST MARY'S STEWARDS

8am Service: Christine Butenuth, Nigel Oakley, Dermot Trimble, Paul Atkinson, Simon Atkinson, Paul Velluet, Deborah Stewartby

10am Service: David Blacklock, Claire Boyling, Raffaele Cardone, Sarah Cox, Steve Cox, Anthony Figgis, Patrick Findlater, Ken George, Tiziana George, Sarah Kearney, Paul Phillips, Peter Siddall, Cilla Snowball, Andrew Summers

11.45am baptisms: Francesca Wisdom

6pm Service: Wendy Kyrle-Pope

Thursday Noon Service: Linda Read

Head Steward: David Blacklock

ST MARY'S CHALICE ASSISTANTS

Fiona Barnett, Helen Bladen, Phil Bladen, Steve Cox, Patty Darke, Giles Dimock, Elizabeth Dundas, Rosemary Findlater, Judy Gowing, Fouki Heller, William Heller, Lucy Hine, Katherine Passerieu, Paul Teverson

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The PCC meets eight times a year chaired by the Rector, with Peter Boyling as Vice-Chair.

The meetings receive reports on finance, fabric, safeguarding, Kitson Hall, Deanery Synod and Faith in Action. The PCC annually reconsiders our contribution to the Parish Support Fund, whether a Stewardship campaign is required, how best to implement our Mission Action Plan, protocols for Disciplinary, Grievance and Complaints, Safeguarding and reviews staff salaries. Other business undertaken and decisions made by the PCC will be covered in other reports.

Judy Gowing
PCC Secretary

MEMBERSHIP OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL 2022-2023

Clergy	The Rev'd James Hutchings (Rector) The Rev'd James Marston (Associate Priest)
Churchwardens	Steve Cox (Standing Committee) Fouki Heller (Standing Committee)
Deanery Synod (retire 2023)	Phil Bladen Annie Sullivan Judy Gowing (PCC secretary and Standing Committee) Fouki Heller Cathy Putz
Ordinary Members (retire 2023)	Mr William Heller Mrs Elisabeth Munden Mr Michael Murison
(retire 2024)	Mr Peter Boyling (Vice Chairman and Standing Committee) Mr Paul Teverson Mrs Sue Mackworth-Praed Mr Michael Ross-McCall (Treasurer and Standing Committee)
(retire 2025)	Mr Geoffrey Barnett Dr Helen Faride Mrs Trisha Hawkins Mrs Alison Macmillan

DEANERY SYNOD

St Mary's is in the Deanery of Richmond and Barnes which follows the south bank of the Thames from Hammersmith Bridge to Ham, covering 15 parishes. St Mary's lay representatives have been Phil Bladen, Annie Sullivan, Judy Gowing and Cathy Putz, with Revd James in the House of Clergy. New representatives will be elected at the APCM. We are entitled to have 5 lay representatives. The Synod meets three times a year and is a conduit between the parishes and the Diocese, and up the chain of the Church of England.

Revd Alex Barrow, the vicar of All Saints, East Sheen is Area Dean. He is looking for someone to join the Deanery Leadership Team. Team members do not have to be a Synod member. It could be someone who would like a particular brief such as youth champion or eco champion or have no particular brief. The commitment is light, but the Deanery Leadership Team needs more members to bring ideas as to how they can use the deanery structure effectively and what the Deanery Synod should be focusing on.

The meetings are interesting and open to everybody. Discussions over the past year have covered Eco Deanery, climate action, anti-racism charter and the knife bin initiative.

Brief reports of the meetings are included in the pew sheets and more details are included in the PCC minutes, which can either be viewed in the porch or on the website.

ST MARY'S BARNES: PARISH STATISTICS 2022

Description	2022	2021
Baptisms	36	21
Confirmations	2	5
Weddings (includes 1 blessing)	13	10
Funerals / interments	30	18
Memorial services	6	8
Services on Sundays/Thursdays in year	209	<i>Not available</i>
Attendance on Easter Sunday	333	255
Attendance on Christmas Eve / Day	1,048	485

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2022

2022 financial summary

During the year income (excluding other income) increased by £177,638, to £591,270, principally due to more events by the Association of Friends, higher church and hall lettings and higher investment dividends; in 2021 there was no Barnes charity ball and Covid restrictions had a negative impact on all activities and services. Other income in 2021 of £591,556 (2022: nil) comprised St Mary's share of the gain from the sale of a surplus property.

Expenditure increased in the year by £139,073, to £584,919 chiefly due to higher 2022 salaries and additional staff, increased charitable giving together with no charity ball and fewer other Friends' events in 2021.

As a result, the surplus for the year excluding other income and investment gains/(losses) was £6,351 compared to a deficit in 2021 of £32,213.

Reflecting the negative impact of the Ukraine war on global stock markets, the charity incurred investment losses of £83,948 (2021: net gain £7,532) that included a realised loss from a partial sale of the portfolio of £23,948.

Taking other income and investment gains/(losses) into account, St Mary's deficit was £77,597 compared to a surplus in 2021 of £566,875.

The charity's total net assets in 2022 reduced by the £77,597 deficit, to £1,297,083. At the year end, St Mary's investments comprised units/shares in four publicly quoted funds (2021: two funds) which can be liquidated within 30 days.

Reserves policy

The PCC has determined in February 2022 that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £120,000 (which equates to about three months' unrestricted expenditure) as a general reserve fund so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, St. Mary's held unrestricted cash of £150,581 and is accordingly in compliance with its reserves policy.

In addition to the above £120,000 reserve, the charity has resolved to maintain other reserves for five designated and restricted funds aggregating to at least £140,000. Compared to the liquid funds of £311,203 (cash, bank accounts, deposit accounts and investments excluding the fixed asset endowment investments), there were £51,203 of "free" unrestricted cash reserves at the 2022 year-end.

Thanks

My thanks to Patrick Findlater for his many years of dedicated service as our treasurer up to his retirement at the May 2022 AGM and his patient assistance during the handover phase. Thanks also to Tiziana George for her even longer period of unpaid monthly assistance as our bookkeeper. We also bade farewell to Alastair Cameron with our gratitude for acting as our unpaid independent examiner for several years. Michael Murison and Richard du Parcq continue to perform outstandingly the demanding and essential duties of Gift Aid Officer and Banking Officer. Finally, we welcomed Pauline Clarke in October as our paid bookkeeper in an expanded accounting and administrative role.

Michael Ross-McCall

Honorary Treasurer

April 2023

NOTE: The Report and Accounts for 2022 has been examined by Stewardship and forms part of the agenda, supporting reports and other documents provided to electoral roll members.

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2022

[Click here](#) to see the full examined accounts for 2022

BARNES TEAM COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2022

Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2022

	31.12.2022	31.12.2021	Notes
	£	£	
Assets			
Cash	16,977	16,977	
Parish Current Accounts	0	0	
Debtors	1,681	1,681	1
Total current Assets	<u>£18,657</u>	<u>£18,657</u>	
 Represented by:			
Funds			
Unrestricted fund	18,657	18,657	
Restricted fund	0	0	
	<u>£18,657</u>	<u>£18,657</u>	

1 Repayments due on overpaid council tax and insurance.

Income and Expenditure Report
Year ended 31 December 2022

Income	Year to 31.12.2022 £	Year to 31.12.2021 £	Notes
Unrestricted Income			
Church income	0	0	
Rental Income	0	6,921	1
Other income	0	0	
Total unrestricted income	<u>£0</u>	<u>£6,921</u>	
Expenditure			
Unrestricted expenses			
Payments to Parishes	0	0	1
Agents fees	0	1,080	2
Other letting costs	0	122	3
Boileau Road - Insurance	0	59	
Boileau Road - Repairs & maintenance	0	0	
Boileau Road - Council tax and services	0	707	4
Curate	0	0	
Other	0	2,790	5
	<u>£0</u>	<u>£4,757</u>	
Net Income/(expenditure)	<u>£0</u>	<u>£2,164</u>	
Unrestricted	0	2,164	
Restricted			
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>£0</u>	<u>£2,164</u>	

Notes

- 1** Boileau Road was let out and we received rent after deduction of Agent's fees before its sale.
- 2** Excess funds were distributed to the member parishes during previous year.
- 3** Costs of letting out property (Inventory cost, Documentation costs etc.).
- 4** Council tax and utility costs during vacant period.
- 5** Survey costs for sale.

THE CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT
& REPORTS ON THE FABRIC OF THE CHURCH AND OF THE CHURCH HALL
can be found in the Annual Review

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