



## **The Parish of All Saints' Church, Kenton with St Thomas' Church, Mamhead**

### **Annual Report and Financial Statements**

#### **Of the Parochial Church Council**

for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

Rector  
The Reverend John Williams

Minister in Charge  
The Reverend Patrick Parkes

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**The Parochial Church Council of All Saints' Church Kenton  
with  
St Thomas' Church, Mamhead**

**Annual Report  
for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

**Aim and Purpose**

All Saints' Kenton and St Thomas' Mamhead Parochial Church Council (the PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the Incumbent, the Reverend John Williams, and the Minister in Charge, the Reverend Patrick Parkes in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as well as the churches themselves, of which All Saints' is a Grade I listed building and St Thomas a Grade II listed building.

**Objectives and Activities**

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our Churches, and to become part of our parish family. When planning our activities, the PCC has considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament. We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish family, 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; and
- Mission and outreach work.

**Achievements and Performance**

***Worship and Prayer All Saints Church***

With the arrival of the Interim Minister the services at All Saints Kenton were rescheduled to start at 11am to enable the priest to conduct services at both Kenton / Mamhead and Starcross on the same Sunday. On the fourth Sunday the services at Kenton were covered by guest speakers who were either Readers or visiting priests.

After the Revision of the Electoral Roll, 48 names were listed for the parish. 31 for All Saint' and 17 for St Thomas'.

The average attendance at All Saints Church at 11am on a Sunday morning was in the mid-twenties with slightly fewer attending when there was a service of the word. Services took place each Sunday in 2023 and the Majority of services conducted at Mamhead church were led by the Interim Minister.. There has been one wedding and one funeral at Mamhead during the year and one wedding, two services of thanksgiving one funeral and one baptism at All Saints Kenton.

### ***Deanery Synod***

The parish is situated in the Kenn Deanery and is allowed 3 Deanery Synod members – 2 for All Saints' and 1 for St Thomas. 1 member from St Thomas Mamhead represented the parish at Deanery Synod meetings, The Interim Minister was the clergy member of Synod and there were two unfilled vacancies for lay representatives for All Saints Kenton.

The Deanery Synod provides the PCC with a link with the churches around us, and also with the Diocese as a whole. It also receives reports from the General Synod.

### ***Church Fabric All Saints Church***

The outstanding work identified in the quinquennial inspection were addressed throughout the year with a list B application for remedial works to the rood screen tower roof and works to the lead gullies. This was granted and work was carried out in early 2023 to replace rotting timbers and a leaking lead roof and to make good some cracks in the leadwork in the gullies.

During work to remove ivy from a boxed tomb in the churchyard part of the side of the tomb fell away and the remainder of the monument became unstable. This was made secure, until estimates could be obtained for its repair. Discussions were had with the diocese about collapsing the tomb but this was not deemed to be acceptable to the DAC.

An emergency faculty was obtained and the tomb temporarily dismantled to make it safe until it could be rebuilt. An application was made to the church insurers to see if the tomb was covered in the church policy. The insurance company, following a detailed submission by the church, accepted that the repair was covered by the policy and Barley Manor Builders completed the repair of the monument. The excess on the policy of £250 was given as a gift from a village resident who has a particular interest in the building from an historical perspective, for which we are most thankful.

The leader of the Churchyard Conservation group, Dr John Perkins entered the churchyard into the Devon Churchyard awards competition and in September was presented with a plaque and a cheque for £200 as overall winners of the "Devon's Best Churchyard' 2022. A big thanks to John and his team for keeping the church in good order whilst being conscious of and encouraging wildlife in the area.

During the year the church organ needed further attention when the blower shorted out when one of our organists was practicing on the instrument. This caused some concern when smoke started to come from inside the organ itself. The fire brigade was called and the source of the problem identified. Subsequently the organ blower was replaced and the organ brought back into service.

Perennial problems with the heating system continued with the heating engineer who installed the current system being asked to service not only the boiler but the heating system in its entirety. Whilst this seemed to fix the problem for a period of time I understand that further problems have arisen and are in the process of being addressed.

### ***Mission and Evangelism***

The Fellowship Room has been used for activities such as Lent lunches and coffee mornings. These events together with the well-attended Christmas Fayre raised income for the church.

A big thank you to Matthew Williams for supporting the worship of the church so ably on the organ and for assisting with our major services around Christmas and Easter. Thanks also for his able leading of the numerous quiz nights in support of ASK Friends and the church.

## ***Other Activities***

Various organizations and groups, secular or part of our Church family have continued to use the church or fellowship room throughout the year. Activities range from Bell Ringing in the tower, meetings and the Dementia group to craft afternoons.

A series of varied monthly concerts organized by Rachael Shearmur and with help from church members, started in October 2021 and continues to be popular with villagers and visitors alike. Further events and have taken place in the church to raise money for All Saints' and the charity 'Vive La Musique!'.

All Saints Kenton (ASK) Friends has continued to raise finances for the church through various activities throughout the year and is in the process of obtaining charitable status in its own right. This will mean that contributions to ASK Friends can be gift aided and tax relief on those contributions can be claimed for those contributions that are eligible. Our grateful thanks to the ASK Friends committee and their chair for all their hard work throughout the year.

The active churchyard management team are embracing the aim of conservation for the benefit of the whole village and to offer refuge for our native wildlife of all varieties. While allowing access to visitors and relatives, the plan is to preserve rare species of plants and wildflowers, manage the trees and grassland to encourage wildlife.

## **Financial Review All Saints Church**

Total receipts on the unrestricted General Fund were £45,525 thanks to a most generous legacy from Beryl Toogood. The payments from this fund totalled £33,140, thus giving a surplus of £12,385 to add to the General Fund.

Income to General Fund from the Parish Giving Scheme, standing orders and weekly envelopes ('Planned Giving') increased by over 34%. Collections, donations and other giving unfortunately decreased by 28%. There was unusual one off income streams received this year: a Diocesan Energy grant to go towards increased energy costs, sale of shares held by the Diocese and an insurance claim to cover the tomb repair.

The Common Fund request for 2022 was set at £13,922 of which £9,000 was paid in 2022 and a further £2,000 in early 2023. The PCC was under the impression the request had been reduced but it appears not to be so. Discussions with the Diocese continue.

## **Reserves Policy**

The PCC Reserves Policy (stated in the 2020 Report and Accounts) requires retention of a balance in the General Fund to meet anticipated church expenditure. It is normal to have at least six months expenditure in reserve which for Kenton is just under £14,000. The general fund balance at the year end meets this criteria.

## **Safeguarding**

The PCC are aware of 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, young people and vulnerable adults). There has been no Safeguarding officer in position since November 4<sup>th</sup> 2020. As a consequence the diocese has taken responsibility for being the point of contact if matters of concern need to be raised.

## **Volunteers**

The members of the PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who helped and worked so tirelessly for our Church during 2022. We would want to particularly thank Peter Bilby as the Churchwarden for his very practical support, especially in preparation for our weekly Sunday services.

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting by those on the Electoral Roll. Members of the congregation are always encouraged to join the Electoral Roll, and to consider standing for election to the PCC. At All Saints' this year we managed to appoint three new members to the PCC, along with a churchwarden and lay vice chair. The position of PCC secretary remains vacant, but we would like to thank Mandy Hendley for taking PCC minutes throughout the year.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC met on a by-monthly basis in person throughout the year.

## **Administrative Information**

The Church is situated on Church Street, Kenton EX6 8LU and is part of the Deanery of Kenn, in the Diocese of Exeter.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, and the Church Representation Rules 2020) and a Charity excepted from registration with the Charity Commission.

All Saints' Church is insured by Trinitas Church Insurance Services.

This is a trading name of Arthur J. Gallagher Insurance Brokers Limited. Registered Office: Spectrum Building, 7th Floor, 55 Blythwood Street, Glasgow, G2 7AT.

## **Annual Report for St Thomas' Church Mamhead**

This year has been a steady year for Mamhead .

We have enjoyed the majority of our services being led by Revd Patrick Parkes and our congregation numbers continue to be steady. Unfortunately Patrick Parkes has now resigned from ministering to Kenton and Mamhead and we thank him and wish him well with his continuing mission in Starcross .

We celebrated a wedding in May for a local farmer which was well attended.

We also had a very enjoyable winter warmer concert performed by the Gallery singers which was well attended, and we are grateful to them for their continued support and contributions to the church.

We had a successful Harvest supper in October with entertainment provided by Mike Pagliero.

We also helped raise funds at the summer Mamhead fete which was held at the village hall.

Our popular Christmas Carol Service in December was also well supported by the community and created a great Yuletide spirit.

We still have ongoing problems with parking which has not yet been resolved as there is a dispute raging between the 2houses who own the land surrounding the church.

Fortunately we now have had the fence in front of the church removed and a promise of a hard standing for future parking so we are ever hopeful of a resolution soon.

Rosie Pajovic, Deputy Church Warden, St Thomas, Mamhead

## ***Financial Review for St Thomas' Church, Mamhead.***

2022 was in many respects a better year for St Thomas.

We hosted the wedding of a local couple and our Easter and carol services were well attended.

In addition, the Gallery singers put on a couple of very entertaining concerts which also added to our funds, many thanks to them.

We ended the year with expenditure of £6393.11 and income of £6205.66.

Several people have now signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme which has given us a more stable base of regular giving.

We felt able to make a £2000 contribution to the Common Fund and hope that we will more fully meet our commitments in years to come.

We are sorry to have lost the Rev. Patrick Parkes as our priest after such a short time. He had been working on our behalf to reduce the amount of our Parish share and we remain hopeful that a more realistic request would prevail going forwards.

### **Reserves Policy**

Under normal circumstances St Thomas' has tried to maintain a balance of a little in excess of our annual insurance costs plus three months of our energy bills. This makes a total of approximately £1900 (2021).

With the combined effects of the pandemic reducing our income and the current uncertainty associated with ongoing legal fees it is felt that reserves must be substantially increased, albeit hopefully only in the short term until the situation regarding access via Mamhead House is resolved.

Ian Shields

Treasurer- St Thomas' Church

### **Looking forward.**

Following the departure of Revd Patrick Parkes, the Parish of Kenton with Mamhead returned to the pastoral oversight of Revd John Williams within the Five Red Churches Mission Community. Services have been maintained each Sunday and it is hoped that this will continue to be the case. After consultation with the congregation, it was agreed that services should revert to their former start time of 10.00 a.m.

In April, the Venerable Andrew Beane, Archdeacon of Exeter, met with members of both congregations and representatives of the wider community, to hear their concerns and to consider the way forward.

Discussions about the future are still ongoing, but we hope that there will soon be a minister appointed to lead the Parish into the next stage of its life.

PCC members who have served from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 until the date this report was approved were:

### ***Ex Officio***

The Incumbent

The Rev'd John Williams

Minister in Charge

The Rev'd Patrick Parkes

Chair until 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Churchwarden

Mr Peter Bilby

Deanery Synod Rep.

2 positions vacant

Verger

Mr Peter Bilby

**Elected Members**

Vice Chair

Nick Cox

Electoral Roll Officer

Mrs Janet Watson

Safeguarding Officer

Position vacant (Covered by Diocese)

Prof. Tim Quine

Mrs Sylvia Bowhay

Mrs Linda Bilby

Mrs Ali Langmead

Representing St Thomas'

Mrs Rosie Pajovic

Deputy Churchwarden

Mamhead

Mr Norman Warne

Deputy Churchwarden

Deanery Synod Rep.

Mr Ian Shields

***Approved by the PCC on***

***and signed on its behalf by:***

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Rev'd John Williams (Chair)





**All Saints's Receipts & Payments Account**  
**Year end 31st December 2022**

Notes	General £	Restricted £	2022 £	2021
<b>Incoming resources</b>				
Voluntary income:				
Planned giving	7,528	-	7,528	5,614
Collections, donations & o	5,020	300	5,320	30,548
Income tax recovered	3,767	-	3,767	3,422
Legacies	10,000	-	10,000	-
Activities for generating funds				
Magazine/Bookstall sales,	30	-	30	246
Income from other Proper	6,904	-	6,904	6,432
Annual Fete/events	1,142	85	1,227	2,007
Investment income:				
Interest & dividends	192	-	192	31
Income from charitable activities:				
Parochial fees	603	-	603	511
Other incoming resources:				
Insurance claims	1,958	-	1,958	-
Sale of Shares	834	-	834	-
Diocesan Energy Grant	1,850	-	1,850	-
Other	353	-	353	170
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>40,181</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>40,566</b>	<b>48,981</b>

**Resources expended**

Charitable activities:				
Donations/Grants to chari	-	85	85	-
Mission & Evangelism	65	-	65	-
Parish Share	9,000	-	9,000	14,011
Clergy expenses	459	-	459	158
Church running expenses	14,728	-	14,728	7,991
Churchyard maintenance	400	-	400	-
Cost of raising funds	8	-	8	48
Running costs:				
Support costs	49	-	49	48
Other	2,369	-	2,369	4,336
Governance costs	240	-	240	-
Major expenditure				
Repairs to church building	-	-	-	50,248
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>27,318</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>27,403</b>	<b>76,840</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/ incoming resources</b>	<b>12,863</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>13,163</b>	<b>(27,859)</b>
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	12,863	300	13,163	(27,859)
B/fwd 01/01/2022	11,858	9,958	21,816	49,675
<b>As at 31st December 2022</b>	<b>24,721</b>	<b>10,258</b>	<b>34,979</b>	<b>21,816</b>

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities At 31st December 2022**

**Cash at Bank**

Current account	11,864	10,258	22,122	9,132
CCLA deposit account	12,857	-	12,857	12,684
	<b>24,721</b>	<b>10,258</b>	<b>34,979</b>	<b>21,816</b>

**St Thomas the Apostle Mamhead's Receipts & Payments Account**  
**Year end 31st December 2022**

Notes	General £	Restricted £	2022 £	2021
<b>Incoming resources</b>				
Voluntary income:				
Planned giving	2,695	-	2,695	300
Collections, donations & o	1,161	-	1,161	1,119
Income tax recovered	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-
Activities for generating funds				
Magazine/Bookstall sales,	-	-	-	-
Income from other Proper	-	-	-	-
Annual Fete/events	712	-	712	-
Investment income:				
Interest & dividends	-	526	526	262
Income from charitable activities:				
Parochial fees	776	-	776	535
Other incoming resources:				
Other	-	-	-	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>5,344</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>5,870</b>	<b>2,216</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>				
Charitable activities:				
Donations/Grants to chari	-	-	-	-
Mission & Evangelism	-	-	-	-
Parish Share	2,000	-	2,000	-
Clergy expenses	-	-	-	-
Church running expenses	1,511	-	1,511	636
Churchyard maintenance	-	-	-	120
Cost of raising funds	-	-	-	-
Running costs:				
Support costs	-	-	-	75
Administration costs (inc.	60	-	60	-
Other	2,251	-	2,251	1,423
Governance costs	-	-	-	-
Major expenditure				
Repairs to church building	-	-	-	-
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>5,822</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,822</b>	<b>2,254</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/ incoming resources</b>	<b>(478)</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>(38)</b>
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(478)	526	48	(38)
Bfwd 01/01/2022	26,171	-	26,171	26,209
<b>Balance at 31/12/2022</b>	<b>25,693</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>26,219</b>	<b>26,171</b>

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities At 31st December 2022**

**Cash at Bank**

Current account	2568	526	3094	3282
CBF deposit	6750		6750	6662
CBF deposit	11375		11375	11227
CBF deposit	5000	0	5000	5000
	<b>25693</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>26219</b>	<b>26171</b>

**Investments**

CBF investment fund	8640		8640	9973
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**All Saints's Kenton & St Thomas the Apostle Mamhead  
Receipts & Payments Account  
Year end 31st December 2022**

	General £	Restricted £	2022 £	2021
<b>Incoming resources</b>				
Voluntary income:				
Planned giving	10,223	-	10,223	5,914
Collections, donations & other giving	6,181	300	6,481	31,667
Income tax recovered	3,767	-	3,767	3,422
Legacies	10,000	-	10,000	-
Activities for generating funds				
Magazine/Bookstall sales/Hall Lettings etc	30	-	30	246
Income from other Properties	6,904	-	6,904	6,432
Annual Fete/events	1,854	85	1,939	2,007
Investment income:				
Interest & dividends	192	526	718	293
Income from charitable activities:				
Parochial fees	1,379	-	1,379	1,046
Other incoming resources:				
Insurance claims	1,958	-	1,958	-
Sale of Shares	834	-	834	-
Diocesan Energy grant	1,850	-	1,850	-
Other	353	-	353	170
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>45,525</b>	<b>911</b>	<b>46,436</b>	<b>51,197</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>				
Charitable activities:				
Donations/Grants to charities	-	85	85	-
Mission & Evangelism	65	-	65	-
Parish Share	11,000	-	11,000	14,011
Clergy expenses	459	-	459	158
Church running expenses	16,239	-	16,239	8,627
Churchyard maintenance	400	-	400	120
Cost of raising funds	8	-	8	48
Running costs:				
Support costs	49	-	49	123
Administration costs (inc. staff costs)	60	-	60	-
Other	4,620	-	4,620	5,759
Governance costs	240	-	240	-
Major expenditure				
Repairs to church buildings	-	-	-	50,248
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>33,140</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>33,225</b>	<b>79,094</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/ incoming resources</b>	<b>12,385</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>13,211</b>	<b>(27,897)</b>
Transfers between funds				
Net movement in funds	12,385	826	13,211	(27,897)
B/fwd 01/01/2022	38,029	9,958	47,987	75,884
<b>As at 31st December 2022</b>	<b>50,414</b>	<b>10,784</b>	<b>61,198</b>	<b>47,987</b>

**Statement of Assets & Liabilities At 31st December 2022**

**Cash at Bank**

Current account	Kenton	11,864	10,258	22,122	9,132
Current account	Mamhead	2,568	526	3,094	3,282
CCLA deposit account	Kenton	12,857	-	12,857	12,684
CBF deposit	Mamhead	6,750	-	6,750	6,662
CBF deposit	Mamhead	11,375	-	11,375	11,227
CBF deposit	Mamhead	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
		<b>50,414</b>	<b>10,784</b>	<b>61,198</b>	<b>47,987</b>

**Investments**

CBF investment fund	Mamhead	8,640	-	8,640	9,793
CBF investment fund	Kenton	-	-	-	937
		<b>8,640</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,640</b>	<b>10,730</b>



**Independent Examiner's Report**

<b>Report to the trustees of</b>	All Saints Kenton & St Thomas the Apostle Mamhead		
<b>On accounts for the year ended</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2022	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	An Excepted Charity
	<b>Set out on pages</b> 1-2		

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:**

**Date:** 15<sup>th</sup> April 2023

**Name:**

David Guthrie

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