



Deane Church

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**ST ANDREWS CHURCH
OVER HULTON**

GROWING IN CHRIST, ROOTED IN LOVE
EMPOWERED TO SERVE

Annual Report

2021

HOLY BIBLE
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NIV

Your word, O lord, is eternal;
it stands firm in the heavens.

Psalm 119:89

Deane Parish Church

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Team Rector

Rev'd Dr Terry Clark

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01 Team Rector's Report



January 2021 seems like a long time ago now! And what seismic shifts and challenges we saw in so many areas of life in that year. Yet through all of it, and indeed during the incredibly challenging previous year of Covid, we saw so many signs of God's constancy, faithfulness and provision within Deane Church family. With increasing numbers being vaccinated, people gradually felt more confident to get out and about and we saw growing momentum for in-person services and other gatherings.

The 'Sundays at 4' afternoon services for those families with younger children kept a number of families going with church life when it was difficult to provide all-age ministry on Sunday mornings.

Across the first half of 2021 we were journeying through Romans in our Sunday morning Bible teaching. Not always the easiest of Bible books to digest but how reassuring to be reminded of the great foundations of the Gospel in a time of ongoing



national and global crisis. How many key verses from Romans can you remember? If only 5:8, then that's a good starter... 'But God demonstrates his love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.'

It was good to have Josh Openshaw join us in January at the beginning of his long-placement, training for ordained ministry in the Church of England. Josh has contributed wonderfully to the life of Deane and Lostock churches in numerous ways and we pray on for him, and for his fiancé Jess as they prepare for their marriage and the next chapter of their life and ministry.

It is sad to see people move on yet good to send people out in Gospel ministry. In July the Wilkinson family moved to Chadderton at the end of Ben's curacy with us.

A big thank-you to Ben and Hannah for their servant-heartedness and Gospel ministry over the three years that they were with us. Many across Deane and Lostock will be especial grateful for Ben's Bible teaching and small-group leader training and mentoring. Ben had an unusual curacy, with much of it being during the pandemic and various lock-downs, but he has left a considerable legacy of Gospel fruit with us here in Bolton.

Having completed her six years as Warden, Jane Hampson stepped down and Paula Small was elected, and Heath Taylor re-elected, as Wardens for 2021-22, Jane continuing as chair of the DCC Standing Committee. Heath takes the lead with church building maintenance and health & safety matters. A big thank-you to all the church officers, church council members and staff who served in 2021. Deane Church Office continues to play a critical role in the life and efficient functioning of Deane, and I'm sure you would want me to thank Beccy and Sheri, and the various volunteers, who keep us organised and well-informed through the ministry of the Church Office.

Across July-August-September I was on sabbatical, and Beccy was also able to take some extra weeks of leave. We are so grateful to all those who stepped up to make this possible, including the various guest preachers and service leaders. The sabbatical came at a good time for me personally and has given me fresh drive for the years ahead as your Rector.

In December, we launched a monthly seniors gathering in the Church Centre with fellowship and a distinct Gospel focus, and this is just 'phase 1' of a developing ministry for and through seniors at Deane.

Children's and youth ministries, Deane Church Shop, the prayer ministry team, our Christians Against Poverty ministry, Christianity Explored and Discipleship Explored, input at various local schools. All these have continued in 2021.

Perhaps God is laying one of these or another ministry on your heart, to prayerfully support or practically get involved with? It was also encouraging to see home group membership grow significantly in 2021, as it did in 2020. And a big thank you to all those who contributed to, or helped deliver, the 2,500 'Knowing God personally' newspapers in December.



Deane Church News

December 2021

KNOWING GOD PERSONALLY

Lockdowns, shielding, social-distancing, and not being able to give or receive a hand-shake or a hug, have reminded us of the importance of relationships. God designed us to be in healthy relationship and a vital part of relationship is communication.



One of the most exciting things about God is that he speaks to us. He speaks to us from the pages of the Bible, and he has spoken to us by coming to earth in human flesh, Jesus Christ. We especially remember this at Christmas. John was an eye-witness of Jesus' miracles. He was next to Jesus at the Last Supper. He witnessed Jesus' death on the Cross and, along with hundreds of others, witnessed the risen Jesus. In his account of Jesus' life and ministry, he says this...

“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”
(John's Gospel, chapter 1 verse 14)

Describing Jesus as 'the Word' reminds us that God communicates with... reaches out to... us humans. Grace is that which is freely given and truth is worth knowing about and trusting in! In becoming flesh God himself laughed and cried, celebrated and mourned. He knows what it is to be betrayed, rejected and lonely. He can relate to us in all seasons of life, he meets us where we are, whatever our past or present.

The most important relationship God designed us for is that with himself. The brilliant news of Christmas is that we can know God personally, not just know about him, but know him personally. I warmly invite you to join us at Deane Church this Christmas, in person or online, and to discover more about Jesus Christ, full of grace and truth, who reaches out to you.

May God bless you and may you know his peace, joy and love this Christmas-time and beyond.
Terry
(Rector of Deane)



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Financial giving at Deane dipped in 2021, partly because of the pandemic, but mostly because some families and individuals have moved out of the area or gone to glory in 2020-21, which means we have some tough financial decisions to make in 2022. As I write this (in early 2022) I'm aware of the growing financial demands on all of us, but please make your financial giving to support Gospel ministry at Deane a priority. Unlike giving to so many other 'good causes', your giving to Gospel ministry has an impact not only for now but in eternity.



Christmas 2021 was a bitter-sweet time for many of us with the sudden illness and death of Elizabeth Plant, who had faithfully served God at Deane Church and beyond for many years. She is very much missed and we thank God for her life and ministry.

What of the future? The Deane Church Council last had a vision away-day in September 2019 and so many things have happened since then. We are planning a further away-day as we seek to discern God's heart for Deane for these next 5 years. It is good to see a renewal of Gospel partnership between Deane and St Andrew's, in addition to our ongoing partnership and shared-ministries (and vicar!) with Lostock Church. We look forward to much shared ministry in the years to come as we live out the great disciple-making commission that Jesus gives us.

We also look forward to André & Becca Adefope and their two children joining us next summer when André begins his curacy with us. André will be ordained in Manchester Cathedral on 3rd July 2022, as will Josh as he begins his curacy in Davyhulme.

Deane is such a varied and exciting place to work. I'm also aware that amidst the celebrations and many answers to prayer and signs of God's grace, there are so many people within the church family and beyond who we serve, with deep emotional, spiritual and other needs. Some people are with us just for a season, others for longer, but we are very much a hospital, helping people to know God's healing and grace in their lives. This compassion ministry that we have is a sign of God's love at work at Deane.

Please keep yourself informed about what is happening at Deane, and please use that news to fuel your prayers, otherwise what we do is just so much activity that will lack Gospel fruit. We need to be faithful but we are also called to be fruitful, and both are **rooted in prayer**. In 2022, let's really up our game with prayer.

May you know God's grace and truth in your life in 2022.

With love and prayers from me.

Terry



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Deane Church Staff Team and Officers

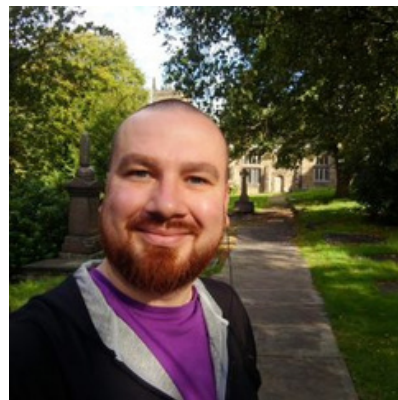
(as at 31st December 2021)



Rev'd Dr Terry Clark
Team Rector



Josh Openshaw
Ordinand in Training



Daniel Booth
Youth Pastor



Heath Taylor
Churchwarden



Paula Small
Churchwarden,
Safeguarding Officer and
Deanery Synod Rep



Beccy Clark
Administrator

Not pictured: Nicola List (Deane Church Shop Manager), Bryan Shephard (DCC Secretary, Verger and Churchyard Administrator)

Members of Deane Church Council (not listed above) elected at the Annual Meeting on 26 April 2021: Jane Hampson (DCC Lay Chair also CAP LifeSkills Manager), Christine McWilliam, Margaret Rutter (Electoral Roll Officer), (Ian Hampson, co-opted as DCC Treasurer)

03 Youth Pastor Report



Due to Covid19 my role was either furloughed, or part time, until September 2021. As of the 1st October 2021 the role was fully reinstated to full time.

Success and Progress

There are 3 established groups:

- Pathfinders Sunday morning
- Year 6-9 Monday after school
- Year 10+ Sunday evening (online)

Online

From February 2021 to November 2021 the 2 youth groups continued to run via Zoom online every Sunday night. Each group had an average of 5/6 young people each night.

From Jan '21 to Sep '21, School years 6-9 met 1900-2000 and continued studying Genesis, moving on to chapters 10-25 creating an interactive online Kahoot quiz as a fun way to see what they had learnt.

From September '21 to November '21 the year 6-9 group studied the prayer to The LORD.

The year 10+ group continued to meet 2015-2115 and started the Discipleship Explored course in January '21.

Both online groups gained an extra member from our partner church, Lostock.



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WHAT'S THE BEST LOVE
YOU'VE EVER KNOWN?

In Person

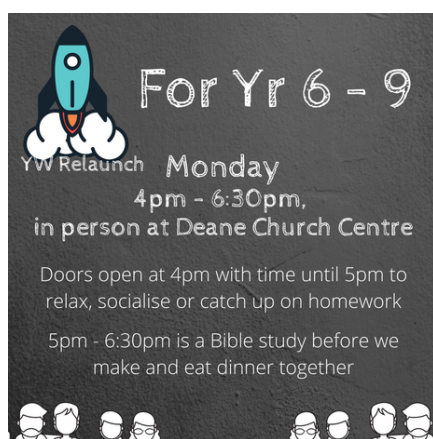
Throughout the year we have met in person, when possible, (in line with lockdown restrictions) mainly as a group, but also through 1 to 1 work in the young people's back gardens. On average we saw 1 young person on a 1 to 1 basis per week

Through one of the young people we were able to engage in outreach work through the National Citizen Service where we had 15 young people each session. As part of this course they had to complete a social action project. We hosted and worked with 2 groups over 2 days; the first group cleared and cleaned gravestones and laid flowers on them. The second group did a litter pick around church and the local area as well as making a start at clearing Deane Church Centre's back yard jungle. We are hopeful that this is a project that we can repeat and build on in the future.

From September '21 we started taking young people out of the morning Sunday services for Junior church. We were initially able to do this outside but it became difficult as the seasons changed. Junior Church and Pathfinders have now been re-established on Sunday mornings on every 2nd and 3rd Sunday in the Church Centre.

Pathfinders is following the same Bible teaching as the main church family. This will enable consistency and continuity with the all age services on other Sundays.

Youthwork Relaunch!



In November '21 we relaunched our youthwork.

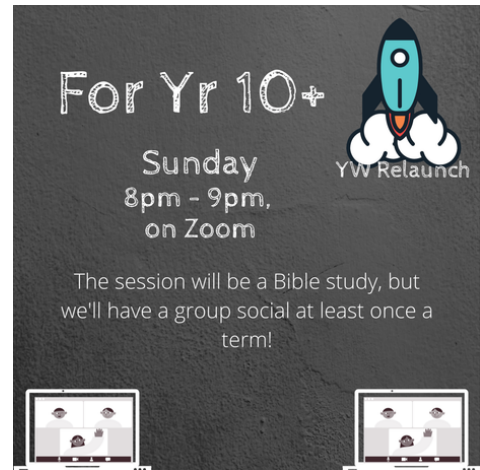
The year 6-9 group moved from online Sunday night to after school every Monday. From 1600-1700 the young people can arrive from school at their various times and have an opportunity to 'chill out', play some board games or catch up on some homework.

From 1700-1830 we take a more structured approach :- Bible study (Mark's gospel), make and eat food together, wash up, followed by games and prayer time.

Making food and cleaning up not only provide life skills but also builds great comradery between the young people. It was encouraging when a young person invited a friend (unchurched) who has returned every week! 4 x 6 young people transitioned to High School in September '21 and all 4 of them are still involved and in attendance with both the youth groups and the church.

The year 10+ group has stayed online on a Sunday night as a Bible study group, via Zoom 2000-2100. Due to various commitments, keeping it online at this time enables more members to continue to be part of the Bible study group.

To ensure face to face interaction, this group will meet once a term for a social and also in 1 to 1 and 2 to 2 work.



Other

I'm in my 4th year of attendance with North West Gospel Partnerships 'Ministry Training' course. This consists of a day's training with 4 sessions including a 'preaching' group.

I've done an adult sermon at Lostock church and an All age service at Deane.

Future aspirations

We have developed 2 booklets to offer workshops to the local high school. One workshop is developed for a Christian Union environment called 'Ask a Christian, Dispelling the myths and understanding the truths.' The second takes a more secular approach offering a menu of activities around problem solving and team work to promote communication, cooperation and compassion.

Another area we keen to develop is the outreach work, specifically around the local housing association estate SuttonTrust.

Daniel Booth

04 Ordinand in Training Report



It was wonderful to join the church family of Deane and Lostock in January 2021 for my Emmanuel / St. Mellitus Theological College placement.

Whilst joining during the tricky time of Covid and online services / home groups, I really enjoyed getting to know members of the church family through my Monday night homegroup and through running and leading the Christianity Explored and Discipleship Explored courses with Terry

The Christianity Explored Course led to the Discipleship Explored course and a follow up Bible study lead by me through the summer holidays looking at Ephesians – we did two chapters a week and managed to get through the entire book before Terry returned from his sabbatical.

From January to August I helped the children's and family service team by leading online services on a Sunday afternoon once to twice a month. It was great to see the children's knowledge and love of the Lord through the quiz questions, games and activities we did together online.

During this time I also helped Daniel with some of the youth sessions until he would be able to find another leader to help him. I was constantly delighted with the depth and insight that the youth would bring to the Discipleship Explored sessions.

Since the summer I did a secondary placement at another church for experience and upon returning stepped up my involvement with worship leading at Deane and investigated starting a Young Adult's group. We did a 'Breakfast Bash' at the start of November where we enjoyed some bacon butties and fellowship together. Due to peoples time commitments however we were not able to start a prayer course together but this is something to be looked at doing again in the future as well as further events.

I always look forward to leading and preaching at Deane and Lostock and seeing all the smiling faces engaging with God's Word and meeting with Jesus on a Sunday morning. I have done this across all services and am looking forward to receiving feedback over the coming months until the end of my time at Deane and Lostock which can help with my development and training as a minister in the Church of England.



As a worship leader, I have a particular passion for musical worship and engaging with God through our hearts in sung worship. Its been joy to be able to sing again in services and step up to three songs in a service – hopefully this will continue to develop as the Covid restrictions loosen/disappear. It would be wonderful to

widen the involvement of the church community in leading worship either vocally or through playing an instrument at Deane.

During my final few months at Deane I am looking forward to doing a few home visits now that Covid restrictions have almost all gone and getting to know a few people and praying with them.

Josh Openshaw

05 Churchwarden's Report



Once again, we note our sense of privilege in serving God and the Church here at Deane as stewards of this magnificent historic building. Our last Quinquennial Inspection took place in November 2017 and is due again this year which we prepare in earnest for. Once the 2022 Quinquennial Inspection is complete and the report analysed, we will organise work parties to address some of the recommendations.

The report following the inspection advises on the structural condition of the building and provides recommendations on repairs and maintenance requirements. One of the major issues that was identified in 2017 relates to water ingress due to pointing and flashing issues on the roof. As the church building is Grade II* listed there are strict governance processes for undertaking work on the building. In October, an application for an Archdeacon's license for emergency repairs was submitted and approved in November which enabled us to engage with an Historic Building Conservation Specialist to undertake remedial work. Phase one of this work, which involved emergency repairs to the Organ Loft roof, was completed in December with phase 2, which seeks to address water ingress to the South Aisle, planned for early 2022. Once this work has been completed and we are satisfied that it has resolved the water ingress, there will be further surveys commissioned to establish the condition of wooden beams and the internal painting requirements.

Fencing around the East end of the church has been replaced; this has also been made safer for children and animals by adding an additional slat. The churchyard bin has been replaced by two blue bins, these have been very effective and seems to have addressed the fly tipping issues.

As always, we are very thankful to Bryan Shephard who does an excellent job of keeping the paths, KK section and the Garden of Remembrance, clear and accessible to visitors. We are indebted to Keith, a member of our local community, who has continued to tend to the front part of the Churchyard when he has been able to.

We're also delighted to have started a new partnership with Bolton Community Payback team, who are doing lots of work in and around the Churchyard. We are very thankful for that help and are already seeing the impact that they are making. We look forward to seeing how that continues through the year ahead.

An inventory is kept of all the silver and valuable items owned by the church. The majority of the silverware is kept in a safe deposit box in the Royal Bank of Scotland in Bolton. Buildings and Employees' liability insurance has been maintained through Ecclesiastical Insurance.

Finally, we would like to convey our sincere thanks to all those who have assisted us during the past year at our Sunday services and to those who have helped in many ways especially in cleaning and maintaining the building.

Heath Taylor and Paula Small

06 District Church Council Report

The District Church Council comprises of the 5 elected representatives as appointed at the APCM (2 vacancies), 2 Church Wardens, the elected Synod Representatives, plus co-opted members which include the Curate, OLM and Treasurer. It is chaired by the Rev'd Terry Clark with an appointed Lay Chair being Jane Hampson.

Meetings always commence with a Bible Study, a time of prayer and also the sharing of encouragements for matters that have happened since the committee last convened and for which we can thank God. The DCC endeavours to act with a duty of responsibility and prayerfully seeks God's guidance on a whole range of matters.

The Standing Committee under the chair of Jane Hampson reports to the DCC. The committee ensures good stewardship is maintained and any important decisions are tabled at the full DCC where members can vote. At each meeting the Treasurer also provides an update on the Church finances and will make recommendations as appropriate for agreement by the DCC to any actions that are required.

The DCC met 8 times during the year, all of which were conducted via Zoom due to the ongoing pandemic impacting the ability to meet in person. The DCC have overseen actions/progress being made on:

- Church Lighting has been upgraded.
- A ground survey was conducted in the Graveyard to ascertain the feasibility of the ground near the Garden of Remembrance being utilised in the future for full burials. Results concluded that due to the amount of debris underground this could not be used.
- Church roof repairs were a priority due to water ingress and urgent work was carried out with further work in the following year.
- COVID restrictions and subsequent lifting of some of these were overseen by the DCC.
- An unpaid work team started work in the graveyard to start to clear overgrown areas.
- Initial discussions took place on 'Vision & Goals' for Deane Church for the next 5 years, and these will be discussed further in the new year.

07 Finance Report

The graphs on the following pages show income and expenditure for the year ending 31st December 2021, and a comparison to the year ending 31st December 2020.

Income

- Total income has remained fairly constant between 2020 and 2021, although there has been a fall in direct giving.
- Money given through weekly envelopes and by Standing order remains our largest source of direct giving, and we are very grateful to those who continue to give in this way. Although this has increased, when measured as the percentage contribution of direct giving received, in absolute terms the amount received through envelopes and standing orders has fallen by nearly £900.00 over the year 2021.
- 'Other income' includes grant funding received for the Mission Partnership Administrator posts (Deane and Lostock and St Andrew's and St Bede's), the Youth Pastor Post and the Local Authority Covid Grant funding paid to Deane Church Shop whilst the shop was closed under Covid restrictions. The grant funding for the two Mission Partnership Administrator Posts ended during 2021, and these posts are now being funded by Lostock Church and St Andrew's and St Bede's respectively.
- It should be noted that in line with the decision of the DCC, legacies received are allocated to a restricted fund. No legacies have been received in 2021.

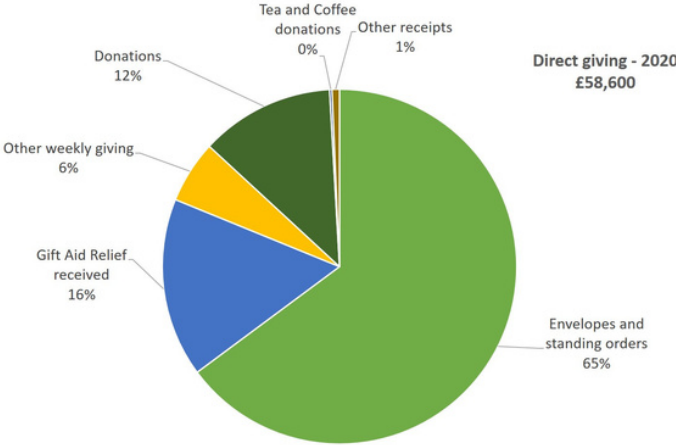
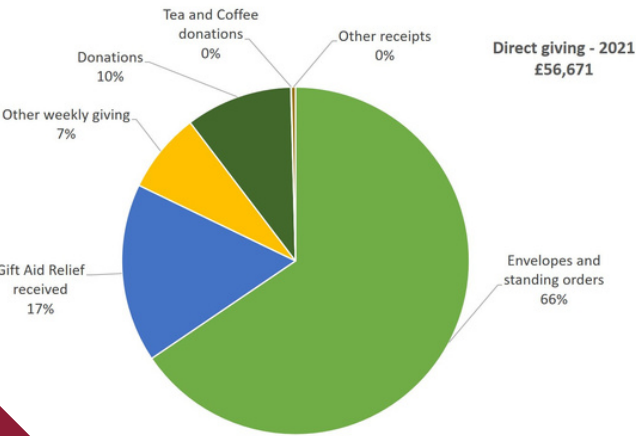
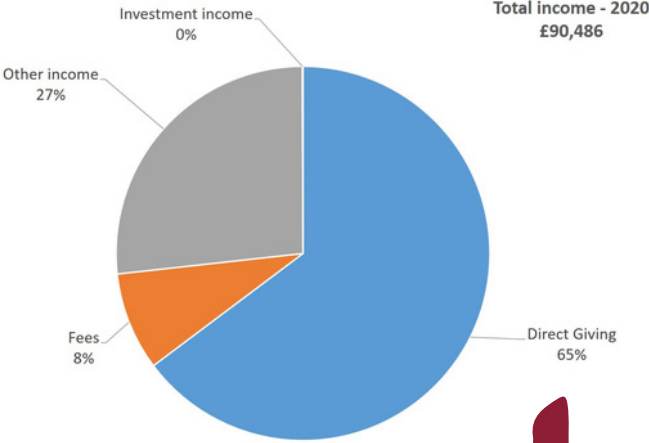
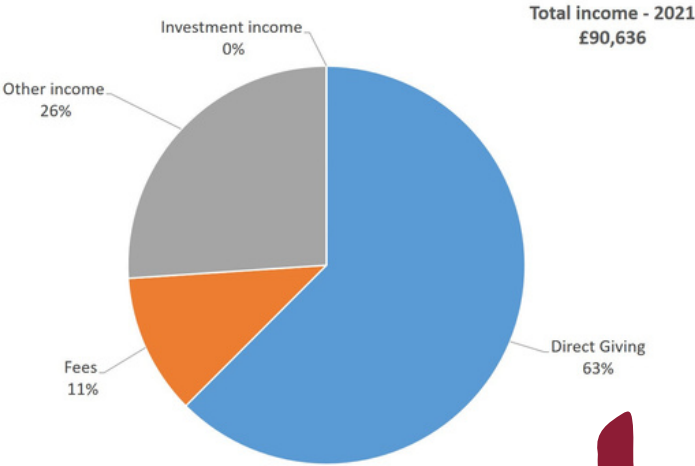
Expenditure:

- Total expenditure has been held at 2020 levels, with just a slight increase over the year. However, to achieve that we have had to reduce the amount of Parish Share paid to Manchester Diocese by £5,000.
- We continue to support our Mission Partners in Uganda and South Sudan through Crosslinks, but our 1% giving to missions and charities is significantly below the 10% which it is our aim to achieve.

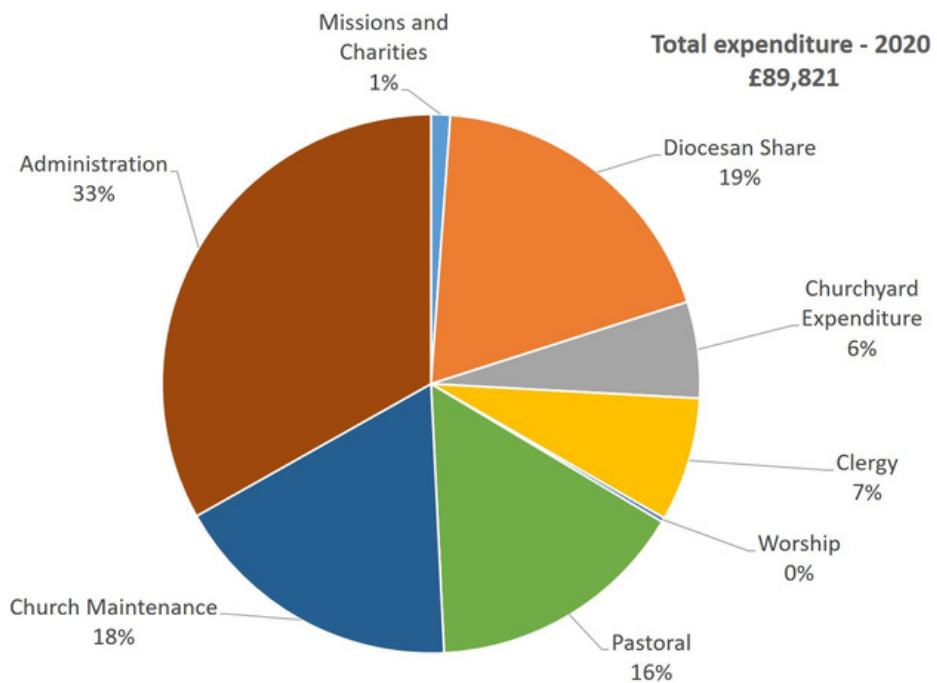
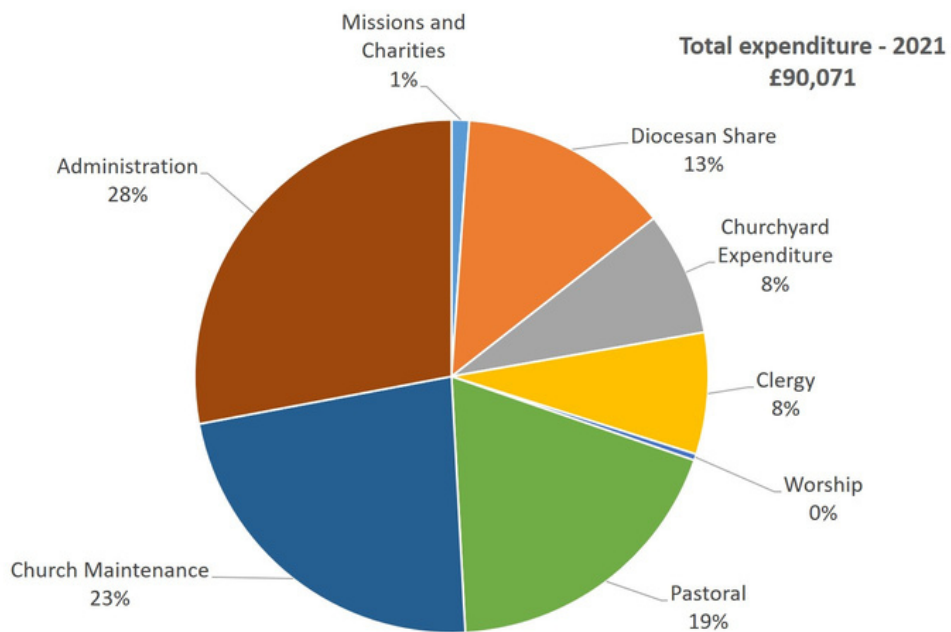
The full figures for the Deane Parish Church accounts for the year ending 31st December 2021 follow on pages 18 -21.

Total income 2021

Total income 2020



Total expenditure 2021 and 2020



**DEANE PARISH CHURCH
ST MARY'S
INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	2021	2020	2019
£	£	£	£
INCOME			
DIRECT GIVING:			
Envelopes and standing orders	37,128	38,000	45,109
Gift Aid Relief received	9,431	9,565	11,665
Other weekly giving	4,242	3,340	5,045
Donations	5,627	7,168	4,741
Tea and Coffee donations	23	132	779
Other receipts	220	395	3,344
	<u>56,671</u>	<u>58,601</u>	<u>70,682</u>
FEES:			
Weddings/Funerals and Blessings	10,356	7,678	10,667
OTHER INCOME			
The Sir James and Lady Scott Trust Grant	0	0	934
Ministry Transition Support Grant	5,027	7,608	8,645
Youth Pastor Funding	16,358	13,631	10,910
Church Centre and Café Income	0	166	486
Deane Church Shop Profit	2,208	2,753	1,399
	<u>90,619</u>	<u>90,437</u>	<u>103,723</u>
INVESTMENT INCOME	<u>16</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>89</u>
TOTAL INCOME	90,636	90,487	103,812
EXPENDITURE - see page 2	<u>-90,070</u>	<u>-89,820</u>	<u>-103,030</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	<u>566</u>	<u>667</u>	<u>782</u>

**DEANE PARISH CHURCH
ST MARY'S
EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	2021		2020		2019
£	£	£	£	£	£
MISSIONS AND CHARITIES:					
Christian Giving Programme		1,000		1,035	1150
DIOCESAN SHARE		12,000		17,000	28800
CHURCHYARD EXPENDITURE		7,030		5,189	2305
CLERGY:					
Expenses	3,063		2,904		2920
Telephone	965		984		820
Accommodation - Rates and Water	2,878		2,797		2748
		6,906		6,685	6488
WORSHIP:					
Organist & Bellringing	250		80		1050
Verger	106		156		663
		356		236	1713
PASTORAL:					
Youth Pastor	16,118		12,551		10910
Youth Club and Youth Pastor expenses	240		1,080		620
CAP Courses and Training	0		0		934
Books, etc	612		439		637
		16,970		14,070	13101
CHURCH MAINTENANCE:					
Insurance	7,114		7,107		6233
Heat and Light	3,716		3,282		4118
Organ repairs and maintenance	528		264		792
Repairs and renewals	4,012		1,448		2899
Church Centre overheads	5,250		3,720		5343
		20,620		15,821	19385
ADMINISTRATION:					
Administrator & Pension costs	14,814		14,430		13962
Mission Partnership Administrators	5,027		7,608		8645
Telephone	1,286		1,238		793
Accountancy	369		360		720
Staff Training	0		0		227
Tea and Coffee supplies	0		0		416
Miscellaneous	192		553		756
Software and licences	1,494		3,104		1726
Postage, stationery and copier	2,007		2,492		2842
		25,188		29,785	30087
		<u>90,070</u>		<u>89,820</u>	<u>103029</u>

**DEANE PARISH CHURCH
ST MARY'S
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	2021		2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:						
Deane Church Centre - St Mary's School House		305,147		305,147		305,147
INVESTMENTS HELD BY DIOCESE		101		101		101
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE	6,191		6,188		6,185	
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE	762		762		758	
CASH AT BANK - PCC	78,082		77,322		38,204	
DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS	<u>1,225</u>		<u>1,225</u>		<u>1,780</u>	
	86,260		85,497		85,497	
CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS	<u>-467</u>		<u>-3,657</u>		<u>-2,914</u>	
		<u>85,793</u>		<u>81,840</u>		<u>44,014</u>
		<u>391,041</u>		<u>387,087</u>		<u>349,262</u>
REPRESENTED BY :						
RESTRICTED FUNDS - see page 4		308,637		308,637		308,637
YOUTH PASTOR DESIGNATED FUNDS - see page 4		35,386		36,798		28,311
SHOP RESTRICTED FUNDS: - see page 4		4,800		0		0
LEGACY RESTRICTED FUNDS - see page 4		28,921		28,921		250
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - see page 4		<u>13,296</u>		<u>12,731</u>		<u>12,064</u>
		<u>391,041</u>		<u>387,087</u>		<u>349,262</u>

**DEANE PARISH CHURCH
ST MARY'S
SUMMARY OF FUNDS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS:			
Shop rent deposit	1200	1200	1200
Shop float	25	25	25
Churchdesk software licence prepaid	0	0	555
	<u>1,225</u>	<u>1,225</u>	<u>1,780</u>
CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS:			
Staff pension accrued contributions	0	0	126
Accrued expenses	467	3,657	2,786
	<u>467</u>	<u>3,657</u>	<u>2,912</u>
RESTRICTED FUNDS:			
Building - Fabric Fund	655	655	655
Church property	<u>307,982</u>	<u>307,982</u>	<u>307,982</u>
	<u>308,637</u>	<u>308,637</u>	<u>308,637</u>
YOUTH PASTOR DESIGNATED FUND:			
Opening Balance	36,798	28,311	10,000
Joseph Rank Trust Grant	13,500	13,500	0
Youth Pastor Fund Pledges	1,446	4,577	4,093
Youth Pastor Costs for the Year	-16,358	-13,631	-10,910
Transfer from Legacy Funds	0	4,041	25,128
	<u>35,386</u>	<u>36,798</u>	<u>28,311</u>
DEANE CHURCH SHOP RESTRICTED FUNDS:			
Opening Balance	0	0	0
Local Authority Covid Grant Funding	8,400	0	0
Rent Provision transfer - £400pm from April 21	-3,600	0	0
Closing Balance	<u>4,800</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
LEGACY RESTRICTED FUNDS:			
Opening Balance	28,921	250	0
Legacies Received	0	32,712	25,378
Youth Pastor Annual Funding - transfer to designated	0	-4,041	-25,128
Closing Balance	<u>28,921</u>	<u>28,921</u>	<u>250</u>
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:			
Opening Balance	12,731	12,064	11,282
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	566	667	782
	<u>13,296</u>	<u>12,731</u>	<u>12,064</u>

08 Safeguarding Report

Most current leaders of children's groups have a valid DBS certificate and we are still working towards everyone have two references and completing the online safeguarding training offered by the Diocese. To maintain good practice in the future we will aim for any new volunteers or staff to complete all required documents before they start in their role. One DBS is outstanding but this is due to it needing to be completed by someone from the Diocese.

Our aim for the next twelve months is to have at least one person from each group holding a first aid certificate. This will further safeguard individuals attending groups. Hopefully this course can be offered across a number of churches within the Deanery to keep the costs reasonable.

Sheila and I are still aiming to create a statement of practice for all groups working with children and vulnerable adults. These can then be amended by each main group leader. They will then be signed by individuals annually when they have received the good practise guidelines and renewed their child protection training.

Paula Small and Sheila Dewhurst-Taylor

St Andrew's, Over Hulton

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Team Vicar

Rev'd Vinny Whitworth

St Andrew's Vicarage | Crescent Avenue | Over Hulton
| Bolton

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01 Team Vicar's Report

“This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones ‘I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life” (Ezekiel 37:5)



This year has been a year where the Covid-19 pandemic has continued to dominate our lives. It has been a year of struggle; where many of us have had to face the challenges of sickness, isolation and the effects of lockdown and restrictions. At times it has felt like walking through a valley of dry bones, often with no end in sight to the end of the pandemic and little hope that life will one day return to normal. Particularly in the early part of 2021; our mission and ministry was severely impacted by the pandemic, with only 1 service on a Sunday running up until Easter, numbers severely limited by social distancing and the dreaded booking system where you had to book your place to come to church!

Yet 2021 has also been a year where we at St Andrews have continued to experience God's faithfulness. Despite the challenges of walking through barren times; God has continued to be with us and guide us, and we have experienced His power to breathe new life into our lives and into our church through His Holy Spirit. That's why this passage from Ezekiel 37 was so apt for us as we explored this theme towards the end of 2021 in one of our morning services.

We have so much to praise and thank God for in 2021 as we slowly resumed more 'normal' services and resumed many of our regular ministries. We rejoiced as we could start singing hymns and songs again and as our 9am service returned after an 18 month break in September. It was wonderful to see many of our midweek ministries resume such as Open Door, Art Group and Ladies Guild. Our work with children and young people has flourished; with our youth group KTJC (Keep Trusting Jesus Community) growing in number over the year and blessing us by leading the occasional Sunday 10.45am service, and our children's ministry groups on a Sunday morning resuming from the autumn.

We have seen how God has breathed new life into some of our existing ministries by running in new ways. For example our Tiny Tots group decided they would meet at first during the summer months outdoors on Umberton Road Playground. It was a wonderful witness to our local community to see so many young families gathering together and new families were drawn into Tiny Tots, and the group has continued to thrive as it continues to meet in church on a Monday morning now.

God has also been doing completely new things in our midst too. In July we launched a new Men's Ministry; with a programme of monthly events drawing together the men of the church for fellowship. On average we have had 10-20 men gathering each month for events such as a men's walk and breakfast and bowling nights. We've also seen God powerfully at work in our lives through answered prayers as we have now established a church prayer chain; where we can quickly pray for specific needs which have been shared.

Despite the challenges of the pandemic in 2021, we have found ways to continue helping one another on our discipleship journeys as we seek to follow Jesus. Despite our Lent Course having to be on Zoom, we still had 30 people meeting together as we prayed, worshipped and shared together as we reflected on the 'Glory of the Cross', with many other people able to follow our devotional times by reading the Lent book at home. We did an Alpha Series via our evening services; and as restrictions on small groups lifted, we have run a number of courses such as the Bible Overview Course, the Bereavement Course and Living in Love and Faith. Our existing small group Bible Study Groups have also continued or resumed in 2021.



LIVING
IN LOVE
& FAITH

Thinking about new life and new beginnings; in July we were delighted to welcome Rev'd Ben Brady as our curate here at St Andrews and St Bedes. It was a wonderful moment to see Ben ordained deacon in Manchester Cathedral and since then we as a church have been so blessed to have Ben ministering with us. These are exciting times for us as a parish as St Mary's also welcomes a curate next year and my hope is that with a growing ministry team, God has so much more in store for us as a parish in the years to come.

As always I am very grateful to our ministry team at St Andrews who lead services and preach God's word. I am particularly grateful for the continued ministry of Rev'd Julia Davies and Canon Tony Butterworth and all who lead and preach across all our services. One particular sadness this year is that due to ill-health our wonderful Reader Emeritus Barbara Wilson has no longer been able to lead services and we continue to hold Barbara in our prayers.

I am also grateful to our 2 Wardens; Martin Spielmann and Glynn Heywood, our Treasurer John Tomlinson, our DCC secretary Jennifer Lancaster and all our DCC members for the incredible work they do often behind the scenes supporting the mission and ministry of St Andrews.

Despite the challenges of 2021, God has been so faithful to us at St Andrews. Through we have walked through dry valleys as we have gone through the pandemic, God continues to breathe new life into us today. As we look to the future God has so much more in store for us. In November 2021 we held an away morning for St Andrews as we launched a new vision that God has given us for St Andrews 'Growing in Christ, Rooted in Love, Empowered to Serve'. We long to be a growing church; to increase our number by at least 20% in the next 5 years, to bring glory to God.

There is so much more to come as we look to 2022 and beyond; may God continue to bless us and give us the new life that only He can give.

Vinny



Collection of biscuits for Christmas Dinner on Jesus

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St Andrew's Staff Team and Officers

(as at 31st December 2021)



Rev'd Vinny Whitworth
Team Vicar



Rev'd Ben Brady
Curate



Canon Tony Butterworth
Retired Clergy



Rev'd Julia Davies
OLM Retired



Martin Spielmann
Churchwarden



Glynn Heywood
Churchwarden



Emma Bonfield
(Children / Youth work
(1 day per week))

Not pictured: Barbara Wilson (Reader Emmeritus), Elaine Almond (Administrator - St Andrew's and St Bede's), Victoria Dewhurst (Safeguarding Officer)

Members of St Andrew's Church Council (not named above) elected at the annual meeting on 26th April 2021: Stuart Braddock (Electoral Roll Officer), Eileen Brockbank, Kathryn Campbell, Christine Grime (Deanery Synod rep), Kwez Heywood (PCC Secretary), Jennifer Lancaster (DCC Secretary), Aileen McDonald (Deanery Synod rep), Andrew Parkinson, John Tomlinson (DCC Treasurer), Rob Walsh (Deanery Synod rep)

03

Curate's Report



The first comment I make in my report, is a heartfelt thank you for the warm welcome and generosity I received as your curate in June and July. Prior to moving back north and commencing my curacy, I had a meeting with my cohort Bishop. He advised me that to “have a good beginning, you must have a good ending” and even though the transition from ordination training to curacy came with its challenges the transition was made much easier with the support of the ministry team and wider congregation and for that I was deeply moved and hugely grateful.

Arriving in the summer allowed me some settling period whilst getting to know members of the church and seeing how St. Andrew’s functions on a day to day and week to week basis. I have enjoyed preparing, leading, and preaching and worshipping with you on Sunday’s. St. Andrew’s is a church which lives and strives for being more than a church on Sunday and that is encouraging. It is a privilege for me to attend and from time-to-time lead morning prayer on a Tuesday morning, etc.

St. Andrew’s hold close links with St. Andrew’s school. Being able to lead assemblies and get to know some of the staff and pupils has enriched my ministry and helped me in my training. Unfortunately, due to the Omicron variant, it has meant reverting to leading the assemblies online again. I look forward in due course to going back into the school and leading them in person.

In the autumn we embarked on the Living in Love and Faith course. For some of us it challenged our preconceived, deep rooted, and historical point of views. Yet, it was a blessing to be able to engage with the wider Church as we seek to learn how questions about human identity, relationships, marriage, and sexuality fit within the bigger picture of what it means to embody a Christian vision of living holy lives in love and faith in our culture.

The vision morning which took place at Barrow Bridge in early November was a morning of giving thanks for all that has been and looking to the future for all that will be. There was a lot to be thankful for. The coronavirus pandemic has been very difficult and challenging for many reasons. One thing it showed us was that for a time our buildings might have been closed, but the church was still alive. It was a great learning opportunity for me to sit back and to listen to what people wanted for the church, a church post pandemic, a church for a different world and for the wider surrounding community. As an assistant minister, it was energising and encouraging to hear the hopes and dreams that people have and the deep commitment for the church to remain focused on the gospel and for that to meet the needs of the generations to come.

Advent and Christmas were soon upon us. It is very much a busy season; however, it is very rewarding. The Christingle service which took place the Sunday evening before Christmas was wonderful. Seeing people across the 4 services unite in that service was joyous and the fellowship which was shared afterwards over mince pies and mulled wine with the fellowship room packed to the rafters reminded me of Christ being at the heart of Christmas but also that it is a time that families come together, and as a church family that happened.



In Romans 12 it says “Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.” One of the rewarding parts of my job is journeying with you not only collectively but individually. It has been and is a great privilege to journey alongside you and get to know, in the highs and the lows of life, in all its fullness.

I have undertaken occasional offices such as funerals and although it brings deep sadness, it is a privilege to walk alongside the bereaved and bring them the hope and comfort and love of Christ Jesus. In October and November, I journeyed with the bereavement course. Working through grief and the loss of a loved one takes a long time, but the course did make a difference for the people who attended, and Jane and Eileen were excellent in their pastoral care and sensitivity

Personally, 2021 was a challenging year for me (and my family) There were times of joy but also a year which brought a lot of pain. Within 5 months of starting my curacy I lost 2 key and important figures in my life, which included my grandfather just 11 days after my ordination. 2 doses of self-isolation (whilst not having coronavirus!). My faith sustained me, and the support of close family and friends kept me going, I wouldn't be able to do what I am doing without such support, guidance, and unconditional love from these people. The support that the whole ministry team, PCC, and wider church family of St. Andrews (and St. Bede's) is invaluable to me, it doesn't go unnoticed, and I am truly grateful, thank you.

We give glory to God and give thanks because the spirit of God continues to guide and shape us, especially with our new vision "Growing in Christ, Rooted in Love and Empowered to serve" I pray that we remain expectant because God is faithful, and all our hope is set on him. A curacy is only a short training post, and I won't be here to see what God has in store once I depart in a couple of years' time, but I remain ever present, ever willing and ever hopeful in what plans God has in store for us in the days that lie ahead.

Your servant in Christ,

Reverend Ben Brady



Ben's ordination at Manchester Cathedral in July 2021

04

Churchwarden's Report



The year 2021 was characterised for all of us by the gradual easing of Covid-19 restrictions. In March 2021 we started the 6.30 pm service again and in September 2021 the 9 am service. The requirement to make a booking for the 10.45 service was dropped later in the year. Unfortunately the attendance at all services is still less than it was before the beginning of the pandemic. The weekly online service has continued.

Tony and Josie Butterworth produced a daily on line "thought for the day" which was sent out by e-mail and was very much appreciated. It was discontinued when we could meet in church again.

Kwez's weekly zoom quiz finished in September 2021 with a shared meal and quiz in the fellowship room attended by most of the participants. The Big TearFund Quiz was held in November 2021 in our fellowship room. A great night was had by all and we were able to make a substantial donation to the work of TearFund.

In May 2021 we had a Spring clean of the church and are grateful to all who came along to help.

In October 2021 the new suspended ceiling together with LED lighting and roof insulation was installed and has greatly improved the look of the worship area.



Church Clean Up Day

Our thanks and appreciation go to our cleaner for all her work. Unfortunately she has had to stop due to personal circumstances. We are at present looking for somebody to take her place.

A big thank you, too, to the flower team for the wonderful floral displays which they provide and to all those who donate to the flower fund.

We have recently had to cut down the tree on the car park as its roots were interfering with the neighbour's garden and some brickwork.

All the groups which used the church rooms before the pandemic have started to meet again. One of the house groups now meets fortnightly in the fellowship room.

In February 2022 we opened a drop in cafe on Tuesday mornings to coincide with the food drop off for Urban outreach.

As wardens we would also like to thank Vinny, our curate Ben and all the other service leaders for coping so well in a difficult year. Thank you to everyone who has made our job easier.

Glynn Heywood and Martin Spielmann

05 District Church Council Report

The DCC, who are appointed at the APCM, have met on 8 occasions during the period January to December 2021, with the addition of the Standing Committee meeting on a further 7 in order to prepare the Agenda. By the latter part of the year we were again able to meet in person as opposed to via Zoom

Our meetings are chaired by Vinny and always commence with a Bible reading followed by a short reflection and prayer. The treasurer provides us with updates of the financial position and makes appropriate recommendations for the full committee to consider. We have fortunately been able to retain the services of our Church Administrator, the cost being shared with St Bedes.

The Wardens present their report and oversee any necessary Faculty applications and obtain estimates for work or purchases required. Subgroups meet independently to discuss our mission partners, worship format, young people's work and building matters. In July we were delighted to welcome Ben Brady, our new Curate, to his first DCC meeting and feel blessed by his participation in our church life.

A major focus for the DCC this year has been to review our Church Vision and we held an away morning for the church in November 2021 at Barrow Bridge. As a DCC we agreed to adopt a new church vision 'Growing in Christ, Rooted in Love and Empowered to Serve' and we are now focusing on what this means for us in practice.

06 Children's and Youth Report

Our children's and youth ministry has continued to grow and develop over the past year.



Youth Group Waterskiing trip - July 2021

We have seen great growth in the youth group KTJC (Keep Trusting Jesus Community) aimed at children in school years 6-9. They have all grown in confidence and are interacting well with each other and leaders. Helping each other in many ways, including teaching each other to bake, listening and sharing thoughts and spending quality time praying for each other. They have learnt more about Fairtrade and getting the rest of the church involved, with a trip to Justicia in a couple of weeks. This has included leading a service near Christmas, allowing them to show the congregation what they had been up to in the term.

They are currently learning about the values that are been taught in the Lent group that is being done at St. Andrews. The young people are showing more enthusiasm than ever, with the feedback from the parents saying that they can see that their children are really enjoying it, it is helping them grow their confidence and knowledge of God and other things around. This has been shown by the young people not being afraid to invite their friends, allowing us to growth the numbers from 7 regulars last year to 12 this year.

We are delighted to have seen all our children's groups return having been paused during the pandemic. Our children's ministry groups on a Sunday morning; headed up by Kathryn and Ian Campbell resumed in September and we were blessed to have a number of new leaders join the team as we resumed this ministry. Our Tiny Tots group on a Monday morning has also restarted and grown in huge number with lots of parents and young families wanting to connect and socialise with one another.

We are thankful for all who help lead and support our various children's and young people's ministries.

Rob Walsh

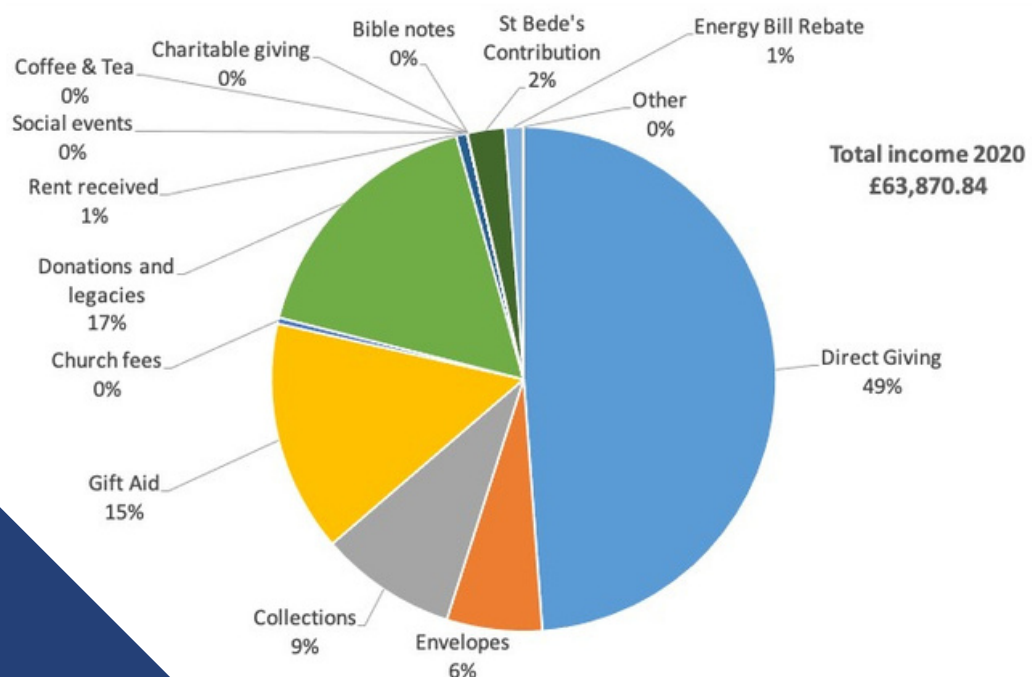
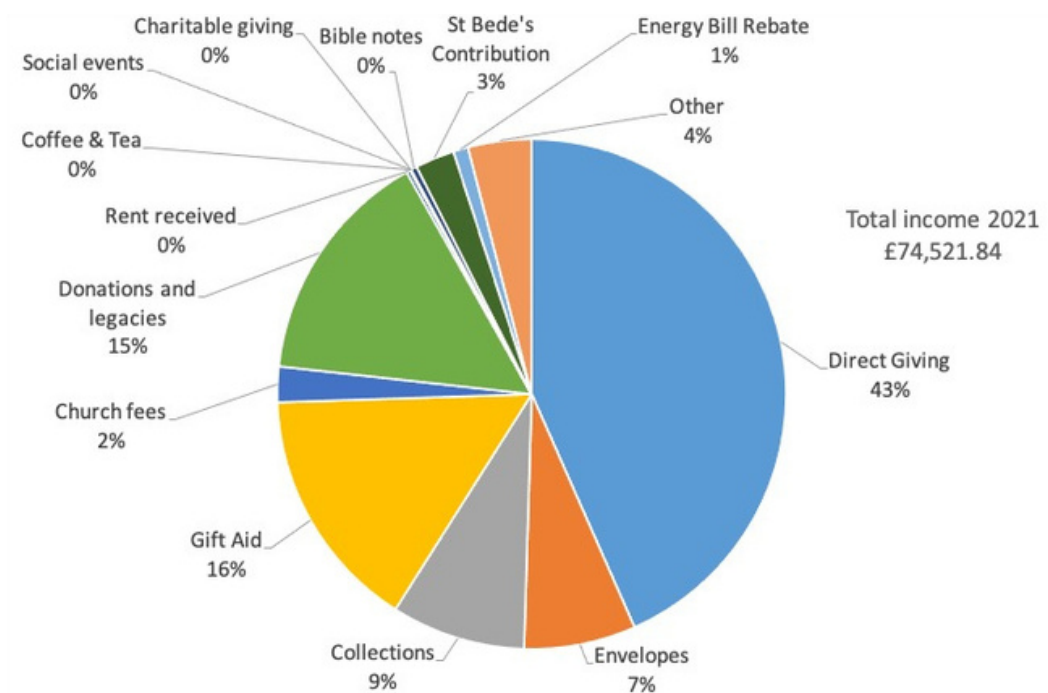


Youth Group Waterskiing trip - July 2021

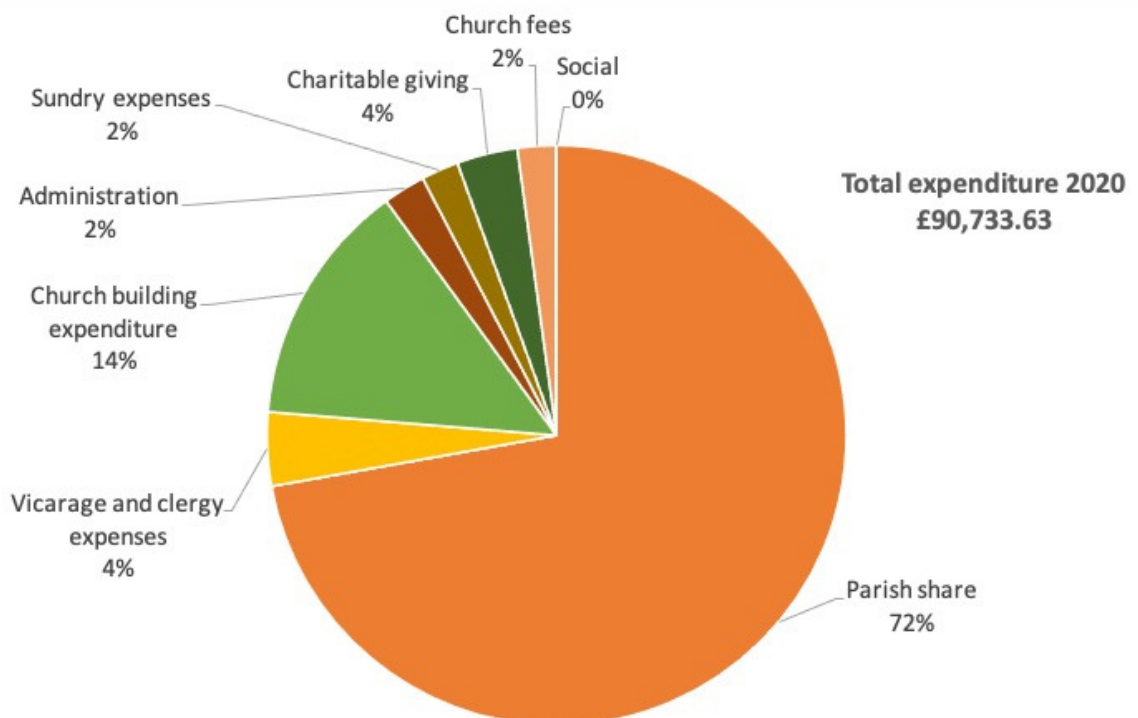
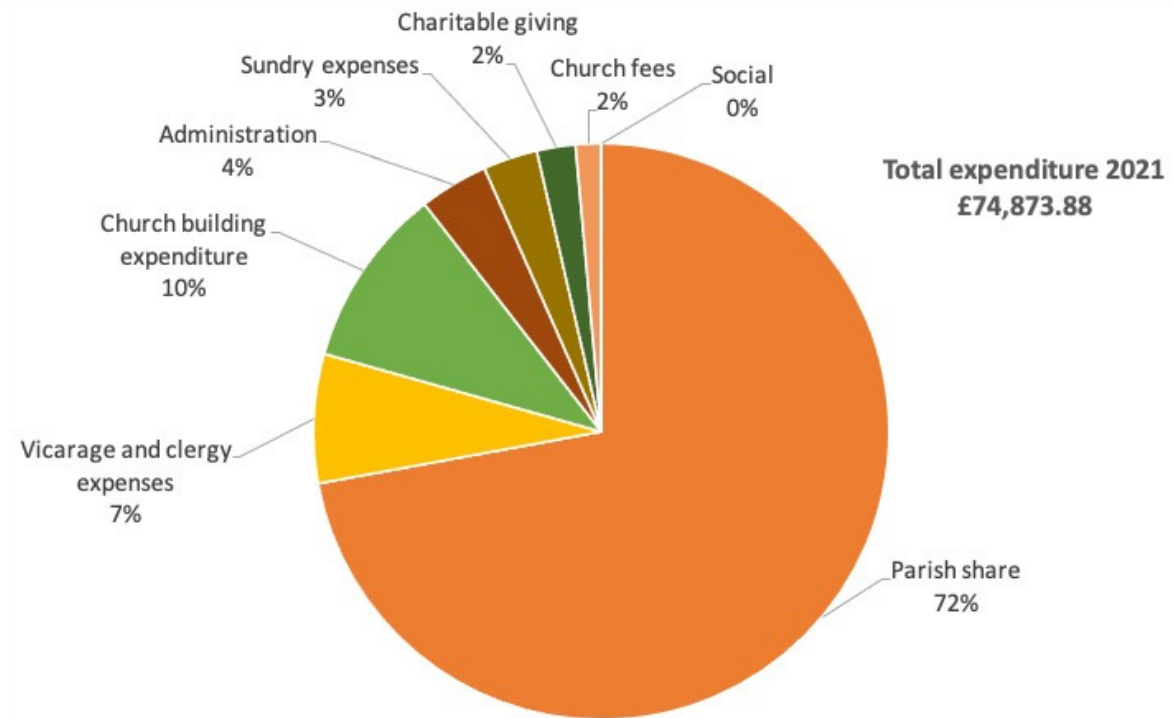
07 Finance Report

The graphs below show income and expenditure for 2021, compared with 2020. The full accounts for St Andrew's can be found on pages 38 - 41.

Total income 2021 and 2020



Total expenditure 2021 and 2020



ST ANDREWS CHURCH
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
INCOME		
Direct Giving	35550.00	41560.00
Envelopes	5821.10	5201.54
Collections	6986.18	7460.60
TOTAL GIVING	<u>48357.28</u>	<u>54222.14</u>
OTHER INCOME		
Gift Aid	12692.80	12637.03
Church Fees	1845.00	333.00
Donations & Legacies	12358.10	14259.98
Legacies Transferred to Building Fund	-7436.06	-21250.00
Rent Received	200.00	610.00
Coffee & Tea	39.90	0.00
Social Events	0.00	0.00
Charitable Giving	28.60	0.00
Bible Notes	316.36	9.75
St Bede's Contribution	2040.00	2040.00
Energy Bill Rebate	775.97	1008.94
Other	3303.89	0.00
	<u>26164.56</u>	<u>9648.70</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u><u>74521.84</u></u>	<u><u>63870.84</u></u>

ST ANDREWS CHURCH
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Parish Share	54000.00	65500.00
Vicarage Rates	2280.48	2248.84
Gas	922.74	1160.72
Electricity	1371.24	1648.00
Water Rates	682.11	581.69
Vicarage expenses	102.07	0.00
Insurance	907.72	900.40
Licences & Software	670.00	705.65
Health & Safety	0.00	977.25
Organ Repairs	276.00	0.00
Audio-Visual System Upgrade	0.00	5874.00
Website	185.00	690.00
Church Sign	0.00	762.00
Minor Repairs & Maintenance	2985.08	88.10
Wi-Fi Church	430.94	422.40
Clergy Expenses	3035.92	1477.17
Administrator Salary	1364.67	0.00
Bible Notes & Bibles	223.00	194.70
Printing & Stationery	85.78	202.10
Sundry Expenses	2287.13	1890.61
Accountancy	369.00	360.00
Charitable Giving	1625.00	3078.00
Church Fees	1070.00	1972.00
Social	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>74873.88</u>	<u>90733.63</u>

ST ANDREWS CHURCH
RECONCILIATION OF BANK MOVEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
RECONCILIATION OF BANK MOVEMENT		
Income	74521.84	63870.84
Expenditure	-74873.88	-90733.63
Excess of Expenditure over Income	<u>-352.04</u>	<u>-26862.79</u>
RECONCILED BANK BALANCES		
31st December 2021	2958.39	3310.43
31st December 2020	3310.43	30173.22
Bank Account Movement	<u>-352.04</u>	<u>-26862.79</u>
BANK RECONCILIATION		
Closing Balance at 31st December 2021	2924.77	3276.81
Cash Float	33.62	33.62
Accounts Balance at 31st December 2021	<u>2958.39</u>	<u>3310.43</u>

ST ANDREWS CHURCH
BUILDING FUND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT - YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
BUILDING FUND MOVEMENTS		
Balance brought forward	35557.95	13998.12
RECEIPTS	435.00	302.00
Legacies Transferred from General Fund	7436.06	21250.00
Bank Interest	19.24	7.83
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	43448.25	35557.95
EXPENDITURE		
Ceiling & Chairs	17792.37	0.00
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	17792.37	0.00
Balance carried forward	<hr/> <u>25655.88</u>	<hr/> <u>35557.95</u>

The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Deane

Parochial Church Council

Secretary | Bryan Shephard (until May 2021)
Kwez Heywood (from May 2021)

Treasurer | Ian Hampson

Lay Chair | Kwez Heywood (until May 2021)
Jane Hampson (from May 2021)

The consolidated accounts for the Parish can be viewed at
www.deanechurch.org/resources/consolidated21.pdf

01 Parochial Church Council Report

To comply with Church Representation Rules, there is one Parochial Church Council (PCC) comprising of 15 members (8 from St. Andrews and 7 from St. Marys) who are elected at a single APCM. It is agreed that each church would vote for their own representatives. In addition to the elected PCC members, Wardens, Deanery Synod representatives, OLM and lay ministers also attend the meetings.

During this year, there have been a variety of zoom and in person meetings as covid restrictions have allowed.

During this time there has been the ending of the Deane Deanery with a service to celebrate the 50 years. We are now part of the one larger Bolton Deanery.

We have also seen and responded to the initial Mission Communities Proposal which is an ongoing project.

St Mary's

- Ordinand Josh Openshaw has fitted in well becoming a welcome member of the ministry team taking part in services both preaching and with music.
- 2 Youth groups have been meeting on line.
- There is a monthly seniors ministry which has started up.
- The Christianity and Discipleship Explored courses have run well.
- 2,500 newspaper style leaflets with testimonies were sent out to the local community.
- Looking forward to welcoming a new curate Andre Adefope in July 2022.

St Andrews

- Welcomed Ben Brady as the new curate shared with St Bede's Morris Green.
- At the easing of restrictions were able to resume 3 Sunday services and Thursday morning communion.
- Had a good away morning where the vision was firmed up: Growing in Christ, Rooted in Love, Empowered to serve.
- A successful bereavement course was run and will be run again.
- The youth group continues to grow and has had the opportunity to run a couple of family services.
 - Tiny Tots started again initially in the playground on Umberton Road but finally back in the church building.
 - The overview course has run again on a Saturday morning followed by a lunch together.



Deane Church
Meet Jesus, walk with Jesus, share Jesus



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