

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The Parochial Church Council of The Parish of Stratton St Margaret And South Marston

Reports and Accounts For the Year Ended 31st December 2020

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St. Margaret's churchwarden's report 2020.

Our report for 2020 will be totally different from any other before due to Covid-19 and St. Margaret's Church being closed for a large part of last year.

While people say that 2020 was a wasted year, we found it to be challenging and an opportunity to re-think how we could deliver church services and keep in contact with our congregations.

Also, we were in the middle of an interregnum and were massively reliant on our curate Rev Mark Tidey and our ministry team to 'keep the services going'. A huge thanks go to them for all their support and inspiration during that time.

Early in 2020 nominated representatives from St. Mary Magdalen, South Marston, St. Leonard's, Stanton Fitzwarren and St. Margaret's, Stratton aka 'the Vacancy Team' met to put together a job description for our new incumbent. This then went to the Bristol Diocese for them to arrange the advertisement for the post.

The HR department in Bristol carried out the usual formalities and selected people to go forward to a formal interview. This was to be held at the St. Margaret's Centre on Wednesday March 11th 2020.

A familiarisation day was arranged for Tuesday March 10th, 2020 during which the wardens from our team drove the applicants around to the 3 Church buildings and Coleview Community Centre and as much of the benefice as possible in the time allotted. That evening, local dignitaries, wardens, ministry team and certain members of the Team were invited to an evening meal to meet with the applicants.

The day after the interviews took place with the Archdeacon Christopher Bryan and the Vacancy Team as the panel. The outcome was that we were very pleased to invite Rev. Elveen Mead as our new Priest in Charge.

During this time, Covid-19 had been in the background and we thank God that we had been through this process, face to face before the first lock down started in March 16th 2020.

The first online Sunday service was streamed from the Pollard Room in St. Margaret's Centre, with Georgina Martin, our Media and Publicity administrator, setting up the equipment so that Rev Mark could then go in and record the service. It was the start of a year of streaming services etc.

During 2020, we continued to check the Church building to ensure that it was safe and secure. The biggest problem obviously was that we still had to pay our outgoings without cash collections from live services. We are so grateful for those members of our congregation who pay by Direct Debit or the Parish Giving Scheme so keeping us in the black for the time being.

Since then, we have regular online services - Morning Prayer at 9am 6 days per week and a Sunday Service at 10am even if we have been able to have live services as well. Sadly, due to the restrictions, Elveen's licensing had to be via Zoom on Friday July 31st in the morning, but the Wardens and Ministry Team were able to meet her in the Rectory garden later that morning adhering to safety guidelines.

Elveen and Mark have managed to hold a few live services, but the majority were being streamed, this is known as 'Church at Home'.

One of our roles as Church Wardens is to provide an annual return to Bristol Diocese, giving them statistics on services etc. One statistic showed that during 1 week in October

we had 167 people online watching our services – the figure was taken across all our churches.

Many of the congregation have not met Elveen personally although she does regularly walk around Stratton and the villages and has met a few who have been house bound. During the 2020 lock downs we have held PCC and Standing committee meetings and Oasis Prayer meetings via Zoom and completed a Team Safeguarding training session online, led by our Safeguarding Officers Mike and Mary Boshier.

Because St. Margaret's Centre was closed, the office was closed as there was very little of the normal administration needed. Everything had gone online or via our website. It was during that time that Pat England decided to retire after many years of faithful service to us all. We extend our grateful thanks to her for all her dedication and support during many years across our team. Pat was ably supported by Ray and we extend our grateful thanks to him as well. They will continue to provide support when needed.

Thankfully our Churches were open again for a short time and we were able to thank Pat and Ray properly during a Sunday morning service.

From that time all our notices etc. were shared across the website and online and we thank Georgina Martin for keeping all the information readily available as needed. Working from home, with a young family can be challenging as a lot of people found during 2020.

We have all had to get used to the new way of Church and not being able to meet our Church family face to face, or if we did it was behind masks.

As Church Wardens, we have a duty of care to you all and when we could hold services in St. Margaret's, we have done a risk assessment, provided hand gels, masks, sanitised and kept Track and Trace records in line with the Government guidelines.

While 2020 was very different, our grateful thanks go to our deputy Wardens David Horne and Ian Jones, Bill Kingdon our Health and Safety officer, and Mike and Mary Boshier our Safeguarding officers across Stratton Team Ministry. All their support gives us both so much strength.

During 2020, we did at times have floral arrangements in Church and we thank Richard and the team for their wonderful and colourful displays. Another way to worship our Lord. We thank God for Adam Jenkins who has continued to provide us with helpful daily prayers through the Prayer Diary online.

Also, to Rob South and the choir who have provided us with amazing hymns and singing during our online services. They practise individually and Rob collates everything into the wonderful music we hear each service.

We thank the editorial team for working 'behind the scenes' putting together our online services – Georgina Martin, Matthew Jenkins and Rev Elveen Mead and Rev Mark Tidey.

We thank especially Elveen and Mark for their inspiration, support during the pandemic. We have a plethora of talent across our team and we look forward to being able to involve everyone when it is safe to do so.

We pray that as we go forward in 2021, normality will return, and we will be able to meet regularly. We have still to welcome Rev Elveen Mead properly and we look forward to a celebration with everyone.

We have all learnt how to get through the pandemic with God's help, so let us continue to support and be a blessing to each other and our communities.

June Lewis and Richard Pfleger – Church Wardens

PCC Secretary's Report for the year 2020 - 2021.

It has been another extraordinary year with Covid shutdowns, when the churches were closed. We held PCC meetings in November 2020, also January, March and May 2021, but the May, and July 2020 meetings were cancelled due to the Covid Pandemic and we were also in the transition period.

During the time of transition and the Covid 19 virus Rev Mark Tidey held us all together as a united church, greatly assisted by members of our worship and ministry teams and many others.

The churches were closed in April during shutdown but have been open for prayer at specific times and dates from June, and one service at each of the 3 churches has been held on Sunday between July and the 5th November, when we went into shutdown again. We opened our churches again on Easter day 2021 with a Holy Communion service in each church, and have continued opening the churches each Sunday, wearing masks keeping our distances and refraining from singing as before. We have also had daily online services led by Mark and Elveen and online services recorded every Sunday for those who did not want to attend Church. Zoom house groups have continued throughout the Covid period, and the main Church administration work has been carried out electronically and online.

Richard Pflieger, June Lewis, and Richard Sansum continued an extra term as Churchwardens during the transition and agreed to continue until Elveen is settled and the next APCM meeting in 2021. David Horne and Ian Jones have been acting as Deputy Churchwardens and been a great support to the team as well.

During the transition we had meetings with the Archdeacon and were delighted when Elveen Mead agreed to join us as our Parish Priest for this Team. With her support the church is aiming for a stronger role in mission, giving special attention to South Marston and the new developments.

We have had good attendance at our PCC meetings. The meeting in September, and Elveen's first PCC meeting was held in the church rather than the hall to take account of social distancing, and we all wore masks. Rev Mark Tidey was given a well-deserved presentation in appreciation for his work during the transition and Covid shutdown. The November meeting was held on zoom, as were the January and March meetings.

Andrew Martin and Bill Kingdon decided to come off the PCC in October 2020, and we thank them for their contributions over the years. Andrew is still carrying on with the Electoral Roll, but Bill has handed the Health and Safety work over to Karl Glover now. Pat England has formally come onto the PCC.

The continued strength co-operation and love within this team has grown despite adversity and change, and many silver linings have come about. We hope to grow both spiritually and in number under Elveen's mantle, and to look for new ways for mission in our parishes.

Churchwardens:

Stratton: Richard Pflieger and June Lewis South Marston: Richard Sansum.

Joint PCC members:

David Horne, Ian Jones, Mark Whitfield, Dan Read, Christine Lyne, Pat England, Lisa Lodwick, Karl Glover, William Hiscocks, Dorinda Balchin, Diane Whitford, Mary Crichton.

Ros Mitchell PCC Secretary.

Music report for 2021 APCM

With such a strange, dystopian year it is not so difficult to find the highlight, which for me has to have been when we were able to get together with a small number of singers in Stanton church to rehearse and record most of the Christmas music. For an all too brief period leading up to Christmas we were also allowed live singing from choirs or worship leaders in services and I know that the Stanton congregation were able to make some good use of that too.

Having said that, recording music in advance for online services has afforded us some positive opportunities. We particularly enjoy being able to be more creative with choice of instruments and interpretation of words and being able sometimes to play and sing multiple parts at the same time! I hope that this has all helped to enhance the meaning of the words of some of our favourite hymns and songs for those listening at home. Technically it has been an interesting challenge too, and the Audacity recording software that we use for mixing is very flexible, allowing us to adjust tempo and pitch of all or some of the music, copy and paste and sometimes even correct mistakes and remove unwanted background noise. Also, we can adjust volume levels, add reverberation and even bring out a particular voice as a solo when the music warrants it – perhaps this has helped encourage those who would not normally sing a solo in church! We have tended to focus mainly on traditional hymns as they are familiar to a wide range of people and initially avoided licensing issues, as well as being easier to mix in four-part harmony, though we have had more flexibility in later months to include some more modern songs, most of which so far have been sung as solos or in smaller groups.

Many thanks to all who have helped diligently with the recordings, the main team being Rob and Angela, Anne, Sue, Alison, Ros and Kim, with a few other occasional visitors. Within the limits of practicality we would welcome others; mixing a large number of parts can be time consuming and uses a lot of computer resources but it is worth the trouble if we can involve others and keep them singing. Let us hope that we can take some of the new skills from this endeavour forward to enhance our face to face worship in the future, and I am sure there will be many other uses for an online library of music sung in an “authentic” way by familiar voices.

Rob South

Treasurer's Report – St Margaret's Church

A BIG thank you to all those who have continued to give while the Church has been closed. 2020 was a tough year financially as our outgoings remained the same but our income dropped significantly. We will therefore struggle to meet our commitments during 2021.

Thank you also to Georgina and Ian for their help in setting up the facility to give by card via the website.

The best way to give regularly to the Church is by Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) as there are no charges and it cuts down significantly on our administration burden. We now have 41 people who give an average of £16.50 per week through PGS. Another advantage is that you have the option of automatically increasing your gift every year by the rate of inflation. It would be great if more people could sign up to PGS during 2021.

Mark W

Swindon Deanery Synod

Deanery meetings are open to all, but only nominated Deanery representatives are allowed to vote. They are good opportunities to meet people from across the Swindon Deanery, to find out what other churches are doing, and to consider how we can gain from their bright ideas and expertise. We also get to hear about things within the wider Bristol Diocese.

In the Bristol Diocese there are seven deaneries, each led by an Area Dean.

For 2020, the Swindon Area Dean was Rev. Canon Raymond Adams.

There is also a Deanery Leadership Team (DLT), to which members are elected, who represent the Swindon Deanery at Diocese level.

Things discussed at Deanery Synod meetings are brought back to our PCCs at their next meeting.

A) Meeting on 7th July 2020, held by Zoom

- 1) Welcome message by Bishop Viv, thanking everyone for keeping communications flowing within their parishes. Basing her talk on Biblical teaching and saying that even in lockdown we can find ways of coming alongside those who are suffering.
- 2) Breakout group for prayer
- 3) Question and Answer Session with Archdeacon Christopher Bryan: Probably the biggest concern shared across the parishes was meeting their quota during this lockdown. We discussed ways of communicating during the current situation and while we need to treat this sensitively, we should be encouraging our congregations to join the Parish Giving Scheme
- 4) 2nd Small Breakout Group to discuss life in our parish: It was good to be able to share ideas, especially ways of coping and communicating during the pandemic. We discussed the anguish that some families are going through with the limited numbers at funerals. It was encouraging to know that we all have similar concerns.
- 5) Update on the new Vicar in Stratton Team Ministry: Archdeacon Christopher said that Revd Elveen Mead would be licensed on Friday 31st July at 9.30am via Zoom. "Not ideal but the sentiments would be real". Welcome, Elveen!
- 6) Uganda update: Rev Sally Robertson shared details of the response to the COVID 19 Appeal for Uganda.

"Thanks to the generosity of several churches and individuals within the Deanery we were able to send £2,140 to Luweero Diocese mainly to provide food for clergy and lay readers who rely on weekly collections at church services for their income. Also £1,070 to Kampala Diocese to help provide food for families in informal settlements (slums) where daily wages have been lost."

7) Archdeacon Christopher closed the meeting with a Prayer and the Grace.

B) Meeting on 9th Feb 2021, held by Zoom

1) Several elections were held:

- Lay Chair - David Cain was elected for another 3 year term.
- Our new Area Dean is Rev. Trudie Wigley.
- Chris Pope continues as Deanery Treasurer.

2) Deanery Leadership Team (DLT) - Rev. Mark Tidey was elected as a clergy member. This committee acts as a standing and pastoral committee for Deanery Synod. It holds a number of responsibilities, including the shaping and implementation of Diocesan strategy in the Deanery, advising on mission and pastoral organisation, and supporting parish health and sustainability.

3) Archdeacon's presentation – The Ven. Christopher Bryan introduced a new project by the Diocese of Bristol called “Transforming Church, Together”. The aim is to develop a new vision and set of priorities for the next few years, and they want ideas from everyone, both within and outside the Church. We want to work together to be a better, more responsive church; a force for good in our communities, while always looking to Christ and being grounded in Him. The plan is:

- Feb – April 2021 – ask for experiences and perceptions of church
- May – June - identify vision, values and priorities
- July - August – create strategic mission plan
- Sept – Oct – development of implementation and resourcing plans
- Nov - Dec 2021- apply to Church Commissioners for grant aid.

They are keen to get a wide variety of opinions, so they are encouraging everyone to look at the website and complete a short questionnaire:

<https://www.bristol.anglican.org/transformingchurch/jointheconversation/>
Diocese of Bristol | Join the conversation.

“Transforming Church, Together” will begin with conversations – with communities, congregations, clergy, church leaders, and staff. Between February and April 2021, we will start talking with and listening to lots of different people, both within and outside the church.

www.bristol.anglican.org

4) We also had times of reflection based on “Psalms of Lament” and Mark 6:30-52 (Jesus takes the disciples by boat to a deserted place to rest, then feeds the 5,000. Then Jesus calms a storm)

Summary – Jesus is in control, and has compassion for all, so don't be afraid!

by Lisa Lodwick and June Lewis

Safeguarding Report for the APCM April 2021

It has been a difficult year for everyone but safeguarding continues.

Since the last report in October 2020, Mary and Mike Boshier, Joint Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSOs), have been keeping a close eye on all aspects of safeguarding for the Parishes of St Margaret's Stratton, St Leonards Stanton, St Mary Magdalene South Marston and Coleview. Ably assisting us are the 'eyes and ears' in the parishes, Chris and Anne Pope for Stanton and Mary Crichton for South Marston. The 'eyes and ears' are the close personal local contact in the churches who can pass safeguarding concerns onto us. We thank them for their vigilance.

We have been keeping all members of the two PCCs current with their DBS certificates. There are a number that need renewal during this year. It is a diocesan requirement that all members of a PCC have a current and valid DBS certificate and has undertaken Safeguarding training at C0 and Foundation Level training

A Safeguarding Report is presented to every PCC meeting for both the Stratton and South Marston PCC and the Stanton Fitzwarren PCC to keep all members up to date with safeguarding developments and information.

Safeguarding training has been undertaken by Zoom in the Ministry this year. A very successful Safer Recruiting course was held in January for 17 members of the Stratton Team Ministry and it will be used by the Diocese as a template for training further afield in the Diocese of Bristol.

Zoom training at C0 and Foundation level has also been undertaken by 40 people in the parishes. These are two interesting courses which are quite challenging but well within the capabilities of everyone. They are presented in an interesting and innovative way and are open to anyone in the parishes who would like to be further informed about Safeguarding. Please contact Mike or Mary for access to them.

The thrust of our work continues to ensure that all members of all the churches are safe to worship and go about their church business without risk. To that end, Mike and Mary would ask every member of every church, both leaders and congregation, to recognise their personal responsibility in making Safeguarding their concern. There is no option to leave a concern to someone else. If there is an identified issue, it must be passed on to the PSOs to be investigated and acted upon as a matter of urgency. "If you see something, say something" should be a point of action for everybody.

Mary and I would ask all of you to observe and exercise an attitude of informed vigilance. In that way, everyone will be as safe as possible. If you have a cause for concern no matter how trivial you think it might be, please talk to the 'eyes and ears' in your church or contact the PSOs Mike or Mary via the parish web site email address or call on 07799835437.

**Mike and Mary Boshier
Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSOs) April 2021**

Report for the Social Committee 2020 – 2021

Although due to the pandemic there was no official fundraising during the year there have been some monies which are shown in the Accounts as Fundraising.

This includes the monies raised by Richard and his wonderful Potting Shed, which he managed to keep running through the difficult summer of 2020, raising the amount of £445 which under the circumstances was brilliant.

We also have in lieu of Christmas Cards £38 and from Saturday Scene £16, making a total of £499. Although the Social Committee had nothing to do with this fundraising we felt it should be acknowledged, hence this report.

**Carole Horne
Committee Member.**

5th Swindon Boys Brigade.

We had our last 'proper' Boys Brigade evening, with all sections meeting, a year ago. We went into lockdown, unsure of what the year would bring.

Boys Brigade HQ have been doing an amazing job, within weeks we had programme resources online and hashtag BBathome, so parents and Boys could carry on activities. We started face-to-face meetings again at the Centre in October, following strict safety guidelines. I would like to thank Richard and June for their support with this. We stopped in November and managed a couple of meetings before Christmas. As we could only use the large hall, Anchor Boys and Junior Section met alternate weeks.

Some Boys were shielding at home, so regular emails were sent to parents with activities, or posted to those not online.

The Gloucestershire Battalion received a grant from the Gloucestershire Community Foundation. This allowed us to put together an activity bag for every member, with craft items, toy, flower seeds and pot and an Easter egg. Thanks to Josh and Adam for driving around and delivering them to the Boys.

We hope that as lockdown eases, we will be able to resume face-to-face meetings again, to see Boys that we have not seen for over a year and that all the Boys will want to return.

We have a date in July for Battalion summer Company camp, we hope that permission will be given for this to go ahead.

Teresa Darglish.

Residential and Care Home Visiting Report

1) Grange Drive Home Group

Due to the various restrictions, we've not been able to meet as a group since March 2020. We've tried to stay in touch on an individual basis, but have missed the fellowship we used to have. Very much hoping we'll be able to start meeting again in the summer, if all goes well.

2) Herbert Harvey Court

We've not been able to have our usual monthly services since March 2020, and they've been much missed. We've stayed in contact by phone, cards, and social media, and when allowed, Lisa has been visiting some of the residents and chatting with them on

their doorsteps. Very sadly, a couple of our regulars have died, and several others have seen their health deteriorate. In a few instances, I've been allowed to go in to pray with individuals (while wearing PPE etc), and that's been a real privilege, even if rather sad. We remain hopeful that we will be able to meet up in a group again soon, probably as just a small informal gathering in the garden initially, but hopefully we will eventually be able to resume the communion services.

Lisa Lodwick

Saturday Scene

Saturday Scene, unfortunately, but not surprisingly, has not been able to meet since February 2020 but we have tried to keep in touch with our families through emails and our Facebook page. Various things have been sent to them such as recorded stories, crafts to make, information on our church services and Advent windows, and since January this year they have been sent the link to the Messy Church downloadable 'At Home' series each month with ideas to do at home on a certain theme.

The team of helpers did meet in October to plan the Christingle, making plans to do this outside and send them home with a goody bag so that they could make the Christingle at home – however, just after the meeting we went into the 2nd lockdown and our plans had to be scrapped.

We also sent out a questionnaire to them asking them what they would like from us, but unfortunately, only 4 families responded so it didn't help us at all. We are now looking to the future with the hope of getting going again in some way in September. As our families are all now a year older, we may find that we may have old and new families attending.

As always, we would love to have more people on the helpers list – it's always good to spread the load.

Kate Mitchell
Saturday Scene coordinator

Stratton ST Margaret with South Marston

Electoral Roll Report for APCM May 2021

Previous numbers on roll (October 2020) 110

Present numbers (after revision, 30 April 2021) 108

Reconciliation:

Add 2 new members	+2
Subtract 2 moved away	-2
Subtract 2 deceased	-2 (Mary Kent, David Partridge)
Nett loss	-2

Andrew Martin
Electoral Roll Officer

Evening Fellowship Group Annual Report for 2020

This has been a vastly different and strange year!

We only managed to have two meetings before we went into lockdown!

We had a very interesting talk with a PowerPoint presentation from Bill entitled 'A Simple Country Boy' about his life growing up.

We also had a very informative talk from Zoe Smith about 'What it means to be Jewish.'

Then everything that we had planned was put on hold!

Fortunately, all our members seemed to have kept well during this time.

We hope to have some sort of get together this summer, perhaps outside, when the weather is warmer.

At this time, I'm not sure when 'normal' meetings can be resumed, but I will continue to keep in touch with everyone and keep them informed.

Take care and watch this space!

Anne Pope

St Margaret's Flower Arrangers

We have tried to maintain arranging flowers for the main events in the churches calendar during the covid lockdown arranging flowers when we were able to be in church with a staggered time for arrangers and a more confined arrangements due to people isolating. Hopefully we will be able to get back to normal shortly. Thank you to all those who have been able to help during this difficult time.

Richard Pflieger

St Margaret's Church Building Committee

We have been pushing on slowly with the re-ordering project following the Quinquennial Inspection, also arranging the DAC from Bristol to look over the possible alterations we have been investigating. The bells tower has been highlighted to be the first phase of work for the rehangng of the bells, which was stated in a bequest by the late John Cornwall.

We have received quotes from various bell companies, and have chosen Martin Higby Bell Company to carry out the work on the bells. We are also working though the required Faculty and looking for quotations for other works to the tower which relate to the quinquennial report.

Richard Pflieger

St Margaret's Pre-School Annual Report

St Margaret's Pre-School continues to offer affordable childcare within the heart of the Stratton community. We are based within the St Margaret's Centre and open Monday to Friday. We have spaces for children aged 3-4 years old and limited spaces for 2-year-olds. We encourage the children to enjoy a range of activities following the Birth to Five Curriculum.

We have continued to remain open during the pandemic and watched our children enjoy day to day activities which have progressed their development whilst trying to keep life as normal as possible for them!

From All the staff at St Margaret's Pre-School.

[Annual Report from Stratton St Margaret's Baby & Toddler Group](#)

Stratton St Margaret's Baby and Toddler Group meet in the St Margaret's Centre, on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 10.00am until 11.30am. Providing a small meeting place for local parents and carers to socialise and bring their little ones to play, the group caters for children aged from Birth up to school age. A home corner, cars, tent and tunnel, dolls, books, puzzles and a baby corner are regularly on offer and the children have enjoyed a variety of crafts each week with activities such as play dough, painting, colouring and making cards and models.

The group has been in some form of existence for over 30 years with new parents taking over the running of the group when children start school. The children have the opportunity to socialise, learn to share and make new friendships. The parent/carers benefit too. The group can be a good way to integrate into your community.

Approximately 15 - 25 children attend each session, at the group parents/carers stay with their children, and are responsible for them at all times. We charge just £2 per family for the session; this money goes towards the cost of renting the hall, providing refreshments for the adults and, healthy snacks, crafts and toys for the children.

This past year has been very different, we have been able to open to limited numbers. The numbers had to be controlled via a booking system. The need and demand for the group has increased considerably in the last year. Added tasks of writing risk assessments and reading up to date legislation from community groups, church, education and catering.

**Georgina Martin,
Volunteer Mum**

The Parish of Stratton Saint Margaret with South Marston

Financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

General Funds Receipts & Payments Account

		2020	2019
	Notes	£	£
Receipts			
Voluntary receipts	1	74,015	85,880
Receipts from activities for generating funds	2	830	3,151
Receipts from Church activities - fees		<u>2,239</u>	<u>4,546</u>
		77,084	93,577
Payments			
Grants	3	472	1,600
Church activities		82,432	80,045
Church management and administration		<u>9,013</u>	<u>7,040</u>
		91,917	88,685
Excess of Payments over Receipts		14,833	0
Excess of Receipts over Payments		0	4,892
Bank current and deposit accounts 1 January		<u>27,757</u>	<u>22,861</u>
Bank current and deposit accounts 31 December		<u>12,924</u>	<u>27,757</u>

The Parish of Stratton Saint Margaret with South Marston

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

Designated & Restricted Funds

St. Margaret's Church

	Designated Funds		Restricted Funds							Totals
	Rector's Discretion Fund	Building Fund	Sound System	Day Window	Restoration Fund	Flower Fund	Choir Fund	Organ Fund	John Cornwell Legacy	
Interest	0	12	6	1	81	3	5	18	1,035	1,161
Receipts	0	0	82	0	2,335	105	0	0	12	2,534
	0	12	88	1	2,416	108	5	18	1,047	3,695
Payments	0	0	0	0	9,241	0	0	0	8 592	17,833
	0	12	88	1	-6,825	108	5	18	-7,545	-14,138
Balance 1 January 2020	200	5,396	2,734	285	42,838	1,138	2,385	7,922	238,404	301,302
Balance 31 December 2020	200	5,408	2,822	286	36,013	1,246	2,390	7,940	230,859	287,164

St. Mary Magdalene Church

	Restricted Funds		
	Fabric Fund	Bell Fund	
Interest	0	2	2
Receipts	0	12	12
	0	14	14
Payments	0	10	10
	0	4	4
Balance 1 January 2020	730	3,078	3,808
Balance 31 December 2020	730	3,082	3,812

The Parish of Stratton Saint Margaret with South Marston

Financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 December 2020

Monetary Assets

				Totals	Totals
				2020	2019
				£	£
	General	Designated Restricted			
	Funds	Funds	Funds		
	£	£	£		
Bank current accounts	12,849	5,608	8,015	26,472	56,541
Bank deposit accounts			2,668	2,668	2,666
Central Board of Finance			274,685	274,685	273,524
Cash in Hand	75			75	136
	12,924	5,608	285,368	303,900	332,867

Debtors

income Tax reclaim	5,150	5,530
Team expenses	225	225
Advertising in magazine	90	90
Fees	146	174.
Value Added Tax	1,432	0
Gas	721	800
Electric	0	135
	7,764	6,954

Creditors

Door mat hire	216	205
Hire of village hall	0	52
Electricity	15	0
Water	65	0
	296	257

Stocks	168	250
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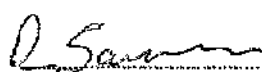
The financial statements include £5,502 paid to Mrs Pat England the Parish Administrator who is a member of the PCC.

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the

Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 9th March 2021 and signed on its behalf by


Rev'd Elven Mead


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The Parish of Stratton Saint Margaret with South Marston

Financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

Notes to the General Fund Receipts & Payments Account

	2020	2019
1) Voluntary receipts		
Gift Aid planned giving	44,831	49,262
Non-Gift Aid planned giving	8,957	7,781
Collections & other giving	3,072	8,003
Income Tax recovered	14,681	15,776
Thrift Club donations	1,025	2,803
Sundry donations	1,449	2,255
	<u>74,015</u>	<u>85,880</u>
2) Receipts from activities for generating funds		
Fund raising activities	639	2,753
Sale of magazines	191	398
	<u>830</u>	<u>3,151</u>
3) Grants		
Church overseas	282	730
Home missions	180	845
Secular charities	10	25
	<u>472</u>	<u>1,600</u>
4) Church activities		
Diocesan parish share	66,680	65,112
Church running expenses	4,603	4,563
Church maintenance	958	127
Insurance	3,920	4,104
Cost of services	1,163	1,531
Young families work	77	781
Team expenses	<u>4,711</u>	<u>3,210</u>
Fund raising & publicity	320	617
	<u>82,432</u>	<u>80,045</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF STRATTON SAINT MARGARET WITH SOUTH MARSTON
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Stratton Saint Margaret with South Marston Parochial Church Council (the PCC) for the year ended 31st December 2020.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity trustees of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

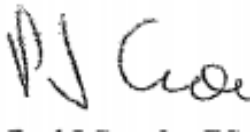
I report in respect of my examination of the PCC's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect :

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the PCC as required by section 130 of the Act ; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records.

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



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11 March 2021