ST MARY MAGDALENE, ASHTON-ON-MERSEY with Sale West Community Church

TREASURER'S REPORT 2019

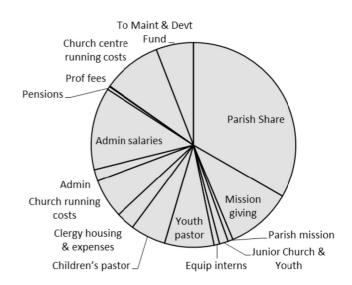
HIGHLIGHTS

Thank you to all of those who contribute so generously to the life and work of our two churches. The majority of our income comes from regular stewardship giving, which reminds me of Paul's instruction to the church in Corinth, "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income" (1 Corinthians 16:2). Thank you for your faithfulness to God and his work which is enabling the growth and spread of the Gospel both here in Sale and around the world.

Summary of Receipts

Bookstall & Service fees Lunch Fellowship Admin charges Church Country Country Cash collections Giving gross of tax Gift Aid Tax Claim

Summary of Payments



GENERAL FUND (we pay all the regular running costs from this fund)

We saw a reduction in regular stewardship giving. This was offset by an increase in cash collections and one-off donations.

The stewardship giving we receive funds ministry in many areas throughout the year. Our primary expense is salaries, including our two vicars through the Parish Share. The staff minister directly, lead, train and support the many volunteers involved in our church, and direct the church in new initiatives. In 2019 we developed our discipleship strategy and introduced a new welcome for newcomers at the 9:30 am service.

Items of expenditure which show a significant change are:

- We delayed our usual donation of £7,000 to Sale West Community Urban Trust to 2020.
- The church centre made a surplus of £12,529 in 2019, compared with £6,222 in 2018. Part of this was due to the high gas and electricity bills in 2018.

Our Christmas Market was, once again, a resounding success and achieved a total of over £9,000 to give to the many represented Christian mission charities.

MAINTENANCE & DEVELOPMENT FUND (used to pay one-off major repairs and improvements)

This year we were able to transfer £22,338 to the Maintenance & Development Fund. We aim to set aside at least £20,000 each year from our regular income as provision for the maintenance and development of our buildings and equipment.

Spending was less than normal during the year. We refurbished the Ascot Avenue clergy house and renewed some white goods on the change of tenancy which occurred during the year. Part of the legacy from Edith Bosson was used to purchase equipment to improve our welcome for newcomers at the 9:30am service.

At the end of 2019 the balance in this fund covered 3.3 months of our regular outgoings (compared to 1.9 months at the end of 2018). We consider this to be a reasonable level of reserves.

CHURCH RE-ORDERING FUND

We installed curtains and did some sound and vision work, and then closed this fund as the re-ordering is complete. The remaining balance of £9,030 was transferred to the Maintenance and Development Fund. This amount was part of the VAT refund that we received on the work, and therefore could be transferred without restriction.

OTHER FUNDS

We use separate funds for Butterflies Pre School Group, Café, Caterpillars, Off Limits, Flowers and the Social Fund. These funds are not included in the accounts below, but they are included in the statutory accounts on pages 10 and 11.

DETAILS OF GIVING OUTSIDE THE PARISH 2019

We give 10% of the Christian stewardship received the previous year to our mission partners and charities. (This is 10% of Planned giving, Reclaimed Income Tax on Gift Aid, Giving received gross of Income Tax and Cash collections)

Proceeds of fundraising events held for mission charities (e.g. Christmas Market) are in addition to this list.

	<u>2019 £</u>	<u>2018 £</u>
Church Mission Society	1,400	1,200
Overseas Missionary Fellowship (Tim & Miho Walker)	1,900	1,800
Overseas Missionary Fellowship (David & Mary Robinson)	700	700
Operation Mobilisation (Simon & Sue Yeomans)	4,400	4,300
Open Doors	1,400	1,300
Philippines Outreach Centre	2,500	2,300
Armonia	650	650
Wycliffe Bible Translators (Dan & Rachel King, Tanzania)	1,400	1,200
Langham Trust	400	400
A Rocha UK – Christian conservation organisation	200	200
Acts – Education in Africa, Burundi School	1,400	1,000
FEBA – Arab world gospel radio	200	100
Tearfund	200	200
Boaz Trust	1,400	1,100
Church Urban Fund	150	150
Redeeming our Communities	240	240
Bible Society	1,400	1,200
Church Pastoral Aid Society	1,200	1,200
Universities & Colleges Christian Fellowship	500	400
Trafford South Foodbank	360	360
Chester Clergy Families Trust	400	400
St Luke's Hospital	100	<i>75</i>
Trafford Youth for Christ	3,800	3,600
Fusion	500	400
Nations Discipleship Enterprise	100	100
Churches Together in Sale	50	50
Evangelical Alliance	150	150
Sale West Community Urban Trust	-	2,479
Stewardship	70	-
Embassy bus (Salford)	150	-
Hope for Justice	1,655	-
Robert Macaluso (Youth for Christ Italy)	850	-
	£29,825	£27,254
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The accounts below are extracts from the full statutory accounts, which comply with the rules laid down in the Charities Act 2011. The full accounts are available on our web site *stmarysaom.org* - Login, About Us, Financial Reports. They are also available from the church office and at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

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