

**St Columb PCC**

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING  
REPORT & ACCOUNTS**

for the year ended 31st December 2022

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## Introduction



*Dear God  
We come to you,  
asking for wisdom and support.  
May everything we do  
Begin with your inspiration  
And continue with your help.  
**Amen***

Every Church of England church has the same aim: 'To promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical'.

St Columb Church is part of the Pydar Deanery in the Diocese of Truro and one of the five parishes in the Benefice of Lann Pydar, the others being St Enoder, St Ervan, St Eval and St Mawgan.

St Columb Church holds a warm welcome to all.

## Annual Meetings

### Annual Parish Meeting 2023 Agenda

to be held in the Church on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 following the Morning Service.

1. Welcome and Prayer
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the 2022 Vestry Meeting
4. Election of Churchwardens

### Minutes of the 2022 Annual Parish Meeting

on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 12:30pm in St Columb Church

**Present:** Revd. Helen Baber (Rector), Peter Deakin, Dave Goodwin, Lynn Jenkin, Jil Merrifield, Margaret Miles (Treasurer), Sheila Neal, Felicity Penneycard, Sue Rabey, Paul Rodwell, Phil Tremain (Vice Chair), Denise Tremain (Secretary) Anne Walker, Ann Warren, Celia Webber

Agenda Item		Action
1	<b>Welcome and Prayer</b> – Revd. Helen Baber	
2	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Brevan Miles, Tamin Nash, Peter Penneycard	
3	<b>Minutes of the 2021 Parish Meeting with Matters arising</b>  There were no matters arising. Peter D proposed & Margaret seconded that these were a correct record. All agreed.	
4	<b>Election of Churchwardens</b>  No nominations had been received. Thanks were recorded to Colin for all the work he had done over a number of years. Position of responsibility will fall to the PCC and its' Standing Cttee in the absence of a Churchwarden. Members were asked to give the vacancy some prayerful thought.	
<b>The Meeting closed at 12:45 pm</b>		

Signed ..... (Chairperson)

Date: .....

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) 2023 Agenda

to be held in the Church on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 after the Annual Parish Meeting.

1. Welcome and Prayer
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the 2022 APCM
4. Annual Report and Accounts
5. Electoral Roll Report
6. Appointment of Deanery Synod Representatives
7. Election of lay members to the PCC
8. Election of sides persons
9. Appointment of the Independent Examiner
10. Approval of LannPydar Joint Council scheme
11. Any Other Business
12. Date of the next APCM/ PCC Meeting

### Minutes of the 2022 APCM on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 12:45pm in St Columb Church

**Present:** Revd. Helen Baber (Rector), Peter Deakin, Dave Goodwin, Lynn Jenkin, Jil Merrifield, Margaret Miles (Treasurer), Sheila Neal, Felicity Penneycard, Sue Rabey, Phil Tremain (Vice Chair), Denise Tremain (Secretary) Anne Walker, Ann Warren, Celia Webber.

Agenda Item		Action
1	<b>Introduction</b>	
2	<b>Apologies</b> Brevan Miles, Tamsin Nash, Peter Penneycard	
3	<b>Minutes of the 2021 APCM with Matters arising</b> There being no matters arising, it was proposed by Celia & seconded by Peter D that these are recorded as a correct record. All agreed.	
4	<b>Annual Report &amp; Accounts</b> Helen led the meeting through the main Report headings. Thanks were expressed to Celia for her work as Treasurer over the past 11 years and a very warm welcome to Margaret, who took over the role in January 2022. Helen expressed thanks to everyone who is involved in whatever way in making St Columb Church the church that it is today: vibrant, welcoming, full of energy and a place well loved. There were no comments or questions.	
5	<b>Electoral Roll Report</b> As shown in the Annual Report the Electoral Roll stood at 61. A copy of the new roll has been posted on the church noticeboard.	

<b>6</b>	<p><b>Election of Deanery Synod Representatives</b></p> <p>Anne Walker and Margaret Miles continue as Deanery reps. Helen explained the importance and value of this role especially with the implementation of the new Deanery 'On the way' process. We continue with one vacancy.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Election of Lay members to the PCC</b></p> <p>The PCC members for 2022/23 are:</p> <p><i>Ex-Officio:</i> Revd. Helen Baber , Phil Tremain (<i>Lay Reader</i>).</p> <p>Margaret Miles and Anne Walker (<i>Deanery Synod Reps to 2024</i>), were both confirmed as PCC members.</p> <p><i>Re-elected until 2024:</i> Peter Deakin, Lyn Jenkin.</p> <p><i>Re-elected until 2025:</i> Dave Goodwin, Denise Tremain, Tamsin Nash, Felicity Penneycard, Celia Webber.</p> <p>No resignations or further nominations had been received. Thanks were expressed to all members for their valued help and support.</p> <p>We now have our maximum of elected members (9) but can co-opt further members at any time.</p>	
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Appointment of Sidespersons</b></p> <p>Helen thanked Peter D &amp; Janet Maule for keeping the church running as sidespersons throughout another difficult year. Peter and Jan will continue to fulfil this role currently with a view to extending it further in the future. Proposed by Anne, seconded by Denise. All agreed.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Appointment of the Independent Examiner</b></p> <p>It was proposed by Celia and seconded by Margaret that Peter Penneycard should continue in this role for 2022/23. All agreed and thanks were expressed from the meeting for the work Peter does.</p>	
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Helen mentioned that post lockdown, some churches experienced a somewhat low mojo but St Columb Church is just full of life and energy and a great place to be. This is thanks to all who take part in its' life from worship to behind the scenes, in fact, anyone who walks through the door. St Columb celebrates the life of the church.</p>	
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Date of the next APCM/PCC Meeting</b></p> <p>APCM – to be agreed at a later date.</p> <p>Next PCC Mtg – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7:00pm at The Rectory.</p>	
<b>12</b>	<p><b>The meeting closed with a prayer at 1:30pm</b></p> <p>With thanks to Helen and the Worship team for leading and supporting us through the year.</p>	

Signed ..... (Chairperson)

Date: .....

## Annual Accounts

### Treasurer's Report

#### **No 1 Account: £5,353.32**

We have received a thank you letter from Royal British Legion for the £97.05 donation from the Remembrance Day Service.

We have received an anonymous cash donation of £105.13 to cover the Foodbank's half of the Tepe box and internet in 2022 and have been advised that a further amount (£60) will be received in May to cover the 2023 amount.

Our MMF for 2023 has been set as £11,958, but this may yet change as there is debate regarding the use of LICF monies in Chapter, and I think this will be raised at Deanery Synod. This figure may therefore increase.

#### **No 2 Account: £19,242.75**

Since our last meeting, payments erroneously made by creditors (Town and Country subs and adverts) into the No 2 Account, totalling £135, have been transferred into the No 1 Account. We received a total of £132.04 from the Memory Tree Giving of which half (£66.02) was sent to Shelterbox as agreed. We have received a thank you letter from Shelterbox for this donation.

### **2022 Accounts**

The 2022 Accounts were given to Peter Penneycard on 1 February 2023, for scrutiny. Peter stated in his email of 20 February 2022 "Further to our discussion this afternoon, we agreed that the value of the Fabric Reserve Investment Fund should be as quoted by CCLA, £165,695.83 and that you will amend the Financial Statements accordingly. Having done so, if the PCC approves the Financial Statements with no other amendments, I am happy to sign a "clean' opinion. Please let me have a signed copy and I will issue the Independent Examiner's Report."

The figure Peter quotes in his email is on the June 2022 Statement of Account. At our meeting I believe we agreed to include the figure from the December 2022 Statement of Account and so I have queried Peter's figure by email. The accounts provided here use the December 2022 Statement of Account figure.

Peter Penneycard has indicated that he would be happy to continue as Independent Examiner for the 2023 Accounts subject to agreement by the PCC.

In 2022 we paid £5,500 of our MMF bill of £13,958 (just less than 40%).

In December I applied for an Energy Costs Grant from the Diocese. We received £2,105 made up of a basic payment (£500) and an additional amount (£1,605) based on energy use (average of 2018-2021 Return of Parish Finance figures). This was received into our account in very late December.

While compiling the 2022 accounts I realised that I had made an error and paid Phil Tremain twice for the VOXI internet in April 2022 (an overpayment of £20). This will be rectified when Phil invoices us for the 2023 VOXI internet.

At the Benefice Meeting on 22 November 2022 I requested that our overpayment of £1,280 towards the Benefice Admin was returned before the end of the 2022 Financial Year. This didn't happen and I am chasing this with Peter Penneycard. I had kept the debit amount the same as each meeting we are being asked to increase the amount we put in, but so far we have not agreed to do this. I expect we will have to increase what we give to the Benefice due to rising costs and the arrival of a new Curate in June.



## Financial Statement for the year ended 31st December 2022

### General Fund Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Incoming Resources</b>				
<b>Voluntary Income</b>				
Tax efficient planned giving	£3,735.90		£4,543.20	
Other planned giving	£1,055.00		£429.00	
Other collections at services	£2,788.30		£3,251.18	
All other recurring giving/donations			£3,905.22	
All non-recurring giving/donations (inc Special Appeals)	£1,417.04			
All tax recovered through Gift Aid	£1,240.35		£1,954.10	
Legacies received (capital value)				
Recurring grants (paid in more than one financial year)				
Non-recurring or one-off grants	£2,105.00	<b>£12,341.59</b>		<b>£14,082.70</b>
<b>Activities for Generating Funds</b>				
Gross income from fundraising activities			£940.00	<b>£940.00</b>
<b>Income from Investments</b>				
Dividends	£5,705.44		£5,517.90	
Interest				
Income from property	£850.00	<b>£6,555.44</b>	£1,040.00	<b>£6,557.90</b>
<b>Church Activities</b>				
Statutory Fees retained by the PCC (baptisms, weddings, funerals etc)	£2,481.00		£1,779.00	
Book stall and magazines	£2,556.50		£2,811.90	
Hall lettings				
Income from other church activities	£450.00	<b>£5,487.50</b>	£20.00	<b>£4,610.90</b>
<b>Other Incoming Resources</b>		<b>£117.08</b>		<b>£47.08</b>
<b>Transfer from Other Funds</b>				<b>£5,119.20</b>
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>£24,501.61</b>		<b>£31,357.78</b>

**Payments****Cost of Generating Funds****All Mission Giving and Charitable Grants and Donations****£97.05****Church Activities**

Parish Share paid to Diocese (MMF)

£5,500.00

£13,500.00

Salaries/Honoraria (youth worker, organist, admin etc)

Expenses (clergy and staff)

£23.78

£3,480.00

Mission and Evangelism costs

£137.00

**£5,660.78**

£165.00

**£17,145.00****Regular Church Running Costs**

Insurance

£4,457.01

£4,197.13

Cleaning

Admin costs

£3,544.73

£35.00

Maintenance

£972.38

£431.99

Upkeep of service

£208.35

£625.46

Upkeep of churchyard

**£9,182.47****£5,289.58****Church Utility Bills**

Gas/oil

£4,206.46

£341.71

Electric

£1,627.83

£239.95

Water

£245.87

£221.41

Internet

£230.27

**£6,310.43****£803.07****Cost of Trading (magazines, hall, bookstall etc)****£1,495.72****£1,400.16****Car Park/Allotments****£224.00****£155.00****Major Capital Expenditure**

Major repairs to the church building inc redecoration

Major repairs to church hall or other PCC property inc redecoration

**Transfer to Other Funds****£6,464.20****Total Payments****£22,970.45****£31,257.01****Excess of Receipts over payments**

£1,531.16

£100.77

Bank No1 Account as at 1st January 2022

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£2,560.01

£2,459.24

**Bank No1 Account as at 31st December 2022 ...****£4,091.17****£2,560.01**

Signed:



Dated:

14<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**Other Accounts and Funds Held**Barclays No2 Account

Restricted and Designated Funds  
Account number: 03993469

	£	£
Balance as at 1st January 2022		£19,686.78
<b>Receipts</b>		
Donations Received	£156.38	
Fundraising Receipts	£782.98	
Income in error (magazine receipts)	£130.00	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>£1,069.36</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Rewiring Project	£960.00	
Donations Given	£357.37	
Correction (magazine receipts moved to No1 Account)	£130.00	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>£1,447.37</b>
<b>Balance as at 31st December 2022</b>		<b>£19,308.77</b>

Cambridge & Counties Bank

30 day notice Business Savings Account  
Account number: 82346077

Balance as at 1st January 2022		£3,496.75
<b>Receipts</b>		
Interest	£3.49	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>£3.49</b>
<b>Balance as at 31st December 2022</b>		<b>£3,500.24</b>

Fabric Reserve Investment Fund

CBF Church of England Investment Fund - Income Shares  
CBF 639061001S

Value as at 1st January 2022		£187,166.59
<b>Value as at 31st December 2022</b>		<b>£165,133.97</b>

*N.B.: Income paid into the Fabric Reserve Deposit Fund.*

*Value uses value per share based on bid price at nearest trading date to 31st December 2022.*

**Fabric Reserve Deposit Fund**

CBF Church of England Deposit Fund  
CBF 639061001D - Reserve Fund

Balance as at 1st January 2022 £24,762.31

**Receipts**

		£4,911.33
Income (from CBF 639061001S)		
Interest		£367.62
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>£5,278.95</b>

Balance as at 31st December 2022 **£30,041.26**

**Petty Cash**

No Petty Cash held.

**Trust Funds Administered by the Diocese**

Balance at		31 <sup>st</sup> December 2022	31st December 2021
Hammond (C0029)	Cash	£3,009.64	£3,009.64
Hammond (Sale of Trevean) (C0035)	CBF Inv	£141,463.23	£160,242.86
Plot, Higher East Street, sale proceeds (C0036)	CBF Inv	£50,227.76	£56,895.63
Maintenance 1997 Fund (C0044)	CBF Inv	£26,459.17	£29,971.69

Signed:



Dated: 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023

## Independent Examiner's Report

### Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Columb Major, Cornwall

This report relates to the Funds of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022 and which are set out in the attached statements and may be identified as follows:

<b>General Fund:</b>	£
Receipts during y/e 31 December 2022	24,501.61
Payments during y/e 31 December 2022	22,970.45
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Excess of Receipts over Payments	1,531.16
Cash at bank 31 December 2022	
Current account	4,091.17
Current A/c No 2 (Restricted)	19,308.77
Petty cash	-
<b>Unrestricted reserve fund</b>	
Funds held at 1 January 2022	3,466.75
Interest income	3.49
Withdrawals	-
Funds held at 31 December 2022	3,500.24
<b>Fabric Reserve Investment Account</b>	
Value of funds held at 31 December 2022	165,627.00
<b>Fabric Reserve Deposit Fund</b>	
Funds held at 1 January 2022	24,762.31
Income from investment account	4,911.33
Interest received	367.62
Withdrawals	-
Funds held at 31 December 2022	30,041.26

The report is in respect of an examination carried out under the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

#### Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the Examiner

As members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that an audit requirement of section 144 of the Act does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine those accounts in accordance with the terms of the Regulations and laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. that gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and meet the requirements of the Act and Regulationshave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



PK Penneycard BA FCA  
12 April, 2023

Glebe House  
Market Place  
St Columb Major

## Annual Church Report

I ended last year's report by quoting Philippians chapter four verse three: "I can do all this through him who gives me strength." The Holy Spirit is most definitely at work among us, we could not be doing what we do alone. So pray for the way forward for our Benefice, for God's Kingdom here in Lann Pydar and for our continued growth, leadership and generosity.

The Holy Spirit has most definitely been at work among us during 2022. The past 12 months has been full of growth, new leadership, and generosity, as well as ups and downs. The past year has also been marked by our return to a more operationally normal environment. We have settled into a slightly different rhythm of services, our ministry team is very much established and has begun to meet together to support each other, of course we also said goodbye to Tess our beloved curate and celebrated her move to pastures new. Our Deanery plan was approved, and we await the implementation of our On The Way strategic plan.

We continue to enjoy a healthy number of occasional services and rise to the challenge of parishes under pressure in some places.

As a Benefice we are really beginning to work together and support each other. This year we have an elected committee, that are able to make decisions on behalf of the parishes in the Benefice. They make decisions about ministry, mission and the administration in a Benefice wide capacity, and we hope that in 2023, we will officially become a United Benefice offering even more support and security to all our parishes.

As we have expanded into a five parish, seven centre Benefice, my role has had to adapt even more to an oversight role across the Benefice, thankfully, this is possible because we have established churchwardens and leaders able and willing to make decisions at parish level, and these people are well supported by PCC's and volunteers. As your rector, I recognise that I can no longer be a rector to the Benefice and a parish priest to each individual church, and there are parts of the job I have had to sacrifice to be able to do this effectively, home visiting and follow up pastoral care being the main area. So in this report, I would like to thank all our leaders, churchwardens, PCC members, and volunteers for all they do for the Kingdom of God here in LannPydar Benefice to ensure the ministry of the Benefice continues at parish level.

There is always a huge demand put on all our volunteers in the current climate to ensure that they work safely and protect those they are working with and visiting. Here in LannPydar we take safeguarding seriously and again, I would like to thank our volunteers for ensuring their training is up to date. As we move forward into 2023, we plan to increase the awareness of our role in the Safeguarding and care of all Gods people.

So I'm going to look back at the past year, and hopefully raise an eyebrow or two! Sometimes, as regular church attenders, we forget all those who attend church occasionally, for baptisms, weddings, and funerals. This year with the support of volunteers and our retired clergy and readers, we have presided at 16 weddings, 22 baptisms, and 41 funeral related services. Now, if you average the amount of attendees at these services, then approx. 4600 people have attended our churches and services outside of Sunday worship, and this doesn't include all the extra services at Easter, Harvest and Christmas! Add in the school services, assemblies and Open the Book, and we are probably nearer 6000! This is hugely significant, but many who attend traditional Sunday worship may not even realise how many walk through our doors, attend an act of worship and put money in our collection plate. Volunteers are always needed to welcome at these services, so please do let us know if you would like to volunteer.

Our churches continue to remain open during the day, and again this is thanks to our volunteers. We have so many visitors, please do look in the visitors book, sometimes the comments are certainly worth reading. We have returned to flower festivals, fund raising events, and Benefice services including monthly Messy Church which is well attended across the Benefice and hosted by St Columb church. We have 'Just Be', Hobby groups, inter-generational groups, prayer groups, home groups, Cornish Celtic walkers and many more activities going on and connected with our churches across our Benefice.

So, moving forward, we have a lot to look forward to, and maybe difficult decisions to make with regards to finance and our dwindling numbers of volunteers. We have a new full-time curate starting with us in July, David and his family are looking forward to joining us, please pray for their future ministry with us.

So let me say thank you again to everyone in the Benefice of LannPydar. Its lovely to minister across a Benefice with such variety and many passionate and motivated people. I am deeply grateful to our Churchwardens, PCC members and volunteers who keep our parishes ticking over, and display so much commitment and enthusiasm. Our Readers, Clergy and Worship Leaders are a blessing to us and add so much vitality.

Finally – we thank the God we worship and partner with for the opportunity to build the Kingdom of God. However we see the church, it ultimately exists for honour and glory of God. What a mighty God we serve.

Rev Helen Baber  
**Rector to the Benefice of LannPydar**





Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established. (Proverbs 16:3)

## Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure and is a charity subject to charity law as administered by the Charity Commission.

The PCC is exempted by order from registering with the Charity Commission with a gross income below £100,000 and therefore does not have a registered charity number.

The appointment of PCC members (also the charity's trustees) is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules. The principal object of St Columb Major PCC is to further the work of the Church of England in the parish in the Diocese of Truro. It is required, as stated in the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956, to co-operate with the Parish Priest in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Based on our electoral roll total St Columb PCC can elect up to 9 lay members and 3 Deanery Synod representatives.

Members are encouraged to attend training courses and briefings arranged by the Diocese and Deanery on key matters affecting the work of the PCC.

The PCC aims to meet at least once a quarter to discuss day-to-day running of the Church and agree a way forward on financial matters. Each year, an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) is held around Easter time to review the activities and accounts of the Church in the previous year, agree PCC membership and set a PCC agenda for the forthcoming year.



## **Electoral Roll**

The church Electoral Roll is the foundation of the whole structure of synodical government in the church. Those persons contained therein can vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. All those who attend church are able to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC if they feel able to contribute.

The preparation of a new Electoral Roll will take place in 2025.

The total number of members currently stands at 59.

## **PCC Membership**

During the year, the following have served on the PCC:

Ex-officio members:

Revd. Helen Baber

Rector & Chair

Phil Tremain

Lay Reader, Lay Chair and Health & Safety Officer

Peter Deakin (2024)

David Goodwin (2025)

Lyn Jenkin (2024)

Margaret Miles (2024)

Treasurer and Deanery Synod Rep.

Tamsin Nash (2025)

Felicity Penneycard (2025)

Denise Tremain (2025)

Secretary

Anne Walker (2024)

Deanery Synod Rep.

Celia Webber (2025)

## **Committees**

Standing committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between meetings, subject to any direction by the Council.

Christmas Tree Festival committee: This sub-committee plans and co-ordinates the festival each year.

All sub-committees are answerable to the PCC who must approve all activities and monitor the finances.

## **Deanery Synod**

Two members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod, with a vacancy existing for one more member. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. This year the PCC has also focused its attention on the questions posed to parishes in the deanery with the 'On the Way' initiative – seeking together a sustainable and fruitful future.

## Safeguarding



### Sue Rescorla - Safeguarding Officer & Benefice Co-Ordinator

Safeguarding training requirements for PCC members have been kept under review and the PCC has complied with its duty to have due regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016.

Before the pandemic, there were safeguarding boxes in each of the four churches in the benefice at that time. These have been replaced and are now in all five churches in the benefice. Each contains information and contact numbers for all to access. If any member comes across information that could be added to the boxes, please do! If leaflets are passed on to your local safeguarding co-ordinator, they will be distributed to all churches.

We have a team of safeguarding co-ordinators, all up to date with their training, with Sue Rescorla acting as Benefice Co-ordinator along with Revd. Helen. A recent meeting highlighted differences in access to materials held by the diocese – this is being sorted and we hope to build the team through regular local meetings. The sharing of ideas and possible problems is beneficial for all concerned.

The training programme details are available on the diocesan website and all members of the PCC are encouraged to get involved. There is a requirement for all to do the on-line training on Domestic Abuse – it takes about an hour and is not painful!

As ever, it must be stressed that safeguarding is the responsibility of every member of the church, not just the co-ordinators. The greatest protection for the vulnerable in our churches is a public awareness that abuse can take place anywhere and that we have zero tolerance for unacceptable behaviour.

The Benefice office has records of all needing training updates and DBS checks and sends out reminders. Please contact the Benefice office if this presents problems for you.

## Ministry, Worship & Outreach

### Worship & Prayer

The church is normally open to visitors during daylight hours. Sunday Worship is normally at 11.00am on the 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month, which includes a communion service and morning worship. A BCP Communion service is also held at 8.00am on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday.

Other services are advertised in our weekly 'Welcome' sheet, social media, and on our church noticeboard.

Revd. Helen Baber leads our Ministry Team, with Phil Tremain and Lydia Remick (Lay Readers), Ros Adams & Margaret Miles (Worship Leaders) together with support from our Assistant Priests – Revd. Angela Butler, Revd. Andrew Turner, Revds. Bryan and Mary West.

During the past year we have continued to provide a warm Welcome to all.

We offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example, evening prayer on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month provides a quiet, intimate and reflective environment for worship. Our Summer meditations too, brought inner peace and tranquillity to our busy lives.



Opportunities in addition to our statutory services are provided for people to engage in worship and prayer within our online community via Facebook Live and YouTube.

All our Services continue to run smoothly with the use of specific Service booklets used universally across our Benefice. A great deal of time and thought has gone into producing these; making services easier to follow and far more user-friendly. All are welcome to attend our regular services. As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping. We have celebrated 8 baptisms 4 weddings and held 9 funerals in our church this year. There has also been 6 internment of ashes and 4 cremation only services.



'Hear the Word of God, Live the Word of God, Spread the Word of God'.

### **'Welcome'**

Our weekly notice sheet provides an element of our ministry and outreach. It informs Service times for the following week, details of our Ministry and Worship teams, and the weekly Liturgy. We are also able to include information regarding those who need our prayers, who are baptised, married, or bereaved.

The Welcome is also one of the ways we share Prayer & Worship dates, What's On event dates and other important information across the Benefice. It is now available online each week on our website.

## **Pastoral Care**

We continue to visit members of our parish unable to attend church due to sickness or age keeping them in touch with church life. Revd. Helen Baber and team have visited church members who have requested it, to celebrate communion with them either at their homes, in hospital or nursing home, together with Café church.

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. The PCC agreed to include ShelterBox as a part of International fundraising mission for the year and 50% of funds received from our Christmas Memory Tree was donated. It is good that these efforts on behalf of others can be combined with opportunities for fellowship.

Missionary and Outreach to the community included:

- Messy Church
- Open the Book dramatised sessions published for schools via Youtube.
- Just BE – the four C's: Craft, Chat, Coffee & Cake
- Christmas fundraising
- Enabling efficient use of our children's area.
- Integration of a book library.
- Availability of tea/coffee making facilities – although this was withdrawn at the end of the year due to a sequence of incidents.
- Holding a strong social media profile within our local community and across the Benefice of LannPydar and wider.

## **Church maintenance**

It is important that we maintain the fabric of St Columb church. We are eternally grateful to so many volunteers who give their support in many ways to help us fulfil this.

Considering it's age our church remains in generally good condition, although it is surely a case of a stitch in time and a need to keep on top of water leaks and other minor issues. Some rewiring has been carried out in advance of a major relighting project at some point in the future. There are also plans for a new kitchen and to open up the west end to enable more flexible use of the space.

Thanks to a regular band of keyholders we are able to keep the building open to visitors during the daytime.

“Individual commitment to a group effort—that is what makes a *teamwork*, a charity work, a society work, a civilisation work.”

## Bellringing

After the two year covid hiatus, 2022 saw a return to a more normal situation. We were able to ring all eight bells for every fortnightly Sunday service. We rang for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June and then, with the bells half-muffled, for her death & funeral in September.

We enjoyed a visit to West Cornwall on Easter Monday when we rang at Gwinnear, St Erth & Lelant. With the uncertainty of covid still in the air no other outings were arranged. The Evening league restarted in October and by the year end we had maintained a 100% record. It is an inescapable fact that we are all getting older, and sadly our efforts to attract younger ringers have had mixed results. On the plus side we have welcomed several ready-made ringers who have joined our team.

## Messy Church

This year has again been a great year with Messy Church.

We are back with face to face sessions in church and our attendance continues to grow with new families coming along each month.



'Teach children how they should live, and they will remember it all their lives'  
(Proverbs 22:6)

**Just BE** - Our Just BE sessions are held in the Lady Chapel on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday afternoon of each month and continue to be well received and appreciated. A time for sharing with crafts, chat, coffee & cake – a fun filled afternoon! A warm welcome to our sessions extends across our Benefice and beyond. We have been meeting during the winter months in the Vyvyan Rm, at the Columba Centre where we have been able to offer 'a warm space'.

We have continued making items for the Baby Basics initiative, together with lap blankets to keep us warm during the winter months in church. We have had a stall at the local Community market 'Trash and Treasure' to support the ongoing costs of our weekly sessions. This means that we can continue presently to welcome members of our community free of charge. We anticipate extending the work we do in the Community as we move forward.



Thank you for the wonders of creation and the gift of crafting,  
Spark our creativity,  
That we may feel our fingers dance on our fabric and yarns,  
And through our pens to the paper, see the beauty of all our  
creations;  
Listen to those around us; speak with love and wisdom;  
Savour and be refreshed by the hospitality of others, giving thanks  
for them.  
Thank you for loving us, come fill our hearts with love,  
To overflow as love for those around us.  
Amen

## Our church in the community

### **Town & Country Publication**

The average circulation in 2022 was 184 per month, including two dozen by post, and in addition 38 by email.

The cover price remains at 60p, annual subscription £7, which pays for the printing, leaving the advertising income as profit for the PCC.

The magazine keeps our readers informed of the important matters affecting the church and community of St Columb. We are especially grateful to those contributors who have continued to provide material at a time when there have been few activities taking place on which to report. Thanks must also go to those who give of their time to distribute the magazines around our community each month.

### **Foodbank**

In addition to providing a collection point for our local Foodbank we are pleased to provide space in our Choir Vestry for the operation of the Foodbank each week. Church members provide a wonderful welcome and hospitality to customers dropping by and the friendship is greatly appreciated by all. We continue to be a collection point.

We would also like to formally thank all those who volunteer in so many ways at St Columb Church to ensure its' smooth running, its' mission and outreach. Without all of you, however small you feel your contribution of time and effect may be, many things would not get done and we wouldn't reach out to all the people whose lives we touch.

### **St Columb Major Academy**

The school continued to appreciate access to our Messy Church online video resources until we resumed face to face sessions in church. Our online Open the Book dramatised recordings continue to be popular in RE sessions and Collective worship. We welcome the children to church for visits through the year and concerts at special occasions like Christmas. Their contribution to displays in church during festivals are also appreciated.

## Administrative details

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**Administrators:** Nicola Le Couteur Bisson, Denise Tremain and Margaret Miles.

### Other Priests with permission to officiate

Revd. Angela Butler, Revd. Andrew Turner, Revd. Mary West.

### Lay Readers

Phil Tremain, Lydia Remick

### Local Worship Leaders

Ros Adams, Mike O'Connor Jackie Oglethorpe, Margaret Miles

### Bank

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28 Molesworth Street  
Wadebridge  
CORNWALL PL27 7DN

### The Independent Examiner

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“Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much”



## The LannPydar Benefice

St. Columb, St. Ervan, St Eval and St. Mawgan



# **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING LANNPYDAR BENEFICE ACCOUNTS**

for the year ended 31st December 2022

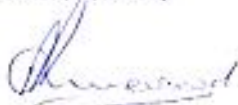
**LANN PYDAR BENEFICE**

**Statement of Receipts and Payments for the 12 months to 31 December 2022**

**General Fund**

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	
<b>Cash Assets 1 January</b>		2,562.65	8,319.75
<b>Contributions from Parishes (Note 1):</b>			
St Columb Major	2,200.00	1,480.00	
St Enoher	2,000.00	-	
St Ervan	1,800.00	1,020.00	
St Eval	1,800.00	1,020.00	
St Mawgan	2,200.00	1,480.00	
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Miscellaneous donations and reimbursements			62.30
<b>Expenditure:</b>			
Clergy travel	2,111.50	2,190.63	
Clergy study, books etc	43.68	99.00	
Benefice hospitality	203.00	-	
Ministry	1,404.90	1,608.31	
Rectory stationery and computer consumables	941.73	1,104.75	
Rectory telephone and broadband	1,009.49	875.89	
Computer hardware and software	512.26	229.97	
Benefice Office administration	5,360.00	4,680.00	
Miscellaneous	75.02	29.95	
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<b>Cash Assets 31 December</b>			
Lloyds Bank Current Account	4,763.87	7,332.84	
Less: Unpresented cheques	-1,502.80	-4,770.19	
Creditors: Parishes (Note 2)	-2,360.00		
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Accounts prepared by:



PK Penneycard  
Treasurer

Date: 24 February, 2023

Accounts approved by Benefice Committee:

Revd H Baber

Date: 28 February, 2023



**Notes**

1. Total net contributions for the year agreed at Benefice meeting 5 May, 2022.
2. Contributions made by parishes in excess of revised agreed total:

St Columb	£1,260
St Ervan	360
St Eval	720
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	£2,360
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