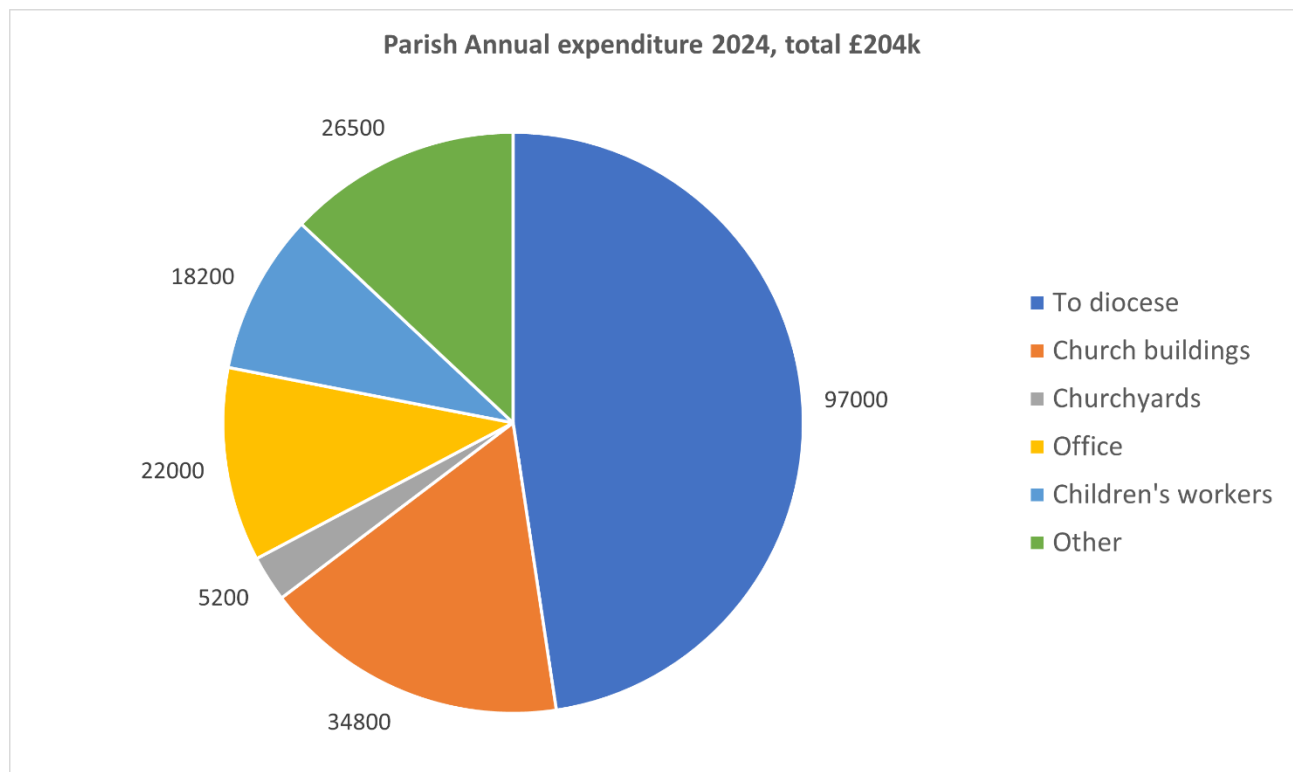


How do we spend the money?



Simplified spending in a typical year, based on 2024 figures.

The major cost is the “Parish Share” paid to the Diocese of Chester, principally for clergy stipends and pensions – details [here](#). As an affluent area we are charged 35% above the standard rate, to subsidise poorer parishes. **We paid £1863 per week in Share in 2024.**

We are assessed on the basis of one full time member of the clergy - the Rector. Parishes that do not pay in full are usually reduced to a part time priest, or amalgamated with another parish.,

- St Bridget’s Centre omitted – costs approximately balance letting income
- Organ Repair Appeal omitted – fund to be spent in 2025

We worship a generous God and aim to be generous, paying the Real Living Wage (with proportionate differentials), supporting charities such as Wirral Ark, Eco Church, Inclusive Church and Shelterbox, and maintaining our buildings and churchyards to a high standard.

We maintain two historic churches, two halls, two churchyards and a house.

The full Accounts for 2024 and Annual Report are available [here](#).



At the time of writing (Summer 2025) our regular income has not kept pace with inflation.

Could you support our work with a donation, by joining the regular donors, or by increasing your giving if you are already a supporter?

Practicalities of giving to the Parish Church

Any enquiries to the Parish Treasurer, John Smith, treasurer@stbridgetschurch.org.uk

- The simplest method is via the [Parish Giving Scheme](#), for one-off or regular giving
- We also welcome Standing Orders
- We welcome Gift Aid: we reclaimed over £31k in income tax in 2024
- Donations can be designated for St Bridget's Church or Caldy Church if requested
- We are a registered charity: details at [The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of West Kirby 1131379](#)
- Secure card donations gratefully received here for [St Bridget's](#) or [Caldy](#)
- We welcome Legacies, which are exempt from Inheritance Tax

Many thanks to all our givers, but...

Our forecast for 2024 projects a **deficit of £27,000**

The bulk of our income is from donations, together with income tax refunds.

We realise that not everyone has money to spare, but an increase in giving by 16% would bridge the gap.

More income would enable us to do more for the community.



Parish Annual income 2024, total £205k

