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Annual Report & Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Central Telford for the year ending 31 December 2025

**Incorporating the District Churches of
Holy Trinity, Dawley
St. Leonard, Malinslee
St. John, Lawley
St. Mary, Ketley**



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Section 1: Trustees Report

1. Objectives and Activities:

The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Jo Farnworth, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the churches.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of our parish community at Central Telford. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Some powers and functions are delegated to each District Church Council, as set out in the Parish Scheme.

Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non-sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach non church members of the community.

Public Benefit: The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Central Telford it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community by providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and

intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and by promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole. To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of our church buildings, St John's church hall and our churchyards.

2. Achievements and Performance

Attendance at Services:

(Figures in brackets – 2024 attendances)

Total attendance	TOTAL	HT	St J	St L	St M
Average Sunday	105 (97)	40 (35)	21 (22)	26 (25)	18 (15)
Easter Eve/Day	187 (166)	65 (55)	51 (27)	40 (60)	31 (24)
Christmas Eve/Day	405 (347)	178 (130)	119 (125)	68 (65)	40 (27)
Carol Services	1284 (1238)	*596 (520)	225 (189)	329 (433)	134 (96)

*Includes 199 from St James, Stirchley Carol Service

Baptisms, weddings and funerals:

(Figures in brackets – 2024 numbers)

	TOTAL	HT	St J	St L	St M
Baptisms	61 (47)	13 (17)	23 (16)	21 (14)	4 (6)
Weddings	8 (3)	3 (0)	1 (1)	1 (1)	3 (1)
Funerals*	53 (55)	15 (17)	11 (17)	9 (12)	18(9)
Interments**	33 (26)	9 (9)	5 (4)	19 (12)	0 (1)

*Includes funerals at crematorium for people living in the district

**Includes interments at St Luke, Doseley and St James, Stirchley

Worshipping Community

This is the number of those who are a regular part of the church but who do not necessarily attend Sunday services on a regular basis

	TOTAL	HT	St J	St L	St M
Worshipping Community	182 (183)	87 (101)	34 (27)	38 (39)	23 (16)

The drop in size of worshipping community at Holy Trinity is due to the loss of a number of families from Messy Church as children grow older or have other activities on Saturday mornings. New families have started to attend at the end of 2025.

Team Rector's Report



"For I know the plans
I have for you,"
declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you
and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope
and a future."
Jeremiah 29:11

Holy Trinity, Dawley + St John, Lawley + St Leonard, Malinslee + St Mary, Ketley

Our parish verse for 2025 was 'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future' (Jeremiah 29.11). These words were chosen to remind us to trust in God and in his plans for us, and for our parish, throughout 2025.

Having been appointed Acting Archdeacon at very short notice in October 2023, this role finally came to an end in May 2025. I was very grateful to Bishop Michael for granting me a one-month 'mini-sabbatical', which gave me space for refreshment and for refocusing on the role I was originally called to Telford for. I returned to my role as Associate Archdeacon, alongside my principal role as Team Rector, with a sense that God was encouraging us, as a parish, to take time to discern our future plans for mission.

As I look back over the past year, I can see God's abundant provision in our parish and our churches. We have welcomed new people into our congregations, seen people take on new roles, and our financial situation is improving. There is a growing sense of confidence that God has good plans for us in Central Telford Parish, and there is much to give thanks for.

I continue, as ever, to be grateful for the ministry of Revd Scott Edwards as our Team Vicar, whose gifts and ministry are much appreciated across the parish. The ministry of Chris Prescott, our Reader, offering ministry mainly at St Leonard's but at times in other churches, also continues to be a blessing, as does that of Revd Sue Symons, a retired priest who joined us in 2025 and is mostly based at Holy Trinity. I am grateful for all that they bring to the parish.

We continue to be blessed with lay worship leaders who lead some Sunday morning services, Evensong at

Holy Trinity, Messy Church, and other occasional services. It was also a delight to receive Joe Cheetham-Wilkinson as our Ordinand in Training later in the year. He is mostly based at St John's and will be with us while he trains for full-time ministry.

I am grateful to all those who volunteer in so many different ways – some in very public roles and others who quietly do important work behind the scenes. It is a great blessing to our churches and our wider communities that so many are willing to serve God in such a variety of ways. It is wonderful to be part of a parish where it is not expected that the Team Rector or the Team Vicar will do everything.

While we have said goodbye to some members of our congregations, we have also welcomed new people into our church families. We have been able to pay our Common Fund in full and have worked hard to exercise good stewardship of our finances, which is beginning to move us onto a more secure footing. In the autumn, we held a giving campaign, asking people to consider increasing their financial giving to the church, as well as offering their skills and time.

A great deal of work has also been done over the year to ensure that our churches are safe places. This includes safeguarding, caring for buildings and churchyards, and working towards having all the necessary policies and procedures in place.

It has been particularly encouraging to see links with our local communities continuing to grow. The Friends of St James Church, Stirchley, continues to flourish as it cares for the churchyard and promotes the building. We held two Carol Services there on 14 December, knowing that we would not be able to fit everyone into a single service, and welcomed around 200 local residents.

St Leonard's was approached to become part of a project in Malinslee, working with the council and other agencies to improve the health and wellbeing of local residents, and a new project, 'Healthy Minds, Healthy Bodies', will begin in early 2026. New links have also been established between the Methodist Church and St John's, Lawley, and a Lantern Parade around the local streets took place at Christmas, ending at St John's Church. All Friends Together at Holy Trinity continues to welcome members of the local community into a place of friendship and hospitality.

I hope that as you read the reports from our wardens and group leaders, you will recognise the wide range of opportunities offered across the parish: to grow in

faith and worship, to share the love of God through practical action, and to have fun while building friendships. My prayer is that in 2026 we continue to recognise God's blessing among us, enabling us to be a parish where prayer and worship are at the heart of our life together, where we care for one another, where we see growth both in numbers and in faith, where all have confidence to use their God-given gifts, where all are welcome, and where the good news of Jesus Christ and the love of God are encountered in all that we do.

Revd Prebendary Jo Farnworth

Shaping for Mission (see also Section 2 and 3)

While 2025 has been an intentional time of waiting for God to guide us as we look to the future, we have seen that even in times of stillness, God is at work. Below are some of the ways in which we are seeing signs of growth and God's kingdom being built.

Vocation – discovering and using our gifts

Across the parish, there is an increased involvement by lay people in our worship – co-leading alongside the clergy or leading Services of the Word, reading the Bible, leading intercessions and assisting at the altar. In the autumn, we carried out a Time and Talents survey and received a good number of responses from people wishing to offer their skills to our churches in a variety of ways, and these will be followed up early in 2026.

Evangelism – Sharing the Love of God

Baptisms, weddings and funerals, along with Messy Church, Toddler groups and other activities taking place in our churches, provide a wealth of opportunities to share the love of God with others and to provide opportunities for people to explore faith. Our school links continue to flourish, and below Revds Scott and Jo highlight their involvement in this aspect of our mission:

Revd Scott: In addition to being a School Governor for our Church School (Dawley Church of England Primary Academy School) and taking regular acts of collective worship in school and school services at Holy Trinity Church, in 2025 I have continued to build our relationship with Lawley Primary School, Lawley and the Meadows Primary School, Ketley. At the Meadows School I led a termly school assembly and also welcomed the children up to St Mary's Church for Experience Easter and a Harvest Service. For practical reasons the School Christingle service took place at the school. In Experience Easter the children are divided up into small groups and travel around

the church visiting four or five stations with each station exploring a different part of the Easter story (Palm Sunday, Jesus washing the disciples feet, the last supper, the garden of Gethsemane, the cross and the Resurrection). May I say thank you to our church members who help with Experience Easter. At Lawley Primary School I held a termly school assembly for Lent, Easter, the end of the School Year, and Christmas. I also welcomed the School Children up to St John's Church for two Harvest Services (Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2) and for the Year 5 Carol Service. It was also a delight to host the Lawley Little Dreamers Choir and their families to St John's Church for a summer concert and to welcome Lawley Kids Planet Day Nursery to St John's for a Harvest Service.

Revd Jo: Like Scott, I take regular acts of collective worship in Dawley CE school, as well as school services in church. We hosted the school for Experience Christmas and Easter in 2025. I have continued to build links between Holy Trinity Church and Captain Webb School, with a Harvest Assembly, Experience Christmas and a Christmas church service for the Early Years children and parents/carers. The relationship with the Chipmunks Nursery in Stirchley has deepened and I go in at least once a halfterm for a Bible story telling session, and we also had an Act of Remembrance at St James Church, Stirchley and a Carol Service at Holy Trinity. At Old Park School, I take a monthly class assembly for Year 2 children; St Leonard's hosted the Years 1 and 2 Christmas performances and we had an Easter Activity session in church for these classes. I was invited to take a Harvest Service at Lawley Academy, and the hope is to build a closer connection going forward. For the second year running, I took the Harvest Service at Thomas Telford School for their Year 7 children. Holy Trinity Church generously donated funds, along with other local churches to provide some Bibles for Telford Langley School.



Chipmunks Nursery Act of Remembrance

Discipleship – growing in our Faith

In May 2025 Revd Scott ran the third part of the Church of England's eight part Pilgrim Course exploring the Commandments. The group looked at both the Ten Commandments that God gave to Moses and the two great commandments of Jesus to love God with all of our being and our neighbour as ourselves. There were eight who attended this. We also ran a Lent Course following the Church of England's Lenten theme for 2025 'Living Hope'. Our Giving campaign in the autumn highlighted the link between faith and generous living.

Parish churchwardens' Report

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

This was the chosen verse for 2025 and reflects some of the ways in which the year progressed. It was a time to re-focus, not rush things and take steady steps forward.

The new Archdeacon, the Venerable Nicholas Watson, began his Salop ministry in May, thus relieving Revd Jo of the duties of Acting Archdeacon and returning her to her role as Associate Archdeacon. She took a well-earned short sabbatical break in June/July. Following this, Jo carried on the task of updating and developing Parish Administration - reviewing or writing Policies and ways of working, checking individual church record keeping etc. This is an on-going and never-ending task for Church Wardens!

For our buildings, there was also plenty to follow up from the Quinquennial Inspections carried out in November 2023. Perhaps each church will mention these in their own Reports. Some major projects have taken place or are taking place, largely due to Revd Jo's success in accessing grants.

Worship continued in a consistent pattern with all four churches generally having Revd Jo or Revd Scott available to celebrate the Eucharist every week. Revd Roger Farnworth sometimes helped celebrate around the churches. Revd Sue Symons received Permission to Officiate and covered occasionally at Holy Trinity Dawley. Reader Chris Prescott is now a regular member of the worship team and has also taken on Warden duties. Locally commissioned lay leaders fill in on occasion as do other Readers. It was good to welcome Reader Mike Duckett back to the Parish. Joe Cheetham-Wilkinson of All Saints, Wellington was accepted into training for ordained ministry and has

moved to Central Telford Parish to be our 'ordinand in training, based primarily at St John, Lawley.

Members of Holy Trinity Dawley marked the church's 180th Anniversary with a series of events through the year. In October Bishop Michael visited for a Anniversary Thanksgiving Eucharist Service.



Bishop Michael and guests at the 180th Anniversary service

Worship for Holy Week, Easter and Christmas followed a similar pattern to the previous year. Revd Sue led a short Lent course "Living Hope" at Holy Trinity Dawley. After the success of the Christmas Carol Service held at St James' Stirchley in 2024, two Carol Services in were held in December to accommodate all who wished to attend and both were full. We can celebrate the development of the community around St James' in Stirchley and Brookside. Revd Jo and Revd Scott continued to build on relationships with local Primary Schools with several taking part in Easter Experience and Christmas Experience in our churches.

Revd Scott continued to lead sessions following the Pilgrim Course at his and Judy's home during the year. Scott continued as parish representative with Christians against Poverty (CAP). Once again our churches supported their Christmas Hamper Appeal. Our churches continue to support Dawley Food Bank with donations and volunteer time.

A Giving Campaign and Time & Talents survey was held in the Autumn. It is a blessing to report that the Parish paid Common Fund in full.

Unfortunately with all the busyness there was little time for further developing the Shaping for Mission process and progress with the Ecochurch journey seems to have stalled temporarily. Perhaps we can find more Eco-minded individuals to join us and share the load.

Sadly, there was a higher than usual number of funerals in the parish in 2025. These included not only the loss of long-time church members but also several sudden tragic losses within our communities. Our prayers continue for those grieving and coming to terms with their circumstances.

To return to the verse from Jeremiah - we have prospered in a number of ways over the last year and can look forward to the future with hope.

Mary Richards and Chris Prescott (Parish Wardens)

Report on buildings and churchyards:

In November 2023, each church had its Quinquennial Inspection by Geraint Roberts – some of the reports are still awaited at the end of 2025. However, the summary of the Qis have been provided and work on the required work is ongoing. A brief summary for each church is given below from the wardens:

Holy Trinity Dawley: The roof is still a major concern and we know it will need some major work. We have had a few leaks when the weather has been particularly wet and windy in 2025, but these have been successfully repaired and we are waterproof again. We are hoping to redecorate in the near future. We had a worry over the viability of our central heating boiler. As if that was not enough, we discovered that there was asbestos in the ceiling and on the entrance hatch to the boiler room. Attention to the boiler was put on hold until we had the asbestos removed where it was possible and made safe where it had to be left. Finally, before the start of the winter the boiler passed its service and we have had a nice warm church.

St John Lawley: During 2025, we carried out various items of remedial work highlighted in the Quinquennial report, including: work to the electrical system, lightning protection and painting of the external doors. We also needed a repair to the roof where some tiles had fallen off, the floor under the altar needed new boards due to the old ones deteriorating with the damp and the noticeboard needed new posts. At our annual boiler service, work was done to make all the radiators function properly. We received permission to install a secondary glazing panel at one window in the vestry as a trial, and a faculty application was submitted for all the windows to receive secondary glazing – a project we hope will be completed in the first part of 2026

St Leonard Malinslee: The churchyard continues to be maintained by Telford and Wrekin Council, but during the year there were complaints regarding the state of the Memorial Garden on the Alma Avenue side of the

church. A small group of us managed some weeding and tidying which really helped and there has been some involvement from the council. The electrical system issues continue, but administrative work has begun as we have collected some quotes for this work. The clock in the church tower stopped working again and was commented on by those who live locally. Following a change to the horologists who attend/service our clock we are pleased to be able to say this is now fully working including the chimes.

St Mary Ketley: It has been a very stressful time in regards to the condition of the church roof. Rainwater has been leaking through the lead valley and loose tiles. Bucket in church catching the water has been a common sight for most of the year. Sadly a war memorial plaque was damaged as a result of the leaks. The roof has now been repaired. There is still outstanding work from the Quinquennial Inspection to be done. In the later part of the year, the sewage pump removing waste from the toilets and kitchen broke and we are awaiting a new pump to be installed in early 2026.

Deanery Synod



The Deanery Synod met four times during the year, once online via Zoom and twice 'in person'. Meetings always start with a short act of worship and include reports from Diocesan Synod and General Synod when available.

On May 29th a Deanery Ascension Day service was held at Christchurch, Wellington. Synod also met for a social event in July at Holy Trinity, Hadley which included good food, drinks and chat!

February via Zoom: Looking at a Deanery Overview and ways forward for Telford. Chair Revd Stuart Howes introduced guest speaker, Revd Sarah Todd, who was invited to share her experiences and insights from her work in the Gloucestershire deanery. She discussed the challenges faced by the city deanery, such as poverty, homelessness, and the

need for sustainable ministry and mission plans. Sarah emphasized the importance of collaborative working, especially during vacancies, and the need for plans to adapt to changing community needs. They realised the need for building strong relationships to collaborate effectively and started

intentionally spending time together in prayer, creating safe spaces for transparency and vulnerability. Sarah emphasised the importance of prayer in their collaborative work and noted an increase in confidence in asking for help and sharing resources. She discussed the progress and

challenges of their deanery's strategic plans, particularly focusing on youth ministry and

collaboration. They have appointed a youth connector who works with children and young

people, primarily in schools. The deanery has five priorities, including finance and buildings, youth ministry, mission and outreach, collaborative working, and strengthening partnerships with the cathedral and other faith groups. Sarah emphasised the need for open and honest conversations about challenges and resources. Questions and discussion followed about how these ideas might be relevant for Telford.

April 'in person' at Holy Trinity, Dawley. Guests: Sani and Laura Lenander from Telford Minster

Sani, a member of the congregation at Telford Minster, spoke about her journey in becoming a Christian, how she experienced a vision of Jesus when she was at a low period. She felt called to ministry after being baptised. She is now going through the diocesan discernment process. Laura spoke about how the team were supporting Sani and others who attend the Minster, how they try to encourage a culture of vocation. It is important to have a range of people in our churches, those who are willing to help others and those who are called to bring others to the good news of the bible, those who can recognise the potential in others and be there to encourage them in exploring their calling, we need in our churches also those who are happy to share their own stories. Personal testimony can be a powerful thing. She left us with the question – "Could you be the one to help someone make those first steps?"

October 'in person' at Holy Trinity, Wrockwardine Wood This was a joint meeting with Edgmond & Shifnal Deanery and open to others who wished to attend. Licensing of Revd. Stuart as the Interim Rural Dean for Edgmond and Shifnal Deanery by Archdeacon Nick Thomas. Guest Speaker: Sarah Thorpe on Dementia Friendly Church. Sarah built on her extensive experience to provide an interesting and engaging talk on this subject. There were many questions and comments to follow.

Ecumenical Relationships

Members of our congregations continue to volunteer at the Dawley FoodBank at the Dawley Christian Centre. Revds Jo and Scott have helped out at Dawley Baptist Church while they are without a minister by preaching at some of their Tuesday Fellowship meetings. We are hoping to develop some joint working with the Methodist Church in Lawley Village to engage with the growing community there.

3. Financial Review

Thank you to everyone who works to ensure the smooth running of finances within the parish. We appreciate the dedication of our PCC Treasurer, Margaret Cartwright, and the DCC Treasurers. We also recognise the contribution of those who help with: collecting and counting monies, banking and administering Gift Aid. We also express our thanks to Jonathan Hill, and his colleagues from the Lichfield Diocese Finance Department for their expertise and support. The full accounts can be found in Section 5 of this report.

The consolidated accounts show a total income of £133,987 and expenditure of £126,276, giving an excess of income over expenditure of £7,712. The bank balance held on 31st December 2025 was £228,712 .

The requested Common Fund for 2025 was paid in full and we are grateful to all those who made this possible through their generous donations. We are also thankful for the Special Agreement from Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance to enable St Mary's to increase their contribution of Common Fund, and for the one month 'payment holiday' in recognition of Revd Jo's role as Acting Archdeacon during the year.

The hard work to improve our financial situation has started to bring about some financial stability but this needs keeping under constant review due to the increased expenditure due to high fuel costs. The cost of living crisis continues to have an impact on our income, as does the loss through death/moving away of some of our regular givers. We continue to seek to improve financial stability though reviewing the use of Gift Aid, cashless giving, income generation, central purchasing, reviewing energy and maintenance providers/contracts, and careful expenditure. All churches are registered with Easyfundraising and we are starting to promote this.

Contactless giving is generally proving successful, particularly at baptisms. We will look to use QR codes during 2026 more effectively as a way of giving. We held a giving campaign in Autumn 2025, and saw some increase in giving, some new Gift Aid declaration forms were completed, some more people requested regular giving envelopes.

In 2025, we agreed a legacy policy and provided information about legacies to congregation members. We will continue to promote the message that the use of money and faithful Christian living go hand in hand.

4. Safeguarding

There have been no safeguarding incidents reported in the parish in 2025.

This year we have tried to encourage those on the DCC and PCC to feel more confident about Safeguarding by having small discussion points at their meetings. We have also introduced the Culture Cube to the PCC's and DCC's which helps them to look at their churches and how we can make them more inclusive and more welcoming. I attended a Parish wide Safeguarding Training day in September along with Reverend Jo Farnworth where we looked at Trauma Informed Church and how to be a Dementia Friendly Church. These are things that we hope to look at in 2026. We held Safeguarding Sunday in November this year with the hope to help the congregations at all the Churches to that Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Thank you to everyone who has completed or renewed their safeguarding training this year. The Safer Recruiting work is ongoing with each church activity and any new helpers. The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Hannah Yapp, Parish Safeguarding Officer

5. Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation.

The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year.

6. Reserves Policy

The PCC aims to keep approximately three months running costs in reserves, in the event of a major problem. In 2024 and 2025 we reviewed our reserves to ensure that they are correctly allocated (ie general funds, designated, restricted). We will be working at developing a strategy to build up reserves where necessary to ensure that they are in line with our reserves policy. An important value is one of mutual support between district churches, so that if one faces a major problem, others will respond with generosity.

7. Fundraising

The PCC takes its fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

8. Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard in many different ways across the parish to provide ministry, enable worship to take place smoothly serve as church officers or as DCC/PCC members, lead/help at the many different activities, care for our buildings and churchyards, providing food and drinks, etc. Thanks also go to those who faithfully serve in unnoticed ways, and who pray for the life of the church.

9. Review of the Year

9.1 Activities:

Monday Food bank drop in – St Leonard's

Food Bank continues serving the needs of an average of ten to twenty people, weekly on a Monday morning. Some of those attending are very regular visitors and relationships are being built. It provides an opportunity for those attending to have a warm place and a social time while being given the chance to have a warm drink. Those attending also appreciate the chance of being able to chat knowing they are being listened to. As well as the food which is given to those in need, surplus food is left outside of St. Leonard's for anyone wishing to help

themselves. It worth noting it is rare that any of this food is left. There are a group of five volunteers running this activity with a usual two attending each week. One of the helpers every week collects the food donations from local supermarkets and delivers it to St. Leonard's plus other organisations. A huge thanks goes to all who help with this giving care to those in need within our community. As with last year Food Bank is still in great need of more volunteers to help.

Afternoon Teas – St Leonard's

Our Afternoon Teas run approximately every other month and continue to be well attended. We usually have a minimum of twenty people with a fabulous thirty four for our Christmas Tea. It is so lovely to have some friends from the other churches join us for these. We continue to have four to five dedicated members of the organising team. Although it is a fundraising event the social aspect is brilliant.

Exercise Class – St Leonard's

The weekly Exercise Class which meets every Wednesday continues to run. There are 8 attendees on a average with two more expected to join in 2026. From January 2026 the Exercise class will be joining in a new venture – Healthy Minds and Healthy Bodies – and will be known as Malinslee Movers.

Baby Babble – St Leonard's

This group is run by Great Dawley Town Council and they meet on the last Tuesday of each month from approximately 13.00-15.00. It has now been running for three years. Recently there have been twenty adults with twenty little ones attending most sessions. Light refreshments are provided for all – tea, toast and fruit. The adults have time for chatting and there are activities for the little ones e.g. music activities from an outside provider, talks on childcare and Baby Bank which helps to provide help with things like clothing etc. for those less able to buy them.



Fun at Baby Babble

Chatty Club – St Leonard's

This is a new group, ran by the Dawley Town Council which started to run in St. Leonard's from October 2025. It meets during the morning of the last Tuesday in each month. It is open to anyone who wishes to drop in and have a chat with others and have refreshments. This group previously ran in different premises which became unsuitable. It was felt St. Leonard's was a more central and accessible place for Chatty Club. This group is rebuilding and has had five to six people joining in and the hope is the numbers will increase during 2026. There is always a friendly atmosphere and lots of interesting conversation. During the cold months a warm breakfast is provided e.g. sausage/bacon sandwiches while in the warmer weather it is likely to be toast and crumpets. It is another opportunity for St. Leonard's to have deeper relationships with the community while raising some funding.

Trinity Tots – Holy Trinity

Trinity Tots is doing well. We have now been successfully operating since 2017 (Excluding COVID). We are a donation based group and all monies are used for the benefits of the children. We do not turn anyone away, if they don't or can't pay. We aim to be a safe and friendly place, especially for new moms and those new to the area. We are currently getting three and four generations together. We also have child minders who are bringing anything up to five children. We don't advertise, but still managed to get approximately 16 - 20+ children every session. Everyone gets on well together and if needed will help in whatever way is wanted. I want to give a big thank you to all of those who help, especially in the kitchen. It can be quite busy and tiring at times.

Helen Pallett

Messy Church – Holy Trinity

We met 11 times in 2025 taking August off for the summer holidays. We celebrated Mother's Day and Father's Day as well as Harvest and Christmas. This year Easter was a little different as we held a Messy Good Friday Celebration where we focused on Good Friday and reminded the families that without Good Friday, we would not have the amazing Easter Sunday. We have sadly seen some families move on as the children have become older and got weekend jobs or joined sports groups that meet on a Saturday. We held a Thank you Afternoon tea in September to Celebrate Messy Church being 13 years old and to thank all the amazing helpers, who without them we would not have a Messy Church. The Afternoon tea was supported by Pam Spellen from Telford Minster

who helped us look at what we do well at Messy Church and what we could do better at. This small review has helped us make a few small changes which we hope will improve Messy Church a little. Some families have started supporting Holy Trinity at the fairs and really enjoyed coming to some of the 180 Celebrations we held throughout the year. Thanks to the 180 Celebrations we were able to give the children that came to the December Messy Church a gift voucher as a Christmas present. Lots of the families were touched by this gesture and really appreciated the gift and the thought. I would like to thank everyone who is involved with helping at Messy Church. The welcome that all the families get, ones we know and new ones where it is their first time is a huge part of why they come back because they feel safe, welcome and accepted. Thank you to everyone who braves leading a craft activity whether that involves paint, glitter, glue, colouring in, making things or is food related. Thank you to everyone who helps in the kitchen and always manages to feed everyone no matter the dietary requirements and supply a constant stream of tea and coffee to the parents, grandparents, foster parents and helpers.

Hannah Yapp

All Friends Together

We have had a really interesting and full programme of events during the past year and are so grateful to Glenis Watkins for organising speakers and events for our meetings. The year started with our A.G.M. for the year 2024. Other events through the year were: Call My Bluff; A Weird and Wonderful Lent; A visit to the café in Maws Craft Centre; a bell-ringing information afternoon (27 came!); bring flowers and container for a flower arranging event; a visit by a Street Pastor; a talk about Japan; a cooking afternoon given by Jeni, our Indian friend; Christmas dinner at the Valley Hotel at the end of November; the last event of the year was the Carol Service. I think we, as a group, live up to our name – we really seem to be “All Friends Together”.

Barbara Crawforth, AFT Leader



All Friends Together – flower arranging

Bell Ringers – Holy Trinity

2025 was a successful year for bell-ringing at Dawley. The training of learners continued with our Monday evening practices regularly attracting between 10 and 15 ringers. This means we are now able to field a band of ‘home grown’ ringers for Sunday services for the first time in 20 years. The team also visited other towers in the area, including Stirchley, where handbells were rung. SACBR (The Shropshire Association of church bellringers) have noticed our success at recruiting young learners, at a time when the ringing population in general is ageing.

Simon Rice, Tower captain

Lawley Smallies – St John’s

After 12 great years of running the toddler group, in June 2025 we held a meeting of the 6 regular members of our Smallies team. With our leader having moved out of the parish and some of us struggling with age and health issues it seemed right to discuss how much longer we could continue to commit to the group. It was reluctantly decided that it would be better to have a clean closure of the group rather than it potentially withering on the vine. We knew it would be a wrench for some of the people who came but we didn’t want to start another year and not be confident that we could run it for that long. On our final day we had a party with refreshments and an inflatable castle for the children. We are currently contacting other groups and charities to see if we can find good homes for the great range of toys and equipment we have in the hall storeroom.

Eileen Robertson

9.2 Dawley CE School

At Dawley C of E Primary Academy, we take pride in the strong connection we have with our local church, which is supported by Revd Jo and Revd Scott. This partnership is a positive one, and together, we ensure that our Christian Distinctiveness is woven into everything we do. As a loving and nurturing school in a challenging community, we strive to live out our core values of Love, Peace, Hope, and Trust in our everyday activities, ensuring these principles are deeply embedded in all aspects of school life. With the guidance of Jo and Scott, we successfully passed our SIAMS inspection in January 2025, which highlighted our caring, peaceful, and unique environment, stating, "Dawley is living up to its foundation as a Church school and is enabling pupils and adults to flourish."

Kerri Houlston, Head

9.3 Telford Christians Against Poverty

Having opened in December 2015, Telford CAP will be 10 years old this year. It has to date helped 127 people to be set free from the heavy chains of debt, which equates to almost £1.2 million pounds worth of debt being repaid or written off. In 2024 we have seen 14 clients go debt free and a number of others start a debt management plan. In addition to helping people out of debt, Telford CAP also runs a number of money coaching courses to help people to manage their finances to prevent them getting into debt or to avoid going back into debt. This year we were able, with your help, to provide 50 Christmas food hampers to families at what can be a very difficult time of the year.

In addition to giving thanks for Ann (Debt Centre Manager) and Lizzie (Assistant Manager & Safeguarding Lead) we have been blessed to have Hugh (a recently retired minister who worships at All Saints, Wellington) train to become a volunteer debt coach. Finally, but importantly, the Telford Cap Debt Centre is seeking to become an independent charity in 2025 as it is currently set up under the umbrella of All Saint's Church. Please do pray for the Telford CAP as we seek to continue to support and provide hope to people who face what can feel like an impossible burden.

Revd Scott Edwards

10. Reports from District churchwardens

Holy Trinity, Dawley

This has been a very joyful and exciting year for our church and congregation. We celebrated our 180th Anniversary. Yes, this church building was founded in 1845, after the original church had to be pulled down because of mining tunnels destabilising the ground.

A team of wonderful ladies got together to organise a year of events to celebrate this special year. We had thought about doing this for 175th anniversary, but Covid got in the way! Our Church fairs were included in the Events Calendar and we needed a rest in August, but the team worked so hard. Some of the highlights included a quiz evening with fish and chips, a beetle drive and a most wonderful and spectacular Afternoon Tea. The "Cherry on the Cake" was a Celebration Service in October, on the same date as the first service in what was the new Holy Trinity Church! We invited our brothers and sisters from the other churches in the parish along with our ecumenical brothers and sisters from Dawley

Methodist church and the Baptist church. This special service was presided over by Bishop Michael of Lichfield. We also invited the mayor of Dawley, The High Sheriff of Shropshire and our MP. There were wonderful refreshments after the Service and no one rushed off. The Ladies of the Celebration Team did such an amazing job all through the year, our grateful thanks and admiration goes out to them...and also to any one else who was happily drawn in to making the whole year such a memorable success.

"All Friends Together", which meets on the last Wednesday afternoon of each month has gone on from strength to strength. This group now includes many people from the Dawley area who are not church goers and has filled a need within the community helping to combat social isolation. Many thanks to Barbara and Glenis who arrange for either speakers or entertainment every month.

"Trinity Tots" has a reputation beyond the boundaries of Dawley and is very well supported in its numbers. Again, this is something that the Church supplies that is needed in our communities. A safe place for toddlers and children to play and somewhere for child carers to meet and not feel isolated. Helen and her team of helpers do an amazing job and are always welcoming and supportive of the mums and carers, providing tea/coffee, snack time for the children and bacon sandwiches for the parents and carers. Messy Church is another flourishing group, meeting on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Hannah is a wonderful leader and all the team that support her do an excellent job, not minding if Messy Church is actually messy. Numbers can fluctuate occasionally as children get older, move to school and find more things to do. But there are always new babies arriving and so Trinity Tots and Messy Church will always be there.



We have a peal of 6 bells at church, led by Simon Rice. The team of ringers covers a very large age range, from teenagers upwards. It is so lovely to hear the bells every Sunday morning as we go along to service. The ringers have helped our Church Fairs by having an open tower event, where anyone can have a look at the bells and, under careful supervision, have a try at ringing. It's proved very popular.

In November, we started a Chair Yoga Class. The class is still quite small, but the students are all very enthusiastic and we think we are getting a lot of benefit from it. Just in case you are wondering, we use a chair as a support with for example balance. You can also sit in the chair if things are a bit much, or your knees hurt too much! Our teacher, Mike is very patient and quick to spot where help is needed.

We have had some lows as well as highs this year, in the Summer, our treasurer had to leave - cue panic! Roger Farnworth took over the bookkeeping side of the job for us and we recruited a group of people willing to help with the weekly job of counting the collection. We are so grateful for June, Frank, Debbie, Chris, Barbara and Lynda for being so cheerful and helpful.

Also sadly we have lost 3 of our church family in the last three months. They are all sadly missed and our thoughts and prayers remain with their families and friends.

Glenis and I know there are many people here we have not mentioned who go about supporting our church in many ways, big and small; To all of you we give our grateful thanks and we know the church would not flourish or be the same without you.

Jan Yapp & Glenis Watkins

St John, Lawley:

We have been blessed this year as we have had more people joining us, including Joe Cheetham-Wilkinson who has come to us from All Saints, Wellington, to be our 'Ordinand in training' as he trains for full-time ordained ministry.

The year began with deep sadness as our dear friend Rob died suddenly, and our thoughts and prayers remain with his family. Later in the year, one of our long-standing members, Aunty Bett, sadly died too.

We continue to welcome classes from Lawley Primary school into church, and it was a delight to host the Lawley Little Dreamers Choir and their families to St John's Church for a summer concert and to welcome

Lawley Kids Planet Day Nursery to St John's for a Harvest Service.

At our fundraising events (Summer and Christmas Fairs and Race night) we collected £1253.50p.

We had a visit from the new Archdeacon of Salop, Venerable Nick Watson who took our Sunday morning service. Best of all we got a new churchwarden at the AGM as Sharon Ellis-Caswell was elected to serve alongside Eileen.

The Church is having some glazing improvements which will keep the cold out – a long hoped for project that will be completed in 2026.

We have had regular cleaning days in church and one at the church hall, and appreciate all of the help in getting our church spick and span.



One of our baptism families at St John's this year

Our Christmas services were well attended, and we joined with the local Methodist Church for a Lantern Walk and Carol Singing in the nearby streets, ending up at St John's for refreshments to warm everyone up.

During the year, Bill and Eileen handed over responsibility to running the hall to a group of DCC members. It is still used every weekday with various groups making good use of it, including Guides, Rangers, Slimming World, Diddi Dance and the WI, and Pilates classes.

Sharon Ellis-Caswell & Eileen Robertson

St Leonard, Malinslee:

During 2025 we felt that God was urging us to 'Be Still' and to trust him to lead us as a church rather than us making decisions and asking God to help. Not surprisingly we found ourselves receiving blessings.

We have seen two of our youngest members take on regular roles e.g helping with our sound system, taking our collection and one becoming Eucharist Assistant. They have done this willingly and eagerly. Through our giving campaign we have seen another church member take on the role of Eucharistic Assistant. We also saw the start of Chatty Club on the last Tuesday of every month starting in October 2025. Rev. Jo was approached by Dawley Town Council to ask if we would be willing for the church to be used for this venture. It is a further social activity in St. Leonard's which will help to improve the relationship between the church and the community. Additionally, it will bring in some extra funding. Rev Jo was also approached by the Telford and Wrekin Council, to discuss using St. Leonard's for a new venture, Healthy Minds and Healthy Bodies, to start in 2026. Again this will help to strengthen the ties between the church and the community as well as combining a social morning with providing help with improving physical and mental health for those who wish. A further blessing was clear when the decision was made not to hold our annual Christmas Fair. Although there was initially concern about the effect on our fundraising, through agreeable and indepth discussion it became clear it was the right decision. It is felt that God did indeed bless this decision as all the fundraising events we did have raised more funding together than our previous fair had done.

Throughout 2025 all the events which took place were led and supported by Rev. Jo and Rev. Scott. On behalf of St. Leonard's we say a huge thank you to them both for this unwavering guidance and support. As always it is good and right we remember the work involved in the overall running of St. Leonard's. There is much work going on behind the scenes, not only in preparing services, not only on Sundays, but constantly to ensure that the buildings are safe, correct policies are in place, rules and regulations are followed, the spiritual welfare of our members, to name only a few! For all of this and more, THANK YOU Rev. Jo and Rev. Scott. It is also proper and right that we again say thank you to those who support St. Leonard's in so many other ways to help ensure it does run smoothly. We have ten people who serve willingly and regularly on our rotas. This number is the same as last year. Although our volunteers are committed and brilliant it would be appreciated by us all if anyone else is able to volunteer. Please speak to Chris or Lorraine for further information. Qualifications are not needed!



Shifnal Male Voice choir concert at St Leonard's in June

We continue our Eucharists each Sunday while the first Sunday of the month is dedicated to Family Worship with Holy Communion. Where there are five Sundays in a month the last Sunday continues to be a united service rotated between the four churches within the Central Telford Parish. Congregation numbers remain steady with an average of 21-25 and delightfully this includes some 3-5 little ones. It is a positive too to see our congregation is made up of regular and committed members. These numbers will alter depending on the weather and special festivals and services.

Chris Prescott and Lorraine Granger

St Mary, Ketley:

The year 2025 has been encouraging. Our congregation has slowly been increasing, some of which have been children. This is very exciting. We had the pleasure of meeting Rev. Nick Watson our new Archdeacon in May of this year. We at St. Mary's had the pleasure of him taking our service for the first time. Members of St. Mary's attended an Ascension Day service which took place at Christ Church Wellington. As usual Ride and Stride took place in September. Sadly no one called at the church this year. In September we celebrated Harvest by having lunch after the service. All donations of tinned food were taken to the food bank at Dawley. Remembrance Service took place, we as usual started at the remembrance memorial outside. The Parish Councillors and local parishioners laid wreaths. Some passersby stopped and joined in, the service continued back in church. We are happy to say we were able to have the children from our local school, The Meadows. For Easter and Christmas Experience. It goes without saying as always their behaviour is wonderful. Always eager to answer any questions asked. They are a credit to their school. Our carol

service was well attended. Our thanks to Kevin Hood for playing for us, always a pleasure to have him. Our Christmas eve service was well attended. The change of time for {9.30pm} seems to suit everyone in the current circumstances.



Christmas at St Mary's

Ann Broadhurst retired in March as Church Warden. We at St. Mary's wish to thank her for her work as Church Warden. She is such a devoted person to her duties she is amazing. She can't do enough for anyone who needs help. Thank you, Ann. Our thanks go to all who do all the jobs behind the scenes.

Fund raising events: Judy's open house x 2; Hadley Orpheus Mate Voice Choir; Fish & Chips/bingo x5; Doreen's open garden; Easter Raffle

Doreen Dyson and Mary Richards

11. Structure and Governance

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended). The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is the governing body for the Parish. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules and the Parish Scheme. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

Report from PCC Secretary

Since the last APCM on 9th April 2025 the PCC has met three times. There are twelve members representing the four churches within Central Telford Parish. This includes both members of our clergy. We continue to give consent or otherwise to requests for cremated ashes to be buried in existing graves. We continue to consider work and grants needed for each individual church for urgent repairs to buildings and structures. The PCC is always updated on the financial situation of CTP and of any possible financial difficulties that may arise. Fundraising activities organised for each church are notified to the whole PCC. During the last twelve months we have agreed several policies which are active for use over the whole of the CTP. All PCC members need to ensure they update their Safeguarding Training at the appropriate times. To date all are up to date or are in the process of being updated. It is satisfying to be able to report there have not been any safeguarding incidences, within the CTP, during the last twelve months. On 16th October 2025 we had our first DCC/PCC meeting. All four DCC's joined with the PCC and met together. It was felt that joining these meetings would enable better discussion of issues which affect everyone across the parish. We began with a Eucharist followed by discussions around the Diocesan Vision. Priorities and challenges were discussed and although these match with our Mission Action Plan it is felt that God continues to say 'Be still and let me lead you'. Our next meeting will be in the first quarter of 2026. With many thanks to all those who give up their personal time to attend meetings and help with the day to day issues affecting our churches.

Lorraine Granger

There are four District Church Councils (DCCs), one for each District centred on the churches of the Parish. All the DCCs met regularly during 2025.

There were 111 names on the electoral roll at the time of the 2025 Annual Meeting

12. Reference and Administrative details

The Central Telford Parish is part of the Diocese of Lichfield within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: The Vicarage, Church Road, Dawley, Telford, TF4 2AS. The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford is a Registered Charity No: 1140301.

The churches of the Parish are:
Holy Trinity Church, Dawley: Old Vicarage Road,
Dawley, Telford, TF4 3NH

St John's Church, Lawley: Dawley Road, Lawley,
Telford, TF4 2PD

St Leonard's Church, Malinslee: Brunel Road, Telford,
TF4 2DS

St Mary's Church, Ketley: Shepherd's Lane, Red Lake,
Ketley Telford TF1 5EG

The PCC also retains responsibility for the closed churchyards of St James' Church, Stirchley (church building now in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust) and St Luke's, Doseley (church building now in private ownership), and St John's Church Hall.

Members of the PCC in 2024, and other officers of the Parish:

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2025 until the date this report was approved were:

Ex Officio Members:

Incumbent: Revd Prebendary Joanna Farnworth
(Chair)

Team Vicar: Revd Scott Edwards

Reader: Chris Prescott

Churchwardens: Doreen Dyson (until APCM), Chris Prescott (since APCM) and Mary Richards (also Deanery Synod rep)

Deanery Synod Reps: Chris Hicks, Jean Heighway, Mary Richards (also Churchwarden)

Nominated Members:

Doreen Dyson (St Mary, District Warden); Ann Broadhurst (St Mary, District Warden until APCM), Jan Yapp (Holy Trinity, District Warden), Lorraine Granger (St Leonard, District Warden), Eileen Robertson (St John, District Warden), Sharon Sinclair (since APCM) Hannah Yapp (Holy Trinity)

Co-opted Members: Margaret Cartwright

PCC Treasurer: Margaret Cartwright

PCC Secretary: Lorraine Granger

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Hannah Yapp

District Church Officers,

District Wardens: Doreen Dyson (St Mary), Sharon Ellis-Caswell (St John), Lorraine Granger (St Leonard), Chris Prescott (St Leonard), Mary Richards (St Mary), Eileen Robertson (St John), Glenis Watkins (Holy Trinity), Jan Yapp (Holy Trinity),

District Treasurers: Roger Farnworth (St Leonard; Holy Trinity from 1st July), Alison Baines (Holy Trinity) until 30 June, Brian Richards (St Mary), Bill Robertson (St John)

13. Names and addresses of advisers

Quinquennial Architect: Geraint Roberts Associates,
2 Maes Derw, Llanfechain SY22 6XN

Bank: Lloyds Bank, Telford; TSB, Wellington

Independent Examiner: Data Developments, Fryer St, Wolverhampton WV1 1HT

Approved by the PCC on 2nd July 2026
and signed on its behalf by:



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Revd Preb Jo Farnworth (Chair)



.....
Margaret Cartwright (Treasurer)

Discipleship examples

- Bible study
- Confirmation
- Generous living

Vocation examples

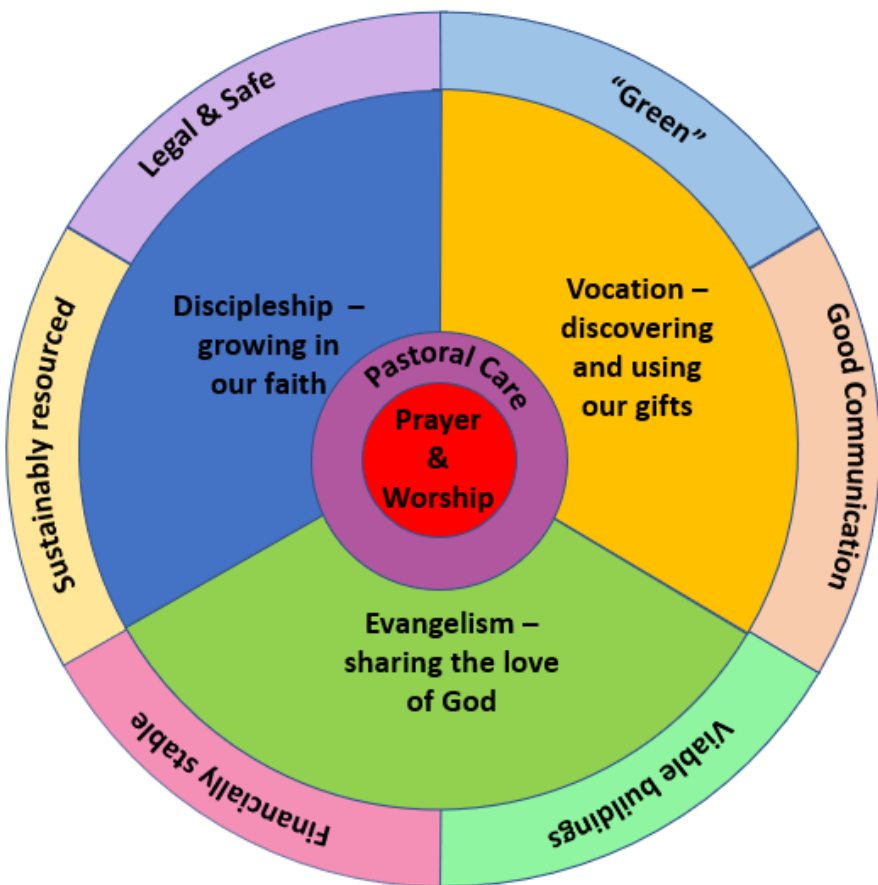
- Providing opportunities to volunteer
- Encouraging people to take on new roles
- Developing lay leaders

Evangelism examples

- Providing 'Stepping stones' into church
- Baptisms, funerals, weddings
- Toddler Groups
- Messy Church or similar
- School links
- Serving our communities/ being at their heart
- Eco Church
- Place of Welcome or similar to address social isolation and loneliness

Pastoral care examples

- Providing effective care for one another; Looking after ourselves



Prayer and Worship examples

- Good services
- Varied opportunities to worship
- Prayer network
- Opportunities to pray together
- Quiet mornings/days

Legal and safe: Safeguarding; Health and Safety; Governance; policies; Faculties

"Green": Net Zero; caring for the environment;

Good communications: in churches, parish, deanery, diocese, wider community

Viable buildings: well maintained, 'fit for purpose', serving our communities

Financially stable: paying Common Fund; generous giving; generating income; saving costs

Sustainably resourced: Using ministry effectively; ensuring wellbeing; not doing more than we can



Section 4: Independent Examiner's Report

Independent Examiner's report

Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and they consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matter has come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

Accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Date: 15th June 2026

Signed:



Stephen Hendy

Data Developments, First Floor, The Chubb Building, Fryer Street, Wolverhampton, WV1 1HT

Section 5: Financial Statements

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish Statement of Financial Activities For the period from 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	73,263	768	10,657	—	84,687	88,158
Income from charitable activities	37,169	—	1,233	—	38,402	39,551
Other trading activities	8	—	3,000	—	3,008	—
Investments	6,997	—	—	—	6,997	5,839
Other income	297	—	597	—	894	5,795
Total income	117,734	768	15,486	—	133,987	139,343
Payments						
Raising funds	210	—	—	—	210	102
Expenditure on charitable activities	111,480	125	14,460	—	126,065	131,336
Other expenditure	—	—	—	—	—	69
Total expenditure	111,690	125	14,460	—	126,276	131,508
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	6,043	643	1,025	—	7,712	7,836
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	5,022	1,180	3,323	—	9,525	354,607
Gross transfers between funds - out	(4,503)	(2,594)	(2,428)	—	(9,525)	(354,607)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets	305	—	—	—	305	(56)
Net movement in funds	6,866	(771)	1,921	—	8,016	7,780
Total funds brought forward	93,116	5,054	124,670	—	222,840	215,061
Total funds carried forward	99,982	4,283	126,591	—	230,857	222,840
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	99,222	—	—	—	99,222	93,116
Designated						
Designated - 180th Celebrations	—	643	—	—	643	—
CTP Parish Share Squirrel Fund	—	—	—	—	—	234
Compassion Designated Fund - St J	—	97	—	—	97	97
Sheila Kemp Legacy Designated Fund - St J	—	937	—	—	937	937
St John's Church Building Fund	—	2,607	—	—	2,607	3,787
Restricted						
Agency collection	—	—	40	—	40	40
Anonymous Restricted Legacy - St J	—	—	2,200	—	2,200	2,200
Barbara Mason Graves Restrict Legacy - St J	—	—	500	—	500	500
Barbara Mason Roof Restricted Legacy - St J	—	—	30,000	—	30,000	30,000
Betsy's Legacy Restricted Fund (Holy Trinity)	—	—	10,828	—	10,828	10,850
Book Sacks Restricted Fund - St J	—	—	410	—	410	410
Carpet/Lighting	—	—	240	—	240	1,000
Children Work (formerly SaFE)	—	—	2,527	—	2,527	2,407
Christian Aid Restricted Fund (Holy Trinity)	—	—	210	—	210	35
Churchyard Maintenance Restricted Fund	—	—	—	—	—	110
Food Bank Restricted Fund (Holy Trinity)	—	—	54	—	54	54
Hall Refurbishment Restricted – St J	—	—	2,527	—	2,527	2,527
Heating System Restricted - St Leonard	—	—	12	—	12	(2,443)
Interior Decorating Scheme -IDCENT011	—	—	4,130	—	4,130	4,130
LDBF Church Bldg Fund	—	—	1,600	—	1,600	800
Leonard Bryce Smith Restricted Fund - St J	—	—	62,848	—	62,848	66,742
Organ Restricted Fund - St Mary	—	—	592	—	592	592
Restricted Fund	—	—	60	—	60	60
Roof Repair Restricted Fund	—	—	852	—	852	—
Sewage Pump Repair	—	—	459	—	459	—
Special Projects fund	—	—	6,444	—	6,444	4,224
Welcome Spaces Restricted - St Leonard	—	—	57	—	57	431

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish
Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December 2025

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Fixed assets		
Investments	2,397	2,092
	2,397	2,092
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	228,712	221,402
	228,712	221,402
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	252	654
	252	654
Net current assets less current liabilities	228,460	220,748
Total assets less current liabilities	230,857	222,840
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Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	99,982	93,116
Designated		
Designated - 180th Celebrations	643	—
CTP Parish Share Squirrel Fund	—	234
Compassion Designated Fund - St J	97	97
Easy Access Account	—	2
Sheila Kemp Legacy Designated Fund - St J	937	937
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Restricted		
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Welcome Spaces Restricted - St Leonard	57	431
Funds of the church	230,857	222,840

Approved by the PCC on2025 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Reverend Prebendary Joanna Farnworth (Chair)

.....
Margaret Cartwright (Treasurer)

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish
Notes to accompany the financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024

Notes to the Accounts

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members. They do include the transactions, assets etc. of each of the four churches, which make up the single parish of Central Telford. The names of those churches are listed elsewhere within this document.

The Parochial Church Council of the Central Telford Parish has approved the format and layout of these accounts. The PCC is made up of representatives of all the member churches.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The parish paid the requested amount of Common Fund for 2025 in full.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the Council. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds comprise of two elements:

a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest

b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

- a. You will see from the accounts that the bank balance held at the 31st December 2025 was £230,857, and 31st December 2024 was £221,402. That is made up as follows –

	2025	2024
Central Accounts	£36,364	£42,406
Holy Trinity	£40,898	£31,786
St Johns	£129,083	£131,748
St Leonards	£11,453	£9,694
St Marys	£10,914	£5,768
Total	£228,712	£221,402

Team Consolidation: The accounts also show a total income of £133,987 (2023: £139,343) and a total expenditure of £126,276 (2024: £131,508). Giving a surplus for the year, before revaluation of investments, of £7,711, (2024: £7,835).

- b. For information we have set out below the details of the income and expenditure of each of the churches which may help the understanding of the overall position

Church Name	INCOME	EXPENDITURE
Central Accounts	£19,458	£25,099
Holy Trinity	£37,442	£28,330
St Johns	£28,672	£31,337
St Leonards	£23,987	£22,228
St Marys	£24,428	£19,282
TOTALS	£133,987	£126,276
Difference		£7,712
Gain/Loss on investment asset		305
B/F from previous year		£222,840
Carried forward		£230,857

Cash Float:

At 31st December 2025, the following cash floats were held by Holy Trinity, Dawley in their safe:

Trinity Tots = £39.22

All Friends Together = £219.31

We introduced a cash float policy in December 2025. In future, the All Friends Together petty cash will be limited to £25 and the current excess will be banked in January 2026 and recorded as a designated fund in the 2026 accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and there is certainty of receipt.

Voluntary Income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

Grants and Legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised from fetes, fairs and similar events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of Church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

Income from Investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable.

Gains and losses on investments.

Realised gains and losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Resources Used

Expenditure is included on the accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the SOFA category. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional on the recipient satisfying performance or other discretionary requirements to the satisfaction of the Board. Grant offered subject to such conditions, which have not been met at the year-end, would be noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

Grants and Legacies

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Grants received were:

St Mary's: Parish Council = £500 (sewage pump repair); LDBF = £8111.63 (roof repair)

St John's: Parish Council = £1700 (Churchyard maintenance)

No legacies received in 2025

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

Common Fund is accounted for when payable. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and shown as a creditor in the balance sheet. Common Fund was paid in full in 2025.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10 (2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on movable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since they are inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure within the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

The Parish has overall responsibility for one other building, the Church Hall at St John's Lawley.

The hall at St. John's is run and maintained by the District Church Council at the church and was valued at £216,000. It is in a good state of repair as it has been recently refurbished. This value is below expected market value.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December 2025 £2,397 (2024 £2,092), and held within Hill & Smith Holdings Plc

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees or other income are shown as debtors less provision for any amounts that may prove uncollectible. No such amounts are due for 2025.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the Bank or Building Society. At present monies are held in a deposit account with the Central Board of Finance by three District churches as well as an amount held centrally.

Investments are held as a part of the Central Accounts. These include shares in Hill & Smith PLC. Details of this are held centrally.

All dividends and interest received on these investments are included in the accounts under the heading of "Investment Income".

Creditors and Accruals

Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish
Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS						
<i>Donations and Legacies</i>						
Gift Aid Envelopes/Donations	38,165	—	235	—	38,400	35,296
Gift Aid Tax Refund	210	—	—	—	210	—
Direct Giving Envelopes - non gift aid	5,477	—	—	—	5,477	8,381
Plate Collections	10,635	—	—	—	10,635	9,110
Sundry Donations	1,427	768	110	—	2,305	5,347
Contactless Donations	3,571	—	—	—	3,571	—
Donations appeals etc	190	—	—	—	190	150
Recoverable Income Tax	13,587	—	500	—	14,087	15,796
Grants	—	—	1,700	—	1,700	1,880
Non-recurring one-off grants	—	—	8,112	—	8,112	12,197
Other Income	297	—	597	—	894	5,525
VAT and other refunds	—	—	—	—	—	270
Total	73,559	768	11,254	—	85,581	93,952
<i>Income from charitable activities</i>						
Other Funds Generated	—	—	—	—	—	8
Fees received	15,939	—	—	—	15,939	16,020
PCC local fees	2,045	—	—	—	2,045	1,350
Gross income from fundraising	10,074	—	—	—	10,074	10,614
Special Appeals gross fundraising	212	—	1,063	—	1,275	1,458
Christian Aid income	—	—	87	—	87	140
Special Restricted Projects income	46	—	5	—	51	—
Bookstall	15	—	—	—	15	—
Children and young people	232	—	—	—	232	10
Church Hall lettings and rent	8,607	—	78	—	8,685	9,451
Total	37,170	—	1,233	—	38,403	39,551
<i>Other trading activities</i>						
Sale of items	8	—	3,000	—	3,008	—
Total	8	—	3,000	—	3,008	—
<i>Investments</i>						
Bank/Building Society Interest	6,942	—	—	—	6,942	5,823
Dividends & Trust Income	55	—	—	—	55	17
Total	6,997	—	—	—	6,997	5,839
INCOME TOTAL	117,734	768	15,486	0	133,987	139,342

EXPENDITURE

Raising funds

Bank Charges	210	—	—	—	210	102
Total	210	—	—	—	210	102

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish
Analysis of income and expenditure (continued)
Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Expenditure on charitable activities

Christian Aid donations	100	—	147	—	247	158
Ministry Common Fund etc	64,788	—	—	—	64,788	60,166
Donations/Gifts	1,637	125	—	—	1,762	2,733
Training	44	—	—	—	44	—
Costs of contactless giving	225	—	—	—	225	—
Fees paid to the Diocese	—	—	—	—	—	723
Housing costs / Rents	665	—	—	—	665	95
Clergy Working Expenses	2,429	—	—	—	2,429	2,893
Quinquennial inspections	—	—	—	—	—	1,150
Running cost (inc Gas,Water,Electric)	12,497	—	—	—	12,497	17,976
minor repairs, routine & maintenance	7,685	—	1,231	—	8,916	7,919
Church Maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	1,212
Major repairs/replacements/install	1,864	—	9,426	—	11,290	—
New items	407	—	338	—	746	—
Church major repairs – structure	—	—	—	—	—	648
Church Hall costs	5,058	—	—	—	5,058	3,893
Churchyard maintenance	130	—	1,810	—	1,940	2,714
Insurance	10,650	—	—	—	10,650	10,357
Bookstall/magazine costs	14	—	—	—	14	—
Flowers	58	—	—	—	58	190
Children and Young People	308	—	22	—	330	724
Occasional offices costs	100	—	—	—	100	—
Mission project costs	46	—	—	—	46	—
Upkeep of services	1,211	—	—	—	1,211	441
Costs of fundraising	790	—	36	—	826	357
Printing, stationery, postage	75	—	—	—	75	180
Audit Fees	—	—	—	—	—	595
License Fees	674	—	—	—	674	946
Other Payments	25	—	1,450	—	1,475	125
Church major repairs	—	—	—	—	—	15,140
Total	111,480	125	14,460	—	126,065	131,335

Other expenditure

Special projects payments as required	—	—	—	—	—	69
Total	—	—	—	—	—	69

GRAND TOTAL	111,690	125	16,460	—	126,276	131,506
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Analysis of Assets – 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
Hill & Smith Holdings Plc -	2,397	—	—	—	2,397	2,092
Totals	2,397	—	—	—	2,397	2,092
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Bank current account -	41,165	643	9,991	—	51,799	55,099
Interior Decorating Scheme -IDCENT011	—	—	4,380	—	4,380	4,380
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFDAWL011	—	—	400	—	400	200
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFKETL011	—	—	400	—	400	200
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFLAWL011	—	—	400	—	400	200
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFMALI011	—	—	400	—	400	200
Bank deposit account -	2,578	—	(2,134)	—	444	2,558
CBF deposit account -	45,220	3,544	111,102	—	159,866	152,944
Compassion bank account -	11	97	—	—	108	53
Bank current account -	8,611	—	1,903	—	10,514	5,568
Totals	97,586	4,283	126,843	—	228,712	221,402
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	252	—	252	654
Totals	—	—	252	—	252	654
Grand total	99,983	4,283	126,591	—	230,857	222,840

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford
Fund movement summary
Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

		Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
180th							
Designated		—	768	125	—	—	643
	Sub-total for Anon Res	—	768	125	—	—	643
Anon Res - Anonymous Restricted			—	—	—	—	—
Restricted		2,200	—	—	—	—	2,200
	Sub-total for Anon Res	2,200	—	—	—	—	2,200
Barbara M - Barbara Mason Graves							
Restricted		500	—	—	—	—	500
Restricted		30,000	—	—	—	—	30,000
	Sub-total for Barbara M	30,500	—	—	—	—	30,500
Betsy's Le							
Restricted		10,850	—	22	—	—	10,828
	Sub-total for Betsy's Le	10,850	—	22	—	—	10,828
Book Sacks - Book Sacks Restrict							
Restricted		410	—	—	—	—	410
	Sub-total for Book Sacks	410	—	—	—	—	410
CTPShare - CTP Parish Share Squ							
Designated		234	—	—	(234)	—	—
	Sub-total for CTPShare	234	—	—	(234)	—	—
Carpet/Lig							
Designated		1,000	—	—	(760)	—	240
	Sub-total for CTPShare	1,000	—	—	(760)	—	240
Children - Children Work (forme							
Restricted		2,407	120	—	—	—	2,527
	Sub-total for Children	2,407	120	—	—	—	2,527
Christian							
Restricted		35	322	147	—	—	210
	Sub-total for Christian	35	322	147	—	—	210
Church Bui							
Designated		3,787	—	—	(1,180)	—	2,607
	Sub-total forChurch Bui	3,787	—	—	(1,180)	—	2,607
Churchyard							
Restricted		110	1,700	1,810	—	—	—
	Sub-total for Churchyard	110	1,700	1,810	—	—	—
Compassion - Compassion Designate							
Designated		97	—	—	—	—	97
	Sub-total for Compassion	97	—	—	—	—	97
EAA - Easy Access Account							
Designated		—	—	—	—	—	—
	Sub-total for EAA	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food Bank							
Restricted		54	—	—	—	—	54
	Sub-total for EAA	54	—	—	—	—	54
General - General fund							
Unrestricted		93,116	117,734	111,690	518	305	99,982
	Sub-total for General	93,116	117,734	111,690	518	305	99,982
Hall Refur - Hall Refurbishment R							
Restricted		2,527	—	—	—	—	2,527
	Sub-total for Hall Refur	2,527	—	—	—	—	2,527

Heating - Heating Restricted F						
Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	—
Restricted	(2,443)	—	68	2,523	—	12
Sub-total for Heating	(2,443)	—	68	2,523	—	12
IDS - IDCE - Interior Decorating						
Restricted	4,130	—	—	—	—	4,130
Sub-total for IDS - IDCE	4,130	—	—	—	—	4,130
LDBF - CBF Deposits - Inact						
Designated – St J	—	—	—	—	—	—
Designated - HT	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for LDBF	—	—	—	—	—	—
Leonard BS - Leonard Bryce Smith						
Restricted	66,742	—	2,226	(1,668)	—	62,848
Sub-total for Leonard BS	66,742	—	2,226	(1,668)	—	62,848
Restr						
Restricted	60	—	—	—	—	60
Sub-total for None	60	—	—	—	—	60
Organ						
Restricted	592	—	—	—	—	592
Sub-total for Organ	592	—	—	—	—	592
QFDAWL011						
Restricted	200	—	—	200	—	400
Sub-total for QFDAWL011	200	—	—	200	—	400
QFKETL011						
Restricted	200	—	—	200	—	400
Sub-total for QFKETL011	200	—	—	200	—	400
QFMALI011						
Restricted	200	—	—	200	—	400
Sub-total for QFMALI011	200	—	—	200	—	400
QFLAWL011						
Restricted	200	—	—	200	—	400
Sub-total for QFLAWL011	200	—	—	200	—	400
Roof Repai						
Restricted	—	8,747	7,895	—	—	852
Sub-total for Roof Repai	—	8,747	7,895	—	—	852
Sewage Pum						
Restricted	—	927	468	—	—	459
Sub-total for Sewage Pum	—	927	468	—	—	459
Restr - Restricted Fund						
Restricted (PCC)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for Restr	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sheila Kem - Sheila Kemp Legacy D						
Designated	937	—	—	—	—	937
Sub-total for Sheila Kem	937	—	—	—	—	937
Spec-BLDG - St Johns - Buildings						
Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for Spec-BLDG	—	—	—	—	—	—
Special - Special Projects fun						
Restricted	4,224	3,670	1,450	—	—	6,444
Sub-total for Special	4,224	3,670	1,450	—	—	6,444
Special - Welcome						
Restricted	431	—	374	—	—	57
Sub-total for Welcome	431	—	374	—	—	57
Grand total	222,800	133,987	126,276	—	305	230,817

Fund Description

Designated Funds

- Compassion (St John) - Designated by the DCC for children's work - currently supporting Open Doors
- CTP Common Fund (Malinslee) – monies set aside for common fund payments
- LDBF CBF Deposit (St John & Dawley) – monies kept in the CBF Deposit account held by Lichfield Diocesan Trust
- Sheila Kemp Legacy (St John) - Designated by the DCC for something tangible for the church
- 180th - 180th Celebrations (Holy Trinity Church, Dawley)

Restricted Funds

- Anonymous Restricted (St John) - Something tangible for the church
- Barbara Mason Graves Legacy (St John) - For the maintenance of the graves of Thomas George and Barbara Mason, Thomas and Maud Lillian Bowdler, Thomas William and Lilian Rose and Cecil Mason the same as has been maintained during the deceased's lifetime.
- Barbara Mason Roof Legacy (St John) – For upkeep and repair of St John's church roof
- Book Sacks (St John) – For children's work
- Children's Work (PCC) – £2,527
- Hall Refurbishment (St John) – For the refurbishment of the hall at St John
- Heating (St Mary) – For repair of the heater
- Interior Decorating Scheme (PCC) – for the internal redecoration of the vicarage
- Leonard Bryce Smith Trust (St John) - For the fabric of St John's church
- Lawley Outreach (PCC) – for mission in the district of Lawley
- Organ (St Mary) – £592
- Restricted Fund (PCC) - £60
- Special Buildings (St John) – for the upkeep and maintenance of the fabric of St John's church
- Special Projects (Malinslee) – monies set aside for particular projects at St Leonard's
- Nellie Lewis (Dawley) – for children's work at Holy Trinity
- Restricted (PCC) – a few restricted funds that are being reviewed in 2024

Transfers between funds

2025

- Movement of finance previously recorded as unrestricted into their corresponding restricted funds. Correction of historical mis-posting.

Allocation of Support Costs

Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

Staff costs

	2025	2024
Wages & Salaries	£-	£-
Average no. of employees	0	0

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

Trustees' Expenses

2 trustees were paid £2,162 in respect of reimbursement of travel and phone expenses during the year (2024: 2 trustees were paid £1,852) .

Related Parties

No other expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £8,135 for the year 2025 (£6,881 for the year 2024). This is the total of all giving/donations made by PCC members who served during the year ie includes planned/regular giving as well as any one-off donations.

Fees for the examination of the accounts

	2024	2023
Independent Examiner's fees	£-	£595
Other fees (eg accountancy services) paid to the Independent Examiner	£ -	£ -

No Invoice has received at time of competition of accounts relating to the competition of 2024 I/E

Creditors due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Agency (<i>restricted</i>)	252	654
Total Creditors	252	654

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish
Fund movement summary
Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Prior Year Comparative Reports

Statement of Financial Activities – 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	70,658	—	17,499	—	88,158	83,671
Income from charitable activities	38,991	0	560	—	39,551	41,019
Other trading activities	—	—	—	—	—	475
Investments	1,661	3,787	391	—	5,839	6,532
Other income	1,665	—	4,130	—	5,795	—
Total income	112,976	3,787	22,581	—	139,343	131,696
Payments						
Raising funds	382	—	—	—	382	105
Expenditure on charitable activities	112,927	—	18,130	—	131,057	119,728
Other expenditure	—	—	69	—	69	182
Total expenditure	113,308	—	18,200	—	131,508	120,015
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(332)	3,787	4,381	—	7,836	11,681
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	105,652	28,353	220,602	—	354,607	31,106
Gross transfers between funds - out	(133,311)	(51,160)	(170,135)	—	(354,607)	(31,106)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets	(56)	—	—	—	(56)	836
Net movement in funds	(27,744)	54,848	54,848	—	7,780	12,517
Total funds brought forward	121,164	24,075	69,822	—	215,061	202,544
Total funds carried forward	93,420	5,054	124,670	—	222,840	215,061

Analysis of Assets – 2024

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
Hill & Smith Holdings Plc -	2,092	—	—	—	2,092	2,148
Totals	2,092	—	—	—	2,092	2,148
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Bank current account -	48,085	234	6,781	—	55,099	61,226
Interior Decorating Scheme -IDCENT011	—	—	4,380	—	4,380	—
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFDAWL011	—	—	200	—	200	—
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFKETL011	—	—	200	—	200	—
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFLAWL011	—	—	200	—	200	—
LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFMALI011	—	—	200	—	200	—
Bank deposit account -	2,558	—	—	—	2,558	2,528
CBF deposit account -	35,450	4,724	112,770	—	152,944	147,183
Compassion bank account -	(44)	97	—	—	53	97
Bank current account -	4,975	—	592	—	5,568	3,441
Totals	91,024	5,054	125,324	—	221,402	214,474
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	654	—	654	1,562
Totals	—	—	654	—	654	1,562
Grand total	93,116	5,054	124,670	—	222,840	215,061

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Anon Res - Anonymous Restricted						
Restricted	—	—	—	2,200	—	2,200
Sub-total for Anon Res	—	—	—	2,200	—	2,200
Barbara M - Barbara Mason Graves						
Restricted	—	—	—	500	—	500
Restricted	—	—	—	30,000	—	30,000
Sub-total for Barbara M	—	—	—	30,500	—	30,500
Betsy's Le						
Restricted	—	391	—	10,459	—	10,850
Sub-total for Betsy's Le	—	391	—	10,459	—	10,850
Book Sacks - Book Sacks Restrict						
Restricted	—	—	—	410	—	410
Sub-total for Book Sacks	—	—	—	410	—	410
CTPShare - CTP Parish Share Squ						
Designated	234	—	—	—	—	234
Sub-total for CTPShare	234	—	—	—	—	234
Carpet/Lig						
Designated	—	1,000	—	—	—	1,000
Sub-total for CTPShare	—	1,000	—	—	—	1,000
Children - Children Work (forme						
Restricted	10	70	—	2,327	—	2,407
Sub-total for Children	10	70	—	2,327	—	2,407
Christian						
Restricted	—	10	—	25	—	35
Sub-total for Christian	—	10	—	25	—	35
Church Bui						
Designated	—	3,787	—	—	—	3,787
Sub-total for Church Bui	—	3,787	—	—	—	3,787
Churchyard						
Restricted	—	1,700	1,590	—	—	110
Sub-total for Churchyard	—	1,700	1,500	—	—	110
Compassion - Compassion Designate						
Designated	—	—	—	97	—	97
Sub-total for Compassion	—	—	—	97	—	97
EAA - Easy Access Account						
Designated	2	—	—	(2)	—	—
Sub-total for EAA	2	—	—	(2)	—	—
Food Bank						
Restricted	—	—	—	54	—	54
Sub-total for EAA	—	—	—	54	—	54
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	121,164	112,976	113,004	(27,659)	(56)	93,116
Sub-total for General	121,164	112,976	113,004	(27,659)	(56)	93,420
Hall Refur - Hall Refurbishment R						
Restricted	—	—	—	2,527	—	2,527
Sub-total for Hall Refur	—	—	—	2,527	—	2,527
Heating - Heating Restricted F						
Restricted	—	500	500	—	—	—
Restricted	—	12,697	15,140	—	—	(2,443)
Sub-total for Heating	—	13,197	15,640	—	—	(2,443)
IDS - IDCE - Interior Decorating						
Restricted	—	4,130	—	—	—	4,130
Sub-total for IDS - IDCE	—	4,130	—	—	—	4,130
LDBF - CBF Deposits - Inact						
Designated – St J	2,116	—	—	(2,116)	—	—
Designated - HT	21,723	—	—	(21,723)	—	—

Sub-total for LDBF	23,839	—	—	(23,839)	—	—
Leonard BS - Leonard Bryce Smith						
Restricted	—	—	—	66,742	—	66,742
Sub-total for Leonard BS	—	—	—	66,742	—	66,742
None						
Restricted	—	40	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for None	—	40	—	—	—	—
Organ						
Restricted	—	1,492	900	—	—	592
Sub-total for Organ	—	1,492	900	—	—	592
QFDAWL011						
Restricted	—	—	—	200	—	200
Sub-total for QFDAWL011	—	—	—	200	—	200
QFKETL011						
Restricted	—	—	—	200	—	200
Sub-total for QFKETL011	—	—	—	200	—	592
QFMALI011						
Restricted	—	—	—	200	—	200
Sub-total for QFMALI011	—	—	—	200	—	592
QFLAWL011						
Restricted	—	—	—	200	—	200
Sub-total for QFLAWL011	—	—	—	200	—	200
Restr - Restricted Fund						
Restricted (PCC)	25,412	50	—	(25,402)	—	60
Sub-total for Restr	25,412	50	—	(25,402)	—	60
Sheila Kem - Sheila Kemp Legacy D						
Designated	—	—	—	937	—	937
Sub-total for Sheila Kem	—	—	—	937	—	937
Spec-BLDG - St Johns - Buildings						
Restricted	40,176	—	—	(40,176)	—	—
Sub-total for Spec-BLDG	40,176	—	—	(40,176)	—	—
Special - Special Projects fun						
Restricted	4,224	—	—	—	—	4,224
Sub-total for Special	4,224	—	—	—	—	4,224
Special - Special Projects fun						
Restricted	4,224	—	—	—	—	4,224
Sub-total for Special	4,224	—	—	—	—	4,224
Special - Welcome						
Restricted	—	500	69	—	—	431
Sub-total for Welcome	—	500	69	—	—	431
Grand total	215,061	139,343	131,508	—	(56)	222,840