



## **Annual Report**

**for**

**2022**

# **Annual Parochial Church Meeting Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

**AT 7.00 PM**

**ALL HALLOWS CHURCH**

This meeting begins with an act of worship

## **Our Mission statement**

Growing Disciples Wider, Younger and Deeper

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## **Agenda**

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3. Election of Churchwardens

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### **MEETING OF PARISHIONERS**

#### **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS HELD ON TUESDAY 26th April 2022 IN ALL HALLOWS CHURCH**

As the Rector (Chair) was absent due to ill health, Churchwarden Dorothy Ritchie was proposed as Acting Chair by Eleanor Wilson, seconded by Kathy Northern with all those present in favour.

The meeting started with an act of worship.

**Apologies** were received from Keith Hollingworth, Pam Tunnicliffe, Noreen Burrows, Margaret Hicking, Mick Pringle, Linda Rigby, Pat Taylor.

**Present:** 23 parishioners present

1. **Minutes of the last Meeting:** There were no points of correction and the minutes were accepted as an accurate record.
2. **Churchwardens Report:** Dorothy and John were thanked for all the work they had done following the very difficult past year.

3. **Election of Churchwardens:** Dorothy Ritchie and John Rigby were nominated, proposed and seconded and with no other nominations were both accepted as Church Wardens for the coming year. As Dorothy is coming to the end of her term of office she invited people to come forward to shadow her work as churchwarden to see the work involved. Hopefully a new person would then be prepared for next year to take on the post.

This meeting closed at 7.15pm

## **CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT**

We have had an interesting yet challenging year with Rev Mic Johnson retiring at the end of June on health grounds. Despite this we have been fortunate in still having three Communion services most weeks, other churches are not so well served. Much of this is due to Rev Jean Lamb who has worked many extra hours and also to Rev Keith Williams ensuring that our regular services including weddings and baptisms continue.

This takes us to a massive THANKYOU to everyone for your continued support and encouragement during our Interregnum. We have enjoyed the services of several visiting clergy and we thank Rev Sally Baylis, Rev Philip Thomas, Rev Kurt Barron, Archdeacon Phil Williams and the Bishop of Sherwood, Rev Andrew Emerton who visited us to lead our 'First Communion of Christmas'

Despite being in an Interregnum, All Hallows continues to thrive. Our 'Messy Church' meeting each month is joyous and continuing to introduce the love of God to the young. Thank you to all those involved in this important ministry.

Wednesday's too are friendly and noisy with lots of folk visiting us each week to look round the church and to enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

Thinking about visitors to All Hallows, we have good contacts with our local Infant and Junior school, they all arrange visits to church for their pupils to learn about the building and what happens here. We enjoy and learn from some very interesting comments and questions from the children. Christmas was especially busy with services in church for the children and parents of All Hallows School, Priory Road School and Willow Farm School

We were challenged in April by the local scouts and cubs, who needed to take part in a virtual St George's Day Service which would be relayed from Southwell Minster. I need to thank Bill Cox and Steve Hicking especially here who ensured that our technical side of this worked, however, there were problems with the sound quality from Southwell which was a disappointment. It was still good to have so many young people in church from several local scout and cub groups.

Other special occasions have included celebrating Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee, a concert by the Nottingham Boys' Choir, our Bazaar and Coffee mornings, the Gedling Christmas Tree lights switch on. Also the more serious occasions such as Remembrance Day where the people attending in church and at the local War Memorial increases each year.

Our Parish Profile is almost completed, hopefully the next stage is for it to be approved by the Bishop of Southwell and hopefully our vacancy will be advertised shortly. We know that this has and is taking a long time, but please continue to be patient.

So many of you give so freely of your time to help keep our church open and functioning, our sincere thanks go to you all for the willing and loving way that you undertake the various tasks, and for your continuous support

We pray for God's Blessing on us all.

*Dorothy Ritchie and John Rigby*

## **AGENDA**

### Apologies

1. Minutes of last meeting
2. Rector's Report
3. Electoral Roll Report
4. Election of Deanery Representatives
5. Election of PCC Members
6. Treasurer's Report & Appointment of Independent Examiner
7. Reports from Church Organisations: Questions may be asked
8. Resolutions to the PCC

### Closing Prayers

## **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

**Apologies** were received from Keith Hollingworth, Pam Tunnicliffe, Noreen Burows, Margaret Hicking, Mick Pringle, Linda Rigby, Pat Taylor.

**Present:** 23 parishioners present

1. **Minutes of the last Meeting:** There were no points of correction and the minutes were accepted as an accurate record.
2. **Rector's Report:** As Revd. Mic Johnson had been absent since before Christmas 2021 there was no report. Those present wished him well.
3. **Electoral Roll Report:** There were 114 names on the roll having made three deletions and two additions.
4. **Election of Deanery Reps.** There are two vacancies to run for one more year, no prospective candidates came forward.

5. **Election of PCC members.** Graham Francis, Steve Hicking, Orla Mills and Pat Yarnall had completed their term of office. There were two nominations for member of PCC those being Paula Turner and Graham Thompson both had been proposed and seconded and were welcome onto the PCC. It was hoped that some of the members leaving may agree to be co-opted for the next year as there was 12 vacancies for PCC members. Thanks were given to all who had served on PCC and who had worked with dedication behind the scenes for the good of All Hallows Church.

6. **Treasurer's Report and Appointment of Independent Examiner:** A report and the Statement of Financial Activities and a Balance sheet for 31st December 2021 had been circulated in advance. Questions were invited from the floor. The accounts had been audited by Rachel of D&D Accountancy Services and were duly accepted.

Eleanor was thanked for work she had done. Eleanor recommended D&D Accountancy Services as the independent examiners for 2022 explaining that Rachel had offered a day of her work for free to keep the cost down. Rachel was thanked for her generous offer and the proposal was accepted.

7. **Reports from Church Organisations:** The reports were open for questions.

Dorothy thanked everyone who had contributed to the APCM Report and for the work that they had done throughout 2021. Special thanks was given to Dorothy for standing in as Office Administrator; to Revds Jean Lamb and Keith Williams for stepping up to keep services running in Revd Mic's absence.

#### 8. **Resolutions to the PCC**

1. From Anthony Grove: A letter to be sent to Archdeacon Revd Phil Williams to ask that the position regarding Revd Mic's illness be made clear to members of All Hallows as it was unfair to all concerned that the situation be allowed to continue. He asked that the Archdeacon or area Dean be invited to speak to the congregation. There was agreement from those present that

by sending the letter a formal complaint about process was being made.

2. Rick Wilson proposed that a Parish Administrator should be employed to reduce the pressure and work load on Dorothy.

3. Bill Cox suggested that information should be made available to explain the role and purpose of the PCC, Deanery and other workings of the PCC.

9. **Any Other Business** - None

Dorothy thanked everyone for their attendance.

The meeting ended with the Grace and closed at 7.52pm

## **RECTOR'S REPORT - vacancy**

## **ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT**

From 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022 there were six deletions from the Electoral Roll due to the persons demise. There are 108 names recorded on the Electoral Roll.

The preparation of a new Electoral Roll for All Hallows Church will commence in 2025.

*Keith Hollingworth, Electoral Roll Officer*

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

At the end of 2022 we carried forward a working balance of £4314

**Our income** mainly came from:- Regular Planned Giving £32387, Income Tax return £9287; Weddings and Funerals £7243; Birthday appeal £744. Collections on the plate £6502 and donations £360; PCC fund raising £2111 and £479 from floodlighting. This income pays for our regular bills and Giving for Ministry



**We paid £41000 to the Diocese** leaving a shortfall of £19804. We have not used our savings to supplement Giving for Ministry as we are expecting future expenditure of at least £13000 for planned Quinquennial work and further expenditure required for stone masonry work as outlined in the Quinquennial report. We have pledged to pay the Diocese £36,000 by the end of 2023.

**Our other major expenses** were: Insurance £4713; Organist £4152 No parish Administrator expenditure with many thanks to Dorothy Ritchie for volunteering time to manage the office work with a saving of £3650) ; utilities £3596; stationery, printing costs, land line and broadband £3000; church maintenance £3452.

### **Charitable giving**

Our policy is to donate 1% of voluntary income to charity in 2022 we contributed £508 to the Ukrainian appeal plus a regular contribution to The Ark of £720 per annum.

In addition, collections were also taken for:

Christingle donations: £155

Ukrainian appeal: £471

Christian Aid Lent lunches: £550

Ride & Stride Notts Historic Churches Trust: £60 (50% to be returned to AH)

Royal British Legion Sunday service and collection box: £500

The Ark from Tree lighting up: £47

Children's Society from collection boxes: £386

Children's Society from Christmas services: £375

- PCC met the running costs for hosting and helping with Christingle Service for the Children's Society
- From the Gift Service new toys and vouchers for the Great Notts Christmas Toy Appeal;
- Donations for Bags of Blessings were organised and the Food bank receives on going support from donations.

### **Refurbishment funds**

The Refurbishment fund is used for major projects, 50% of fund raising is sent to the fund, topped up with appeals for specific

projects, next year it will be for replacing the lights with LED bulbs. In Memoria funds and bequests are also directed to our Refurbishment fund.

<b>REFURBISHMENT FUNDS</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
<b>Eleanor Wilson</b>			
Opening Balance			12933.54
Gedling Magazine	2402.96		
Hand Rails		681.60	
Office Roof		6900.00	
Concert	75.20		
Easter Fair	821.45		
Boilers		2628.55	
Boys choir	56.10		
Summer Fair	503.23		
August Fair	768.75		
LPOW VAT return	1263.60		
Fund raising	30.00		
Notice Boards		175.16	
Gopak large tables		128.93	
Christmas Fair	908.75		
In Memorium	696.38		
Transfer funds to CCLA a/c		150.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>7526.42</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>10664.24</b>	
<b>Excess Expenditure</b>			<b>3137.82</b>
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>9795.72</b>

**We have in the CCLA savings account:**

£26849 from legacies / in memorium funds designated for refurbishment

£400 restricted funds for Outreach (previously Bookstall fund) for the purchase of baptism books and outreach materials.

**In the bank current account** Restricted Outreach fund £77.43  
 Funds have been used as shown in table below:

<b>OUTREACH FUND Restricted Funds Eleanor Wilson</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
Opening Balance			93.02
Transferred from CCLA savings account Restricted.	150.00		
Purchases Lent study books		23.77	
Sale of Lent study books	10.00		
Baptism books		59.23	
Confirmation gifts		34.57	
Christmas cards		58.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>160.00</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>175.57</b>	
<b>Excess Expenditure</b>			<b>15.57</b>
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>77.43</b>

In the bank account a restricted Choir Fund: £1574

and a restricted Men's Fellowship account: £1201

See Balance sheets on pages 19 and 21

I would recommend to you that Rachel Wright of D&D Accountancy Services (part of K2Group), Ilkeston is re-appointed to examine our books again next year. She offers an extremely friendly and helpful service at a very reasonable rate, which she sees as part of her Charitable Giving.

*Eleanor Wilson, Treasurer*

## ALL HALLOWS CHURCH GEDLING

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
<b><u>Income and Endowments</u></b>						
Voluntary income	2(a)	50453	2890	0	53343	61189
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	8091	0	0	8091	6759
Income from investments	2(c)	463	0	0	463	52
Church activities	2(d)	7242	0	0	7242	5523
Other income	2(e)	1620	2228	0	3848	13529
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>67868</b>	<b>5118</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>72987</b>	<b>87052</b>
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>						
Church activities	3(a)	76949	4918	0	81867	96754
Fund-raising trading costs	3(b)	10	0	0	10	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>76959</b>	<b>4918</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>81877</b>	<b>96754</b>
<b>Net Income/(Expenditure) before Transfers</b>		<b>(9091)</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(8890)</b>	<b>(9702)</b>
<b>Gross transfers between funds</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net Income/(Expenditure) before Other Recognised Gains/Losses</b>		<b>(9091)</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(8890)</b>	<b>(9702)</b>
<b>Gains and losses on Investment Assets</b>		<b>(132)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(132)</b>	<b>(70)</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(9223)</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(9022)</b>	<b>(9772)</b>
<b>Balances brought forward 1st January 2022</b>		<b>64601</b>	<b>13464</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>78065</b>	<b>87837</b>
<b>Balances carried forward 31st December 2022</b>		<b>55378</b>	<b>13665</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>69043</b>	<b>78065</b>

## ALL HALLOWS CHURCH GEDLING

### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
<b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>						
Investments	6(a)	851	0	0	851	983
Tangible assets	6(b)	10958	10177	0	21135	23382
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>11809</b>	<b>10177</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21986</b>	<b>24365</b>
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>						
Debtors	7	0	0	0	0	270
Short term deposits		31510	400	0	31910	31546
Cash at bank and in hand	11	13925	3088	0	17013	24326
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>45435</b>	<b>3488</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48923</b>	<b>56142</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	<b>(1866)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1866)</b>	<b>(2442)</b>
<b>Net Current Assets/ (Liabilities)</b>		<b>43569</b>	<b>3488</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47057</b>	<b>53700</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	9	<b>55378</b>	<b>13665</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>69043</b>	<b>78065</b>
<b><u>Parish Funds</u></b>						
Unrestricted funds					55378	64601
Restricted funds					13665	13464
Endowment funds					0	0
<b>Total funds</b>					<b>69043</b>	<b>78065</b>

The foregoing accounts have been independently examined by ourselves without carrying out an audit, from the books and records of the Church and from information and explanations supplied to us by the Treasurer.

6th April 2023

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*for and on behalf of*  
*D & D Accountancy Services Limited*

I approve the foregoing accounts and confirm that I have made available all records and information for their preparation.



.....  
Mrs E A Wilson  
( Treasurer , All Hallows Church )

### Independent Examiner's Report

To the PCC of All Hallows Church, Gedling,

We report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 which are set out on pages 1 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the Independent Examiner

The PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. As members of the PCC you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to

examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;

follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and

state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

Our 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 PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently 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 examiners statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention

1 which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or to prepare Accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or

2 to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Miss R Wright  
On behalf of D & D Accountancy Services Ltd

6<sup>th</sup> April 2023

## REPORTS FOR 2022

### PCC REPORT

**Membership:** members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During 2022 the following served as members of the PCC.

Incumbent	Vacancy
Associate Priest	Revd. Keith Williams (Retired) Revd. Jean Lamb
Licenced Lay Minister	Mrs. Margaret Hicking
Churchwardens	Mrs. Dorothy Ritchie-Hollingworth Mr John Rigby
Deanery Synod	Mrs. Eleanor Wilson
Elected Members	
Mr. Bill Cox	(co-opted until APCM 2023)
Mr Graham Francis	(co-opted until APCM 2023)
Miss Linda Freeman	(until APCM 2024)
Mr. Steve Hicking	(co-opted until APCM 2023)
Mr. Graham Thompson	(until APCM 2025)
Mrs Paula Thompson	(until APCM 2025)
Mrs. Pat Yarnall	(co-opted until APCM 2023)

The Secretary and Treasurer of the PCC was Mrs Eleanor Wilson

At the 2022 APCM in April, two new members were elected. This left three vacancies on the PCC from 2022, four vacancies from 2021 and five vacancies from 2020. We now thank those coming to the end of their co-opted one year term on the council: Graham, Steve, Pat and Bill for the input they have given while in office. We look forward to welcoming five new members onto the PCC in 2023 and possibly co-opting members who may wish to stay on the PCC.

**Three resolutions** were presented at the APCM in 2022 which were resolved as follows:

*To hand a letter from Anthony Grove to the Archdeacon regarding Diocesan process. This was done.*



*To employ a Parish Administrator.* An advertisement was sent out but there were no responses. It was decided to wait until later in 2023 before trying again.

*To encourage more people to join PCC with a written description of what the roll entails.* This was done and is on the website and a booklet is available.

### **Other business throughout 2022**

There were six PCC meetings throughout the year, Five meetings were chaired by John Rigby and one by Dorothy Ritchie. PCC were informed that Mic would be retiring due to ill health in June. He and Ani were wished well for the future.

Reports were received from the groups as classified under 'Wider', 'Younger', 'Deeper' and 'Business' with discussions taking place.

Meetings were also concerned with the business of appointing a new incumbent. This was facilitated by Archdeacon Phil Williams who led joint All Hallows and Holy Trinity PCCs in drawing out the vision of what type of person a new incumbent would be to fit with leading us into the future. From these meetings and questionnaires asked of the congregations, a Parish Profile was drafted. The post to be advertised in the Spring of 2023.

Other discussions included the contents of the Quinquennial report and the faculty for having plaques in the new Garden of Rest. PCC also approved the Building Committee's request for work to upgrade the lighting in the church to LED bulbs to reduce electricity costs.

### **Standing Committee**

There were no standing committee meetings

*Eleanor Wilson. PCC Secretary.*

## **ASSOCIATE PRIEST REPORT**

Despite an impending Interregnum at the beginning of the year we carried on with our work to nourish and sustain the People of God through the Gift of the Eucharist, BCP & CW, both at All Hallows' and at Holy Trinity Church, Lambley. In addition I helped with Evensong, Evening Prayer on a Monday and the Mid Week Holy Communion Service. Funerals and visits were dealt with, Baptisms undertaken, Weddings celebrated. I was wholly supported by Church Wardens Dorothy Ritchie and John Rigby; musically by organist Steve Hicking, pastorally by Margaret Hicking and structurally by Eleanor Wilson. I helped wherever I could.

We sped on with new ventures to teach, promote and to consolidate the faith of God in Jesus Christ. The 'Children Calling' Course continued on a Monday Evening leading three people from one family to Confirmation in September 2022. During Lent we worked through the Living in Love and Faith Course established by the Church of England to investigate the reality of same sex relationships towards their blessing in the Church. In the Autumn we began two cohorts of "Follow Me.....", an Enquirers Course of the Christian Faith through the Pilgrim Programme.

We celebrated together at a whole Parish Party at St Alban's House on Sunday 24th April and went on to prepare and present our art and craft work which we had made through the long COVID months when we were isolated from each other in our two week CO: DID20 EXHIBITION, open to the public. The displays were excellent and were written up for the Diocese and for the Methodist-Anglican network Artserve.

The year ended with the Nativity Stall Holy Family scene now fully restored in situ by Gedling Community Christmas Tree, dedicated to supporting the work of the Ark Charity.

*The Reverend Jean Lamb Associate Priest All Hallows Parish Church and Holy Trinity Church Lambley.*

## **LAY MINISTERS' REPORT**

I would like to thank all members of our congregation who have helped to provide pastoral care, prayers, readings, drawings, bible studies and encouragement to us all in this very difficult time of Vacancy.

At the beginning of the year we started out thinking that things were improving and gradually getting back to our usual services, even adding our Messy Church initiative.

John and I have stepped in to do as much as possible to support during Revd Mic's illness and following his retirement. I would like to encourage anyone who has ever considered Lay Ministry to make enquires then go for it!

It would be great to have younger people on our team, but older enthusiastic folk are equally welcome and often have a deeper spiritual basis on which to build. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Every blessing

*Margaret Hicking and John Rigby.*

## **GROWING DISCIPLES 'WIDER'**

### **MUSIC IN WORSHIP REPORT**

The choir at present has fifteen regular members. There are other singers in church who we can call on to augment for special services and we are very grateful to them.

May I pay tribute to the late Ron Gent, who for many years sang tenor in the choir and has more than once sang the solo tenor part for us in Stainer's Crucifixion.

The introduction of new services has given us a greater role, this includes a monthly choral evensong and regular Taize services. The choral evensong in particular is a popular service often attracting worshipers from out of Gedling.

Looking to the future, our churchwarden has been promoting the Evensong and Taize services by advertising outside of the parish. We plan to continue with this and also to promote these services further by broadcasting live on our Facebook pages.

Thank you Chris Satterley for conducting the choir, being our cantor sharing your knowledge and expertise in choral music.

Thank you to all our choir members and supporters who have been so complimentary of our efforts.

It is a great privilege for me to lead the choir, sadly many church choirs have disappeared as a result of the pandemic. We in Gedling have a four part choir, there are vacancies in all departments, so if you enjoy singing why not come and join us?

*Steve Hicking, Organist & Choirmaster*

<b>MUSIC IN WORSHIP</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
Opening Balance 01.01.22			1489.25
Arnold Lee Fund	75.24		
Wedding income	240.00		
Wedding expenses		200.00	
Choir expenses		70.00	
Donation	40.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>355.24</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>270.00</b>	
<b>Excess Income</b>			<b>85.24</b>
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>1574.49</b>

## **BELL RINGERS REPORT**

We continue to ring on Wednesday evenings and Sunday morning services and for Weddings when requested.

During 2022, Linda and myself had slight health problems and were unable to ring for a number of weeks and my thanks go to the rest of our band for keeping the bells of All Hallows ringing.

There have been a number of special occasions for which to ring the bells. On Friday June 3rd we rang the bells prior to the Thanksgiving Service at St. Pauls Cathedral for the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

This year I have been Tower Captain at All Hallows for 50 years and a peal attempt was rung to celebrate this at All Hallows. Unfortunately before the peal was completed one of the ropes slipped off it's wheel. However, on Friday 29th July a full peal was rung to celebrate this occasion at St. John of Beverley, Whatton in the Vale. More news to follow next year.

Later in the year on Friday September 9th at 12 noon the bells were rung half muffled in memory of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II following her death that month.

The ringers from St.Mary,s Nottingham continue to visit monthly on Friday evenings to ring quarter peals.

My thanks again to our regular band of ringers for their continue support.

God Bless you all.  
*John R Rigby, Tower Captain*

<b>BELLRINGERS 2022 Gillian Flynn</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
Opening balance in bank a/c			1125.89
Opening balance cash in hand			121.27
Opening Balance			<b>1247.16</b>
Wedding Fees	1292.32		
Wedding ringers' fees		840.00	
Quarter Peal and peal fees	112.25		
Visitor fees	25.00		
Interest	0.07		
District subs		48.00	
Repairs		228.00	
Refreshments		5.00	
Ringing World notices		9.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1292.32</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>1130.00</b>	
<b>Excess Income</b>			<b>162.32</b>
<b>Cash in Hand</b>			128.52
<b>Cash in Bank</b>			1280.96
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>1409.48</b>

## **ALL HALLOWS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP REPORT**

The men's group has now been running for over forty years and has a breakfast meeting on the third Saturday each month at the Willowbrook pub in Gedling. The aim of the group is to promote a fellowship both within the members that attend the church and others in the Gedling area.

We normally have between twelve and twenty attend the meetings with a total membership of twenty-five. These meetings are a good mixture of social interaction and discussing groups trips and church activities in the coming weeks that we can get involved with.

Although 2022 saw ongoing restrictions from Covid we did manage to have a trip to the National Memorial Arboretum which was attended by twenty eight people. We also arranged the All Hallows Christmas dinner which was well received by forty-five people.

Summary of accounts shows that the Arboretum trip was self-funding, we made a £100 donation to the ARK and finished the year with £110 increase in the account.

<b>MEN'S FELLOWSHIP Bill Cox</b>	<b>Cash IN</b>	<b>Cash OUT</b>	<b>Bank BALANCE</b>
Opening Balance			1092.37
AGM – Subs + Donations	110.00		
Arboretum Trip	1048.50	1048.50	
Christmas Lunch	954.85	854.85	
Donation to The Ark		100.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2113.35</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>2003.35</b>	
<b>Excess Income to Bank</b>			<b>110.00</b>
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>1202.37</b>

Going forward.

The fellowship intends to donate £300 in 2023 towards the church lighting repairs.

We will be arranging a number of activities including a coach trip to the Norfolk coast in July and a back stage tour of the theatre in August.

We will also be looking at the steps needed to update the Fellowship details on the church web site.

*Bill Cox, AHMF Chair*

## **WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK REPORT**

[www.allhallowsgedling.co.uk](http://www.allhallowsgedling.co.uk)

The website is provided by Weebly, this company has now been taken over by Squarespace, our version is free.

Once again, the need for the website has been crucial this year. It is proving to be a most valuable medium for sharing our services and keeping us updated.

The website now is shared with Lambley Holy Trinity and this partnership will continue to grow. The website is closely linked too with our Facebook account.

In 2023 we anticipate our website and Facebook pages to be scrutinized as we continue to advertise for a new Rector.

The 9.30 church services are relayed live on Facebook. We will in future be broadcasting our Choral Evensong and Taize services. The website is being updated weekly. We now have a team of website editors, Eleanor Wilson is posting events and news items, Dorothy Richie is now posting the weekly pew leaflet and all service times. Messy church have been making the most of the website and Facebook page to reach out to families. Sharing the love of Jesus has now filtered through to several WhatsApp groups which many members of our congregation use to keep in touch.

For the future we see the website as the link to all our multimedia tools, we welcome new editors and contributions as we move forward sharing our faith on the internet. If you have any item to be shared on our social media platforms or wish to join a WhatsApp group please contact me or speak to the wardens.

*Steve Hicking website editor.*



## **PASTORAL CARE TEAM REPORT**

The purpose of the Pastoral team is to support and nurture members of our congregation and community who are at a time of their lives where they need not only the love of God but also support from the church. We appreciate all those members of our congregation who visit those who are no longer able to join us in person, and hope that they know that they are in our thoughts and prayers.

When possible, we are regularly visiting the local nursing homes and offering a visit to those who are sick and in need, in our community. We have been making the most of technology and to continue sharing the love of God in our Sunday morning services on Facebook.

In addition, we have continued to personally hand deliver the pew leaflet and other publications to those who do not have access to the internet and bring news and information to them.

God Bless all those who minister and those who we care for.

*Margaret Hicking and John Rigby and friends.*

## **THE ARK ADVICE CENTRE**

The Ark is based in Gedling and was established in 2002 by the then minister of Phoenix Farm Methodist Church, Reverend Louise Grosberg. The set up was supported by 4 other Gedling churches, Gedling Road Methodist Church, All Hallows CofE, St James Porchester CofE and Westdale Lane Baptist Church. All those churches continue to be involved today.

The charity has the aim of preventing poverty, alleviating hardship and serving the community in Christian love. The Ark is a truly ecumenical project that serves some of the communities most marginalised and deprived people.

The Ark delivers a welfare rights advice service and community café which provides free tea and coffee. The welfare rights service provides over 1000 appointments a year. We also provide employment coaching job clubs to assist people into work. The Ark is a referral and collection point for foodbanks. As well as this we provide various social activity groups for people to come and enjoy hospitality and community with others. Over the last 12 months we have entered a partnership with Hope community hub at Carlton to deliver welfare rights advice at their centre.

As a result of the cost of living crisis we are seeing a wide variety of people coming for support to our service. We are working with other Nottinghamshire wide advice providers to increase the availability of our service. As part of this provision we are seeking to bring in specialised housing and energy advisors to offer appointments at the Ark.

*Joel Baldry, Ark Manager*

## **GROWING DISCIPLES 'YOUNGER'**

### **MESSY CHURCH REPORT**

Messy Church was launched in September 2021 with the help of Reverend Mic Johnson. It has grown and flourished over the last twelve months and we have a dedicated team of leaders and helpers. We would like to express our special thanks to Sue and Bill Cox who prepare and provide the wonderful food for the children and John Rigby who provides his legendary lemon drizzle cake each month. We would also like to thank Linda Freeman who leads the worship so well and Margaret Hicking, our lay minister, for all she does to support us.

Our remit is to facilitate the spiritual development of the children and adults who attend and to promote and encourage families to attend other church services including Morning Praise and special services at key points during the liturgical year. We have a display board in church to share some of the children's crafts.

Messy Church is held once a month on a Saturday afternoon from 3- 5pm. It is usually held on the third Saturday of the month, with occasional variations. We have an average of 23 families who attend Messy Church, with between 25 and 35 children, and a similar number of adults most months. 47 children attended more than once between June and December 2022.

Messy church has a Biblical or liturgical theme each month; families meet in church to have fun with craft activities and participate in worship with songs, a short talk and prayers. This is followed by a light meal which families eat together.

We have a Messy church helpers Whatsapp group and have a monthly planning meeting which is usually attended by a core of 6-8 leaders. A larger group of helpers support activities on the day. We have 60 families on our Messy church WhatsApp group to keep families informed about events.

Upcoming Messy Church dates:

20th May, 17th June, and 15th July. Saturday 26th August (Messy Church picnic), September 23rd.

*Julia Seddon and Annette Satterley*

<b>MESSY CHURCH Richard Seddon</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
Opening Balance in bank a/c			238.06
Cash in hand			<u>178.00</u>
<b>Total funds b/fwd</b>			<b>416.06</b>
PCC	100.00		
Donations on the door	397.52		
Donations by card/anonymous	130.00		
Cake Sales	5.00		
Gedling Play Forum		30.00	
Sundries (stationery, paper plates, craft items etc)		244.57	
Food		237.65	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>632.52</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>512.22</b>	
<b>Excess Income</b>			<b>120.30</b>
<b>Funds in bank a/c</b>			372.36
<b>Cash in Hand</b>			164.00
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>536.36</b>

## **GROWING DISCIPLES 'DEEPER'**

### **HOMEGROUP REPORT**

Our homegroup meets nearly every week throughout the year in a variety of members' homes. We aim to worship God, study the Bible, grow in love and support for each other, have fun and feast on plenty of tea, coffee and cake!

In 2022 we continued studying Isaiah every other week and met for fellowship, singing and prayer in the weeks in between, with the occasional trip to a Garden Centre in the summer.

We have 8 regular members (from All Hallows and Phoenix Farm Methodist Church) so we do have room for a couple more people if anyone would like to join us.

We helped out at the World Day of Prayer, which was at All Hallows, and organised a Lent Lunch for Christian Aid. We also did a Lent Course based on a book called Pathways in Prayer which was really interesting and helped us to grow in our prayer lives.

We are organising another Lent Lunch in 2023, and some of us are knitting and crocheting blankets to be given to people in the local nursing homes.

We have seen some wonderful answers to prayer and we love meeting together each week. Do talk to one of us if you would like to join us.

*Linda Freeman and Susan Cox*

## **BUSINESS REPORTS**

### **BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

Following a lengthy process, the hand rails by the office door were installed and in accordance with the quinquennial report, the office roof was resurfaced. The boilers had additional work and are now functioning as well as possible in a large draughty building without any insulation.

There was one official meeting in 2022 which saw new members welcomed onto the committee.

The business of the meeting was to look at the items raised from the Quinquennial report as List A (to be completed within two years) and to report on the regular service checks.

The major maintenance work for masonry repairs and oak louvres requires faculties and advice from Bruce Bradley, the church architect. This work is ongoing.

Remedial maintenance is ongoing as the need arises, with thanks to Tom Carnell and Mick Simpson, to Steve Hicking for treating the wooden doors and outdoor benches and to Bill Cox for investigating the drainage and soakaways.

An electrical survey was carried out with only a few minor repairs required. The annual checks are in place for the Lightning conductor, PAT testing, Fire extinguishers and alarm systems. The tower clock is serviced and paid for by a grant from the Gedling Borough council with thanks for their continued support.

Bill Cox carried out a Fire Risk Assessment and met with the local fire officer. A few recommendations were made which included clear signage and smoke detectors. An awareness and evacuation training was carried out for 20 volunteers and will be reviewed annually.

The Building committee recommended to PCC that the lighting in the church building should be updated and replaced with LED bulbs to reduce electricity costs. This was approved and work will commence in 2023.

*Eleanor Wilson, Building Committee Secretary*

## **REFURBISHMENT PROJECT**

Phase 2 of the Refurbishment Project was completed at the end of 2020. Thanks are due to Tom Carnell who rectified the doors on the chair cupboard in the South Aisle by preventing them from catching on the floor. Work on Phase 3 to refurbish the Worship Area has yet to commence.

*Ted White, Chair Refurbishment Committee*

<b>FRIENDS OF ALL HALLOWS</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
Opening Balance			375.04
Subscriptions	26.00		
Ted's Talks	95.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>121.00</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
<b>Excess Income</b>			<b>121.00</b>
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>496.04</b>

## **ALL HALLOWS CHURCH BUILDING TRUST REPORT**

The All Hallows Church Building Trust is a Registered Charity which receives funds from the Friends of All Hallows and other sources and holds them until they are required by the PCC to pay for work on the church building and its furnishings.

The Trust received no income in 2022 and made no payments.

*Ted White.*

<b>ALL HALLOWS CHURCH BUILDING TRUST Ted White</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
			<b>6092.37</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	0.00		0.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>		0.00	0.00
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>6092.37</b>

## **SEXTON'S REPORT**

During 2022 several interments took place as additions to existing plots in the Original Garden of Rest and there are now records of 416 in the area. The database for the records is available on the All Hallows website with a location plan.

There have been two new interments in the New Garden of Rest and the total number is now seven. A faculty to add plaques to the plots is still to be resolved and a database will be published once this happens.

Our thanks go to Brian Hemmings for his voluntary work in maintaining the Original Garden of Rest and to Mick Simpson for his regular tidying of the churchyard.

*Rick Wilson, Sexton*

## **DEANERY SYNOD REPORT**

Synod met via zoom on March 9th, and in person meetings on June 22nd and November 16th. 2022 saw the launch of the Parish Refresh process to discern the next steps in our strategy for growing disciples.

At each meeting, news from around the Deanery and from Diocesan Synod is shared. We hold discussions in small groups, and we pray for each other. We receive regular reports from Diocesan and General Synods.

Revd. Margaret Caunt retired from St Mary's Arnold and Revd. Mic Johnson from All Hallows Gedling and Holy Trinity Lambley; other churches in vacancy St. George's Netherfield, Carlton St John's, Colwick.

Lay Chair Tony Mellor stepped down and we thank him for his work. The post of Lay Chair is currently still vacant as is the post of Deanery Treasurer.



Across the Deanery, we were able to meet just 67.8% of our share allocation, with three churches managing 100% despite recent difficulties, which was greatly appreciated. After significant discussion and consultation, we continued to trial apportioning Parish Share for 2023 on an 'offer based' approach.

2022 also saw the return of the popular Deanery Quiz. Area Dean John Allister made a demanding quiz master, and £190.20 was raised for Ukraine. There were 17 teams, and approx. 100 people had a very enjoyable evening. We plan to hold another very soon!

*Portia Newling, Deanery Secretary.*

## **GEDLING MEMORIAL HALL REPORT**

The Hall continues to serve its function as being available for community use and has bookings for most days of the week. The main hirer of the premises is the Gedling Ballet School who continue their successful tuition with local youngsters.

There has been a reduction of bookings for pre-school groups as a result of the financial climate. The demand for children's party bookings has grown with positive feedback from families.

The Hall functions through the efforts of Eleanor Wilson who acts as Treasurer, Administrator and maintains the building in good clean order. Our thanks go to Trustee Pat Yarnall who is always available for Hall checking when required and to James Stapleton who carries out an annual health and safety survey.

The main improvements this year have involved the replacement of the windows along the Arnold Lane side of the building providing the opportunity to open windows for ventilation and a window cleaner has been contracted.

We are also pleased to have the services of Carsons to deal with maintenance work and deal with emergency repairs.

The hall income has been invested in improvements but has still left a healthy balance for future works. The tea bar is next in line for refurbishment.

It has been good to have the hall available for Coffee Mornings again and if you have not seen the 'new look' Hall do get in touch or come along to the AGM in May 2023. The Secret Garden which is accessed by the footpath Church View at side of the is now well established and is worth a visit in the spring.

*Rick Wilson, Chair of Management Committee*

<b>GEDLING MEMORIAL HALL Eleanor Wilson</b> Independently examined by Gerald Kenwood.	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
Opening Balance			13367.77
Lettings	25509.00		
Refundable deposits	3185.00		
GBC Grant	250.00		
Utility refunds	530.31		
Interest from Investments	62.83		
Utilities		2343.68	
Admin, Cleaning		3300.50	
Annual Fees & Inspections		2258.81	
Repairs & Maintenance		7824.13	
Consumables		37.05	
Deposits		3190.00	
Bank charges		61.20	
Miscellaneous		357.95	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>29537.14</b>	<b>19373.32</b>	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			
<b>Excess Income</b>			10163.82
<b>Total Balance</b>			<b>23531.59</b>

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