



**Annual Report and Financial Statements of the  
Parochial Church Council**

for the Year ended 31 December 2019

## **Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council**

The trustees of the Parochial Church Council of St Nicholas', Marston (the members of the PCC) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

### ***Incumbent***

The Revd Elizabeth (Skye) Denno

### ***Charitable Status***

All Parochial Church Councils in the Church of England are recognized as charities by the Charity Commission; PCCs such as ours, with a gross income over £100,000, are required to register with the Commission. The members of the PCC are the trustees of the charity.

***Registered Charity Number***      1138507

### ***Legal Name of the Charity***

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Nicholas Marston

***Working Names of the Charity***    St Nicholas' PCC  
PCC (of) St Nicholas, Marston

### ***Address of the Charity***

The Vicarage, Elsfeld Road, Marston Oxford OX3 0PR

### ***Independent Examiner***

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### ***Bankers***

The Cooperative Bank, 1 Balloon Street, Manchester.

## **Officers**

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Incumbent (Vicar)      | Revd Skye Denno   |
| Curate                 | Revd Andy Gosler  |
| Assistant Priest       | Revd Stephanie Bullock  |
| Licensed Lay Ministers | David Blair<br>David Cranston<br>Joel Denno<br>Ben Knighton                         |
| Churchwardens          | Eileen Palayiwa<br>James Lawrie (to 7 Apr 2019)<br>Judith Piggott (from 7 Apr 2019) |
| PCC Chair              | Skye Denno  |
| PCC Secretary          | Alison Edwards  |
| PCC Treasurer          | Geoff Hale  |

## **Representatives on Cowley Deanery Synod**

Skye Denno  
Jane Campbell  
Maureen Davis  
Millius Palayiwa

The clergy are members of Deanery Synod *ex officio*; the other three members are elected to serve until May 2020.

## **Members of the PCC**

In accordance with the Church Representation Rules, members of the PCC are either elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting ('the annual meeting'), are co-opted by the PCC, or are members of the PCC *ex officio*.

The following served as members of the PCC during the calendar year 2019:

|               |              |                            |
|---------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| David Black   | Skye Denno   | Eileen Palayiwa            |
| David Bullock | Andy Gosler  | Millius Palayiwa           |
| Jane Burd     | Geoff Hale   | Judith Piggott             |
| Jane Campbell | Colin Harris | Sally Richards             |
| Maureen Davis | James Lawrie | Ian Ross (from 7 Apr 2019) |

Elected PCC members serve for three-year terms. The current terms of office of the elected PCC members are as follows:

| <b>Serving until 2020</b>                 | <b>Serving until 2021</b>  | <b>Serving until 2022</b> |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| Jane Burd<br>Geoff Hale<br>Sally Richards | David Bullock<br>Jane Campbell<br>Colin Harris<br>Judith Piggott | David Black<br>Ian Ross   |

## Objectives and Governance

The parish of St Nicholas, Marston, is one of the parishes in the Deanery of Cowley, within the Diocese of Oxford. It shares a joint benefice with the separate parish of St Thomas of Canterbury, Elsfield.

The Parochial Church Council ('the PCC') is governed by the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure (1956) as amended, and by the current version (2011) of the Church Representation Rules. Its responsibilities include that of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St Nicholas'. 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. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and specifically the guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge of and trust in Jesus Christ.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.

Missionary activity and outreach work.

Facilitating this work depends on the voluntary work of many people, and the PCC very much appreciates their service to the church and to the local community.

The incumbent receives a stipend paid by the Diocese. The curate is unpaid.

No other trustees are paid for their services.

A connected charity is Marston Church Properties Ltd ('MCP'), which is both a registered charity, no. 1085739, and a company limited by guarantee. Four of the five directors of MCP are members of the PCC, and the vicar is the chair of the company by virtue of her incumbency.

## Vicar's Report

If 2018 was the year we celebrated being Courageous then I think 2019 was definitely the year we focused on Compassion. We are, I believe, a caring church family but our hope has been to develop this further so that the wider community are also embraced. This has been mainly done through more community involvement in our Fun Days and other projects, which have established links, built bridges and strengthened existing relationships. As a church family we want to grow outwardly in our love for one another, giving a warm welcome to all, and inwardly grow as disciples of Christ. We recognise that the two often go hand-in-hand and we need one if we want to have the other. Unsurprisingly, for me a highlight has been my involvement with our new home group and all aspects of working with the varied pastoral care teams across the parish. This includes Coffee Pot, the start of our new Lunch dates and with training for the Care and Support Groups. Thank you to all who help with the pastoral care, whether through the support groups, helping at Coffee Pot and lunches, or, more informally, through caring for your next-door neighbour.

2019 has certainly been a year of training with four lay members trained to give Holy Communion at home with pre-consecrated bread and wine. We also led a Refresher Course to give updated information to our amazing team who welcome parishioners every week. For the deanery we led a training day to ensure all leaders within the church had up-to-date and sufficient safeguarding training. In the New Year we plan for a Refreshers course on Intercessions and a PCC away day. Along with all the training we enjoyed the privilege of providing placements for Sarah Du Boulay, Sophie Troczynska and Mike Stewart from Cuddesdon College, Millie Gibson from St Stephens house and preaching placements for Wycliffe Hall.

Before we look to 2020 there are so many who help and give a substantial contribution to the continuing life of this church. In some ways it is unfair to single some out at the expense of others, but I want to thank all those who sustain our week-by-week worship, our organist and worship leader Neil and our two choirs. Thank you to John Collier for playing for funerals and the odd service at Elsfield and to those who help as vergers. A huge thanks goes to our flower team who make the church look so beautiful at various times throughout the year. We are very blessed to have an excellent ministry team. Andy Gosler was ordained as priest on the 23 June and now takes services independently; he brings to ministry his gift of storytelling and love of birds. Thanks to my colleague and friend Stephanie Bullock who ensures I have rest and brings wisdom and sound advice. My special thanks to our Lay Readers, Joel Denno, David Blair and Ben Knighton, and those in training – Neil Barker and Geoff Hale – for the contributions they make in preaching and leading services. At the end of 2019 we said goodbye to two lay readers on the ministry team as Dr Ben

Knighton left and David Blair retired. We are truly grateful for their years of services to this Parish.

Special thanks also to Jan Lawrie for the weekly Pew sheet and for editing the Marston Times. To all those in our community who clean the church building and weed the churchyard, especially Brian North, who organised a brilliant and smooth operation for the decorating of our Christmas wreaths this year. As a church we are committed to realising potential and encouraging spiritual gifts regardless of age. The work with children and young people is a vital part of us being church together, so thank you to all those who help with Junior Church, Holiday Club and Pulse.

We have seen a lot of changes this year and I know 2020 will be even busier - the vision for new lighting, wiring and Heating is beginning to take form but that has been because of the hard work behind the scenes. Thank you to Geoff our treasurer and churchwardens Eileen and Judith who have faithfully spent hours going through online forms and red tape.

As a PCC we are a good team and I am grateful for all members for being active and caring.

As we look to 2020, we arrive with two focuses; one is our work and care among families and young children who are attending church in diminishing numbers each year; the second is how to reach out to those who feel isolated and lonely. These two focuses will be our priority for mission and outreach and shape how we use our resources for 2020.

### **Curate's Report**

Andy was ordained Priest at St Andrew's, Linton Rd., on 23 June 2019 at a wonderful service attended by many members of our congregation. He presided at the Eucharist the following week, and has done so regularly since then at 8 am and 10 am services, as well as at a healing service. His first year's curacy report to the Diocese, written collaboratively with Skye and submitted in March, was regarded by the Diocese as a model for Associate Ministry and his permission was requested to show it to prospective curates. He was surprised as he felt his first year had involved a very steep learning curve. He now realises that all curates feel like that!

Andy accepted the chair of the Social Justice and Environment Committee. He has continued to preach regularly, and to lead or support worship, including weekly Morning Prayer, and has started his work on occasional offices, helping with baptism, and conducting his first funeral and interment of ashes. He put together his first all-age service, on the theme of St Francis (for St Francis Day), which involved the congregation writing prayers on cut-out paper birds, which they brought up to hang on the Menorah (tree of life).

As an Associate Minister, Andy combines his ministry in the Benefice with an unofficial ministry within the University of Oxford where he is Associate Professor in Applied Ethnobiology and Conservation. A high point, illustrating how the parts

of his life intersect fruitfully, came in August when he spent two weeks in New Zealand, lecturing on faith, conservation and evolution to conservationists, Christian audiences, and at a theological conference. His pastoral skills are also well employed at Mansfield College where he is Tutor for Welfare, but he is loving his association with the Benefice and feels blessed to have been placed here.

## **Committees and Working Groups**

The PCC operates with committees and working groups, which meet and report to it as appropriate. Participation in these groups is open to all church members.

*Standing Committee:* Chaired by the Vicar

Elected annually, this comprises the Vicar, churchwardens, treasurer and such other members as the PCC agrees. It exists to conduct essential business between full meetings of the PCC.

*Worship Planning:* Convened by the Vicar.

This group meets monthly to plan All Age Worship services.

*Welcome and Pastoral Care:* Convened by Maureen Davis

The committee has kept the Support Network and the Welcome team under review and made adjustments as needed. Coffee Pot and the Monday Get Together continue to provide a useful function.

*Worship and Faith:* Convened by Jane Campbell

The Worship and Faith Committee met approximately every two months. Sadly, Linda Inness has left the committee after several years of useful and valuable work. We need a new member or two.

The committee organised a Quiet Day on 24 Nov 2019 at Elsfield, led by Revd David Barton. Future events include intercession training on 11 Jan 2020, a Spiritual Refreshment day on 7 Mar 2020 and a Contemplation Day early in 2021

The Committee will assemble a small book of prayers to be left in the church for visitors.

*Mission and Hospitality:* Convened by Geoff Hale

The committee met irregularly. Members were involved in the organisation of various events in the church and local community, including Fun Days, Holiday Clubs, Carol Singing and planning for the start of Messy Church in Jan 2020.

*Social Justice and Environment:* Convened by Joel Denno and Andy Gosler

Andy took over as Convenor during the year, reconstituting the committee, with new members, as Social Justice and Environment. Its first job was to analyse the survey of the priorities of the congregation. This showed that many church members were already committed to environmental protection etc. and while they wanted the church to continue to support them, e.g. through worship, in terms of practical action they wanted the church to focus on areas where they felt less empowered, most notably on the issue of homelessness. The committee has established some objectives with these things in mind.

*Communications:* Convened by Colin Harris

The Marston Times editorial committee continued to be headed by Jan Lawrie who, with the help of Jennie Burrow, provided the final copy to Solopress for printing and subsequent distribution on the fourth Sunday of the month. The committee which met each month also included Judith Piggott, the 'official' photographer, the Vicar, Anna North and Colin Harris.

Subscriptions dropped slightly to just under 600. Feedback informed us that the variety of 'guest' writers of the cover page was much appreciated, as was the imaginative use of accompanying photographs. The list of services and group meetings, local advertisements of all kinds and the Parish Council minutes continue to be welcomed and helped to foster community awareness. The cost per issue was held at 30p.

Colin Harris remained the co-ordinator for distribution and subscriptions.

### **Churches Together**

St Nicholas is a member of Churches Together in Marston and Northway (CTMN). Our representatives are Skye Denno and Geoff Hale. During 2019 we participated in various joint events, including a joint New Year service, a week of prayer for Christian Unity, Women's world day of prayer, Palm Sunday walk with donkey, Good Friday service, monthly ecumenical quiet days, Lent and Advent study groups and trips to Prom Praise and Christmas Praise.

## Review of the Year

### Church attendance

The new roll presented at the annual meeting contained 122 names (2018: 129), of whom 43 were non-resident (2018: 49).

Attendance at Sunday services during October was as follows:

#### Attendance at Sunday Services in October 2019

|                | 8 am   |          | 10 am  |          | 6 pm   |          | Total |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|-------|
|                | Adults | Children | Adults | Children | Adults | Children |       |
| October 6      | 8      | 0        | 61     | 5        | 13     | 0        | 79    |
| October 13     | 5      | 0        | 32     | 5        | 23     | 1        | 66    |
| October 20     | 6      | 0        | 67     | 12       | 22     | 4        | 111   |
| October 27     | 8      | 0        | 68     | 3        | 21     | 0        | 100   |
| <b>Average</b> | 6      | 0        | 57     | 6        | 20     | 1        | 89    |

#### Comparison with Sunday Services in October 2018

|                | 8 am   |          | 10 am  |          | 6 pm   |          | Total |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|-------|
|                | Adults | Children | Adults | Children | Adults | Children |       |
| October 7      | 9      | 0        | 80     | 20       | 20     | 0        | 129   |
| October 14     | 8      | 0        | 120    | 22       | 23     | 0        | 173   |
| October 21     | 6      | 0        | 65     | [10]     | [20]   | [6]      | [112] |
| October 28     | 11     | 0        | 71     | 10       | 80     | 0        | 172   |
| <b>Average</b> | 9      | 0        | 84     | 17       | 36     | 2        | 147   |

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Our Harvest Festival was held on 29 Sep 2019 and is not included in the October statistics (it was at 10 am on 14 Oct 2018).

The usual service at 10 am on 13 Oct was replaced by a service at 4 pm due to the roads to the village being closed by the Oxford Half Marathon.

### ***Statistics for occasional offices: baptisms, weddings, and funerals***

*Baptisms.*                    There were 6 baptisms (2018: 3)

*Confirmations.*            There were 0 confirmations (2018:4)

*Weddings.*                    There were 2 weddings. (2018:4)

*Funerals.*                    The clergy conducted 14 funeral services. (2018:13)

### ***Ministry team***

The team is led by Revd Skye Denno, assisted by Revd Stephanie Bullock (assistant priest), and Revd Andy Gosler (curate).

Preaching is shared with licensed lay ministers David Blair, David Cranston, Ben Knighton and Joel Denno and authorized preacher Geoff Hale. Neil Barker continued to serve as Director of Music, Organist and Choir Master and to lead our informal evening services, as well as going forward for training as an LLM.

Gill Hale continues to coordinate the Junior Church and other children's activities.

Alison Edwards is the Parish Administrator.

### ***Elsfield***

We continue to enjoy a growing and flourishing relationship with the Elsfield Parish and St Thomas of Canterbury. Highlights have been the Remembrance Day service, Maundy Thursday, Compline during Lent, St George's Day Supper and the popular Songs of Praise in the summer. Along with the services we have enjoyed the movement between congregations, including concerts by the Shotover Choir at Easter and Christmas and the Carol service led by our Elsfield Singers. The First Phase of the Stonework project was completed over the Spring and a celebration service was hosted on the 23rd June. Thank you to all those who gave donations. However, we learned that St Thomas church urgently needs new guttering to ensure that rainwater is directed away from our nice new walls. Carolyn Brown continues to lead us into Phase Two of the project to ensure all the walls are watertight and to put in new guttering, removing asbestos on one of the walls. We hope to start work in Autumn 2020 and need to raise £5000 to cover the remaining costs. Supporting the Stonework project for Elsfield continues to be vital for next year and is supported by those who can help.

### ***Music***

It has been another wonderful year of music and worship with our choirs leading the music for our different services.

In January our choirs joined in the annual Churches Together New Year's Praise service at Northway Church and then at the start of February with other choirs for an RSCM (Royal School of Church Music) Candlemas at Christ Church

Cathedral. We hosted an RSCM training event in February and some of our choristers went on to achieve the next level in the Voice for Life awards. In May some of us enjoyed singing at the 'Come and Sing Mozart's Requiem' at Merton College Chapel. In June we hosted and sang at our biennial 'Music for a Summer Evening' community event and then in October a good contingent of us sang at the RSCM Oxfordshire Choir Festival in Henley.

Once again, we appreciated the support of Old Marston Parish Council with a grant of £300 towards training for our Junior and Youth choristers.

Our monthly 'Eat, Pray, Love' evening service continues to develop and a website was launched to advertise this event more widely. This is supported by a small group of musicians and singers. A larger group of musicians and singers continues to support the monthly Sunday morning All-age Service. The year ended once again with the big choir event of the Nine Lessons and Carols service, when the beautifully decorated church had a large congregation appreciating this special opportunity to reflect on the Christmas message.

In May, under the banner of 'St Nicholas Music' we organized a 'Cello Concert' by professional cellist Benjamin Dry, which was very well received by many local people who came along to fill the church. Once the electrical work is finished we hope to hold similar concerts inviting other professional musicians.

Neil Barker, director of music, is always grateful for the commitment that choristers and musicians show throughout the year and the joyful atmosphere in our times together. He continues to be very grateful for all the work, support and encouragement of Helen Meredith with the Youth and Junior Choir, the RSCM Voice for life scheme, and the organization of all the RSCM singing and training events. This year she initiated our St Nicholas Music twitter feed, which is keeping many up-to-date on music events at St Nicholas.

May we as a church continue to unite together to worship our Lord in Spirit and in truth and use our music to bless others.

## **Mission in the Parish**

### ***Baby and Toddler Club***

Baby and Toddler Club meets every Wednesday morning in term time and offers play, craft and refreshments (we get through lots of coffee and biscuits!) to parents, grandparents, carers and children from baby to three years. Our numbers continued to grow although the older ones move on to Nursery school. We were very happy to see some of the children who once came as toddlers join in at Holiday Club this summer. Gill, Geoff, Sheila, Joel Denno and Margaret have now been joined by Joel North, who has given us some youthful energy! The group continues to be warm, welcoming and supportive, and join in with everything from singing time to making giant bubbles and icing biscuits.

## ***Junior Church***

Junior Church continued to meet on Sunday mornings, though generally characterised more by quality than quantity. Brian, Joel, Harvey, John, Gill, Geoff and Duncan lead the sessions, and have shown great creativity, most recently Brian and Joel with our advent window. Junior Church usually starts with craft activities and then we hear the Bible story, sing, and pray. The resources we use are called 'Roots' and are based on the lectionary readings. We welcome children aged from around three to 13 years. In 2020 a new initiative, Messy Church, will start on third Sunday mornings, and Junior Church will take place on second and fourth Sundays. The Junior Church collection continues to support a Divya Shanthi student, at the moment a six-year-old girl, Muthyalamma.

## ***Holiday Clubs***

This summer's theme was 'God makes all things new' as we celebrated new discoveries, new explorations and of course being new creations in Christ. About 35 children aged 4 to 12 joined us, some familiar faces, some for the first time, some old friends who had come back specially. We particularly loved welcoming back Anna and Moses Bejon, who were a great help with one of the star performances of the week, Blue Team's amazing planetarium. The service and barbecue at the end of the week provided a great opportunity to meet all the families. Many thanks to Skye for the hospitality of the vicarage garden and Brian for the amazing inflatables to play on! This year we also had our Advent Holiday club again. As well as enjoying lots of Christmas crafts and stories, we thought about kindness and generosity and 'open doors' at Christmas – including opening the doors on a giant advent calendar!

## ***Road to Easter and Experience Harvest***

For the fifth year, we staged a presentation of the Passion Story during Holy Week through displays and interactive stories for the Year 5 classes from St Nicholas school, about 60 children in total. We also had many visitors to the displays at the Easter Fun Day.

This year we trialled a new set of displays and stories for Harvest, again using materials from Gloucester diocese. This was well received by a small group of pupils from Meadowbrook school and we hope to run it again in 2020.

## ***Coffee Pot***

Coffee Pot continues to meet monthly and is as popular as ever with average attendance around 40. Two of our meetings were soup lunches and in August we had an extended meeting with a sandwich lunch. We are very grateful for all who help in so many ways including baking, giving lifts, making table decorations, serving and washing up.

David Blair, who has been co-leader, stepped down at the end of the year after about eight years. We are very grateful for all he has done for the group and we wish him well for future ventures.

### ***Monday Get-Together***

Attendance at the Monday Get Together was very low throughout the year. It was enjoyed by those who came but we have decided to discontinue this. Judith Piggott is now organising a monthly lunch outing instead and this has proved very popular.

### ***Summer Get-Together***

As August can be a quiet and lonely month, we arranged a weekly meet-up, usually on a Thursday, at a variety of places: lunch at the Up-in-Arms pub, cream tea at Annies, shopping and lunch at Millets, a film night and lunch at the Victoria Arms. It was suggested that we continue the idea once a month over the winter and this has now become the Thursday Monthly Event, with lunch at the Victoria Arms, tea and cake at Deli-licious and New Year's Eve lunch at The White Hart, Headington to-date.

### ***Community Fun Days***

It's been wonderful to see the Fun Days develop into real community-led days. Over last year we had the pleasure of working alongside Marston Community Gardens, Naturehood and Mortimer Hall playgroup. We hope this will increase and the new relationships that are being built will flourish. As a result of wider community support, we name the Fun Days after the seasons rather than Christian Festivals - for example our Easter Fun Day is called Community Spring Fun Day. There will be a Christian presence at all of the events - expressed in our crafts and by our voluntary helpers, but it continues to be sensitive and non-directive with the church building hosting the main religious events.

In the summer we joined with the parish council and Victoria Arms for a Summer Fun Day, and in the Autumn we led an Autumn Leaves Community Fun Day. We especially loved the bug hunts and bird boxes by Naturehood. In December we held an Advent Holiday Club event.

The Community Fun Days are fun but they are also a lot of work, so a big 'thank you' is due to all those that help in the teams and who come on the day and 'pitch in'. They are an important part of building the church and showing God's love to those around us. The Fun Days are enjoyable and a true blessing to host – when those who attend comment on the warmth of the welcome, it is a gift, as is the opportunity to develop friendships with them. We are very grateful for all our helpers over the past year, especially to those who help in the kitchen (it can be manic and under-appreciated), welcomers, craft makers and raffle prize givers! Thank you all.

### ***Open the Book***

Our team visits St Nicholas Primary School roughly once every half term. We have great volunteers, who enjoy dressing up as bible characters and interacting with the children. We'd like to be able to go more frequently, but that does not

seem likely in the foreseeable future. Nevertheless, it is incredible how well the children remember the Open The Book stories, even when there are large gaps between our appearances. We have had to slightly adapt the material to suit our infrequent visits, but this works well and we can rely on the framework to make sure we deliver stories in a way that is sensitive to the diverse nature of the school. The contact is good for ongoing relations and ensures that bible stories are well known by the children.

### ***Pulse Youth Group***

There was a sense by the summer, that Pulse required some freshening up. We had been trying to run a program based on what the young people themselves had said they would like to do, but this involved quite a lot of preparation and attendance was not based on how many people had requested the topic. Some events, such as the drumming workshop, were poorly attended. We decided to simplify and begin the autumn term with a series of Bible studies. Our new format involved an hour of free time, to use the pool table, ping pong and board games, followed by bible study. The young people would have access to the bible reading during the first hour and could come up with discussion points for themselves. Afterwards we had a time of prayer around the firepit. The new format has reenergised Pulse, with an influx who started secondary school this year. Numbers have been good and even if some are missing, we are able to have a good talk. About fourteen currently attend and seem to enjoy the new format and their engagement with the bible passages has been encouraging. We hope to add a football table and carpet to use as a seating area in the future.

### ***Parish Living Advent Calendar***

This year we decided to mark Advent by undertaking a Parish Living Advent Calendar – basically each day/evening we visited a different place in the parish which had decorated a window. Each “event” was started and finished with a brief prayer, the window was declared open, a prayer of blessing for the house was given and a carol sung. Often hospitality followed. We were very pleasantly surprised by the numbers who attended, many not church members, one of whom commented that they particularly liked the prayers in our ceremony. Every evening a different group of people have appeared. We have also linked it to the Beer and Carols Event at the Red Lion and the Carols at Bradlands.

### **Mission in the World**

#### ***Divya Shanthi Mission Support***

This charity exists to provide financial and prayer support for the work of the Divya Shanthi Mission in Bangalore, India in their holistic work providing education, homes, medical care and family support for some of the most impoverished children. At end of August 2019 21 children had named sponsors and 31 in total were sponsored mainly by members or former members of St Nicholas Church. We support their work generally through regular donations and fundraising events such as the Christmas Bazaar and Music for a Summer’s Evening. The total raised in the year ending 31 Aug 2019 was £128,249.

### ***Church Mission Society***

Our new link partners Andy and Kati Walsh who were preparing to go to Brazil to work among prisoners and socially excluded people continued to face setbacks, not least because of uncertainties caused by Brexit. We still hope to be able to support them when possible.

### ***Baptist Mission Society and International Nepal Fellowship***

Pippa and Toby Vokuhl are now well settled in Nepal and hope to continue their longer term. Toby is a construction engineer and will be guiding and training local people to rebuild homes and community buildings destroyed by the earthquakes. Pippa is a physiotherapist and is able to use her skills to help mentor local practitioners.

### ***Christian Aid***

This year, we held a Big Brekkie before the All Age service where the collection went to Christian Aid. Thanks to around 25 volunteers generously giving their time, we were able to do our regular house to house envelope collections. Our neighbours and friends in Marston donated generously, as usual. In total, we raise £2350 in 2019 for the important work of Christian Aid.

### **Church Fabric**

Discussions about the church heating and wiring continued throughout the year and we have applied for a faculty to replace the heating and lighting and to rewire the church. The need is becoming urgent as there have been a number of failures during the year for which we have had to do temporary repairs. We hope to complete the project in 2020 but this depends on diocesan approval. The church will be closed for about six weeks for this work. The hall will be used for most services with some at Elsfield.

We obtained a faculty to replace the old lectern with a new one made by David Bullock in memory of Michael Bruton. The Archdeacon visited in July to bless the new lectern and it is now in regular use. The old lectern was advertised in the Church Central Contents Register for six months but no other church came forward asking to use it. We hope to find an alternative home.

We applied for a faculty to increase the number of spaces for interments in the Memorial garden. We applied to gravel most of the area to the left of the path in the first section of the garden and to allow interments with tablets flush to the grass in the middle section as well as areas for strewing of ashes around the periphery of the middle and end sections. There would be a book of remembrance in church for those whose ashes are strewn.

## **Safeguarding**

No safeguarding issues or incidents have been reported.

We are up to date with DBS checking and renewal of certificates. There are 29 people with DBS certificates. We continue to use Access Personal Checking Services (APCS) as the Umbrella Body. APCS provides both an online and a hard form service to suit individual convenience and a number of renewals have been successfully done online.

We held a training morning for the C1 Module on 4 May 2019, attended by 30 people including a few from other parishes. It was unanimously considered to have been very useful, judging by feedback from those who attended.

A major development on 1 Jan 2019 was a requirement that the PCC pass a resolution allowing delegation to the Diocesan Secretary for reporting of Serious Incidents to the Charity Commission. That resolution was passed by the PCC on 10 Jul 2019. The PCC will report any non-safeguarding Serious Incidents directly to the Charity Commission.

We produced a guidance document about visiting vulnerable adults in their homes, aimed particularly at members of the Welcome and Pastoral group and others who visits such adults in their capacity as a member of St Nicholas. Copies are available from the Church Administrator.

We continue to review our Safeguarding Policy and Conflict of Interest policies annually. We now have a "Lone Working Policy" that was approved and adopted by the PCC on 10 Jul 2019.

Our safeguarding arrangements have been added to the front page of our website in order to comply with the House of Bishop's requirement. Our record keeping and Safeguarding "watch" continues to be commended by the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer as the best he has seen!

## **Financial Report**

### ***Consolidation of funds and accounts***

Due to the imposition of charges by Barclays, the PCC agreed to switch to the Cooperative bank. We also closed a deposit account with COIF, transferring the funds to an investment account with much higher yield.

### ***Receipts***

There was an increase of 12.2% in planned giving, and a fall of 4.6% in loose cash collections. One-off donations were increased. We received a legacy of £1,610 from former vicar Paul Rimmer. We received grants from Old Marston Parish Council of £300 for the Junior Choir and £300 for the Marston Times; £500 from Brett's Trust for youth work and £4,437 from Marston Church Properties towards costs of the Parish Administrator. Fewer weddings meant that

net parochial fees were lower, but investment income increased as a result of moving reserves into higher-yielding funds. The rent on 1B Mill Lane was increased by 1.4% in line with inflation. Overall there was a 6% increase in receipts.

### ***Payments***

Our Parish Share decreased by 6.4%. Our core level of charitable donations increased by 4.3% (2018 included a one-off gift of £5,000 to St Nicholas School when the Rippington Charity was wound up). Church running expenses decreased by 8.9% mainly due to recovery of VAT overcharge on electricity. Clergy expenses increased with the appointment of a curate and mentoring of students. The PCC reimburses the vicar for telephone and broadband costs and the curate for travel expenses.

We made a surplus on the Marston Times due to the reduced costs of the online print service.

Overall, we had a surplus of £18,255 which allowed £17,500 to be transferred to the designated fabric fund towards the anticipated costs of renewing the electrical wiring.

### ***Investments***

The performance of our investments was excellent during 2019, yielding a growth of £21,221 for the general fund and £6,094 for restricted funds.

### ***At the Year End***

At the end of 2019 we had a balance of £53,594 in the General fund (unrestricted), equivalent to about six months expenditure. This is more than our policy requires but we anticipate substantial expenses in 2020 for renewal of electrical systems. There was a balance of £26,708 in the Bell fund and £89,317 in other restricted and designated funds. In addition, there was a balance of £16,345 in the Chancel Repair Fund which is held by the Diocese on our behalf.

### ***Looking Ahead***

Our Parish Share in 2020 will be £50,770, which is further reduced compared with 2019 bringing us in line (as a percentage of income) with other parishes. The PCC approved a budget of £600 towards costs of Messy Church, otherwise, income and expenditure is anticipated to be similar to that in 2019.

Plans for renewal of electric wiring, upgrade to heating and repairs to plasterwork are underway and we expect to carry out the work during 2020. The total cost will be of the order of £110,000. We anticipate that this will be met by grants, donations from church members and reserves.

## **Independent Examiner's Report**

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended December 31, 2019, which are set out in the following pages.

### ***Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner***

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees 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 my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

### ***Basis of examiner's report***

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 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 next statement.

### ***Independent examiner's statement***

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

(Signed)

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Receipts & Payments

| 2018    | RECEIPTS                              | Note | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Designated funds | Total   |
|---------|---------------------------------------|------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|---------|
| £       |                                       |      | £                  | £                | £                | £       |
|         | <b>Voluntary Receipts</b>             |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 61,764  | Planned giving                        |      | 61,530             | 7,745            |                  | 69,275  |
| 15,162  | Reclaimed from HMRC                   | 3    | 13,539             | 1,709            |                  | 15,248  |
| 5,376   | Loose cash collections                |      | 5,212              |                  |                  | 5,212   |
| 1,404   | Collections & donations for charity   |      |                    | 579              |                  | 579     |
| 2,322   | Donations                             |      | 1,153              | 2,851            |                  | 4,005   |
| 7,300   | Legacy                                |      | 1,610              |                  |                  | 1,610   |
| 428     | Sunday morning coffee                 |      |                    | 502              |                  | 502     |
| 575     | Wall safe                             |      | 1,217              | 20               |                  | 1,237   |
| 31      | Junior Church                         |      |                    | 27               |                  | 27      |
| 910     | Sundries                              |      | 86                 |                  |                  | 86      |
| 8,100   | Grants                                | 4    |                    | 5,612            |                  | 5,612   |
| 103,372 |                                       |      | 84,348             | 19,046           | 0                | 103,394 |
|         | <b>Other Receipts</b>                 |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 5,573   | Fees (net)                            | 5    | 4,626              |                  |                  | 4,626   |
| 3,059   | Interest & investment income          |      | 4,402              |                  |                  | 4,402   |
| 8,568   | Rent                                  |      |                    |                  | 8,689            | 8,689   |
| 2,396   | Marston Times                         | 6    |                    |                  | 2,595            | 2,595   |
| 19,596  |                                       |      | 9,028              | 0                | 11,284           | 20,313  |
| 122,968 | Total receipts before transfers       |      | 93,376             | 19,046           | 11,284           | 123,707 |
| 0       | Transfers                             |      | -10,000            | 0                | 10,000           | 0       |
| 122,968 | <b>Total receipts after transfers</b> |      | 83,376             | 19,046           | 21,284           | 123,707 |

The Notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Receipts & Payments (continued)

| 2018    | PAYMENTS                              | Note | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Designated funds | Total   |
|---------|---------------------------------------|------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|---------|
| £       |                                       |      | £                  | £                | £                | £       |
|         | <b>Payments outside the Parish</b>    |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 59,563  | Parish share                          |      | 55,759             |                  |                  | 55,759  |
| 15,448  | Other charitable donations            | 7    | 7,368              | 3,529            |                  | 10,897  |
| 75,011  |                                       |      | 63,127             | 3,529            | 0                | 66,656  |
|         | <b>Church running expenses</b>        |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 7,001   | Heating & lighting                    |      | 3,820              |                  |                  | 3,820   |
| 3,238   | Insurance                             |      | 3,296              |                  |                  | 3,296   |
| 6,222   | Maintenance                           |      | 3,404              | 3,304            |                  | 6,708   |
| 1,200   | Cleaning                              |      | 1,120              |                  |                  | 1,120   |
| 2,433   | Cost of services                      |      | 2,881              | 395              |                  | 3,276   |
| 3,989   | Organists                             |      | 3,863              |                  |                  | 3,863   |
| 1,175   | Choir (including Junior Choir)        |      | 558                | 300              |                  | 858     |
| 550     | Gardening                             |      |                    | 575              |                  | 575     |
| 25,808  |                                       |      | 18,941             | 4,574            | 0                | 23,515  |
|         | <b>Ministry in the Parish</b>         |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 521     | Clergy expenses                       | 8    | 1,638              |                  |                  | 1,638   |
| 12      | Junior Church                         |      | 26                 |                  |                  | 26      |
| 1,639   | Youth Work                            |      | 0                  | 279              |                  | 279     |
| 1,218   | Mission within the Parish             | 9    | 1,343              | 370              |                  | 1,713   |
| 3,390   |                                       |      | 3,007              | 649              | 0                | 3,656   |
|         | <b>Fabric</b>                         |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 478     | Projection Equipment                  |      |                    |                  |                  | 0       |
| 0       | Home communion set                    |      |                    | 304              |                  | 304     |
| 0       | Rewiring project                      |      |                    | 2,400            |                  | 2,400   |
| -1,737  | Photocopier (depreciation)            |      |                    | -1,737           |                  | -1,737  |
| 0       | Other                                 |      |                    |                  |                  | 0       |
| -1,259  |                                       |      | 0                  | 967              | 0                | 967     |
|         | <b>Other Expenditure</b>              |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 6,513   | Administration                        |      | 1,589              | 6,377            |                  | 7,965   |
| 3,294   | Marston Times                         | 5    |                    |                  | 1,774            | 1,774   |
| 848     | Maintenance of 1B Mill Lane           |      |                    |                  | 716              | 716     |
| 48      | Flowers                               |      | 199                | 5                |                  | 204     |
| 10,702  |                                       |      | 1,788              | 6,382            | 2,490            | 10,659  |
| 113,651 | Total payments before transfers       |      | 86,863             | 16,099           | 2,490            | 105,452 |
| 0       | Transfers                             |      | 0                  |                  | 0                | 0       |
| 113,651 | <b>Total payments after transfers</b> |      | 86,863             | 16,099           | 2,490            | 105,452 |
|         | <b>Surplus / Deficit</b>              |      |                    |                  |                  |         |
| 9,317   |                                       |      | -3,486             | 2,946            | 18,795           | 18,255  |
| 130,525 | Balance b/f at January 1              |      | 35,860             | 77,957           | 26,578           | 140,395 |
| 553     | Change in value of investments        |      | 18,941             | 5,522            |                  | 24,463  |
| 140,395 | Balance c/f at December 31            |      | 51,315             | 86,426           | 45,373           | 183,113 |

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**Summary of Funds**

| <b>Fund</b>       | <b>Fund type</b> | <b>31 Dec 2018</b> | <b>Receipts</b> | <b>Payments</b> | <b>Change in investments</b> | <b>31 Dec 2019</b> |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| General           | Unrestricted     | 35,860             | 97,342          | 100,829         | 18,941                       | 51,315             |
| Flowers           | Restricted       | -                  | 5               | 5               |                              | -                  |
| Choir             | Restricted       | -                  | 300             | 300             |                              | -                  |
| Parish Admin      | Restricted       | 1,940              | 4,437           | 6,377           |                              | -                  |
| Fabric            | Designated       | 23,648             | -               | 17,500          |                              | 41,148             |
| Fabric            | Restricted       | 33,548             | 7,918           | 1,362           |                              | 40,105             |
| Bells             | Restricted       | 26,964             | -               | 3,554           | 2,988                        | 26,398             |
| Memorial Garden   | Restricted       | 494                | 1,648           | 575             |                              | 1,566              |
| Marston Times     | Restricted       | 369                | -               | -               |                              | 369                |
| Projection system | Restricted       | - 973              | 2,970           | 1,774           |                              | 223                |
| Charity           | Restricted       | - 0                | 3,529           | 3,529           |                              | 0                  |
| 1B Mill Lane      | Designated       | 3,904              | 8,689           | 8,266           |                              | 4,327              |
| Youth Work        | Restricted       | 1,095              | 500             | 279             |                              | 1,316              |
| Music Events      | Designated       | -                  | 334             | 70              |                              | 264                |
| Chancel Repair    | Restricted       | 13,549             | -               | -               | 2,534                        | 16,083             |
| <b>Total</b>      |                  | <b>140,395</b>     | <b>127,673</b>  | <b>109,418</b>  | <b>24,463</b>                | <b>183,113</b>     |

**Summary of Accounts**

| <b>Account</b>                | <b>31 Dec 2018</b> | <b>Receipts</b> | <b>Payments</b> | <b>Payments accrued in 2018 (net)</b> | <b>Change in Investments</b> | <b>31 Dec 2019</b> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| CBF deposit a/c General       | 11,614             | 0               | 11,614          |                                       |                              | -                  |
| Barclays current a/c General  | 10,210             | 12,371          | 22,608          | - 27                                  |                              | - 0                |
| Coop current a/c General      | -                  | 136,482         | 128,017         |                                       |                              | 8,465              |
| CBF investment a/c Bells      | 15,972             |                 |                 |                                       | 2,988                        | 18,960             |
| CBF investment a/c Fabric     | 89,050             | 31,614          |                 |                                       | 18,941                       | 139,606            |
| CBF investment Chancel Repair | 13,549             |                 |                 |                                       | 2,534                        | 16,083             |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>140,395</b>     | <b>180,467</b>  | <b>162,240</b>  | <b>- 27</b>                           | <b>24,463</b>                | <b>183,113</b>     |

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Endowment Funds: Receipts & Payments

| 2018<br>£ |                              | 2019<br>£ |
|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|
|           | <b>Chancel Repair Fund</b>   |           |
|           | <b>Receipts</b>              |           |
| 456       | Dividends                    | 468       |
| 6         | Deposit A/c Interest         | 0         |
| 462       |                              | 468       |
|           | <b>Payments</b>              |           |
| 11153     | PCC Fabric Fund              | 0         |
| 351       | PCC General Fund             | 468       |
| -10691    | <b>Surplus / Deficit (-)</b> | 0         |

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Endowment Funds: Statement of Assets & Liabilities

| 31 Dec 2018<br>£ |  | Change<br>in year | 31 Dec 2019<br>£ |
|------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
|                  | <b>Chancel Repair Fund</b>             |                   |                  |
| 13,549           | CBF Investment Fund                    | 2,534             | 16,083           |
| 13,549           | 839 shares @ 1916.91p (2018: 1614.85p) | 2,534             | 16,083           |
|                  |  |                   |                  |
| <b>13,549</b>    | <b>Total of all Endowment Funds</b>    | 2,534             | 16,083           |
|                  | <b>Allocated as follows:</b>           |                   |                  |
| 13,549           | CBF Investment A/cc                    | 2,534             | 16,083           |
| <b>13,549</b>    |  | 2,534             | 16,083           |

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Statement of Overall Assets & Liabilities

| 31 Dec 2018<br>£ |  | Expendable<br>Funds | Endowment<br>Funds | 31 Dec 2019<br>£ |
|------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|                  | <b>Monetary Assets</b>                               |                     |                    |                  |
| 10,210           | Bank Current A/cc                                    | 8,465               | 0                  | 8,465            |
| 11,615           | CBF & COIF Deposit A/cc                              | 0                   | 0                  | 0                |
| 118,571          | CBF & COIF Investment A/cc                           | 158,566             | 16,083             | 174,649          |
| <b>140,395</b>   | <b>Total</b>   | <b>167,030</b>      | <b>16,083</b>      | <b>183,113</b>   |
|                  | <b>Other Assets</b>                                  |                     |                    |                  |
| 2,606            | Photocopier (after depreciation at 33.33% per annum) |                     |                    | 869              |
| 172,950          | Freehold house at 1B Mill Lane (insured value)       |                     |                    | 179,176          |
| <b>175,556</b>   | <b>Total</b>   |                     |                    | <b>180,045</b>   |

Signed:

Elizabeth Denno (Chair)

Geoff Hale (Treasurer)

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#### Notes to the Accounts

##### 1. Basis of Preparation

(a) The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, the Charities Act 2011, together with applicable accounting standards.

(b) The accounts are prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis, as permitted when the annual income is less than £250,000.

(c) 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 of those that are informal gatherings of church members.

##### 2. Accounting Policies

(a) The funds of a charity, under charity law, have to be categorized in one of three ways.

**Unrestricted funds:** these contain money that can be spent in any way the PCC chooses (within general charity law)

**Designated funds:** these contain money that the PCC has allocated to a specific purpose. They include funds designated for maintenance of church property.  
Money in a designated fund can be undesignated by a subsequent decision of the PCC.

**Restricted funds:** these contain money that has been given for a purpose specified by the donor. Such money can only be spent on the specified purpose (within the overall objectives of the PCC), or else returned to the donor.

(b) The PCC uses a number of bank accounts and investment funds

**General Account:** This holds current funds, including General (unrestricted), Designated and Restricted Funds. Due to the imposition of bank charges, the PCC closed its current account with Barclays Bank and opened an account with the Cooperative Bank

**Deposit and Investment Accounts.** These hold longer term reserves. The CBF deposit account was closed in 2019 due to low interest rates. Reserves are held in Investment accounts.

**Endowment Fund Account.** Capital of the Chancel Repair Fund is held by the Diocesan Board of Finance in a CBF Investment Account on behalf of the PCC.

Investments are valued at the basic value (between bid price and offer price) on 31 December.

(c) Fixed assets

Consecrated land and buildings and benefice property are not included in the accounts.

Movable church furnishings which are held by the vicar and churchwardens on trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are listed in the church's inventory. Such assets are not included in the financial statements.

The freehold property at 1B Mill Lane belongs to the PCC, with the deeds held on its behalf by the Diocese. It is included in the statement of overall assets and liabilities at its insured value.

A photocopier was purchased in 2017. Its value is depreciated in a straight line over 3 years

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| <b>Note 3</b>        | <b>Money reclaimed from HMRC</b>                           |  | <b>2019</b>          |
|----------------------|--|--|----------------------|
| <b>2018</b>          |  |  | <b>2019</b>          |
| £                    | <b>RECEIPTS</b>  |  | £                    |
| 12,873               | Income tax reclaimed on Gift Aid donations                 |  | 12,698               |
| <u>2,288</u>         | Money claimed under GASDS                                  |  | <u>2,550</u>         |
| <b><u>15,162</u></b> |  |  | <b><u>15,248</u></b> |
| <br>                 |  |  |                      |
| <b>Note 4</b>        | <b>Grants</b>  |  | <b>2019</b>          |
| <b>2018</b>          |  |  | <b>2019</b>          |
| £                    | <b>RECEIPTS</b>  |  | £                    |
| 300                  | Old Marston Parish Council (for Marston Times)             |  | 375                  |
| 300                  | Old Marston Parish Council (for Choir)                     |  | 300                  |
| 500                  | Brett's Trust (for Youth Work)                             |  | 500                  |
| <u>7,000</u>         | Marston Church Properties (for Parish Administrator)       |  | <u>4,437</u>         |
| <b><u>8,100</u></b>  |  |  | <b><u>5,612</u></b>  |
| <br>                 |  |  |                      |
| <b>Note 5</b>        | <b>Parochial Fees: Receipts &amp; Payments</b>             |  | <b>2019</b>          |
| <b>2018</b>          |  |  | <b>2019</b>          |
| £                    | <b>RECEIPTS</b>  |  | £                    |
| 8,853                | Statutory Fees   |  | 7,472                |
| <u>1,327</u>         | Additional Fees (organist, flowers, choir, bells, vergger) |  | <u>1,120</u>         |
| <b><u>10,180</u></b> |  |  | <b><u>8,592</u></b>  |
|                      | <b>PAYMENTS</b>  |  |                      |
| 3,337                | Oxford Diocesan Board of Finance                           |  | 3,053                |
| <u>1,270</u>         | Others (clergy, organist, flowers, choir, bells, vergger)  |  | <u>913</u>           |
| <b><u>4,607</u></b>  |  |  | <b><u>3,966</u></b>  |
| <b><u>5,573</u></b>  | <b>Surplus / Deficit ( - )</b>                             |  | <b><u>4,626</u></b>  |

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| Note 6 | Marston Times: Receipts & Payments |                                |                   |
|--------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
|        | 2018                               |                                | 2019              |
|        | £                                  |                                | £                 |
|        |                                    | <b>RECEIPTS</b>                |                   |
|        | 1,842                              | Sales & donations              | 1,822             |
|        | <u>554</u>                         | Advertisements                 | <u>773</u>        |
|        | <u>2,396</u>                       |                                | <u>2,595</u>      |
|        |                                    | <b>PAYMENTS</b>                |                   |
|        | 3,151                              | Printing                       | 1,672             |
|        | <u>143</u>                         | Postage & stationery           | <u>102</u>        |
|        | <u>3,294</u>                       |                                | <u>1,774</u>      |
|        | <u><b>-597</b></u>                 | <b>Surplus / Deficit ( - )</b> | <u><b>821</b></u> |

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| Note 7 | 2018                 | Other Charitable donations              | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total<br>£           |
|--------|----------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
|        | £                    |   |                            |                          |                      |
|        |                      | <u>Overseas &amp; worldwide</u>         |                            |                          |                      |
|        | 800                  | Church Mission Society                  | 500                        |                          | 500                  |
|        | 1,375                | Divya Shanthy                           | 1,000                      | 1,557                    | 2,557                |
|        | 516                  | Christian Aid                           |                            | 859                      | 859                  |
|        | 200                  | African Hospital Library                |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 436                  | Viva                                    |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 0                    | Link to Hope                            | 500                        |                          | 500                  |
|        | 0                    | Bible Society                           | 500                        |                          | 500                  |
|        | 0                    | Nina Jankucic (Croatia)                 | 1,000                      |                          | 1,000                |
|        | <u>3,327</u>         |   | <u>3,500</u>               | <u>2,416</u>             | <u>5,916</u>         |
|        |                      | <u>National</u>                         |                            |                          |                      |
|        | 200                  | Free Bible Images                       |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 1,500                | Christians Against Poverty              | 1,000                      |                          | 1,000                |
|        | 500                  | A Rocha UK                              |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 500                  | IntoUniversity                          |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 521                  | Salvation Army                          |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 0                    | Ozanne Foundation                       | 250                        |                          | 250                  |
|        | 0                    | Council of Christians & Jews            | 250                        |                          | 250                  |
|        | 0                    | Bible Reading Fellowship                | 250                        |                          | 250                  |
|        | 0                    | Wheelpower                              | 250                        |                          | 250                  |
|        | 0                    | The Children's Society                  |                            | 145                      | 145                  |
|        | <u>3,221</u>         |   | <u>2,000</u>               | <u>145</u>               | <u>2,145</u>         |
|        |                      | <u>Local</u>                            |                            |                          |                      |
|        | 500                  | Oxford Schools Chaplaincy               |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 500                  | Thrive Barton                           |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 0                    | Oxford Winter Night Shelter             |                            | 255                      | 255                  |
|        | 40                   | Murcott Village Hall                    |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 200                  | St Mary Charlton                        |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 460                  | The Porch                               | 500                        | 80                       | 580                  |
|        | 200                  | Oxtalk                                  |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 500                  | Viva Doorsteps                          | 868                        | 132                      | 1,000                |
|        | 500                  | Community Emergency Foodbank            |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 500                  | Daybreak Oxford                         |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | 500                  | Pennyhooks                              |                            | 500                      | 500                  |
|        | 0                    | Musical Youth Company Oxford            | 250                        |                          | 250                  |
|        | 0                    | Oxfordshire Association for Blind       | 250                        |                          | 250                  |
|        | <u>3,900</u>         |   | <u>1,868</u>               | <u>967</u>               | <u>2,836</u>         |
|        |                      | <u>Grant from AS Rippington Charity</u> |                            |                          |                      |
|        | 5,000                | St Nicholas Primary School              |                            |                          | 0                    |
|        | <u>5,000</u>         |   | <u>0</u>                   | <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u>             |
|        | <u><b>15,448</b></u> | <b>Total</b>                            | <u><b>7,368</b></u>        | <u><b>3,529</b></u>      | <u><b>10,897</b></u> |

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST NICHOLAS MARSTON**

**Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 Dec 2019**

| <b>Note 8</b> | <b>Clergy Expenses</b>        |  | <b>2019</b>  |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--|--------------|
| <b>2018</b>   |                               |  | <b>2019</b>  |
| £             | <b>PAYMENTS</b>               |  | £            |
| 521           | Incumbent & deputizing clergy |  | 1,187        |
| 0             | Curate                        |  | 451          |
| <u>521</u>    |                               |  | <u>1,638</u> |

| <b>Note 9</b> | <b>Mission within the Parish</b> |  | <b>2019</b>  |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|--------------|
| <b>2018</b>   |                                  |  | <b>2019</b>  |
| £             | <b>PAYMENTS</b>                  |  | £            |
| 394           | Advertising                      |  | 574          |
| 824           | Holiday Club and Fun Days        |  | 839          |
| 0             | Bell ringers                     |  | 300          |
| <u>1,218</u>  |                                  |  | <u>1,713</u> |