

# **St Andrew's Church Kildwick**



**Annual Report Booklet  
2017**

## **Our Parish Mission Statement**

Called to be the Body of Christ,  
we are here to share God's love with all people,  
through outreach and service,  
in our community and the world,  
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

### **The Five Marks of Mission**

*The Mission of the Church is the mission of Christ*

- a) To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom.
- b) To teach, baptise and nurture new believers.
- c) To respond to human need by loving service.
- d) To seek to transform the unjust structures of society.
- e) To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

## Welcome to our Annual Report booklet!

There are some changes this year – the most notable being the lack of the "Vicar's Report". There's a really good reason for this...

Julie will be covering many of the topics that traditionally make up this report in the form of her sermon on "APCM Day". The text of this will be available after the service. As she is not "The Vicar" – and as she has been with us for only a few months – this seemed to be the better way of doing things.

Secondly, there's only one publication! We have traditionally had one booklet, covering all of the legal bits and then a separate publication that contains all of the reports of things that the various groups get up to during the year. It seemed to be sensible to put them all together and so, if you are interested in all of the legalities and the accounts, start over the page and stop when you get to page 23. From page 24 onwards is the less formal part of the booklet that describes just some of the things that the parish gets up to during the week.

Do read what's here! It gives a snapshot of all the things that go on at St Andrew's. Some of them are the big and obvious things, like the worship on Sundays and the big Summer Fair. But here, you'll also see evidence of some of the smaller, quieter things; the ministry to the elderly at Town End and the faithful cleaning and tidying of the church and churchyard.

There is much to reflect upon here!

# The Parochial Church Council of St Andrew, Kildwick Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2017

## Reference and administrative information

St Andrew's Church is situated in the village of Kildwick. It is part of the Bradford Episcopal Area of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Kildwick, Keighley, West Yorkshire BD20 9BB, though clearly this will change in the near future.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is exempted from registering with the Charity Commission. Members of the PCC are either ex-officio, elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (the APCM) and holding office for three years, or co-opted by the PCC. Members of the Deanery Synod are ex-officio members of the PCC, holding office for three years; they are also elected by the APCM. Members of the Diocesan Synod are also ex-officio members of the PCC. Members elected by the APCM to the Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches Council may be co-opted to serve on the PCC.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2017 until 22nd April 2018 are:

Incumbent: The Revd Robin Figg until 4th September 2017

Interim Priest in Charge: The Revd Julie Bacon from 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Churchwardens:

Mrs Lesley Hudson

Mrs Sandie Walton

Deanery Synod Reps

To serve till 2020

Mr Chris Wright

One vacancy

Co-opted Member:

The Revd Di Halliday

Elected Members:

To serve till 2018

Mrs Shirley Hoskins

Mrs Kathryn Morris

One vacancy

To serve till 2019

Mr Tim Chapman

Mrs Sylvia Clark

Mrs Jill Wright

To serve till 2020

Mrs Brenda Brock

Dr Marie Stinson

One vacancy

## ***Structure, governance and management***

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC operates through a Standing Committee and other support groups which meet between full meetings of the Council and bring ideas and proposals to the

PCC.

## **Standing Committee**

Members have been the Vicar/Priest in Charge, the Churchwardens, the PCC Secretary and the PCC Treasurer.

This committee is required by law and has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions that may be given from time to time by the PCC. The Standing Committee also acts as the Finance Committee for the PCC.

During the year the PCC continued to work with groups of two or three PCC members taking lead responsibility for different areas of mission, namely worship, nurture, outreach, work with young people, pastoral care and fabric. These groups have taken the lead in seeking to encourage and develop each area of mission with reports given at the PCC meetings as appropriate.

## **Objectives and activities**

The primary objective of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC (Powers) Measure 1956 states the PCC "is to co-operate with the incumbent in promoting in the 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 Andrew's. 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 the parish. Our worship seeks to put faith into practice in response to our encounter with God through Word 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, in particular, the specific 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 and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

The parish mission statement is: "Called to be the Body of Christ, we are here to share God's love with all people, through outreach and service, in this community and the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit".

The PCC's objectives include the monitoring of all parish activities and during 2017 it has continued to fulfil this requirement.

As well as responsibility for the maintenance of the church building of St Andrew, the PCC also has responsibility for the Parish Rooms and the Hearse House.

The PCC has achieved its objectives through the pattern of regular and occasional worship, midweek fellowship and study groups, activities for young people, work with other local church communities and other agencies as appropriate. The costs involved in these activities are shown in the financial statements. Most of the activities of the parish take place because of the generous giving of time and talents by a large number of volunteers. Such is the nature of this stewardship it is not possible to quantify the value of this contribution to the life of the church.

## **Achievements and performance**

### ***Church Attendance***

Following the preparation of a new Church Electoral, there were 55 parishioners on the Roll at the APCM 2017 (61 in 2016).

The Average Sunday Attendance during the year was 53 (59 in 2016). (This figure is calculated as those aged 16 years or over attending Sunday services and persons attending more than one service on the same day are counted only once.) The average number of visitors included in the above figure was 15 (21 in 2015).

The total number of communicants (including midweek communions) during the year was 2432 (2695 in 2016).

### ***Occasional Offices***

A detailed record of the number of occasional offices conducted is as follows:

Baptism	Confirmation	Affirmation of Faith	Weddings	Funerals	Burial of Cremated Remains
7 (11)	0 (0)	0 (0)	5 (6)	4 (8)	6 (7)

## **Review of the Year 2017**

The full PCC met 9 times during the year (6 regular and 3 extraordinary meetings) with an average attendance of 9 members. There were regular meetings of the Churchwardens, first with the Vicar and then (after her Licensing) with the Priest in Charge. The Standing Committee and other support groups met regularly as required between full PCC meetings, with minutes and reports being received by the PCC and discussed appropriately.

Clearly, there were some momentous events during this past year. The first was

the acceptance of the PCC of the Diocesan request to agree a closer working relationship with the parish of Cononley with Bradley. At its extra meeting in February, the PCC agreed to explore this further with the PCC of Cononley with Bradley. There followed the announcement of Revd Robin Figg's appointment to the United Benefice of Warton and Borwick with Yealand, in the Diocese of Blackburn. Consequently, and after much searching discussion, the PCC agreed to accept the Bishop's recommendation of the appointment of an Interim Priest. This person would be appointed as Priest in Charge of St Andrew's, Kildwick and also as Priest in Charge of St John's, Cononley with St Mary's, Bradley. The appointment would be for a period of three years, with the possibility of extension for up to a further three years. The appointment recognised the existence of the Local Ecumenical Project which exists between the Anglican and Methodist churches in Cononley. The brief of the person appointed would be to work with both parishes, hoping eventually to create a united benefice. We were delighted when the Revd Julie Bacon was licensed as Priest in Charge in the two parishes in November.

In consultation with the Diocese, in particular with the Archdeacon of Bradford, the Ven Andy Jolley, and the Area Dean of South Craven and Wharfedale, Father Philip Gray, Julie was given a demanding brief:

- a) to establish a coherent, attractive and workable pattern of worship services across the three villages
- b) to develop, agree and implement a pastoral scheme for the future of the two parishes (and bear in mind opportunities with neighbouring parishes)
- c) to develop and start to implement a strategy for closer engagement with children, families and schools
- d) to evaluate the mission potential of church buildings and develop and agree plans for their future
- e) to help parishes develop and articulate their identities in new and developing relationships with each other, and identify what they need in a new incumbent

In consequence, a very large amount of the PCC's time and energy has been devoted to beginning the outworking of this vision for the future of the two parishes. However, we have not been entirely inward looking by any means, and the work of worship, pastoral care and mission has continued steadily and quietly alongside the other conversations.

As an early initiative towards achieving the aims detailed above, KCB Prayers began in January. Each month, members of all three parishes meet together to pray for the needs of the world, the church and also for our specific needs as we work to attain an increasing unity. In connection with this, a special tealight candle holder was made available with the KCB logo on it.

During the year, the regular pattern of worship was maintained. We are particularly grateful to Revd. Peter Bannister, Revd Canon Edward Gee and Revd Di Halliday and

also to others from the wider Diocesan family, who maintained our service pattern during the vacancy. The services associated with the major festivals of Easter and Christmas were mainly well attended, as were other significant days such as Mothering Sunday and Harvest Festival. The Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches held joint worship and social events, such as a Safari Supper, Christmas in the Park, Easter in the Park and Praise in the Park, which witnessed to the friendship and fellowship found within the local churches. A joint Lent course was again well-supported and it is good to note that members of our congregation were involved in the organisation of all these events.

We again experimented with a different way of taking part in the Ministry of the Word at the beginning of our Sunday Eucharist. We returned to meeting in smaller groups at the beginning of the service, using the practice of "reflective Bible reading" as a different way of exploring our readings. Our ministry of offering prayer for healing continued regularly, available both on Sunday and at the midweek Communion service. We established Prayer Loops: this is a method of intensive intercessory prayer which lasts for a week, undertaken by a group of people who promise to pray regularly and confidentially for people and situations both within and beyond the parish, which are brought to their notice by members of the congregation.

Our link with Kildwick Church of England VC Primary School has grown and strengthened through the year. We welcomed pupils, staff and parents into church regularly for Collective Worship. Kathryn Morris has proved a very able leader for this activity, both during and after the vacancy. In addition, reviving the practice of previous years, one meeting of the PCC was held on school premises, after a very interesting tour of the building with Head Teacher Tim Whitehead. Pupils, parents and their families also were with us for some of the Christmas services. Messy Church has taken something of a back seat, but we hope to be reviving that in the coming year. We were pleased to welcome staff, pupils and families from Glusburn Primary School, who also used our building during the year, in particular at Christmas.

The usual pattern of church and community social events took place. In June another very successful Summer Fair was held, again a joint event with Kildwick School and Kildwick & Farnhill Institute. The St Andrew's Fair was held in November, using both the church building and the Parish Rooms. Fundraising events benefiting home and overseas missions were very well supported by many people from the local area and from further afield. These included Coffee Mornings in support of Research into Pancreatic Cancer and Jigsaw Kids' Ministry. Tea and Scones were served every Sunday afternoon from May until October by a very faithful band of people, raising much needed revenue. Less financially rewarding, but just as important, the congregation supported a Fair Trade stall and also collected goods for recycling. Both of these really important initiatives also raise funds for the parish. We continue to collect goods for the CMS Jigsaw Project in the Philippines. We decided to ask that contributions to foodbanks should be made either in local supermarkets or



directly to the foodbanks themselves: the logistics of getting our bulk contributions to their destination became too difficult to manage on a regular basis.

Maintenance of the church building and churchyard and the Parish Rooms has been continued throughout the year, with "spring" cleaning of the church being carried out at various times as necessary. The downstairs Parish Rooms were decorated and there have also been gardening sessions which have kept all areas of our churchyards looking good. Progress in dealing with matters raised by the last Quinquennial Inspection has been monitored. We have learned to live with the increasingly necessary netting on the ceiling and the Repair and Restoration Group has been extremely active.

Sadly, during this last year we have said farewell to two long-serving members of the congregation: Ruth Ward and David Baxter. Both had lived lives which bore steadfast witness to their faith in a risen, living Lord and we miss them.

It is clear, both from this report and from those other reports in the booklet published for the Annual Meeting, that St Andrew's is a lively, committed parish, whose members work hard to fulfil the far-reaching demands of our Mission Statement.

*Jill Wright PCC Secretary*

## Financial Review

Receipt and Expenditure falls into two categories: unrestricted (general) funds and restricted funds (funds which can be expended on designated matters only).

### GENERAL COMMENTS

#### *Thanks*

The PCC wishes to express its considerable thanks to Mr Tim Eastwood, the Independent Examiner of our accounts who has resigned from this role with effect from April 2018. Tim has inspected our accounts for several years and during this period has provided an invaluable contribution to the work of the church and the proper submission of its accounts.

The PCC also wishes to express its considerable thanks to Mrs Brenda Brock for her work as Gift Aid Secretary. There is substantial work, expertise and responsibility involved in this role and the money Brenda has been able to recover from HMRC has been a great financial asset to the income stream of the church.

The PCC also wishes to thank all who contributed financially to the work of the church during the course of the year; and in so doing recognises that it would be impossible to continue with our mission and ministry without this support.

The PCC also wishes to acknowledge that the work of the church does not rest on money alone, and express its thanks for the very considerable unpaid work of parishioners and supporters who contributed enormously to the work of the church during the year. Events (summer and autumn fairs, charitable events, tea and scones); support for church services (bell-ringers, organists, choir and tea-and-coffee providers on Sunday); pastoral care; work with children (Chuffs, Messy Church, school governors, collective worship); cleaning and maintenance activities in church and parish rooms (including seasonal liturgical decorations, flowers and brass cleaning); and work on our publicity and publications all contributed greatly to the mission and ministry of the parish in 2017. Without this generous support the church would not have been able to maintain its usual activities and the PCC is very grateful for this support.

#### *Gift Aid*

HMRC re-imburements through Gift-Aid derive from payments through the yellow gift-aid envelopes; gift-aid declarations in the Planned Giving Scheme, and through the HMRC Small Donations Scheme. In 2017 these amounted to a total of £5,671, of which £5,176 went to general funds, and £495 to missions and charities. Together these constituted nearly 10% of the income of the church in that period, a substantial and significant amount.

#### *Legacies, In-memoriam and Charitable Donations*

The PCC is grateful for the sum of £2,683 provided by two legacies and several in-memoriam collections. These sums have been added to the Legacy Fund and enable

the PCC to afford significant items of expenditure, such as, in 2017, the new Staging and the new Pew Cushions. The PCC is also grateful for a donation of £500 from the John Swire Charitable Foundation.

### ***Fabric***

There has been no major expenditure on the fabric required in 2017. The payments towards the church ceiling refer to the settlement of an outstanding issue on billing which derives from 2016. There is major work required, however, if the church is to be able to continue as a functioning building. To this end, the Repair and Renovation Group have worked assiduously to endeavour to obtain the substantial funding required for this, and have submitted a Heritage Lottery Fund application. Such applications need professional advice and assistance and the costs of this are shown in the accounts. On the income side, many people have contributed to the ongoing Sponsor-a-Slate scheme, and the new Roof-Fund, which together now have funds of £1,875.

### ***Vacancy Costs***

The PCC was responsible for the payment of clergy for a substantial amount of the service provision during the vacancy following Robin's departure. These payments were made towards the end of December and their delivery was complicated by the poor weather combined with the Christmas period. Some costs will therefore appear in the 2018 accounts.

## **PARISH SHARE**

The Parish Share Request for 2017 was **£40,113**. This was an increase of over £5,000 on the 2016 Share Request, despite falling parish income; and amounted to **84%** of our unrestricted income. The reason for this was the New Parish Share Scheme (2017) which was fully explained in the Financial Review for 2016, and is further addressed below. As the diocese has been repeatedly advised, the PCC cannot, within its current income, cover the costs of maintaining a Grade One Listed Church (which we are legally required to do, this is not optional), uphold the mission and ministry of the church, and pay the Share in full. The PCC has a policy of addressing first the mission and ministry of the church, second the fabric requirements of the building, and thirdly, the Share. In this year the PCC has paid £17,000 towards the Share, which is 42%

The Parish Share Request for 2018 is **£40,800**, representing an increase of £687 on the 2017 request. Parishioners have expressed some surprise and concern that despite the parish now having the costs of its priest being reduced by half with the departure of Robin and Julie being priest-in-charge of both St Andrew Kildwick and St John Cononley the Share request has increased. The explanation for this is the high socio-economic factor attributed to St Andrew's. Although it is pleasing to note that this has been reduced from £57,082 to £32,824, it is nevertheless both substantial and unachievable, representing some 69% of 2017 unrestricted income. The size of this assumed contribution offsets the reduced Stipendiary (priest) costs

from £35,836 to £18,975. This reduced Stipendiary cost, with adjustments of minus 10% to ensure that the Share Request does not rise too steeply over a short period, produces the overall increased cost. Without such adjustments the sum requested would be £64,315, which is more than our anticipated income.

It was noted in the Financial Review for 2016, that in the context of the parish finances, it was unlikely that the Share Request for 2017 would be met. This proved to be the case. The same situation is likely to occur in 2018. It should be noted that the calculations for the Share give no weighting whatsoever to the legal requirements of maintaining the church fabric, or running an historic building, the insurance and heating costs of which alone amount to some £8,500 per year. On the basis of 2017 unrestricted income, were the Parish Share for 2018 to be paid in full, only around £7,000 would remain for all the costs of the church. This would not even meet the insurance and heating costs of the church, let alone upkeep of services and other aspects of mission and ministry.

## ***FUNDS HELD***

### ***Unrestricted Funds***

The PCC notes that the receipts for unrestricted (general) funds reduced by c. £20,500. Income streams in the three major areas (voluntary contributions including the Planned Giving scheme; fund-generation; and income from church activities) were all less than in 2016. This is symptomatic of an overall year-on-year decline in income.

### ***Restricted Funds***

The main components of restricted receipts were collections and events for missions and charities; and contributions to the Repair and Renovation of the church, including the Sponsor-a-Slate and Roof Fund. The balances for each Restricted Fund are shown in Note 13 to this report, and contributions to Missions and Charities in Note 14. In respect of the latter, some payments to the Jigsaw Kids project and to CMS, and to Water Aid, were not presented in 2017, and will appear in the 2018 accounts.

### ***Balances***

The balances held in our several bank accounts on the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 are as follows:

Barclays General Account	£ 9,963
Co-op General Account	£14,491
Co-op Planned Giving Account	£ 6,876
CCLA Deposit Account	£72,167

The distribution of funds is as follows:

Unrestricted Funds	£46,523
Restricted Funds	£56,974

## ***Reserves Policy***

The policy of the PCC is to keep a minimum level of unrestricted reserves commensurate with prudent financial management. In practical terms, the policy is to maintain reserves representing between 20% to 50% of budgeted normal expenditure (i.e. amounting to between 2.5 and 6 months payments from unrestricted funds). At the end of 2017 the unrestricted fund balances held in the CCLA Deposit Account amounted to £15, 193 which accommodates provision for such reserves.

## ***CONCLUSION***

The PCC continues to face considerable challenges in terms of upholding the mission and ministry of the parish, the stewardship of an ancient church building, and a fair contribution to the diocese. In 2018 the major issues are likely to be the continuing decline of regular income, and the pressing need for urgent repair and renovation work on the church building itself if worship here is to continue to be viable.

**Approved by the PCC on 13th April 2018**

**Signed on its behalf by Sandie Walton, PCC Vice Chairperson  
and Jill Wright, PCC Secretary**

**The Parochial Church Council of St Andrew, Kildwick**  
**Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2017**  
**Income and Expenditure Account**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2017	Total 2016
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
<i>Receipts from generated funds</i>					
Voluntary Income	2	34,707	8,509	43,216	85,504
Activities for generating funds	3	9,188	1,307	10,495	15,462
Investment Income	4	0	202	202	144
<i>Receipts from charitable activity</i>					
Income from church activities	5	3,578	1,909	5,487	7,497
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b>47,473</b>	<b>11,927</b>	<b>59,400</b>	<b>108,607</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
<i>Charitable Activities</i>					
Payments for church activities	6	46,255	7,031	53,286	63,389
<i>Cost of generating funds</i>					
Cost of generating voluntary income	7	87	0	87	0
Fundraising Trading Costs	8	2,141	0	2,141	4,443
Governance Costs	9	706	0	706	533
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>49,189</b>	<b>7,031</b>	<b>56,220</b>	<b>68,365</b>
<b>(Excess of Payments over Receipts) / Excess of Receipts over Payments</b>		<b>(1,716)</b>	<b>4,896</b>	<b>3,180</b>	<b>40,242</b>

**The Parochial Council of St Andrew, Kildwick**  
**Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2017**  
**Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2017	Total 2016
	£	£	£	£	£
Assets used for Church Purposes					
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,724</b>	<b>9,724</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cash Funds</b>					
Barclays General Account		9,963	0	9,963	14,796
Co-op General Account		14,491	0	14,491	16,072
Co-op Planned Giving Account		6,876	0	6,876	7,209
CCLA Deposit Account		15,193	56,974	72,167	71,964
Cash		0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>46,523</b>	<b>56,974</b>	<b>103,497</b>	<b>110,041</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>					
<b>Debtors</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>46,523</b>	<b>66,698</b>	<b>113,221</b>	<b>110,041</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
<b>Creditors</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>(360)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(360)</b>	<b>(360)</b>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>		<b>46,163</b>	<b>66,698</b>	<b>112,861</b>	<b>109,681</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>					
Balances brought forward	13	47,879	61,802	109,681	69,439
<b>Income</b>		<b>47,473</b>	<b>11,927</b>	<b>59,400</b>	<b>108,607</b>
Total		95,352	73,729	169,081	178,046
Expenditure		(49,189)	(7,031)	(56,220)	(68,365)
<b>Balances carried forward</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>46,163</b>	<b>66,698</b>	<b>112,861</b>	<b>109,681</b>

Approved by the Parochial Church  
Council and signed on its behalf by:

The Reverend Julie Bacon  
Chairperson

Dr Marie Stinson  
Treasurer

## The Parochial Church Council of St Andrew, Kildwick

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2017

#### Note

#### 1 Accounting Policies and explanatory information

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, using the income and expenditure basis.

The accounts 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

#### 1.1 Funds

##### Unrestricted Funds

These represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of a PCC.

##### Restricted Funds

These are funds which have to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by donors, or have been raised by the PCC for particular purposes.

#### 1.2 Fixed Assets

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by Section 10(2) ( C) of the Charities Act 2011 No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a Faculty for disposal, since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property. The cost of the Parish Rooms has been estimated by the PCC at £100 and they have been depreciated in full. No reliable cost information is available for other assets purchased before 2000, and as such these are not included in the Financial Statements. Purchase of an asset (other than a consecrated, beneficial or inalienable property) of less than £250 will be written-off in the year of purchase; more valuable items will be depreciated over a period based on the realistic working life of the asset. The additions in the current year have not been depreciated.



**The Parochial Church Council of St Andrew, Kildwick**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2017**

<i>Note</i>		<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>Voluntary Income</b>		
<b>2</b>	<b>Income to Unrestricted Funds</b>		
	Planned Giving	21,090	24,176
	General Collections	3,944	5,832
	Tax Refund on unrestricted gift-aid receipts	5,176	8,642
	General Donations	2,558	3,455
	In memoriam	0	649
	Refund from Scottish Power	281	48
	Specific Collections	117	0
	J. Swire charity donation	500	0
	RF leaving, collection (£459) and repayment (581.75)	1,041	0
	Clock Donations	0	775
	ELG Payment for Porch	0	6,434
	sub total	<b>34,707</b>	<b>50,011</b>
	<b>Income to Restricted Funds</b>		
	Restricted Collections, missions & charities	3,456	4,587
	Tax refund on restricted gift-aid receipts	495	906
	Legacies and In memoriam	2,683	24,000
	Headley Trust	0	6,000
	Sponsor a Slate and Roof Fund (£100)	1,875	0
	sub total	<b>8,509</b>	<b>35,493</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>43,216</b>	<b>85,504</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Activities for Generating Funds</b>		
	<b>Income to Unrestricted Funds</b>		
	Fair Deposits	0	3,263
	Fees from Hire of Parish Rooms	5,390	5,116
	Fundraising Events	1,528	1,376
	Heating Fees	445	1,460
	Sale of tea and scones in Parish Rooms	653	748
	Sale of cards and histories	171	208
	Photocopying Fees	901	267
	Advertising Fees in Church Magazine	0	895
	Traidcraft	100	0
	sub total	<b>9,188</b>	<b>13,333</b>
	<b>Income to Restricted Funds</b>		
	Fundraising Events, missions & charities	sub total	<b>1,307</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10,495</b>	<b>15,462</b>

<i>Note</i>		<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Income from Investments</b>		
	<b>To Restricted Funds (CCLA)</b>	202	144
	<b>Total</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>144</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Income from Church Activities</b>		
	<b>Income to Unrestricted Funds</b>		
	PCC Fees (weddings, funerals etc)	2,922	3,917
	Bookstall	240	507
	Tea and coffee at church services	416	416
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,578</b>	<b>4,840</b>
	<b>Income to Restricted Funds</b>		
	DBF Fees	1,909	2,657
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,909</b>	<b>2,657</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>59,400</b>	<b>108,607</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Payments for Church Activities</b>		
	<b>Payments from Unrestricted Funds</b>		
	Parish Share	17,000	24,500
	Church Running Costs	3,908	3,810
	Church Heating Costs	4,429	4,728
	Electric Church and Parish Rooms	749	0
	Church Maintenance Costs	601	269
	Church Roof and Ceiling	1,486	0
	Church Porch	0	5,904
	Upkeep of Churchyard, garden and carpark	1,865	59
	Parish Rooms Running Costs	2,418	2,185
	Parish Rooms Maintenance Costs	160	1,565
	Upkeep of Services	2,683	2,577
	Organist Fees	3,050	2,885
	Incumbent's expenses	634	905
	Miscellaneous Ministry Payments	289	558
	Upkeep bells (360) and clock (186)	546	0
	RF Leaving	1,599	0
	Vacancy costs	154	0
	Restoration	4,684	0
	Keyboard and Hausling Benches	0	1,911
	Payments to Missions & Charities	0	664
	Quinquennial Costs	0	1,223
	Nave Works	0	378
	Clock Repairs	0	894
	<b>sub total</b>	<b>46,255</b>	<b>55,015</b>

<i>Note</i>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Payments from Restricted Funds</b>		
Payments to Missions & Charities (note 14)	4,568	6,559
Upkeep of Churchyard (Binns Grave Fund)	164	162
Organ Upkeep (Organ Fund)	440	140
DBF Fees	1,859	1,513
Pew Cushions £6,208; Staging £3,516 (Legacy Fund)	Fixed Asset	0
	sub total	
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,031</b>	<b>8,374</b>
	<b>53,286</b>	<b>63,389</b>
<b>Cost of Supporting Voluntary Income</b>		
<b>7 Unrestricted</b>		
Payments supporting generation of voluntary income	<b>87</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>8 Fundraising Trading Costs: Unrestricted Funds</b>		
Fair payments outs	397	2,113
Bookstall purchases	198	678
Cost of Events to support raising General Funds	21	336
Purchase of Cards for resale	0	88
Tea and Coffee materials	115	195
Church Magazine Costs	774	761
Photocopy costs for resale	387	272
Fairtrade goods	249	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,141</b>	<b>4,443</b>
<b>9 Governance Costs: Unrestricted Funds</b>		
Production of Annual Report and PCC Costs	296	173
Independent Examination Fee	360	360
Wedding Refund	50	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>533</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	
	<b>56,220</b>	<b>68,365</b>
<b>10 Fixed Assets</b>		
Pew Cushions	6,208	0
Staging	3,516	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,724</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>11 Debtors</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>12 Creditors</b>		
Account preparation and examination	<b>360</b>	<b>360</b>

**13 Restricted Funds**

	Heating Dev	Binns Grave	Organ Fund	Legacy Fund	Missions & Charities	Diocesan Bd of Finance	Headley Trust	Slate Sponsor & Roof Fund	<b>Totals</b>
Funds brought forward	7,513	2,641	567	40,227	2,355	2,495	6,004		61,802
Incoming Resources	24	8	2	132	8	8	20		202
Donations this year	0	0	0	2,683	5,258	1,909	0	1,875	11,725
Resources expended	0	164	440	9,724	4,568	1,859	0		16,755
<b>Funds carried forward</b>	<b>7,537</b>	<b>2,485</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>33,318</b>	<b>3,053</b>	<b>2,553</b>	<b>6,024</b>	<b>1,875</b>	<b>56,974</b>
<b>Fixed asset carried forward</b>				<b>9,724</b>					<b>9,724</b>

The restrictions on expenditure applying to these funds are:

**Heating Development:** expenditure in connection with all aspects of the development of the Church and Parish Rooms heating systems. This includes planning, fundraising, costs associated with obtaining necessary facilities, fees, consents, materials & building works.

**Binns Grave:** expenditure is restricted to the upkeep of the churchyard.

**Organ Fund:** expenditure is restricted to the upkeep of the organ.

**Legacy Fund:** expenditure on the church or church activities as determined by the PCC

**Headley Trust:** expenditure on church restoration in accordance with the grant terms of the Headley Trust

**Missions & Charities:**

**Diocesan Board of Finance:** expenditure is restricted to due payments to the Board for Church Activities.

**Slate Sponsorship and Roof Fund:** expenditure is restricted to roof repairs

Note

14 **Missionary and Charitable Giving**

Grants represent money allocated out of general (unrestricted) receipts. These are shown together with money raised specifically for a particular organisation or appeal (i.e. restricted collections and fundraising).

**31st December 2017**

	Specific Fundraising	Restricted Collections	Grants	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Overseas Missions</b>				
Sudan	250	1,064		1,314
Jigsaw Kids	800			800
CMS Jigsaw	800			800
<b>Home Missions</b>		550		550
St George's Crypt	120	250		370
Children's Society		121		121
CDFC		200		200
Parkinson's Society		241		241
Temple Studies		78		78
Manorlands		94		94
Christian Aid				
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,970</b>	<b>2,598</b>		<b>4,568</b>

**31st December 2016**

	Specific Fundraising	Restricted Collections	Grants	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Overseas Missions</b>				
Water Aid		150	521	671
Jigsaw Kids	405	712		1,117
CMS Jigsaw	405	561		966
<b>Home Missions</b>				
St George's Crypt		506		506
Children's Society		385		385
Christian Aid		269	82	351
Action for Children		775		775
Preaching Peace		1,362		1,362
Pancreatic Cancer	676			676
Temple Studies		303		303
Manorlands		50		50
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,486</b>	<b>5,073</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>7,162</b>

# **Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St Andrew, Kildwick Parochial Church Council**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017, which are set out on the following pages.

## ***Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner***

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 Ac) 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 Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## ***Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement***

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

## ***Independent Examiner's Statement***

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the following requirements have not been met:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records.

Mr.T. Eastwood,  
T.R.E. Accountancy Ltd,  
Lismore,  
Bent Lane,  
Sutton in Craven,  
Keighley,  
West Yorkshire BD20 7AL.

## **Churchwardens' report on the Goods, Fabric and Ornaments of the church**

Our last Quinquennial Inspection was in 2016 and we continue to work within its recommendations to keep our church and churchyard in as good conditions we can. The deterioration in the church roof and internal plaster is a continuing cause of concern. We have renewed the faculty for the internal netting and are working with the Repair and Renovation group to secure funding for the essential repairs needed.

Essential repair work and maintenance has been carried in the following areas:

- the clock – regular inspection
- the tower – inspection of bells and installation of lighting
- the Parish Rooms – replacement of faulty locks and redecoration of downstairs rooms and repair to heating system
- the boiler house door repair
- chancel roof repair to prevent water ingress
- the organ
- font hoist
- fire appliance inspection

We have purchased new pew cushions for the main seating in the nave which have been greatly appreciated. We have also replaced the old staging with a much easier and lighter system. The ancient piano in the choir vestry has been disposed of and plans are in hand for the disposal of the old harmonium.

The closed churchyard has continued to be maintained by CDC and the new churchyard and memorial garden trimmed by a contractor.

The garden on the south side of the church has been cut back and some over-grown bushes removed.

Deterioration in the car park surface has been noted. Some of the vegetation growth at the edges has been removed to aid drainage of surface water but more work is needed this coming spring.

Work has been done to clear vegetation around the memorials and at the base of the trees. The gardens and paths have been kept tidy and we are grateful to all those who have worked so hard in the churchyards. CDC has completed the work on the southern boundary wall.

The church is kept clean and tidy by our loyal team of volunteers and the regular 'spring clean and maintenance days' are well supported; thank you all those who give so freely of their time and energy to do all these essential tasks.

The articles appertaining to the church were checked and found correct.

*Lesley Hudson  
Sandie Walton*

## South Craven and Wharfedale Deanery Synod Report

*(Incorporating mention of the Bradford Episcopal Area Forum meetings)*

2017 was an interesting year in the life of Deaneries in the Bradford Episcopal Area as the old Deanery structure gave way to a new arrangement. ("Interesting", like the old Chinese curse...)

We began with a service in Bradford Cathedral to launch the new Deaneries – we have left the old Keighley deanery and are now a part of South Craven and Wharfedale Deanery. The first Deanery Synod meeting followed in February. It was held in Silsden and little was done beyond making introductions and electing a Standing Committee and some officers. No lay member was prepared to put themselves forward for the Standing Committee so, reluctantly, I agreed.

At the parish APCMs in 2017, we all elected new Deanery Synod members and so, at the next Deanery meeting at Addingham... guess what? We held elections for a new Standing Committee and some officers! The one Standing Committee meeting that had been held in the interim was, for various reasons, less than satisfactory and I was delighted that two others were keen to join that group.

At this meeting, Sharon Bavington (Lay Training Officer for the Bradford Episcopal Area and a Good Thing) spoke to us about the Diocesan initiative for Lay Training. Much of this came from a meeting of the Bradford Episcopal Area Forum (known to all as the BEAF) in June. I was unable to be there, but gather that it was a bit chaotic! It was agreed that leadership was best encountered in small groups with local, light-touch training and adequate support for all of the existing work that is already going on around the parishes.

The third Deanery Synod of the year took place in October at All Saints, Ilkley. Hoorah! No elections! We heard reports of the Wedding Project – and an initiative based around Ilkley where some of the preparation of couples for a Church wedding is delivered as a group, with several leaders and a number of couples. This appears to be a very successful scheme – whether our distance from Ilkley would preclude our joining in or not is unclear. We heard about the Otley Resource Centre and a more substantive talk from Ros Beeson of St Margaret's, Ilkley about the work that they are doing with asylum seekers.

In November there was another BEAF meeting. Held at Bradford Forster Academy, this was altogether a better meeting – the one this year that made it feel fun to belong to the wider church! The bulk of the meeting was taken up by members of various churches simply telling their stories about the work that they were doing and the ways that they were helping and being helped by their neighbours.

And then to stray into 2018

The first meeting of the year was held in Sutton and the headline act was a presentation on disability by Fiona Hill, the Diocesan Disability Officer. She discussed the meaning of "disability" and asked whether we really offer a warm welcome to disabled people, whether we make it easy for them to access the



building and make it easy for them to see, hear and read. She made the point that saying, "we don't need to do this, because we have no disabled people" is a great way to ensure that we never have disabled people. Sadly, her presentation was based around a projected PowerPoint slideshow – and there was no projector or screen. Though she made the point that small text on a coloured paper is poor practice, her handouts were in tiny text on coloured paper. I don't think that I was alone in finding the whole presentation unconvincing and disappointing.

At this meeting the Share figures for 2017 were displayed. Kildwick is alone in the deanery as having paid less than 50% of the requested Share.

And we step forward into the future. I hope that the "SCAW" Deanery will begin to find its feet. Successful Deanery Synods act as a great focus for friendship and fellowship. Often, the most important part is the tea and coffee at the start (oddly, moved to the middle of our meetings). Inspiring talks are important, too – not necessarily even on "churchy" topics. (I remember a fascinating talk on life as a Dales sheep farmer up in Buckden). Deanery Synods have a very significant role in our church life. Most of that role is in bringing parishes and people together and, though there are legalities to deal with, a Synod is successful when it fosters friendship and fellowship. We have a vacancy for a Synod member. How about joining in and adding your voice?

*Chris Wright*



### **Electoral Roll Report**

At the APCM in 2017, there were 61 members of the Electoral Roll. Since then, six members have moved away and one has died. There is one new member of the roll. The Electoral Roll now stands at 55 members, of whom 24 live within the parish and 31 outside the parish boundary.

*Christine Anderton*

## Group and Organisation Reports

### Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches CDFC

CDFC has been involved with the local Clergy in organising and/or promoting the Christmas Pageant, Good Friday Walk of Witness, Praise in the Park, Harvest Supper, Lent Course, Hunger Lunch, Safari Supper and One World Week Service



Christmas Pageant: members involved in the Pageant and provision of refreshments.

Lent Course: members involved in organisation and hosting of these events.

Safari Supper: this was a new venture in 2017 to encourage social interaction between the Churches and was well supported.

Harvest Supper: members involved in planning and hosting.

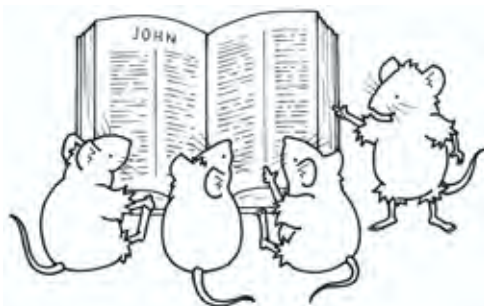
One World Week Service: members involved in planning and participating in the service

Christine Anderton and Glyn Evans are St Andrew's representatives. Most Churches have two representatives on the Council although there are vacancies. Meetings are held four times a year. The AGM in 2017 moved to October after the One World Week Service and was better attended than when held in June as a separate meeting.

As St Peter's have limited space now events such as Lent Course and those needing a kitchen have moved to Sutton Baptist Church. Lent Course was this year held on a Monday evening due to availability.

*Christine Anderton*

### St Andrew's, Kildwick – Readers and Intercessors



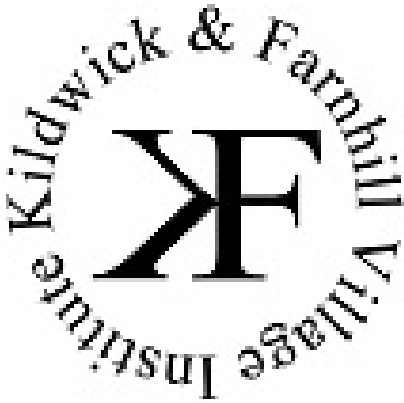
At Kildwick our congregation is privileged to be able to provide assistance to the celebrant at the main Sunday morning service. This takes several forms, two of which are via the reading of the set passages from the Bible and leading the intercessions. This gives variety with the different voices for the readings and an extra spiritual dimension with the leading of the intercessions. We always welcome new readers and

intercessors, so if anyone feels a calling to assist in this way, please speak to me, Julie or one of our churchwardens.

Thank you very much to all those who are currently on the rotas – your commitment and contributions are greatly appreciated.

*Lesley Bannister*

## Kildwick and Farnhill Institute Report 2018



This year, as always, the committee has done its best to provide a meeting place for the villages of Kildwick and Farnhill to accommodate regular meetings such as the Village Pump and to put on a full programme of events designed to appeal to various interest groups.

The history group lottery-funded WW1 volunteers project has attracted considerable interest and support and the work to trace the lives and service of the sixty-six Farnhill volunteers is now well advanced. At the launch of the project's dedicated website on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017, there was an exhibition of

photographs and memorabilia relating to the volunteers, including items lent by Rosie Hargreaves, connected with the members of her family who were amongst the volunteers.

In November 2017, Graham Taylor of the History Group gave a very interesting talk on an album of early 20<sup>th</sup> century photographs of Farnhill and Kildwick and district, donated to the institute by the family of a Farnhill resident who is now resident in Australia. The photographs have been digitised by Graham and will form a valuable addition to the Institute's archive.

Away from historical themes, a traditional bingo night and beetle drive were organised and were well supported.

The Institute's calendar had been well received this year and a respectable profit of over £250 was made.

The rolling programme of maintenance and repair has continued and, in particular, windows in need of replacement have been identified and will receive attention in the near future. The committee would like to thank the Farnhill Parish Council for its donation of £1200 towards the expenses of the Institute which of course is a considerable help.

Looking towards the future, the committee has arranged talks on garden birds; and the WW1 poets and in the autumn, the Library Theatre Group has been engaged to perform Alan Bennet's Talking Heads. The final exhibition of the WW1 project will take place on 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> November to coincide with the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

*Tim Chapman*

(PCC representative on the Committee)

## Chuffs (children under five)



We have had a very good year, numbers have varied, anything from 6 children and carers to twice that many! We did actually get to 20 children, the noise was amazing!!!

Children are brought by mums, dads, grandmas and childminders.

Each week we have a different craft activity usually themed with the story. The children are encouraged to do the crafts themselves with help from their carer; or sometimes the carer does the

craft with occasional help from the child! Crafts involve such things as glue, paint, play dough and all sorts of bits and pieces so that the children can enjoy producing a masterpiece they can take home! I'm sure many car seats are liberally sprinkled with glitter on the homeward journey! The emphasis is on having fun and generally making a mess! Making things that are edible is particularly popular. The children sit for story time which is sometimes a bible story then snack time is next. We always start with some fruit and then bring out the biscuits! There are cups of tea and coffee for the carers and water or juice for the children. Sitting on the carpet for singing time is probably the noisiest session of all! The children have their favourite songs, all with actions, and we encourage them to join in enthusiastically sometimes with percussion and shakers. We always acknowledge each child's birthday with a small present, a card and the chance to wear the birthday hat and sing happy birthday! We encourage the families involved to come to special services at church and each Easter and Advent give the children either an Easter egg or an Advent calendar which tell the appropriate Christian message. We have also collected hygiene items and toys for Jigsaw.

*Lesley Hudson*

## Church Choir

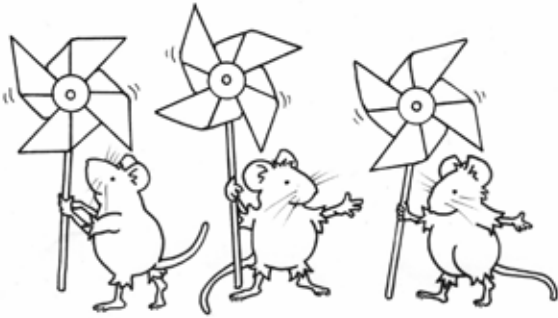
The choir continues to meet on most Tuesdays and enjoys helping to lead the worship in church. Advent, leading to Christmas and Lent, leading to Easter, have been rich musically, with some lovely psalm settings and special items prepared for these great church Festivals.

It's not easy to find music for our particular combination of voices, so we have sung some unison things and I continue to write new pieces when I feel it may be useful. We are in the process of investigating some new books which we may obtain if they seem suitable.

It would be lovely to welcome new members – Peter and Albert would be especially thrilled to have some more men in the choir! But seriously do come and try if you like singing – you don't have to have any experience or be able to read music.

*Glyn Evans*

## Kildwick Church, School and Institute Summer Fair June 24th 2017



Our annual fair is a great community event and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Volunteers from the three organisations plus the local Co Op and The White Lion Pub work extremely hard to make it all happen. Our church warden Lesley Hudson, is chairperson of the organising committee. John Exley, church member, was the compère on the day. There were plenty of games, competitions, raffle prizes to be won, craft stalls, homemade

cakes and jams, tombola plus stalls laden with different goodies to peruse and purchase. Also, what is now fast becoming a yearly challenge for the local knitting group, a large knitted / hand sewn meadow was on display on The Green. Dales Jam, a local music group, entertained us all with their playing. We raised approximately £2, 700 which is shared amongst the three organisations. Grateful thanks to everyone who was able to help.

### St Andrew's Church Fair

Held on the last Sunday in November to celebrate St Andrew's Day, the St Andrew's Fair raised about £550. Held in the church with various stalls, raffle, games and children's activities to encourage visitors to spend. It was a cold miserable day and the church was freezing but with a homemade soup lunch to be had in the Parish Rooms one soon warmed up.

*Libba Utley*

### CDFC Residential Homes 2018

#### Townend Close

Our team consists of Peter Bannister, Di Halliday, June Whittaker, Mary Peake, Christine Anderton and Mary Clough.

Our communion service is usually on the first Tuesday of the month and is attended by about 15 residents. The staff at the home are very helpful and encourage our efforts.

Our team are very loyal but occasionally we are few. We have been very fortunate that Mary Clough from the Baptist church has joined us; making us more ecumenical and she also plays the piano for our hymns.

We thank CDFC for getting the piano tuned; it makes a big improvement – and we would still welcome more people for the team.



*Peter Bannister*

## Bellringing



The Kildwick bellringers disbanded at the end of January last year. Fortunately, a tower Open Day at the beginning of April resulted in the formation of a new band of eight. Six of these were complete novices who had never touched a bell before.

Several months of intensive handling lessons followed. Physically managing a half ton of metal, swinging at more than the speed limit in the village on the end of fifty feet of rope is not something you can do right away! Some made more rapid progress than others but, by the beginning of August, we were able to field a team to ring for Sunday service.

All of the teaching has followed the "Learning the Ropes" scheme of "ART", the Association of Ringing Teachers. All six have achieved Level 1 – basic handling. Half have achieved Level 2 – ringing with others and Ed has rung two quarter peals, to be awarded his Level 3 certificate – and to become a fully qualified member of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers.

Eight ringers for eight bells isn't enough. There is always going to be someone with other commitments. We're now a sufficiently stable band to be able to welcome newcomers who, this year, will be recorded nationally as "Armistice Ringers" in memory of the 1400 ringers who died in World War 1.

Perhaps you know someone who'd like to learn?

Throughout the year, our emphasis has, like a stool, been three-legged. First of all is the need for quality teaching that will lead to progress that is as rapid as each ringer can manage. One teacher can't manage that alone, so the second leg has meant becoming involved with other ringers in the neighbourhood. Jane from Bingley has been a constant support and the tower is now affiliated to the unofficial "Worth Valley Ringers" of Kildwick, Keighley, Haworth and Oxenhope which provide places where our developing ringers are welcomed, allowing them to ring with a more experienced band.

A two-legged stool will fall over and so the third, vital prop is that of team spirit – or whatever else you want to call it. We have all, I think, worked quite hard to become the close, supportive community that we are. Each one delights in the achievements of the others. A good deal of time is spent, chatting and laughing – both in the tower and in the "committee meeting" in the White Lion. This makes for a happy band which, of course, attracts other ringers in the neighbourhood to our practices. And **that**, of course, improves the quality of the teaching and the progress that each ringer can make.

That progress has made its mark nationally, too. There are annual awards, administered by the Association of Ringing Teachers and Kildwick has now been nominated for two years in succession. No awards, unfortunately, but it is encouraging that others are impressed with the ringing that's taking place at St Andrew's.

*Chris Wright*

## The Repair and Renovation Group



In April 2017 the Heritage Lottery Fund announced that they were stopping the ring-fenced repair funding for places of worship. The group reacted quickly and submitted an application to the Grants for Places of Worship scheme in May 2017. This project 'Raising the Roof' aimed to repair the roof and ceiling, and to install insulation at an estimated cost of £450,000. Competition was fierce and the application was rejected in September 2017.

Subsequent to this the group set about looking into the wider issues of accessibility and key amenities, and began to scope an ambitious project amounting to about £1.5 million. This would include re-roofing; reinstating the west door as a main (level) entrance; a toilet, kitchen, new boiler and heating system, new ringing chamber and new lighting. This project is entitled 'St. Andrew's: Building for the Community'.

Members realised that we had to look afresh at our submission and what we wanted to achieve. The Heritage Lottery Fund is changing the way the money is to be distributed and it remains important to have the blessing and support of the community of Kildwick and the surrounding areas to provide a strong bid. With this in mind we convened a 'Community Forum' to keep local people informed, to get their ideas and support for a future bid. (This was also held after the Sunday service on 16<sup>th</sup> for the church community). Seventeen organisations were contacted and asked if they could be represented at a meeting to be held in Church on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February. The venue of the Church was chosen so that those not familiar with the building could see first-hand the problems we face.

Less than half of those contacted attended. A presentation was followed by a lively discussion where issues surrounding the finances were aired, as well as the relevance of St Andrew's to the wider parish. Concern was also voiced over community use of the building and whether this would put it in competition with other local venues. One participant expressed how positive it would be to create a vibrant hub of events with the wider Parish.

### *Finances*

Funds raised for the building project so far are in the region of £9,000 including the Sponsor a Slate campaign and a grant from the Headley Trust. We have spent some £4,700 of this on architect and quantity surveyor fees. The costs that we are facing are very significant and although fundraising will always be important, we cannot hope to raise more than a small proportion of the money needed. A far more significant part of our local campaign must be more about awareness raising and the generation of local support and enthusiasm.

*Louise Brown*

## MiniRingers

The MiniRingers are now into their second year and we are continuing to develop the menu on offer. Conceived originally as a stand-alone operation outside the tower, we are beginning to tackle the "big bells" in a gentle way. Handling lessons on the little mini-bell in the Parish Rooms make a good introduction to heavier stuff. The trouble is, there's so little time! Once they are collected from school, we often have little more than 45 minutes to learn to ring bells, to tackle tune ringing on handbells, to practice "dancing" our change ringing patterns or, during the summer, to learn how bells are cast, creating our own real metal bells as a souvenir. We restrict ourselves to two activities a week, but it is impossible to fit it all in...

Resplendent in their red MiniRingers polo shirts they have competed for a second time in the Skipton Music Festival. In 2017, unopposed, they carried off an enormous trophy. This year, their success enticed a second band from Bingley. Their focus is purely on tune ringing and their performance deservedly won that class, though it was in their non-competitive event, ringing "changes", that Kildwick impressed most and were, for the second time, invited back to perform in the prestigious Final Concert.

Tune ringing has been greatly helped by our new hand chimes. These aluminium bars "ring" like real handbells and we have a full two octaves (with all the sharps and flats!) All home-made, the next project is to make a box to carry them in.

The MiniRingers will continue to be Jacks of All Trades, as our emphasis is to introduce young people to all things campanological. What is, perhaps, new is the opportunity that now exists to move on and to become a member of the Big Bells team. That would be a nice development, if it can happen.

*Chris Wright*



## Nottheknot

We are a small friendly group meeting on Wednesday mornings from 10.15am to 12.00 noon. We do various crafts – needlework, knitting, crochet, card making, etc. We also have a good natter, coffee or tea and are happy to help new members where we can. Why don't you come along and give us a try?

*Joyce Bonham*



## The Magazine



"The Bridge" has continued to lay its thread through the life of the parish. It is, perhaps, predictable fare; the pastoral letter from the vicar was replaced by pieces from our retired priests until the arrival of Julie. There has been the well-tested mix of rotas and lectionaries seasoned with prayers and diaries.

The good bits come from reports and news. Reports and news of real people, doing real things! The trouble is that, once the huge variety of "things" have been done by so many different people, they tend to lie, forgotten because nobody records them.

*(You know what's coming, don't you? It's another try to get you to put pen to paper!)*

Several of the activities that are noted in this booklet will be familiar to readers because they appear in the Magazine. But there are also several that are not. Generally speaking, we do things together because we enjoy it. Because we find it interesting. If you find it interesting, don't you think that others might, too?

But now, we have reached the other end of the Bridge! Joining forces with Cononley with Bradley, we have amalgamated "The Bridge" and "Onward" to create a new publication that we're calling "The Pinnacle" for the time being. (Unless someone comes up with a good alternative, that'll probably stick. These things tend to do that.)

The mixture will remain very much as before. We are making the middle pages into a pull-out colour supplement (the month's colours will always be black and white). That part contains the rota stuff, so you can pin it on the board. It also has the Leeds Diocesan News. While some glossy colour versions are available in church, they rarely get picked up. Those that are handed out are often left behind. There's a load of stuff in there and we felt that it was worth giving it a wider circulation.

The rest of the magazine is really up to you! If you want something new or different, or more exciting, then let us know. We're always keen to hear suggestions. One initiative, for example, may involve the schools in our new area. We could easily incorporate a proper "Children's Section", written by the children from Kildwick, Cononley and Bradley. All it would take is someone to co-ordinate this. Do we have any takers?

We already have someone who is looking after the advertising, but we also need someone who could be a little more proactive than I am to seek out pieces about what has gone on. It's not a lot of work; it just needs someone who can "poke" the appropriate people at the right time. Could that be you?



*Chris Wright*

## Traidcraft



Our stall in church traded steadily during last year, with a stall in church every month and some extra availability at Christmas and Easter. Although we make a little profit for church, every purchase (anywhere!) of fairly traded goods makes a difference to producers. It means running water, education



for their children and access to good health provision: the things you and I often take for granted. Thank you so much (from me and from them) for your support! Carry on buying fairly traded goods – and tell me what you'd like to see on the stall. Catalogues are always available!

*Jill Wright*

## Kildwick Online

In today's digital age, an "online presence" is more than just a luxury or a bee in the bonnet of one or two enthusiasts.

A churches' online presence is a very significant part of its mission to the world around – the world in which we all live and operate.

We have, of course, a website - at [kildwick.org.uk](http://kildwick.org.uk) This is the traditional port of call for many and it carries information about some of the groups and activities of the church, alongside lists of service times, a contact form and copies of the weekly pew sheet and the monthly magazine.

As annexes to this, the bellringers have two sites – at [kildwickringers.org.uk](http://kildwickringers.org.uk) and [miniringers.org.uk](http://miniringers.org.uk) Sadly, the miniringers site is not much used or updated, but the main kildwickringers one is more active.

Nowadays though, websites are rather old-hat. "Social media" is the buzzword! To many of us (particularly in the light of recent news), Facebook is a scary, new and strange thing. In fact, to today's young people, Facebook is already out-dated - but it is still a wonderful way to reach out to a lot of people. For an organisation like a church, there is no real problem with data harvesting, because we don't put on any data that's private! We try to keep adding material to our Facebook page at [facebook.com/Kildwick1](https://facebook.com/Kildwick1) on at least a weekly basis and each post regularly reaches between two and three hundred people. Do come and have a look! You don't need to sign up (though you'll get nag screens asking you to join) but you will have a chance to dip a toe in the water. Come along in!

*Chris Wright*

## Foundation Governor's Report



Since last year's report there have been changes to the Foundation Governors. Robin's departure created a vacancy but due to excessive workload Julie, once appointed as our interim priest in charge, was unable to take on the Foundation Governor role and so Kathryn Morris was approved to take her place on the governing body for three years. Kathryn has joined Geraldine Sands as a Foundation Governor and the third and final Foundation Governor position will be filled shortly.

The church-school link continues to grow under the leadership of Tim Whitehead, who shows commitment and enthusiasm in all aspects of church/school life and in developing the Christian ethos of the school. The school has developed a link with JIGSAW kids' ministry and is currently liaising with the PCC to put up a permanent sculpture in the churchyard to commemorate those locally who died in the two world wars.

The Foundation Governors have regular meetings either at school or a governor's house. The main focus this term is preparing for SIAMS (diocesan inspection) which is due some time in 2019. To that end Foundation Governors have met with the diocesan advisor and the headteacher to discuss good practice in church schools and the role that governors play in its implementation. Further training is booked later this term on the SIAMS framework.

Church-school links outside the formal governor responsibilities are varied. Many of our church family support the school in various ways such as; volunteering in classes, supporting the school collective worship in church, helping organise the summer fair, bell ringing. These links and joint activities really show the commitment the church family has to the school and vice versa. It has been a pleasure to see these links grow and strengthen over the year.

*Kathryn Morris  
Geraldine Sands*

