



# ANNUAL REPORT 2022



**Ironstone  
Villages  
family of  
churches**



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# RECTOR'S INTRODUCTION

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As you may be aware, it is quite a while since we have produced a booklet of annual reports for the Ironstone Family of Churches. The last time was back in 2019 – the pre-pandemic age. And what a lot of change we've had to face since then! Our thanks to Marie Hough our Multi-Parish Administrator for producing this booklet, and for those who have contributed to it from across our six parishes. I hope it give you a feel for what has been happening during the past year, as well as information about the finances of each church.

It is really good that we now have a shared office base established in Scalford, and that Marie is developing her administrative role to include important matters such as safeguarding and communication. It is also encouraging that all our parish churches are now open again during the week, and that services and other events are happening more regularly again as we now come out of the pandemic. Our thanks go to those who help with this in any way, whether 'up front' or 'behind the scenes'. In particular, I'd like to thank the Ironstone Churchwardens for their work, as well as members of the Ministry Team who lead services in our churches. This past year we've thanked Janice and Peter Newton as we marked the ending of their faithful public ministry among us. We've also been saddened at the sudden death of Jim Lowe, who had served Eaton as Church Treasurer for many years.

As you will be aware, our nation and world has seen some major changes over the past year. Think, for example, of the war started by Russia through its invasion of Ukraine. The ripple effects of this conflict has fuelled the cost of living crisis, and many are now struggling with food and fuel poverty in our own nation. Again, during last year we were saddened and unsettled by the death of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, who was such a source of stability in changing times, and a shining example of service.

And the Church is not immune to change, is it? Sadly Chadwell Church has remained closed since the start of the pandemic and - due to its deteriorating physical condition (it is now unsafe to use) - its future is uncertain. All our other Ironstone Churches remain open, but face big financial and personnel challenges in caring for our ancient buildings and resourcing ministry. The new Diocesan Minster Community framework for mission and ministry seeks to address this challenge, and we are embarking on conversations across Framland Deanery at the end of April to form two Minster Communities in NE Leicestershire.

Amidst all the changes and challenges, in this Easter season may we remember that the One we are called to follow and serve is the Living Lord Jesus who "is the same yesterday and today and for ever" (Hebrews 13.8). As we look to Christ, may the power of His Spirit inspire us afresh to be His faithful witnesses in those villages we seek to serve, to the glory of God.

**John Barr,  
Rector**



# EASTWELL CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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## 1. Services

We have been having three regular services per month—Compline on the first Friday, a midweek midday Holy Communion on the second Wednesday and a 9.00 am Holy Communion on the fourth Sunday. Attendance isn't overwhelming—but the services are good .... and varied .... and the Christmas Eve nativity reappeared this year!

## 2. Activities

Probably not as many as pre-pandemic, but we did hold two churchyard markets, the dog show and bonfire night, and also hosted a welcome return of the Stathern schoolchildren who sang to us at Christmas with huge smiles and an overdose of enthusiasm.

Also, collecting metals to sell on has to count as an 'activity'.

The Queen's Jubilee was celebrated as a village event with aplomb, and the PCC would like to thank the Village Hall committee for their generosity in donating profits to church funds.

## 3. Ongoing projects

- Most important: heating and lighting. We never thought we'd be able to say so, but a faculty has now been submitted to the Diocese for pew heating (check Kovoschmidt at [www.pewheating.com](http://www.pewheating.com)) plus some supplementary wall heaters and a comprehensive lighting scheme.
- Creation of cremated area. Just a repeat of last year's statement: although the PCC fully intend going ahead with this, it will remain in the pipeline until the heating and lighting is installed.
- New organ. As at Easter 2023, half of it is lying in the church, awaiting the second half which the organ firm will be bringing up from Gloucestershire. The firm will then set up the complete organ and remove the present one.
- Mapping of churchyard. This is now well on its way, thanks to a volunteer appearing out of the blue!



# EASTWELL CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

## 4. Plans for 2023

- **Services.** Continuing as previously with three services per month, but with an occasional rearrangement to fit the church's seasons and other special occasions.
- **Activities.** We plan to repeat the two churchyard markets (the second on Ride & Stride Day), dog show and bon re night. We also had a very successful Saturday afternoon craft session with the children (and parents!) just before Easter, and two further afternoons are planned on 29th July and 5th August, when cream teas will also be served.  
Finally the Historic Churches Preservation Trust are paying us a visit on Saturday, 3rd June, when we'll be serving them a light lunch.

## 5. General

Although we don't seem to be particularly active at the moment and the church looks rather untidy and dilapidated, hopefully over the next year both our church and spirits—and optimism for the future—will rise considerably. We hope to have the heating and lighting installed, and, thanks to a generous offer, the limewashing of the walls is back on the cards ..... and we should have a new organ.

There remains the shadow of the minster communities to deal with, but only time will tell how that will end.

Meanwhile, we are very thankful for what is a definite and uplifting plus—the cooperation, help and encouragement from so many people in the village. The support is gold, and we hope to build on it, especially with families.

Please use the church as much as you wish—the children's corner is now more accessible (and hopefully more attractive—not thanks to anyone on the PCC, but a young family who has rearranged it)..... and if you've never taken the children into the church, please do. You are free to use any of the materials in the children's corner— and there's always the churchyard to explore.

Finally, we can't forget the rock-solid help which has been given throughout the years, and which continues to be given —with flower arranging, cleaning, odd jobs, etc. etc. Your support is appreciated more than we can say.

**Stella and Sue,  
Churchwardens**

## ACCOUNTS SUMMARY AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2022

<b>INCOME TO 31.12.22</b>		<b>EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.22</b>		<b>BANK STATEMENTS AS AT 31.12.22</b>			
Interest	£10.49	❖	Water Plus	£104.51	❖	Current account	£9,833.67
Collections	£84.00	❖	Electricity	£500.00	❖	Deposit account	£11,241.37
Refunds	£257.18	❖	Parish share		❖	NSB	£220.49
Gift Aid	£2,951.00	❖	Benefice	£546.00	❖	In hand	£808.00
Fees	£442.07	❖	Insurance	£1,603.10	❖	Minus uncashed cheques (see below)	£22,103.53
Gift boxes		❖	Organ		❖		£320.00
Tote	£1,092.90	❖	Tote	£300.00	❖		£21,783.53
Church box	£100.00	❖	Donations		❖	<b>RECONCILIATION</b>	
Donations	£974.10	❖	Fees	£551.00	❖	Brought forward 31st December 2021	£15,699.74
Diocese energy grant	£1,087.00	❖	Maintenance	£753.20	❖	Income to 31st December 2022	£10,491.60
Special Events	£2,875.26	❖	Miscellaneous	£50.00	❖		£26,191.34
Metals	£617.60	❖			❖	Expenditure to 31st December 2022	£4,407.81
		❖			❖		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£10,491.60</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£4,407.81</b>			<b>£21,783.53</b>

### Uncashed cheques

No 281 tote winnings 2022 £300.00  
 No 282 lottery licence £20.00

**SIGNED:**

**(G Goodson,  
 Independent Examiner)**

**DATE:**

# EASTWELL EXPENDITURE - PAGE 1

Date	Details	Cheque	Amount	Water Plus	Electricity	Parish sh	Benefice	Insurance	Organ	Tote	Donations	Fees	Maint.	Misc.	Total
04.01.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										£44.00
17.01.22	Benefice	SO	£1.00				£1.00								£45.00
<b>Total to 31st January 2022</b>			<b>£45.00</b>		<b>£44.00</b>		<b>£1.00</b>								<b>£45.00</b>
01.02.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										£89.00
15.02.22	Benefice	SO	£1.00				£1.00								£90.00
<b>Total to 28th February 2022</b>			<b>£90.00</b>		<b>£88.00</b>		<b>£2.00</b>								<b>£90.00</b>
01.03.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										£134.00
03.03.22	DBF	274	£551.00					£551.00							£685.00
16.03.22	Water Plus	DB	£21.17	£21.17											£706.17
15.03.22	Benefice	SO	£1.00				£1.00								£707.17
<b>Total to 31st March 2022</b>			<b>£707.17</b>	<b>£21.17</b>	<b>£132.00</b>		<b>£3.00</b>					<b>£551.00</b>			<b>£707.17</b>
01.04.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										£751.17
19.04.22	Benefice	SO	£1.00				£1.00								£752.17
29.04.22	Jubilee books	275	£30.00											£30.00	£782.17
<b>Total to 30th April 2022</b>			<b>£782.17</b>	<b>£21.17</b>	<b>£176.00</b>		<b>£4.00</b>					<b>£551.00</b>		<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£782.17</b>
03.05.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										£826.17
16.05.22	Benefice	SO	£1.00				£1.00								£827.17
13.05.22	J R Mowers (repair)	276	£209.13								£209.13				£1,036.30
16.05.22	HAS Fire Protection	277	£76.80								£76.80				£1,113.10
<b>Total to 31st May 2022</b>			<b>£1,113.10</b>	<b>£21.17</b>	<b>£220.00</b>		<b>£5.00</b>				<b>£285.93</b>	<b>£551.00</b>		<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£1,113.10</b>
01.06.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										
14.06.22	Water Plus	DB	£19.24	£19.24											
15.06.22	Benefice	SO	£1.00				£1.00								
<b>Total to 30th June 2022</b>			<b>£1,177.34</b>	<b>£40.41</b>	<b>£264.00</b>		<b>£6.00</b>				<b>£285.93</b>	<b>£551.00</b>		<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£1,177.34</b>
01.07.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										£1,221.34
15.07.22	Benefice	SO	£90.00				£90.00								£1,311.34
22.07.22	Water Plus	SO	£22.36	£22.36											£1,333.70
<b>Total to 31st July 2022</b>			<b>£1,333.70</b>	<b>£62.77</b>	<b>£308.00</b>		<b>£96.00</b>				<b>£285.93</b>	<b>£551.00</b>		<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£1,333.70</b>
01.08.22	Edf	DB	£44.00		£44.00										£1,377.70
12.08.22	Mower repair JR Mowers	278	£323.27								£323.27				£1,700.97
30.08.22	Benefice	SO	£90.00				£90.00								£1,790.97
<b>Total to 31st August 2022</b>			<b>£1,790.97</b>	<b>£62.77</b>	<b>£352.00</b>		<b>£186.00</b>				<b>£609.20</b>	<b>£551.00</b>		<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£1,790.97</b>

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Date	Details	Cheque	Amount	Water	Electricity	P Share	Benefice	Insurance	Organ	Tote	Donations	Fees	Maint.	Misc.	Total
<b>Carried forward</b>			<b>£1,790.97</b>	<b>£62.77</b>	<b>£352.00</b>		<b>£186.00</b>					<b>£551.00</b>	<b>£609.20</b>	<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£1,790.97</b>
01.09.22	Edf	DD	£44.00		£44.00										£1,834.97
15.09.22	Water Plus	SO	£21.69	£21.69											£1,856.66
15.09.22	Benefice	SO	£90.00				£90.00								£1,946.66
<b>Total to 30th September 2022</b>			<b>£1,946.66</b>	<b>£84.46</b>	<b>£396.00</b>		<b>£276.00</b>					<b>£551.00</b>	<b>£609.20</b>	<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£1,946.66</b>
03.10.22	Rutland & Belvoir alarm	279	£144.00										£144.00		£2,090.66
03.10.22	Ecclesiastical Insurance	280	£1,603.10					£1,603.10							£3,693.76
03.10.22	Edf	DD	£44.00		£44.00										£3,737.76
17.10.22	Benefice	SO	£90.00				£90.00								£3,827.76
<b>Total to 31st October 2022</b>			<b>£3,827.76</b>	<b>£84.46</b>	<b>£440.00</b>		<b>£366.00</b>	<b>£1,603.10</b>				<b>£551.00</b>	<b>£753.20</b>	<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£3,827.76</b>
01.11.22	Edf	DD	£30.00		£30.00										£3,857.76
25.22.33	Benefice	SO	£90.00				£90.00								£3,947.76
<b>Total to 30th November 2022</b>			<b>£3,947.76</b>	<b>£84.46</b>	<b>£470.00</b>		<b>£456.00</b>	<b>£1,603.10</b>				<b>£551.00</b>	<b>£753.20</b>	<b>£30.00</b>	<b>£3,947.76</b>
01.12.22	Edf	DD	£30.00		£30.00										£3,977.76
14.12.22	Water Plus	SO	£20.05	£20.05											£3,997.81
15.12.22	Benefice	SO	£90.00				£90.00								£4,087.81
	Tote winnings		£300.00							£300.00					£4,387.81
	Lottery renewal		£20.00											£20.00	£4,407.81
<b>Total to 31st December 2022</b>			<b>£4,407.81</b>	<b>£104.51</b>	<b>£500.00</b>		<b>£546.00</b>	<b>£1,603.10</b>		<b>£300.00</b>		<b>£551.00</b>	<b>£753.20</b>	<b>£50.00</b>	<b>£4,407.81</b>



# EATON CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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With covid restrictions fully lifted in 2022 the church could resume all services without encouraging face masks and hand sanitiser.

Last year we hosted one wedding, one christening and early in 2023 one funeral.

We held our normal Easter, Harvest, Remembrance, and Christmas services together with a Christmas Eve midnight mass which was very well attended with the bells rung before and after this service which was very much enjoyed by the villagers as they waited for Father Christmas to appear.

We have been able to open the church at weekends during the whole year and the cleaning rota has been a big success with our volunteers keeping the church looking great for which we thank them along with Jean Shields who places the flowers into the church.

During 2022 we received the Quinquennial Report from our architect Simon Bird who came over to speak to the villagers who came to our cheese and wine evening last autumn when we presented the findings of the report to the village.

We are waiting for Simon to provide us with estimates of the cost involved when he receives them from the Stonemasons who have been asked to quote for the work needed.

We have continued to maintain the building by having the gutters cleaned twice a year along with servicing the boiler, bells, and the village clock. We also have PAT tested all our electrical equipment. The roof alarm and cameras are tested regularly along with our fire extinguishers which also passed their inspection.

As this will be our last Church Warden Report, both Hannah and myself would like to personally thank everyone for their support over the last 8 years as we step back from the PCC.



**Sue Peters and  
Hannah Canham,  
Churchwardens**

# EATON TREASURER'S REPORT

The sudden and unexpected death of Jim Lowe in September 2022, Treasurer to St Denys Church for many years, is a great loss to his partner and family, and to us as the community of Eaton and the PCC of St Denys Church. His warmth, insight and efficiency are greatly missed.

In light of Mr Lowe's death it was felt appropriate to bring all St Denys' financial accounts together and put them on to a database, for ease of use and access for a new Treasurer in the future. Rev Sue Bradley offered to step up as stand-in Treasurer for the time being. Sue has worked with Colin Wood (AAT Licenced Bookkeeper) and the Diocese to facilitate this, and all accounts are now on the database 'MyFundAccounting online'. This can be directly accessed by Rev Bradley and Colin Wood, and viewed by Rev Barr, Sue Peters and Hannah Canham.

Summary of St Denys financial situation for 2022:

## Income and Expenditure

Annual income was	£14,366.23
Which included dividends from the School Fund of:	£5,050.27
Annual expenditure was	£13,938.71

See Balance Sheet detailed for end of year figures in each account and investment.

The church accounts ended the year with a small positive balance, however interest on the School Fund investments was utilised to pay the Parish Contribution for 2022 – a sum of £5,500. Without this annual income would not have sufficed for the year's expenditure.

The annual Financial Return has been made to the Diocese for St Denys Church.

The Accounts for 2022 are to be audited by Mr Tim Bryan, who has previously undertaken this role. It has not been possible to accomplish this by the AGM but will be reported to the PCC as soon as possible.

Thanks go to Sue Peters (CW) who has put a great deal of effort into amending signatories on the church bank accounts, and informing other institutions with which St Denys has accounts of the changes needed following Jim's death.

## Going Forward

Rev Bradley and Colin Wood will continue to keep St Denys income and expenditure logged on the MyFundAccounting. It is hoped at some point, once this system is running smoothly, that a volunteer may be found to take on the Treasurer role.

# Rev Susan F Bradley

# EATON BALANCE SHEET

## St Denys Eaton Church

### Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
6430: Shares Held @ St Martins	159,734.52	154,099.45
<b>Total Fixed assets</b>	<b>159,734.52</b>	<b>154,099.45</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
6501: Bank Barclays current account 8104	13,434.65	11,074.45
6505: Bank Barclays Fabric account 3700	5,025.30	6,950.67
✓ 6510: CCLA (CBF) deposit account	560.60	559.00
6515: Investment Retained @ St Martins	35,202.94	35,168.70
6590: Cash in hand	50.85	-
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>54,274.34</b>	<b>53,752.82</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
6699: Agency collections	94.00	-
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>94.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>213,914.86</b>	<b>207,852.27</b>
<b>Reserves</b>		
Excess/(deficit) to date	427.52	-
Z01: Starting balances	207,852.27	207,852.27
Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets	5,635.07	-
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>213,914.86</b>	<b>207,852.27</b>

#### Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	208,328.96	200,342.60
Designated	5,585.90	7,509.67
<b>Total</b>	<b>213,914.86</b>	<b>207,852.27</b>

A note of explanation re Fixed Assets above:

When Eaton Village (CofE) School was closed and sold in the late 1970s, the proceeds came to St Denys church. These were invested as shares in the stock market and are held on behalf of the PCC by the Diocese of Leicester. The shares cannot be accessed as capital, but the interest on them can, at the discretion of the Diocese, be drawn on by the PCC. In recent years the sole access approved has been to enable the payment of the Parish Contribution to the Diocese.

# EATON INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

## St Denys Eaton Church

Analysis of income and expenditure  
Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
<b>Donations and legacies</b>						
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	4,148.00	-	-	-	4,148.00	-
0301 - Loose plate collections	825.50	-	-	-	825.50	-
0410 - Giving through church boxes	20.00	-	-	-	20.00	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	400.00	-	-	-	400.00	-
0550 - Donations appeals etc	127.69	500.00	-	-	627.69	-
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,237.00	-	-	-	1,237.00	-
<b>Donations and legacies Totals</b>	<b>6,758.19</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,258.19</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Income from charitable activities</b>						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	933.00	-	-	-	933.00	-
<b>Income from charitable activities Totals</b>	<b>933.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>933.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Investments</b>						
1001 - Dividends	5,050.27	-	-	-	5,050.27	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	483.97	1.60	-	-	485.57	-
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	-	639.20	-	-	639.20	-
<b>Investments Totals</b>	<b>5,534.24</b>	<b>640.80</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,175.04</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Income and endowments Grand totals</b>	<b>13,225.43</b>	<b>1,140.80</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,366.23</b>	<b>-</b>

### Expenditure on:

#### Raising funds

1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	-	155.98	-	-	155.98	-
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#### Raising funds Totals

-	155.98	-	-	155.98	-
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#### Expenditure on charitable activities

1850 - Home mission	366.17	-	-	-	366.17	-
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	5,500.00	-	-	-	5,500.00	-
1920 - Contribution to Ironstone Villages	546.00	-	-	-	546.00	-
2105 - Cost of Verger / Organist / Minister Weddings and Funerals	25.00	-	-	-	25.00	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	2,785.92	-	-	-	2,785.92	-
2315 - Car Park - Allotment Fee	20.00	-	-	-	20.00	-
2330 - Church maintenance	236.39	2,908.59	-	-	3,144.98	-
2331 - Cleaning	300.83	-	-	-	300.83	-
2340 - Upkeep of services	169.68	-	-	-	169.68	-
2360 - Administration	106.25	-	-	-	106.25	-
2401 - Church running - electric	171.13	-	-	-	171.13	-
2430 - Church running - oil	646.77	-	-	-	646.77	-

#### Expenditure on charitable activities Totals

10,874.14	2,908.59	-	-	13,782.73	-
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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
<b>Expenditure Grand totals</b>	<b>10,874.14</b>	<b>3,064.57</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,938.71</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenditure Grand totals</b>	<b>10,874.14</b>	<b>3,064.57</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,938.71</b>	<b>-</b>

# GOADBY MARWOOD CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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## General

During the year, the running of St Denys returned to its pre-pandemic organisation. The same volunteers have continued to arrange cleaning and flowers for the services. The churchyard was maintained throughout the lockdown.

The principal concern has been funding the roof repairs which is mentioned below under the heading of fabric.

The loan for the restoration of the roof was reduced considerably, although there will be the requirement to eliminate approximately £5000 through fundraising during the course of 2023.

Despite this onerous commitment, the PCC has undertaken to contribute annually £1000 to the Parish Share.

There is the further outstanding issue of the Quinquennial Survey which is well overdue. It is intended to accomplish this in 2023.

The Church also suffers the common problem of bat infestations which are causing damage to the pews and the organ. No solution has yet been found due to their protected status.

## Mission

The Shaped by God initiative is causing some confusion until there is greater clarity as to the outcome. The current feeling at Goadby is that some change is inevitable although the wish is for there to remain a traditional parish. The Minster option was considered in the Benefice to be the least popular of the proposed changes. Nevertheless, the view of Goadby PCC is that it is more suitable for urban parishes.

Meanwhile, St Denys intends to continue offering services as before and to encourage new members to join the congregation. The church is well served by John Barr the Area Dean as Vicar with great support from Paul Taylor who frequently conducts Evensong. We are also blessed by having a regular organist, Sue Watford.



# GOADBY MARWOOD CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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## **Fabric**

Like any other Grade 1 listed building, maintenance is an ongoing requirement. In general, the church has benefited from a long standing commitment to make necessary repairs. This programme was interrupted by the theft of lead from the roof which has put a heavy burden on finances, although the loan which was set up to help the original cost of £64,000 should be fully repaid during 2023. The village has been very supportive in organising fundraising events.

There are some external tasks to be completed including ongoing repairs to the boundary wall by the street and tree maintenance.

A new electrical survey is required in preparation for the Quinquennial Survey.

## **Services**

Our Services followed the previous pattern with Evensong on the fourth Sunday in every month.

There was also a trial Benefice Morning Communion Service which was well supported and it has since been agreed to introduce this regularly on the fifth Sunday of the month.

Other popular services include Harvest Festival, a Carol Service, Tenebrae at Easter and a Remembrance Day Parade organised by the British Legion.

**Harry Westropp,  
Churchwarden**

# GOADBY MARWOOD TREASURER'S REPORT

## Bank balances as at 31st Dec 2022

General	£2,291
Restricted (Roof)	£338

## Key financial movements

- PCC retained fees from three weddings and a funeral (nearly a film title!)
- £1,087 energy grant received from Diocesan Board of Finance
- £7,500 of roof loan repaid; details and balance below

## Loan "account"

	£	£
Advances made :		
15.5. 2020	17,274.19	
21.8.2020	10,000.00	
		27,274.19
Less Repayments		
2020	( 4,000.00)	
2021	( 9,500.00)	
Balance at 1st Jan 2022		13,774.19
02.02.2022	( 3,000.00)	
30.07.2022	( 1,500.00)	
31.07.2022	(500.00)	
06.10.2022	( 2,500.00)	
		7,500.00
Total Loan outstanding at 31st Dec 2022		<b>6,274.19</b>
(Jan 2023 repayment £1,500 leaves balance		4,774.19)

## Contribution of 100 Club

We note with thanks to Nigel Allen the revamped Tote = 100 Club which in 2022 contributed £1,900 (net) to the church coffers.

# GOADBY MARWOOD TREASURER'S REPORT

## 2022 Commentary

2022 was another financially challenging year for St Denys Church in Goadby Marwood. Positive highlights include the substantial contribution made by the 100 Club towards our repayment of £7,500 of our roof loan. Unfortunately, and primarily as a result of this commitment to reducing our liabilities, we were unable to make any Parish Share contribution.

We are grateful for the monthly standing order contributions we receive, the majority of which are from those who do not attend church services; these continue to broadly cover our insurance and energy costs but do not allow us to build essential reserves.

## 2023 Parish Contribution

In October 2022, we committed to making a Parish Contribution of £1,000 per annum from 2023 while our roof loan remains outstanding, subject to review.

On 25th April 2023, the Treasurer paid this year's Parish Contribution.

### Roof loan repayment

Balances at 24th April:

Roof account	£1,810.78
General account	£1,469.75 + £676 pending deposit = £2,145.75
Roof loan	-£4,774.19

Following correspondence with the PCC Chair, a further loan repayment of £1,500 was paid on 25th April leaving the following balances:

Roof account	£310.78
General account	£1,145.75 (inc. pending £676 deposit)
Roof Loan	-£3,274.19

**Nigel Bell,**  
Treasurer



# SCALFORD AND CHADWELL CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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In Scalford, St Egelwin's Church, we have had a good, and otherwise, year with the sadness of the continuing saga of St Mary's Church, Chadwell still on going.

The PCC resolved that the situation at Chadwell had to be put in the hands of the Diocese and this process is slowly unfolding with the involvement of the Church Council. The Friends Group was wound up and monies from the 2 accounts put into one, for the maintenance of the churchyard at Chadwell – the Fabric Account.

In Scalford there has been positive work done alongside the Triangle Group with joint activities such as Band Concerts, Easter Egg Hunt and Lunch Club. At Christmas 30 parcels were delivered to older folk who live alone. This has enhanced community spirit and seen people in church who wouldn't usually come inside.

The Administrator for the Benefice continues to work in the Office and the Clerk to the Parish Council has worked from the office once a week. Again, a positive community link.

The School continue to use the building for services, messy fiestas and a new booking – for the school photographs! The children begin to feel very much at home in the building from the day they start school and it is almost a second home by the time they leave. A Quiet area has been introduced in the churchyard for educational use and reflection, and the Allotment Club flourishes.

Two services a month have been held – the Ironstone Family of Churches Communion and 4:30 Praise on Sunday. Extra services for special festivals and joining together to celebrate important dates with meals are valued. Families have been welcomed for baptisms. Fish and chip suppers and wreath making evening are all enjoyed.

The PCC have agreed to have new lights fitted to replace the old fittings which cause the fuses to blow and make events on dull days very dark! Let there be light. The Community Room is still on the cards and the faculty is at present with the Registrar for the second time. Fingers crossed. Along with the whole country the death of Queen Elizabeth II was marked with sadness but great respect for a reign few could have imagined.

# SCALFORD AND CHADWELL CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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In celebration of the Coronation for King Charles III a team of villagers are learning to ring the bells – some minor repairs have been done and lessons are in full swing.

St Egelwin enjoyed a visit from the Boys and Girls of the Cathedral Choir – Leicester Cathedral is undergoing building work so the Choirs have been out and about round the Diocese. The Choir joined in singing hymns at the Songs of Praise Service and performed 3 numbers for the congregation's enjoyment. Much cake was consumed and it was lovely to chat to people.

Further the church hosted the Bishop of Leicester as part of his Lent Pilgrimage. The Bishop celebrated holy communion with the parishioners before having lunch and then moving on to Chadwell for prayers in the churchyard.

The Fuel Crisis has not been easy with electricity prices an unknown quantity. However, with efficient monitoring we have kept afloat, at present.

The PCC have had a number of conversations about, and meetings have been attended, regarding the future of the Diocese and how it is to be administrated together with how this might affect rural parishes. As usual finances are a huge conundrum and this PCC continues to work hard to maintain St Egelwin and to pay its way. Some changes are inevitable and we are proud of our blossoming community links in this respect.

May the next 12 months see community relationships continue to grow and the village together enjoy this ancient building.

**Penny Clemons,  
Churchwarden**



# SCALFORD APPEAL ACCOUNT

## PCC OF ST EGELWIN SCALFORD - APPEALS ACCOUNT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR END 31.12.22

Balance as at 31st December 2021	<b>£40,912.24</b>	
Donations	£100.00	Parish expenditure, fees
		<b>-£262.91</b>
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Income over expenditure	-£162.91	
<b>Balance as at 31st December 2022</b>	<b>£40,749.33</b>	

# SCALFORD BALANCE SHEET

## PCC ST EGELWIN SCALFORD BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021

### CURRENT ASSETS - SCALFORD CHURCH

T.S.B. Treasurers A/c	£15,776.68
T.S.B. Appeal A/c	£40,912.24

### REPRESENTED BY ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Balances as at 1st January 2021	£76,004.47
Add: Excess Income over Expenditure Scalford Treasurers	-£25,380.80
Scalford Appeals	-£25,380.80
	-£25,380.80
	£50,623.67

## PCC ST EGELWIN SCALFORD BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022

### CURRENT ASSETS - SCALFORD CHURCH

T.S.B. Treasurers A/c	£4,922.71
T.S.B. Appeal A/c	£40,749.33
	£56,688.92
	£45,672.04

### REPRESENTED BY ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Balances as at 1st January 2022	£56,688.92
Add: Excess Income over Expenditure Scalford Treasurers	-£10,853.97
Scalford Appeals	-£162.91
	-£11,016.88
	£50,623.67
	£45,672.04

I have examined the documents provided and I am satisfied that these are a true record.

Signed

Chris Talbot

# SCALFORD TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

## PCC OF ST EGELWIN SCALFORD - TREASURER'S ACCOUNT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR END 31.12.22

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>INCOME</u>	
Parish expenditure - other	-£1,551.44	Sundry income	£2,894.37
Parish expenditure - water, electricity, BT.	-£9,117.62	Grants and other donations	£2,559.61
Parish expenditure - Insurance	-£2,856.92	Wedding / funeral fees	£1,327.00
Parish expenditure - organist, vergers etc	-£375.00	Planned giving	£379.66
Parish expenditure - Ironstone churches	-£507.00	Collections	£1,078.29
Payments to diocese	-£7,289.49	Interest and dividends	£0.00
Extraordinary expenditure; architect's fee	-£3,132.44	Rent	£3,763.18
Payments to charities	£0.00	Parish Giving Scheme	2,246.63
Visiting Ministers	-£272.80		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-£25,102.71</b>		<b>£14,248.74</b>
Income over expenditure	-£10,853.97		
Balance as at 31st December 2021			£15,776.68
<b>Balance as at 31st December 2022</b>			<b>£4,922.71</b>

# STONESBY CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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2022, for me felt like a year of transition.

We began the year with the ongoing fear of the Corona virus fading at last, following two years of restrictions within the Church and without, were finally being lifted, although the way we receive the Holy sacrament is now taken by Intinction, which seems to be the safest and now accepted way of receiving it.

Following the Pandemic it seems to have been a challenge in getting back to the way things used to be in 2020, it certainly has affected how people worship throughout our Benefice, resulting in less visitors attending our services, but thanks go to those who do come along, and we greatly appreciate their support.

We have found the number who actually attend services who reside in Stonesby significantly decline.

We continue to offer two services each month, Holy communion is celebrated every second Sunday, and a 9am service of Matins is held every third Sunday of the month.

We are so fortunate that Revd John administers at most of our services, and are very grateful for his Ministry at St Peters.

We continue to worship along side our friends at the Methodist Chapel on set occasions throughout the year, beginning with the dawn Sunrise service held in the garden at Hall Farm, followed by breakfast at Stonesby community centre, as was the Songs of Praise evening service later in the year, sadly this was so poorly supported it was decided to discontinue holding this service in the future.

The Harvest thanksgiving service was hosted by the Methodist Chapel on this occasion.

November saw us gather together at St Peters for our Remembrance service, which was very well supported with 42 people attending, £145.00 was donated to the Royal British Legion.

All too soon Christmas was upon us, our usual popular 9 Lessons and Carols was held on the Friday evening this year, and 46 people attended, this was followed by Mulled wine and mince pies, well received on a cold evening.

On Christmas morning we celebrated 10am Holy communion, 47 people attended, and our offerings amounted to £178.00, so together with £122.00 taken at the Carol service we were able to donate a total of £300.00 to the Rainbows hospice for children and young people.

# STONESBY CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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We also hosted One Wedding, three Baptisms and one Funeral in 2022.

The most significant event of 2022 was the death of our late and gracious Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth 11, prior to this sad event, just a few months earlier we celebrated Queens Platinum Jubilee, 70 years on the throne, what a great achievement for her Majesty. This service was followed by afternoon tea, sadly, this special event was very poorly supported. £50.00 was donated in offerings and this was donated to the Queens green canopy fund.



It seemed unbelievable that these two events, one so happy, the other so very sad were so close together. We suddenly had to adjust to having King Charles 111 as our new Monarch, and adjusting to praying and singing for a King, rather than our Late Queen, which seemed very alien to begin with!!

No major works were required on the Fabric of St Peters during 2022, but we keep vigilant in monitoring our ancient building.

Many thanks go to all who continue to help clean St Peters, and the ladies that continue to volunteer for the monthly flower rota, it is much appreciated by all on the PCC.

Thanks also go to Debbie Whitton for continuing her work as PCC secretary, and also to Harry Pepper for his work as Treasurer.

Many thanks go to Revd John for all his Ministry and ongoing support during the past year.

**Jill Stannage,  
Churchwarden**

# STONESBY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## St Peter's Church Stonesby PCC

1 Jan 2022 - 31 December 2022

	2022 £	2022 £	Narrative
<b>Receipts</b>			
Monthly donations	7,728.02		
Tax refund	829.63		2021 refund
Births, Deaths & Weddings fees	607.00		
Church Collections	847.14		Cash collections
Other	1,087.00		LDBoF contribution to heating
		11,098.79	
Transfers in			- To pay maintenance costs
CCLA Deposit			
<b>Payments</b>			
Joint Benefice contribution	(547.00)		Ironstone Benefice £105.00 pcm
Assigned fees	-		Organist, Verger and Clerk's fees.
Honoria	(589.80)		DBoF fees
Heat and Power	(1,534.69)		
Upkeep and Services	(1,866.35)		Candles, Cleaning, Organ Tuning, Wine
Charitable payments	-		Paid directly (not in receipts)
Leic Diocese Board of Finance	(6,000.00)		Full year contribution
Maintenance	(132.02)		PAT Testing and dry stone wall repair
Insurance	(1,827.33)		Church Insurance
Bank charges	(56.60)		
Other	(107.59)		Electoral roll and misc
		(12,661.38)	
<b>Excess/(Shortfall) of Income over Expenditure</b>		<b>(1,562.59)</b>	
Balance per Cash Book B/fwd @ 31 Dec 21		4,053.78	
<b>Balance per Cash Book C/fwd @ 31 Dec 22</b>		<b>2,491.19</b>	

<b>Bank reconciliation</b>		£	£
<b>Balance per Cash Book C/fwd @ 31 Dec 22</b>			<b>2,491.19</b>
Cheques paid, not yet cleared		(13.20)	
Deposits received, not yet cleared		20.25	
			7.05
<b>Balance per Bank @ 31 Dec 22</b>			<b>2,498.24</b>
Check			<b>2,498.24</b>

<b>Total Investments</b>			
Deposit Held by	Name	Date	£
M&G Funds	Bennet		57,895.21
			<b>57,895.21</b>
CCLA	Restoration Account: 2D		6,218.33
	Main Account 1D		14.06
	Bennett Fund		-
			<b>6,232.39</b>
			<b>2,498.24</b>
<b>Total Funds held by St Peters PCC, Stonesby</b>			<b>66,625.84</b>



# WALTHAM CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

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The Year started off in January with our first Wedding in Church at the end of the Month, there was another further Wedding towards autumn, there was also a number of Baptisms, Funerals and Memorial Services.

The regular Communion Service and Village Morning Worship each month were steadily improving over the Year, with Communion approaching pre-covid levels towards the Year end, Café Church is a new fresh expression service, primarily aimed at those wanting a more casual approach to Christianity, A service of healing and wholeness with communion on the first Wednesday of the Month, is held weekly.

Other activities in Church, include the popular Community Café, widely used by the local community and also others from further afield, also on a Wednesday is little Gems, mainly pre-School toddlers with their parents, Crafty Church, a weekly craft group inspired event, we also have a Movie night, There was a pet service, where a wide variety of pets came to get a blessing. Not forgetting the Annual Church Services, Harvest, Remembrance (full Church), Carols by Candle light and Christmas Day Communion.

2022 was the Year John Dodson retired, so we had to apply for a new Architect, Nichola Robinson of Smith and Roper was duly appointed, her first task being the completion of a Quinquennial report, which was due this Year.

The Church joined in with local tributes to the Queens Jubilee Celebrations with decorations in Church provided by the school and other interested parties and the Church was festooned with flower arrangements and memorabilia in the windows and around the Church, a jubilee garden was put around the seat near the porch.

Not long after the Jubilee, it was so sad to hear of the Queens death, a book of Remembrance and a framed photo was placed on the Altar. And so starts a new era with King Charles 3rd ascending to the throne.

One job that needed to be organised this Year, was the clean up of Churchyard 2 and 3, a lot of brash and over-growth were removed, along with the ivy on the headstones, an enormous improvement. New in Church is a BT Wifi connection and a card reader for donations.

**Richard Miller,  
Churchwarden**



# WALTHAM ACCOUNTS

## ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH, WALTHAM ON THE WOLDS – INCOME AND EXPENDITURE (EXPENSE) ACCOUNT 2022

2021	INCOME	2022	EXPENDITURE	2022	2021
3664	Opening Balance 1 January 2022	6499.33	Heating Oil	2183.57	679
			Electricity	1869.95	596
10434	Regular giving via bank & Parish Giving Scheme	9817.92	Water	146.80	138
1017	Collection at Services	1867.75	Benefice Parish Contribution	606.00	12
	Donations via card reader; (from October)	293.42	Diocesan Parish Contribution	11027.00	9830
18838	Donations other than via card reader	1384.10	DBF Fees	1147.00	1031
262	Fundraising	1647.65	Charitable Giving	1887.31	884
290	Ride and Stride	109.65	Insurance	2640.88	2490
4122	Weddings, Funerals etc. inc. DBF proportion	3962.00	Organ Maintenance	3516.00	60
2477	HMRC Gift Aid refund	2696.06	Roof Alarm Maintenance	414.06	527
80	Allotments	85.00	Fire Protection Maintenance	172.68	89
1000	Legacies		Lightning Protection Maintenance	72.00	72
			Cemetery Maintenance (CY2 and 3 )	2200.00	1080
	<u>Grants</u>		Heating Boiler Maintenance	405.60	
	Café Church		Electrical Maintenance (LoL)	1311.04	320
18880	Magdalene Trust	500.00	Architects Fees	1038.00	
	DBF Church Heating Assistance	1087.00	Card Reader Initial Cost	60.00	
	Bell Ringers	2427.16	BT Charges (Internet)	113.27	
	Friends of Waltham Church	740.10	Other Running Expenses	150.00	56
	Melton BC Jubilee Celebrations	100.00	Church Heating Replacement		2570
	LPoW VAT refund, organ repairs	500.00	Verger, Organist, Bell Ringers	620.00	510
			Zoom Service Provision	104.85	152
	<u>Transfers</u>		Clergy Expenses	15.00	383
2570	Restoration Account	3730.95	Bank Charges	87.89	7
888	Other	270.00	Transfer to Restoration Account	3167.26	37756
1560	Heating Oil Refund		Other	956.61	342
			Closing Balance 31 December	1805.32	6499
<b>66082</b>		<b>37718.09</b>		<b>37718.09</b>	<b>66082</b>

# BENEFICE SAFEGUARDING REPORT

This year, we made the decision to move to one, combined, Safeguarding Dashboard for the whole of the Ironstone Benefice, instead of each PCC having their own. The idea was that if controlled centrally, we would have a better idea of what needs doing across all of the churches and that training could be prompted when certificates were due to expire.

Penny Clemons and Mike Alexander continue to be the Safeguarding Co-ordinators across the Benefice and Marie Hough has taken on the administration of the combined dashboard.

It is still the responsibility of each PCC to ensure that their safeguarding responsibilities and training are undertaken.

From January 2023, Marie has attended the Benefice Council meetings to update the members on the combined Safeguarding action plan. The meeting notes are then written and forwarded to the Benefice Council members and the PCC Secretaries for distribution and comment/action. Actions from each PCC are then reported back at the next Benefice Council meeting, hopefully following a PCC meeting in between, so that the combined dashboard can be updated by Marie.

The first contribution was lengthy as it was a thorough go-through of each section of the dashboard. The Safeguarding Policy was reviewed and agreed and all aspects of each PCC member's responsibility was highlighted.

Training was the main concern as many PCC members had either not done any training or it had expired. The training required for each PCC member (members with additional roles may require further training) is: Basic, Foundations and Domestic Abuse. Marie and Mike offered help to anyone who needed it for the training whether it be for hardware, technical support or just support in general. Some members have taken this help on and have now completed their training.

Since the first meeting, we have progressed to Level 2 on the dashboard and over 2/3 of the PCC members have now completed some, if not all of the required training- for that, Marie, Penny, Mike and John are very grateful.



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