

ST MARY'S CHURCH - PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21

St Mary's PCC has the responsibility for co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd. Anthony Shutt, in promoting to the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. It also has responsibility for the letting and maintenance of the Church Room, Send Road, Send.

Staff

Priest in Charge	The Reverend Anthony Shutt The Vicarage, Vicarage Lane, Send, Surrey GU23 7JN
Churchwardens	Ms Helen Sloan Mrs Rachel Wilkinson
Organists	Mrs Jenny Brockless Mr Ian Tulloch
Inspecting Architect	Mr John Bailey (Thomas Ford & Partners)

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Church Meeting in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. People can also be co-opted on to the PCC as and when the need arises. During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Ex-officio

Priest in Charge	Revd. Anthony Shutt	Chairman
Churchwardens	Ms Helen Sloan Mrs Rachel Wilkinson	
Deanery Synod Reps.	Mrs Kate Pearmain Mr George Richardson	

Elected Members

Mrs Beth Shutt	Elected APCM 2020	to APCM 2023
Mrs Sally Harrison	Elected APCM 2020	to APCM 2023
Mrs Lisa Floyd	Elected APCM 2020	to APCM 2023
Mr Paul Holden	Treasurer	Elected APCM 2019 to APCM 2022
Mrs Penny Corlett		Elected APCM 2019 to APCM 2022
Mrs Jane Giggs		Elected APCM 2019 to APCM 2022
Mrs Jackie Bonella		Elected APCM 2019 to APCM 2022
Mrs Jean Turner		Elected APCM 2018 to APCM 2021
Mrs Linda Mumford		Elected APCM 2018 to APCM 2021

The Standing Committee, consisting of the Vicar and the two Churchwardens, meet on a regular basis. This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. It also sets the agenda for the PCC meetings.

There are 74 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average Sunday attendance was 25.

Festivals and other special services have been suspended due to the Covid pandemic.

Review of the Year

The Sunday Club continues to flourish under the guidance of Sally and her team of helpers. We enjoyed their presentation of the Nativity play which was so skilfully put together by Ethan and George through a video link as we couldn't have this in the church this year, and the children's efforts on other occasions have been greatly appreciated. During the year the children would normally have an active part in the 10.30am service on the first Sunday of the month, welcoming people to the church, reading the lessons and prayers and taking up the collection. Unfortunately this year they haven't been able to help because of Covid.

Our thanks go to the various people who maintain our beautiful old church and its grounds - the teams of church cleaners and brass cleaners, the ladies who launder the linen, the servers who prepare for services, the flower arrangers, and the churchyard team of mowers and maintenance workers - and the enthusiastic choir and organists who are so reliable and supportive at services. There has been no bell ringing this year due to the building work that has been carried out on the church tower and Covid.

As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic the Church Rooms had to close in March 2020 and remained closed for most of the year.

Unfortunately we didn't have either the May fair, at which St Mary's Church always shows a presence, or the Heritage weekend. Both these events raise some money that goes towards the church upkeep.

The PCC would have normally met six times during the year with an average attendance of 12. Of course this hasn't happened this year, so Tony would email the elected members matters of importance so they could be dealt with.