

ST MARY'S CHURCH - PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22

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	
Lay Minister	Mrs Christine Acock	
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	
Bill Pyne	Elected APCM 2021	to APCM 2024	
Linda Mumford	Elected APCM 2021	to APCM 2024	
Victoria Sorinwa	Elected APCM 2021	to APCM 2024	
Gillian Ford	Elected APCM 2021	to APCM 2024	

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 72 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll.

Review of the Year

Due to the Covid pandemic, various church and community activities had to be curtailed during 2021. However, online services continued from the Straw Chapel thanks to Tony's outstanding efforts, and services of public worship have been offered on all Sundays throughout the year. The average Sunday attendance has been 30.

The Sunday Club managed to meet via Zoom during the summer of 2021. Meetings resumed at the Church Rooms in the autumn with slightly more relaxed COVID 19 restrictions in place. At the end of half-term they held a Halloween Light Trail around the village which was well received. The first Together Service since the pandemic began was held in November at Send Primary School and was well attended by St Mary's congregation. YAC also started up again on Sunday evenings in the autumn, continuing into the spring term. A very successful Nativity play was written and produced by Sunday Club leaders and was enjoyed by the children.

The monthly Coffee Shop resumed in September and has gathered momentum since then. The Craft & Chat group was also able to resume in September and is well attended. We are grateful to the dedicated team of helpers who enable these outreaches into the community to take place.

The Church Rooms have been back in use with several groups returning and some new ones starting up. Considerable work has been carried out and further work is needed. Due to a drop in the number of hirers, the finances are only just breaking even each month. It is hoped an advertisement in the parish magazine will generate some more interest.

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 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.

The PCC has met on 3 occasions since the APCM 2021. Any other matters of importance have been dealt with via email between meetings.