

**ST BARNABAS CHURCH EMMER GREEN**  
**ANNUAL REPORT of the Parochial Church Council**  
**(The Trustees Report)**  
**For the Period ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018**

**APCM Incumbent's Report 2018**

I love books! Mostly historical and biographical books, but some stories too. Somebody once said to me that our lives are like books, full of different chapters. I think that is a good analogy. In the life of St. Barnabas Church we are experiencing a changing chapter now. Some of the people have changed, a number of whom have been significant in the previous chapters of the church's life, and yet the story continues.

In this report you will read of some of the continuing work, but also the on-going changes that are happening at St. Barnabas. For example, in January this year we witnessed the launch by the churchwardens, David Howell and Sandra Rice, of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Space, which marks a clear and significant new chapter in the life of the church. But this was also the culmination of months of work and consultation by a number of people through 2018. We owe David and Sandra our heartfelt thanks, as we do the many others who cannot be named here but have provided vitality to the life of the church community in chapters old and new.

The ministry team continues to change and develop too as a new chapter unfolds. During this year we have said final farewells to Elizabeth Gash (Licensed Lay Minister) as she moved with her husband Richard, to be closer to their family. But along with myself as vicar, and Mark Burton as Licensed Local Preacher, we also welcomed into the ministry team David Howell as another Licensed Local Preacher for St. Barnabas Church.

The nation will be focusing this year upon the implications of Brexit wherever it may be by 29<sup>th</sup> March. But there are also new and significant changes happening closer to home. This year will see the appointment of a new Bishop of Reading whose leadership will be presented with a number of issues and opportunities. For example, in Reading new housing developments will continue to change our social landscape, and we as a parish church will need to be sensitive to the needs of our neighbours, old and new, as we face this chapter together. What will it mean to reflect the servant ministry of Christ within our changing neighbourhoods? What should we be focusing on now as the Body of Christ? And what talents will this require from us for the well-being of all?

Challenging and necessary questions, not only for ourselves to answer, but also our neighbouring church of Caversham Park LEP in the benefice, and the wider churches in Reading as a whole. This will only appear daunting if we lose our faith in God, who is the Author of all things. But if we trust in God's Authorship this will free us to dedicate our talents and ourselves to God's Kingdom as we face writing a new chapter together with Him.

Yours in Christ

**Derek**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

St Barnabas Church is situated in Grove Road, Emmer Green, Reading. It is within the Reading Deanery, which is part of the Diocese of Oxford. The correspondence address of the PCC Secretary is 10 Barnard Close, Caversham, Reading RG4 6RZ. St Barnabas is registered with the Charity Commission as a charity – number 1164759.

The PCC members who served during the period from the 2017 Annual Meeting were:

Incumbent	-	Revd Derek Chandler (Chairman)	
Wardens	-	David Howell	
	-	Sandra Rice	
Asst Warden	-	Richard Cunningham	
Deanery Synod Representatives			Elected
		Mark Burton	2014
		Roger Moore	2017
Members			
		Susie Downer	2016
		Felicity Chapman	2015
		Wendy Howell	2015
		Bob Abel	2016
		Joyce Bedingfield (part year)	2017
		Hilary Lee	2018

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

The Parish comes within the Benefice of St Barnabas and Caversham Park. Both are separate parishes with their own officers and PCCs. Caversham Park Church is a Local Ecumenical Partnership. Derek Chandler is also the C of E incumbent for Caversham Park Church and they kindly donate £5000 annually to St Barnabas.

PCCs are charities governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation: the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended and the Church Representation Rules. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All eligible Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC held 5 meetings during the year. It is supported by committees and working groups that carry out detailed work.

The running of the church is supported by volunteers covering all areas of activity – Annex A

## **OBJECTIVES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

It has maintenance responsibilities for the church and the church hall.

## COMPLIANCE

The PCC members (the Trustees) of St Barnabas Church, Emmer Green, Reading (Number 1164759) in agreeing this Annual Report noted that they were fully aware of the Charity Commission Guidance on Public Benefit and were of the opinion that the activities of St Barnabas Church met the Charity Commission requirements.

## CHURCH ATTENDANCE

At March 2018 there were 128 parishioners on the Electoral Roll, after taking into account movers and joiners. The average weekly Sunday attendance ( normal 8am and 9.30am services) , counted in October 2018, was 70.25. This number increases at festivals and special services. The largest attendance was at the Nativity Service with a total of 238. Largest schools attendance was The Hill Primary School for Nativity and Carols, with three services back to back with a total attendance of 717. Puppets were used at all three services.

## CHURCH MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE

### Overview of PCC year

The PCC:

- agreed a “**Parish Safeguarding Policy**” and agreed to follow the guidance of the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer after seeking his advice
- agreed to adopt the “**Giving Scheme**” promoted by the Oxford Diocese and agreed that Richard Cunningham take over the responsibilities for Giving previously held by Bill Harper
- agreed plans for the introduction of arrangements to meet the **General Data Protection Regulations** which were successfully implemented
- agreed the appointment of Richard Cunningham as **Electoral Roll Officer**
- agreed that David Howell should be recommended for training as a Licensed **Local Preacher**
- and Caversham Park LEP agreed that the **Benefice Service** should take place at 10.30am and not the usual 9.30am
- gave permission for Joy Abel, Mark Burton and David Howell to deliver **Home Communion**
- following much discussion and investigation during the year agreed a new initiative for 2019 - **3<sup>rd</sup> Space** – a concept similar to “Cafe” church
- sadly lost a valuable and well loved member when **Jean Rae** died in the Spring
- accepted with regret the resignation of **Joyce Bedingfield** whose short stay on the PCC was marked by considered and thoughtful contributions.

### Health and Safety

The benefits and concept of a positive Health & Safety Culture at St Barnabas continues with helpful support from members of the congregation which is appreciated. Specific personal responsibility for Health & Safety matters generally rests with The Vicar supported by the Church Wardens. Following completion of the Parish Centre, the Health and Safety Policy now applies across the Church Building, the Church Hall, & the Parish Centre,

plus the Parish Garden. The past year has been very quiet in terms of Health & Safety issues without any incidents which require comment.

For the general safety of all members of St Barnabas and visitors to our premises, it is important that we all continue to be vigilant to the ethos and general principle of creating a safe environment in which to operate. The requirements of the Policy continue to be reviewed on a regular basis with changes to procedures implemented as appropriate. Suggestions and ideas to improve Health and Safety matters generally are always welcome.

*Douglas Rae*

## **Safeguarding**

In line with The Church of England's "Parish Safeguarding Handbook 2018", St Barnabas fully supports the key responsibilities for parishes that are outlined in the "House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guide. The PCC and the incumbent have a duty of care to ensure the protection of the vulnerable in their church community.

Joy Abel is the Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) and David Howell is the Parish Safeguarding Administrator and Verifier. Due to a heavy workload David will retire from the role when a full audit and review has been completed of our procedures, practices, DBS checks and training needs. Our processes and procedures were last reviewed and approved by the PCC in February 2018, therefore may require changes in line with the House of Bishops' policies and practices.

Safeguarding is a standard item at each PCC meeting and the PSO contact details are on the Elected Officers notice board.

During 2018 all PCC elected members were DBS checked and there were no major reported incidents.

*David Howell & Joy Abel*

## **Electoral Roll.**

I have taken this duty over from Richard Gash. Every six years a new roll needs to be prepared (the old one must not be copied-over) and as I write (late January) we are doing just that. The old roll, with gains and losses, at the end of the year contained 129 names. Completion of the new roll is on track and already contains 80 names. The job of asking those who have not yet filled in a new roll has been divided up among the PCC. By the time of the APCM the roll will be closed and due to be sent off to the deanery secretary.

*Richard Cunningham, Electoral Roll Officer*

## **Planned giving.**

I have taken this duty over from Bill Harper and have been keeping records of who-gave-what week-by-week since the start of July 2018. I have submitted one claim to the tax office (Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, HMRC) and they have paid us the monies claimed. For the period July 1st to November 30th we received a refund of £3756.98. I anticipate another claim at the end of this tax year, which ends on 5th April.

The details of the schemes are worth setting out for the record. First, we can easily claim tax back where I have on file a personal declaration that we can claim gift aid: anyone who pays income tax is welcome to fill in a form; please ask me. Monies that are paid by bank standing order or in the little coloured numbered envelopes are 'in' this scheme. For those who are visiting once-off (for example, a funeral) there are little white envelopes with a gift-aid declaration printed on the front.

Second, there is another HMRC scheme called "Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme" (GASDS) which allows a tax claim on cash, up to £20 per gift. Cheques and £50 notes can't be counted. There is a limit of £8,000 that can be claimed in each financial year, and the tax refund on that is £2,000 per year. Cash in the offertory plate, and cash in numbered envelopes where I don't have a gift-aid declaration goes into this scheme.

The third scheme is the 'new' Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) which is run by a central office on behalf of many parishes. This scheme 'collects regular donations by direct debit and once a month pays both the monies collected and the HMRC tax refund to the parish. This has two benefits: quicker and more frequent claims, and also less book-keeping work for me. So I urge all of you who have a standing order to make the switch to PGS as soon as you can. For details, please ask me.

*Richard Cunningham, Planned giving officer*

## **WORSHIP AND MINISTRY**

### **Choir and Music**

This year has been a good year for music at St Barnabas. Once again, the choir rose successfully to the challenge of leading worship at a variety of styles of service. We welcomed Malcolm Harding as our main organist for communion services and have benefited from his experience of choral singing and organs. David Lee has continued to contribute to the Service of the Word planning group and to delight us with his varied accompaniments at services. This year we've also sung several psalms that David has arranged (for details of his compositions, see: <http://www.servicemusic.org.uk>).

The choir continues to meet every Wednesday at 7.30pm in the church to rehearse music for coming services. We're always ready to welcome new members, or members of the congregation who'd simply like to learn hymns for the next service. I'd like to thank all members of the choir for their dedication, commitment and support over the last year. Also, to thank Guy Watt, Jim Alcorn, and Steve Mardell for bringing variety and colour to our worship.

If you're around on a Tuesday morning then you may hear Mark Jameson, a local organist, and on Thursday mornings, Wendy Preston, a local pianist, practising. The instruments benefit from being played more regularly, and both players also contribute to the costs of maintaining the instruments.

If you'd like to contribute to the music at St Barnabas, in any way, please do contact me.

*Felicity Chapman*

### **Children's Church**

Children's Church continues to run during the 9:30 am service except during COGS or during the main school holidays. Children's Church is for any child over 3, although at the moment the children who come are between the ages of 7 and 11. The sessions are based around the Bible, both New and Old Testament, and include reading the Bible together, learning what it is saying to us, praying and various other activities. Attendance at Children's Church reflects the pattern of families attendance at church which for some families may be monthly, or more or less regularly.

We have an enthusiastic group of volunteers to lead the sessions which are enjoyed by all who attend and our thanks go to them. We are looking for more people who would be prepared to help occasionally by being there on the day as a second adult, as and when extra help is needed.

At Christmas a group of families, both old and new, spent several Sundays rehearsing for the Nativity Service which was a great success and enjoyed by all who took part or attended.

Thanks to all those who participated in the Nativity Service, both old and new families.

We have been considering changing the name of Children's Church and will be talking to the children about any ideas they have or whether it should be "Investigators" as used previously for the older children only, or something else.

We also run a monthly family table tennis session on the first Sunday of the month from 14:30p.m. to 16:00p.m. This is enjoyed by families from St. Barnabas as well as those who are not otherwise part of St. Barnabas.

*Debbie Burton*

### **Prayer Chain**

In May 2012 Jean Rae felt guided to start the Prayer Chain initiative at St Barnabas. This she faithfully continued until her sudden death in March 2018. I believe the Prayer Chain to be an important part of life at St Barnabas and felt compelled to volunteer to continue with Jean's ministry although anxious about following in such able and learned footsteps. It has been a privilege to do so and I am grateful to those who have supported and encouraged me along the way.

The number of members of the Prayer Chain has increased but we would welcome more to join us.

We have prayed:

- for those in distress: because of bereavement, illness, life changing events.
- for those who have died.
- for encouragement and guidance for individuals and events.
- with thankful hearts for certain events and situations.

We give thanks that we have the freedom and the opportunity to pray and share our concerns with God.

Either the Vicar or I would be very happy to discuss the Prayer Chain with anyone who may be interested in learning more.

*Susie Downer*

### **Puppet Ministry**

Our "Puppet Ministry" is growing slowly and is now a regular feature for our local schools at Harvest and Christmas. In total they have been seen by 924 children and adults during the year. In November I attended Puppet Training and we now have a total of 4 puppets. It's hoped they will participate at some of our main services during 2019 and for definite at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Space. Thank you for the opportunity and continuing support for this very effective ministry to the youngest in our parish.

*David Howell*

## PARISH CENTRE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

### Parish Centre Manager

This is my second report to the APCM as Parish Centre Manager (Acting). It is a privilege and a pleasure to be serving the community in this way, and I pray that someone will eventually take over the role full time.

Things have been much the same way as previously. The Thursday drop in has picked up over the year and is now a small community of its own and I'd like to thank Mary Robinson, Joy Abel and Anne Seaman who have helped that session to grow. Additionally, as of February we host the 3<sup>rd</sup> Space worship service. All other activities are well-supported and thriving. However, there remains room for other initiatives.

There have been some maintenance challenges some of which still plague us today, like the leaking roof and external gutters at the back of the centre. The heavy tables in the Parish Meeting room have been replaced (Note: still heavy) thanks to a kind donation and we now have 4 lighter round tables, stored in the Parish Centre.

For those who are not aware of what goes on currently, the following may be helpful.

#### St Barnabas Groups/Activities

Busy Bees (Monday -weekly)

Craft Group (Tuesday - weekly)

Prayer Group (Wednesday - weekly)

Prayer Group (Monday – bi-weekly)

Lent Film Club

Living with Loss

Tea and Company Fellowship (Friday - monthly)

Lunch and Company (Friday - monthly)

Confirmation Group

Drop-in (Tue, Wed & Thu)

Various Ministry Team meetings

#### Other Users

Happy Feet (Tue advertised weeks)

CADRA

Re-Inspired

EGRA

Funeral Wakes

Chiltern Court

Berkshire Maestros

Income and Expenditure associated with the Parish Centre in 2018.

Donation total income of £1595.50

Expenses associated with running the Centre:

Cafe expenses: £201.53

Maintenance: £670.56

Cleaning (approx): £1546

Utilities: £1850.21

Total expenditure £4268.30.

I hope very much that a change of oversight will be the catalyst for fresh thinking and ideas about maximising this wonderful resource, which everyone connected with St Barnabas should cherish and not take for granted. It is not just a welcoming access to the church building; it is, more importantly, a portal by which those seeking the grace of God are enabled to ease themselves into his presence by experiencing for themselves the joy and fellowship of a vibrant worshipping community.

*David Howell*

## **Busy Bees**

Busybees is run for parents/grandparents/carers with children of pre-school age to sing Christian songs along with the banging and shaking of instruments, hear a story from the Bible, then a time of craft and play with a welcome cup of tea.

Busybees has been running weekly on Monday afternoon since September 2014 during term time. The Busybees' team consists of Mark Burton, Derek Chandler, Shirley Corti, Maria Perona, Wendy Moore, Jane Warren and Marianne Long. Average attendance each week is 8 families (up to 12 babies and toddlers) so the Parish Centre feels very busy!

We ask for a voluntary donation of £1 per family each week which means we can buy craft materials and books for the children at Christmas and Easter and a small gift when they leave to start school.

It is a real blessing that parents, grandparents want their children/grandchildren to hear stories from the Bible and it's lovely to see the children joining in with the singing and engaging with the stories. Generally the craft relates to the story and seems to be enjoyed by both parents and children.

We welcome anyone to come along and see what we do at Busybees. As you can see it takes quite a few people to run Busybees successfully, so if you feel you would like to help out in any way please contact Marianne on 01189479708 or email [Marianne.long@ymail.com](mailto:Marianne.long@ymail.com)

*Marianne Long*

## **Fundraising**

Once again, three organised events proved successful: the Handyman sale in May; the Garden Party in July and the Christmas Fair in December. The proceeds (see Finance Report and Annex B) went to: Education for Life; Christian Engineers in Development and Masiphumele. I would like to thank all those who helped and I look forward to working together again in this coming year and the camaraderie that always seems to exist amongst everyone involved.

*Wendy Howell*

## **Charities**

Each year in October, the church chooses 10-12 charities to receive a share of £3,000 as part of our Giving. The congregation is asked to make suggestions of charities to support, if possible where there is a Christian connection or a strong connection with a member of the church. These then go to a committee for discussion and selection before approval by the PCC.

Each of the 11 charities listed below received £275 each. (£3,025):

- CCA
- Headway Thames Valley
- Homestart Reading
- Reading Family Aid (RFA)
- Wyfold Riding for the Disabled
- Yeldall Manor
- Faith Christian Group
- Greenshoots (part of the Ways & Means Trust)
- Reading Autistic Families Together (RAFT)
- Reading Street Pastors
- Mercy Central – part of CAP

In addition, CIRDIC & the Women's Centre benefited from the Christmas Services.

See Annex B for further details.

*Wendy Howell*

## **Men's Breakfast**

Now in our fourth year we are still exceeding everyone's expectations. The average attendance has reduced to 16 and we visit seven different establishments ranging from Cafes, Bars, Delis and Golf Clubs. Alongside St Barnabas members we have several regular attendees from other churches and those that don't attend church regularly. Unfortunately, 2018 has seen several of our regulars pass away or move from the area, but God continues to bless us with new members.

*David Howell*

## **Ladies who Lunch**

The "Ladies Who Lunch" group, which started in April 2017, is still going strong on the penultimate Thursday of each month. Although some people have left the area and are no longer able to come along, we have had some new members in recent months. Numbers vary from 10 - 20. It appears to be very much appreciated by many who are alone and offers a great source of Fellowship. I'm pleased that some of the members offer lifts to others. We have a variety of venues from the Local pub to The Crowne Plaza Hotel, which helps vary the cost. If possible, a set price is negotiated for a 2 course lunch which helps with payment at the end. Venues in the next few months include The Bull at Sonning, Richfields Deli & Grill and The New Inn at Kidmore End. For further information, please speak to Wendy Howell.

*Wendy Howell*

## **COMMUNICATION**

Website – <http://www.saintbarnabas.org.uk> The website is updated with any news posts and events for the diary on a weekly basis using the information on the service sheet. Revd Derek Chandler produces an amended version so as to avoid publicising personal information.

Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/StBarnabasEmmerGreen/> there are 157 followers to date. The page is updated weekly, adding news, events and photos.

Twitter – [https://twitter.com/StBarnabas\\_EG](https://twitter.com/StBarnabas_EG) The page is updated the same as above. There are 84 followers to date.

These 3 platforms are the Church's Window to the world, and are at the same time producing a history trail.

The 'A Church Near You' website holds information for St Barnabas Church. This needs checking and updating periodically. Zoe has offered to take on this role.

The communication team are looking at different layouts to upgrade the website. Enabling users to navigate with ease. We are meeting in January 2019 to carry this process forward.

*Zoe England*

## **BUILDING MANAGEMENT**

### **Building Management – Church & Centre**

The buildings (Hall, Church & Parish Centre) continue in generally good order, with few exceptional repairs or purchases required.

Several issues with the hot water boiler in the Parish Centre were fixed at a cost of £489. Some minor changes were made to lighting in both the Church and the Hall amounting to costs of £1,100. Cost for minor changes and tuning the piano and organ were £722. And lastly the largest area was gardening with £2,200 of costs, mostly spent on a new lawn mower and tree surgery/ground clearance.

The leak in the Parish Centre roof, by the Clergy Office has returned and will require fixing in 2019, though I don't know how.

The ageing tables in the Parish Centre meeting room were kindly replaced by Steve Mardell

A volunteer is being sought who will take over the chairmanship and oversight for Hall & Building related matters.

*David Howell*

### **Church Hall**

St Barnabas Hall has got lots of interesting regular users open to all of us, for a small fee. Do have a look at the programme of events on the notice boards, or on-line on the St Barnabas Church website under "External Users". Newcomers are welcome to all classes; some may offer a trial class free of charge.

Hall rental brought in a record total of £23285 this year, with lots of regular users hiring the Hall, but also because the hourly rental charge went up to £15 per hour. Our regular hirers love the Hall – as do families who hire for children's parties. It's light and modern inside, despite the not so modern iron clad exterior. In 2018, items of planned maintenance were installing insulation above the ladies and gents toilets and installing a heater in the ladies toilet.

I'm pleased that the Hall was able to support our Church with a substantial amount of money. Our Church has priority to use the Hall for social and fundraising events, of course.

Thank you to our regular users – Rosehill WI, Age UK, two Art Workshops, Singing for the Brain and various dance, Pilates, yoga and exercise classes. You can see the activities on our Church website. We are the home of the Rainbow Group, two Brownie packs and the Guides, who all have large numbers of girls attending.

Thanks to Shirley Choules who keeps the Hall, and the Church Centre, nice and clean. Thanks again go to the people in the congregation who help with maintenance – Bob Abel in particular for accounts & billing, and others for painting, drains, bins, electrical checking and so on.

*Jon Barclay, Hall Manager*

## **WIDER CHURCH and DEANERY SYNOD**

### **Introduction**

St Barnabas is part of Reading Deanery, which is part of Oxford Diocese. All churches in a deanery have representatives on their deanery synod, and deaneries elect members to Oxford Diocesan Synod.

### **Reading Deanery Synod Business**

Reading Deanery Synod has delegated authority from Oxford Diocese to allocate the Parish Share to Reading churches – but it does much more. Deanery meetings usually start with a ‘Good News’ story, which can be very inspiring, showing where God is at work in Reading today.

### **GDPR**

GDPR is an issue for all organisations. The situation with deanery synods is rather complex as they have an indeterminate legal status, so it is problematic to decide who is responsible for the use of data.

### **Mission Action Plan**

Reading Deanery has developed a Mission Action Plan (MAP) for developing its mission in the area. In December, members were asked to discuss what they were doing over Christmas and how this would bring those in the community closer to Church.

### **Portable Baptistery**

Reading Deanery has purchased a portable baptistery which may be borrowed by churches for total immersion baptism of adults.

### **Generous Giving**

The Oxford Diocese Generous Giving adviser gave a talk on the new Giving Scheme. If it is introduced through teaching on Christian generosity, then it can be very effective leading to church members increasing their giving. Churches that have done so have seen substantial increases in giving.

### **Try Something New Grants**

“Try Something New” was a Deanery initiative where churches were given a small grant of £250 to carry out a missionary activity that they would otherwise not have carried out. In 2019 the grant available will be £500 and it must be cross-generational – working with children and young people and other generations.

### **Another Deanery Representative needed**

We are entitled to three Deanery Synod Representatives, but only have two. Please consider whether you should put yourself forward.

### **Oxford Diocesan Synod**

Oxford Diocesan Synod discusses strategic matters and decides policy which has an impact on all churches in the Diocese. It can also influence national policy.

### **Disinvestment from fossil fuel companies**

Oxford Diocese proposed the National Church disinvest from fossil fuel companies. Investment conveys a view that we support the continued use of fossil fuel during a time of global warming. The opposing view was that these companies can be influenced. In the end General Synod did not fully support Oxford Diocese's position.

### **Setting God's People Free**

The Setting God's People Free Report has been influential and affects the Diocese's vision for growing discipleship throughout the Diocese.

### **Common Vision**

Oxford Diocese is committed to growth via growing discipleship and increasing mission. A new budgeting method called Total Return Accounting means that where Capital reserves have increased, the amount above 7% per year can be used as revenue. This revenue will be applied to the Diocese's mission and churches will be able to bid for two types of grants: up to £2,500; or above £ 2,500 .

*Mark Burton*

## Annex A - VOLUNTEERS AND ACTIVITIES

This statement describes how many of the activities involved in running and sustaining the Church are organized and who as an individual or as a team has responsibility for the various activities. New volunteers and members are always welcome.

Worship and Ministry		Building	
Intercessions	Sandra Rice	Verger	David Howell (Acting)
Servers	Elaine Bloomfield	Centre Manager	David Howell
Sacristan	Vacant	Lawn Mowing Rota	Douglas Rae
Sidespeople	Richard Cunningham	Maintenance team	David Howell (Acting)
Sound system	Douglas Rae	Hall Manager	Jon Barclay
Altar linen	Susie Downer	Display Boards	Richard Cunningham
Lesson Reading	Joy Abel	Gardening Team	Tony & Juliet Holland
Flowers	Wendy Howell		
Children's church	Debbie Burton & team of leaders and helpers	Choir and Music Group Felicity Chapman and Team	
Investigators	Mark Burton, Amanda Paradine		
Bible study notes			
Chalice			
Fellowship Groups			
Monday evening	Rosemary Weekes		
Thursday (day)	Ruth Thomas		
Tuesday (even)			
Wed Bible Study	Jim Alcorn		
Study & Discussion	Mark Burton		
Living with Loss	Gillian Wilson		
Activities			
H&S	Douglas Rae		
Safeguarding	David Howell & Joy Abel		
Centre Drop-Ins	Wendy & David Howell		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday Tea	Gillian Wilson & Team		
Last Friday Lunch	Juliet Holland		
Summer Gardens			
Busy Bees	Derek Chandler, Shirley Corti, Marianne Long, Wendy Moore, Wendy Howell and Mark Burton		
Fund Raising	Wendy Howell and Team		
Catering Team	Shirley Corti		
Coffee Rota	Wendy Howell		

## Annex B – CHARITABLE GIVING

### SUMMARY OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS MADE IN 2018

#### Restricted Fund Raising

Receipts		Payments	
Christmas collections	£812.67	£406.33	CIR Drop in Centre
		£406.33	CIR Drop Women's Centre
Handyman Sale, Garden Party & Christmas Fair plus some other donations for the 3 charities	£4,794.89	£1,598.30	Christian Engineers in Development
		£1,598.30	Masiphumelele
		£1,598.30	Education for Life
Fundraising specifically for Education for Life	£266.49	£266.49	Education for Life
Collection for Indonesian Tsunami Appeal in October	£308.00	£308.00	Disasters Emergency Committee
Confirmation Service	£148.77	£148.77	Bishop of Oxford's Outreach Fund
Christingle Service	£93.90	£93.90	The Childrens Society
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£6,424.72</b>	<b>£6,424.72</b>	

#### Donations from General Funds

£275.00	Christian Community Action
£275.00	Faith Christian Group
£275.00	Headway Thames Valley
£275.00	The Ways & Means Trust
£275.00	Home Start Reading
£275.00	Reading Autism Families Together
£275.00	Reading Family Aid
£275.00	Reading Christian Network (for Street Pastors)
£275.00	Wyfold RDA
£275.00	Mercy Central
£275.00	Yeldall Manor
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,025.00</b>

#### Donations from collections at Funerals

£266.00	Sue Ryder
£25.00	Blind Veterans
£102.30	Thames Valley Air Ambulance
£934.61	Royal Berks Charity
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,327.91</b>