

Beetham St Michael and All Angels
Annual Parochial Church Meeting 13th May 2025

AGENDA ITEM 4: Finance Report for the year ending 31 December 2024

Reflecting upon church finances in 2024, the most obvious characteristic is that it was a quiet year, after the frantic and expensive reordering in 2023 and prior to the new challenges 2025 has brought with our enforced decision to defer quinquennial work on the outside of the Church building and instead to focus upon the necessary replacement of the boilers. Whilst the outer overcoat of the building undoubtedly needs to be cared for, what is inside could be much more severely damaged if cold and damp are allowed to pervade the structure. There is here an analogy with the human body, I think.

It is remarkable to be able to report that, for the first time I can remember, that the total of funds held by the P.C.C. was greater at the end of 2024 than at the start! This was not solely due to careful stewardship of our existing finances but, just as importantly, the continuing generosity of church members and supporters, their willingness to respond to the all-too-frequent requests for yet more help and not forgetting the huge efforts made by so many to raise money in evermore imaginative ways. Fundraising is all the more effective when it is also fun-raising!

Whilst this report is focussed upon last year, 2024, we must also remember our current efforts to raise the HUGE sum of £30,000+ for replacement boilers without risking another winter without the certainty of a warm and dry building. The good news is that one-third of that sum is already raised, thanks to joint efforts and much generosity; the not-so-good news is that we need to redouble our efforts for the remaining £20,000. So, thank you all, and keep it up, everyone!

John Lomax
PCC Treasurer
May 2025

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Accounts for year ending 31 December 2024

RECEIPTS		2023	2024	PAYMENTS			2023	2024
Routine giving	direct to bank	£21,142.00	£20,716.30	Upkeep of services, altar requisites			£1,116.50	£970.66
collections in church	incl sales, coffee, fundraising	£12,613.30	£24,690.78	Organists, music, tuning			£8,140.42	£8,304.40
Donations contactless		£533.08	£979.16	Heat, Light & Cleaning			£6,113.64	£5,484.76
Gift Aid tax recovered		£9,640.26	£11,864.55	Insurance premium			£5,237.54	£5,383.69
all misc banked	cash on plate, fundraising, sales, donations	£20,519.25		Cemetery & Chyd upkeep			£3,047.45	£1,905.00
Wedding & Funeral fees	gross	£2,755.60	£6,310.00	Copier & Stationery			£2,855.15	£3,415.98
Legacy		£3,000.00	£500.00	Parish Offering to Diocese			£22,741.00	£26,325.00
Fundraising events		£4,423.59		Charities			£1,013.90	£1,549.03
CBF interest		£54.95	£55.82	Clergy expenses			£3,617.04	£3,090.10
CCLA 2023		£9,375.44		Faculty applications			£1,638.00	£220.00
Gateway ads			£669.00	Vacuum cleaner	Gifts		£336.82	£244.35
				Christmas incl Brightening Beetham			£732.42	£619.98
				Clock			£4,778.76	£234.00
Grants		£28,500.00	£175.00	Fire extinguishers			£202.41	£215.50
Specific donations		£11,840.00	£282.50	Roof alarm			£102.00	£162.00
Legacies		£39,096.38		Bells			£5,303.40	£90.00
				Fabric Architect	Reordering 2023:	Ashes Memorial stone main contract	£112,929.60	£2,595.60
Brightening Beetham	donations	£720.00	£825.00			floor sealant	£1,268.40	
						archaeologist	£1,296.00	£1,715.00
						architect	£5,119.80	
						font cover design fee	£410.40	£2,660.00
						electrician	£842.63	£78.00
Deposit a/c interest		£25.76	£39.73	Sundries incl Diocesan fees, other payments			£1,126.65	£370.45
Bank refund 2023		£114.00						
TOTAL RECEIPTS		£164,353.61	£67,107.84	Total expenditure			£189,969.93	£65,633.50
b/f Barclays Current a/c		£17,240.39	£13,401.63	c/f Barclays Current a/c			£13,401.63	£8,836.00
Deposit a/c		£11,803.32	£25.76	Deposit a/c			£25.76	£6,065.49
		£10,000.00						
CCLA		£2.53	£2.53	CCLA			£2.53	£2.77
		£203,399.85	£80,537.76				£203,399.85	£80,537.76