

**Church of the Good Shepherd
Shoreham Beach**

ANNUAL REPORT

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ended 31st December 2019

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Administrative Information

The PCC is a charity, but is excepted from registering with the Charity Commission within the meaning of the Charities Act 2011.

During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council [PCC]

<i>Vicar:</i>	Canon Ann Waizeneker	
<i>Assistant Curate</i>	The Reverend Jane Bartlett	
<i>Readers:</i>	Sally Excell Derek Hansen <i>Safeguarding Officer</i>	
<i>Churchwardens:</i>	Lucy Walmsley Emma Purser <i>Lead Recruiter, Safeguarding</i>	
<i>Hon Treasurer:</i>	Barry Ward	
<i>Hon Secretary</i>	Kay Haffenden	
<i>Representatives on the Deanery Synod</i>	Jonathan Marshall Jo Edwards	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Jonathan Marshall (<i>Vice Chairman</i>) Emma Bricknell Linda Caffyn George Hickman Kay Haffenden (<i>Secretary</i>) Barry Ward (<i>Treasurer</i>) Penny Humphrey Adam Tinworth Vacancy Louise Durrant Harriet Purser Lesley Ward	Until APCM 2020 Until APCM 2020 Until APCM 2020 Until APCM 2020 Until APCM 2020 Until APCM 2020 Until APCM 2021 Until APCM 2021 Until APCM 2021 Until APCM 2022 Until APCM 2022 Until APCM 2022
<i>Co-opted Members:</i>	Sally Excell (<i>Licensed Reader</i>)	

Structure, governance and management

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules, and consists of certain ex-officio members (the incumbent, assistant curate, lay readers licensed to officiate in the church), the churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods and 12 members of the church who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

Members are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

Objectives and activities

The primary objective of the Good Shepherd PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Vicar in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The full PCC met 5 times. Extraordinary meetings were held in addition to the scheduled meetings to discuss urgent matters.

Achievement and Performance

Church Membership and Attendance

135 members were recorded on the Church Electoral Roll at 31 December 2019, 167 members at 31 December 2018. The drop in numbers is a reflection of the fact that 2019 was a year for the six-yearly revision of the roll when a new roll is prepared. It is hoped that this number will increase again as new members are recruited, for example from the growing Messy Church congregation. In contrast, numbers attending worship have not fallen and it remains the case that the diversity of worship offered by the Church is such that adult Sunday attendance can vary from 80 to 150. Festival attendance is significantly higher for both Easter and Christmas. Adult Sunday attendance in 2019 has remained at an average of 80-90, taking into account all regular services. The number of under 16s attending fluctuates over the year and they join in the worship at the time of Communion administration after their own activities. Working with young people remains a real focus for the church during the coming year, and the introduction of Messy Church in the summer of 2019 has brought a new group of families to the church. The PCC took the decision in the autumn of 2019 to employ a part time Children and Family Worker which will give us much needed resource to really focus and develop children and youth work in the church.

There were 4 baptisms, no weddings and 3 funerals in church during the year. Unusually, no funerals were conducted for the parish at the crematoria.

Review of the year

In addition to the PCC meetings, the Steering Committee, Worship Planning Committee and PCC Working Groups on Buildings and Safety and Hall Management met regularly. Reports from the working groups and other informal meetings were received by the PCC and discussed where necessary.

Following the departure of Revd Terry and Linda Stratford in the summer of 2018, we were pleased that Emma Ham-Riche and her family moved into the vicarage for a few months, prior to Emma's ordination in June 2019. Despite her training course and commitments to St Mary's (her sending church) Emma also contributed to the life of the Church of the Good Shepherd in her few months living here. It was good to see the vicarage occupied and she willingly helped with the daily opening and closing of the church, led a Lent Group and assisted generally with other queries that arose from the Hall bookings. This was a great help during part of the 18 months the vicarage was vacant prior to Reverend Jane and her family moving in, just after Christmas 2019. It is a delight that Jane and John are now in the vicarage although we had already been benefitting from their hospitality – for example through refreshments after both the carol and crib services this year. Our thanks to Jane for guiding us to achieving our bronze award for eco church status, and we are now working towards the silver award.

The church is open all day, every day, and in the course of the year many people visit the church for all sorts of reasons. Above all, it provides a quiet space for those of all faiths or none, to spend some time quietly and undisturbed. It is so good to see how much this is appreciated by comments in the visitor's book.

Bible studies and other discussion groups have continued throughout the year, giving the opportunity for deeper exploration of what it means to be a Christian in the 21st century, in relaxed and social groups.

As ever, the Parochial Church Council is most grateful to the many volunteers who contribute to the life of the church in so many different ways. It is only through this support that the church is able to promote the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ within the parish of Shoreham Beach. Again this year it has been most heartening and exciting to see so much activity within the church community, with the many social and fundraising events, the Christian Aid Week collection and other charity work, including regular collections for the homeless and those struggling to make ends meet. Many of our activities have received good publicity in the local press and our thanks go to Joss Loader for this. The accompanying reports give a real feel into the life of the church and the sense of excitement for the future.

Fabric

In the spring, scaffolding appeared at the East End of the church to enable work to be carried out to make the East End window secure. No other major work was carried out last year and our Buildings and Safety group prioritised routine maintenance tasks to the church, hall and vicarage. Our thanks to the Church Wardens for organising so many of the tasks that need doing during the course of the year.

Finance

We are pleased to report a small excess for the year. Overall planned giving to the Church was static this year but a Legacy of £1,598.00 and regular fund raising helped us to again achieve a surplus. There was no major expenditure on repair work in the year. The Largest expenditure of the PCC was the sum of £46,162.00 paid to the Diocese to cover ministry costs. This represented 100% of the costs allocated to the Church. The PCC would like to thank everyone for their efforts.

Reserve Policy

The PCC recommend that sufficient funds be retained in reserve to provide

- The estimated essential expenditure that is required for the maintenance of the Church and the Hall over the next three years
- Sufficient funds to meet the additional overhead costs that will arise to meet the ministry overheads.
- To ensure that, in the event of an excess of expenditure over income, we remain able to continue increasing our full parish management costs.
- An adequate reserve for the general working capital.

The financial statements were approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by the Reverend Canon Ann Waizeneker, PCC Chairman.

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Related Trusts / Charities

Friends of the Good Shepherd

Registered Charity Number 286316

St Francis Fund

Registered Charity Number 295153

Both Charities are subject to their own Rules of Association. Annual Reports and Financial Statements are also presented at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Analysis of total received:	Total 2019	Total 2018	Notes
	£	£	
<i>Planned giving (excl. tax refunds)</i>	32,938	33,662	
<i>Planned giving (no tax refunds)</i>	3,523	3,123	
<i>Loose cash collections</i>	3,326	3,400	
<i>Charitable giving</i>	4,175	2,873	
<i>Gift Aid recovered</i>	9,763	8,972	
<i>Legacies</i>	1,598	2,000	2
<i>Donations & appeals</i>	2,459	3,013	
Donations and legacies	£57,782	£57,043	
<i>Magazine & book stall sales</i>	619	912	
<i>Church Hall Income</i>	18,948	20,984	
<i>Fairtrade Sales</i>	1,238	1,677	
<i>Church Events & concerts</i>	1,912	516	
<i>Magazine advertisement fees</i>	867	789	
<i>Festival & Fundraising Income</i>	3,713	3,841	
Charitable activities	£27,297	£28,719	
Gain on Sale of Investment	-	-	
<i>Bank interest</i>	-	-	
<i>Dividend Income</i>	1,679	1,598	
Investments	£1,679	£1,598	
<i>Fees for weddings & funerals</i>	756	1,420	
<i>Other receipts</i>		-	
Other receipts	£756	1,420	
Total receipts	£87,514	£88,780	

Analysis of total paid:	Total 2019	Total 2018	Notes
	£	£	
<i>Summer fete expenses</i>	198	-	
<i>Fairtrade goods</i>	1,239	1,533	
<i>Website, Magazine Books & Cards</i>	-	584	
Raising funds	£1,437	£2,117	
Charitable grants and donations	5,769	3,747	3
Parish share to Chichester Diocese	46,163	43,572	
<i>Organist fees</i>	3,194	3,897	
<i>Parish training & mission</i>	462	234	
<i>Sunday school</i>	224	223	
<i>Church Utility bills</i>	1,871	1,138	
<i>Ministry Expenses</i>	1,805	1,782	
<i>Printing, photocopying and stationery</i>	2,472	3,016	
<i>Other regular church running costs</i>	8,322	9,514	
Charitable activities	£70,282	£67,123	
<i>Ministry housing expenses</i>	2,332	3,792	
<i>Church maintenance & redecoration</i>	3,983	3,240	
<i>Hall utility bills</i>	3,047	3,717	
<i>Hall cleaning</i>	4,231	4,124	
<i>Hall repairs</i>	1,451	1,144	
<i>Hall telephone</i>	-		
Other payments	£15,044	£16,017	
Total payments	£86,763	£85,257	

Receipts and Payments Summary of Financial Activities

	Total 2019	Total 2018	Notes
	£	£	
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	57,782	57,043	
Charitable activities	27,297	28,719	
Gain on sale of investments	0	0	
Investment Income	1,679	1,598	
Other receipts	756	1,420	
Total received	£87,514	£88,780	
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	1,437	2,117	
Charitable activities	70,282	67,123	
Other payments	15,044	16,017	
Total paid	£86,763	£85,257	
Reconciliation of funds:			
Net income or (net expenditure)	751	3,523	
Balances at 1 January 2019	36,963	33,440	
Balances as at 31 December 2019	£37,714	£36,963	

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Total 2019	Total 2018	Notes
	£	£	
Assets:			
Bank current account	20,687	19,946	
Cash	28	17	
Bank account and cash	£20,714	£19,963	
M&G Charifund Shares	17,000	17,000	1
Investments at cost	17,000	17,000	
Total assets	£37,714	£36,963	

Notes to the Annual Financial Report

- 1 These shares were valued at £33,607.22 On 31 December 2019
- 2 A Legacy of £1,598.00 was received from the estate of Mrs Betty Sinclair
- 3 Charitable Gifts were made during the year as listed below
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| a | Donation Diocesan May Camp | £100.00 |
| b | DEC Cyclone Ida | £570.00 |
| c | Turning Tides | £266.00 |
| d | MFS | £390.00 |
| e | Evana via Jackie Woolcock | £150.00 |
| d | Christian Aid | £2,436.00 |
| e | Children's Society | £740.00 |
| d | A Rocha UK | £50.00 |
| e | Turning Tides | £400.00 |
| d | Noah Fund | £667.00 |
| | Total | £5,769.00 |

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, using the Receipts and Payments basis.

This Financial Report for the year ended 31st December 2019
was approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by
Canon Ann Waizeneker
PCC Chairman

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Date

The Independent Examiner's Report of the PCC of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Shoreham Beach.

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2019, which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of the Church Accounting Regulations and section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (*'the 2011 Act'*) do not apply.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under the Church Accounting Regulations and section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general directions of the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of this report :

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission and to be found in the Church guidance, 2006 edition. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed *Peter Jarman*

Date 15/04/2020

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THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, SHOREHAM BEACH
REPORTS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHURCH AND DEANERY SYNOD
Appendix to the Annual Report and Accounts for 2019

CHURCH WARDENS' REPORT

As always, it is a privilege to write this report about our beautiful and vibrant Church. Our role as churchwardens involves supporting the clergy in our shared responsibility for the life of the parish, representing the congregation and looking after the fabric of the church and hall.

We are again blessed to have enjoyed another uplifting year of the ministry and leadership of Canon Ann, Revd Jane, Canon Tony, Revd Peter, Revd Jess and our lay readers Sally and Derek. Canon Tony celebrated 55 years as an ordained priest during the year, while we also gained another wonderful addition to our team in January, when Judy Short was commissioned as lay minister for pastoral care – congratulations both!

We have had another year of wonderful and uplifting services and events, each made special by the talents and love of our congregation. Our Lent, Easter, Pet, Children's Holiday Club, Harvest, Remembrance, Healing and Christmas services were again well attended, reaching out to the whole community.

In June last year we began a new and exciting ministry at our Church – 'Messy Church' led by Revd Jane and her 'dream team' of volunteers. 'Messy Church' is for families and is held once a month on Saturday afternoons offering bible stories, craft, music, prayer, fellowship and a shared meal. This is a very exciting new venture for our Church. We also held a 'Messy Christingle' service in December in conjunction with Messy Church. As well as this, Daisy Durrant has been appointed as our new family and children's co-ordinator. This is another exciting new role for our Church and we are delighted that Daisy has taken up this post. She has lots of fantastic ideas for developing the work we do with young people – so watch this space!

Yet again, we hosted a wide variety of brilliant social events for the whole community. Events included September and Christmas fayres, quiz nights, a variety show, music concerts and the Christian Aid Glitzy Afternoon Tea. Our events are all brilliantly advertised and have often been featured in the local Herald. We would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Jonathan Marshall, who stepped down in November after three fantastic years leading – and inspiring – the Church fundraising committee. These events are a wonderful way of bringing the community together and also raise an incredible amount for the Church.

In December we were officially awarded the Bronze Eco Church Award. A huge well done to everyone for all the effort that went in to achieving this standard. We now have recycling bins in the Church which allow us to recycle materials that cannot go in the regular household collection, and are working on more new initiatives that will take us towards the Silver award. We also have our monthly food collection for the Shoreham Foodbank, which is always well supported and makes a real difference in our community.

Throughout the year we have continued to prioritise the upkeep and maintenance of our beautiful church building and the hall. Works completed included repairs to the east window, cleaning of the sanctuary floor and the re-felting of the hall shed roof. Decorating work took place in the vicarage before Revd Jane and John moved in at the end of December. We also joined the 21st century with the purchase of two card readers for cashless payments at events and special services.

Finally, we would like to give our heartfelt thanks to you all for everything you do for our wonderful Church, our community in Shoreham and beyond.

Emma Purser & Lucy Walmsley

REPORT ON THE DEANERY SYNOD

There were three meetings of Synod in 2019. The first meeting in February was held at St Andrew's Old Church, Hove. Concerns had been raised by the Trustees of Hove Trinity Trust (the revolving fund set up in the Deanery from the proceeds of the sale of Holy Trinity Church) regarding the running costs. They had also decided that to encourage a greater take-up by Parishes, loans would be made interest free with an initial fee of between 3 – 5% of the loan. Revd Jane Bartlett, a Trustee, looked at various eco and green initiatives.

Synod agreed that the Deanery Levy would remain at £10 per capita for the coming year.

Revd Dan Henderson, the Acting Rural Dean, talked about the Year of Vocation 2019.

In July, as part of Bishop Richard's visitation, Synod met at Bishop Hannington Memorial Church, where Bishop Richard talked about the Diocesan Strategy, 'To Know, Love and Follow Jesus' which looked at church growth, both numerical and spiritual, re-imagining ministry and contributing to the common good. He outlined the next phase of the Diocesan Strategy, 'Four Mores', which attempt to create a sense of vision over the next five years. These are:

To be :

- More Open – making everyone feel at home in church.
- More Like Jesus – try to be a good Christian to encourage others.
- More Generous – support one another more as parishes, sharing our skills and resources.
- More Engaged – expressing our vocation in service to others, making time to engage with people in the community.

The final meeting of the year took place in October at St Peter's West Blatchington. There were two presentations which were very well received. William Holden, the Deanery Lay Chair, talked about the very popular 'Living Faith' and 'Authorised Lay Ministry' courses, explaining the different types of courses available and looking at each one in greater depth.

This was followed by a presentation by Alistair Crow of the Brighton & Hove Street Pastors. Alistair and his wife, Lily, had worked as Street Pastors in London before coming to Brighton. The Street Pastors go out on Friday nights, meeting at St Paul's, West Street at 9pm for prayers before going on to the streets until 5am, helping people of all ages who are experiencing difficulties. The people they help are generally immensely grateful for what they do and it has been found that crime is reduced when Street Pastors are operating. Alistair appealed for more people to take on this work so they can also go out on Saturday nights and he asked for our prayers in bringing this about.

Jonathan Marshall

CHRISTIAN AID REPORT 2019-2020

During Christian Aid week last year (12th-18th May 2019) we raised a total of over £2400 (over £2700 when you include gift aid !) . The money raised last year in Sussex was about £170,000. The national 2019 total was £7.5 million. This enabled Christian Aid to pay for healthcare programmes in Sierra Leone, which included building new health centres and providing training for dedicated healthcare and community nurses.

This was a brilliant effort on the part of everyone with about 20 people delivering and collecting envelopes. Many thanks to Jo Edwards for organising the street collection while I was in America. We focussed on the roads on Shoreham Beach where we had had a positive response in previous years and we also delivered leaflets with the envelope giving residents an address where the envelope could be left if they missed our return visit. We will be hoping to do the same this year making the delivery of envelopes a less onerous task for everyone . We might simply ask for volunteers to deliver the envelopes along with the leaflet not necessarily making a return visit. I have ordered a new style envelope this year which is for delivery only. We do feel it is still worth doing the street collection as it provides us with an opportunity to meet friends in our community and still raises a lot of money for Christian aid (the envelope collection itself raised £1073).

The Glitzy Afternoon Tea, which raised over £1100 (£1250 including gift aid), proved to be a very successful fundraising community event . About 100 friends from the community and our fellowship enjoyed a full afternoon tea served on bone china and with waitress service. Many thanks to all those who helped to make the event such a success , especially our teams of sandwich makers , cake makers , tea makers and to our glamorous waitresses and of course to Jonathan Marshall who oversaw the event with incredible style as our Maitre d'! We received great support from local stores too . The Hummingbird cafe provided all the scones! It was good to be able to welcome our MP Tim Laughton again our and our Sussex Christian Aid coordinator , Mark Johnson . Mark came to the planning meetings beforehand and was a brilliant support .

My gratitude also must go to Bob Caffyn for all his hard work as the treasurer for Christian aid fundraising . It has been a great help being able to pass on all the counting, collating and form filling into his capable hands .

This year the focus for CAW is on climate justice in Kenya. Climate change has contributed to a severe drought that has overtaken many parts of Kenya and there are currently some 2.7 million people who simply do not have enough to eat. Christian Aid will work with their partners to build dams as well as many other initiatives, so that people can access water more easily.

We have a planning meeting for this year's Christian aid Week on Tuesday the 31st March at my house, where we hope to discuss a simplification of the envelope collection and plan the Big Brekkie, which will be on the **9th May**.

Thank you to all of our Church fellowship for your continued support for this incredible charity

Jill Charlish

CRAFT & FELLOWSHIP GROUP REPORT

"May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper the work of our hands, prosper our handiwork." Psalm 90:17

Our Craft and Fellowship Group aim to provide a safe space for our members to listen, share and above all pray for family, friends church community country and the rest of the world. As we group

of women work at our crafts to sell to provide money for our Church, we endeavour to give empathy, understanding and support to whoever needs it. Once again many of our group have had a very challenging year so much time has been spent sharing our concerns and praying about those situations as we work on our knitting, sewing, embroidery, card making, trimming stamps etc. We have continued making prayer shawls and 15 have been blessed and given to grateful recipients during 2019 these included a more adult one for Noah Rees (he had received one as a youngster when undergoing major surgery) but as we prayed for him and his family after his tragic accident in May we realised a larger one was needed. We continue to pray for Noah and his family as they face his long road to recovery. Sheila is still being asked to visit other churches to talk to them about the Shawl Ministry and it is good to hear of the shawls being made by these churches. Last year Heathfield church who took up the challenge of making shawls gave one to Penny Button from Crowhurst Christian Healing Centre who was visiting Nazareth Hospital with a group from the Healing Centre. She was able to present it to a new mother of triplets who received it gratefully and is often the case many tears were shed.

We sadly had to say farewell to one of our longest standing members, Eileen House when she died in July. How much she is missed with her wonderful crochet and knitting skills together with her green fingers providing us with excellent tomato and herb plants. Her invaluable help always whenever we had a craft stall at the church fairs and Sunday mornings after the 10am service right up to her death will be sorely missed. Once again our high quality crafts and remade cards by associate member Bob Caffyn are much in demand when we have the stall and last year raised an amazing £1197.25 for church funds.

We also continue to make hats and scarves which we pass to Caroline to send to the Mission to Seafarers.

We also continue to collect and trim used postage stamps for The Leprosy Mission.

We meet fortnightly on Wednesday mornings in member's homes or sometimes in the church Hall, if you think you would like to join us check out when and where we are meeting on the weekly Newsletter and pop along.

Angela Cranmore and Sheila Powell

10 O'CLOCK ROCK 2019-2020

The purpose of an APCM report is to reflect on the work of our wonderful church here on the beach over the previous year. As I put pen to paper I cannot start this report without first looking forward to the future of Sunday School. As always the Church of the Good shepherd in its unflinching support of the youth has "come up trumps" and employed the most amazing Youth worker for 9 hours a week. As an employed member of the church team Daisy will not only be running Sunday School but working on other projects for children and families here at COGs.

So looking back as always it's been a busy year with 14 children attending Sunday School. With our loyal leaders Lucy and Louise as ever supported by our helpers Emma B, Kiki, Lauren and Natalie they have done a fantastic job again this year leading sessions based on the same readings as used in church. The children have also taken part in special Sundays including Mothering Sunday, Palm Sunday, Pentecost and Harvest. The children have planted bulbs in the lovely planters Joss acquired for us, they do love to garden. And our amazing bug house, imagined and planned by Lucy, made by her lovely dad, has also been a huge success.

The lovely Jenny purchased some lovely wooden musical instruments which the children, and Sunday School team, have enjoyed playing at the end of the services. Lucy and Tony have done some amazing performances with the puppets again this year, the children love this.

Last Easter Emma B and her team of helpers organised a fantastic craft and coffee morning which not only raised substantial funds for the Sunday School but also brought lots of families and children to the church hall to enjoy fun and fellowship.

Sadly in September with no new volunteers and regular attendance dropping Louise, Lucy and I agreed we needed to reduce the sessions to once monthly in the hope we would have good attendance to these monthly sessions. It was successful and we have regularly had 6-8 children “ cooking up a storm” and continuing to grow in faith.

The amazing Durrant family again wrote, directed and performed the 10 O'clock Nativity. They all worked so hard rehearsing for the nativity on Christmas Eve. As always this was a wonderful service and the perfect start to Christmas, thank you.

So as I take a back seat for a while whilst Daisy leads us, ever faithful, with a new name and lots of young and fresh ideas we look forward to another amazing year of Sunday school. Which after Easter will be running weekly with the all age service continuing on the first Sunday of the month.

Thank you all for everything we have achieved and here's looking forward to very exciting times, love and prayers Emma

Emma Purser

SAFEGUARDING

Both Emma Purser [Lead Recruiter] and Derek Hansen [Parish Child Protection Co-ordinator] have completed the Diocesan 'Safer Churches' training course, and C2 Leadership level Safeguarding Training. Emma has also completed the Lead Recruiter's course.

The new National Safeguarding online learning module outlines what to look for and the action to take and how to react if a problem is suspected. The Diocesan SQP (Simple Quality Protects) tool enables the Diocese to assess how well the Church of the Good Shepherd is doing with our safeguarding practice and provision and provides a framework for improvement. Clear information as to Our Safeguarding policy is prominently displayed on our website which provides clear information including details of policies, personnel and what to do in the event of a safeguarding concern.

A record is maintained of all those who been previously checked under the previous Criminal Records Bureau with the relevant dates of expiry and ensure that, if required, new Disclosure and Barring checks are made.

The PCC has formally adopted the House of Bishop's *Promoting a Safer Church; Safeguarding Policy Statement*. The PCC robustly complies with section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults)

Emma Purser and Derek Hansen

FAIR TRADE

Thank you all for your continued support and encouragement last year. We have been helped out again on the stall by Jill, Julia and Lily. Their help and enthusiasm are much appreciated, as is the valiant help given unstintingly by Edgar, Keith, Suzy and Kevin, in the setting up and dismantling of the stall. Without their help we wouldn't be able to function at all!

Sales in 2019 were down on previous years, partly due to some of our regular sellers being unavailable. This resulted in a reduction in sales of £440 and an overall loss of £2 in the year. Hopefully we will be able to improve on that in 2020, especially now that Traidcraft are on a much more stable footing financially. They are making a major effort this year to ensure that their operations are eco-friendly. For example, they are changing the packaging for their range of sweets from plastic to something compostable. They are working towards being completely plastic free by the end of the year.

There is a new range of ethical clothing this year. Do have a look at the current catalogue - there are always copies for you to borrow and browse through, or you could check out what is available online at www.traidcraftshop.co.uk. But, don't make an online purchase yourself! If we do it for you, you won't have to pay postage plus the church will benefit from the trader's discount! In addition, you won't need to pay until we hand it over to you.

We are reliant on our various helpers for setting up the stall and putting things away afterwards. Extra help is always welcome!

Chris & Sheila

FLOWER ARRANGERS' TEAM REPORT

Again we can report on a year of great generosity.

- Team members generously giving of time and energy (both often limited!)
- Church family giving substantial amounts to buy flowers for special anniversaries.
- Joy, giving her time watering and making sure that live flowers (as opposed to silks) stay fresh and alive as long as possible.
- The huge amount of time and energy that is expounded by the team for special occasions in the church.

A new addition to our 'cupboard' is the change to Eco-friendly Oasis which fits in with the Eco-Church standards we are aiming for at Cogs. It is also good to use!

Please consider 2020 to be the year **YOU** will join our happy band! There is much satisfaction in being a part of creating something beautiful and knowing that on Sunday morning and in the week ahead the church will be enhanced by that loveliness.

There are still too few of us but all we can do is our best and that is what we do!

How about giving us a try by coming and joining in for the Easter arranging?
Nothing too much will be expected of you beyond helping in the work that the arrangers are doing

and joining us for a cup of tea and a Hot X Bun!!

We gather together about 10.00 a.m. on Easter Saturday April 11th.

Chrystabell Young

CHURCH GARDEN

Another year of extreme temperatures -4 to 38 on Shoreham Beach, high winds and torrential rain!! Most of the shrubs have survived. Many thanks to Rosemary Culf for helping with the pruning last Spring and for planting Spring bulbs in the Autumn. Thanks to Edgar for cutting the grass and trimming the edges. Unfortunately a lot of the grass died last summer.

To help with the environment and climate change Rev. Jane is hoping we can plant some trees and shrubs along the east side of the garden by the wall. I hope we have good support for this project either by donating the plants/trees or by money.

Liz

MINISTERS OF WELCOME REPORT

As always, a huge thank you to everyone for another brilliant year of welcoming people to our lovely church. We were especially delighted to welcome Edgar to our team this year and hope you agree that he is a huge asset to the team. We are sad to see that Anne no longer helps out at the 10am service, but we would like to thank her for all she has done over the last few years.

Our team consist of:

8am – Jackie, Keith and Liz

10am – Dave, Edgar, Lynn, Pauline, Penny, Rita, Suzy and Terry

Many thanks to everyone involved.

Lesley

HEALING MINISTRY TEAM REPORT

The Healing Ministry at the Church continues to go from strength to strength in the power of the Holy Spirit. As well as the monthly Healing Service at 6.00p.m on the first Sunday of the month, prayer with the laying on of hands is also offered after the 10.00 a.m. Eucharist each Sunday and also at the 9.30 a.m. Eucharist on the third Tuesday of the month.

The quiet, gentle Healing Service offers us a chance to come away from the busyness of the world and be still with God. All are welcome and we have visitors from other denominations as well as our own members.

The Healing Book on the altar is well used and we are very grateful to Ted Young who looks after it and prepares the monthly prayer books for the Home Intercessors. Ted's job is made so much easier if you write the names in the book in capital letters and write clearly.

Liz Beeston continues to lead the prayer chain following the sad death of our dear friend Betty Sinclair. Many requests continue to be received for urgent prayer and some for more long term prayer. Thank you Ted and Liz.

We would also like to thank Chrystabell Young for continuing the musical accompaniment for the Healing Services. This plays a very important part of the Healing Ministry.

Members of the team and other members of the congregation regularly visit those who are sick at home, in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes and those who are ministers of communion take the sacrament to those who are housebound. During the last year Sheila Powell, helped by Edgar and Trish, have been taking communion to the residents of Mount Hermon. This has been much appreciated by residents and staff.

Healing Services benefit all those who come with varying different needs. Healing is not just for physical healing but for the Healing of the whole person, mental, physical and spiritual. If you haven't yet been to a Healing Service you don't know what you have missed.

Sally Excell and the team.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD CHOIR REPORT

I'm pleased to report that our choir has had another successful year. It has continued to give the congregation a good lead.

Under the direction of Reverend Jane and Tony Thompson we have started a recruitment drive. We attempted to raise the profile of the choir by singing a couple of numbers at the Christmas Fayre which were very well received. Jane designed and printed some flyers inviting anyone interested to apply.

Musicians & H+ Box :

Our grateful thanks go to our regular musicians:

- i) Tony Thompson and all the Worship Band members who accompany the 'all age services' on the 1st Sunday in the month and particularly to Daisy Durrant who has taken over the keyboard playing with the band.
- ii) To Tony Purkiss, who plays, supported by Chrystabell, on the 2nd Sunday but who has also been willing to stand in at short notice when there are mechanical problems with the H+ Box,
- iii) to Simon who continues to entertain us with his playing on the third, and finally
- iv) to Chrystabell who accompanies many of our choir rehearsals and is always willing to stand in whatever the circumstances.

There seems to be general agreement that the programming of the H+ Box is improving and the choir and congregation are becoming much more confident singing with it now. Thank you Tony Thompson and George Hickman for all your support with the Box throughout the year. We have recently recruited and trained another H+ operator in Judy. Thank you so much for volunteering. If anyone else would like to train please talk to myself or Tony Thompson.

Eileen's Funeral:

In July last year we lost Eileen House, a well-loved member of our congregation. Her daughter Doreen asked if the choir could sing the Rutter anthem; 'The Lord Bless You and Keep you.' The choir rose to the occasion brilliantly; Doreen House sang with us and was delighted with the whole service and very grateful to the choir for doing such a good job.

Christmas:

Choir members put on another excellent Christmas Carol Service. We learned one new carol and re-learned a number which we had sung in previous years. Thank you to everyone concerned for putting in the extra work that was required to make this occasion a great success. Reverend Jane also decided to invite the choir and congregation over to the Christian Centre afterwards in order to celebrate the occasion with mince pies and mulled wine.

Thanks:

Finally, thank you, to all the members of the choir, musicians and clergy for supporting me in my role as leader and enabling the singing and music-making within the church. I'd also like to thank all the choir members for their hard work and the sense of fun that they bring to choir rehearsals throughout the year. I firmly believe that this choir adds GREAT value to our church services Thank you so much.

The choir would certainly benefit from a few more members. If anyone is interested in joining, please talk to me or any other choir member. So long as you can make a reasonable noise, we will be delighted to welcome you.

Fiona West

CHURCH CLEANING

The Church is kept clean each week by our very small band of dedicated helpers on a rota basis. Our current rota is:

1st week	Pauline Brattle
2nd week	Liz Beeston & Penny Humphrey
3rd week	Pauline Brattle
4th week	Geoff Holme
5th week	Liz Beeston & Jo Lambert

Thanks are due to the above for their continuing support in undertaking the important job of keeping the church clean and presentable.

During the past year, the floor in the altar and vestry area has been resealed which has been a help. However, I would love to recruit more volunteers, especially someone to work with Geoff for week 4. If anyone can help us for a couple of hours a month, we would be very grateful. Please have a word with me.

Pauline Brattle



Report from Shoreham and Southwick Churches Bereavement Support 2019

Once again this group has grown in numbers and activity in the community. When we meet together every other month at Sally Excell's home most of the churches in Shoreham and Southwick are represented and it is so good to share together and learn from each other. As a group we have Drop in afternoons in the lounge at Homehaven Sheltered Housing in Swiss Gardens which are immensely popular with the residents, who are grateful for a chance to share their stories with us. We offer tea, coffee and homemade cakes and they respond with generous donations in their coffee pot. With their agreement we use these funds for our activities and training as we are an informal group who do not have a committee or funds. We have also designed and printed off a leaflet for the manager of Homehaven to give to new residents, telling them about our group and the Drop in Afternoons. Southwick Methodist Church also have Drop in afternoons in members' homes which are proving so popular they are having to squeeze more and more folk in! Southwick Community Church have fortnightly drop in afternoons also in a members home which are very much appreciated. All these activities reach many folk outside church circles and members of the group enjoy the afternoons as much as the bereaved.

Several members of the Group are involved in other church activities which reach out to the community but are not specifically for Bereaved people but so many of those attending have been bereaved in one way or another. Visiting Care Homes and taking services in Care homes are all carried out by various members of the group as well as others in our churches and following a talk at a Shoreham Churches Together AGM by members from the Chichester Anna Chaplaincy we are now exploring together how we can co-ordinate the ministry to Care Homes in our area.

Many of our members attended the excellent Bereavement Awareness Training Day on 16th March 2019 with Care for the Family and Brighton and Hove City Mission. All the available 24 places were filled and it was a very interesting day, from which we gained new members for the Group.

If you know of anyone who would appreciate some listening support in bereavement (we do not counsel) ask them to get in touch with either Rev Jane, Sally or I as we no longer have a mobile phone no. to contact.

Sheila Powell and the SSCBS team.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, SHOREHAM BEACH

ST FRANCIS FUND

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 2019

INCOME				EXPENDITURE	
2018		2019	2018		2019
225.99	Tax Reclaims	285.04	1230.00	Grants	1465.00
	2017	-	65.85	other expenses	29.64
1019.54	Donations	826.18			
262.70	Pet Service	218.00		Excess of Income	
			212.38	Over Expenditure	-
-	Excess of Expenditure over Income	165.42			
<u>1508.23</u>		<u>1494.64</u>	<u>1508.23</u>		<u>1494.64</u>
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

2017		2018
706.75	Balance brought forward at 1 st January	919.13
-	Excess of Expenditure over Income	(165.42)
212.38	Excess of Income over Expenditure	-
<u>919.13</u>	Balance to carry forward to 2020	<u>753.71</u>
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BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

Balance on Santander a/c 561525188 (as at 31/12/19)	853.71
Cheque 000287 not yet cashed	(100.00)
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Balance carried forward in accounts	753.71
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C L Thompson
C L Thompson Hon Treasurer

09/03/2020
Dated

We have been advised professionally that we do not need to have the accounts independently examined, due to the level of income/expenditure involved. We do naturally still need to report the relevant figures to the Charity Commissioners.

Annual Report of the St Francis Fund
year ending 31st December 2019

Chairman: Edgar Powell
Secretary: Trish Holme
Treasurer: Chris Thompson
Member: Sally Excell
Member: Joy Daintree



The St Francis Fund is a registered charity, within The Church of the Good Shepherd, Shoreham Beach, and was registered by the Charity Commission in 1986.

The Fund was set up to, *“Relieve poverty and sickness amongst people, (the beneficiaries) who regularly worship at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex.”*

During 2019, the Fund's Committee met on five occasions to plan for the Pet Service and to discuss and agree grants for those in need, within the Good Shepherd. Urgent need for support from the Fund, for people not identified within a Committee meeting, were discussed and agreed, and distributed accordingly.

All matters discussed in the meetings were confidential to protect the identity and privacy of the recipients of grants.

Grants made during the year totalled £1,465.00.

The main sources of income for the Fund came through donations made by individuals or the monthly Healing Services. Sales of Sheila Powell's marvellous marmalade also contributed to the year's funds, plus the very successful Pet Service.

My sincere thanks to the Committee and to all who helped raise funds during 2019.

Edgar Powell (Chairman)
Registered Charity No. 295153