

# **Our Church Finances**

# thank you

Thank you to all who give and continue to give regularly to the Church. Your giving enables us to do all that we do.

And thank you to all you amazing volunteers. Without you, much of the work of the Church could not be undertaken. May the Lord Bless you as you serve Him



# our next priority is children

Since Covid, we have managed to provide basic families and children discipleship through the All Age Service. Now, we want to employ a Children's and Families' minister. *Please see separate leaflet* We understand this is a huge ask financially at this time, but



## can you help make this discipleship ambition happen by starting or increasing your giving?



## **Headline News**

- In 2021, we broke even for the first time for many years
- In 2022, we are on track to break even, with current spending
- In 2023, we want to increase ministry, which needs extra money
- Our next priority is to employ a Family and Children's Minister to address a real need in ministry to primary school children

#### We continue to work out our vision of taking our next steps towards deeper faith in Christ, welcome & belonging and shining God's light

# This is what your money went towards in 2021

It paid for all the activities we did in the Parish such as Toddler's Praise, Alpha course, Bible course, Prayer course, Servant course, Life groups, Youth work, ministry to families and children, Sunday and midweek services, baptisms, weddings, funerals, pastoral care, community involvement, outreach activities and engaging in local & overseas mission

It paid for our Stipendiary Clergy, part-time Parish staff (total hours all together is 40 hours a week for Administrator, Operations Manager, Youth Minister and Safeguarding Administrator!) That is just **one** FTE (full time equivalent) role – think what we could do with more!

Our payments to the Diocese included contributions to curate training and mission across the Diocese and whole country, including support for more economically challenged parishes.

#### Did you know?

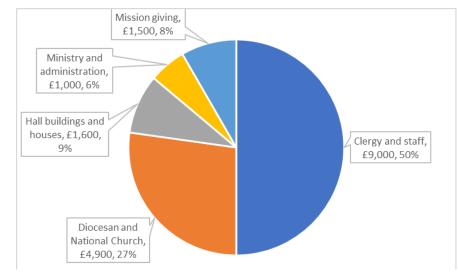
- 3 Rev Caroline and Rev Vlada give their ministry to the Parish free
- 5 Jonny and Cathy are paid 1.6 salaries (FTE) between them
- A separate charity pays for the heating, lighting and maintenance of the 2 Church buildings (not the halls) of St. Mary's and St. John's
- The building work at St. John's in summer 2022 was funded by a Community Infrastructure Levy Grant from the Borough Council
- This means that your giving goes directly to the mission and ministry of the Parish
- As a Church, we give away 10% of giving we receive, which supports mission in the UK and overseas

'This ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but overflows with many thanksgivings to God' 2 Cor 9:12

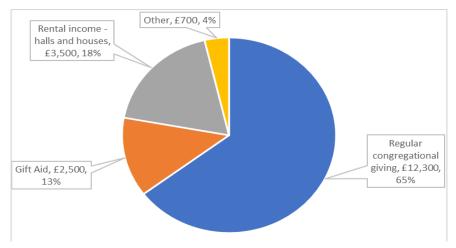
'This is a ministry for everyone, 'each according to your means" 2 Cor 8:11

### Money received & spent

#### To deliver our current activities, each month we spend



#### Our 2022 budget shows the following income streams



#### Note: This **excludes** the £2,750 monthly amount we spend on Church buildings and related expenses and maintenance, which is covered by grants from the separate charity

When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, and said 'The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields.' From Matthew 9: 36-38

# How can I give?

The Biblical guideline is 10% (tithe). If this is way out of reach for you, can you increase your giving to move closer to a tithe?

### Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) www.parishgiving.org.uk



A direct debit scheme that you control and minimises administration. It is run on behalf of the Parish, including claiming Gift Aid. The scheme also offers the option for your payments to be increased every year in line with inflation. See www.parishgiving.org.uk to find out more. Our scheme number, required to register is: 170617147

### Standing Order or One-Off Gift

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Use the contactless giving station which is currently available at St. Mary's. Give £5; £10; £20; £50. Register for Gift Aid the first time, then it is quick and easy in all subsequent uses.

#### Also, did you know?

Every time you buy goods on the internet, using **Easyfundraising** (choose to donate to the 'Parish of Walton-on-Thames') or Amazon Smile (choose 'The Parochial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish of Walton-on-Thames') a very small amount is given to the Parish. The more very small amounts there are, the greater the total we receive!