



# THE PARISH OF CHANDLER'S FORD

## PARISH PROFILE

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St Martin in the Wood



St Boniface

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Dear Friend

Thank you for your interest in the role of Associate Minister in the Parish of Chandler's Ford. We are praying for someone to join us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in our community and beyond.

The Parish of Chandler's Ford is a large and diverse parish with a heart for mission. I am seeking a colleague who will work alongside me in the overall leadership of the parish and, along with our very gifted Parish Leadership team and PCC, continue to develop the life of the parish.

I hope you find our profile both informative and exciting and we look forward to receiving your application.

Yours in Christ

Rev'd Dr Ian Bird  
Vicar

# Introduction

Thank you again for requesting our parish profile and we hope that it is informative and helpful to you as you discern where God is calling you in the next stage of your ministry. The Parish of Chandler's Ford is complex and numerically large (population over 24,000) and is an exciting and sometimes challenging place in which to minister. Our vision is to be:

*A diverse, all age, community of Christians, who through their worship and church activities grow in Faith. Empowered to loving service, they share the love of Jesus Christ with others in Chandler's Ford and beyond.*

Over the last five years, we have developed the worship and mission of the parish and this has included the very successful launch of Church@four, now called the 4pm Service, a contemporary worship service with children's and youth ministry. This has added to the diversity of our weekly worship and its continued growth has presented a welcome challenge. Our work and outreach in the parish continues to develop and we are keen to have someone join us who has a heart for mission and who will also want to build on our current activities.

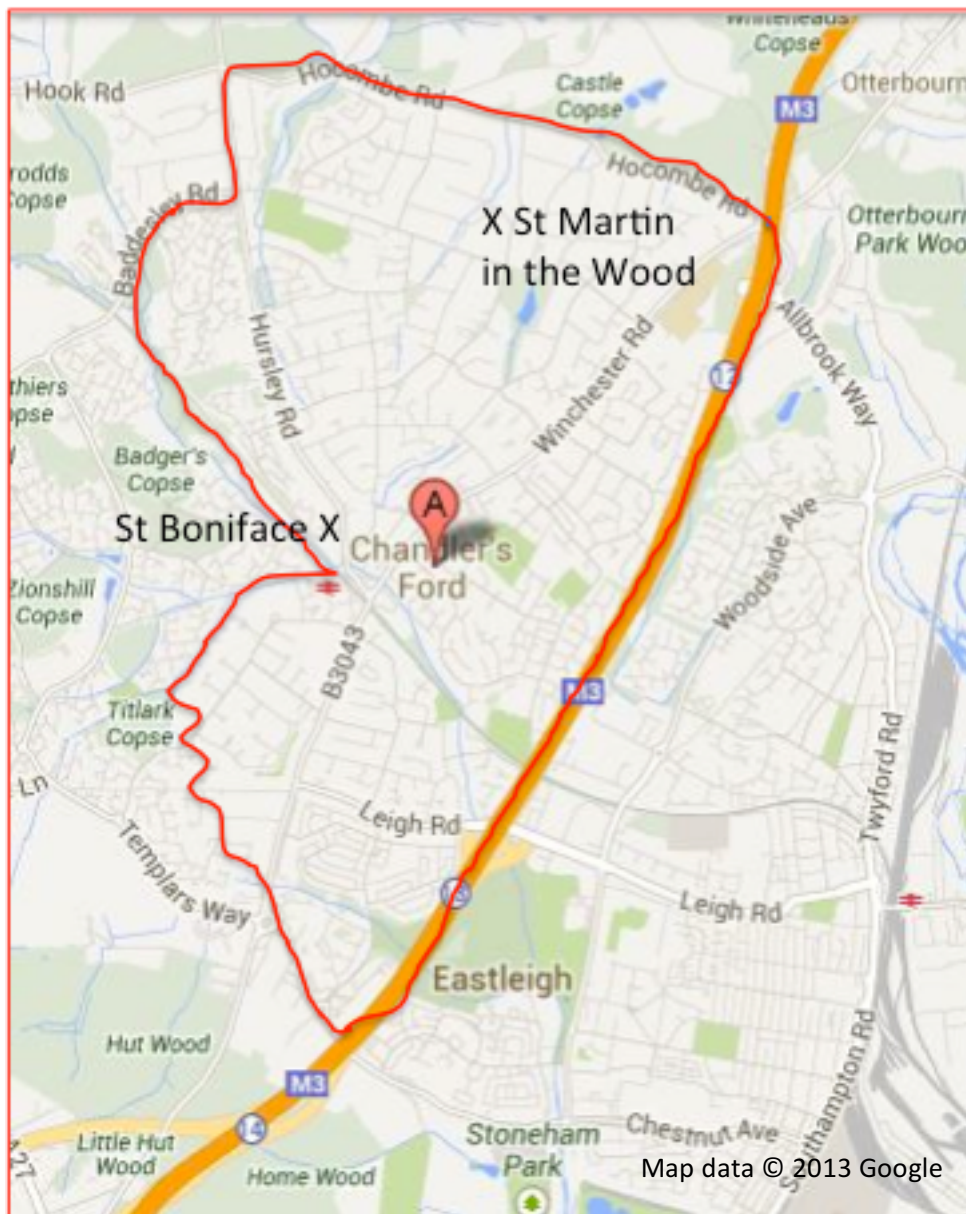
Bishop Tim is leading the diocese to become a mission shaped diocese, living the mission of Jesus. He has presented us with the challenge of the 3 'P's: passionate personal spirituality, pioneering faith communities and prophetic global citizens, which we continue to work on, together with a small number of key strategic priorities as agreed by the diocese, for the next 5 to 10 years.

These are that:

- we grow authentic disciples
- we re-imagine the Church
- we are agents of social transformation
- we belong together in Christ, practising sacrificial living and good stewardship of all that God has entrusted to us

Each deanery and parish in the diocese has a Mission Action Plan. Our parish mission action plan outline is to be found on page 17.

# The Parish



## **Parish of Chandler's Ford: boundary and location of St Boniface and St Martin in the Wood.**

Information about Chandler's Ford is provided on pages 20-21. We have two churches, St Boniface (built 1904) on Hursley Road and St Martin in the Wood (built 1960) on Queens Road, which are about 1.5 miles apart. Both churches have been extended to provide additional halls and meeting room space and have excellent facilities (see pages 22-23).

Our electoral roll is 364, of which 318 live in the parish. We are churches with welcoming and friendly congregations. There is a close, supportive and very effective parish leadership team, ably supported by Lay Pastors. The parish is richly blessed by having many gifted volunteers who contribute in numerous different ways to the life of our parish. The clergy and leadership team meet regularly for Morning Prayer and also weekly for discussion, planning and prayer. Also, there are regular meetings with the Churchwardens. One of the great strengths of this parish is the involvement of so many other people who use their gifts and time to contribute richly to its life and mission.



Within the clergy team, the Associate Minister will have a portfolio of responsibilities for various aspects of the parish, including oversight of St Martin in the Wood Church and Sunday congregation, oversight of Baptisms and Weddings in the parish and Safer Recruitment. They will lead the Praise Together service and team and also support our Children's and Youth activities. There will be line management responsibilities associated with this post and, as this is a training parish, opportunity to mentor and contribute to the training of readers, ordinands and curates. Last autumn, the 4pm Service moved from St Martin's to St Boniface, as more space was required for young people's activities. We are keen to explore how we can develop St Martin's further and it is expected that the successful applicant will lead this exploration, with the vicar's support. We are keen to develop our healing ministry further in the parish and this will be an area that the Associate Minister leads on.

The parish lies in the southern part of the Diocese of Winchester, in the Archdeaconry of Bournemouth and is part of the Deanery of Eastleigh. The Deanery is diverse and includes the urban centre of Eastleigh, the yachting community of the Hamble peninsula and commuter areas such as Chandler's Ford.

A detached 4-bedroom house, equi-distant from both churches, is provided within the parish for the Associate Minister (for details see pages 24-25).





**Jesus said the first commandment is ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbour as yourself.’ (Mark 12: 30-31)**

**Therefore as a parish we aim to:**

- know and worship God.
- be Christ centred in all we do, growing in faith and rooted in God's Word.
- seek God's will for our lives, guided by the Holy Spirit.
- be committed to prayer, individually and corporately.



- be a vibrant all-age church family, characterised by creativity, thankfulness and joy.
- as family, seek unity and honour diversity in worship.
- be a community characterised by forgiveness, healing, restoration, acceptance, care and love.
- offer generous hospitality, welcome and friendship to all.



### 3. Love Chandler's Ford and beyond

- encourage, enable and equip people for service and mission.
- share the Good News of Jesus with those we meet, both by our actions and words.
- be agents of social transformation, making a difference by joining in the building of God's Kingdom in Chandler's Ford and beyond.



# Our Parish Life

## 1. Worship

### Sunday Services

We have a range of services at both churches. A typical Sunday is shown below:

Church	Time	Service	Attendance (U16, Adults)
St Boniface	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	<b>0, 14</b>
	10.00am	Holy Eucharist with choir*	<b>0, 88</b>
	12.00am	Holy Baptisms	<b>various</b>
	4.00pm	4pm Service	<b>35, 65</b>
	6.30pm	BCP Choral Evensong	<b>0, 27</b>
St Martin in the Wood	9.15am	Holy Eucharist with Explorers	<b>5, 60</b>

\*On the first Sunday in the month at St Boniface we hold 'Praise Together' an informal family service with musicians and is non- Eucharistic. Baptisms are sometimes conducted in this service too.

### Other Services

Our typical midweek services are as follows:

Church	Day & Time	Service	Attendance
St Boniface	Wednesday 9.15am	BCP Holy Communion	<b>11</b>
	Wednesday 10.00am	Praise and Play*	<b>14 children, 15 carers</b>
	Wednesday 5.30pm	Evening Prayer	<b>3</b>
St Martin in the Wood	Thursday 10.00am	Said Holy Eucharist	<b>15</b>

\*short, informal service at St Boniface for pre-schoolers and their carers, with refreshments afterwards.

During the church year, we have a comprehensive range of seasonal services. St Boniface has a choir under the direction of the resident organist Dr Hugh Benham. More details can be found on pages 26-28.





## 2. Discipleship & Spiritual Development

We have appointed a part time Parish Discipleship Co-ordinator, Ali Hill, whose role is to promote greater discipleship across the parish, and this includes supporting and developing small groups.

Small Groups provide a place where people can share their lives, receive and give pastoral support, grow as disciples and explore their giftings together, and encourage each other to live as Christians in our rapidly changing world. There are 10 home groups in the parish, mainly meeting in the evening.

We also have *Novo*, a women's group meeting weekly on Fridays. Men@8 meet monthly for breakfast and Bible study, and there is a Men's Breakfast held monthly at St Boniface. There is a Women's Breakfast group too.



Church members are encouraged to read the Bible regularly, some using BRF notes, obtained through our parish representative. During Lent, Ecumenical Bible study groups meet in Chandler's Ford, organised by Churches Together in Chandler's Ford.

Before the regular PCC meeting there is an opportunity for prayer by members attending. At our weekly Parish Team Meetings, there is also time for prayer.

Recently, organised parish groups have attended Spring Harvest, New Wine and Soul Survivor. Members of the parish have also attended Greenbelt. Last autumn, we had a parish quiet day, which was very successful and we anticipate holding another soon.

Alongside these groups, Alpha and Lifeshapes Courses are regularly run for those wanting to explore the Christian faith or deepen their faith. We also continue to run parenting and marriage courses too.

## 3. Young People

Our young people are a vital part of our all age parish community. We have been challenged to support our ministry among young people and have been blessed by having the resources to employ a full-time Youth Minister, Paul Smith, and, more recently, a full-time Children's Minister, Georgia Jenkin. They lead and oversee our Young People's Ministry and are ably supported by volunteer leaders.

On Sundays, Xplorers meet during the 9.15am Eucharist; during the 4pm Service various groups, Little Stars (preschool), Sparks (yr R-2), Live Wires (yr3 -6) and Fuse (yr 7-10) convene and afterwards Ignite (yr 11-13) meet. During the week there are a range of activities for young people. We have 'Little Stars' on Tuesday mornings for pre-school children and their carers, which is led by Becca Wicks. Currently, over 100 families attend this activity. 'Super Stars' meet on alternate Monday afternoons after school and has been set up to welcome children in year R 1 and 2, many of whom previously attended 'Little Stars'. Also on Tuesday evenings, Fuse youth group (yr 7-10) meets. Praise and Play on Wednesday mornings also caters mainly for pre-school children and their carers.



Paul has established a yearly pattern of time away for our teenagers, with Ignite Retreat and Fuse Weekend away. Soul Survivor has been a popular feature in the calendar, with another trip planned for this summer.

We hold a Holiday Club at Easter, last year attended by over 90 children, many of whom do not attend church activities. This event is advertised through several local schools, church notices, church invites and personal recommendation.

In Chandler's Ford, uniformed organisations such as Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers have a strong presence, with many groups meeting at various locations around the parish. We have worked with Beaver and Cub groups on Faith Badges and organised and run Christingle services for such groups. Last December, over 80 Beavers attended one of our Christingle services. One of our curates, Christine, is Chaplain to the local Scout District.



## 4. Schools

In the parish there are 10 schools, including 2 secondary schools, both of a high standard. None are Church of England affiliated. The parish has a talented and popular schools' assembly team, led by Georgia, our Children's Minister, who twice a term take assemblies in 7 of our local infant, primary and junior schools. Some schools visit our churches for curriculum work and carol services. Clergy are occasionally invited to take lessons or be involved in seminars etc. We continue to look for opportunity to develop our schools' ministry further.

## 5. Adults

St Boniface has a contact scheme and St Martin's a carer's scheme for the congregations of the main Sunday morning services. Lay pastors regularly visit people in their homes in the parish and we have Home Communion visitors who take communion to those unable to come to our services. There are 8 residential care/nursing homes in the parish, some of which have strong links with the church through lay pastor regular visits, and through conducting monthly services at two of these care homes.

Our Mothers' Union branch has both a daytime and evening group and is very active. Occasionally, we hold deanery MU services in the parish.

## 6. Mission beyond Chandler's Ford

Our aim is to be a mission focussed parish, spreading the love of Jesus Christ in Chandler's Ford and beyond. In addition to our parish activity, we support the Eastleigh Basics Bank and Winchester Churches Night Shelter. Also, the parish financially and prayerfully supports a number of mission organisations and charities. These are USPG, Church Army, Friends of St. Anne's Hospital Liuli (Tanzania), the Deanery Bukedi diocese link in Uganda, CMS and the Children's Society. Each have a mission day during the year and, where possible, a speaker. This year we will give 10% of our parish income to the support of mission agencies.



Chandler's Ford is a Fairtrade parish where we are committed to putting our faith into action and to fighting poverty through supporting fair trade. We do this in a number of ways including regular Fairtrade stalls in both churches following our Sunday morning worship and support of Fairtrade fortnight and themed shopping evenings at St Martin's. We also seek to find new opportunities to promote fair trade in the community. We are members of the Fairtrade in Eastleigh Borough Campaign and Eastleigh has now achieved Fairtrade Borough status.

We aim that all our Sunday services and weekly activities are opportunities for outreach. As a parish, we have had stalls at annual local community events, such as Hiltingbury Extravaganza (picture above) and Fryern Funtasia.

## 7. Outreach and Social

A wide range of social events occur in the parish and these also provide opportunities to invite friends. These include parish Film Nights, Men's Breakfasts and 'Let's do Lunch' (a Sunday lunch group for those living alone). Beacon Café, which meets twice a month at St Boniface, is an informal coffee morning with newspapers, crafts, home made cake and lots of chat, especially for those new to the parish or who live on their own. Afternoon Guild meet monthly at St Martin's to hear talks on a wide range of topics, with refreshments afterwards. The popular 'Holiday at Home', a day event for senior citizens, is held at St Boniface every 6 weeks. During the year we have held a Burns' Night supper, quiz nights, and various coffee mornings. In the summer we had a very successful 'Parish Day Out' at Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley.



We are blessed by having excellent, dedicated, catering teams. During the year parish meals are held at various times such as St Boniface-tide, Harvest and Lent. St Martin in the Wood hosts monthly lunches on a Thursday. They also cater for other events in the parish (e.g. Chandler's Ford Good Neighbours AGM meal and other charity celebrations). We prayerfully and financially support The Winchester Churches Nightshelter, together with Fledge, an Eastleigh based charity who provide housing and support to homeless young people. We have parishioners involved in ARK (Acts of Random Kindness), a Deanery wide charity involved in supporting vulnerable people.



## 8. Occasional Offices and Special Services

This is a large parish and we are called upon to conduct quite high numbers of Occasional Offices. The numbers for 2016 are displayed below:

Occasional Office	Baptisms	Marriages	Funerals in church	Funerals at Crematorium
<b>Number (2016)</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>14</b>

In addition, we have seen increases in the numbers of Celebration and Thanksgiving for Marriage services being conducted in the parish, as couples mark significant anniversaries. Our Lay Pastors work closely with the clergy, particularly in Baptismal preparation and post-funeral visiting.

## 9. Administration, Communication and Finance

The Parish Office, located at St. Boniface, is run by our part-time paid Administrator, Suzie Pavitt, with several volunteer assistants. They form a very effective team, ensuring the smooth running of the Parish. Amongst many tasks, they co-ordinate much of the planning and organisation required for our Occasional Offices.

A weekly news sheet is produced. The parish produces a monthly magazine that is also freely distributed locally around the parish to surgeries etc. The parish also has a new website and is on Facebook and Twitter. Over the last year, we have been working to improve our communication. A new parish logo and branding was launched and there is now a weekly e-news produced. Soon ChurchApp will be used for parish management. We have a very able finance team and an overview of parish finances and last year's budget is presented on pages 28-30.

## 10. Churches Together in Chandler's Ford (CTCF)



Churches within the parish include St Edward's Roman Catholic Church, Chandler's Ford Methodist Church, Chandler's Ford United Reformed Church, New Community Church and Velmor Church. There are very good relations between the churches with the ministers meeting monthly for discussion and prayer at St Boniface. Importantly, the churches work together on ecumenical mission in a variety of ways. We have a local Street Pastor scheme and members of the parish are both Street and Prayer Pastors. Chandler's Ford Good Neighbours scheme is supported, as is Christian Aid, Women's World Day of Prayer and Fairtrade. Also, we are working on launching an ecumenical workplace chaplaincy scheme.



CTCF organise Lent Bible Study groups and is about to launch a Lay Chaplaincy scheme in the local ASDA superstore. Also, CTCF is actively involved with twinning and there are regular exchange trips to churches in Kornwestheim, Stadtilm, Plaue in Germany and Villeneuve St. Georges in France. Three ecumenical services are held annually, These are held during the week of prayer for Christian unity, Christian Aid Week and One World Week and hosted in rotation by the churches.



## Meet the Team



### Rev Dr Ian Bird

I am married to Judith and we have three sons, Andrew and twins Tim and Matt. Before ordination, I worked in research in the pharmaceutical and biotech industry. As Vicar, I am keen that we continue to develop the mission of the parish and as Christians, motivated by love, serve our community. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, being with the family, Cornish holidays and walking our Golden Retriever, Henry, over the hills of Hampshire and Dorset.



### Rev Christine Whitehead

My name is Christine Whitehead and I am a part-time SSM assistant curate in the parish. I am able to give about 12 hours a week to parish ministry and for the rest of my working time I am a lecturer for Nursing in the University of Southampton and the coeliac sister in Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. I trained at STETS (now Sarum College) and moved to Lords Hill to train with Rev Robert Sandah whilst I was at STETS. In addition to my parish responsibilities I am chaplain to the Local scouts and act as a relief chaplain in Winchester hospital on their rota for out of hours' cover.

I am married with one teenage boy. My hobbies are varied including eating out, going to the theatre with my parents, riding my motorbike and colouring and puzzle books.



### Rev Tony Palmer

I have been married to Ruth for 10 years and we've had 5 children, Elijah 7, Éponine 5, Jubilee 2, Boaz born in January and Jethro who died aged 20 months in 2015. Family life is constantly busy and generally involves lots of trips to coffee shops, play parks or the New Forest. Before being ordained in July 2016, I was a Youth Minister in Bursledon for 7 years. I love drinking good coffee, building fires in the garden and spending time with friends - if all 3 are combined even better! Ruth and I also run a charity supporting bereaved children and their families called the Courage Foundation.





## Pauline Lewis

I am a Lincensed Lay Minister in the Parish and I am married to David and have lived in Chandler's Ford since 1970. We have three children and seven grandchildren. I have been a Reader since 1981. I am a member of Mothers' Union and have also acted as parish link for Church Army for a number of years. My main leisure activities are reading (history and biographies) and listening to music, especially opera.



## Rob Hayter

I am a Licensed Lay Minister in the Parish and I am a retired A level Physics teacher. I still find Physics an inspiring subject. I am married with three (adult) children. I love the Bible and read it every day. Once in a Pentecostal Church, I love to introduce folks to more of the Holy Spirit. My hobbies are cycling, walking and learning languages



## Gina McCausland

An LLM in Chandler's Ford since 2007. First licensed in the Diocese of Connor, Ireland in 1990. I am supported by my husband, Brian and sometimes accompanied by a Hearing Dog in training! Special interests: liturgical renewal, mission and inclusivity. I am a member of Hopeweavers community.



## Ali Hill

I am an ordinand and the Parish Discipleship Co-Ordinator. I am married to Steve, we have 3 children, Katie 19, Pippa 16 and Annie 14. We have been part of the parish for around 5 years, when Steve and I were invited to become part of the team to lead the new 4pm service. Before training for ordained ministry at St Mellitus I was a primary school teacher in London, Wiltshire and also locally. I lead a sung worship band at church, and in the past I've been in a couple of cover bands too. I enjoy film, theatre and walking other people's dogs, now that we don't have one of our own!



## Georgia Jenkin

I have been the Children's Minister since the start of September 2016, and recently got married to Craig who is a teacher. I studied theology at Cliff College in Derbyshire, and during my spare time I enjoy all sorts of crafting, mostly involving a sewing machine. I grew up in Cornwall, and love being by the beach, in a wood or on a moor.



## Paul Smith

I am the Youth Minister in the Parish and I have been married to Sarah for ten years, we have two daughters; Kayla who is six and Edith who is three. I have been a Christian for nineteen years, and have been working in the parish for two and a half of those. I have worked for the Church for eight years with experience mainly in youth ministry, but also in community development, outreach and systems and processes. I love playing most sports, but especially golf, football and watching Wales in the rugby. I always love a good steak and glass of red wine, and make sure we have plenty of BBQs throughout the parish every year.



## Anne Davies

I have been the Churchwarden with responsibility for St Martin in the Wood for 5 years, since retiring from over 40 years in local Community Child Health Services. I am married to John and have two grown up children and a young granddaughter. Spare time is spent gardening, walking, travelling to exciting and challenging places and socialising with family and friends.



## Una Barter

In the mid 1980's I moved to Chandler's Ford with my late husband Nigel and our two sons. Nigel became Manager of the Hexagon Centre and I worked in Mental Health social work in the Community Mental Health Team in Winchester until my retirement. My sons, David and Alastair, live in Southampton with their families and I look after my grandchildren while their mother works. Since becoming a Church Warden in April, with responsibility for St Boniface, I have been learning the challenges and blessings that come from undertaking this important work in the life of the Parish. I have supported USPG (United Society Partners in the Gospel) for many years, I am a Mothers' Union member and I enjoy walking, reading, theatre and spending time with family and friends.



## Suzie Pavitt

I became the Parish Administrator in May 2016 after several years of being a full-time Mum. I am married to Mike and we live in the New Forest with our children Ben & Lauren and 2 cats. I am also the Secretary for Southampton Operatic Society and I'm on the local PTA. When I'm not in rehearsals for SOS, I enjoy music, reading, theatre trips, embroidery and spending time with my family.

# Appendix 1



THE PARISH OF  
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## Parish Mission Action Plan Outline 2017 - 2018

### Introduction

This leaflet outlines the next stage of our Parish Mission Action Plan (pMAP), following on from its initial launch in 2015. It covers a brief review of progress in 2016 and the plan for 2017.

Our diocese has 4 shared strategic Priorities for Mission:

1. We grow authentic disciples
2. We re-imagine the Church
3. We are agents of social transformation
4. We belong together in Christ

Our plan focuses on two of these priorities, namely priority 1: We grow authentic disciples and priority 3: We are agents of social transformation.

Importantly, this plan reflects our **priorities** for mission. Much good mission work will continue within the parish that is not mentioned in this plan. Over the 3 year cycle of the plan has been & will continue to be regularly reviewed at PCC meetings and modified if necessary. Objectives that are shown with an asterix also feature in our wider Deanery Mission Action Plan. Our pMAP will be comprehensively reviewed and a new plan launched in 2018.

We commend this plan to you. Please pray, as we go forward under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that this plan might help us better to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to our community here in Chandler's Ford and beyond (Matt. 28: 16-20).

Ian and the PCC

January 2017

## **Strategic Priority One: We grow authentic disciples**

**Objective: To promote authentic discipleship and prayer across all age groups within the Parish**

### **What we achieved in 2016**

- Continued annual pattern of time away for Fuse and Ignite groups
- Parish Quiet Day for Autumn
- Raising profile of Small Groups in the parish

### **Aims for 2017**

- Explore running a local theology course to address issues of faith in a deeper way
- Explore feasibility of taking primary aged children away for a residential
- Course for Welcomers
- Develop a Parish welcome pack
- Sermon series on prayer
- Publicise existing opportunities for prayer
- Reviewing our weekly services
- Developing ongoing relationships with Baptism families
- Comprehensive review of disciple growing activities in the parish, with a view to prioritizing for a new plan in 2018

## **Strategic Priority Three: We are agents of social transformation**

**Objective 1: To be agents of transformation in our schools**

### **What we achieved in 2016**

- Schools' work:
  - Now taking assemblies in all primary education state schools in Chandler's Ford
  - Enlarged school assembly team
  - Increase school visits to our churches
- Appointed Georgia as our full-time Children's Minister



## **Aims for 2017**

- Develop wider relationships with selected primary schools
- Developing relationships with our secondary schools
- Comprehensive review of parish activities involving social transformation, with a view to prioritising for new plan in 2018

### **Strategic Priority Three: We are agents of social transformation**

**Objective 2: To be agents for transforming the lives of people including the vulnerable and the lonely in our parish and beyond.**

## **What we achieved in 2016**

- Continuing to support and resource CTCF mission activities (e.g. Street Pastors, Eastleigh Basics Bank, Asda Chaplaincy)\*
- Development of ecumenical work place Chaplaincy in Chandler's Ford
- Fairtrade: developed a wider group of volunteers for support
- Continuing to offer courses within the parish such as marriage and parenting courses\*

## **Aims for 2017**

- Evaluate impact of ARK\*
- Evaluate impact of Beacon Café
- Explore greater parochial involvement with Solent Credit Union
- Continuing development of ecumenical work place Chaplaincy in Chandler's Ford
- Continuing to offer marriage and parenting courses above\*
- Comprehensive review of parish activities involving social transformation, with a view to prioritizing for new plan in 2018

## Appendix 2

### About Chandler's Ford



Chandler's Ford is situated in South Hampshire, close to the cities of Winchester and Southampton. The Parish of Chandler's Ford is a leafy and attractive suburban area, of about 3.5 square miles, within the Borough of Eastleigh. The population numbers about 24,000 and continues to grow.

The parish is complex and whilst appearing primarily a residential area also contains several hundred commercial and retail businesses (some within a large industrial estate), 11 schools, 8 nursing/residential care homes, 5 pubs, some excellent takeaway food shops, one private hospital and a railway station. There are good local amenities with two shopping precincts, three large supermarkets and many smaller shops scattered across the parish.

The parish is affluent, as determined by deprivation indices used by the Church Urban Fund and further parish information can be found at <http://www.cuf.org.uk/2013F-410226> The housing in Chandler's Ford is predominantly owner-occupied, though there are small areas of social housing and further development of social housing on the Velmore Estate, situated in southern tip of the parish. Occupations of residents are mainly professional, senior management and skilled work, with a large percentage of retired people. Those who work tend to commute to work outside the parish, some commuting to London.

There are many active community groups, including uniformed organisations, WI and several branches of the U3A. One group, the Hiltingbury Community Association, spearheaded the development of community facilities at the Hiltingbury Recreation Ground, including the construction of 'The Hilt' a community building. About five years ago, Chandler's Ford Parish Council was formed and it has similarly developed facilities at the Fryern Recreational ground, the other large community space in Chandler's Ford.

Chandler's Ford is situated near the M3, between junctions 12 and 13, close to Southampton (7 miles) and Winchester (7 miles). The New Forest, the Solent and the English Channel are nearby and offer many recreational opportunities. There are excellent rail and bus links to local cities and towns (e.g. Southampton, Winchester, Romsey) and further afield (London – 70 minutes by train, Bournemouth, Portsmouth). The M27 and M3 provide speedy access in all directions. Southampton International Airport is three miles away. Ferries sail to the Isle of Wight, the Channel Islands and France from local ports.

## Useful websites

[www.parishcf.church](http://www.parishcf.church)

[www.chandlersfordonline.com](http://www.chandlersfordonline.com)

[www.eastleigh.gov.uk](http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk)

## Appendix 3

### St Boniface & St Martin in the Wood Churches and Centres

#### St Boniface Church



St Boniface was built in 1904. In 1929 the church was enlarged and the current chancel added to accommodate the organ.

Further developments were completed in 1984 that provided a spacious hall which can be integrated into the main church for larger services, three other meeting rooms, a well equipped kitchen and toilets.

There is also a field at the back of the centre that is used for a wide range of activities including children's games, youth club camping and also as an overflow car park for large services.





## St Martin in the Wood

St Martin in the Wood church was built in Hiltingbury in 1960, to serve the increasing population in Chandler's Ford. The church has an unusual and distinctive cruciform window above the altar and, inspired by Peter's miraculous catch of fish recorded at the end of St John's Gospel (Jn.21: 1-14), contains 153 pieces of coloured glass.



The church building was designed to accommodate future extensions and some of these were added in 1990 to provide an attached centre, which can be integrated with the church for larger congregations, together with a kitchen, the old choir vestry and a meeting room upstairs.



As well as being used for church groups and activities, both church centre facilities are also hired out for community use to a wide range of organisations from Guides, dance groups and U3A to the National Blood Transfusion Service. We encourage community use of our facilities.



## Appendix 4

### 45 Pantheon Road, Chandler's Ford SO53 2PD

This attractive detached 4-bedroom family house, built in 1996 by Clarke Homes, is conveniently located about 1.5 miles from each of the churches on the eastern edge of the parish. Pantheon Road is a residential road and the house is next to a small cul de sac containing similar residential properties. Junction 12 of the M3 is easily accessible, about 5 minutes' drive away.



Ground floor accommodation:

- Entrance hall
- Study with window to front of house
- Lounge, with bay window at front of property and marble fireplace with gas coal effect fire
- Dining room with French windows to rear garden
- Kitchen/breakfast room with fitted gas hob & oven. Space for dishwasher & fridge-freezer

- Utility room with gas boiler & space for washing machine & fridge. Door to back garden
- Cloakroom

First floor accommodation:

- Master bedroom with en-suite shower/toilet and built in wardrobes
- 2 further double bedrooms
- 1 single bedroom
- Family bathroom

The front garden contains shrubs and a silver birch tree. The rear garden is totally enclosed, mainly laid to lawn with patio areas alongside the double garage and across the rear of the property, next to the house. As well as being accessible from both the dining and utility rooms, the rear garden is also accessible from the drive via a secure wooden gate. The double garage has power and light and storage to eaves. There is parking on the drive for two cars.

## Appendix 5

### Seasonal Services & Music in the Parish

#### Seasonal Services



These include an Advent Carol Service, Christmas Candlelight Service and 9 Lessons and Carols and last Christmas we had our first 'Blue Christmas' service, for those who find Christmas a difficult time. On Christmas Eve, we hold three services for children and families as well as a midnight Eucharist at both churches. During the early part of Holy Week, evening services are held and these are normally Taizé Prayer, a Celtic service and Compline. On Maundy Thursday evening, there is a Eucharist with foot-washing, that leads in to an evening vigil at one of the

churches. On Good Friday, we hold a morning family service at St Martin's and a 3 hour devotion at St Boniface. Patronal Festivals are celebrated at both churches with Parish Eucharists. We hold an All Soul's service, to which we invite those who have had bereavements during the previous year. On Remembrance Sunday, a civic service of Remembrance is held at St Boniface. In 2016, our Easter Day communicants numbered 291 and Easter Day worshippers, 375. Our parish Christmas Eve/Day communicants were 398, whilst worshippers on Christmas Eve/Day numbered 1295.

#### Music in the Parish of Chandler's Ford



Music is an important part of most worship services in the parish, ranging from Evensong (based on the 1662 Book of Common Prayer) through Holy Eucharists to Church@four and various occasional services. You will find the tranquillity of choral evensong, the vibrant beat of the worship band at the 4pm Service and the congregation's enthusiastic singing of hymns and songs in living out our mission statement.

At St Boniface, the 10.00am Holy Eucharist service features hymns for congregation and choir accompanied by the organ. Simple settings of parts of the Ordinary, which sometimes vary according to the season, are mostly in unison, to encourage the congregation to join with the choir. St Boniface choir has about 20 on the membership list. It is almost always possible to muster a good number of singers for funerals and weddings when requested. Choral Evensongs sung jointly with choirs from nearby parishes in recent years have broadened the experience of St Boniface choir. For the past three years, the parish has offered an organ scholarship. The current organ scholar is Sarah

Akponasa. We have been exploring the foundation of a separate small group of children who would feed into the main choir if and when ready. This is in its infancy.



Dr Hugh Benham is organist and choirmaster at St Boniface rather than Director of Music for the whole parish and has recently been awarded Honorary Membership of the Royal School of Church Music at an RSCM Celebration day at York Minster. There is currently no resident organist at St Martin in the Wood, but two very accomplished organists cover the 9.15am Holy Eucharist most weeks.

There are three worship bands that lead worship at the 4pm Service. In addition, we also have an accomplished youth band and there are also other musicians within the parish who play at various services, when required.





## Appendix 6

### Finance

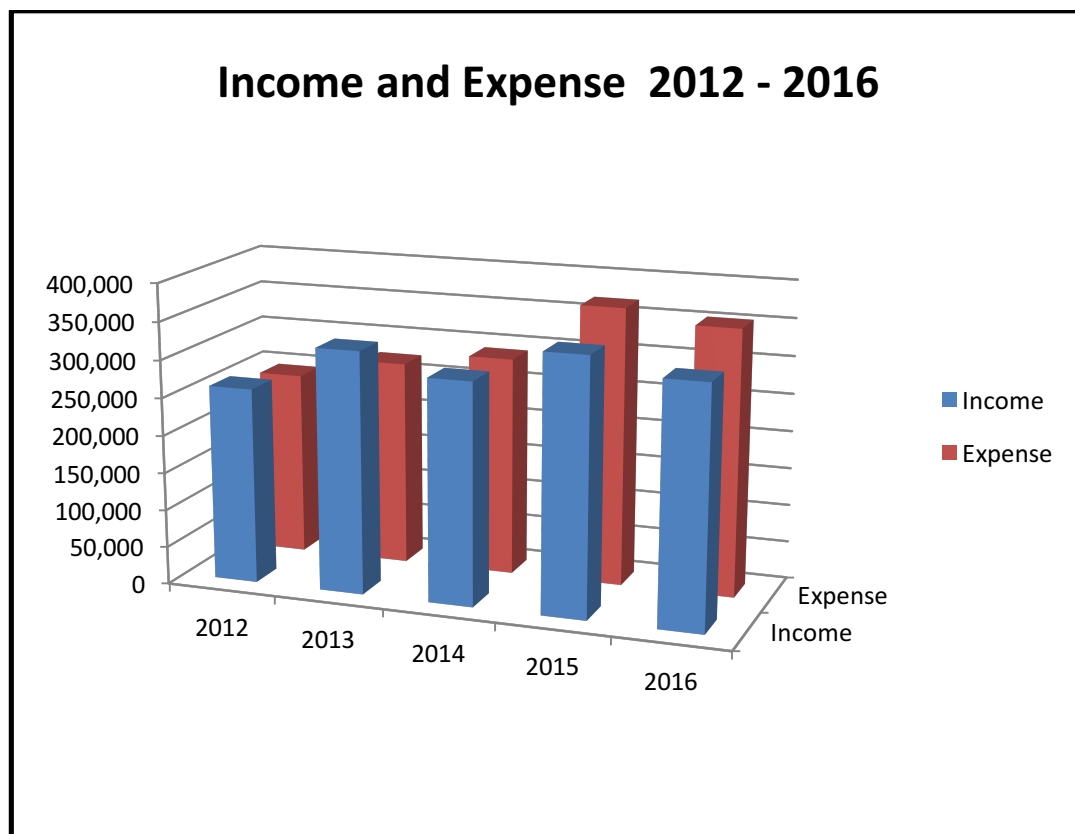
The Parish maintains 2 primary funds with the following balances at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 and reserve targets where appropriate:

#### General Fund

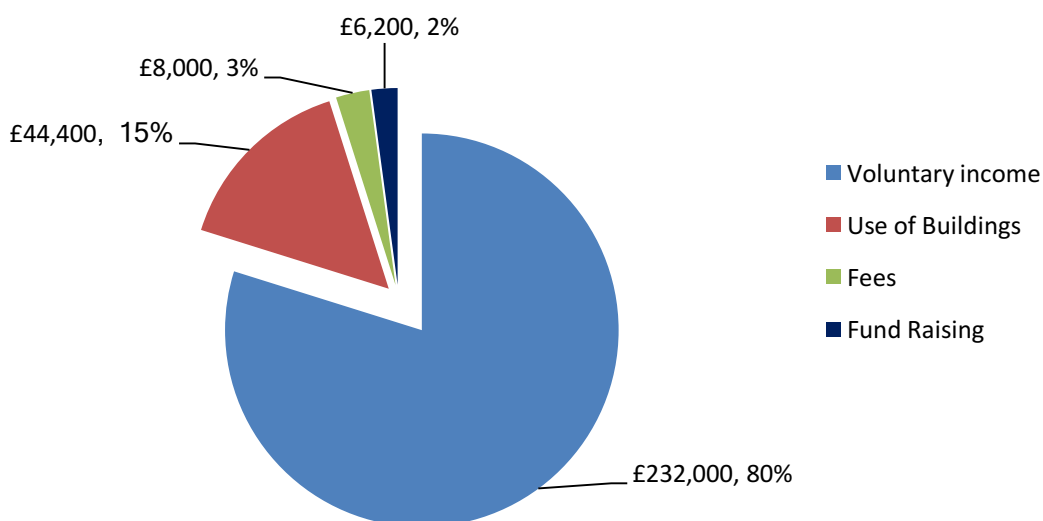
Unrestricted balance = £52,671, reserve target = £56,000

#### Fabric Fund

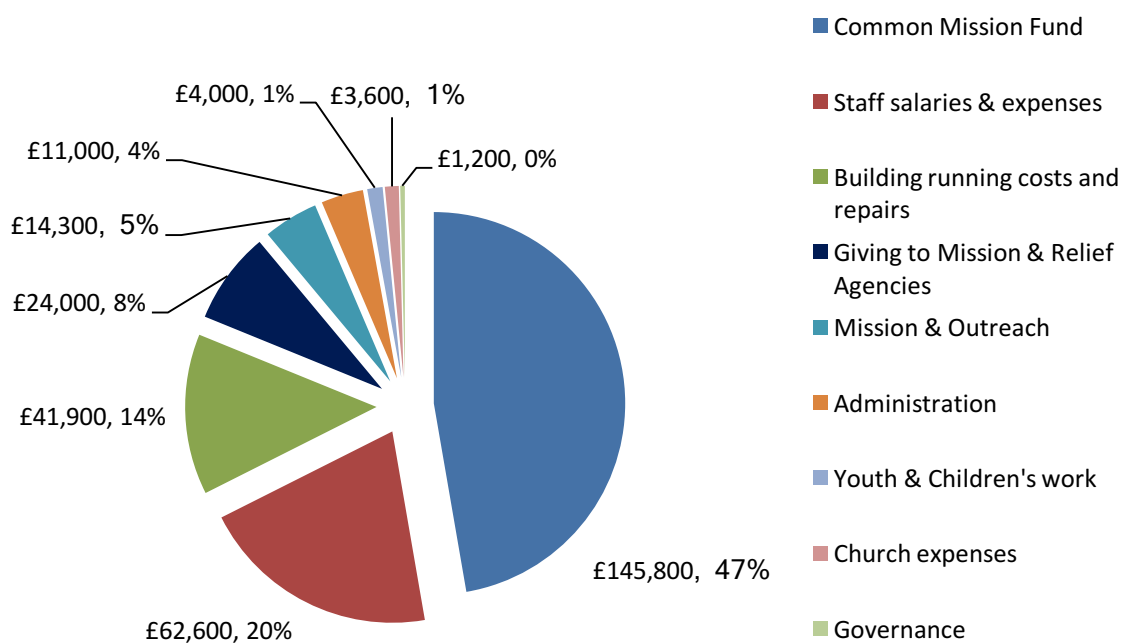
Unrestricted balance = £23,427, reserve target = £30,000



## Income 2016



## Expense 2016



The annual budget is set by the PCC with fees and salaries being set by the Standing Committee. A monthly Financial Situation report is provided by the treasurer, which enables PCC members to monitor the financial position.

2017 will be challenging as this will be the first complete year that a full time children's minister has been employed. It will also be the first time for several years that 10% of the budgeted unrestricted income will be given away to mission and aid agencies.

The Common Mission Fund contribution is paid in full each year and clergy expenses are reimbursed in full.

The PCC has agreed a reserves policy that is intended to ensure that we can meet our commitments and deal with emergencies and opportunities, rather than build up large balances for unspecified purposes

The parish is blessed with over 250 regular givers who provide the financial basis for our work.

The two buildings are each managed by a committee that has responsibility for the fabric and management of the buildings and grounds, in order to facilitate outreach. The income from letting each centre covers the running costs of the whole building.

