

**The Parish of Chandler's Ford**  
**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**  
**Wednesday 25 April 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in St Boniface Centre**

AGENDA

Opening Prayers

1. Apologies
  2. Minutes of the Annual Meeting for the election of Churchwardens and Deputy Churchwardens held on 19 April 2017
  3. The Election of Churchwardens
  4. The Election of Deputy Churchwardens and Assistant Wardens
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5. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 19 April 2017
  6. Matters arising
  7. Report on the Electoral Roll
  8. Election of three Deanery Synod members
  9. Election of eight Parochial Church Council members
  10. Election of Stewards (Churchwardens)
  11. Appointment of Junior Church leaders, 4pm service children's group leaders and the schools team (Churchwardens)
  12. Reports on Ornaments and Fabric\* and tabling of Terriers and Inventories, and Log Books of both churches (Churchwardens)
  13. Report on the Deanery Synod\* - and its acceptance
  14.
    - a. Presentation of Annual Report and Financial Statement – and its acceptance
    - b. Appointment of Independent Examiner for the financial year 2018
  15. Questions (submitted in advance to the PCC Secretary)
  16. Vicar's charge
  17. Closing prayers

(\* circulated with this agenda)

*Note: All residents of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Chandlers Ford, together with non-residents on the Church Electoral Roll, are welcome to vote on items 3 and 4; voting on all other items is restricted to those whose names are on the Church Electoral Roll.*

Revd Dr Ian Bird (Vicar of the Parish of Chandler's Ford)

# **Minutes of the Parish of Chandler's Ford Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Wednesday 19 April in St Boniface Centre**

Present: Revd Dr Ian Bird, Hazel Bateman, Anne Davies, Una Barter, Rosemary Ford, Josephine Smith, Lawson Smith, Mary Knight, Jenny Greasley, Malcolm Banks, Christine Clark, Sue Frane, Jenny Brockett, Lyn Darbyshire, Ken Smith, Lynne Mursell, Ann Brew, David Rhodda, David Parkinson, Mary Shepherd, Giles Richardson, Jackie Richardson, Tricia Urquhart, Ali Hill, Debbie Pearce, Gina McCausland, Joy Barnard, Gloria Brown, David and Pauline Lewis, Kerry Dominy, Jim Rooke, Tim Groves, Julie Bourne, Georgia Jenkin, Jean Nolan, Pam Beecroft and Paul Burgon.

## Opening Prayers

Revd Dr Ian Bird welcomed people to the meeting and opened with prayer and a reflection based on Romans 5: 1-5.

### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Brian and Anne Ridsdale, Ian and Penny Thatcher, Geoff and Jill Dobson, Anne Addiss, Linda Read, Hugh Benham, Peter Alexander, John Crossley, Nettie Crossley, Mavis Burgess, Barbara Dobson, Laurie and Beryl Tuppen, Deirdre Tomlinson, Pete and Tasha Hale, Tony and Ruth Palmer, Derek Bourne, Stephen Dominy, Judith Bird, Jo Rooke, Steve Hill, Sandy Groves and Ken Beecroft.

### **2. Minutes of the Annual Meeting for the election of Churchwardens and Deputy Churchwardens held on 27 April 2016.**

The minutes were amended to show that Ian and Penny Thatcher and Malcolm Banks were present. Proposed from the Chair, they were agreed and signed as a correct record of that meeting.

### **3. The Election of Churchwardens**

Maureen Gawthorne, seconded by Mary Shepherd, proposed that Una Barter be re-elected as Churchwarden: unanimous.

Patricia Urquhart, seconded by Joy Barnard, proposed that Anne Davies be re-elected as Churchwarden: unanimous.

The vicar stated that this would be Anne Davies' last year as Churchwarden.

### **4. The Election of Deputy Churchwardens and Assistant Wardens**

Anne Davies expressed warm gratitude to Paul Burgon who had served as Deputy Warden and Assistant Warden for 10 years and she presented him with a gift on behalf of the parish.

Anne Davies, seconded by Mary Knight proposed that Tim Groves be elected as Deputy Churchwarden: unanimous; and that Jackie Hill be elected as Assistant Warden; seconded by Lawson Smith: unanimous.

Una Barter, seconded by Christine Clark, proposed that Rosemary Ford be elected as Deputy Churchwarden: unanimous; and that Linda Read and Marion Smith, and Steve Hill (with special responsibility for 4pm service) be elected as Assistant Wardens, seconded by Jim Rooke: unanimous.

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**5. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 27 April 2016**

The minutes were agreed and signed as a correct record of that meeting.

**6. Matters arising**

None

**7. Report on the Electoral Roll**

Electoral Roll officer Jenny Brockett reported that, at the last APCM, the number on the roll had been 359. Since then, 9 had joined, 7 had left and 6 people had died. The number now stood at 355. 50 live out of parish.

**8. Election of five Deanery Synod members**

Two nominations had been received: Lynne Mursell and Jean Nolan. There being no other nominations, Lynne and Jean were duly elected.

**9. Election of five Parochial Church Council members**

Three nominations had been received: Christine Clark, Giles Richardson and Tricia Urquhart. There being no other nominations, Christine, Giles and Tricia were duly elected.

The vicar expressed thanks to those who had stood down from serving on the PCC and deanery synod this year.

**10. Election of Stewards**

Anne Davies, seconded by Tricia Urquhart, proposed that Gerry Bailey, Judy Bailey, Joy Barnard, Pam Beecroft, Jenny Caldwell, John Caldwell, Alan Catchlove, Sue Caukwell, Ellie Cummins, Ron Cummins, James Duguid, Audrey Gebbie, Sandy Groves, Jane Lambert, Mike Lambert, Margaret McKenzie, Adam Murton, Giles Richardson, Brian Ridsdale, Wendy Trewick and Beryl Tuppen be elected to serve as Stewards at St Martin's: unanimous.

Audrey Gebbie was welcomed as a new steward; Kay Ayling had stepped down from this role. Anne Davies expressed thanks to all the stewards for their work over the past year.

Una Barter, seconded by Jean Nolan, proposed that Rosemary Ford, Paul Anfield, Bob Bidder, Linda Bidder, Julie Bourne, Ros Clarke, Roy Clarke, Jenny Greasley, John Crossley, Barbara Dobson, Katherine Everett, Robert Everett, Jill Bennet, Drew Fleming, Helen Ford, Sue Frane, Maureen Gawthorne, Jeremy Hyde, Anita Jarman, Derek Leach, Len Marten, Linda Read, Mary Shepherd, Sally Skinley, Ken Smith, Marion Smith and Tom Strickland, be elected to serve as stewards at St Boniface: unanimous; and that Francisco, Monica, Marina and Lucia Blasco Lloret, Rae Daraklitsas, Brian Duxbury, Steve Hill, Katy May, Simon, Andrea, Isobel and Joseph Mugford, Jonathan, Debbie, Daniel and Matthew Pearce, Giles Richardson, Ian Thatcher, Jon Westmacott, Jim, Becca, Edward and Henry Wicks, James Jenkins, Joe Fenwick, Tony Palmer, Vicky, Jaques and Nathan Fourie, Ruth and Stuart Divall be elected to serve as stewards at the 4pm service: seconded by Joy Barnard: unanimous.

Una expressed thanks to all the stewards for their continuing service.

**11. Appointment of Junior Church leaders Xplorers; Church@four Children's Group leaders and the Schools Team**

Una Barter, seconded by Christine Clark, proposed that the following be appointed to work with children in our parish: **Xplorers St Martin's**; Jane Keen, Annieke Montgomery, Christina Oldham and Sandy Groves; **Little Stars**: Becca Wicks, Tash Hale, Charlotte Giles, Helen Dagley, Suzanne Smith, Penny Thatcher, Jo How, Jane Duxbury; **Sparks**: Debbie Pearce, Giles Richardson, Charlotte Giles, Dave Roberts, Jackie Richardson, Jo Price, Georgia Jenkin, Jim Wicks, *Ed Bennet*, Ali Roberts; **Live Wire**: Georgia Jenkin, Craig Jenkin, Vicky Fourie, Rae Daraklitsas, Mel Westmacott and Joe Fenwick; **Little Stars Tuesday**: Becca Wicks, Polly Gleeson, Monica Blasco, Georgia Jenkin, Paul Smith, Debbie Pearce and Rae Daraklitsas; **Superstars**: Georgia Jenkin, Margaret Doores, Anne Davies, Judith Bird and Christine Clark; unanimous. Georgia Jenkin continued to co-ordinate **Praise and Play**.

Anne Davies, seconded by Jackie Richardson, proposed that the following be appointed to the **Schools Team**: Georgia Jenkin, Paul Smith, Heather Callum, Ali Hill, Brian Duxbury, Debbie Pearce, Tony Palmer and Andrea Mugford: unanimous. Anne Davies praised their work, which now covered every primary school in Chandler's Ford.

**12. Reports on Ornaments and Fabric\* and tabling of Terriers and Inventories, and Log Books of both churches**

Anne Davies presented her report. She emphasised the huge amount of work that had taken place to move the 4pm service so successfully to St Boniface in the autumn – it was wonderful that this congregation had outgrown St Martin's. Seconded by Lynne Mursell, Anne proposed acceptance of her report: unanimous.

Una Barter presented her report. The ornaments and fabric of St Boniface were in good order, with some work in hand to complete the Quinquennial review requirements. Highlights from 2016 included the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration and Great Send-Off, the Parish Day Out, welcome to the 4pm service and the Twinning visit. Una thanked everyone who worked quietly in the background at St Boniface. More 'locker-ups' were needed for the rota and also more volunteers to provide coffee after church on Sundays, and more people to act as stewards. Una concluded by thanking Barbara Dobson for all her help and support. She proposed acceptance of her report; seconded by Joy Barnard: unanimous.

**13. Report on the Deanery Synod\* - and its acceptance**

Lawson Smith presented his report; seconded by Jim Rooke: unanimous. The vicar expressed thanks to Lawson for his report and his contribution to deanery synod.

**14. a. Presentation of Annual Report and Financial Statement – and its acceptance**

Treasurer Malcolm Banks referred to the accounts and financial statement, and entitled his review 'Growing as a generous community'.

During 2016, total expense had exceeded income by £35,000. Unrestricted fund income fell by £3,000 to £303,677 and expense rose by £1,000, so there was no surplus to bring forward to 2017.

Successes for the year included the appointment of our full-time children's minister and an increase in giving to mission.

### Challenges for 2017

The budget agreed by the PCC identified the need to grow income by 6.5%, but this had now increased to 11% to fulfil challenges for this year.

Voluntary giving accounted for 78% of income; 215 church members belong to the giving schemes (280 individuals). If giving increased by average of £12.79 each month, the challenge would be met. This was something we all needed to think and pray about.

God is our strength and we must trust in the power of prayer. We have the opportunity to demonstrate that we are a generous community by increasing our giving to support Georgia and continue to give 10% to mission. We needed to resist the temptation to panic and withdraw into an insular group of worshippers rather than take up the challenges Christ set for us.

During 2017, we needed to encourage generosity as a way of life, as individuals and as a community of disciples:

In money, time and attitudes to others, giving to God, not the church and have generosity as a value.

Be prepared to make sacrifices – PCC was already questioning each expense, and only going ahead with essential items.

In response to questions, Malcolm stated that the process to prevent this deficit had already begun and to raise giving to support our expenditure and reduce expenditure. At end of March, income and expense were roughly balanced, so we were heading in the right direction. For example, the PCC has made £800 savings on insurance for our parish buildings by changing insurer. Other desired work on our churches has been delayed. Jackie Richardson thanked Malcolm for grounding our financial position in good theology.

Malcolm Banks, seconded by Jim Rooke, proposed acceptance of the annual report and financial statement: unanimous.

The vicar thanked Malcolm, the Finance and Stewardship committee, Sue Frane, Ann Brew, Linda Read and Paul Burgon for all their work on the parish finances.

#### b. Appointment of Independent Examiner for the financial year 2017

The PCC recommended to this meeting that Margaret Atkinson be reappointed as External Examiner for 2017. Malcolm accordingly proposed her, seconded by Ali Hill: unanimous.

### **15. Questions (submitted in advance to the PCC Secretary)**

None

### **16. Vicar's charge**

Revd Dr Ian Bird began by thanking everyone for all their work in support of the life of the parish, both those with high profile roles and all who work quietly behind the scenes. 2016 had been a year of great change – and there was much to give God thanks for. He was grateful to God for his faithfulness to us. He expressed thanks to

Christine Clark for 13 years of editing the Parish News and to David Lewis for taking on this mantle. Referring to the front cover of the annual report, he highlighted events that had taken place during the year.

The parish team had changed dramatically: we had said goodbye to May, Nigel, Ben and Laura; Barbara Dobson had retired as churchwarden, Sue Frane had retired as administrator but had continued in a voluntary capacity until Suzie Pavitt was appointed; and Adrian Nance had been licensed. We had welcomed Tony, Ruth and family, Georgia Jenkin, Una as churchwarden and Suzie Pavitt as administrator. Revd Sheena Williams had moved on in January to the parish of North Stoneham and Bassett, and he wanted to acknowledge how much she gave to the life of this parish.

In 2016, the 4pm service moved to St Boniface in September. Lots of people had been involved in the logistics for this very smooth and successful move. We continued on with a diversity of worship, weekly and at festivals. He thanked Revd Christine Whitehead, Revd Tony Palmer and the retired clergy who had given, and continued to give, valuable service to the parish.

He went on to review the regular activities that happen throughout the year, which provided outreach opportunities and range of socials. There was a huge diversity of groups and activities in the parish for both adults and young people.

The first Parish Quiet Day co-ordinated by Ali, our Parish Discipleship Co-ordinator, had been much appreciated by the participants, and another was planned for this year. Thanks were expressed to Ali for resourcing and developing home groups and courses. The Parish Day out was a great success and would happen again this year. Georgia had developed the work with school assemblies and school visits. There was continuing involvement with Churches Together in Chandler's Ford and the beginning of an ecumenical workplace chaplaincy. The process of updating our IT, website and communications work had begun and was still being developed; this would streamline communications within the parish. In addition to our current communications, a monthly email update was planned, covering what was happening in the parish.

The Parish Mission Action plan had been updated and we achieved most of what was planned. Next year we would be renewing our pMAP for the next three years. Under Bishop Tim's direction, we were becoming a mission-shaped diocese; there were many developments at diocesan and deanery level as well as at parish level, taking this vision forward.

The Mission Committee had worked hard to produce a *Missional and Discipleship Activities* document. The purpose of this was to inform our congregations and people new to the church of the wide variety of work going on and copies would be available for congregations to see. Thanks were expressed to the Mission Committee for compiling this document and looking at ways to disseminate this information.

The regular parish prayer meeting had been poorly attended and was therefore discontinued. The PCC now met 30 minutes early for prayer before meetings. As a community, we needed to pray for the person God was calling to be our new associate minister. There had been no applicants from the last advert, and we would re-advertise at the end of May.

Malcolm had outlined the financial challenges we face, and we needed to communicate this challenge, address it and pray it through. We should also pray for our wider mission, that we will always be a parish which seeks to take the Christian message to Chandler's Ford and beyond, and for the development of our Parish Mission Action Plan.

Seven years ago, Ian had presented the parish with a vision statement. During 2017 this would be re-formulated as much had already been achieved.

We continued the walk of faith together as a community, and to serve a God who is generous and full of amazing surprises; give God thanks and glory for all that had gone on in 2016.

*“Now to him who is able through the power which is at work among us to do immeasurably more than all we can ask or conceive, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus from generation to generation! Amen!”*

Ephesians 3: 20 – 21

## **17. Closing prayers**

The meeting closed with prayers of thankfulness and the Grace.

\* Previously circulated

## **Parish Stewards March 2018**

**Deputy Wardens:** Rosemary Ford and Tim Groves

**Assistant Wardens:** Jackie Hill, Linda Read, Marion Smith & Steve Hill

Susha Abraham  
Paul Anfield  
Judy Bailey & Gerry Bailey  
Joy Barnard  
Pam Beecroft  
Jill Bennett  
Francisco Blasco-Lorrett

Julie Bourne  
Derek Bourne  
Ann Brew  
Paul Burgon  
Alan Catchlove  
Jennie & John Caldwell  
Ros & Roy Clarke  
Sue Caukwell  
Ellie Cummins & Ron Cummins  
Barbara Dobson  
James Duguid  
Brian Duxbury  
Katherine & Robert Everett  
Drew Fleming  
Helen Ford  
Jacques Fourie  
Sue Frane  
Maureen Gawthorne  
Audrey Gebbie

Jenny Greasley  
Sandy Groves  
Jeremy Hyde  
Anita Jarman  
James Jenkins  
Mary Knight  
Jane |Lambert & Mike Lambert  
Derek Leach  
Len Marten  
Katy May  
Margaret McKenzie  
Andrea and Simon Mugford  
Adam Murton  
June Nicolas  
Christina Oldham  
Catherine Oliver  
Jonathan and Debbie Pearce  
Giles Richardson  
Brian Ridsdale  
Mary Shepherd  
Sally Skinley  
Ken Smith  
Tom Strickland  
Ian Thatcher  
Wendy Trewick  
Beryl Tuppen  
Jon Westmacott  
Jim and Becca Wicks



**Parish of Chandler's Ford**  
**Annual Report from the Churchwardens,**  
**including the Report on Ornaments and Fabric**  
**for St Boniface and St Martin in the Wood**  
**April 2017– March 2018**

As Churchwardens of the Parish of Chandler's Ford, we are pleased to submit this report on behalf of St. Boniface and St Martin in the Wood Churches.

**One Parish, two churches working together**

**1. Ornaments and Fabric:**

A Visitation was carried out by Richard Stretfield, Church Buildings and Pastoral Officer, from the DAC on 13<sup>th</sup> October **2016**. We still await a copy of his report.

- We can confirm that the Ornaments and Fabric of St. Boniface and St Martin in the Wood are in good order.
- St Boniface have on long term loan a large pyx from St Martin's specifically for home communion in local care homes.

**2. Quinquennial Review:**

**a) St Boniface**

Items from the Quinquennial Review of St Boniface which took place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014:

- Mortar infill to tiles on nave south east gable – Priority B – 'essential within 18 months'
- Inspect and confirm sound condition of bellcote flashing – Priority C – 'essential within the Quinquennial'
- The lightning conductor to be tested – no identified timescale.

Work on these 3 items will be carried out at the same time so that scaffolding can be hired just once. It was not possible for them to be carried out last year and plans are in hand for the work to be undertaken this year. The plan is for the bell, which became detached from the bell rope during 2016, to also be repaired at the same time.

**b) St Martin in the Wood:**

- Exterior painting was not completed due to the painter's illness. This will be completed during 2018.
- Moss continues to grow on the roof. Chemicals will not be used to control this but growth will be carefully scraped away.
- All issues identified during the review have been addressed.

Rex Butland, who carried out the last Quinquennial Report, has retired. At the PCC meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017, Duncan McKellar, an architect approved by the Diocese, was appointed as the Parish Architect.

### **3. Church Documents:**

- The current church services registers, wedding, funeral and baptismal records are in order and kept up to date. From these records the annual Parish Mission Statistics have been completed and submitted to the Church of England Membership Return. The record of documents and registers appertaining to the church indicates which records are kept in various places in the churches and which registers and historical papers are in the Hampshire Records Office.

### **4. Faculties and The Chancellor's General Directions:**

During this period there were no requirements for Faculties.

### **5. Building Insurance Review:**

Following the renewal proposal of the buildings insurance from Ecclesiastical Services, a comparison was made with a proposal from Trinitas Insurance. Trinitas offered a single Parish-wide insurance covering both churches. This resulted in significant savings over the previous policy and this proposal was accepted by the PCC. The saving will be at least £800 a year.

### **6. Other Projects:**

- General maintenance of the outside and inside of our church buildings continues on a regular basis. Much of this at St Boniface is masterminded if not carried out by Jeremy Hyde for which we wish to offer grateful thanks.
- LED tubes have been fitted in Canterbury room.
- A TV screen has been securely fixed to the wall in the Narthex, allowing church activities to be displayed.
- Other electrical work has included rewiring the dimmer switch box; diverting a spotlight to the altar and fitting an anti-tamper cover on the flood light switch in the flower room.
- A new community notice board has been fitted outside the office.
- At St Martin's the entrance hall and kitchen have been repainted by members of the congregation who have given freely of their time and expertise to carry out this work.
- In view of the financial situation in the Parish the replacement of the glass units in the Velux windows was put on hold in both churches until there is a more stable financial situation
- PAT testing has been completed in both buildings.

## **7. The Grounds:**

We are grateful to the many people who care for our grounds and car parks, keeping them in a good state.

- At St Boniface bollards at the entrances to the church were replaced together with repairs to the broken paving slabs. Two posts have been damaged and subsequently repaired at no cost to the Parish.
- Grounds and gardens at St Martin's are regularly maintained by volunteers, with two half day clear ups in spring and autumn.
- A volunteer cares for the garden and lawn at St Boniface and a professional gardener undertakes work at both sites on a regular basis.

## **8. Church Centre and Church Buildings:**

The Church and Centre committees, with representatives from most congregations, oversee the running of the Churches and Centres, ensuring the buildings are kept clean and well decorated for the benefit of church groups and community hirers.

## **9. Social Events:**

During this year the following events took place:

March - Parish Quiz

April - Easter Holiday Club which was well attended by children from both the church congregation and local schools

June - First Aid course

July - Cardiff Arms Male Voice Choir

September - Barn Dance

October - Autumn Fayre, Church Music workshop, Children's Light Party

November - Fireworks party organised by the Little Stars team; thank you celebration for volunteers

December - Christmas coffee morning

Regular Events included:

Film night

Holiday at Home

Beacon Café

Lunches – Lent, Harvest, monthly and special occasions

Fair trade and Traidcraft sales. Selling greetings cards for St. Anne's Hospital, Liuli, Tanzania

Women's breakfast and Men's breakfast

Afternoon Guild

Mother's Union

- In August many of us enjoyed the Parish Day Out, in beautiful sunshine at the Royal Victoria Country Park. We had play facilities for the children, excellent food and the opportunity to enjoy time with friends and acquaintances across the Parish.

## 10. Young People's Activities: at St Boniface

- We are delighted that the 4 o'clock Informal service continues to flourish
- During the service the children go into groups according to their ages: Little Stars for up to 3 year olds; Live wires - school age 3 – 6; Fuse – school age 7 – 10 and Ignite - school/college 11 – 13.
- **Fuse** meet on Tuesday evenings at St Boniface
- **Praise Together Service** was held on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month and was an informal family service. Families of recently baptised children were encouraged to attend. This gave way to **Messy church** from September, held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.
- **Praise and Play** meet each Wednesday morning and is led by Georgia Jenkin with assistance from other parents/carers for preschool children. There has been a break since Christmas and we look forward to this restarting with a refreshed format after February half term.

### At St Martin in the Wood.

- **Junior church Explorers continues** at St Martin's; the children meet during the 9.15 am service returning to church for communion or a blessing and the opportunity to share with the congregation their teaching and craft.
- **Little Stars** continue very successfully with two sessions each Tuesday morning during term time
- **Xplode** after school group meet weekly each Tuesday in term time

## 11. Lay Work within the Parish:

There are many people who work hard to make sure that we keep the church buildings and fabric in good condition. There are others whose outreach work takes them beyond the church as a building, offering support to people in Chandlers Ford and beyond.

**12. Church life** is supported by, and would not survive without the tireless work of active, committed volunteers. Many work quietly behind the scenes, all offer time, talent and expertise and none of this is taken for granted. We would like to thank everyone who keeps the church a vibrant and active part of our community.

There are those who lock and unlock the building, clean the church and make sure the heating timer is correct; give lifts to others, make delicious food and lots of cups of tea and coffee, take bookings and manage our hirers. The magazine editor and distributors; lay pastors and others who visit and offer support and take communion to house bound people. Those who help with the smooth running of the services – our Deputy and Assistant Wardens, Stewards, Servers, Sacristans, Flower arrangers, Choir members, musicians and organists. The people dealing with the administration of the Parish – PCC members, our Clerk to the PCC, members of Deanery Synod, members of various Parish committees and volunteer office staff. We celebrate the gifts they offer freely to the life and work of the church and thank them wholeheartedly.

We were delighted that over 100 volunteers attended a “Thank You” evening celebration last November. There were representatives from all aspects of parish life from both churches and they were thanked by Red Dr Ian Bird for the significant contribution they provide to maintain both churches.

We are extremely grateful for the help and advice we receive from the Parish Administrator and the Vicar’s PA to and for the invaluable support from the PCC and especially the PCC Clerk assisting us with our work as Wardens.



**A Special Thank you from both of us** to all those who have been so helpful and supportive to us during the year, without whose help our job would be impossible.

#### **14. And Finally.....**

This report cannot be completed without thanking our Leadership Team for their commitment and dedication to the work of our Lord in this place. Especial thanks to Ian, for his patience and care, to Christine, Tony, Paul, Georgia and Ali; to our LLMs and retired clergy and the many people who support them in a variety of roles. We welcome Garry who joined the team as Associate Minister in January 2018. Paul left in August to take up a Diocesan Youth Advisor post. We are very grateful for the considerable input he gave to the youth and their families in the Parish and wish him well in his new venture.

We send our best wishes and every blessing to Christine on her appointment as full time hospital chaplain with Hampshire NHS Trust.

Anne, who is not seeking re-election, would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support and encouragement you have given over the last six years in her post as Church Warden with responsibility for St Martin in the Wood. This has been a challenging and fulfilling experience, only possible with great support from her husband John throughout.

. To everyone we would like to say -

**A HUGE THANK YOU!**

**Thank you for your continuing support, help and encouragement during the year**

**from the Churchwardens.**

Una Barter and Anne Davies – Churchwardens - March 2018

## Children's Leaders April 2017 - 2018

### 4pm leaders

#### Little Stars

Becca Wicks  
Tash Hale  
Penny Thatcher

Helen Dagley  
Maddie Cole  
*Maddie Threlfall*

Jo How  
*Annie Duxbury*

#### Sparks

Jackie Richardson

Peter Knight

Vicky Fourie

Giles Richardson  
Charlotte Giles  
Dave Roberts

Jo Price  
Georgia Jenkin

*Ed Bennett*  
Ali Roberts

#### Live Wire

Georgia Jenkin  
Craig Jenkin

Mel Westmacott  
Alice Knight

Tim Bird  
*Eden Threlfall*

#### 9:15am Service

Jane Keen  
Annie Montgomery

Sandy Groves  
Georgia Jenkin

Anne Davies

#### Little Stars Tuesday

Becca Wicks  
Polly Gleeson  
Monica Blasco

Georgia Jenkin  
Rae Daraklitsas  
Jen Hagyard

Debbie Pearce  
Maddie Cole

#### Xplode

Georgia Jenkin  
Margaret Doores  
*Eden Threlfall*

Ruth Palmer  
Judith Bird  
*Maddie Threlfall*

Peter Knight  
*Hannah Thatcher*  
*Maisie Stocks*

#### Schools Team

Georgia Jenkin

Ian Bird

Tony Palmer

Garry Roberts

Andrea Mugford

Debbie Pearce

*Names in italics are young leaders*

### Youth leaders

Steph Forward  
Claire Brendish  
Nathan Brendish  
Jane Bennett

Becca Wicks  
Ruth Palmer  
James Jenkins  
Tim Bird  
Sarah Smith  
Paul Smith  
Ruth Divall  
Stuart Divall  
Linda Chant  
Craig Jenkin

## **Deanery Synod Report 1 January 2017 – 31 December 2017**

The synod met four times during 2017.

### **6 March 2017**

At the first meeting of the year, the Synod welcomed Revd Fiona Gibb as the new Area Dean. Fiona took over from Revd Peter Vargesson who had given many years of service as Area Dean prior to his retirement. Fiona welcomed Revd Richard Wise as the Deputy Area Dean (designate) and asked that they both be remembered in prayer as they begin their new roles in the Eastleigh Deanery.

Danny Stupple, (Lay Chair), on behalf of Lucy Moor, apprised the Synod of the recent discussions at the General Synod Meeting which included:

- Making things more simple
- Keeping Banns
- Clergy vestments
- New liturgy for the suicidal
- Human sexuality
- Renewal and reform.

An update was given on the twenty-year link between the Eastleigh Deanery and the Bukedi Diocese in Uganda.

David Dimmock, (Deanery Financial Officer), reported that there had been a 100% return on Share payments in 2016 and he hoped this would be matched in 2017.

Following a short break, Revd Tony Palmer gave a presentation on 'Thy Kingdom Come – Novena of Prayer'. The events being held would culminate in a Beacon Event at Winchester Cathedral on 4 June 2017.

### **12 June 2017**

Financial Matters concerning the Common Mission Fund collection rate and CMF 2018 returns were reported. The agreed parish contributions to the Deanery, £25 per member, had all been paid.

The Synod divided into houses for the election of Standing Committee members. Revd Dr Ian Bird, Revd Thomas Wharton and Revd Ian MacFarlane were elected to the House of Clergy and Michelle Pride and Scott Neale to the House of Laity.

Danny Stupple was elected as Lay Co-Chairman, David Dimmock as Financial Officer and Peter Hoadley as Secretary.

Following a short break, the Diocesan Team led a presentation of the aMAP. Synod agreed that the Standing Committee should proceed with finalising the dMAP, noting the objectives of the aMAP.

#### **4 September 2017**

The Deanery Financial Officer reported on relevant matters.

The Lay Chair introduced the draft of the dMAP following which a good deal of discussion took place. Comments would be reviewed and a revised version of the dMAP presented to the aMAP Team.

Following a brief break, Synod welcomed two speakers, David Grant from the 'Who Cares' organisation ([www.who-cares.org.uk/Hampshire](http://www.who-cares.org.uk/Hampshire)). Anne Molyneux outlined a scheme called 'Life Matters', a series of talks to empower people who have Family, Health, Relationships or Life matters of concern. (A website was being set up.)

#### **15 October 2017**

The Deanery Finance Officer gave an update on the payment of parish share.

There were two vacancies to be filled in the House of Laity, two nominations were received, proposed and seconded and Stacey Eagan and Scott Neale were duly elected.

At a recent Chapter Meeting, the Revd Thomas Wharton and the Revd Ali Mephram were duly elected to the House of Clergy.

Feedback was given on the draft dMAP and parish representatives gave a brief outline of the outworking of their pMAPs.

Following a short break two presentations were given, the first on 'Safe Families for Children' (SFFC). In the South Coast area 69 families representing 167 children had been supported. In Eastleigh 10 families had been helped since April with six churches being involved. ([www.safefamiliesforchildren.com](http://www.safefamiliesforchildren.com).) The second presentation gave an update on 'Fledge', which is based in Eastleigh. 'Fledge' provides safe accommodation which enables trained personnel to get alongside young vulnerable people and, as described by one resident, 'to do life with us'. A £25k shortfall in funding was reported.

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