



22 July 2017

Dear Parishioners

Parish finances

The parish accounts for the six months ended 30 June 2017, with comparative figures for the previous year are set out below.

Although the parish incurred a deficit of £3,563 this should reverse in the second half of the year once the gift aid refund for 2016/17 has been received. Offertory receipts fell by 4% in the period and the balance on the general fund stands at £19,523.

Donations to the building and maintenance fund amounted to £2,525 and the balance on that fund, including the parish's share of Growing in Faith donations, amounts to £30,932.

The parish also received donations and legacies during the year of £5,002 and the balance on that fund amounts to £150,867.

In addition to the above, you donated £3,452 to special collections and made further Growing in Faith donations. I am very grateful for your continuing generosity.

Yours sincerely

Parish Priest

Summary accounts – Six months ended 30 June 2016

Receipts

Payments

	6 months to 30 June:			6 months to 30 June:	
	2017	2016		2017	2016
	£	£		£	£
Offertory standing orders	11,320	12,212	Clergy & youth worker	10,809	10,755
Offertory envelopes	5,633	5,892	Diocesan assessment	8,557	7,638
Offertory loose plate	5,215	4,930	Repairs	3,880	2,454
	<u>22,168</u>	<u>23,034</u>	Heat, light & water	3,330	3,978
Parish hall receipts	3,049	2,613	Liturgical & catechetical	1,047	1,272
Candles, repository, papers	970	1,229	Candles, repository, papers	1,198	666
Stipends	964	2,321	Office and administration	1,009	992
Offertory tax refund	0	319	Council tax & insurance	584	565
Interest	0	95	Parish activities	300	1,038
	<u>27,151</u>	<u>29,611</u>		<u>30,714</u>	<u>29,358</u>
Deficit	3,563		Surplus		253
	<u>30,714</u>	<u>29,611</u>		<u>30,714</u>	<u>29,611</u>

General fund

	6 months to 30 June:	
	2017	2016
	£	£
Opening balance	23,086	16,819
(Deficit)/Surplus	(3,563)	253
Closing balance	<u>19,523</u>	<u>17,072</u>

Building & maintenance fund

	6 months to 30 June:	
	2017	2016
	£	£
Opening balance	24,913	14,407
Donations	2,525	3,103
Growing in Faith	3,494	2,843
	<u>30,932</u>	<u>20,353</u>
Expenditure	0	0
Closing balance	<u>30,932</u>	<u>20,353</u>

Donations & legacies

	6 months to 30 June:	
	2017	2016
	£	£
Opening balance	177,339	118,450
Donations	5,002	0
	<u>182,341</u>	<u>118,450</u>
Expenditure on property and equipment	31,474	4,441
Closing balance	<u>150,867</u>	<u>114,009</u>

Special collections and other donations

	6 months to 30 June:	
	2017	2016
	£	£
CAFOD	1,534	6,800
Priests' Training Fund	548	523
Grenfell Tower Appeal	496	0
Lenten Arms	312	493
Holy Places	259	235
Day for Life	172	198
St Anthony's Bread	72	46
Catholic Children's Society	59	52
Ukraine Appeal	0	519
	<u>3,452</u>	<u>8,866</u>

Your donations to Growing in Faith have raised £11,600 for parish funds in total, of which £10,900 has now been received. The remaining £700 will be received in the next few months, once the five-year appeal has ended.