

St Mary's 2019-2020 Annual Reports



Prepared for the Annual Parish Meeting of
St Mary's Anglican Church, Sunbury
held on Sunday November 29th, 2020

Minutes of St Mary's Annual General Meeting

18th November, 2019 at St Mary's Parish Hall

Meeting declared open 7.30pm

Gavin acknowledged the traditional owners of the land

Attendance: Kevin Swaffield, Mike Lampard, Wendy Caramarco, Noel Sprague, Danielle Johanesen, Hilary Williams, PC Grobler, Samantha Dennett, Rod Smyrk, Lesley McInerney, Marg Flanigan, Kristine Green, Larry Green, Gwen Hutcheson, Ros Armstrong, Mark Armstrong, Terri Carr, Steve Riley, Phil Stacy, Gill Garth, Annette Appleton, Susanne Baxter-Smith, Susan Vanderstock, John Vanderstock, Heather Watts, Peter Watts, Alan Phillips, Elsa Phillips, Don Cottell, Bev Cottell, Max Langshaw, Edith Langshaw, Michael Williams, Esther Rule, Sharon Ward, Alison Rae, Nathanael Armstrong,

Apologies: Sue Allaz, Cath Robinson, Jenay Flint, Marj Stacy, Mark Rule,

Bible reading: by Rev Matt Browne Revelation 5: "You are worthy"

Prayer: Led By Rev. Matthew Browne

Previous Minutes:

Acceptance of 2018 AGM minutes 17/11/2018

Moved by Ros Armstrong Seconded by Annette Appleton Carried

Amendment- Ros was only in attendance once!

Acceptance of Electoral Role:

Moved by Don Cottell Seconded by Peter Watts Carried

Report by incumbent on entries in the registers of the Parish

Tabled

Guest Speaker- Rod Smyrk. Speaking on the Winter Night Shelter, using Matthew 25:31

Annual Reports

Vicars Report

Assistant Curate's Report

Manager of Operational Ministries Report

Discipleship and Ministry Training Coordinator

Wardens Report

Parish Council Report

Building Committee Report

Home Group Report-

Elsa thanked Alison for all her work with the Home groups this year.

Winter Night Shelter Report

Kids Hope

Chibobo Report-

Update received- Load sharing is causing electricity and internet shortages so communication is limited.

Prayer Ministry Report

Youth United Report

St Mary's MU

CMS

Community Store Report-

Someone from Bunning wants to assist with security cameras etc.

To be discussed in general business

Stitch & Sew Report

Synod Report-

Tabled as a separate insert to the printed reports.

Move that the reports be received.

Moved by Heather Watts

Seconded by

Alan Phillips

Carried

Financial Reports

Move that the audited accounts be received as presented

Moved by Phil Stacy

Seconded by

Samantha Dennett

Carried

Presentation of 2018/19 Budget by Noel Sprague

Gavin acknowledged the work of the Wardens, Alan Phillips and Narelle Riley in managing the Parish finances

Election of Auditor

Move that Rob Brennand be appointed as auditor.

Moved by Mark Armstrong

Seconded by

Don Cottell

Carried

The meeting thanks Rob for his work as Auditor this year.

Elections

Churchwardens:

Wendy Caramarco

Mark Armstrong

Vicar's Appointed Warden

Noel Sprague

Parish Council:

Samantha Dennett

Danielle Johanesen

Alan Phillips

Esther Rule

Peter Schou

Gavin thanked Marthie Grobler (1 year), Don Cottell (6 years) and Michael Williams (7 years) for their contributions on Parish Council.

Incumbency committee:

Don Cottell

Alison Rae

All declared elected

General Business

Verbal proposal re renovations to Community Store external storage area put forward by Larry Green, responding to recent security breaches. Written proposal to be presented to Wardens for further consideration.

Meeting closed with prayer led by Phil Stacy at 8.35pm

Vicar's Report to Annual Parish Meeting – 29 November 2020

Introduction

As I write this report, Melbourne is slowly moving out of restrictions, which we have been under since the middle of March 2020. By the time we have our Annual Parish Meeting on 29 November, the world could have changed dramatically again, such has been the year we have lived through.

In all of this we have remained faithful in worshipping and serving the Lord, who doesn't change dramatically but who instead is faithful, steadfast and unchanging.

As we sit at this end of 2020, we can reflect back on this faithful God in the words of Moses from Deuteronomy 32:3-4 **"I will proclaim the name of the Lord, Oh praise the greatness of our God! He is the Rock, his works are perfect, and all his ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is he."**

The past year is really split into 2 parts.

Part A is from 1 October 2019 until 15 March 2020.

Part B is from 16 March to 30 September 2020.

My report on each of these is in some detail to enable those who read this in years to come to understand the circumstances of 2020 and our response to the challenges.

1 2020 (Part A)

In this world, we had 3 church services each Sunday (8.30am, 10.30am and 5pm) and a service on Wednesday at 10am. Our average weekly attendance at these services was around 200. When we gathered we sang God's praises, we read and reflected on God's Word, we remembered Jesus' death and resurrection with Holy Communion and we prayed for our world and ourselves. We greeted each other with a kiss, by shaking hands or with a hug. We sat closely together or spread out as we chose. We had morning tea (or dinner) in the hall after our services where we laughed, cried, prayed and cared for each other and where we warmly welcomed guests and friends to church.

In addition to our regular services we had around 10 Home Groups which met in various homes, or the Parish House, where around 100 people spent time together studying God's Word and supporting and caring for each other.

Our Christmas Services were well attended again with over 460 people attending our Lessons and Carols, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

Many other Parish activities and groups finished well at the end of 2019 and began their ministries and planning again in early 2020. These are covered in the various reports in other parts of these papers. My sincere thanks to all who lead these various ministries and activities.

In addition to these regular activities, we also had a successful Parish Prayer Retreat Day at Bullengarook on October 12 led by the Rev Jeannie Woollard.

In the early part of 2020, we had a Launch of the Women's Ministry at St Andrew's on 8 February and a Parish Visioning Day in late February at St John's Riddells Creek. At this day we set some goals for the year including the training and equipping of new leaders and of a 50% increase in those attending Home Groups.

2 2020 (Part B)

In early March 2020 we were hit with the Covid-19 Global pandemic and everything changed. The Australian and Victorian Governments, along with the Melbourne Diocese, gave us very strict rules and guidelines to ensure the safety of everyone from this pandemic. This is how it played out.

I attended the Women's World T20 Cricket Cup Final on Sunday 8 March at the MCG with over 86,000 other people. The following weekend the Australian Formula 1 Grand Prix was called off and on Sunday 15 March we held our final "in-person" Sunday services for the year.

On Wednesday 18 March, I officiated at Ian Garth's funeral in a packed St Mary's building. That was to be the last time the church was used for a public service for the year.

On Saturday 21 March, the Parish Council met in the church and decided to cancel our services for the next day (on health grounds). On Sunday 22 March we began “live streaming” services on Youtube at 9.30am and 5pm with pre-recorded elements (including Bible Readings, Intercessions and “Zooming in with Gavin” – interviews with various people within and beyond the Parish).

We ran our “live streams” from inside the church for a while and then, when we decided to use these circumstances to have the large cracks in the church fixed and the church restored, we moved our “live streams” to the Parish Hall. We set up a studio there using clothes and sheets from the Community Store and various quilts to deaden the noise in the hall. We also set up a cross and put our Mission Statement on the wall to “normalise” things as much as we could. With all our buildings closed, we were able to leave the studio in place for the remainder of the church year.

The services began with “live” music” but it was then felt unsafe to have singers together inside, so by mid-year we began using the recordings we had from previous services for our hymns and songs. With a maximum of 5 people only permitted for “live streaming” we decided to reduce the risk of infection by having a minimum number of people at each service – mostly being just the Priest (either Matt Browne or myself) and the two technical experts (Nathanael and Mark Armstrong). We occasionally invited a 4th person to join us to lead the service or read the Bible or lead intercessions.

“Zooming in with Gavin” enabled many people to visit St Mary’s during this time whom we wouldn’t usually be able to have join us. Some of my guests included Staivous Mulumba from the Chibobo Community in Zambia, Chris Adams (our CMS link Missionary) from Timor Leste, Archbishop Philip Freier, Bishop Kate Prowd and others who were previously loved members of St Mary’s including Rev’s Kim Beales, Tim Kelly, Ernest Horth and Tanya Cummings. We even had all the Ministers from Sunbury provide a greeting during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

All other Parish activities involving interpersonal contact either stopped or moved to “zoom” or other on-line ways. Sadly for us and Alan Stafford (who had just taken on the Co-ordinating role for St Mary’s) the Winter Shelter for the homeless in Sunbury had to be cancelled also, although other arrangements were made to assist those who are homeless.

As restrictions changed and the pandemic took a turn for the worse in Melbourne, we were required to appoint a Covid-safe Officer to ensure all our activities were safe for all involved. Esther Rule took on this role and has done a great job, working through all the directives and guidelines.

With the Community Store closed, no hiring of the hall and no physical offertory received at church it would be understandable to wonder what would happen to our finances. The Wardens will report on this, but suffice to say we serve a generous and amazing God. Job Keeper and a Business Victoria Grant has covered the loss of Community Store and hall hire income for the Parish and the vast majority of parishioners have moved to electronic offertory. The Wardens have also conducted a monthly physical pick up of offertory cash for those who would prefer this. This has meant we have finished the year in good financial shape and we have been able to support various missions as we continue to look beyond ourselves. My thanks to everyone for your continued faithfulness in giving.

Apart from our Sunday Services, we actively sought to retain connections with each other and to minister to others in the following ways:-

- Daily Morning (9am) and Evening (5pm) Prayer on our Facebook Group;
- the establishment of a full Pastoral spreadsheet keeping track of everyone and their needs;
- zoom morning teas after the morning service;
- weekly pastoral e-mails;
- Women’s Ministry zoom connections and events;
- Home Group Leaders keeping in contact with members (and in some cases meeting via zoom);
- Special Prayer meetings on Wednesday nights (by zoom);
- on-line Youth United activities;
- Provision of activities for children to do at home during services;
- Zoom chat with the children during the sermon slot at 5pm;
- conducting two on-line Alpha courses;
- conducting an on-line Marriage Enrichment Course;
- Jimmy’s Spot on Wednesdays (for the children and young at heart) on our Facebook Group; and
- Regular prayer points on our Facebook Group.

In addition to caring for one another, we also had a view to our broader community. In this regard we:-

- organized the collection and distribution of meals to those in need. The meals were provided by the Victorian Parliamentary Kitchen and were collected and given out on a weekly basis to those in need in our community and also to Careworks who distributed to vulnerable people in the Sunbury Community. Over 33 households were assisted with this programme,
- made a change to Kids Hope mentoring with a “pen-pal” system in place for children at Sunbury West Primary School;
- got to work when wearing masks became compulsory outside. A working team of ladies from St Mary’s made and distributed over 650 masks and raised over \$4,000 for God’s work in Chibobo, Zambia. These masks were sold (and even given away) to various individuals in the St Mary’s Community as well as the broader community.
- spent time meeting with (contacting over the phone and ministering to) many in our broader community as needs arose. I had people in tears wanting to just talk and pray with someone.
- began a Spoonville Village in the church garden to brighten up people’s lives. Members of the community were encouraged to decorate a wooden spoon and place it in the village.

As the church year (30 September) concluded, Sunbury and greater Metropolitan Melbourne, was still on Stage 4 restrictions with limitations on movements and interactions outside our homes.

3 Early Reflections on the year past and looking Ahead

Sometimes in the middle of a very dramatic season in life, it’s difficult to see what God might be doing. Sometimes we just need to survive, hanging onto and trusting in him. Then as the waters begin to calm, we can begin to plan our way forward.

During the Part B of this year, the Staff Team, Wardens and Parish Council have met regularly (via zoom), caring for one another and monitoring all that is happening.

Over the period, a level of exhaustion was experienced, initially because of the rapid decisions that had to be made to enable us to continue to meet as a church and care for each other. Then as the time went on and people began to adapt to this new “normal” of living and doing things, weariness set in as frustrations arose because of the restrictions we were living under and the inability for individuals (let alone us as a church) to do the things we would love to do.

However, in all of this we were able to reflect on how we had seen God’s hand at work, in and through it all.

Nathanael Armstrong is but one example of God at work in our midst. Nathanael had completed a Bachelor in Fine Arts and was working in various places, including St Paul’s Cathedral. He had purchased various bits of equipment that he hoped to use later on in his working life and he had prayed that God would be able to use this equipment for his glory. Enter 2020. Nathanael has been able to use his equipment and his acquired skills to enable us to “live stream” all our services since we stopped meeting in person for church. Nathanael was also able to train up Callum Hay, Kyle Couzens and Erran Caddaye as back ups and was ably assisted by his father Mark Armstrong in our technology. We thank you Nathanael, Mark, Callum, Kyle and Erran and we thank God for His hand at work.

We have also reflected on what we have learnt through this time:-

- God is faithful. He has sustained us and will continue to guide and strengthen us. He is unchanging and our rock amidst dramatic changes;
- Our use of technology has increased exponentially. We are now able to minister to a far greater number of people, with greater flexibility, than we have before. This will provide us with options and challenges as we go forward from here;
- The Body of Christ is not a building but a gathered people (even through technology) and there are ways to support and encourage one-another when we aren’t physically meeting together, however we look forward to having our new building started in 2021 also;
- The daily services (Morning and Evening Prayer) have provided a devotional framework for many people with a regular pattern of prayer and Bible Reading. In Morning Prayer Matt has focussed on the Old Testament and in Evening Prayer I have focussed on the New Testament, Ros has assisted by leading on Friday’s and other occasions; and

- In many ways we are more connected than before. People are making specific efforts to catch up with others and members from all congregations at St Mary's have been connected with each other.

As we step forward into 2021, we will explore some of the changes that have taken place and reflect and plan on where God is taking us in this different world.

2021 will provide us with more challenges as we continue to live and serve in a "Covid-Normal" world. We will need to be adaptable, creative and adventurous as God's people, serving him in Sunbury and surrounding areas.

4 Thanks

There are many people who have done amazing things over this past year, to keep us going and ministering as we have done.

I would like to give my thanks to the Staff Team (Matt Browne, Narelle Riley and Ros Armstrong); to the Wardens (Noel Sprague, Wendy Caramarco and Mark Armstrong) and to the Parish Council (Alan Phillips, Samantha Dennett, Annette Swaffield, Peter Schou, Matthew Reeve, Esther Rule and Danielle Johanesen) who have all done a wonderful job and been a great support for me.

My thanks to Sharon Ward and Kim and Clarissa Burn for co-ordinating the meals distribution, along with some of our key pastoral carers:- Don and Bev Cottell, Max and Edith Langshaw, Marj and Phill Stacy, John and Susan Vanderstock and Valda Discipio for assisting with the distribution of meals.

My thanks to Annette Swaffield, Joan Purton, Gill Garth and Beryl Dunn, co-ordinated by Narelle and with the assistance of Karen Brooks, Meg Riley and Sam Dennett for delivery work in the mask making project.

My thanks to everyone who has cared for another person...with a phone call....with a text...with an e-mail.....with a coffee.....with a smile.....with a listening ear.

My thanks to those who have cared for me too.

Finally my thanks to God, who is our refuge and strength and our strong deliverer.

I look forward to serving God amongst into 2021.

Venerable Gavin Ward

Minister

Curate's Report- Rev. Matthew Browne

2020 has taught us that despite best laid plans and intentions we never quite know what God has in store for us!

The transition to doing the majority of ministry online has been smooth but somewhat unsatisfying and, at times, frustrating.

A ministry highlight was the opportunity to spend a few days at Point Lonsdale in March working on a Psalms sermon series which I was able to preach later in the year.

The success of the online Alpha and Marriage Courses was encouraging and opens opportunities for online ministry moving beyond COVID.

I look forward to a year of change ahead as we resume, transition and pioneer ministry in this strange world.

I thank all those who have supported me in my role and for all the wonderful saints in Sunbury.

Manager of Operational Ministries Report- Narelle Riley

In the pre-COVID era (when staff and parishioners roamed the earth freely) there was a lot of exciting plans in development. I completed the 3rd instalment of my Arrow emerging leaders program and was able to implement some of the learnings from the residential week to facilitate a vision development day for Parish council, and a planning day for all the Community Store Volunteers.

Following a vivid dream from God, I recruited specific women (who were in the dream!) to be part of a new women's ministry team and together Danielle, Heather, Rachel C, Rachel K, Sandie, Sharon launched Women's ministry for St Mary's with a breakfast attended by 100 people and a plan for a years of events.....walking groups, prayer retreat days, coffee and cake nights, women's conferences..... and then COVID happened!

So many of us had dream vacations planned that were cancelled. The mission trip to Katherine Christian convention that was I going to lead was cancelled, my final Arrow residential was postponed.....I know this might sound strange, but as I write this report I can see many blessings and much to be thankful for in the midst of crushing disappointments. I suffered an unexpected flare up of my chronic disease this year, and if COVID had not stopped our planned Canadian motorhome adventures, my health complications certainly would have. Thank you to everyone who has sent messages and prayers. I have really valued your support so much and I am improving!

The transition to working remotely has been smooth and I have found it to very productive! I have been able to set up google sheet databases that all the staff can access, and have migrated our email system to gmail and we are now using a mail merge program that allows us to see who has opened and read emails, click rates etc (although the frustration of some emails ending up in your junkmail is one we are still dealing with..... please check your junkmail and mark it as "not spam!!!!"). The gift of spending the past 7 months working side by side every day with Steven is one I will cherish always.

Finding creative ways to keep us all connected has been fun, and I am so impressed at the way everyone has embraced new technology- from zoom to facebook group. I had never used zoom before our first online staff meeting at the end of March and I had to get Meg to help me download it! Like many of you, I have learnt to use lots of new apps and new phrases have entered my vocab- "social media playbook", "you're breaking up", "I have scheduled that post" and "you are on mute" just to name a few! One of the staff team (and my husband's) most feared phrases is "I've been thinking"..... but I am grateful for their willingness to let me dream and have a go at my crazy ideas!

One of the biggest blessings of COVID has been the opportunity to build relationships. That might sound odd given that we've all spent so much time in isolation and lockdown, but I've had more uninterrupted time to chat with people on the phone, to get to know people via zoom meetings and the discussions during our on again/off again walking groups, from your responses to emails, from the messages you send, from the meal trains we've set up, from the recipes we've shared, from the chats in the facebook groups, from the prayer requests and follow-ups in morning and evening prayers, from one on one coffee catch ups, from notes as we've exchanged cards and letters.....it has been a wonderful opportunity to get to know you and your families better and I thank you for sharing your lives with me!

Thanks to Kateryna for her diligent work in maintaining the website throughout the year, including updating YouTube links every week. Thank You also to Clarissa for her assistance in the office (back in the pre-COVID days when we used to have that paper thing we called a pew sheet), and to Venus who has adapted so well to the extra stringent requirements of our COVID cleaning! Thank you also to Max Langshaw and his team of helpers who are forever fixing things around the place!

Caught up in a global pandemic, many people around the world have died

Only able to do some things, not everything we had hoped and planned

Very sad, confused, angry, mystified, lonely, isolated...

In this case there is only one thing we can do with certainty

Depend on God, who is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow, and **D**on't forget He is still doing his stuff.

This time last year we would never have thought what the next few months would bring, and where we would be now. There is a lot that has not happened, but I will try and think of what has.

Sermons – There have been several: Advent 2019, Unlikely Heroes, Ephesians, Romans, Beatitudes.

Good Friday reflection – this was truly God-inspired. As I wrote each part, I could almost hear the voice of the one who I then choose to read it. Thank you to all who took part.

Ridley Certificate – there were a couple of units done, and hopefully from early 2021 we can get some more going.

Taking part in leading the Morning and Evening Prayer services on Facebook.

Being grateful to God, and very proud of Nathanael as he has used his skills and talents to stream our Sunday Services on YouTube.

Zoom meetings – and zoom meetings and zoom meetings and zoom meetings...

By far the biggest thing for me this year was being accepted as a candidate for ordination. This has been long and at times tearful journey, and even this year there have been several hiccups with Selection Conferences postponed and changed due to the pandemic. And then finally a 'yes', which is slowly feeling real – I have read the acceptance letter several times just to be sure – and there have been several things I have needed to do, which also make it real.

I will be ordained as a deacon on Saturday February 6 at St Paul's Cathedral. There will be more details later for how the service will run, depending on COVID numbers at the time. I am pleased to be remaining at St Mary's, which will be for the first year and then I will have placement elsewhere to broaden my experiences of leadership and ministry.

Thank you for all your congratulations and best wishes. Please continue to pray for me as the time approaches, and for Mark, Nathanael and Jemimah as we make the transition.

Finally, this is part of a prayer of King Hezekiah as Judah faced invasion from the king of Assyria.

2 Kings **19:19** - So now, O LORD our God, save us, I pray you, from his hand, so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you, O LORD, are God alone."

May we play our part in showing all the kingdoms of the earth that our Lord is God alone.

Wardens Report for the AGM 2020- Mark Armstrong, Wendy Caramarco, Noel Sprague.

2020 is probably a year we would all rather forget. It has been difficult enduring a prolonged lockdown unable to see each other, visit those we love dearly and to physically worship together.

Paul writes in 1 Timothy 2 1:3 *"I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority, so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. This is good and pleases God our Saviour."*

We continue to uphold each of you in prayer regularly and are thankful for your support and prayers during this COVID year. The wardens are indebted to Nathanael and Mark Armstrong for their work each week enabling us to live stream our services and remain connected to our church community.

Whilst most of the work has been completed on replastering, repainting, replacing skirting boards and updating audio cables, we are still to have the arch words repainted in the church. This is planned for the first quarter of 2021. Work has also been undertaken to install Wi Fi and thus enable live streaming from within our newly refurbished church building.

COVID access restrictions has meant that usual inspections undertaken on buildings are outstanding and these are planned to be completed in Nov / Dec 2020.

We give thanks to God for all parishioners who continue to financially support God's work at St Mary's. Government support via Jobkeeper has allowed us to improve our projected finances this year, but 2021 will again challenge us as we emerge from COVID restrictions and limited live services are made available.

We still await final sign off by the Diocese on our planned building program but look forward with great optimism for what God has planned for us all in 2021.

How good will it be to again be present physically with each other worshipping our Almighty God.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come. Amen.

Parish Council Report Samantha Dennett – Parish Council Secretary

This year God placed a significant challenge before all of us. During this time the following verses from Isaiah have provided comfort:

Isaiah 43:2-3. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God,

This year Parish council welcomed Matt Reeve and Annette Swaffield.

Prior to formal gathering changes announced due to the pandemic, a Visioning Day took place in February at St John's Anglican Church Riddell's Creek to consider setting priorities for our parish for the next 5 years.

In March, a global pandemic had been declared and as a response Parish council met on three separate occasions. An emergency meeting was held to respond to government regulatory changes, a regular business meeting, and an additional prayer meeting.

From March onwards Parish Council business and prayer meetings were conducted via Zoom Communications.

At each business meeting, Parish Council received reports from Staff, Wardens, Treasurer and COVID Safe Officer, as well as from the Building Committee, the Community Store and the Winter Shelter Committee.

Major motions passed at Parish Council this year include the following:

November 2019

- The 2019/2020 Budget was accepted.

December 2019

- Wardens appointed Alan Phillips as Treasurer.
- The Wardens nominated Noel Sprague as the Warden on the Incumbency Committee.
- Samantha Dennett appointed as Parish Secretary.
- Wendy Caramarco appointed as the Parish Council representative for the Electoral Roll Committee.
- Lay Assistants for Holy Communion list were accepted.
- Parish Council allocated \$600 in giving for financial support of the Celebrate Messiah guest speakers who attended St Mary's in October.

February 2020

- AJAY Constructions Pty Ltd be recommended to the Diocese as our builder.

March 2020

- Commencement of the live streaming of St Mary's weekly services on Sundays at 9:30am and 5pm via YouTube.
- Commencement of regular pastoral emails to parish from Gavin.

April 2020

- Parish Council allocated \$4,000 in giving to CMS Adams.

June 2020

- To access the Business Support Fund that provides assistance for Victorian small businesses impacted by coronavirus the following positions were appointed: Noel Sprague (Director), Mark Armstrong and Wendy Caramarco (Public Officer) and Narelle Riley (Company Secretary).
- Esther Rule appointed as COVID Safe Officer and Peter Schou as Parish Council assistant.

July 2020

- Painting quote accepted for the signwriting on the arch inside the church received from Phil Roberts for \$1,700 with the following words to be painted on the arch: 'Cast all your cares on God, for he careth for you'.
- Reopening of St Mary's Community Store to be determined by Esther Rule and Community Store Coordinator Kristine Green in accordance with the *Recommendations for reopening St Mary's Community Store Report* presented by COVID Safe Officer Esther Rule.
- Parish Council giving allocations: Ridley \$500 and BCA \$500.

August 2020

- \$4,000 transferred back into Community Store account from St Mary's account to reduce the amount St Mary's owes the Community Store.
- Parish council allocated the following funds in giving: CMS \$4,000, Care works \$1,000, Chaplains \$1,000, BCA \$500, Prison Fellowship \$500, Anglican Overseas Aid \$500 and Ridley \$400.
- Parish council reviewed the operations of the Memorial Garden and established new guidelines.

2020 Annual General Meeting Building Report- Alan Phillips, Phil Stacy, Noel Sprague

It has now been over two years since we launched our future building fund with a whole parish celebration dinner. It may now seem a distance memory, but we continue to work to enable building to commence in 2021. In September 2019, the Building Committee received and reviewed 3 tender submissions for the building of our new worship centre. Ayjay Constructions a local Sunbury builder with a price of \$3.9M has been put forward as our preferred builder and endorsed by Parish council.

The building project just now needed Diocesan financial support for the Diocese to sign contracts and commence building on site. We finalised all outstanding issues of our planning permit favourably with Hume Council and prepared to present our final submission to the Diocesan Building committee for approval in November 2019. It seems God has a different agenda and timeframe for us and considering how 2020 has played out with COVID, a much wiser one. God always has perfect timing in all things despite our thinking and we continue to commit all our building issues to him in prayer.

The parish has been in constant communication with the Diocese during the year, considering all the other issues that have required Diocesan attention it is no wonder we are still to receive approval. Our building plans are now with the Archbishop in Council and we have pointed out our limited timeframes to commence works on site, as we await a decision.

The parish needs to find around \$2M in funding and the Parish Council has endorsed a recommendation from the wardens to limit borrowing to a maximum of \$1M from the ADF, meaning that we are looking to the Diocese for a grant for the difference. We are currently receiving favourable support from Bishop Kate and the Chief Financial Officer at the Diocese.

We must commence work prior to the end of April 2021 otherwise our planning permit will expire. Ideally, we would like a decision prior to the end of this year. If we are unable to secure a Diocesan grant, then we will need to revisit our plans and remove some parts of the project but push forward with our building. All these plans require parishioner support, and we thank all of you for your generosity with over \$250,000 having been donated by parishioners over the last 12 months. We also have on going promises of \$50,000 over the next few years.

Please continue to commit our building plans in prayer to God, if we are to continue to bring the good news to the people of Sunbury, we do require good infrastructure. As Sunbury's population continues to grow how important is it for all of us to share with others the hope, we hold in Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour and for them to experience as we do God's Almighty grace in each of our lives.

St Mary's Synod Representatives' Report

Proceedings - 53rd Synod of the Diocese of Melbourne, October 17th – 19th, 2019.

Synod Representatives: Gwen Hutcheson
 Clarissa Burn
 Kim Burn

For clarification, all reports for this 2020 Annual General Meeting relate to the year ending September 2020, hence this report relates to Synod held in October 2019.

The Synod gathering scheduled for October 2020 has been cancelled due to the Covid -19 pandemic.

Preparation for the 2019 (53rd Annual) Synod began as always with representatives obtaining (or updating) Police Checks and Professional Standards accreditation, as well as reading all discussion papers relating to matters for Synod consideration.

As a result of changes to the Marriage Act and in preparation for matters to be discussed during Synod, Representatives also attended “New Marriage Era” training hosted by the Peter Corney Training Centre at St. Hilary’s Anglican Church in Kew.

On the evening prior to commencement of Synod, a Choral Eucharist was held in St Paul’s Cathedral for the Opening of the First Session of the 53rd Synod.

On the following day, Synod formally commenced with an address by the Most Reverend Dr. Philip Freier, Archbishop of Melbourne, who included:

- An acknowledgement of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nations as the traditional owners of the land on which Synod meets, and a prayer in the Woi Wurrung language,
- Information regarding comprehensive new curriculum resources available for Australia’s school children to learn about, and respect, Australia’s First Peoples.
- A welcome and words of encouragement from 2 Timothy 1 to all attending and participating in Synod.
- Sobering words about “negotiating new territory where the relationship between church and society continues to change”. Archbishop Freier specifically addressed the challenges we face as a church within a wider community with issues of refugee policy, same sex marriage, euthanasia, abortion, and the failure of churches and other organizations to protect children.

The Order of Business for Synod this year was largely comprised of Motions, Amendment Bills, Legislation, and Elections.

Motions of note included:

- Amendment Bills relating to Elections, Professional Standards, Parish Governance, Clergy and the Archbishop Election Act.
- Welcome and assurance of prayer and love for the newly formed Church of Confessing Anglicans Aotearoa/New Zealand.
- Preparation for the Theological & Pastoral Impacts of Artificial Intelligence and Robotization in creating workplace uncertainty, unemployment and the need for transitions.
- Adding our voice to Anglican agencies urging the Federal Government to raise the Newstart Allowance.
- Issues relating to Sustainable Development Goals and our support through contribution.
- Protection of the Environment, noting work already done by the Diocese Social Responsibilities Committee and issues to be addressed moving forward.
- Response to Wangaratta Synod in their decision to approve a liturgy that could be used to bless persons in same-sex relationships.
- Affirmation of the Resolution made by our Primate and Bishops to recent changes in the Marriage Act.
- Matters relating to Resources for the Establishment of Anglican Churches.
- Next Steps for Reconciliation (Reconciliation Action Plan tabled by the Working Group in Feb 2018).
- Matters relating to Comprehensive Child Safety
- Matters relating to the Simplification of the Nomination Process for election to office.
- Synod Honours List - Recognition of contributions made by retiring Synod members.
- Condolences – Synod members who have died since the previous Synod.
- Thanks to those responsible for the careful organization and smooth running of Synod.

Finally, voting in the election of Members of Archbishop in Council and other Delegates and Committee Members was conducted simultaneously with procedures during the last day of Synod for 2019.

We would like to thank everyone who has prayed for us and supported us as we participated as your representatives in Synod, some of us for the first time, in 2019.

Home Groups Report- Alison Rae

Remain united to me, and I will remain united to you. A branch cannot bear fruit by itself; it can do so only if it remains in the vine. In the same way you cannot bear fruit unless you remain in me. John 15:4

Wow, what a year. I prayerfully want to thank each of the leaders as a whole. Well done at an extraordinary year. I believe it has grown and developed your homegroup.

How homegroup requirements have changed. Well done for continuing being a church.

This year provided an insight into the requirements of connections and prayerful support. Each group developing and growing a new way of doing group.

Some groups became prayer groups, sharing needs and concerns and connecting in every day struggles through, What's app or zoom or the simple telephone calls. Earlier on, these were also able to be delivery of meals calls and chats on how everything was going. Exercise groups to chat and socially distance depending on numbers were great catch ups. But as lockdown got tough things got harder. Many found new connections with those in their area.

Groups struggled with time commitments and breaks for group as the children were unable to go to school and extra family members being at home for work. You made time to connect and stay connected.

Groups maintained home group times and successfully completed study topics in the allocated zoom time of 40 minutes! A miracle under normal circumstances! Then with the extended time we are able to enjoy the times in chat and more prayer.

Thank you for the continued commitment of Gavin, Matt and Ros for the encouragement and prayers during the morning and evening prayer, that sustained us together at the times or more convenient times.

Thank you for Narelle and the Women's Ministry and the continued new ideas prayers and enlightened moments and community on zoom.

So now as things come back to new normal, let us continue supporting each other in the ways as we can. I pray that in the time ahead, we can continue to have a combination of homegroup styles, that make it possible to come to shine the love of Jesus to those around us.

Kids Hope- Clarissa Burn

Because of the global Covid pandemic, as with most things, this year 2020 has been a very extraordinary year for Kids Hope. Because of the two lockdowns here in Victoria, most of us mentors only had one or two face-to-face mentoring sessions with our children in Term 1, way back in March.

In Term 2, all school children started Remote Learning at home. So, to stay in touch with the children, Kids Hope Australia suggested a non-Face-to-Face Mentoring through Pen Pal Letter Writing, which we here at St Mary's have adapted in early May.

We hoped that we would see our children back at school in Term 3; but it didn't happen, so, we continued with Pen Pal Mentoring. And then, we hoped it would happen in Term 4; and again, it didn't happen. But we persist in writing letters. Some of us are lucky enough to have children reply to our letters; some of us are not so lucky.

With the way things are, it looks like we wouldn't go back to Face-to-Face Mentoring at all this year. Anyway, we are hoping this year will be over soon, and we just look forward to a Covid "normal" 2021.

CMS - Pamela Allan

The highlight of the CMS year for us was the visit of the Adams family whom we support. Chris, Grace and Micah welcomed daughter Emma before returning to continue in their missionary roles in Timor Leste. Chris, along with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, ministers in one of the poorest countries in the world which has been exploited by more powerful countries for years. They train locals to help spread the message that God sent His Son for them whilst Grace has produced a children's Bible in the local Teton language.

Your donations totalled \$942.30, a great effort considering we have been unable to collect tins twice a year as normal.

Thank you for your support, it is much appreciated by CMS.

Community Store- Kristine Green

We held our "Girls Night In" Fashion Parade on the 21st October. It proved a great success with a crowded house of ladies to enjoy the evening. We raised \$2000 for Cancer Council.

Then our next event was our Community store's Christmas lunch, held at the Highlands Hotel which was enjoyed by all.

At this time the shop got quite busy with sales and donations, and was busy right through Christmas.

The shop was closed for the statutory holidays and it was back to work again.

The next event on our calendar was the planning day in January run by Narelle, the idea was to snowball any ideas that the volunteers had to improve the running of the shop. It was attended by nearly all the volunteers. It proved quite successful. Thanks for the arrangements that Narelle made for this event.

Then on March 16th we closed the shop, because of the Pandemic COVID.

Who would have thought it would have taken as long as it has taken to reopen?

From May 15th to July 8th we were able to go and tidy the shop, and then with other restrictions from the Government, we were forced to close again.

We were closed until October 28th, when the restrictions were changed, we were able to open.

But 3 Seniors and myself are going in and tidying the shop, to tackle any donations that come in, and be ready to open up the shop to the public as soon as possible.

There will be a lot of rules to follow but my Senior volunteers and myself are just so pleased to get back to the shop.

Thanks everyone for wearing masks, sanitising, keeping spaces, and if we all keep doing that it won't be long before we see most of you

“Every time you cross my mind, I break out in exclamations of thanks to God. Each exclamation is a trigger to prayer. I find myself praying for you with a glad heart.” Phil 1:3

As I look sit down to write this report the people of Chibobo, St. Mary’s and Overnewton College cross my mind and instantaneously I move into prayer of thanks and praise and supplication for everyone in these groups.

It has been a vastly different period of time in our associations with Chibobo over the last 12 months. The most significant is that there was not a team from St. Mary’s visiting this year. There were insufficient expressions of interest to form a team and I ponder God’s plans for us as should we have gone ahead we would have been well and truly financially committed when COVID shut down all opportunities to travel. This, however, has not stopped our link with Staivous and all at Chibobo and contact with them has been maintained through Facetimes and other media platforms.

The farm had a very profitable year and as a result there has been no request for an increase in their budget (particularly given the increase in prices for commodities). Proceeds from farm projects have in fact been sustaining many other areas within the community. In particular proceeds from the sale of eggs has been used to provide tuition for 17 older orphans who are staying in the HMP compound at all times to maintain their health safety. Money from farm productions is contributing to fuel costs for the running of the new Ambulance purchased late last year.

The medical clinic now reaches out to a population of 21,790 people and has been continually active treating a vast array of medical needs. In addition, masks are being handed out widely and peer educators are moving around the community on bicycles reaching out to every household and overseeing the sanitation of all villages. There is a great concern relating to the COVID virus in the community, particularly due to the lack of testing kits being available so this education and preventive steps are vital. The Kirsteen maternity annexe has been extremely busy (87 babies born in a recent 3 month period) and no maternity deaths recorded in the last 12 months.

The Koala Club has been busy making masks with money forwarded to them from Overnewton and St Mary’s, they have specifically made them for the children who are still attending school. The Chibobo Basic School continues to operate with a short 2-week compulsory closure in August but is now open again. HMP has started again pursuing the government through the ministry of education to the opening of the Chibobo secondary school. They have so far submitted letters to ministry of education permanent secretary in Lusaka and the community have also involved the acting chief to pursue this matter.

Here at St Mary’s, we have continued to support Chibobo through regular prayers in our services and in the many prayer groups within our church community. Financially, we have also continued to raise funds to support the orphans and HMP projects. Our Lenten tins raised \$486.95 but there are many tins yet to be collected. A group of women took on mask making and this along with a few other small sales within the Women’s Ministry facebook page have raised \$6337.95c. Other donations have also been received and we are ever thankful for the generosity of the people of St. Mary’s. From these funds, money has been sent to support Farm productions and \$2000 (along with \$2000 from Overnewton) was sent for support due to COVID. This was used to support Staivous when he was suspected of having COVID (He was transferred to Lusaka hospital for testing and treatment for pneumonia) As this amount was not needed to pay for extensive treatment, Staivous then used the balance to buy Mealie (crushed and milled corn) which was distributed to families with new babies.

As we give thanks for all that God provides for us and we share these gifts with the people of Chibobo – we also give thanks for the safe arrival of Hope into the Mulumba family and pray for God’s protection over all of them and all of the Chibobo Community.

PRAYER MINISTRY REPORT. Lesley McNerney

The year 2019-20 has been a year like no other. We commenced with high expectations of continuing and improving our connection with God through prayer in a variety of ways. Then coronavirus struck and we had to adapt, with God's help.

At St Mary's, we surround all we do with prayer, knowing that our heavenly Father listens and hears our prayers. As individuals, we pray in private. We pray in our home groups and other group settings such as prayer partners and triplets. We join together in our worship services to offer prayers of praise, thanksgiving and intercession. Some of these activities have been disrupted by COVID, but some continue to connect and pray through Zoom, including my own Home Group and prayer triplet. Through Facebook, we have been able to join in morning and evening prayer every day except Sundays, led by Gavin, Matt and Ros. I have posted daily prayer points on St Mary's Facebook page, and Narelle has been posting a daily prayer on the Women's Ministry Facebook page.

In November our well attended annual Prayer Retreat day, led by the Rev Jeannie Woollard, was held at the bush retreat home of Audrey Williams at Bullengarook. We followed the words of the Lord's Prayer, referencing scripture, reflecting, praying and coming closer to God. A number of those attending benefitted from the opportunity to bring their individual circumstances to prayer and counsel with Jeannie. It was, once again, a very special day. Sadly, plans for a Women's Prayer Retreat Day in May had to be abandoned because of COVID.

Sue Allaz, Janet Minge, Elsa Phillips, Heather Watts and Hilary Williams are our intercessors who, until lockdown, met weekly to pray over church matters and for personal prayer requests submitted on the green Communication Cards. These meetings ceased with COVID restrictions. Our Prayer Chain, coordinated by Edith Langshaw, continues to respond to urgent prayer requests.

Until COVID, on the second Monday evening of each month at 7.30pm we met in the church for a Parish Prayer Meeting, which everyone was invited and encouraged to attend. The meeting usually included a Bible reading and a Psalm, and we broke into small groups to offer prayers and praise on church matters, major concerns around the world, local community concerns, and for individuals in need of our prayers. Following the introduction of COVID restriction, Danielle Johansen has hosted a weekly Zoom Prayer Meeting for the Transformation of our World, held every Wednesday at 8pm.

I encourage everyone to continue to make every effort in these changing times to continue to pray, alone and with each other, and to take advantage of every opportunity to connect with God in prayer.

Youth United 2020- Ian and Jenny Caddaye

Youth United has met remotely via Zoom on a weekly basis during school terms since COVID related restrictions impacted our ability to meet onsite. At the request of the youth, weekly Zoom sessions continued during the second and third school breaks. A regular number of 4-6 youth were present for each session, which included a chance for general chatting and catch up, some on-line games and a study. During the year a number of programs were run with the youth. These included:

- a study based on the theme, 'How Can You Get To Know God?'
- a study of the New Testament book of Ephesians
- on-line Youth Alpha course

The youth have been well served by the leaders Calum Hay, Kyle Cozens, Erran Caddaye and Jenny Caddaye who have worked enthusiastically to be a source of encouragement and leadership to the youth during what has been a difficult year for all.

ST. MARYS' A.M.U.A. SUNBURY - Susanne Baxter-Smith

I would like to present the Annual Report of St Mary's Anglican Mothers' Union Australia for 2020. Unfortunately it is a little different this year due to the COVID19 Virus. Although things are very difficult at this time, we have much to be thankful for and now things are on the improve. We are fortunate that a lot of our members have been able to join in Zoom MU gatherings over the past months. As you are aware we have not been able to do what MU usually does, especially the Lady Day Service at the Cathedral which was very sad.

At our AGM in October 2019 the following members were elected Office Bearers for the following year:

President: Susanne Baxter-Smith

Secretary: Bev Cottell

Treasurer: Jan Kokic

Vice President: Gill Garth

We have 13 financial members, averaging 8-10 per meeting.

We did meet in November, which was followed by lunch and much chatter.

In December we celebrated Christmas with a lunch at Riddell's Creek Hotel which was lovely. February we began the year with a meeting and collecting subs and doing the annual distribution of funds.

After church service in March a group of ladies went to Riddell's Creek Hotel for lunch which was a fun time.

For our 30th birthday celebration in September we had a beautiful Zoom meeting, using the Mission of AMUA Liturgy, followed by our Guest Speaker, June Robertson, Chaplain of the Dame Phyllis Frost and Tarangowa Womens' Prisons. June is our coordinator for the distribution of the Christmas cards members of North/Western Region collect and pack for the Women in prison. The women each receive a pack of 5 cards to send to their family and friends, which we have been told are gratefully received. June is an inspirational speaker and we all enjoyed listening to what she had to say. We had a birthday cake, thanks to Bev, and sang Happy Birthday which was fun, and had a discussion led by Pam following on from June's talk. We finished the day with Midday Prayers and the Grace. It was a lovely meeting.

The project for this year has been to knit or crochet baby blankets for premie babies at the Royal Womens' Hospital, which is a lovely thing to do.

MU donated \$110 to The Marriage programme which Rev. Matthew Brown conducted during September.

Members also donated \$450 to Mary Sumner House (MU Head Office) in the UK as due to the COVID Virus they were in a desparate financial situation. I would like to thank members for their kind contributions whenever asked.

Unfortunately there has only been one baptism this year, and MU were not able to participate due to restricted numbers in the church. But thank you to Lil Kelly for her upkeep of the Baptismal Roll and sending out anniversary cards.

We were able to have our Trading Table open for a few months before Christmas which was fortunate. We have made \$598.70 from the Trading Table and members' donations for this year.

Thank you to all who participated with the Trading Table in various ways. These funds will be used to help support Northern Outreach projects and the Disaster Fund in Australia as well as other overseas projects. \$780 was distributed to various charities.

My thanks to Bev for her secretarial skills and helping me. Also for the wonderful work she does as Co-ordinator of the North/West Region, keeping in touch with all branches, of which there are many, in normal times driving many kilometers to visit different groups.

My thanks also to Jan as Treasurer and other members who have had various roles during the year.

I would also like to thank Gavin and his staff for their help and support this year.

STITCH AND SEW – Gill Garth

Our group usually meets on a Tuesday afternoon from 1pm - 3pm. We are an enthusiastic group who sit and chat while doing our individual craft such as knitting, crochet, patchwork and cross stitch. We did manage to have a luncheon towards the end of last year and had arranged another for March which due to the Corona virus it had to be cancelled. As soon as we are able to meet again, we will certainly be celebrating with a "Welcome Back" lunch.

When the word went out that masks wearing would soon become mandatory a group from Stitch and Sew decided to sew and sew and sew!!! We made 743 masks!. We were able to sell these to the church community, but we also donated several to Careworks, Anglicare and the Police who distributed them to people within the community. The Winter Shelter also benefitted and were able to hand them to the homeless. It was a great project with many people donating material and delivering the finished masks as orders were filled. Elastic became a scarcity, but we were able to source this from relatives in Queensland!!

Since Covid 19 we have been unable to meet in the church hall but between lockdowns we did meet at Annette Swaffield's house (socially distancing of course) for three weeks. Sadly, this had to stop once we were back in lockdown.

We do miss not being able to get together and welcome new members. Through Zoom we have heard of many people who have some wonderful craft skills, and we are hoping that they will join us when we resume our meetings. Some of us have been dressing wooden spoons for our Spoonville Village outside the church.

If you just want to come along for a "chat and a cuppa" then this is the group for you.

Gill Garth (0429 946 389)

St Mary's MINISTRY TO THE ELDERLY -- Robin Philbrick

“We’re all in this together!”

Yes, we’re all getting just a little older each day. And that EVEN applies to the members of the “Ministry to the Elderly” team! And to the folks at the Aged Care Facilities we have been visiting regularly – Riddell Gardens Hostel, Lions Hostel and Goonawarra Aged Care.

But never, never, NEVER has the role of the Ministry Team to our Nursing Home friends been more needed than right now.

Frustratingly, though, never has access to visit our Nursing Home friends – to share something of God’s love with them – been less available than in these past eight months.

Our St Mary’s 2019-20 year commenced with our rosters in place, our team growing in both number and enthusiasm, and the numbers attending our Nursing Home Worship Services growing significantly, for which we praise God.

Then, suddenly, in February, Lions Hostel closed. Somewhat abruptly! We DID have the valuable opportunity to say a farewell to our Lions friends, as they prepared for a major change in their lives – some transferring to Goonawarra; others moving further afield to a Gisborne facility. A challenge for each and every one of them indeed!

And then came Covid-19. Lockdown at Riddell Gardens and Goonawarra.

So, it’s been a quiet 2020, in terms of physical visitation to our friends there.

We have been making regular contact with some of the folk we know so well at each Home, offering a word of encouragement as each of the residents has had to be confined to their room.

Our prayer would be that visiting will again be possible within the near future, and that relationships will be restored, faith strengthened. And that we have the opportunity to remind our Nursing Home friends anew of God’s loving care and concern for each of them, through good times and tough times alike.

Thanks to the wonderful, committed team members who faithfully share stories of God’s powerful hand in the lives with those we visit in Aged Care. An important pastoral ministry indeed!

To God be the glory.



St Mary's 2019-2020 Financial Reports

Profit & Loss [Budget Analysis]

October 2019 To September 2020

		Selected Period	Budgeted	\$ Difference	% Difference
4-0000	Income				
4-1000	Collections				
4-1004	5pm Offertory	\$44,369.27	\$34,575.96	\$9,793.31	28.3%
4-1005	Open Plate & Envelope Offertor	\$57,245.00	\$99,576.00	-\$42,331.00	(42.5)%
4-1006	Donations Non-specific	\$8,854.25	\$444.00	\$8,410.25	1,894.2%
4-1010	Electronic Giving	\$136,141.70	\$110,130.75	\$26,010.95	23.6%
	Total Collections	\$246,610.22	\$244,726.71	\$1,883.51	0.8%
4-1020	Weddings/Funerals				
4-1021	Weddings	\$135.00	\$540.00	-\$405.00	(75.0)%
4-1022	Wedding and Funeral Teas	\$0.00	\$428.00	-\$428.00	(100.0)%
4-1023	Funerals	\$650.00	\$960.00	-\$310.00	(32.3)%
4-1024	Wed/Funeral ADF24859 BuilFund	\$300.00	\$1,251.00	-\$951.00	(76.0)%
4-1025	Weddings/Funerals Asst. Clergy	\$300.00	\$350.00	-\$50.00	(14.3)%
	Total Weddings/Funerals	\$1,385.00	\$3,529.00	-\$2,144.00	(60.8)%
4-2000	General Donations				
4-2001	Donation Winter Night Shelter	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	NA
4-2003	Donations to Careworks	\$70.00	\$365.00	-\$295.00	(80.8)%
4-2007	Chaplaincy Offerings	\$0.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00	(100.0)%
4-2009	Chibobo Orphanage	\$500.00	\$3,500.00	-\$3,000.00	(85.7)%
4-2010	Chibobo Famine Appeal	\$6,302.95	\$0.00	\$6,302.95	NA
4-2011	Chibobo Special Purpose	\$10.00	\$350.00	-\$340.00	(97.1)%
4-2012	Chibobo Chicken Project	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	-\$3,000.00	(100.0)%
4-2013	Chibobo Buildings	\$486.95	\$0.00	\$486.95	NA
4-2016	Donation for Playgroup	\$181.00	\$550.00	-\$369.00	(67.1)%
	Total General Donations	\$7,650.90	\$8,265.00	-\$614.10	(7.4)%
4-5000	Trading/Fundraising Activities				
4-5001	Community Store	\$52,061.10	\$110,000.00	-\$57,938.90	(52.7)%
4-5011	CMS Tins	\$942.30	\$1,000.00	-\$57.70	(5.8)%
4-5014	150th Merchandise	\$330.00	\$0.00	\$330.00	NA
4-5015	Women's Ministry	\$1,409.09	\$0.00	\$1,409.09	NA
	Total Trading/Fundraising Activities	\$54,742.49	\$111,000.00	-\$56,257.51	(50.7)%
4-6001	Building Income				
4-6003	Future Building Funds	\$237,894.35	\$100,000.00	\$137,894.35	137.9%
4-7000	Income B/Interest endowments	\$0.10	\$0.00	\$0.10	NA
4-7001	Interest - Other ADF	\$24,053.34	\$5,000.00	\$19,053.34	381.1%
4-9000	Income Parish Property-Nett	\$9,827.00	\$9,000.00	\$827.00	9.2%
4-9100	Grants				
4-9102	Archdeacon Allowance - ADOM	\$4,375.00	\$4,500.00	-\$125.00	(2.8)%
4-9105	Grants - COVID 19	\$43,000.00	\$0.00	\$43,000.00	NA
4-9204	Grant - Ridley Student	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	-\$3,000.00	(100.0)%
	Total Grants	\$47,375.00	\$7,500.00	\$39,875.00	531.7%
	Total Income	\$629,538.40	\$489,020.71	\$140,517.69	28.7%
	Gross Profit	\$629,538.40	\$489,020.71	\$140,517.69	28.7%
6-0000	Expenses				
6-0999	STAFF COSTS				
6-1700	Vicar/R.Vicar Stipend/Allow				
6-1710	Vehicle Replacement Fund Vicar	\$4,560.00	\$4,560.00	\$0.00	0.0%
6-1710	Vicar's Long Service Leave	\$1,578.00	\$1,560.00	\$18.00	1.2%
6-1720	Superannuation-Vicar	\$9,176.88	\$9,176.91	-\$0.03	0.0%
6-1720	Benefit Account GW	\$25,983.01	\$28,126.88	-\$2,143.87	(7.6)%

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6-172!	Salary SacrificeSuperannuVicar	\$16,217.88	\$6,117.94	\$10,099.94	165.1%
6-172!	Stipend Insurance Sal.Sac.GW	\$780.40	\$780.00	\$0.40	0.1%
6-173!	Wages, Salaries & Stipends GW	\$18,681.73	\$26,934.55	-\$8,252.82	(30.6)%
6-173!	Sickness & Accident Vicar	\$572.00	\$580.00	-\$8.00	(1.4)%
6-173!	MV Running Cost Vicar	\$1,617.38	\$3,300.00	-\$1,682.62	(51.0)%
	Total Vicar/R.Vicar Stipend/Allow	\$79,167.28	\$81,136.28	-\$1,969.00	(2.4)%
6-1790	M Browne's Stipend/Allowance				
6-179!	Browne's Stipend/Wages	\$20,443.69	\$20,143.64	\$300.05	1.5%
6-179!	Browne's Superannuation	\$7,341.48	\$7,341.52	-\$0.04	0.0%
6-179!	Browne's Sal. Sac. Super	\$4,894.32	\$4,894.35	-\$0.03	0.0%
6-179!	Browne's Benefit allowance	\$23,475.93	\$23,905.51	-\$429.58	(1.8)%
6-179!	Browne's Vehicle Replacement Fund	\$4,560.00	\$4,560.00	\$0.00	0.0%
6-179!	Browne's LSL	\$1,578.00	\$1,560.00	\$18.00	1.2%
6-179!	Browne's M V Running Cost	\$1,551.13	\$3,300.00	-\$1,748.87	(53.0)%
6-179!	Browne's Stipend Ins/S&L	\$1,352.40	\$1,360.00	-\$7.60	(0.6)%
	Total M Browne's Stipend/Allowance	\$65,196.95	\$67,065.02	-\$1,868.07	(2.8)%
6-1800	Administrator's Salary				
6-180!	Superannuation-Administrator	\$3,480.48	\$4,395.96	-\$915.48	(20.8)%
6-180!	Administrator Salaries	\$37,621.56	\$36,637.66	\$983.90	2.7%
	Total Administrator's Salary	\$41,102.04	\$41,033.62	\$68.42	0.2%
6-1899	Other Staff Costs				
6-194!	Work Cover	\$854.02	\$2,100.00	-\$1,245.98	(59.3)%
	Total Other Staff Costs	\$854.02	\$2,100.00	-\$1,245.98	(59.3)%
6-2100	Accounts Officer				
6-210!	Salary - Cleaner	\$16,606.40	\$19,250.00	-\$2,643.60	(13.7)%
6-210!	Superannuation - Cleaner	\$293.64	\$675.48	-\$381.84	(56.5)%
	Total Accounts Officer	\$16,900.04	\$19,925.48	-\$3,025.44	(15.2)%
	Total STAFF COSTS	\$203,220.33	\$211,260.40	-\$8,040.07	(3.8)%
6-2300	Insurance				
6-2301	Insurance - Property	\$10,776.94	\$12,500.00	-\$1,723.06	(13.8)%
6-2303	Bookkeeping Exp.	\$5,500.00	\$6,500.00	-\$1,000.00	(15.4)%
	Total Insurance	\$16,276.94	\$19,000.00	-\$2,723.06	(14.3)%
6-2400	Church Expenses				
6-2401	Wine,Wafers,Envelopes,Badges	\$332.52	\$550.00	-\$217.48	(39.5)%
6-2402	Confirmation/ Baptism	\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00	(100.0)%
6-2403	Conferences	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	-\$1,500.00	(100.0)%
6-2404	Books & Training	\$575.09	\$900.00	-\$324.91	(36.1)%
6-2405	Media Costs	\$1,893.22	\$2,200.00	-\$306.78	(13.9)%
6-2406	Piano/Organ/Music/CCLI	\$640.10	\$1,000.00	-\$359.90	(36.0)%
6-2407	Office Expenses-Stationery	\$809.00	\$1,850.00	-\$1,041.00	(56.3)%
6-2408	God's Gang & Youth United	\$77.90	\$350.00	-\$272.10	(77.7)%
6-2409	Copyright and Subscriptions	\$229.00	\$350.00	-\$121.00	(34.6)%
6-2410	Kids United	\$0.00	\$250.00	-\$250.00	(100.0)%
6-2411	Playgroup Expenses	\$451.18	\$300.00	\$151.18	50.4%
6-2412	Youth Ministry	\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00	(100.0)%
6-2416	Hospitality	\$1,017.22	\$1,850.00	-\$832.78	(45.0)%
6-2422	Parishioners Hospitality & Wel	\$181.01	\$725.00	-\$543.99	(75.0)%
6-2423	Funeral & Wedding Costs/Organ	\$195.87	\$650.00	-\$454.13	(69.9)%
6-2424	Kids Hope	\$1,129.50	\$450.00	\$679.50	151.0%
6-2426	Telephones & Internet	\$3,834.64	\$4,745.00	-\$910.36	(19.2)%
6-2471	Print & Copy	\$5,575.54	\$7,200.00	-\$1,624.46	(22.6)%

Profit & Loss [Budget Analysis]

October 2019 To September 2020

		Selected Period	Budgeted	\$ Difference	% Difference
6-2472	Comm. Store- Expenses	\$11,821.99	\$22,060.00	-\$10,238.01	(46.4)%
6-2480	Police Checks	\$0.00	\$350.00	-\$350.00	(100.0)%
6-2484	Pathways	\$0.00	\$360.00	-\$360.00	(100.0)%
6-2486	Excess Community Store Funds	\$282.95	\$0.00	\$282.95	NA
6-2489	5pm Service	\$0.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00	(100.0)%
6-2490	Social Events	\$0.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00	(100.0)%
6-2491	Women's Ministry	\$942.31	\$0.00	\$942.31	NA
	Total Church Expenses	\$29,989.04	\$48,940.00	-\$18,950.96	(38.7)%
6-2500	Property Related Expense				
6-2510	Church Building				
6-2511	Utilities- Church	\$1,982.93	\$2,700.00	-\$717.07	(26.6)%
6-2511	Repairs to Church	\$70,406.87	\$0.00	\$70,406.87	NA
	Total Church Building	\$72,389.80	\$2,700.00	\$69,689.80	2,581.1%
6-2514	Incumbent/P.I.C Residence				
6-2511	Utilities- Vicarage	\$3,377.94	\$4,800.00	-\$1,422.06	(29.6)%
6-2511	Repairs to Vicarage	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	-\$1,500.00	(100.0)%
6-2511	Utilities Curate	\$2,486.88	\$3,432.00	-\$945.12	(27.5)%
6-2511	Curate Housing Allowance	\$21,900.00	\$22,360.00	-\$460.00	(2.1)%
	Total Incumbent/P.I.C Residence	\$27,764.82	\$32,092.00	-\$4,327.18	(13.5)%
6-2520	Parish Centre				
6-2521	Repairs -Other Properties	\$1,395.31	\$0.00	\$1,395.31	NA
6-2521	Hume Rates	\$752.80	\$780.00	-\$27.20	(3.5)%
6-2521	Utilities - Hall & Expenses	\$4,639.58	\$8,025.00	-\$3,385.42	(42.2)%
	Total Parish Centre	\$6,787.69	\$8,805.00	-\$2,017.31	(22.9)%
6-2530	Parish House				
6-2531	Maintenance & Repairs	\$283.00	\$0.00	\$283.00	NA
6-2531	Utilities - Parish House	\$869.83	\$498.00	\$371.83	74.7%
	Total Parish House	\$1,152.83	\$498.00	\$654.83	131.5%
	Total Property Related Expense	\$108,095.14	\$44,095.00	\$64,000.14	145.1%
6-2600	Parish Development				
6-2601	Parish Development - A	\$0.00	\$105,000.00	-\$105,000.00	(100.0)%
6-3100	Mission Expenses				
6-3101	Parochial Assessment	\$22,310.00	\$35,683.00	-\$13,373.00	(37.5)%
6-3201	Community Store Giving	\$4,067.26	\$22,700.00	-\$18,632.74	(82.1)%
6-3202	Other Mission Agencies	\$70.00	\$750.00	-\$680.00	(90.7)%
6-3204	Parish Council Giving	\$14,500.00	\$14,500.00	\$0.00	0.0%
6-3205	Ridley Student	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	-\$3,000.00	(100.0)%
6-3207	CMS Tins	\$942.30	\$1,000.00	-\$57.70	(5.8)%
6-3208	Chibobo Mission	\$4,435.45	\$6,850.00	-\$2,414.55	(35.2)%
6-3212	Winter Night Shelter	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	NA
	Total Mission Expenses	\$46,425.01	\$84,483.00	-\$38,057.99	(45.0)%
6-3301	Bank Fees	\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00	(100.0)%
	Total Expenses	\$404,006.46	\$512,828.40	-\$108,821.94	(21.2)%
	Operating Profit	\$225,531.94	-\$23,807.69	\$249,339.63	1,047.3%
	Total Other Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
	Total Other Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	NA
	Net Profit/(Loss)	\$225,531.94	-\$23,807.69	\$249,339.63	1,047.3%

Balance Sheet

As of September 2020

1-0000	Assets		
1-1000	Current Assets		
1-1109	NAB Accounts		
1-1110	General Cheque Acc 516062042	\$35,267.04	
1-1112	Rest & Maint Acc. 651925242	\$602.50	
1-1118	Community Store Cheque 5020	\$4,100.52	
1-1120	Payroll Cheque Account		-\$13,488.05
1-1121	Clearing		\$1,927.00
1-1125	Deposits on Mission Trip		\$50.00
1-1127	Petty Cash-Community Store		\$350.00
1-1141	Petty Cash - Parish Office		\$200.00
1-1142	Petty Cash Office - F.Currency		\$35.00
1-1145	Float Cash Comm Store		\$150.00
1-1147	Youth and Young Adults Camp		-\$265.12
1-1148	Petty Cash - Catering Float		\$200.00
1-1150	Parish Camp 2009		-\$68.09
	Total Current Assets		\$29,060.80
1-2000	Cash On Hand - ADF		
1-2100	ADF SAV.05004120	\$29,485.59	
1-2201	ADF 4990 Future Building Fund	\$12,686.13	
1-2210	ADF 05004905 ApprBldgFund	\$79,098.81	
1-2215	ADF SAV.05005010 Maint.Reserve	\$16,175.00	
1-2220	ADF Parish Giving 05004616	\$1,617.66	
1-2230	ADF SAV 05009176 Comm Store	\$5,595.83	
1-2231	Com Store - Access Account 9752	\$4,135.82	
1-2235	ADF Mission Giving - 05009609	\$9,753.63	
1-2281	ADF Appr.Bldg T/D 443009168	\$243,165.83	
1-2282	ADF Appr Bldg T/D 443009209	\$740,005.81	
1-2284	ADF T/D 443009508 Future Bld#2	\$135,259.41	
1-2302	ADF Inv 443009475	\$10,304.26	
1-2303	ADF T/D 443009530 Future Bld#4	\$76,984.52	
1-2304	ADF T/D 443009516 Future Bld#3	\$30,388.62	
1-2305	ADF T/D443009579 - Future Bld Fund #5	\$135,000.00	
	Total Cash On Hand - ADF		\$1,529,656.92
1-2400	Non-Current Assets		
1-2410	Church Organ	\$60,747.91	
1-2412	Computer	\$990.91	
1-2413	Software	\$227.27	
1-2414	Store Equipment	\$908.18	
1-2415	Television/Projector	\$2,981.82	
1-2416	Furniture	\$1,245.00	
	Total Non-Current Assets		\$67,101.09
1-3000	Vicarage 8 Jardine Cres		\$369,519.54
1-4000	Bldg Develop't Project		
1-4001	New Worship Centre - Phase 1	\$237,741.41	
	Total Assets		\$2,233,079.76
2-0000	Liabilities		
2-1000	Current Liabilities		
2-1125	Temp Rec- Deposit on Mission	\$575.25	
2-1147	Temp Rec'd - YYAC	\$2,016.09	
2-1300	GST Liabilities		

This report includes Year-End Adjustments.

Balance Sheet

As of September 2020

2-1340	GST Tax Collected	-\$280.23	
2-1350	GST Tax Paid	-\$1,413.59	
2-1355	GST Rounding & Adjustments	-\$1,190.23	
Total GST Liabilities			-\$2,884.05
2-1400	Payroll Liabilities		
2-1405	PAYG Withholdings	\$88.00	
2-1406	Superannuation Payable- Parish	\$3,273.25	
2-1407	Superannuation payable-Sal Sac	\$4,836.99	
2-1412	Fringe Benefit A/C - Gavin W	\$5,473.54	
2-1415	Fringe Benefits A/C - Browne	\$1,954.63	
Total Payroll Liabilities			\$15,626.41
Total Current Liabilities			\$15,333.70
Total Liabilities			\$15,333.70
Net Assets			\$2,217,746.06
3-0000	Equity		
3-8000	Retained Earnings	\$1,991,184.32	
3-9000	Current Year Earnings	\$225,531.94	
3-9999	Historical Balancing	-\$839.83	
Total Equity			\$2,215,876.43

This report includes Year-End Adjustments.

2020/21 St Mary's Budget

	2019/20 Budget	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Draft Budget
INCOME			
Offertory Collections	\$ 244,726.75	\$ 246,610.22	\$ 240,000.00
Weddings & Funerals	\$ 3,529.00	\$ 1,385.00	\$ 1,500.00
Donations & Mission Giving	\$ 9,265.00	\$ 10,332.39	\$ 8,000.00
Community Store	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 52,061.00	\$ 55,450.00
Grants- Archdeacon, Ridley Student	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 4,375.00	\$ 3,000.00
Parish Property Hire	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,827.00	\$ 2,000.00
Funds raised for New buildings	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 237,894.35	\$ 50,000.00
Interest	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 24,053.44	\$ 7,000.00
JobKeeper & COVID Grants		\$ 43,000.00	
Total Income	\$ 489,020.75	\$ 629,538.40	\$ 366,950.00
EXPENSES			
STAFFING COSTS			
Vicar's Stipend, Super & vehicle allowance	\$ 81,136.28	\$ 79,167.28	\$ 81,136.28
Curate's Stipend, Super & vehicle allowance	\$ 67,065.02	\$ 65,196.95	\$ 70,582.84
Manager of Op. Ministries- Salary & Super	\$ 41,033.66	\$ 41,102.04	\$ 41,033.66
Cleaning Staff- Salary & Super	\$ 7,785.24	\$ 16,900.04	\$ 13,042.50
Work Cover	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 854.02	\$ 2,100.00
Ridley Student	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Total STAFFING COSTS	\$ 202,120.20	\$ 203,220.33	\$ 207,895.28
Mission Giving			
Mission Giving- Chibobo & Others	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 4,605.45	\$ 6,000.00
Community Store Giving	\$ 22,700.00	\$ 4,067.26	\$ 6,100.00
Parish Council Giving	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 14,500.00
CMS Tins		\$ 942.30	\$ 1,500.00
Total Giving to MISSION	\$ 45,800.00	\$ 24,115.01	\$ 28,100.00
Property Related Expense			
Church Utilities & repairs	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 1,982.93	\$ 2,700.00
Vicarage and Curate Housing- Utilities & repairs + rent	\$ 32,092.00	\$ 27,764.82	\$ 26,682.00
Parish Centre Utilities & repairs	\$ 8,805.00	\$ 6,787.69	\$ 6,805.00
Parish House Utilities & repairs	\$ 498.00	\$ 1,152.83	\$ 298.00
Insurance- all properties	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 10,776.94	\$ 12,500.00
Total PROPERTY Related Expense	\$ 56,595.00	\$ 48,465.21	\$ 48,985.00

2020/21 St Mary's Budget

Ministry and operational Expenses			
Bookkeeping Fees	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Wine/Wafers/Envelopes	\$ 550.00	\$ 332.52	\$ 550.00
Confirmation/ Baptism	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Conferences	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00
Books & Training	\$ 900.00	\$ 575.09	\$ 500.00
Media Costs, CCLI, Subscriptions	\$ 3,550.00	\$ 2,762.32	\$ 3,550.00
Office Expenses-Stationery	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 809.00	\$ 1,500.00
Children's & Youth Ministries	\$ 750.00	\$ 77.90	\$ 750.00
Playgroup Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 451.18	\$ 300.00
Hospitality	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,017.22	\$ 1,000.00
Parishioners Hospitality & Wellbeing	\$ 725.00	\$ 181.01	\$ 400.00
Funeral & Wedding Costs	\$ 650.00	\$ 195.87	\$ 500.00
Kids Hope	\$ 450.00	\$ 1,129.50	\$ 450.00
Telephones & Internet	\$ 4,745.00	\$ 3,834.64	\$ 4,745.00
Printing & Copier lease	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 5,575.54	\$ 7,200.00
Community Store- Expenses	\$ 22,060.00	\$ 11,821.99	\$ 24,037.00
Equipment purchases & excess Comm.store funds	\$ -	\$ 282.95	\$ -
Police Checks	\$ 350.00		\$ 350.00
Outreach Events	\$ 360.00		\$ 150.00
5pm Service	\$ 500.00		\$ 250.00
Social Events- (Building launch/Women's Ministry)	\$ 500.00	\$ 942.31	\$ -
Total Ministry & Operational Expenses	\$ 55,440.00	\$ 35,489.04	\$ 53,632.00
Other Expenses			
Parochial Assessment	\$ 35,683.00	\$ 22,310.00	\$ 32,250.00
Bank Fees	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Church Restoration Project		\$ 70,406.87	
Total Other expenses	\$ 35,733.00	\$ 22,310.00	\$ 32,300.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 395,688.20	\$ 404,006.46	\$ 370,912.28
Operating Profit/Loss	\$ 93,332.55	\$ 225,531.94	-\$ 3,962.28

2020/21 St Mary's Budget

Funds Transfers & Additional account transactions			
Building Project Includes Interest (Building pledge funds transferred to ADF approved building accounts)	\$ 105,000.00	\$ 261,947.79	\$ 57,000.00
Church Restoration Project <i>Funded from ADF Building accounts</i>		-\$ 70,406.87	
Repayments of "loan" from Community Store		\$ 8,000.00	
Operating Surplus	-\$ 11,667.45	\$ 25,991.02	-\$ 60,962.28
Job Keeper Estimates for 2019/20 that will be paid in Oct. Estimates for JobKeeper to end of March 2021		\$ 41,818.00	\$ 58,650.00
JobKeeper assisted Profit/Loss		\$ 67,809.02	-\$ 2,312.28

