



## St Mary's Church Woodkirk

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### **TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2020**

We started the year full of optimism, we were in a better financial position than we had been for several years. We had plans to pay a larger percentage of our Parish Share. The Parish Centre was fully let and bringing in a good income. Then came Covid. All our plans went out of the window, closed down, we had very little income, but still a certain amount of expenditure.

We ended the year in the same position - lockdown coming in January - so no plans for 2021.

A huge thank you to the Scouts who continued to pay their rent even though they were not meeting. Also to those of you who contribute to church funds by Planned Giving envelopes. I kept finding a pile of envelopes behind my front door and I'm grateful to those of you who sometimes turned up at my back door with their envelopes. Thanks also to those of you who continued to make your contributions by standing order, that really helped us to keep going.

Streaming services most days also picked up followers from out of our Parish and they too made generous donations direct into our bank account.

Diocese decided to keep Parish Share for 2021 the same as 2020 (£39,875). We will endeavour to increase our contribution.

Although our current account balance looked healthy at the end of December at £16558 , included in that figure is £12228 either restricted or designated funds. These restricted funds are for either The Churchyard Fund, the Forget me Not Cafe and the East Window Refurbishment fund. We are saving money each month to pay for a new flat roof on the Parish Centre Toilet block and these are designated funds.

Our Bank in Morley closed down and I'm grateful to Gary for taking the banking to Dewsbury for me before I had my vaccinations.

My thanks also to Richard Atkinson, who again has audited our accounts without charge.

I'm grateful to all the PCC and Rev Sharon for their support during a very difficult year. We pray that things will improve in 2021.