

Journeying Together

Parish of Cirencester with Watermoor And St Lawrence



Annual Year Book 2025



Church of St John Baptist

Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor

St Lawrence Church Centre, Chesterton

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The Parish Church of St John Baptist

This is one of the largest parish churches in the country and its imposing building dominates the centre of the town of Cirencester. Although there has been a church in Cirencester since Roman times, it is generally believed that today's building was started in 1117.



Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor

During the 1840s it was felt that more accommodation was needed to cater for the growing number of worshippers in the town, so it was in 1851 that Holy Trinity was consecrated.

St Lawrence Church Centre, Countess Lillas Road, Chesterton

This church was similarly built in 1951 to cater for the needs of the many people in the developing area of Chesterton.



Further information on our churches, halls, activities and events are available in various publications on sale at the Parish Church Bookshop and on the Parish web-site: www.cirenparish.co.uk.

Total Number on Electoral Roll at APCM 2025: 203

Total number on roll at close 31st March 2026: 212

Anyone who has not completed a form but would like to be included in future please contact staff at the Parish office.

Howard Gray, Electoral Roll Officer

The Vicar's opening comments



This past year has been eventful in so many ways, and a year in which I personally feel an overwhelming sense of gratitude—to my colleagues, our churchwardens, and our parishioners. The events of last May, which brought my work to an abrupt halt, have caused me to reflect deeply on the things that matter most to me and to the life of this Parish.

Clergy and Ministry Colleagues

Angela and I felt upheld—carried, even—on a raft of prayer that allowed us to release parochial concerns and focus on healing. Hospitalisation and the treatment that followed gave time for recovery and for renewed appreciation of the wonderful colleagues we have in this parish.

Revd Luke was extraordinary. His commitment to ensuring that parish life continued smoothly during my period of inactivity was remarkable, and we offer him our sincere thanks for his ministry and pastoral care. Our retired clergy also played a vital role in enabling the life of this parish and its three church communities to flourish. This came at a cost to them, and we must never underestimate how blessed we are to have such a dedicated and generous group of people serving alongside us.

Staff, Volunteers, and the Wider Team



Our paid staff have continued to serve the parish faithfully, embracing new opportunities with commitment and enthusiasm. We must not take them for granted. Alongside them, our volunteers—our Extended Team and the vast army who give so freely of their time—provide the foundation that enables us to engage with the mission of God's Church in this place.

As I said last year, and gladly repeat: each of our churches, with all their volunteers, gives expression to the *height, length, depth, and breadth* (Ephesians 3.18–19) of what it means to be part of the Anglican family here. Thank you all.

Projects and Progress

Patience has been a key lesson from the past year. At St John Baptist, the Pathway Project is now complete, and what a magnificent difference it has made to the approach to the churchyard and the Vestry door. Our thanks go to Mr John Tiffney and Mrs Meg Blumsom, and all who contributed so generously of their time.

The ongoing project to provide toilets and a servery at St John Baptist is progressing well, and we look forward with hope to its completion in the coming year. We are indebted to Mr Alan Jones, Mr Peter Ewart, and the dedicated team who have worked tirelessly to navigate the complexities of the Diocesan Advisory Committee—a mammoth task indeed.

Worship, Music, and Parish Life

Liturgy and music at St John Baptist continues to flourish under the leadership of Thomas Hawkes. We are blessed by his musicianship and by the colleagues he has brought into our community.

To our Servers, Flower Arrangers, Vergers, Bell Ringers, Stewards, Guides, those who produce Pew Leaflets, Bulletins, and the Parish Magazine, and those who support our outreach through the website, social media, live-streaming, and Facebook—thank you.



At Holy Trinity, we are grateful to Ian and Ally, who work alongside Luke to nurture a distinctive and vibrant charism. The growth in confirmation candidates and the increasing involvement of younger people in leadership is truly encouraging.

At St Lawrence, we have seen exponential growth—numerically and in confidence. Luke’s enthusiasm, supported by Brian, our Senior Lay Reader, has contributed to a visible stirring of the Holy Spirit.

Parish Life and Community

Everything I expressed in last year’s report remains true, and I repeat it here to emphasise my deep gratitude for all that has been achieved.

From liturgies to lunches, talks to tea-time gatherings, pancake races to organ marathons, visiting choirs to concerts of every imaginable kind—our church buildings have been alive with fellowship. Add to this the rich opportunities offered through Lenten and Advent study, and the countless carol services, and it is heart-warming to see our congregations growing in size and in spirit.

We may not have the vast numbers of some churches, but our membership is loyal, steadfast, and welcoming. The ministry offered to families and young people through Seedlings, Little Angels, Sparklers, and Trinity Kids brings such joy. The commitment of all three congregations continues to help our parish flourish.

Closing Thanks

On behalf of the Churchwardens, I extend heartfelt thanks to all of you—those on the front line of ministry and those who work quietly in the background. It is an enormous privilege to be the Vicar of this Parish as together we seek to serve the spiritual needs of this community.



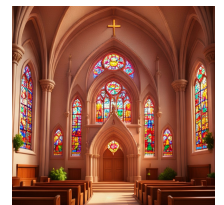
Thank you, each and every one of you.

Canon Graham – APCM 2026



Parish Wardens

In January 2025 I was contacted by a curator from Hever Castle in Kent, childhood home and surviving memorial to Anne Boleyn, regarding a national exhibition planned for 2026. Of course I did not offer to lend them our most precious asset but they were delighted that there was a facsimile, made in 1907, which could grace the exhibition, entitled: “Capturing the Queen— the Image of Anne Boleyn”. A year on and the deed was done; the cup, which to the untutored eye (mine included) could stand for the real thing, now has pride of place in the final and concluding room of this important exhibition. By way of thanks Dr. Emmerson will be giving a public lecture on Anne Boleyn in SJB, hosted by the “Friends” on May 15th, reflecting fascinating research about Queen Anne Boleyn and her representation throughout history.



Against this development was the sad news of the passing of former churchwarden Elizabeth Gledhill after a distressing illness. She was remembered particularly for her highly supportive role during the previous major project of 2010-2012 which saw the creation of the new floor and the South Porch restoration. Her husband, the Hon. Michael Gledhill, continues to preside as server and Chair of the Friends of the Parish Church.

Difficulty of access to the parking spaces around SJB’s north-western face was exacerbated by the sudden closure by the Highways Authority of the normal access route by a “ring of steel” bollards. Before violence could break out an understanding was agreed, confirmed in a legal licence, which recognised the church’s rights. Some difficulties remain of a logistical nature but access has been restored.

The Vicar's illness in the spring of 2025 was sufficiently serious, although he did not recognise it as such, that his superiors imposed a long lay-off for tests and recuperation. This was challenging for everybody, but the retired clergy, churchwarden Aileen Anderson and the assistant priest Luke Falvey, as well as the vergers, now supported by (I think) our first female verger, Ros Ivison, kept the show on the road. Although worrying and unfortunate, the experience of "stepping up" was generally beneficial.

In October the second Cirencester History Festival again showcased our magnificent Parish Church with keynote lectures by eminent public figures. Very well supported, these talks were expertly managed by Gloucester Historical Society and Cirencester's Development Trust.

A further blow followed when Deirdre Waddell succumbed to a stroke. Meg Blumson stepped forward to organise the church tours, but we missed Deirdre's energy and knowledge; the latter, fortunately, remains undimmed.

Nigel Robbins



The Friends of the Parish Church



The Friends has continued to support the work of PCC throughout the year. The principal grant was towards the renewal of the pathway between the South Porch and the churchyard. The project was led by John Tiffney and Meg Blumson and is a welcome improvement to the South side of the Church.

Richard Mullings (Vice Chairman) and John Hobbs (Investments Administrator) have worked hard to move our investments from Brewin Dolphin to CCLA and M&G – both very respected financial companies who specialise in looking after the investments of charities. Brewin Dolphin will continue to audit our accounts.

We are grateful for Ruth Hebert, of Brewin Dolphin, for taking on the role of Treasurer temporarily, until the recent appointment of Paul Burt as Treasurer.

Lynn Hilditch has been appointed Membership Secretary, following Sam Crawley's move to being Social Secretary. Lynn has undertaken a thorough review of the Membership List, which has proved a time-consuming task. However, the result will be much better communication with members.

The AGM and Festal Evensong in June were a great success, followed by a reception in Deirdre Waddle's wonderful garden. The Very Revd. Christopher Lewis preached. Social events included an excellent talk and demonstration of the organ by Thomas Hawkes and Christmas drinks after Choral Evensong in December. Our aim is to have 3 social events a year, in addition to the reception after the AGM – in the Spring, Autumn and before Christmas.

The Council have approved grants toward the cost of the new lavatories and a new Organ Guidebook.

Mr Colin McCorquodale has been appointed an Honorary Life Member in recognition of his generous support of the Friends.

2026 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Friends. The Bishop of Gloucester has kindly agreed to lead the celebrations by preaching at the Festal Evensong following the AGM in June.

Michael Gledhill, Chairman

Friends of St John Baptist Churchyard

Another successful year. with our trusty band of volunteer gardeners working total of 605 hours (462 in 2024) with Nick and John topping the charts and the Rotarians contributing 144 hours of their valuable time to our cause. We welcomed two new members- Maureen and David but were very sorry when Brian decided that he was unable to continuing the mowing. A group of soldiers from 29 Reg Royal Logistics Corps spent two days helping shred wood and shifting stones and laying wood chipping on paths. The Council re-laid another length of the main paths with our help. The repairs to the passageway from Market Place were completed in August after three years of fundraising and planning.



We continued to tend the flower beds; prune the rose bushes; care for the garden of remembrance; and uncover more graves especially at the bottom end of the churchyard. Again with the help of the Council Estates team we pruned the avenue of yew trees and started to create a new wood hedge at the bottom of the churchyard thanks to Benjamin and his son. All the seats/benches had a coat of varnish applied. At the request of the Vicar we also did a major weed clearance around the Church which was much appreciated. A new bench and a tree was installed in memory of a loved one.

We continue to enjoy a good working relationship with the Phoenix Gardeners- they use some of our tools and wheelbarrows and supply us with plants and bulbs and horticultural advice in general. Thanks to a generous Rotarian we received a splendid Honda Mower and another wheelbarrow and bill hook from Phoenix Gardeners.

We participated in No Mow May again - and extended that into June.

Thanks to Mike Timbrell of Sitech Surveyors we now have an accurate plan of the churchyard together with a complete A-Z of burials from c1650 -1872 which is held in the Church for inspection. I have recently deposited copies with Gloucestershire County Records Office.

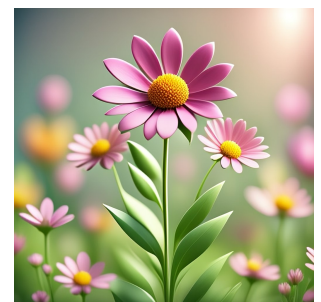
Finally may I express our sincere thanks to Linda for the coffee and Joy for the cakes without which our weekly sessions would not be complete.

John Tiffney, Chair



Holy Trinity Flower Team

During 2025 our dedicated team of flower arrangers have decorated our church beautifully. In order to be more sustainable most of us use vases filled with flowers rather than using blocks of oasis, and brass urns of various sizes are dotted around the church filled with dried teasles and other decorations. At Easter and Harvest we again asked the congregation for help with and donations for decorating our lovely church. Poinsettias were donated in memory of loved ones to decorate Holy Trinity for Christmas, and the church looked beautiful. The Advent wreath this year was made using a biodegradable wreath and decorated with garden greenery. If anyone would like to join us, please contact me, Kathie Cottey on 01285 654038 or email, pcottey@talktalk.net.



Kathie Cottey

Holy Trinity Sacristans



Our grateful thanks go to the four couples who quietly and efficiently prepare the church for Sunday services. Changing the Liturgical Colours, laying out the Communion service requirements and also laundering the linens.

Peter and Kathie Cottey, Roger and Sybil Hester, Howard and Rosemary Gray along with ourselves all take a turn to carry out this activity every Saturday. It is also a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the peace and tranquility of the church and to focus on the week ahead.

We were recently generously gifted some lovely linen cloths for the side tables and some new small linens.

We continue to appeal to others for extra members on our team, as more help would make the rota more flexible and “many hands make light work.” If you think you could help, please get in touch, we would be very happy to explain what this entails.

Thank you all.

Claire and Alan Jones, jonesinthehatches@gmail.com.



Trinity Kid's

We continue to run Trinity kids with parents leading most of the sessions. Numbers can vary, but we continue to acquire new families. Luke has supported our families work well. We hosted the children and parents of the parish for Palm Sunday, the donkey was a great success. We ran a Good Friday workshop together with help from the parish Church, which told the story of Holy Week. There were stories and crafts and some songs.



Lorraine Hasler again wrote us a nativity story that was performed by the children, with the help of Thornston the hedgehog, who this year dressed as a sheep! Delphi, the Angel in training, saved the day waking up the sheep, that were causing a roadblock, so the wisemen could get to the stable. We all thought she deserved to get her wings!

Please remember to pray for our parents and children's work throughout the Parish

Joanne Holden



Bible Bookworms



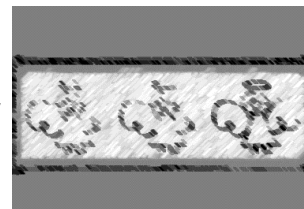
Bible Bookworms, formerly Open the Book, continue to go into Watermoor School on average 6 times a term enacting the stories and linking them with the values the school are looking at that week. These include values such as responsibility, forgiveness, hope, and vision. We have covered stories like crossing the Jordan, the woman who poured perfume on Jesus' feet, and God's friend Abraham. The children love taking part in the stories and we feel valued by the school and staff too. We would welcome others to join our team, if you are interested, please contact, myself or a member of the Clergy. Please remember to pray for the schools in Cirencester.

Joanne Holden



Little Angels

Little Angels continues to meet on a Monday morning at 9.30 at the Parish Church, apart from Bank Holidays. Numbers can still vary but have remained steady, we tend to lose children to nurseries at 3 years old or sometimes at 2 yrs old. We are grateful for our childminders who come with slightly older children. We continue to have a faithful core group. Our pattern of stories include ones from the Old Testament, like Creation, Noah, Moses and David. We have done healing stories of Jesus and parables from the New Testament as well as celebrating our Church Festivals. We sometimes base our sessions on well-loved children's books that fit in with our theme.



We were delighted to welcome Graham back after his illness, as he now leads a session once a month. We have also been supported by our musicians: Jill Wilkinson and Bryony Springate. Hilary Lawrence is always a great support helping to choose and lead the craft for the stories and having input into our story choice, as well as leading some sessions. Helen Finden continues to support us making tea and coffee and doing refreshments for the children. We also have Christine Greathead who supports us once a month, who can support Hilary when I am away! The Christmas party was well attended, even Father Christmas came and gave out books to our children.

Thank you too to our vergers who support us in setting up and putting away.

If anyone else feels called to help out with this venture please feel free to contact myself or one of the clergy, we would love to have a few more helpers or people able to lead an occasional session.

Joanne Holden



Health and Safety



A poster of our Health and Safety Policy is displayed in all our Churches, as it is important to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that our activities are carried out safely and do not pose a risk to the health and safety of our employees, volunteers, congregations, visitors and others who may use our churches, churchyards or any other buildings we are responsible for.

We are fortunate to have members of the Committee who are well qualified in all aspects of Health and Safety, so we have endeavoured to make sure that areas of risk are suitably noted, and if problems occur, these are quickly dealt with. The vergers in the Parish Church, which welcomes thousands of visitors during the year, make sure that white lines, suitable notices and barriers are placed to warn of areas of potential risk. The wardens at Holy Trinity and St. Lawrence make sure that risk areas are dealt with.

Detailed Risk Assessments cover all areas of possible risk, in the Parish Church there is a separate RA for the Tower, and for the Trinity Chapel as it is used especially by the children. An A4 'bullet point' RA sheet is available for hirers of the building. Much work has been done in making sure the area of the shop and vergers' workstation is safe, especially as the vergers' area must be used for the safe storage of tables and chairs, when not in use.

Incident report books and First Aid equipment are available in all buildings.

In May 2025, it was reported that there was a crumbling step near the top of the St John Baptist Church Tower. This was eventually repaired by Matthew Frost of Hardwick Homes.

In June 2025, H&S were tasked to revise the maximum capacity at Parish Events when tables and chairs are set up. This has been carried out, and a site plan has been submitted to the Parish Office.

In October 2025, H&S advised that appropriate safety tape around damaged tiles outside the Vestry door in St John Baptist Church has been installed.

If you consider anything within the properties of the Parish to be a Health & Safety Risk or Hazard, please report it to the Vergers, Churchwardens, or a member of the clergy. The PCC has overall responsibility for Health & Safety – report it!!

Phil Kerton, Health & Safety



Cirencester Deanery

Summary:

This year Deanery Synod has offered the opportunity to share good practice in our churches by focussing on important activities. At each Synod there was an emphasis on Safeguarding with members being urged to keep their PCCs up to date.

March - Celebrating Worship

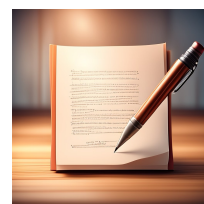
June - Sustainable Church flowers

October - Church giving

November - Music and Spiritual Healing

Each Synod has been enjoyable as well as informative.

In October our new Archdeacon, Katrina Scott joined us as we discussed Parish Share and our Deanery Strategic Pathway (Plan.) Our Deanery along with Wotton-under-Edge and Gloucester City have been given the go ahead to appoint a Deanery Operations Lead to support the administration involved in the Mission work led by our Area Deans and Clergy. Emma Anderson has been appointed and starts work on 8 December 2025. Her base will be in TODS Cirencester from where she will be visiting each benefice to learn about the activities running in our churches.



Detail:

March - Celebrating Worship

After a presentation by Yvonne Penn from Christian Aid Synod received talks from five people with experience of leading different types of worship.

We learned about candlelit Celtic Prayer, Lay Funeral and bereavement ministry, Cafe church helping mental health, the use of interest tables to bring the Bible to all our senses and how outdoor worship with walks and picnics can involve all the family.

June - Sustainable Church Flowers

Sustainable flower demonstration by Beth Bruce-Gardener:

Beth is an Ambassador for Sustainable Church Flowers movement which started in Harpley, Worcestershire in 2019, <https://suschurchflowers.com>. The aim is to make all church flower displays biodegradable, local, seasonal and foam free. Beth created a magnificent arrangement using local flowers from her garden and from a local grower and drew our attention to www.farewellflowers.co.uk for sustainable funeral displays

October - Church Giving

Archdeacon Katrina Scott made her debut at this Synod. Her presentation outlined the Parish Share allocation for 2026 which will be a 2.6% increase on the 2025 Parish Share. It is emphasised that this is a guide only, more can be given in a spirit of generosity or, if a Parish is struggling then less. The money being invested in our Deanery Operation Leads is from the sale of the Leckhampton Glebe. By investing in Our Deanery Pathway the Diocese aims to reduce the need for dipping into reserves by enabling more efficiency and better transparency and giving Parishes confidence in contributing to Parish Share.

November - Music and Spiritual Healing

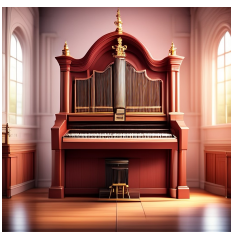
Rosemary Bailey introduced Rev Pauline Setterfield who gave an inspiring presentation about the role of music in spiritual healing with musical illustrations. Hard to describe in words but entirely up lifting inspiring and much appreciated.

Synod also licensed our new Deanery Reader Warden, Liz Collins.

Claire Pearson, Secretary



Music



To say that 25-26 has been a busy year for music across the parish would be an understatement.

The choir at St John Baptist has gone from strength to strength. They had their first solo concert in July and have also sung music ranging from Bach to Fauré to Biebl. Their recent singing at the Advent and Christmas services was a triumph, with particular praise for their performance of Biebl's Ave Maria.

The choir continues to expand and it is very exciting to be able to give them new pieces to sink their teeth into. I would just like to take this opportunity to thank them for their continued hard work as we approach Holy Week and Easter.

The scholarship programme continues, with new organ scholar Monty Nelson and bass choral scholar Rufus Thurston-Smith proving to be a success. It is wonderful to have so many young people in the choir and to see them develop their talents and passion for music. Special mention

must go to Angus and Toby, our continuing choral scholars, who have really come on and are true pillars of the choir.

Our Wednesday organ recitals continue to be popular, with audiences reaching some 80-90 people. Organists are coming from all over the world to play for these recitals, as well as for our 2026 organ festival, which will feature musicians from Austria and Germany. One particular highlight in our organ music offering will be the appearance of Anna Lapwood in October 2026 which is already causing quite a buzz of excitement! It is fantastic to see the organ being such a popular feature of our church music and I cannot wait to see how this continues to develop.

But organ music is not the only music that we offer at St John Baptist. We have had other concerts including the candlelight Lumos concerts, the King's Men, the choral society concerts and the ever popular Cirencester Male Voice Choir. We will soon be welcoming the Treorchy Male Choir, as well as the return of Lumos and the King's Men. The church is proving to be a very popular concert and event venue, and once the toilets and servery are added, it will be a major performance space in the town.

Concerts have also been happening at Holy Trinity, with performances from various ensembles taking place throughout the year. The church is a fabulous space that has a lot of potential for performances, and I look forward to seeing how we continue to use this space.

I would like to thank the team at Holy Trinity for continuing to make events like this happen, and to especially thank the various musicians who keep the music going there and at St Lawrence.

Thomas Hawkes



Parish Church Tours

This has been another successful year for the Church Guides and most importantly, we would wish to pay tribute to Deirdre Waddell who for many years has led the guiding team, only retiring this year when her stroke absolutely forced her to stop. Deirdre's leadership has helped the guiding team build a strong bond and importantly left the church with a team that will continue her good work into 2026.



The volume of visitors has been steady with over 1000 people recorded as having joined a tour. Over 600 of these were people who "just turned up" having seen the tour advertised in the porch. The remainder were booked tours where organisations e.g. U3A, WI, arranged for their parties to come at particular times. The most significant of these groups were those from Boscolo, an Italian tour company who arranged ten tours over the summer months, and have done so again for 2026.

The income from booked tours was over £2000, and a similar sum can be assumed from the non-booked tours (assuming only half of those who joined a tour contributed the suggested donation of £5). We are unable to monitor what the unbooked tour participants contributed. However, in addition to the money raised, the praise for the building and the guides is always fulsome. Visitors come from all over the world and our skilled guides can adapt their talk to individual needs. Quotes from the guides give a sense of how they feel about the tours:

"Helping children learn about the church is wonderful. They really enjoy seeing the building as a site of exciting stories, like the beheading of earls or of prisoners being held captive in the Civil War. I hope our tours help them to develop their sense of curiosity"

“I really enjoy meeting people through Church Guiding. I love it when I see a ‘light bulb’ moment when I share a story or explanation of something in the church. I feel they are taking away something that has had a real impact on their life”

There are currently thirteen guides and we are looking to recruit more, in part to ensure succession as guides get older, but also because we could increase the number of unbooked tours if there were a greater pool of guides to call on. The guides provide a real link with the wider community, both locally and internationally.

The guides often undertake small research projects about areas or artefacts within the church and have built up a considerable body of knowledge which can be helped to answer some of the enquiries the office receives about the history of the church.

Meg Blumsom

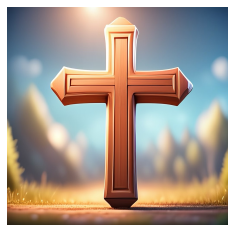


Parish Church Sacristan and Servers

Over the last year, the Serving Team has continued to support the worship at the Parish Church by preparing the church for all services. Throughout the year care has been taken to provide proper preparation of the Altars, vessels, vestments and linens.

In addition to supporting weekly Sunday Eucharists at both 8am and 10am, servers have prepared for Baptisms, Funerals, and special services during Advent, Christmas, Lent, Holy Week, and Easter, as required.

The appropriate liturgical colours were observed, the vestments and the altar frontals were changed accordingly.



The team has taken part in the cleaning and polishing of all vessels. They also ensure that all the church silver and brass items are polished. The church's two Thuribles are kept in good condition. This is not an easy task as they become very dirty from the charcoal and incense that we use every week. I must thank Brian Bruton and Samantha Burt who took on this time-consuming labour of love.

I'm pleased to report that two new members joined the team, Amanda Wheatley and John Hunt. Recruiting is always a challenge and having two new servers join in 2025 is brilliant and they have both settled in well.

Behind the scenes, Pam Barnes has taken on the weekly task of laundering the small linens, and I am grateful to her for doing this. It is a simple pleasure of mine to put away the pieces of clean and pressed linen that miraculously return; ready for the coming week.

Ministry in the Sacristy is the act of serving God and others. We are a family. Being a server is a practical way of demonstrating the example set by Jesus Christ.

This is not done in isolation, to that end, I would like to thank Graham, Thomas, our church wardens, and all the people, who come together to make the church of St John Baptist such a beautiful and holy place.

Pauline Skinner, Sacristan and Head Server

Safeguarding

The PCC recognises that the Church has a responsibility to aim for the highest possible standard of care for children and vulnerable adults, and to protect them from harm. We updated our Safeguarding policy statement which reconfirmed our commitment to Safeguarding and adopted the National and Gloucester Diocesan Safeguarding Policies including the parish safeguarding handbook and Promoting a safer church policy statements. The full policy can be found on our website at: cirenparish.co.uk/about-us/policies.



A copy of the main points of the Policy together with useful contacts, including phone numbers of agencies engaged in the protection of children and vulnerable adults, is displayed in all three churches. Please make sure you are aware of where the Policy is displayed in the church you attend.

The Diocese provides several Safeguarding training courses throughout the year. Anyone involved in dealing with children and vulnerable adults, and certainly all PCC members are expected to have completed the 'Basic Awareness' 'Foundation' and 'Domestic Abuse' courses. These can be completed online or at face to face courses offered by the Diocese Safeguarding Team often through the Deanery Synod Support Forums.

The Diocese frequently updates the levels to which PCC members and others who work within this sensitive area of our Church life are required to be aware of, as the care of the vulnerable is of paramount importance. To ensure we stay up to date, in 2024 we started using the Diocese Safeguarding Dashboard to track our programme, and we completed our Level 1 Safeguarding Action Plan, and started work on our Level 2 Safeguarding Action Plan.

It is important to note that if you have any concerns about any individuals, please contact me or another member of the clergy, do not try to resolve a situation which could escalate and would need specialist involvement. We are not all experts in this field, but it is important to 'know someone who is'!

Canon Graham



Restore @ 4

Restore @ 4, an informal service held every first and third Sunday continues at St Lawrence. The service consists a time of sung worship with a small group of musicians led by one of them, using a projector and screen rather than books. We are very grateful for the new audio visual, system set up in the church which we use for our time together. The songs are a mixture of traditional and contemporary. That is followed by a time of prayer on various subjects. We also pray for members of the congregation if there is a need. After the time of prayer there is teaching from the Bible, again possibly followed by prayer relevant to the subject matter.



The congregation has a core group of regulars, and is steadily growing through the months. All are welcome to join in. St Lawrence church has a good car park and the tea, coffee and biscuits are very welcoming!

I am grateful to those who are involved in leading the worship, speaking and refreshments, and not least to those who tidy up afterwards! We are also grateful to the members of the morning congregation who regularly set out the chairs and tables for us.

Do come and worship with us. You are welcome.
Blessings,

Revd Paul Springate



Junior Church

Junior Church has had a really lively and encouraging year. Numbers have grown so much that the Forum is sometimes bursting at the seams, which is a lovely problem to have — even if it does mean we're occasionally juggling space.



We're incredibly grateful for the brilliant team of volunteers who show up week after week. Their energy and commitment make everything possible. It has been fantastic to see new leaders stepping forward; their willingness to get involved has made a real difference. As our numbers keep rising, we really do need more people to join the team so we can keep things running smoothly and safely.

As we've settled back into worshipping in church, we've had a few teething issues with children moving back into the main service. We're working on finding better ways to help them transition into the more formal parts of worship so it feels calm and natural for everyone.

All Age Services continue to be a real highlight. Families enjoy them, and they help the whole church feel more connected across generations. The growing link between Junior Church, Trinity Chapel, and Little Angels has also been a joy. The displays and activities in the chapel help show the wider congregation what our young people are getting up to and help them feel part of the church's shared life.

We want to say a big thank you to Canon Graham and Revd Luke for their ongoing support. Their encouragement and involvement mean a lot to the team and to the children.

It's been a year full of growth, enthusiasm, and new opportunities. We're excited about what's ahead and keen to keep building on the strong foundations already in place.

Angela Morris



Tuesday evening House group

We are very grateful to Joanne for keeping us going another year by coordinating the group after Jill stepped down as leader at the beginning of last year.



We have continued meeting fortnightly, hosted by those who have room for us, led by different members and particularly relied on Paul for Bible studies.

The evening includes a short time of worship, a time of Bible study or sometimes a Christian book that we all read together, and a time of prayer. It's a great time of fellowship, learning and growing together, encouraging and supporting one another through good times and bad.

We are very glad that Jackie and Sean are going to take up the leadership role next, and we are looking forward to what God has in store for us in the coming year.

Jill Wilkinson

St Lawrence Church Centre, Chesterton



St Lawrence has been blessed with several acquisitions during the year, the most notable being a Reader, Brian Senior, who was licensed at the beginning of July. A modern audio-visual system was installed to replace old and tired speakers, microphone and screen, making it possible to project the texts of services and hymns. Brian has introduced a monthly Service of the Word, at which the new equipment comes into its own and makes us feel very up to date. It is also much appreciated by the twice monthly Restore@4 meetings.

In the autumn a beautiful seat appeared in front of the building, the gift of a congregation member in memory of her parents. At the time of writing it is too damp to sit on, but this will change when fine days come.

It's not all about fabric though, important as that may be. Congregation numbers are steady, and the warm atmosphere is much appreciated. As always, we are grateful for the ministry of the clergy, for our regular musicians and those who help most generously with flowers and refreshments. With God's grace we are trying to be a living presence in Chesterton.

Penny Phillips

Seedlings@StLawrence

Seedlings@StLawrence Toddler Group meet on 2nd and 4th Thursday morning (9.15 to 10.45 am) during term time in St Lawrence Church. The sessions offer space to play and time to chat, craft activities, stories, refreshments and termly visits from members of the clergy. There have been 18 sessions in 2025 and numbers have been consistent, an average of 9 children and 5 parent/carers.



Thanks to all who have supported the group over the last year, especially the wonderful team of volunteers who keep the sessions running smoothly, and Hope Cirencester for the use of their toys.

Karen Senior

Mothers' Union Cirencester Branch

It is that time of year again when we look back and report on the things that happened in our branch during 2025.

Our monthly meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month were all well attended. We had a plethora of fantastic speakers. This is not an exhaustive list, but we had the pleasure of listening to different members of our Clergy and Thomas our Organist from St John Baptist. In

May, Eric Roberts shared his lifelong passion for Bell Ringing, acknowledging, that he's only been ringing for a mere 78 years! Our own Kathie and Peter gave a slide show, which gave an interesting window in which to share their tour of Japan. In July, Canon Karen Schmidt, presided over our closing service; which was followed by a Bring and Share tea.



For members who work or have other commitments we have carried on with our bi-monthly evening meetings, called Chill and Chatter. These meetings have also been well supported and very much enjoyed by all those who attend.

Sadly last year four long-standing members died, Elizabeth Gledhill, Cynthia Brett, Jean Wright and Jane Lewis. Over many years each one was a faithful member and they made significant contributions to the life of this branch.

In 2025 as in previous years, we provided the Lent Lunches at the Parish Church. As a consequence, last year, the MU received the donations given at these lunches, which came to a fabulous total of £520 and this was donated to an MSH appeal. The branch also raised funds through Afternoon Teas, Raffles, Bring and Buy, MUE goods and two Soup lunches, donations amounted to £309.96. Finally a handsome total of £ £542.55 came from Cake and Craft Stalls. This figure would not have been reached without a lot of help from members and especially Carrie Winter.

In March a group of about eight members helped to make the Mothering Sunday Posies, in time to be distributed to each of our churches. Any that were spare were taken to different residential homes in Cirencester. These little posies always bring joy to the recipients.

June, is when there are two retreats on offer, last year was no exception. A quiet morning was held at Poulton Church and a quiet day took place at Harnhill.

In August and December we provided food for Hope Cirencester. At the end of their Summer Club in August and again in December for their Christmas Carol Service, these are uplifting and happy occasions. We receive a lot of thanks for our efforts and the children have a memorable time, as do the adults!

September saw our branch take part in the Diocesan Wave of Prayer, this took place in The Forum, there were approximately six members present. This is a tangible act of support for the members of the MU worldwide and it illuminates our commitment to unity, fellowship and prayer. As a branch, we continue to support different knitting appeals as requested by local hospitals. We also supported 16 Days of Activism against Gender Violence. Canon Graham gave us an uplifting sermon at our Corporate Communion in November and spoke about the MU, as one of the Church of England's "best kept secrets".

Lastly, to close this report may I thank all those who supported the events we undertook last year; because of your commitment, our branch continues to make a difference to all the people and projects we help to support at home and abroad

Pauline Skinner, MU Branch Contact



Prayers for the Persecuted Church

We continue to meet on the second Monday at 10.30-11.30 to pray for Christians across the world, where they face danger and persecution of many kinds in countries where Christianity is not accepted and often illegal.

We draw on material from Open Doors and Barnabas Aid, and are inspired by the stories of those whose faith is severely tested by the challenges they face.

If you would like to know more, please do borrow the magazines at the back of the church, they are there to be shared. And if you are free to join us any time, please just come, we are an ecumenical group and would be delighted to see you – normally in the creche corner at Holy Trinity, but depending on the temperature could be in the Hall so we don't freeze!



Jill Wilkinson

Parish Magazine - *Parish Life*



We have a very loyal team of regular contributors within our churches and regular lead articles from our clergy. We also publicise social and musical events within our churches and press releases from Longfield Hospice, Citizens Advice Bureau etc.

So 2025 saw ten issues of Parish Life published as printed copy and online on our Cirencester Parish website. The coloured copies are going well in the churches and are charged at a £1 each to help cover the cost of printing.

We would love to receive articles from other groups within our churches giving an outline of their activities and forthcoming events – many people are not aware of all the activities available so it would be good to be able to let people know through the magazine as well as other avenue's within the church.

Please feel free to send something that might be humorous, helpful, interesting. Like:-

Short Stories, poems etc.

Please send any articles to cirenparishmagazine@gmail.com Please note this is now a new email address.

As Editor's for the magazine we give thanks to Howard Gray and collative skills to put together each magazine.

We look forward to 2026 contributions.

John Mockett and Alan Barnes, Editors



Church Shop

We are happy to report that 2025 has been a good year for the shop. The winter months are typically slow, but as Easter approached, we saw an increase in visitors around the church and in the shop.

As a church, we are affected by the funerals, recitals and other events, and often during these times the shop must close. When we examine the takings over those periods, we can see the effect on how the takings appear at the end of the month. However, we continue to feel the shop is best placed inside the church building to capture the footfall in the building.



Along with our very supportive Directors, we have an amazing group of volunteers who keep our shop open as much as possible. As managers, we are very grateful for their ongoing support. The Directors, Lynne and Caroline, were able to show a small appreciation by way of holding an afternoon cream tea in the church for the team.

The shop is a source of Christian outreach and stocks a variety of goods to suit all tastes and budgets. It serves not just the Church of England in our town and area, but also other Christian

denominations. Cirencester also attracts many international visitors who come into the church, and there is a selection of gifts to suit their needs.

We were very pleased that we had good sales at Christmas on Nativity sets and other Nativity ornaments. Cards seemed to be less popular, which we suspect is because people are finding sending cards increasingly expensive.

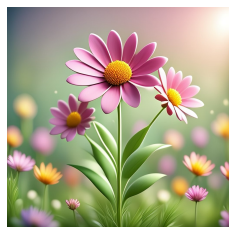
We continue to supply our church and others in the area with supplies such as wafers, candles, Christmas and Easter needs.

We do not have the figures yet for 2025, but we are hopeful that we will have some profit and will be able to give the church a share of that.

Caroline Mockett and Lynne Kerton



Flower Guild



Some of you may be aware that a motion was passed recently at General Synod to promote sustainable methods of floristry, something our team has been doing for the last three years. The easy part has been throwing out the florists' foam, the hard part is sourcing local, seasonal flowers — particularly when they can prove more expensive than those flown in from Kenya and readily available in supermarkets. However, raiding our own gardens and the churchyard has now become a priority.

Our bank balance is currently very healthy thanks to commissions for weddings and memorials. Thanks also to members of the congregation who support us, via our donations box and at Easter. Members of the team are very generous too (but they will not want me to mention it).

2026 is going to be rather different as the renovations in the church include turning most of our workspace into toilets (how could we refuse?). We are not sure how this will affect us practically and we have therefore decided to take a sabbatical from doing any weddings and big events. Weekly rota flowers and all the church festivals will be attended to as usual so we hope you won't notice any difference. It is such a privilege and a pleasure to arrange flowers in St John Baptist and to be part of the church community.

Ceri Harding



Bellringers



We have rung regularly throughout the year for Sunday morning service alternating between Holy Trinity and St John's. We also ring for some afternoon services, weddings and other special services and events.

We often ring quarter-peals and sometimes peals to mark particular events. We rang a half muffled quarter-peal for good Friday and a peal was rung for the 300th anniversary of the first peal on 12 bells. We continue to maintain local tradition, ringing the "pancake bell" at mid-day on Shrove Tuesday, ringing at 6:00 am on Oak Apple Day and at midnight on New Year's Eve.

In April we represented the Cirencester branch in the Croome Trophy competition held at Churchdown competing with teams from the 12 branches of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. We rang well and came 4th.

The Cirencester branch striking competition was held at Compton Abdale in June where we came first to retain the Godwin trophy.

We had two outings this year. On the May day bank holiday we went on a walking outing around the North side of Breedon Hill. Starting with ringing at Little Comberton we walked to Emley Castle for a ring and lunch. We then walked to Great Comberton. After ringing there we collected our cars and drove to Eckington for our final ring rounding off an excellent day. In September we had another good day out visiting the Forest and South Wales. We rang at Newnham, Lydney, Tidenham, Chepstow and Caldicot.

The Parish Church server team organised a number of tower open days during the summer. We provided stewards in the ringing chamber and gave ringing demonstrations. This was very successful and certainly provoked interest in learning to ring.

We have a good band of ringers but we're always looking for new recruits. We can take all ages from around 10 upwards. Ringing is not physically demanding. Climbing the Parish Church tower steps is more strenuous than most ringing. We practice on Tuesdays at 7:30 with a beginners' session often starting earlier. The first Tuesday of the month is usually at St John's, other practices at Holy Trinity. We also have a practice at Barnsley on Fridays at 6:30. The light bells here are very good for the younger learners.

If you're interested or would like to know more, please speak to one of the ringers or contact Peter Holden on 01285 659515 or 07858 451264 or email: peter@quernsgate.co.uk.

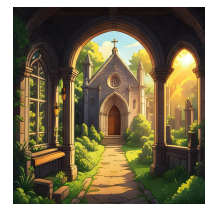
Peter Holden



St John Baptist Churchyard Pathway Project

2025 saw the culmination of a three year project to restore the churchyard path and the courtyard into the Market Place.

The project was initially initiated because of health and safety issues with the existing path which had not had any major repairs since the mid 1970s. However, as the initial investigations began to uncover associated issues such as a revetment wall collapsing, blocked drains, replacing the railings, moving the notice board and the need for a bin store, the project grew in scope.



The link to the PCC was through Aileen Anderson but the small project team comprised mostly of individuals who were not church members but who were aware of the significance of the churchyard path as part of its importance to the town and saw its restoration not only from a functional point of view but as a way of greater linkage with the community and civic pride.

Funding to commence the project was finally achieved in December 2024 when a grant from the Heritage Fund for £77,000 covered the anticipated shortfall in the project. The remaining £60,000 had been raised through over 29 applications to grant making bodies or local organisations. The significant achievement of raising all the funds needed for the project meant that all the work was completed without any cost to the PCC. The strong sense of community was a key factor in raising the necessary funds.

Whilst it had been hoped that the work would commence in January 2025, the funding delays meant that work could not start until late April and was mostly completed by the end of September when a Thanksgiving Service was held. The vicar joyfully rewrote the words to some hymns, to reflect the importance of paths in church life (Lead us, Heavenly Father, lead us, out into the Market Place).

The completed work comprises of a restored courtyard and churchyard path, which have been re-laid with historic York stone where this could be recycled or with pennant sets from the Forest of Dean. The renewed iron railings have had the entrance extended to provide ease of access for disability scooters or buggies, with a handsome arch including a light above to emphasise the link from the Market Place to the churchyard. Along the path the lighting has been improved to provide safe access at night for those using the vestry entrance but also for Bathurst tenants. And the drains have been upgraded to support the upcoming project on toilets. A new bin store has been provided in the churchyard removing unsightly bins from the courtyard.

Thanks must go to the project group, and to the professional support they employed which have renovated a former health and safety hazard to through high quality of workmanship into an attractive space for the benefit of both church and town.

Meg Blumsom and John Tiffney, Co-chairs Churchyard Pathway Project



St John Baptist Project

Project to provide ancillary facilities to support the church's mission, including servery, storage and toilet facilities



What a journey it's been and it's far from over!

Three years ago, Canon Graham mentioned a project to create new toilet facilities in the Church. I thought it was a fantastic idea and offered my help, knowing I had some experience in the building industry. Little did I realise the intricate process of obtaining approval from the Diocese.

We formed a project team consisting of Canon Graham, Nigel, Aileen, Peter Ewart and myself. We commissioned architects, an archaeologist and surveyors to assist us in compiling a Faculty Application to the Diocese. We created a Vision Statement, a Design Brief, a Statement of Needs, a Statement of Significance (three parts), an Option Study, drawings and specifications. After much back-and-forth with the Diocesan Advisory Committee, we have just secured our Faculty!

After careful deliberation and several iterations, we arrived at a final design. In St John's Chapel, the existing toilet and cupboards will be replaced with a fully accessible toilet and two additional cubicles. In the South Porch, the toilet in the east wing will be replaced by two cubicles, while the Flower Arrangers Cupboard in the west wing will be reduced in size and two more cubicles will be built. All the toilets will utilise existing water and drainage connections to minimise any changes to the ancient, listed building.

Additionally, a catering station will be installed in the South Aisle to serve light refreshments like tea and coffee after Sunday Eucharist. This will include a three-phase electric supply to accommodate outside caterers bringing in hot ovens and fridges for larger events such as corporate dinners and concerts. Finally, high cupboards will be built on both sides of the Tower by

the West Door to replace the storage lost in St John's Chapel and the South Porch. The information panels from the north wall will be mounted on the cupboard doors.

This project aims to enhance the Church's facilities, making it more appealing to potential hirers and ultimately boosting our annual income. This will help reduce the longstanding deficit threatening the Church's financial sustainability.

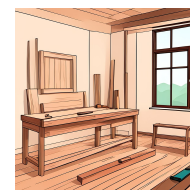
The work, planned to begin in early March and lasting approximately four months, will be phased. This means some toilets will be available throughout the project.

Alan Jones, Chair of the Project Team



Annual Fabric Report 2025

Overlapping our major Facilities project (see Alan Jones's report) and the completed Pathways project is the key recommendation from the 2024 Quinquennial Report for SJB, namely rebuilding the stonework and metalwork around the clerestory high up on the North wall. This will be a significant piece of work and costs and timescales will be provided in 2026.



Two venues had not been subject to a review at the same time as SJB and Holy Trinity: the Forum, now five years old, and St. Lawrence Church. These reviews were commissioned and then undertaken in December by Richard Gilmore of Terrace Surveyors in Cirencester. They provide detailed and reliable guides for priority and non-priority actions.

St. Lawrence has benefitted from comfortable new seating, a simple but effective PA system, which was provided by a generous and anonymous donor, and a wi-fi connection for the first time.

The usual electrical, PAT and fire protection tests were carried out and, at last the fire and alarm system at SJB was replaced with a version that meets all contemporary legal specifications. The terriers and inventories were checked as required by Aileen Anderson and me in April.

Earnest negotiations accompanied the expiry of the three year buildings and contents insurance contract with Ecclesiastical Insurance. Nevertheless, premium increases well above RPI appear to be the order of the day and not within our control. At Holy Trinity the process of extending the Garden of Remembrance is nearing its conclusion. The District Council has confirmed that the conifers lining the path to the church door are not protected but they recommend informing them if surgical work is undertaken. Proposals for replacing the PA system have been evaluated and, following the success of the Parish Hall kitchen renovation, its heating system and roof insulation are currently under investigation.

Although external to the churches of this parish the refurbishment of nos. 21 and 23 West Marketplace is of interest, as the rental from these properties provides significant income to us, with both churchwardens the Vicar and Deirdre Waddell, until her illness, representing the parish as trustees of the charity which acts as the landlord.

Nigel Robbins



Parochial Church Council (PCC)

The PCC is the body that with our incumbent, Revd Canon Graham Morris, and our associate Priest, Revd Luke Falvey, steers the life of our local churches in their mission, witness and service in the Parish; and we have the responsibility for the care and maintenance of our three Churches: St John Baptist, Holy Trinity Church and St Lawrence Church Centre along with the Parish Hall and the Parish Forum. We are also responsible for safeguarding, our employees, all financial affairs of the Parish, and health and safety, amongst other things. The full PCC met six times in 2025 to transact business.



To support our work, we have a smaller Standing Committee which meets in between full PCC meetings, and we also conduct PCC business by email correspondence, when it can be done properly this way, as allowed by our Church Representation Rules.

Additionally, we have several sub-committees which make regular reports to the full PCC (members of sub-committees do not necessarily have to be PCC members), and ad hoc groups supporting various projects. Currently Fabric, Finance, Halls, Personnel, and Health & Safety (including Safeguarding) sub-committees work on behalf of the PCC. Other sub-committees, including Congregational, Communications and Social, support and contribute significantly to the life of our Churches and Parish.

The PCC is very grateful to all the volunteers supporting the mission of the church and our parish, particularly to the Parishioners supporting the activities and projects outlined in this Annual Year Book.

Though not exhaustive, several projects and initiatives deserve mention. We were particularly pleased that our Diocesan Chancellor approved the Faculty for the St John Baptist Project — which includes the installation of seven toilets with washing facilities, of which three, including one fully accessible cubicle, will be inside the church and four within the South Porch; creating a permanent but flexible catering station in the South Aisle; and adapting oak pews, with castors, so that they can be easily moved to accommodate events or functions. We are most grateful to Alan Jones and the project team for all their efforts in bringing this initiative to fruition. It is anticipated that it will be completed in 2026. Alan, as Chair of the Project Team, has written separately about the project.

Peter Ewart and his Finance Committee are developing and planning a programme of commercial events for fundraising at St John Baptist. The St John Baptist Project will help enable this. In addition to trying to reduce or eliminate our annual financial deficit we believe these events also contribute to our objectives of outreach to the community; and, encourages Canon Graham's dream and vision of our mission to reach beyond the walls of our buildings. Thank you Peter and all those involved with this work.

We are thankful for the superb work of the St John Baptist Churchyard Pathway Project Team, which was led by John Tiffney and Meg Blumson. This project, completed in 2025, involved major refurbishment of the pathway leading from the Market Square to the Churchyard and included new paving stones, work on the drains, ironwork, lighting, relocation of the Church noticeboard and installation of bin storage, all of which enhanced greatly the appearance and safety of the area. We are particularly grateful for the project team obtaining full funding through numerous grants. Similar to St John Baptist Project, we have included a separate article from Meg in the Year Book.

New audio-visual equipment, namely projector, screen, speakers, microphones and amplifier, has been installed at St Lawrence. Additionally, a monthly half-page advertisement in *The Local Answer* was purchased for 12 months and first appeared in August 2025, and the initial adverts

invited people to attend a new *Wellbeing Course* at St Lawrence. We are most grateful for the generous anonymous donation that funded these two initiatives. Additionally, fibre broadband and WiFi has been available at St Lawrence for over a year and it is well utilised. Andy Rickell, manager of the Cirencester Ashcroft Work Club, which is a charity that provides practical and emotional support for people seeking employment, is kindly sponsoring this WiFi initiative for a 2 year period.

The PCC was pleased to note that Brian Senior transferred his licence as a Reader to our parish, and his ministerial focus is as a Focal Minister at St Lawrence.

Based on a suggestion from one of our parishioners and a pledge to kindly cover the annual membership cost, we became a Corporate Member (which includes all 3 churches) of *The Prayer Book Society*. *The Prayer Book Society* is a registered charity which amongst other things was established for the advancement of the Christian Religion as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. We have a group of faithful parishioners worshipping at our Book of Common Prayer 8 am services at St John Baptist on Sundays which is flourishing, and *The Prayer Book Society* provides excellent resources. More information on *The Prayer Book Society* can be found on their website at: <https://www.pbs.org.uk/>.

John Tiffney, Chair of the Friends of St John Baptist Churchyard, and Mike Timbrell, of Sitech Surveyors of Cirencester, completed a project concerning Churchyard Records in the town. Their surveys included St John Baptist Churchyard and it details all the graves, monuments, names of people interred, etc., and there is a bound A3 book detailing this information available upon request from the vestry at St John Baptist. Additionally, they created a plan covering the cremated remains area at Holy Trinity. Their surveys may be useful to anyone searching for an ancestor back to c1630. John has also deposited the information with the Gloucestershire Records Archive, and the information is readily available online via a link on our website at: <https://cirenparish.co.uk/visit-the-parish/the-parish-church-of-st-john-baptist/churchyard-burials-1630-1873/>. The PCC thanks John and Mike for this important project.

The PCC will continue to focus on tracking projects and any issues associated with the Fabric of our churches and efforts to improve our administration and governance, including reviews and updates to policies. In 2025, the PCC approved a Conflict of Interest Policy; Finance updated procedures on Purchasing Limits and Authorisation Levels; and a new Safeguarding Policy was promulgated which adopted the National and Gloucester Diocesan Safeguarding Policies including the parish safeguarding handbook and Promoting a safer church policy statements. A full list of our effective instructions, policies and regulations is on the parish website.

The PCC is a charitable trust (registration number 1135068) and PCC members are charitable trustees. All the provisions of charity law apply to our corporate responsibilities, financial management and decision making.

The *Parish Life* magazine periodically has updates from the PCC in it. Also, for further details about PCC business, please see our website and, specifically, minutes of PCC meetings are available with a password. For Parishioners on the Electoral Roll, please ask a Churchwarden or the Parish Office for the password; for others, please send a request for a copy of any specific minutes to the PCC Secretary at PCCsecretary@cirenparish.co.uk.

Mark Dennis, Secretary