

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 Apr 2023
for
ST. MARY AND ST. MICHAEL COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: SC044428

HG Bishop Antony

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Council's Report for the Year Ended 5 April 2023

The Council presents its report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2023. The Council has adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number: **SC044428**

Principal address

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Council

HGBishop Antony (Chairman of the Council)

Dr M Naguib

Dr G Naguib

Dr S Morgan

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The church is administered in accordance with the terms of the deed of constitution and according to the roles and responsibilities stated in the governing document.

Recruitment and appointment of council members

The council consists of some members of the charity trustees who have been appointed by HG Bishop Antony and from members of the church considered to have appropriate gifts and skills. Council members are appointed by the Bishop to serve on the council until further notice or dissolving or changes.

Organizational structure

The council is chaired by the HG Bishop Antony and meets at least four times per annum. Certain responsibilities are delegated to members of the council as appropriate.

Risk management

The Council has a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Orthodox Church exists to glorify God and to work for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. It acknowledges the substantive call-in duty to bring ordinances of religion to the people of its community and co-operate with other churches and various ecumenical bodies throughout the world. Sunday worship is conducted regularly and occasionally other days of the week. The church is often involved in other specific Christian festivals, outreach work and missions which include regular Sunday School activities and other events appropriate to the community. The church is committed to help and support other charities and social organizations both in the UK, Egypt and wherever support is needed.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Attendance to worship has remained at around 80 people for morning services. The number of children attending the church Sunday School each week has been steady throughout the year. Charitable work: the church provides support and emergency shelter for Arberglan Care Home, churches and social organizations in England, Northern Ireland, republic of Ireland and Egypt.

At 06th April 2022, the charity's net funds were **£ 96,881.79**. The overall income fund was **£ 94,893.16**, and expenditure was **£127,203.12**. This has resulted in the charity having net funds at 05th April 2023 of **£ 64,571.83**

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity law requires the Management Council to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Management Council should follow best practice and:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.

- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards and its statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the company will continue on that basis.

The Management Council is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to insure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The Management Council is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. Approved by order of the Management Council on Sunday 6th November 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'HG Bishop Antony', written on a light-colored rectangular background.

HG Bishop Antony

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
St. Mary and St. Michael Coptic Orthodox Church

I report on the accounts for the year ended 5 April 2023 set out on pages six and seven

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's council is responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity's Council considers that the audit requirement of Regulation IO(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under Section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as council members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements

- To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations: and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner:



Mrs Samira Saad Naguib

12th October 2023

St Mary and St Michael Coptic Orthodox Church

Receipts & Payments for year ended 05 April 2023

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2021-22</u>
<u>TSB Acc 11307968</u>					
Regular donations	£38,123.28	£37,295.00	Hardship fund	£550.00	£0.00
Irregular donations	£51,600.98	£35,653.50	Church Insurance	£1,568.44	£1,448.08
HMRC		£6,454.49	Church Maintenance	£8,541.30	£21,171.36
Refunds	£1,463.14	£235.42	Church services	£919.66	£1,763.39
Priest loan repayment	£2,700.00	£10,300.00	Church Utilities	£12,824.41	£2,174.09
Fraudulent activity refund	£781.68		Events & activities	£473.12	£499.78
			General supplies	£3,846.52	£1,087.41
			Priest Accommodation	£43,502.80	£14,757.08
			Priest Car	£2,309.68	£4,002.38
			Priest Holiday	£2,471.12	£1,731.88
			Priest NI	£2,150.10	£1,154.45
			Priest Pension	£888.37	£534.51
			Priest Salary	£18,388.65	£16,700.00
			Priest Travel expenses	£1,957.18	£600.00
			Priest Utilities	£1,575.28	£1,474.97
			Priest loan		£17,000.00
			Charity donation	£10,470.00	£40,600.00
			Church Equipment	£192.00	£355.50
			Fraudulent activity	£1,049.44	
			Priest expenses	£900.00	
			Priest immigration	£9,968.00	
			Burial site	£2,657.05	
Subtotal	£94,669.08	£89,938.41	Subtotal	£127,203.12	£127,054.88

TSB Acc 11356160

Transfer from Acc 11307968		£0.00	Transfer to Acc 11307969		£0.00
Interest	£224.08	£118.03			
	Subtotal	£224.08	Subtotal	£0.00	£0.00
	£94,893.16	£90,056.44		£127,203.12	£127,054.88
Funds at 06 Apr 22	<u>£96,881.79</u>	<u>£133,880.23</u>	Funds at 05 Apr 23	<u>£64,571.83</u>	<u>£96,881.79</u>
	<u>£191,774.95</u>	<u>£223,936.67</u>		<u>£191,774.95</u>	<u>£223,936.67</u>

The financial statement was approved by the Council on 15th October 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



HG Bishop Antony – Chairman of the Council