

Parish Centre Committee meets periodically to discuss matters relating to the Parish Centre; to organise the day to day running of the Centre and ensure it continues to operate smoothly and to make recommendations to the PCC and its Buildings Committee.

Chris Simson Chairperson; Emma Cornforth Housekeeper; Jo Simson and Mary Swann (Booking Secretaries.); Jo Simson (Minutes Sec);

Church Sub-Committees

- Child protection policy – Alison Coulson
- Hymns
–Revd Jim Pye, Andrew Lewis
Church members also welcome or suggestions for hymns can be given to the above.

NON-PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The St Mary's and St Martin's Preservation Trust

Trustees are appointed by the PCC.
They meet twice each year to manage the Trust Fund, and grant money to support the maintenance of the fabric of our two churches.



ST MARY'S

AND ST

MARTIN'S

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We are fortunate to have two churches. Most of us tend to worship in a particular one of the two, either preferring the more traditional style of services using the Book of Common Prayer at St Mary's or the more contemporary style using the Common Worship Form One at St Martin's (see Contact and Worship leaflet for more details).

Some of us do find ourselves in the other Church on occasions e.g. members of the Mothers' Union - from both churches - celebrate Holy Communion at St Martin's on the fourth Thursday morning of the month. Equally we may attend a Palm Sunday or a Taizé service at St Mary's. Most baptisms are celebrated in the Sunday service at St Martin's and weekday funerals at either Church, whereas St Mary's is often favoured for weddings.

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

We can individually express our common 'ownership' of our Parish Community by applying to be placed on the Electoral Roll. This entitles someone to become a voting member of the Church of England, free to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and vote for the Parochial Church Council and the Parish's representatives to the Deanery Synod (see info sheet on 'Our Place in the Structure of the Church of England'). A voting member attending the Annual Parochial Church Meeting may raise any question of parochial or general church interest.

The synodical government gives opportunity for partnership between bishop, clergy and laity in the life of the Church. The system is intended:

- to enable church people at every level to be in touch with the Church as a whole and to play their part in decision making;
- to ensure that the laity have their place in every aspect of church life, including its doctrine and services.

The Electoral Roll is updated and amended in March of each year. To obtain an Electoral Roll application form you need to contact **Bill Osborne**.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (known as PCC)

The main function of the PCC is to co-operate with the incumbent in promoting within the parish the whole mission of the Church - pastoral evangelistic, social and ecumenical - and also to consider and discuss matters concerning the Church of England or any other matters of religion or public interest. Other functions include liaison and co-operation with the Deanery and Diocesan Synods.

PCC members normally serve for a term of 3 years and for the year 2016-2017 is as follows:-

Rector:	Reverend Jim Pye
Reader:	Sue Boorman
Churchwardens:	William Anderson (St Mary's) Mark Clifford (St Martin's)
Treasurer:	William Anderson
Secretary:	Penny Paton
Deanery Synod:	Alison Coulson, Jane Lucas
Members:-	Phil Skinner, Bill Osborne, William Anderson, Jo Simson, Christopher Simson, Scott Hatley, John Cornforth, Sharon Kay, Dave Graham, Amy Gammon, Lis Clifford, Alan Williamson.

Standing Committee meets approx. two weeks before the PCC meeting to agree an agenda and are responsible for implementing the resolution of the PCC. It may need to take executive decisions in an emergency situation.

Rector, Churchwardens, Treasurer, Secretary.

Buildings Committee meets as quarterly and extraordinarily "as needed" to discuss matters related to the fabric of our buildings and make recommendations to the PCC concerning their maintenance and development.

Michael Stiff (Chair); Phil Skinner (Secretary); Saxon Denning; William Anderson