St Mark's Scottish Episcopal Church

East Kilbride

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Year Ended 31 August 2026

Church Address	Telford Road Murray East Kilbride G75 0HN
Charity Trustees	Priest-in-Charge Willie Shaw Lay Representative Joy Clancy Secretary Elaine Manning Treasurer Fiona Scullion Vestry: Joy Clancy, Margaret Ward, Fiona Scullion, Moira Crichton, Elaine Manning, Carole Robertson & Jackie Smith
Bankers	Bank of Scotland 41 Princes Mall East Kilbride G74 1LA
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Report of the Vestry

Year Ended 31 August 2026

Introduction

The vestry is pleased to present the annual accounts for St Mark's for the year ended 31 August 2026. We are a small congregation based in East Kilbride. After just over 3 years without a Rector/Priest-in-Charge we were delighted to welcome Rev Willie Shaw as our Priest-in-Charge on a part time basis (half) last October.

The laity is actively involved in church with readings, intercessions, spiritual leadership, music, pastoral work and chalice bearers. During this last year Joy Clancy and Elaine Manning participated in Diocesan led Worship Leader training and can now lead our services and administer holy communion from the reserved sacrament. We gather in the church hall after Sunday service for coffee. Our hall is also open to other groups and for church social and fundraising events. Our Church magazine is produced six times a year.

This annual report and accounts present a summary of our financial activities during the year and gives an overview of the general activities which have taken place in the life of the church in the past year.

Activities and Achievements

During the last year we have continued with regular coffee mornings and the lunch club. We had a Scottish afternoon earlier in the year and recently saw the return of our Friday night quiz. We have several external groups using the hall on a regular basis.

We had several services at Christmas and Holy Week, study groups during Advent and Lent and have recently had a week of prayer at St Mark's. In March the Bishop visited and led our service at which we said thanks to Jean Burdon who stepped down from lay ministry work having served our congregation for many years.

The Smarteenies Toddler Group, the EK Community Foodbank and the Murray Community Hub have continued to operate weekly in St Mark's. These groups are led by members of Calderglen Parish Church which was formed when Claremont Church and the South Parish Church amalgamated earlier this year. These groups wished to maintain a presence in the Murray area of East Kilbride.

Income

St Mark's relies on the generosity of its congregation for the day-to-day funding through regular giving and supporting of fund-raising activities. We have also been receiving ministry support from the Diocese. In addition, rental for the use of the hall provides a significant amount along with the tax claimed back from the Inland Revenue on Gift Aid giving and under the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme (GASDS).

We are working hard to ensure we continue our monthly coffee mornings and lunch club and have other fund raising and social activities. Our hall is being used several times a week by a dance school, a social dance group and a craft group in addition to the toddler group, the foodbank and the community groups. Early this year we lost the wargamers group that met on a Saturday evening however the dance school continues to increase their hours and usage of our hall and is our main source of hall rental.

Structure

St Mark's is governed by a constitution. As a member congregation of the Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway in the Scottish Episcopal Church, it is also governed by Canon Law of the Scottish Episcopal Church. The management team of the church is known as the vestry. For the purposes of charities law, the members of the vestry are the Charity Trustees of the church.

Apart from the Priest-in-Charge, members of the vestry are elected by the congregation at the annual general meeting. The Priest-in-Charge is appointed by the Bishop of the Diocese and the vestry.

Vestry Responsibilities

The vestry is responsible for managing and safeguarding the assets of the church and to assist the Priest-in-Charge in matters affecting the spiritual welfare of the congregation. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records and ensuring that the accounts are prepared in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

Relationship with the Diocese and Province

St Mark's is supported by the Diocese and the Province through the pastoral oversight of the Bishop, central support functions provided at Diocesan level and grants from central funds. The church is represented at Diocesan level by the Priest-in-Charge and the Lay Representative and Alternate Lay Representative. As a member of the Scottish Episcopal Church, St Mark's has an obligation to contribute to the costs of the Diocese and the Province through payment of an annual "quota". The amount is based on the relative level of income of the church in comparison with that of other churches in the Diocese and Province.

Conclusion

The members of the vestry would like to thank all those who contribute their time, energy and money so generously to ensure the continuation and development of St Mark's as a centre of worship. Our thanks also go to our independent examiner, Ian McDougall.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Willie Shaw

Rev Willie Shaw
Priest-in-Charge

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Fiona Scullion
Treasurer

Date: 30/9/26

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Vestry

For the Year Ended 31 August 2026

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2026 which are set out hereafter.

Respective responsibilities of Vestry Members and Examiner

The church's vestry members are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and 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 disclosure in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning 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 in the accounts.

Independent Examiner Statement

In the course of my examination:

No matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

(a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts regulations, and

(b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations
have not been met.

18/10/26

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Mr Ian McDougall
9 Craigneil Drive
Prestwick
KA9 1LZ

Dated

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For the Year Ended 31 August 2026

RECEIPTS	2026 £	2025 £
Congregational Giving		
Open Plate	1,563.76	1,750.84
Free Will Offerings	1,040.00	1,190.00
Tax from gift aid	2,081.80	2,317.31
Tax from Small Donations scheme	927.43	807.17
Standing orders	7,839.00	9,044.00
	13,451.99	**15,109.32**
Donations		
General	1,150.00	300.00
Ministry Support	9,664.75	-
	10,814.75	**300.00**
Hall Rental		
Gamers	1,440.00	1,600.00
Dance Group	13,500.00	10,710.00
Yoga (Laura)	-	660.00
Craft Group	840.00	880.00
Social Dance Group	1,940.00	2,000.00
South Parish Groups (Connected EK grants)	6,689.50	4,576.00
Harlequin Nursery	40.00	-
	24,449.50	**20,426.00**
Congregational Activities		
Coffee Morning	592.25	776.90
Magazine	40.00	84.00
Lunch Club	881.60	11.00
Quiz Night	185.00	-
Burns/Scottish Afternoon	153.50	-
Tea Money	500.00	200.00
	2,352.35	**1,071.90**
Other		
Bank complaint compensation	70.00	40.00
Christian Aid Christmas Appeal	110.51	-
Bishop's Lent Appeal	112.68	-
Bank Interest	224.00	226.18
	517.19	**266.18**
GRAND TOTAL	**51,585.78**	**37,173.40**

PAYMENTS	2026 £	2025 £
Clergy		
Stipend including PAYE & NI	15,117.99	-
Pension	3,296.82	-
Deputising Priest	679.65	3,069.56
Priest expenses	-	172.80
Quota	751.80	2,556.70
	19,846.26	**5,799.06**
Church		
Electricity	1,383.00	2,244.00
Gas	4,172.54	9,120.00
Insurance	1,354.58	1,319.42
Viridor/Biffa Waste	733.91	656.14
Gardening	1,569.60	2,052.00
Cleaning	1,470.00	1,500.00
Key Cutting	36.00	24.00
Hall floor repair	-	70.00
Paper cups	43.39	54.53
Boiler service/detectors/hand drier/radiator repairs	510.00	250.00
Paper hand towels	109.47	19.99
Fire checks extinguishers	442.80	400.80
SEC Liturgy books/Prayer books	25.00	120.66
Paint	-	39.07
Hand drier ladies toilets	-	144.00
Lights repairs/replace & panel heater	1,188.00	96.00
Car park entrance repair	-	1,860.00
Window repair/replacement	600.00	295.20
Printer ink	67.98	16.49
SEC Church sign & metal post	350.00	118.89
Hymnal Plus player	-	2,629.39
Bishops lunch / licensing lunch	225.00	189.79
Hymn books	-	568.00
Toilet drains repairs	552.00	-
Heating programmer	180.00	-
PAT testing	120.00	-
Miscellaneous	89.73	17.47
	15,223.00	**23,805.84**
Other		
Free Will Offering Envelopes	28.90	25.00
Independent Examiner's gratuity	40.00	30.00
Altar supplies	299.27	307.22
Foodbank Donations	200.00	-
Gift Voucher M Bowden	50.00	-
Christian Aid Christmas Appeal	110.51	-
Bishop's Lent Appeal	112.68	-
Miscellaneous	50.00	12.50
	891.36	**374.72**
GRAND TOTAL	**35,960.62**	**29,979.62**

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Accounts for the Year Ended 31 August 2026

	2026 £	2025 £
Opening Balance brought forward	**44,040.93**	**36,847.15**
Receipts	**51,585.78**	**37,173.40**
	95,626.71	**74,020.55**
Payments	**35,960.62**	**29,979.62**
Balance at 31 August 2026	**59,666.09**	**44,040.93**
Represented by bank balances		
Current account	5,215.91	2,814.75
Savings Account	54,450.18	41,226.18
	59,666.09	**44,040.93**

Notes
All funds are unrestricted.
Accounts completed on cash in cash out basis with no accruals.

Approved by the Vestry on 30/9/26 and signed on their behalf by:

Signed Willie Shaw

Willie Shaw
Priest-in-Charge

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Fiona Scullion
Treasurer