

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS, STONEBRIDGE

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FABRIC REPORT

Introduction

A "Fabric Report" is an annual update on the fabric, fixtures, fittings and furniture of the church. The report summarises all the maintenance and repairs carried out or proposed during the past year as well as any plans to carry out further work in the coming year.

Works done May 2023 - May 2024:

The Kitchen Area

In 2024, we did some more work in the kitchen area, we designed "the cupboard "next to the sink by adding on some more cupboard to fit the microwave and the fridge. So, it will be much easier for the volunteers to access.

We had electrical work done in kitchen, with more new plugs sockets fitted in to accommodate the rest of the appliances.

We are grateful to those who donated more serving equipment, lovely cups, knives, and forks.

The Church Halls, Nursery, Kitchen and Lavatories

Major repairs were done in the nursery small hall. It had a hold of a new makeover which took 2 weeks to complete. The kitchen has new skirting boards fitted. Repairs done to the windows in the kitchen, a new toilet and tank replaced in the accessible (disabled) lavatory, and new toilet seats were replaced in the other toilet.

New pavement was laid outside the nursery, play area.

The Heating Project

Our next step is to raise another significant amount of money to fund the final phase of these works.

In order to obtain more funds, we shall need to apply to heritage grant making bodies. In the current financial climate it is necessary to show community involvement and also significant work on the part of the organisation itself to raise funds. To this end, we have begun holding regular fundraising sales of cakes, plants, crafts, bric-a-brac, clothes, books and toys. Our thanks to the very enthusiastic helpers who have grown, made and planted things for sale, and to all who have helped to run the sales or come along and found a bargain.

Other repairs and maintenance

By the ending of 2023, most of our backlog of urgent repairs and maintenance had been cleared, and we were able to plan some more strategic improvement works. These include:

- Accomplishing the great task, we undertook to finish our kitchen area early in 2024; see the details above.
- providing an accessible and waterproof walkway to the nursery's entrance along side return beside small hall and kitchen .
- replacing exterior door from car park to corridor between church and halls.
- and improving the drainage in front of the nursery hall buildings.
- We also have improved the garden: in the nursery back yard and its attractiveness and quiet space for the children to play in the nursery. By resurfacing and plastering it over.

Future plans

In this coming year, we plan to renovate more of our church building once the heating is up and running. Long term plans will be needed to fit in new toilets and other plant and ultimately replace the church roof.