

# ST ANDREWS CHURCH WHILTON

## ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2014

St Andrews Church situated in the centre of the village of Whilton, Northamptonshire is one of the six churches within the benefice known as the Spencer Benefice and is part of the Diocese of Peterborough within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, Main Street, Great Brington, Northamptonshire NN7 4JB.

The Parochial Church Council ( PCC) is a charity exempt from registration with the Charity Commission.

PCC members who have served from 2014 and were re-elected or elected at the APCM in April 2014 until the date that this report was approved are:

Incumbent:	The Revd Sue Kipling	Chairman
Reader:	Virginia Henley	
Churchwarden	None appointed	
Treasurer	Jon Brierley	
Representative to the Deanery Synod	David Stoddard	
Elected Members	Jane Stoddard	
	Sarah Bennett	
	Phil Grant	
	Trish Wood	
	Nick McKeever – resigned July 2014	

### Objectives and Activities.

St Andrews PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the Ecclesiastical parish the mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the church building. The church membership, the Warden and PCC all being part of the wider benefice ,works in conjunction with the other parishes of the benefice.

### Achievements and Performance.

#### Church Attendance

There are 29 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll all but 2 resident within the parish. The average attendance counted during October 2014 was 5 but this number increased at festivals.

### Review of the Year.

The PCC met 4 times during the year with average attendance of 70%.

The service schedule provides a joint Benefice service on the first Sunday of the month, the location moving round the benefice. On the remaining Sundays of each month St Andrews had either Holy Communion with Hymns, Worship for All or Evening Praise.

There has been 1 Wedding and 2 funeral services.

### Fabric.

The organ, fire extinguishers and clock have all had their annual maintenance

### Churchyard.

The churchyard is kept tidy and mown and the small conservation area maintained. We are very grateful for the continued work of Roy Haynes in maintaining the churchyard to such a high standard.

### Bellringers

Monday evening practices continue and we are pleased to welcome ringers from Fawsley in February 2014 and July the evening ringing of the Daventry branch meeting was held here at St Andrews. On Friday July 25th we rang for the wedding of Pamela Brierley daughter of Jon (churchwarden) and Sujana Minhas.

Throughout 2014 we welcomed several bands of ringers from as far as Wiltshire, Dorset, Norfolk, Wales and the Northampton Town Churches Together group.