

## ST PAUL'S CHURCH BECKENHAM

### Report on Church fabric, goods and ornaments for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019

This report has always been an opportunity to thank those who keep our church looking so smart and inviting. Ron and Pauline have been the team who have kept our church in such good order. Sadly, after 18 years they have now officially 'retired'. Over the years they have worked with great vigour, dedication and determination and have always been so generous with their time. We have all benefitted from their generosity and enjoyed their good humour. Thank you! There have been two Saturdays when parish members have been invited to do those 'extra cleaning' jobs and we thank all those who accepted the challenge. We now have a new church cleaner Chloe who comes in on three days.

Our thanks also to David and Daphne for always making sure our altar table is appropriately prepared and ready for Holy Communion. The flower team continue to work hard from week to week and particularly for the special festivals which are a feast for the eyes.

This year a change has been made to the layout of the pews so that there is room for chairs, and if needed, wheelchair space towards the centre of the church. Thank you to Jim Vice, ably helped by David Storey, for making this alteration. We have two wheelchairs stored in the back pews for use in church: these could also be borrowed on request.

The Church grounds are well maintained by the Gardening team and we thank Moreen Lane and Ann Vice for all the extra work they do to make the gardens so attractive and appreciated not only by the Parishioners but also members of the local community. Thanks too for the hard work of the 'mowing team'.

A new water heater has been installed in the hall kitchen. There is a team of people responsible for the opening and closing of the hall when it is let, but this task mainly falls to Juliet Bull and the Churchwardens.

The Church's Goods and Ornaments register, and the Log Book are up to date.

The Wardens, April 2020