

Report of Parochial Church Council of St. Michael and All Angels Farthinghoe To Farthinghoe Parish Council

We are very pleased to be back to normal this year following the previous two that had seen the restrictions brought in for covid stop services and fundraising.

Since September 2022 we have been an interregnum – our Rector, Revd Cooper left us and we continue to look for a replacement, but as of writing (March 23) although we have advertised, sadly we have not had any applicants. This seems to be the case throughout the country, especially for rural multi parishes but we continue to remain hopeful.

Our service of Remembrance was well attended as were our Christmas services – it is always lovely to hear those well known carols sung out by lots of the villagers!

Fundraising has continued – our Fete raised approx £1400 and our monthly coffee mornings in the vestry raised over £1000 this year. If you haven't been already, do come along – it is usually on the second Sunday of the month at 10 – 11am.

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard, some visible and others less so. We thank all members of the PCC who have served in the year without whom we could not function. There have been two changes this year -

- Pauline Mason moved to Australia in June 2022, having served on the PCC for many years. We miss her contributions.
- Henry Bankes-Jones took over as Secretary in May 2022.

We are so very lucky to have a team of volunteers who get involved in cutting and tending the graveyard, clearing gulleys and generally keeping the outside of the church in good order. Thanks also to those who have cleaned, tidied and polished inside. There is a lot of work that goes on, often unnoticed, and it is really appreciated.

We are very grateful to the work done by our church warden, for all the work that Rosemary Jarvis does in the church and the community and for Lisa Wenmouth for playing the organ in our services – and not forgetting the congregation who continue to offer support and take part in our services.

Lisa Wenmouth
13th March 2023