

## Parish of Fleet - Vicar's Report to the APCM, 2018



We have many things to celebrate about the year that has past, e.g.....

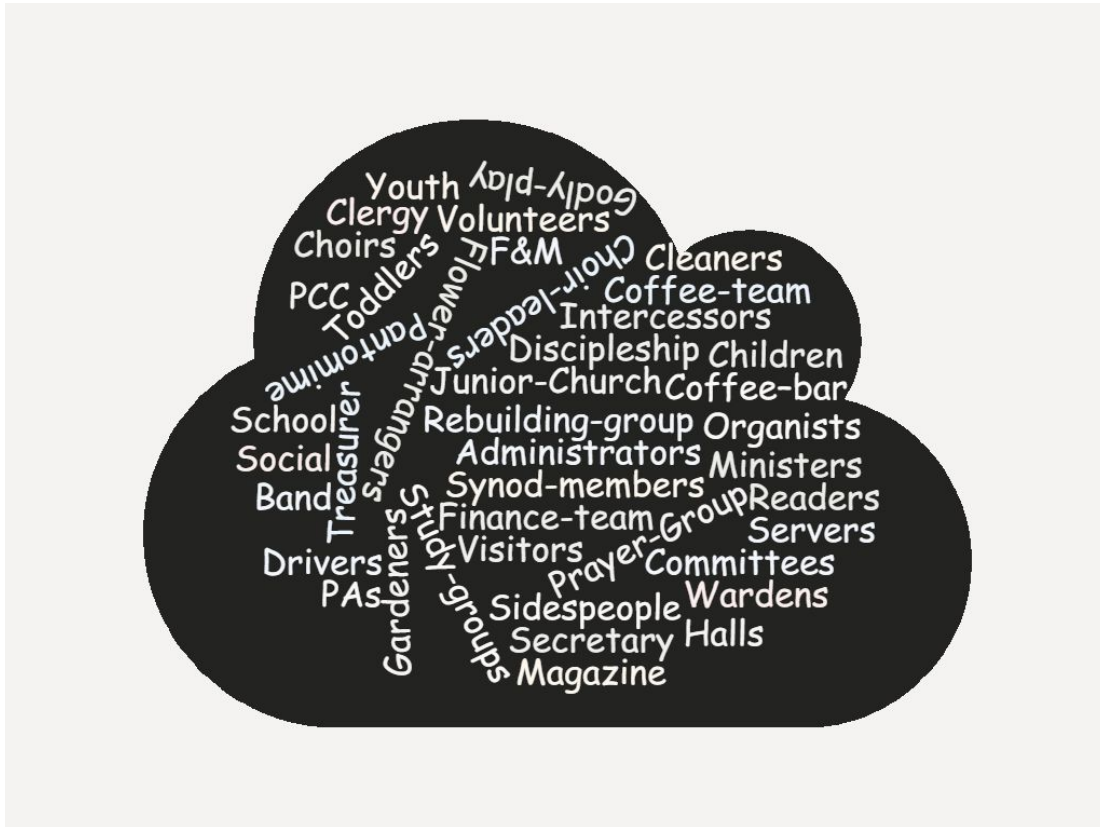


- Our worship together
- 1 adults and 4 children confirmed
- A significant number of Baptisms.
- Many good and gifted people using their gifts in the service of God and his people
- Buildings that work hard for us.
- Positive progress in our plans for rebuilding All Saints.
- Many opportunities to welcome and offer hospitality
- A significant number of new people joining our fellowship.
- Our work with children and young people, including our very close relationship with All Saints school.
- Our prayer and study groups - of which there are an increasing number.
- The Christmas tree festival.
- Our gifted and faithful ministry team.
- Our office staff, magazine, and other means of communication.
- We manage to laugh a lot and enjoy one another.
- We managed to pay all our bills!

We have much to be thankful for, let us praise God for all he has given us!



To all on the following list, and any I may have forgotten to mention.



And to everyone for their friendship, kindness, enthusiasm, prayers, service and generous giving.

We have sadly lost a number of faithful members of our church family this year. We are thankful for all that they continue to mean to us, and for the spiritual and emotional legacy they leave behind.



There are several challenges that we face together in the immediate future...

- To get All Saints built and then use it, to the glory of God and for service of our community.
- To grow our congregations
- To become more confident in sharing our faith.
- To become a more prayerful community, to pray more for our community, and to help our community to pray.
- To build up our youth and children's work - perhaps appointing a youth and children's worker.
- To make our worship even more worthy of God.

- To hold services that enable people of all ages/kinds/backgrounds/abilities/stages of life to have an encounter with the living God.
- To find better ways to care for our elderly and infirm.
- To confidently fulfil our responsibilities in safeguarding and data protection.
- To build a firm financial foundation for the future.
- To do our bit in producing ministers for the future.
- To allow the healing and transforming power of the Holy Spirit to work amongst us as much as God wants it to!

Let us pray to God and ask for his grace in facing these challenges and bringing them to fruition.

Come along to our APCM on Thursday, hear more, and have your say!