



**St Joseph's Bishop Thornton
DIOCESE OF LEEDS
Finance Committee**

SUMMARY MINUTES 14 October 2019

Attendees

Ian Burrell
Helen Jordan
Mark Ashworth
Patrick Henry
Martin Holden

Apologies were given by Fr Pearce, Mark Grafton and Kevin Anderson

Barry Lewis and Anna Larkin from the Diocesan Curia were in attendance.

Health and Safety

Barry Lewis (BL), Diocesan Health and Safety Officer, confirmed that an onsite health and safety assessment had been carried out. Overall the Parish remains in a good position on health and safety matters. BL also confirmed that all statutory tests were up to date. Some minor recommendations for improvement have been made and will be actioned.

BL confirmed that he is aware of the leak in the Presbytery and has arranged for a contractor to visit the site.

A small fire extinguisher is now in place near to the candle stand at the front of Church. 'Tottle testing' is booked for week commencing 4 November 2019 and will be completed by the Killingbeck Cemetery Manager, Andy Storr.

Finance

The Quarterly accounts show a net deficit of £1k in the 6 months to September 2019. It was, however, noted that the new boiler has now been installed at a net cost to the Parish of £3,368. (£5,168 less a grant of £1,800).

Property

Discussions are ongoing with a potential tenant for the former school.

We are in receipt of offers for the land on Colber Lane and these are being considered. Further information will be given when we are in position to provide it.

A Quinquennial Inspection of the Church has been instructed and the outcome of this will enable a plan of maintenance works to be established.