



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

Thursday 27 August 2020 via Microsoft Teams at 4.00pm

SUMMARY MINUTES

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Risk Assessment and other mandatory work required to ensure a safe reopening of the Church were all completed and successfully signed off. Thanks were extended to Committee members for their support in ensuring a successful reopening of the Church.

The tree maintenance work and the external painting of the Church, Presbytery and School building were completed as agreed and in keeping with Government Covid-19 Guidance.

FINANCE

The Parish remains in a reasonably good financial position. Parish Standing Orders and Gift Aid contributions remain consistent. The Parish will be further supported by the sustainable income from the lease of the former School building.

Parish Database / Communication

There was a positive response to the idea of creating a Parish Database and the benefits to be derived in terms of communicating with parishioners. Details on how to join the Parish Database are noted in the Parish Newsletter.

PROPERTY

Lease of the School

The lease for the former School building is now complete. Thanks were extended to Helen Jordan and Rachel Gant for their work in preparing the property for its new tenants. The new tenants will be approached about the possibility of using the Car Park, attached to the building, on a Sunday.

Sale of the Land

Progress on the sale of the land continues. Given the current circumstances the progress is, understandably, relatively slow but positive discussions are taking place in order to move the project forward.