

## Report from Secretary St Mary's Church, Naughton

There have been four meetings throughout the year, including the AGM, all well attended.

At each meeting we have discussed finance, services, the fabric and H&S etc.

We have had 19 services this year, including Mothering Sunday, Palm, Easter, Harvest Festival and Remembrance service; unfortunately the carol service had to be cancelled due to the weather. These were attended by 463 people, up on the previous year, but collections were down at £912

Our main fundraiser was once again the May Fayre, which raised an incredible £4,423.46.

We have had 3 funerals, but no weddings or christenings this year. We have managed to pay our quota of £5119 in full.

During the year a sign has been placed on the wall by the War Graves Commission to make visitors aware of Squadron Leader Gayford's grave.

We have also completed building works listed in our Quinquennial Inspection during this year.

Unfortunately, this year a lot of our time at meetings has been taken up with Martin Thrower's trial and how the deanery will progress, this is ongoing and there will be changes.

During the year we have also supported Theresa Lester as she trains as a Lay Reader for our benefice

We were also sad to see Liz Law retire in November, but wish her a long and very relaxed retirement.