

Title: Church Warden

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We have been busy since our last report in keeping St Leonards in good order to the best of our ability, The Church boiler has been regularly serviced and is working well despite its age,

On July 8th we said goodbye to Mother Kate who moved to pastures new which has put more pressure on the other Ministers and our own Father Noel. This had repercussions throughout The Ministry.

We have been regular attendees at Team meetings and Heath and Reach Council meetings, too.

Last August the Hall and Church electrical appliances were P.A.T. tested to keep us up to date with electrical safety followed by a full check of the electrical wiring at both the hall and the Church by Steve McGiff.

Also in August a full survey of the timbers at St Leonards was carried out which revealed that our Church is free of woodworm, but evidence of a small amount of dry rot in the Belfry which we have booked to be treated. The treatment carried out in early September.

The church organ is maintained to a good standard and regularly kept in tune under the supervision of our organist, Alan Gomersall , who also leads the St Leonards Choir in practice.

Other work needed to bring the Church to the condition we would like needs a large amount of funding.

There have been great improvements at the hall with new curtains and chairs courtesy of the SLAP entertainment group

The payback team continue to keep car park and surroundings free from debris.

We continue close links with both the local Scout Group and of course St Leonards School. We found the Scouts overnight stay at St Leonards in October educational for both parties.

We continue our links with the Salvation Army which is useful especially after the toy service at Christmas when they appeal for toys for local family's in need of help.

We continue our links with Little Fishes Play Group and the Holiday Club.

We maintain a weekly check on the hall and repair or maintain any items that need attention.

