

# Regenerate

Renewing the Sanctuary at the Heart of the City

# PROGRESS UPDATE AUGUST 2025 (REVISED)

# Thanks be to God! Together we have raised £510,996.31

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## **Chancel Restoration Complete**

The first phase of REGENERATE, which involved repairing and re-setting the historic tiles, installing a new stone floor, taking up and re-fitting the original parquet under the stalls, and cleaning and finishing on the beautiful Choir Stalls, has returned to use. We are especially grateful that none of our Masses or Devotions were cancelled during the time of this work.

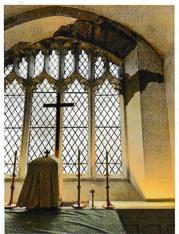
Our thanks to Matthew of South Yorkshire Tile Doctor, Graham Bailey Stonemasonry, Eskdale Restoration, Perry Glossop & Co who restored the copper plaques, and Paul McCarthy Carpentry. They have worked hard using traditional techniques and materials to bring beautiful new life to these attractive features which have adorned the solemn worship of Almighty God in this place for generations, securing this beauty for generations to come.











### **Lady Chapel Window**

Graham Bailey (stone Mason) is also looking at the long term issue of the Lady chapel window water ingress. It has been unsightly for many years now. He has suggested a course of action which included removing the coping stones, adding a new layer of lead and repointing in lime. This work is anticipated to cost around £15,000 as it would necessitate using scaffolding. But hopefully it will solve the issue once and for all. There are additional issues with the building beyond the narrow remit of Regenerate. Please pray that we will have the resources to meet these costs.

#### **Maintenance**

Church Bell The merry chime of the Angelus has been silent these past few weeks. Our faithful bell which has called out to passers by to let them know the Divine Worship of the Almighty is soon to begin, or that the Bread and Wine have been transubstantiated into the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, has been out of action for repairs. Our thanks to Tom Blyth of Blyth and Co Church Bell Specialists who have undertaken to fabricate new fittings. The bell should be ringing again later this month.

**Drainage** The crypt beneath the Sanctuary has been flooding in heavy rainfall. Our Wardens have worked with the Council and Yorkshire Water to repair the drains from St Matthew's into the sewer on Backfields. Many thanks especially to Patrick Linskill for diligently pursuing this. **The work will take place over the weekend of 23/24 August.** 

#### **Decoration**

We have received some stunning mockups from the friendly team at Eskdale Restoration for the scheme of our walls, ceiling, and chapels. This will be one of the most striking parts of the Regenerate campaign and will inspire generations of pilgrims and worshippers with a vision of heavenly beauty. We are privileged to have the artistry and craftsmanship of such a dedicated and devoted company to be part Regenerate. We will share more about how to help decorate the Church soon!



### **Fundraising**

**Sponsored Swim** Fr Price undertook a heroic effort to PAVE THE NAVE with a 1500M open-water swim. He put his strength and perseverance to the test for us, training hard for this difficult task. Many thanks to him and many thanks to those who sponsored this effort. Sponsorship for this swim covered 10 squares of the nave floor. **Peter Cain Concert** Dear friend and supporter of our Parish Peter Cain efford his great

**Peter Cain Concert** Dear friend and supporter of our Parish Peter Cain offered his great talent for a beautiful Summer Concert, filling the Nave with enchanting sounds of Summer for a delighful evening of wine and good cheer.









## Oktoberblest: The Carver Street Beer and Gin Festival 3-4 October

Now in its 4<sup>th</sup> year we are looking forward to welcoming many visitors to this celebration of local brewers and distillers. Special guests include Nick Law of Emmanuales and the Brothers of Mount St Bernard Abbey who brew the renowned Tynt Meadow Trappist Ale.

The Festival will run 4:00-10:00pm both Friday and Saturday. Tickets are £10 and those who book before the end of August will receive £5 worth of Beer Tokens

Volunteer This event is always such a success because of the generous hard work of volunteers who make it happen. Get in touch with Stuart to see how you can be involved

churchwardens@carverstreet.co.uk



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