

St Mary's Church Hundleby

Newsletter

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St Mary's update

We are very pleased to report that the work to the stained glass windows has been completed. New tower louvres are due to be installed shortly.

The next stage is to arrange for the checking and replacing the tower's stonework.

We will continue with our fundraising endeavours and seek grant funding to help keep the church open and available for everyone.

Look out for events on the village noticeboard, in Grapevine magazine and on the Hundleby Community Facebook page.



Thank You

A big thank you to all who turned up and helped at the churchyard tidy-up session. The church and churchyard look cared for because of this broad range of help.



QR code for any donations.
Thank you!

Church Services

There is a Church Service on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

1st Sunday is at 10am and refreshments are served afterwards.

The 3rd Sunday is the Eucharist at 11.15am.

Everyone is very welcome.

In addition to the usual services a Harvest Festival and special VE Day Remembrance Service were held. The church saw 6 funerals and burials in 2025.

The church is open everyday during daylight hours and a craft table is available for everyone to use.

Dates for your diaries

Decorating the church

Tuesday 25th November at 10am.

All welcome to join in as we decorate the Church followed by refreshments.

Joint Christmas Fayre

Saturday 29th November 10-1

In the Parish Rooms and church. A variety of craft stalls, games, cake stall, refreshments and raffle etc

Carol Service

Sunday 7th December 3pm.

We will be joined once again by the lovely Hundleby Community Choir. Followed by refreshments.

Community Café

Thursday 18th December 2-4pm.

The usual busy Book Swap plus homemade sausage rolls, mincepies and later

Carols Round the Tree 6.30pm. A family favourite organised by the Parish Council.

Bethlehem Service

Christmas Eve 10pm.

Always a special event.

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Community Café & Book Swap

The popular Community Café and Book & Puzzle Swap is held in the Parish Room 2-4pm on the fourth Thursday of the month. Do come along and say hello.

Books are also available in the church which is open every day.

The Community Café is the current Co-op Community Champion. We are raising money to buy new books and book storage crates. Please do think about shopping at the Co-op to support us!

Hundleby Community Choir

Hundleby Community Choir first performed at the village's Coronation celebrations. Since then the choir has performed 33 times at local community events. Plus eight performances booked before Christmas. There are 40 choir members, sixty percent live in Hundleby itself and all except one within a five mile radius of Hundleby.

HOP4E News

At the start of this year we held a Winter Warmer and later, a Strawberry Tea. It was lovely to see people coming together. Plus, we were also able to raise some funds for the church repairs.

We joined up with the Edward Foundation charity to raise money running a bingo evening and got involved in the Hundleby Fete and Dog Show, serving tea and cake. This was held in Steve and Carol's lovely field down Brickyard Lane. Lots of people have asked if this will become an annual event!

We held a Churchyard 'Count on Nature' event where, thanks to our resident experts, over 100 species of flora and fauna were identified.

The Community Café and Book Swap are decorating a Christmas tree for St James' Tree Festival. See if you can identify the tree!

We are also hoping to have another Winter Warmer in the New Year with homemade soup, a roll and homemade puddings.

The Spilsby Union Workhouse Project

You may have noticed that the interpretation board has been installed. We are so grateful to have received funding from East Lindsey Community Fund, Shared Prosperity Fund, Spilsby Rotary Club and Hundleby Parish Council. Many people also donated money to the fund and we wish to thank them all. We are planning a proper 'unveiling' soon.

A grassed area to the north of the church was left uncut over summer. It is likely that people from the workhouse were buried here, in unmarked graves. Insects and small mammals will have benefited from the longer grass. The cuttings were removed in September, reducing the fertility of the soil so hopefully next year, we will see more wildflowers.