



St. Anne's Parish Church



Bell Restoration Project

The existing peal of eight bells was installed in 1890 and a major overhaul was undertaken in 1955. In the last three years, however, as time and wear have taken their toll, there have been various instances of repair work having to be undertaken to keep the bells going:-



Corroded bell fittings



Broken clapper



Repaired slider

We have reached the point where major work will be required in order to keep the bells ringing safely. A survey has been undertaken by Taylors of Loughborough which has recommended options for a complete retune, rehang with new fittings and augmentation to 10 bells.

We are delighted to announce that the PCC has approved the launch of a special project which will help ensure that the only peal of Church bells in St Anne's can ring out into the next century. The aim is for the project to be completed in time for the 150th Anniversary of the consecration of the Church which is in August 2023.

To undertake this project, we need to raise in the region of £120,000 and donations of any size would be most gratefully received. Grants will be sought, fundraising events held and there will also be an opportunity for individuals or businesses to sponsor a particular part of the project, such as a new bell, wheel or bellrope, with the option for an inscription/plaque on an item in memory of a loved one, etc, or for any donation to remain anonymous.

We would love to get the project off to a flying start and get orders placed to meet the required timescale. If you would like more information or to make a contribution to the project, please contact

Stuart Newton - Bell Tower Captain **01253 725958**

Richard Baker - Church Treasurer **01253 727878**

Fr. David Lyon - Vicar **01253 722725**

or email **bellmad75@outlook.com**

Cheques should be made payable to "St. Annes Parish Church" and have "Bell Project" written on the reverse.

For Electronic banking payments please use

Account name: **Parochial Church Council of St Annes Parish**

Sort Code: **01-07-65**

Account Number: **94840636.**

Payment reference "Bell Project"

Donations can also be made via **www.justgiving.com/campaign/bellproject2023**

Gift Aiding any donation will enable the tax to be claimed back and increase the donation value. If you do not already have Gift Aid set up for Church please contact our Treasurer Richard Baker.

THANK YOU