



St Helen's Church
Ashby-de-la-Zouch

Heritage Project eNews

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Since our last newsletter ...



On 19th February, we welcomed more than 40 children plus parents and carers to the Heritage Centre for a morning of craft activities.

We decorated biscuits and boxes and made heart shaped decorations, with added pom-poms. Here are a few photos of some of the things we had fun making.



Heritage Talks

On February 3rd, we welcomed Steve Woodward, who attracted a large audience for his talk: ***'Pushing up the daisies: the flora & fauna of churchyards'***

On March 2nd we were joined by Gay Evans, who told the fascinating tale of Laurence Shirley, 4th Earl Ferrers, ***'The Last English Nobleman to be hanged for murder.'*** Members of the audience were invited to take part in a re-enactment of parts of the trial, which had people on the edge of their seats.

And now ...

Due to restrictions introduced as a result of the spread of Covid-19, both the Church and Heritage Centre are closed for the time being. Our planned children's craft events have been postponed indefinitely.

We have a programme of events planned for the Festival of Archaeology in July - including church tours, a Heritage Talk for adults and a children's archaeology day. We are hoping that these events, and more, will be able to take place, but please keep an eye on our Facebook page and our website for up to date information.

Regular attenders will be pleased to know that we are also planning our next series of Heritage Talks for winter 2020-21. As usual, they will be on the first Monday in the month, starting on 5th October.

New Website for St Helen's Church and Heritage



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We are very excited to announce that our brand new St Helen's Church & Heritage website has now gone live. You can find it at: www.sthelensashby.net

The website has been in planning for over a year and contains up to the minute details about the huge range of services and events which take place at St Helen's, plus lots of information about past events and the history of the Church site.

If your particular interest is the Church's rich heritage, please click on the "Heritage" tab, towards the right of the screen.

Due to the current social distancing regulations, the church is currently unable to hold services, but our website offers access to services and readings currently being posted on the St Helen's Church Facebook page. It will be updated daily during the present situation.

We hope we've got the website right. We will be adding more information to it all the time. Please let us know what you think!

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