Church Fabric Report For 2020



A big thank you again to everyone who gave their time to help in any way with the upkeep of the church during 2020, your continued support is always very welcome. Even with the dark shadow of covid-19 hanging over us and the problems it has caused 2020 has still been a very busy year indeed and much has been achieved.

Annual services were carried out to the boiler, internal CCTV, toilet pump, clock, fire appliances, roof CCTV and the annual pat testing was carried out. We also had the gutters cleaned in November by David Kay who will be cleaning the gutters in April and November each year. We are very grateful to Mary Bass for help with funding this work.

In between the lockdowns the Saturday Gang managed to meet on the 4th July and the 29th August. Work was done on the rose garden and clearing the borders of leaves and weeds. More work was done on the north porch gates and we managed to complete the painting of the church railings. Also, approximately half of the pews have been treated for woodworm and we would like to think that the remaining pews will be treated in 2021. Thank you to all involved in the Saturday Gang, for giving their time and for their hard work.

The digital counter has proved to have been a good investment in that it helped us to obtain the grant for the tower. In February the Organ Advisor South inspected the restored Choir Organ to report back to Lincoln and Mr Godfrey's plaque was put in place. New LED lighting has been fitted in the sacristy, paper towel dispensers installed in the toilet, kitchen and sacristy. The old carpet tiles were removed and the floor repaired before a new carpet was laid in July. We also had a quote to replace the carpet on the bell ringer's platform, Cross Brothers have it in stock but covid-19 has for one reason or another delayed the laying of the new carpet.

The tower repair work was put out to tender again in August and the successful tender was placed by Underwood & Weston. Based on information supplied by us we were invited to apply for a grant from the Cultural Recovery Fund for Major Works. Our application was successful and work on erecting the scaffolding started on the 10th December.

Mick Boylan Fabric Chairman