

## St.Nicholas' Church, Husthwaite

If you look at a map of Husthwaite, you will see that the streets of the village spread east, west and south with the Church at the point where they meet. The village has grown outwards over the years and now, together with the outlying farms, contains 174 houses. Husthwaite parishioners have been worshipping at St Nicholas' Church for eight hundred years and in all that time the Church has been sustained and supported by the generosity and kindness of the local people without outside help. This remains the position in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century and we still depend upon the goodwill of the people of Husthwaite.

If you are an occasional churchgoer, maybe at Easter and Christmas or for a wedding or a funeral, you will no doubt find comfort in knowing that the Church is always present and alive at the centre of the village. If you are not a churchgoer, you may believe that the appearance of the ancient grade II\* listed Church in the middle of Husthwaite adds character and distinction to the village and hopefully you will appreciate the way the building and churchyard is kept.

We need support to enable your Church to continue as a place of worship, to hold a service on a Sunday or to pray quietly at any time of the day and help pay for the stipend of our parish priest through the Diocese of York. We aim to provide pastoral care and support in our village to those who are sick, concerned or bereaved. We give encouragement to the young people of Husthwaite through the work of the Church of England school. We need to maintain the fabric of the building and to keep the churchyard looking neat and tidy with the garden well cared for and the grass cut; to pay for insurance on the Church building and to meet other administrative expenses.

How can you help? Ideally by becoming a Friend of Husthwaite Church and joining our Stewardship Scheme whereby you donate a regular amount each year through Gift Aid, which then enables us to recover tax at 25p in the £ from the Inland Revenue. There is no fixed amount. You decide how much you can reasonably afford bearing in mind what you spend on other things and other charities. A standing order through your Bank is the most convenient form of payment although regular worshippers use the weekly envelope system. A combined gift aid declaration and standing order form is attached on the next page for your use. All financial support is treated confidentially and all gift aid commitments are acknowledged personally by our Gift Aid Secretary.

How will this help us? Your commitment to support the Church will allow us to plan ahead more sensibly and budget according to our means. Your Parochial Church Council will ensure that your donations are spent wisely.

**COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS ONE BY ONE  
AND IT WILL SURPRISE YOU WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE**

**PLEASE HELP YOUR VILLAGE CHURCH**

The Reverend Ian Kitchen - Rector  
Miss Joyce Wise – Churchwarden  
Mr.Hugh Richardson – Treasurer  
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SAINT NICHOLAS CHURCH  
Husthwaite Parochial Church Council

Donor's Name.....

Address.....

Post Code.....

Signature.....

Date.....

All donations I make under the Bankers Order authority below are to be treated as Gift Aid donations

**Please remember to tell us if you no longer pay an amount of income tax or capital gains tax equal to the tax that we shall be reclaiming on your donations (25p for every £1 you give)**

**BANKERS ORDER**

To ..... ..... .....	Bank plc	Name of account to be debited ..... ..... Account Number.....
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Please pay to **HSBC**, Market Place, Easingwold, York YO61 3AA  
Sort Code **40-20-02** for the credit of  
**Husthwaite PCC** Account Number **41001922**

The sum of £.....(figures).....(words)

on the.....day of .....20.....and a like sum:-

- a) ANNUALLY thereafter on the same day for a further three years making four payments in all.
- b) QUARTERLY thereafter on the same day of each subsequent third month for a total period of four years making sixteen payments in all.
- c) MONTHLY thereafter on the same day each month for a total period of four years making forty-eight payments in all

**Please delete and initial those lines that do not apply**

Note: This Bankers Order cancels any previous orders in favour of Husthwaite PCC

**Signature**

**Name in block capitals**

**Date**