

PILGRIMS' PROGRESS



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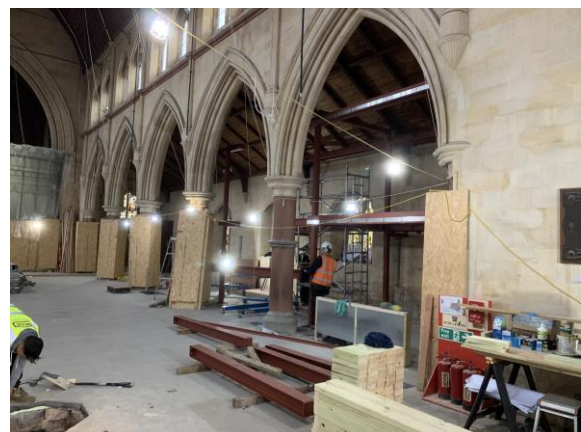
PROJECT PROGRESS

Following the COVID-19, lockdown, Ken Biggs Contractors restarted work in May. Since then work has progressed steadily, including:

- Strengthening foundations in side aisles to support pods
- Installation of drainage for servery and four toilets
- Three-phase electricity supply installed, with cabling for lights, audio and organ
- Underfloor heating laid, and two new gas boilers installed
- Structures for the four toilets – three in the choir vestry (Green Room) and the one in the tower location – completed ready for fitting out
- Floor levelled with screed prior to laying new limestone flooring in 2021
- Pod frames erected and detailed construction continues
- Development of new ramp and walling to south side of Church

Looking ahead, the glazing to the Memorial Chapel is due to start in November and project completion is expected in spring 2021.

The details of the external landscaping have been reviewed and Church Council is due to decide on the affordability of that phase of the project in November.



RECRUITMENT

To help us to develop more links with the wider community, and to encourage their use of the reordered space, we are advertising a new post, of Community Engagement Officer, on a short, fixed-term contract. Partial funding has been obtained from the Community Lottery Fund and we continue to apply for funding to enable us to extend the hours for this important post.

FUNDRAISING

THANK YOU so much to over 150 people who have contributed to the People of Pilgrimage Appeal. All donations are most gratefully received and have allowed us to make really good progress with the reordering of our beloved Church building.

WELL DONE to everyone who has continued to raise funds during these challenging times. Small events can make such a difference, so here's a big shout out to:

- **Ricky** for his sale of pumpkins and produce
- **Marion** for her lovely quilting
- **John and Rachel** for making delicious preserves
- **Hazel** for great Christmas knitting

Peter has just completed his Warden's Walk: 1000 miles to raise almost £2000 for furniture for the new Welcome Area. He is most grateful to those who have supported him. **Donations can still be made** until the end of the year, either by sending a cheque to The Rectory or online at: <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/PeterCottingham1>

With generous sponsorship we have been able to order the portable organ and sets of vestments and we now also have some sponsorship for choir readers.



WE ARE NEARLY THERE, SO PLEASE KEEP GOING to help us to finish this amazing project. There are so many ways in which you can help us to cross the financial finishing line... and all from the comfort of your own home. Here are some suggestions:

- **Stepping Stones:** demand has been BIG and we hope to issue sponsors' certificates before Christmas. At just £25 each a stone is a lovely way to pay tribute to someone special. **Cheques to the Rectory please, or to our Lloyds account: St Philip and St James PCC Sort code: 30-95-72 Account No.: 00260740**
- **Chairs:** the chairs chosen by the congregation are on order, so why not sponsor one: £230 for a regular model or £250 gets you one with arms. Pay as above.
- **Choir Readers:** if you love what Russell, the Choir and the Music Group bring to our worship, you might like to make a contribution to the new readers... or even sponsor a whole one for £2000!

THANK YOU AGAIN, AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

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