



## So now what?

The 2019-2020 season will start in the second week of October, on Tuesdays in Pannal and on Thursdays in Wass.

If you would like to join us in exploring the unrivalled heritage of church building in Britain (and occasionally beyond!) now is your chance.

Please contact Mike and he will be pleased to send you a booking form either by email or by post.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

## Who we are

Mike and Catherine Stallybrass live in Norton, Malton.

Catherine has had a lifetime interest in church buildings and history and after joining these classes some 18 years ago, duly gained a certificate in English Medieval Churches from Leeds University to add to her degree in Archaeology and Anthropology.

When Mike retired from full-time work in the railway industry, he joined her at these classes and was hooked.

Sophie Weston ran the classes for nearly twenty years before persuading Mike and Catherine to take on this task – this is our third year and we love it!

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# Looking at Churches



A monthly series of study days  
looking at different aspects of  
old churches



## What we do

Over the six months of winter we hold a series of study days focussing mainly though not exclusively on medieval churches.

These Study Days began as an extra-mural course of the University of Leeds, but for a number of years have been run independently. On each day there are richly illustrated talks on a particular theme, there is a range of related literature available to browse, and plenty of opportunity to talk with like-minded people.

There are also occasional organised field trips, some of which are a simple day out, but others have been longer, such as a week in Rome. You are welcome to come to individual study days, as well as to attend the whole season, and to pass this information on to others who might be interested.

## Where and when

The Study Days are held on a monthly basis during the winter months at two sites: the village hall in Wass (near Ampleforth) and St Robert's church, Pannal (near Harrogate).

They cost £25 per person per day, and can be booked at either location. It is always possible, space permitting, for you to change the date/place of a booked Study Day if you need to.

Each day starts at 10 am and finishes at 3pm, with a Coffee break around 11:15am, and a longer break for lunch at about 1pm. Tea and Coffee are provided, but please bring your own packed lunch.



## This Year's Programme

### [October: Rock of Ages](#)

We will look at how churches are built, and at the raw materials used.

### [November: The Four Last Things](#)

Traditionally Advent focused on these – Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell. How do churches portray them?

### [December: In Quires and Places where they Sing](#)

A look at church music and musicians from early days up to the present.

### [January: That Multitude that no man can number](#)

The British Isles have an enormous range of saints, many known only in the regions where they lived and died.

### [February: Go wash thee in the Jordan](#)

An exploration of the churches' relationship with water, We will look at holy wells, rivers and seas as a means of travel for pilgrimage and the use of water in liturgy.

### [March: Look where you tread!](#)

An aspect of churches that we often fail to see is the floor. Floors and paths are full of interest and are often exceptionally beautiful.