

Horncastle History & Heritage Society

The archives are now held at the Joseph Banks Centre on Bridge Street in Horncastle.

It is usually open Wednesdays 10.00am to 12.30pm, or by appointment on 01507 622749.

There is a small charge to non-members.

This list is updated periodically. Last updated: May 2021.

Topic: Churches

SUBJECT	DOCUMENT TITLE	DETAIL
All	Religious census	Copy of religious census of 1851 listing churches in Horncastle at that time.
Baptists	---	Two articles on Baptists in Horncastle & District and information on Cagthorpe Chapel.
Baptists	Bygone Horncastle	History of Baptist Church.
Baptists	Horncastle Baptists	Research on Baptist communities of Horncastle and district (2 copies).
Baptists	Rechabites	Advertisement for meeting of the Rechabites at the Baptist Chapel. Preacher Mr JT Messer.
Baptists	The Oldest Chapel in Town	Article no 18 in series - Baptist Chapel as the oldest chapel in the town with evidence of being built in 1760.
Congregational	Bygone Horncastle	Congregational Church or Independent Chapel.
Congregational	Last service at United Reformed church	Order of service for the last service held at the Congregational Church, now United Reformed church, which contains a brief history of the church.
Epworth Rectory	Epworth Old Rectory	Information on the boyhood home of John & Charles Wesley.
Headstones	Headstones near Horncastle	illustrations and drawings of unusual headstones around Horncastle
Headstones	Headstones near Horncastle	Pictures of unusual headstones and lists of Horncastle masons and their dates of work.
Methodist	---	Queen Street - article and pictures of Independent Chapel and photo of Rev Thomas Lord.
Methodist	---	Two news sheets.
Methodist	Anniversary	Anniversary service.
Methodist	Annual Sermons	Programme of the Annual Sermons for the benefit of the Benevolent Society in the Wesleyan Chapel.
Methodist	Bazaar	Invitation to a Bazaar at the Primitive Methodist chapel from Robert Pinder, Minister - in poetry format.
Methodist	Beginnings of Methodism in Horncastle	History of Methodism in Horncastle.
Methodist	Building Fund	Programmes for 3 events for raising money for the Building Fund.

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Methodist	Bygone Horncastle	Primitive Methodist church history and preachers.
Methodist	Bygone Horncastle	Queen Street Methodist Chapel.
Methodist	Bygone Horncastle	Weslyan Methodism and chapels.
Methodist	Circuit magazine	Mentions presentation to Mr William Kisby for services as Superintendent.
Methodist	Dedication Service	Opening Service and dedication of the new Methodist Church on Queen Street.
Methodist	Grant	Letter to trustees about grant of £14,000 to building fund.
Methodist	Income & Expenditure	Details of income & expenditure and donations.
Methodist	Joining of Churches	Letter regarding the uniting of the churches on Prospect Street and Queen Street. Details of service and list of events leading to the new church being built.
Methodist	Kisby	Letter to Mr Kisby acknowledging his resignation as superintendent.
Methodist	Open Air Service	Annual United Open Air Service at Hammerton Gardens.
Methodist	Original Chapels	Article No. 16 in series - on the original chapels in the town and speculation on site etc possibly the Wong.
Methodist	Rev Thos Williams, hymnology	Article No.17 in series - Revd Williams, and concluding notes on Weslyan Methodism.
Methodist	Stonelaying	Leaflet on the Stonelaying and the appeal together with an gift envelope. Also the service and ceremony at the youth centre.
Methodist	Stonelaying	Thank You's for donations for Stonelaying appeal and attendance at Stonelaying service at Youth Centre.
Methodist	Tee-total Society	Third festival of Tee-Total society.
Methodist	Temperence Society	First annual festival of Temperence Society at Primitve Methdist Chapel - Rev M Holt.
Methodist	The Primitive Methodists	Article No 25 in series - Primitive Methodists chapels.
Methodist	Twentieth Century Celebrations	Programme for new century celebrations.
Methodist	Unveiling of War memorial	Unveiling of War Memorial by Mrs Kisby and list of soldiers on memorial.
Methodist	Weslyan Society	Financial report on the circuit and proposal to hold a bazaar to raise funds in 1855.
New Jerusalem	Bygone Horncastle	Description of interior.
New Jerusalem	New Jerusalem Church	Article No 19 in series - extracts about 1869 etc.
non-conformism	Historic Notes on non-conformism	unpublished document on non-conformism in the town including many smaller sects.
Non-conformism	Non-conformism in Horncastle	Draft copy of book - on review of Methodism with historical notes of town's Baptist, Congregational, Salvation Army and Sweden Borgian churches.

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St Margaret's Thimbleby	St Margaret's Church & Village, Thimbleby	Guidebook to church and village produced on the occasion of the restoration of the church. Funded by Heritage Lottery. Carter family archive provided many pictures. Local people include Arthur Owen, Victor Bolton, Crowders. Plan of village and photos of houses etc.
St Mary's	A Civic Service in St Mary's Church	Hymn's, Readings, Blessing.
St Mary's	A History of St Mary's church	History of the church together with notes on Tithes, Guilds, Stained glass, Rectories and Vicarages and incumbents and silver plate. Also Holy Trinity Church. (2 copies)
St Mary's	Another Vicars Letter	Extract from Church Magazine November 1966 - treatment of the angel figures and description of each individual angel. Comment that the roof timbers should now be good for another 100 years. Redone again in 2012!
St Mary's	Brasses to Lionel Dymoke	Details of the two brasses of Sir Lionel Dymoke in St Mary's church.
St Mary's	Bygone Horncastle	History and restoration and church records.
St Mary's	History of St Mary's Church	Re-print by Civic society of original booklet.
St Mary's	In Praise of Angels	Article on the ten carved angels supporting the main cross beams.
St Mary's	Induction of Rev'd Patrick	Programme of the Institution and Induction of the Reverend Peter Charles Patrick as Rector of the Horncastle Group of Parishes on 26th February 2015. Officiated by the Bishop of Lincoln.
St Mary's	Memorials	Information on the tablets and memorials in the church.
St Mary's	Parish of Horncastle	Final report to the Parish meeting on Repairs and Re-ordering.
St Mary's	Restoration	Articles on St Mary's restoration.
St Mary's	Scythes	Results of investigations into the possible origins of the scythes displayed in the church. This was a display put together for the Heritage Open Days 2015.
St Mary's	Sir Lionel Dymoke	Items regarding the memorial to Sir Lionel Dymoke in the church. Includes reference to the Lincolnshire Rising and use of the armour and flag. Also details of wall plaque and floor memorial with original wording. And a photo of the original brass wall.
St Mary's	St Mary's	Annual report for 1945 on the church.
St Mary's	St Mary's Church Tour	History and information on the church.
St Mary's	The Story of St Mary's	A second edition of the Story of St Mary's Church by HWS (churchwarden). No date but telephone numbers and price 1 shilling are indicators.
St Mary's	Tour of Church	Heritage Open Day Tour led by Ray Elliott. Quite detailed.
St Mary's	Winston Churchill thanksgiving	A service of thanksgiving in memory of Sir Winston Churchill.

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St Mary's	Year Book 56-57	Illustrated year book.
St Mary's	Year Books	Blotter Year books of St Mary's Parish Church.
Trinity	Arts Centre transfer	Full file concerning the sale of the church and areas of the church yard for an Arts Centre in 1989. Contains conveyance, maps, costs of developing arts centre, details of maintenance of churchyard area and conditions.
Trinity	Bygone Horncastle	Description of building new church from 1847 and the opening.
Trinity	Bygone Horncastle	Trinity church.
Trinity	Feasibility Study	Trinity Centre Feasibility Study for Tourist and Related spheres.
Trinity	History	Article no 5 on the foundation of Trinity church, contributors to the fund, and changes made since 1848.
Trinity	Miscellaneous notes	Article No 10 in series - briefly about Dr Hadley and income from enclosures and one on Trinity Church and its foundation.