

**Your support will be greatly appreciated.**

**One off Donation**

Enclosed is a donation of £.....( cheques should be made payable to St James Southbroom PCC ).

**Regular Donation**

I would like to make a monthly donation of £..... for 12 consecutive months. The easiest way to do this will be by a bank standing order. Would you like us to send the relevant details? Yes / No

**Sponsorship**

I would like to sponsor part of the project. Please state which part.....(see over).

Title.....First Name.....

Surname.....

Address.....

Post Code.....

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Please remember if you are a tax payer Gift Aid can mean that every £1 you donate becomes £1.25.

**St James' Church Southbroom,**  
Charity Registration Number 1134059

I wish Gift Aid to be claimed on the above donation(s). I am a UK taxpayer and I understand that if I pay less Income Tax and / or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount claimed on all my donations, it is my responsibility to pay the difference.

Signature.....Date.....

**Sponsorship is an exciting way of being fully involved with this project and leave a legacy for the town.**

Overhaul one bell - £1600

Refurbish one bell headstock - £1000

Refurbish one bell clapper - £500

Refurbish one roller box - £120

*Sponsors will be invited for a personal tour of the tower and to join a trip to the Taylor Bell Foundry at Loughborough. Also a commemorative plaque will be mounted in the belfry as a lasting record of their support.*

**When are the Bells rung?**

The sound of St James' bells is very much part of the life of Devizes, they ring out for:

- church services
- weddings
- special occasions
- national events

**Contact us:**

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# St James' Church Bells Restoration Project

**The Church by the Crammer**



**An appeal for £12,000 to restore these historic bells and implement a training programme for new ringers so that the bells of St James' will ring out across the town of Devizes for at least another hundred years.**



## What is this Project about ?

There is more to this project than just restoring these historic bells. The bells at St James have been rung for more than 400 years. For this to continue we need to restore the bells and train new ringers.

To achieve this we need to inform and involve the local community to share the history of the bells, how they were made and the apparatus that enables them to be rung.



## A Short History of the Bells

The two original bells in the tower were cast by John Wallis of Salisbury in 1612. In 1663 Purdue of Bristol cast a third bell which was recast by Taylor of Loughborough in 1909. In 1742 a fourth bell was cast by Abel Rudhall of Gloucester and bears the inscription 'Peace and Good Neighbourhood'.

In 1909 John Taylor & Co completed the last overhaul of the bells which included installing a new metal frame and increasing the four bells to a ring of six.



## How can you help ?

### *Encouraging and training new ringers.*

If you are interested in finding out more please get in touch (contact details overleaf). We meet on Monday evening from 7.30pm to 9pm.

### *Learning about bell ringing, its history and the art of the bell founder.*

If you are involved with a school, or a local organization, visits to the tower can be arranged, please get in touch (contact details overleaf).

### *Financially there are several ways of helping.*

- Make a one off donation.
- Make regular monthly donations over a one year period.
- Sponsor part of the work (see over).
- Sponsor ringing the bells (quarter peal) for your special occasion.
- Take part in our fund raising events.

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