



About All Saints'

This modest Victorian church, seating only eighty people, was designed by W.A. Nicholson of Lincoln and paid for by the Reverend G.A. Chaplin. Little has been altered in the church since its completion in 1840.

The name Haugham is Scandinavian in origin and means 'high village'. A priory was established in haugham in the 11th century by Hugh de Abrinois, the first earl of Cheshire.

The present church, built on the site of an earlier one, is a simple design and comprises a nave, chancel and tower. The tower, with its beautiful spire, is one of the most striking features and was copied from St. James' in nearby Louth. Two-light bell openings lead the gaze upwards to the intricate tracery of the battlements, ornate pinnacles and flying buttresses. The tower's highly decorative features are typical of Victorian neo-gothic architecture. The fondness for ornament continues along the exterior of the nave, which is supported by buttresses surmounted by pinnacles.

The east end of the church has fan-like buttresses with decorative parapets and corbel heads above. All Saints as an impressive feat of Victorian architecture and design.

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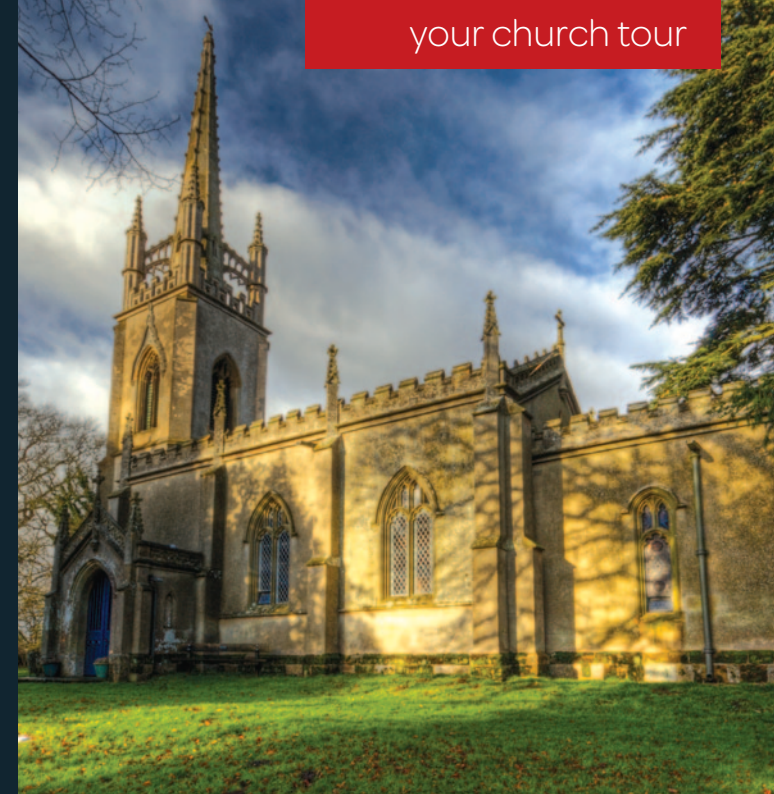
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Haugham



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The historic church of All Saints

10 things to see before you leave...

- 1 The octagonal stone **font** bears plain heraldic shields on all faces and is topped with a modern conical cover.
- 2 A **memorial** commemorates the Rev George Ascough Chaplin who was a member of a wealthy Lincolnshire family and rebuilt the church at his own expense.
- 3 The **bench ends** are decorated with poppy-head finials. They are made from iron, an unusual material for this type of fitting.
- 4 Two **box pews** survive and would have accommodated the families of the squire and the rector.
- 5 Situated on either side of the chancel arch, the **Ten Commandments** are painted in plain lettering on wooden panels.
- 6 The iron **royal arms** of Queen Victoria hang over the chancel arch. After the Reformation, it was common practice for the monarch's arms to be mounted where the crucifix, or great rood, once hung.
- 7 The striking orange **east window** depicts St. Peter (now missing) and St. Paul on either side of Christ.
- 8 The octagonal **pulpit**, decorated with brass sconces, dates to 1840.
- 9 The **memorial** of Lt. Colonel Henry Anton, who was the Governor of The Gambia, is decorated with the crest of the West India Regiment.
- 10 Rev Chaplin had a great admiration for St. James' church in Louth and had the **spire** at Haugham built as a miniature replica.

