



## THE CHURCH TRAIL - ALL SAINTS', GODSHILL



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### Godshill Church is very old and very

The name of the village tells us that the church has a long history. All Saints' Church Godshill is one of the first stone churches in the Isle of Wight. It was built by Edward the Confessor in about 1042. However, we cannot see the church today because All Saints has been added to many times in the one thousand years since then.

### The origins of the church

#### Godshill Church from 1066 to now

- ▶ The Church is nearly 1000 years old.
- ▶ In these years the building has been changed many times when it was first built.
- ▶ However the church has also changed because of the stones that we can find in Godshill church.

#### The shape of the church

- ▶ Godshill church is the largest of the early churches in the Isle of Wight. It is 27m long and 18m wide. To us this seems a good size, but at the time it was built people measured in feet and so it is 90 feet by 60 feet.
- ▶ It is in the shape of a cross. Most churches are this shape to protect the congregation from the devil.

### The legend of the building of Godshill Church

The legend is that the plan had been to build the church on flat land about a mile from where it is now. The workmen began to build but on going back to the place three mornings in a row, they found all the stones missing. They found them each morning on the top of the hill. This was taken to be a message from God that he wanted his church on the top of the hill. This is why the village is called Godshill.

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Pulpit



Jesus Mural



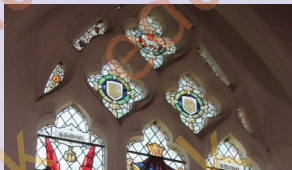
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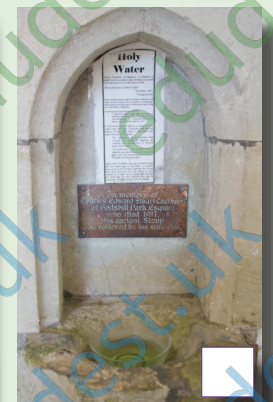
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