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Notable features

The Parish Church of St Lawrence is a small but beautiful church. The old one was built on a small piece of land which was long and thin.

Outside

The east window is a beautiful example of the work of the artist John William Morris. On the other side of the church is a small garden.

Inside

The inside of the church is very beautiful. The pews are made of oak and the roof is made of stone. There are 600 churches in the parish.

St Lawrence was built in the Nineteenth Century because the people who wanted to go to church. The church had to be built quite close to the road.

The east window is in a style from 600 years earlier. The bells in the bell tower, this was added in 1935.

The inside of St Lawrence feels full of space and air, because the pews are slim. The things inside follow the style of the Nineteenth Century.

The Victorian period and after

There used to be a lot of churches in the parish. In 1964, the stained glass windows that had been in its church were moved to the Parish Church of St Lawrence.

This is because the windows were designed by very famous artists Ford Maddox Brown, Sir Edward Burne-Jones, John William Morris and Sir William Reynolds-Stephens. It is unusual to have so many famous artists work in one place.

The origins of the church

This new church was built because the people who lived in the big houses all around wanted somewhere to go to church. This tells us that going to church was very important to people in the Nineteenth Century.

St Lawrence Old Church is on the other side of the main road and shows that the parish dates from the Middle Ages.

What to look for at the Parish Church of St Lawrence:

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Outside

Inside



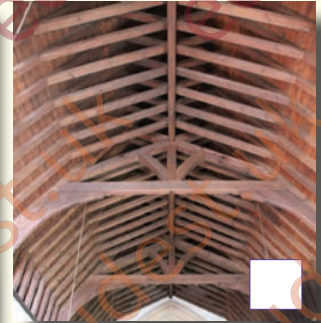
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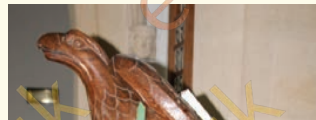
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Stone carving



Beamed Ceiling



Eagle Lectern



Font



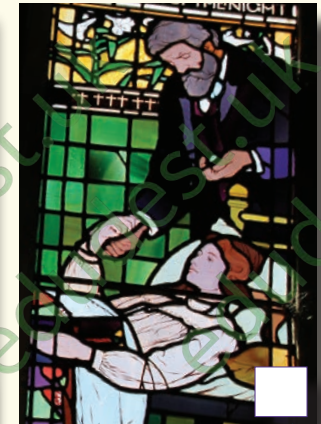
Rare round Gravestone



North Aisle



Birds eating corn



The care of the sick



The East Window



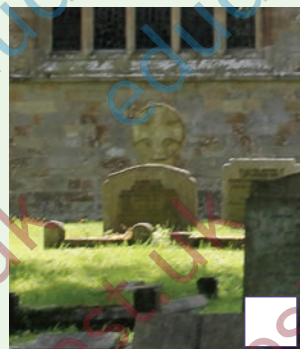
Plain Gravestone



The Sacred Lamb



Celtic Gravestone



Latin Cross



Mechanised bell ringer

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