## St Nicholas' Church, Husthwaite

If you look at a map of Husthwaite, you will see that the streets of the village spread east, west and south with the Church at the point where they meet. The village has grown outwards over the years and now, together with the outlying farms, contains over 200 houses.

Husthwaite parishioners have been worshipping at St Nicholas' Church for eight hundred years and in all that time the Church has been sustained and supported by the generosity and kindness of the local people without outside help. This remains the position in the  $21_{st}$  Century and we still depend upon the goodwill of the people of Husthwaite.

If you are an occasional churchgoer, maybe at Easter and Christmas or for a wedding or a funeral, you will no doubt find comfort in knowing that the Church is always present and alive at the centre of the village. If you are not a churchgoer, you may believe that the appearance of the ancient grade II\* listed Church in the middle of Husthwaite adds character and distinction to the village and hopefully you will appreciate the way the building and churchyard is kept.

We need support to enable your Church to continue as a place of worship, to hold a service on a Sunday or to pray quietly at any time of the day and help pay for the stipend of our parish priest through the Diocese of York. We aim to provide pastoral care and support in our village to those who are sick, concerned or bereaved. We give encouragement to the young people of Husthwaite through the work of the Church of England school. We need to maintain the fabric of the building and to keep the churchyard looking neat and tidy with the garden well cared for and the grass cut; to pay for insurance on the Church building and to meet other administrative expenses.

How can you help? Ideally by becoming a Friend of Husthwaite Church and joining our Stewardship Scheme whereby you donate a regular amount each year through Gift Aid, which then enables us to recover tax at 25p in the £ from the Inland Revenue. There is no fixed amount. You decide how much you can reasonably afford bearing in mind what you spend on other things and other charities. A standing order through your Bank is the most convenient form of payment although the envelope system may still also be used (yellow envelopes available in the church).

A combined gift aid declaration and standing order form is attached on the next page for your use. All financial support is treated confidentially and all Gift Aid commitments are acknowledged personally by our Gift Aid Secretary.

How will this help us? Your commitment to support the Church will allow us to plan ahead more sensibly and budget according to our means. Your Parochial Church Council will ensure that your donations are spent wisely.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS ONE BY ONE AND IT WILL SURPRISE YOU WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE PLEASE HELP YOUR VILLAGE CHURCH

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## Charity Gift Aid Declaration

## Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you give

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box below:

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I want to Gift Aid my donation of £ made in the past 4 years to <b>Husthwaite PC6</b>	and any donations I make in the future or have
I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.	
My Details	
Donor's Name	
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Date	
All donations I make under the Standing Order auth	nority below are to be treated as Gift Aid donations
Please remember to tell us if you no longer pay equal to the tax that we shall be reclaiming on y	
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To Bank plc	
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Please pay to <b>HSBC</b> , Sort Code <b>40-20-02</b> for the credit of <b>Husthwaite PCC</b> Account Number	41001922
The sum of £(figures)	(words)
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<ul> <li>b) QUARTERLY thereafter on the same day of each submaking sixteen payments in all.</li> </ul>	osequent third month for a total period of four years
<ul> <li>c) MONTHLY thereafter on the same day each month for payments in all</li> </ul>	or a total period of four years making forty-eight
Please delete and initial those lines that do not apply	
Note: This Standing Order cancels any previous or	ders in favour of Husthwaite PCC
Signature Name in block capitals Date	