

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARKINGTON

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Hob Green,  
Markington, Harrogate.  
North Yorkshire. HG3 3PJ

September 2018

Dear Friends,

Three years ago, we held an Auction of Promises that not only raised much needed funds to keep St Michael's Church, Markington, going but also proved to be a most enjoyable evening.

Like so many organisations at this time, we are finding that expenditure has exceeded income for the last financial year, and this year and for the next two ahead we are additionally challenged with how to source a sum of around £3,700 each year to meet the cost of a new heating system, for which the Parochial Church Council has had to take out a loan.

The church boiler has been condemned as not fit for purpose, necessitating the need to bring St Michael's into the 21st century with a more efficient, cost-reducing system, also involving the removal of the cumbersome piping in the pews.

We have, therefore, arranged an Auction of Promises for Friday, October 12 2018 at Markington War Memorial Institute, where Mr Ian Smith will be our new auctioneer for the evening.

I am writing to you for two purposes. Firstly, to ask if you would be very kind in donating a "promise"; secondly, to invite you to attend and bid on the evening.

I am enclosing a list of suggestions for a gift or promise, or you may of course have other bright ideas. If you are able to help. I should be grateful if you would let Mrs Ivy Stockil at 5, High Garth, Markington, have the enclosed slip by Wednesday, September 26th, but please note, late entries are just as welcome, even on the day.

Catalogues will be on sale at £2 (to include a glass of wine on arrival) from October 5. These will be obtainable either from the Markington village shop or by ringing Mrs Ivy Stockil on 01765 677910, Mrs Dorothy Houseman on 01765 677797 or Mr Charles Hutchinson on 01423 771748.

Some of you who buy a catalogue may not be able to attend the auction but may wish to bid for one or more lots. Proxy forms will be available in the catalogue.

We need your support on the evening, whether or not you have given a "promise". If you have offered a donation that needs to be displayed, please bring it to the Institute between 3.30pm and 6pm on October 12. I do hope that you can come and I am sure that you will have a fun evening.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Hutchinson, Churchwarden.

AUCTION OF PROMISES

PROMISES SHOULD BE SENT IN BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE CATALOGUE, BUT LATE ENTRIES WILL BE JUST AS WELCOME!

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PROMISE:.....  
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SIGNED:.....

ADDRESS:.....

HOUSE TELEPHONE:.....

MOBILE PHONE.....

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED FORM TO:

Mrs Ivy Stockil,  
5, High Garth,  
Markington,  
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