

Beckingham cum Saundby

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"Arts & Crafts of a Country Parish"...



The beautiful and ancient building of All Saints Church perfectly demonstrates the craftsmanship and skills of our ancestors, but recently the amazing wealth of hidden talent within the present day village was displayed for all to see when the church hosted an "Arts & Crafts of a Country Parish" exhibition.



Over the weekend of 8th and 9th September from 10am to 6pm on both days the doors were open for visitors to go and view the many and varied wonderful displays. Exquisite embroidery and patchwork, cane work, woodwork and photography, art and tapestry, jewellery, lace-making and greeting cards, were all on show. There was even a continuous demonstration of intricate sugar craft at which people were invited to try their hand.



A large dolls house was also on show, complete with its little people going about their daily tasks with Grandad in the bath causing much amusement! There were also some beautiful floral arrangements around the church. Outside, blessed with good weather, the ladies busily produced tasty refreshments of coffee, light lunches and teas, no mean feat given the current lack of facilities available.



A great deal of preparation and hard work took place both before and during the weekend. Sincere thanks are expressed to everyone involved in taking part, organising and supporting in any way, helping to make the exhibition such a success. The event raised £560, going towards the building of an extension to the church, housing a toilet and small kitchen, providing better facilities hopefully enabling the church to be used more often within the community.

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