Friends of St James

Syresham



**APPLICATION**

I/We apply for individual/joint membership of the ‘Friends of St James’, subscribing the sum of £\_\_\_ per annum.

I have set up a Standing Order/paid by bacs/enclosed a cheque/cash.

Title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Full Name (capitals)

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Please return form to the Chair :

Antoinette Hornby

14 High Street

Syresham NN13 5PL

St James’ Needs

Friends!

Details of Membership

And

Application Form

**The Friends of**

**St James Syresham**

**A Long History**

St James Church has served the people of Syresham for over 800 years. Generations of villagers have worshipped there together, or have sat alone in the church to think and to pray in its atmosphere of wonderful peace and tranquility. Children have been baptized, couples married and villagers mourned and laid to rest in the churchyard.

So, too, have people who loved the church repaired and cared for its fabric and looked after its grounds. All this continues to be done, but the congregation needs to call on the help of its friends in this work….

**The Work Today**

Through the generosity of our legacy from Miss Madge Payne, grants and the help of our Friends, an enormous amount has been achieved to enhance the beauty of our church and to increase the facilities it provides for the congregation and those who live in the village. However, maintaining and caring for an old building is always ongoing and time consuming and…..

**We Need Our Friends to Help Us!**

The regular worshipping congregation of St. James gives and raises the money for our contribution to the running expenses of the Diocese of Peterborough and for the “housekeeping” costs of the church (a total of over £20,000 a year.) If we are

to maintain and beautify still further our ancient and lovely church and its grounds we need the help of all our friends, those who live in the village and value its heritage, those who no longer live here but love this church, and those who remember it as the setting for important family occasions.

**How Can You Help?**

We need our friends not only to think of us with affection but also to assist us in very practical ways and by financial support with projects that fall outside the scope of the Madge Payne Bequest.

Details of how to do this are on the back of this flyer and we ask you to complete the form and return it to the Chairman of the Friends of St James.

**Keeping in Touch**

We help our friends to keep in touch by organizing a variety of events, which contribute to the social life of the village. These include concerts, pancake lunch, Christmas get together and a summer party with AGM.

We warmly welcome new “Friends” and all the members of the committee have details of membership.

**Friends of St. James’ Committee**

Antoinette Hornby (Chairman)

Sallie Connery (Secretary)

Margaret Miller

Hilary Stanley

Sally Earl-Barton

Treasurer Alice Palmer

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES** per annum

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| **Single****Membership**£6 minimum | **Joint Membership**£10 minimum |
| Plus donation of £4, £10, £15 or other per annum. |

Note: please add £5 to the minimum subscription rate for an overseas address to cover postage.

**Payment information:**

*Standing order / bacs our bank details are:*

Friends of St James Syresham

Sort Code 30 11 08

A/c 17822660

*Cash* returned with form

*Cheques* - payable to: Friends of St James.

*Or* complete a paper standing order form downloaded from the website or on request from the chair or treasurer.

**GIFT AID DECLARATION**

**(optional)**

Please treat as Gift Aid all qualifying gifts of money made from the date of this declaration.

I confirm I have paid or will pay and amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities (including Churches and Community Amateur Sports Clubs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that the Friends of St James will reclaim tax on every £1 that I give.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_