

**The
Parish Church
of
St Nicholas,
Hetton-le-Hole**

Graveyard
Monumental Inscriptions
and the
Inscriptions & Dedications
within the church

About the transcriptions within.....

Some of the larger headstones have fallen, face down and these unfortunately have not been recorded.

Within each section, I have tried to indicate the number of fallen headstones and their location to those standing so that anyone trying to find one of the inscriptions mentioned within has a guide to work from.

Fallen Headstone and a number if there are more than one together indicates the above.

In each section, I have found a starting point and followed a wide s pattern. Along one row to the end and then along the next row in the opposite direction. Rows are not easy to locate so this is a generalisation.

Section three - the wooded and ivy covered area. There is a path running through this section, however it does disappear into the undergrowth. The transcriptions in this section start on the left side of the path, again in an s-shape formation down to the end of the section, returning upwards on the other side.

The Burial Registers for St Nicholas, Hetton-le-Hole have been used to assist in reading some of the inscriptions and it should be noted that some of the inscriptions are not always accurate with to the burial entry, and vice-versa. Microfilmed copies of these are available to view at Sunderland Library, the Durham County Record Office and the Tyne & Wear Archive Service at Blandford House, Blandford Square, Newcastle.

I have tried to be as accurate as possible, even to the spelling mistakes that the monumental masons have made. We are all capable of errors, and therefore sincere apologies for any that may occur within.

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Section One:

Is the area to the east, behind the church. There is a path that runs along the south side of the church and bears round to the right towards a wooded area. The following inscriptions are to be found in this area however, the wooded area is not included in this section.

Erected in memory of Thomas **Place** of Houghton-le-Spring who died April 13th 1869 aged 71 years also Mary wife of the above who died January 4th 1867 aged 63 years also Sarah their daughter who died October 20th 1835 aged 11 years also Elizabeth their daughter who died July 20th 1836 aged 9 years also Ralph **Place** their son who lost his life at Murton Colliery October 1st 1851 aged 29 years also Ralph son of the last named who died June 18th 1860 aged 10 years also Joseph son of Thomas **Place** who died March 16th 1861 aged 29 years and was interred at South Church.

Fallen headstone - unknown

In loving memory of Joseph **Gardner** of Hetton-le-Hole who died March 7th 1881 aged 72 years also of John **Mason** son-in-law of the above who died April 26th 1881 aged 53 years. "Blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord."

In affectionate remembrance of Alice **Beckwith** of Easington Lane who died October 8th 1874 aged 59 years and was interred on Saturday the 10th October. "My rest is in heaven." Also Christiana **Beckwith** of Ripon, Yorkshire, mother of the above who died at Wheatley Hill August 23rd 1877 aged 89 years. "She rested on the atonement."

In affectionate remembrance of Hannah the beloved wife of James **Mordy** of Murton Colliery who died November 26th 1877 aged 32 years. "Her end was peace." Also M. A. **Nicholson** died March 3rd 1884 aged 52 years daughters of J. and M. A. **Nicholson**, Easington Lane.

Fallen headstone - unknown

In affectionate remembrance of Margaret **Storey** daughter of Thomas and Agnes Ann **Storey**, Easington Lane who died May 17th 1877 aged 24 years also Mary Jane **Wharton** daughter of the above who died May 29th 1878 aged 20 years. "They have gone before." Also Elizabeth **Storey** daughter of the above who died April 8th 1882 aged 19 years also Agnes Ann **Storey** wife of the above who died March 10th 1884 aged 54 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Thomas the beloved husband of Isabell **Mouter** who died December 16th 1881 aged 75 years also the above Isabell **Mouter** who died March 6th 1884 at Hetton Colliery June (16th 1886) aged (47) years.
“In all thou goest where'er thou art, death ready stands to strike thy heart, but if thy sins have been forgiven, that slow shall speed, thy soul to heaven.”

Section Two:

Is the area to the south of the church – the right as you are facing the front of the church. Bordered by the path to the north and east as in section one, stopping at the wooded area in the south east corner of the churchyard.

In memoriam. John **Andrews** the beloved husband of Mary Ann **McCutcheon** who died May 8th 1886 aged 56 years. “His end was peace.” Also Sarah **Webb** daughter of the above who died November 3rd 1886 aged 35 years also Elizabeth **Patterson** daughter of the above who died March 25th 1885 aged 25 years also Rebeca daughter of the above who died April (2_ 1877) aged 10 years.

In loving remembrance of Margaret Ellen daughter of Alexander and Margaret Ann **Dixon** who died September 2nd 1880 aged 1 year also William Joseph son of the above who died December 11th 1886 aged 3 years. “Suffer little children to come unto me.”

Fallen headstone - unknown

In loving memory of Stephen beloved husband of Elizabeth **Tone** of Four Lane Ends who died August 12th 1889 aged 52 years. “Thy will be done.”

In loving memory of James **Bambrough** the beloved husband of Dorothy **Bambrough** who died April 25th 1888 aged 63 years.

Sacred to the memory of Francis **Thornton** who died November 11th 1858 aged 70 years also Peter son of the above who died September 11th 1834 aged 23 years also Peter son of the above who died April 8th 1835 aged 5 months also Elizabeth **Dunn** daughter of the above who died May 3rd 1852 aged 24 years also Frances daughter of the above who died July 30th 1860 aged 19 years also Sarah **Thornton** wife of the above who departed this life August 24th 1886 aged 85 years.

Several fallen headstones - unknown

In affectionate remembrance of Thomas the beloved husband of Margaret Jane **Dixon** who lost his life at Eppleton Colliery July 11th 1889 aged 27 years also Margaret Jane wife of the above who died October 31st 1920 aged 60 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Elizabeth the beloved wife of James **Law** who died 16th September 1884 aged 43 years. "Blessed are the dead which die with the Lord, from henceforth yer saith the spirit that they may rest from their labours and their works to follow them."

In loving memory of Jane Ann the beloved wife of Thomas **Severs** who died February 10th 1890 aged 50 years also Thomas **Severs** husband & father respectfully of the above who died June 14th 1899 aged 60 years also Thomas son of the above who died February 16th 1872 aged 1 years.

In sacred memory of Robert William **Gardner** the beloved husband of Rachel **Gardner**, Easington Lane, who died December 20th 1889 aged 42 years. "Farewell, my wife and children dear, I could not always tarry here, I'm gone but one short step before, to welcome you on Zion's shore."

In memory of Martha daughter of John and Margaret **Parkison** who departed this life August 11th 1852 aged 2 years and 11 months also Mary daughter of the above who departed this life July 6th 1866 aged 10 years and 10 months. The above Margaret who died June 2nd 1888 in the 72nd year of her age. "By long experience have I known, God's sovereign power to save, at his command I venture down, securely to the grave. When I lie buried deep in dust; my flesh shall be his care, those witherin limbs with him I trust, to raise them strong and fair." Also John **Parkison** beloved husband of the above who died January 19th aged 91 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Ann **Wood** the beloved wife of Robert **Wood**, Innkeeper of Easington Lane, who died April 18th 1881 aged 54 years. "We cannot Lord they purpose see but all is well that's done by thee." Also the above Robert **Wood** who died February 2nd 1889 aged 65 years also Elizabeth Jane **Gardner**, grand daughter of the above who died December 3rd 1888 aged 1 year and 9 months.

Broken headstone - reads as follows:- In loving memory of Jane the beloved daughter of Alexander & Jane **Ross** who died November 19th 1885 aged 11 years. In memorium - Thomas **Scott** grandfather of the above who died January 31st 1889 aged 83 years also John **Scott** who died December 20th (1834) aged 80 years also Eleanor **Scott** who died September 23rd 1872 aged 67 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Ellen the beloved wife of George **Reay** who died April 18th 1889 aged 62 years. "In heaven there's rest." Also Isabella **Winship** grand daughter of the above and beloved daughter of Thomas & Margaret **Winship** who died August (19th) 1879 aged 4 years.

Sacred to the memory of Robert **Wade** of Easington Lane, who departed this life August 18th 1850 aged 35 years. "Deeply lamented" also John George **Wade** son of the above who died in infancy November 7th 1841 also of Ann Maria Butson **Wade** daughter of the above who died March 14th 1869 aged 22 years. Deeply lamented. In loving memory of John Powell **Richardson** son of John and Jane Sarah **Richardson** of Easington Lane who died August 1st 1890 aged 29 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

In loving remembrance of Annie (severely eroded) aged 64 years. "Death has all seasons for its own".

5 fallen headstones - unknown

Sacred to the memory of Martha **Milner** daughter of William and Ann **Milner** of Hetton who departed this life 10th March 1842 aged 17 years also May Matilda **Milner** her sister who departed this life 10th May 1845 aged 17 years. "Yet these new rising from the tomb, with lustre brighter far shall shine, revive with ever-during bloom, safe from disease and decline". Also of the above named Ann **Milner** who departed this life March 10th 1858 aged 71 years also of William **Milner** husband of the above who died October 12th 1862 aged 80 years.

Sacred to the memory of Jane **Hardy** daughter of Martin & Ellen **Hardy** of Hetton who died May 16th 1841 aged 15 years also of Elizabeth **Hardy** who died April 27th 1856 aged 27 years also Martin **Hardy**, father of the above who died April 14th 1865 aged 68 years also Eleanor Mary wife of the above named who died September 25th 1871 aged 71 years.

In affectionate remembrance of William Sinclair **Williamson** who lost his life in the Eppleton Colliery Pit October 30th 1882 aged 67 years. "Ah he is gone whom we so deeply loved, whose tender kindness we so often proved, oh yes he is gone, his happy spirit's fled, and now he's numbered with the silent dead". Also Ann wife of the above who died April 8th 1889 aged (66) years. "Jesus lover of my soul let me to thy bosom fly".

Sacred to the memory of John **Cheatham** of Hetton who died October 3rd 1856 aged 48 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

Sacred to the memory of Margaret **Gair** who departed this life may 11th 1845 aged 73 years also of James **Gair** son of the above Margaret **Gair** who died at Hetton Colliery August 5th 1850 in the 44th year of his age. "He lived respected and died lamented." William son of the above named James **Gair**, engineer on board H.M.S. Stromboli died at sea on the 29th of January 1863 in the 32nd year of his age.

2 fallen headstones - unknown

In memory of Errington Bell **Ord** eldest son of Robert **Ord** Esquire of Sunderland who died March 7th 1850 aged 2½ years.

In memory of Andrew **Pearson** died August 16th 1871 aged 63 years, Jane wife of the above died May 7th 1867 aged 54 years, Mary daughter of the above died May 2nd 1852 aged 3½ years, Andrew grandson of the above and son of John & Bridget **Pearson** who died August 23rd 1879 aged 17 years.

Sacred to the memory of William son of Charles and Sarah **Milner** of Hetton le-Hole died December 15th 1849 aged 5 months, Charles son of the above died December 10th 1850 in infancy. Martha Ann daughter of the above who died January 30th 1856 aged 18 months, Charles son of the above died May 9th 1862 aged 1 year and 9 months, Isabella daughter of the above died August 31st 1865 aged 1 year and 7 months.

Fallen headstone - unknown

Sacred to the memory of Margaret wife of John **Beckwith** of Hetton, farmer, who died March 16th 1842 aged 51 years also Margaret Ann **Beckwith** daughter of the above who died June 22nd 1850 aged 20 years also the above John **Beckwith** who died May 17th 1865 aged 74 years also Jane **Beckwith** second wife of the above who died February 28th 1872 aged 61 years also of John **Beckwith** who died at Hetton January 31st 1890 aged 70 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

In memory of **John Gibbons** who died December 20th 1860 aged 63 years the above lost his life by the explosion at Hetton Colliery - Deeply lamented. Also **Elizabeth** wife of the above who died February 5th 1868 aged 62 years also **William Gibbons** grandson of the above who died October 11th 1875 aged 2 years and 2 months.

Sacred to the memory of **Charlotte** the beloved wife of **Richard Nicholson** of Easington Lane, butcher, who departed this life January 23rd 1854 aged 44 years also **Ann Maria Butson** died October 16th 1838 aged 3 years **Mary Gill** died May 23rd 1846 aged 6 years daughters of the above **Richard & Charlotte Nicholson**

.... "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord they rest from their labours and their works follow them." also **Robert** son of the above died March 22nd 1877 aged 32 years and **Charlotte Butson** daughter who died July 23rd 1884 aged 40 years (on the reverse of the headstone) also **Richard Nicholson** of Easington Lane who died January 29th 1891 aged 87 years. "Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in his season." Job 5th Chapter 26th verse. **John Richard Nicholson** born August 7th 1832 died in Australia December 28th 1889. **George Nicholson** born July 4th 1847 died April 24th 1890.

Sacred in memory of **John** eldest son of **William & Elizabeth Smith** of Easington Lane, who departed this life on the 11th day of April 1856 aged 18 years. Much lamented. **Margaret** daughter of the above died July 30th 1865 aged (23) years, **Edward** son of the above died November 20th 1867 aged 24 years the above **Elizabeth Smith** died October 5th 1874 aged 66 years.

Sacred to the memory of **Elizabeth** eldest daughter of **Edward and Ann Taylor**, Grocer of Easington Lane, who died 18th September 1854 aged 4 years also **Ann Robson** second daughter of the above who died 1st October 1854 aged 1 year also **Elizabeth Ann** third daughter of the above who died 6th January 1860 aged 2 years also of the above **Ann Taylor** who died January 13th 1875 aged 45 years also of the above **Edward Robson Taylor** who departed this life January 10th 1890 aged 63 years.

Sacred to the memory of **Robert and Grace Moor**. **Grace Moor** departed this life June 5th 1854 aged 67 years. **Robert Moor** departed this life April 15th 1859 aged 74 years also **John Dodds Moor**, grandson of the above who departed this life January 17th 1862 aged 21 years. "Afflictions sore and much I love, physicians were in vain, but death (came calling) when God did pled, and freed me from my pain". Also **Robert Moor** brother of the above who departed this life July 23rd 1867 aged 25 years also **Jane Moor**, mother of the above who died May 31st 1886 aged 73 years.

.... William (heavily eroded headstone, however the last lines are) Mary **Allan** daughter of the above who died August 4th 1875 aged 20 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

Sacred to the memory of Jane **Gardner** the beloved wife of Joseph William **Gardner** who died July 29th 1883 aged 35 years - "Her end was peace". Also James **Adamson** brother of the above who died March 4th 1883 aged 39 years also Clementina **Clavering** daughter of Matthew & Mary Ann **Clavering** who died October 20th 1863 aged 6 years.

Sacred to the memory of John **Wales** (of Lyons House), Hetton-le-Hole, Colliery Viewer died April 3rd 1859 aged 47 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

Heavily eroded headstone - part of which reads as follows:

Henry also Henry **Laverick** beloved father of the above who died ... George who died (February 25th 1891) ... Eleanor **Wales Laverick** daughter of the above who died June 3rd 1884 aged 33 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

Sacred to the memory of George **Wales** of Hetton, Colliery Viewer who died on the 3rd of June 1858 aged 43 years also his son John **Wales** who died on the 8th of June 1857 aged 17 years also his wife Mary **Wales** who died on the 3rd of November 1858 aged 43 years also George **Wales** grandson of the above George and Mary **Wales** who died on the 16th of January 1865 aged 2 years.

Sacred to the memory of George, son of George and Ann **Lowdon** of Hetton Colliery who died August 30th 1857 aged 16 years also George **Lowdon** father of the above under-viewer, Hetton Colliery fell asleep in Jesus August 8th 1873 aged 65 years also Ann **Lowdon** wife of the above who died September 18th 1886 aged 80 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

Sacred to the memory of Martin son of Martin and Elizabeth **Gardner** of Easington Lane who departed this life July 4th 1835 aged 2 years also Mary daughter of the above Martin and Elizabeth **Gardner** who departed this life May 13th 1858 aged 21 years also of the above Elizabeth **Gardner** who departed this life July 29th 1869 aged 65 years. ("Go home my friend and

c_____ from tears, I may I'm here until Christ appears".) Also Grace daughter of the died February 25th 1872 aged 41 years also the above Martin who died April 17th 1878 aged 74 years. "Camley and peacefully he trusted in his Savior".

Sacred to the memory of Michael **Dawson** of Easington Lane who died February 18th 1857 aged 52 years also Jane **Dawson** wife of the above who died September 22nd 1858 aged 53 years. "How still and peaceful is the grave, when lifes main tumult past, thy appointed house by heavens decree, receives us all at last".

In memory of Margaret wife of Robert Ramsay **Magee** of Hetton-le-Hole who died February 11th 1849 aged 27 years also Robert Ramsay son of Robert Ramsay and Thomasin **Magee** who died January 31st 1852 aged 4 months. ("Ere's in should blight or sorrows fade, death came with friendly care, the infant bud to heaven convey'd and bade it blossom there". Also in memory of Robert Ramsay **Magee** who died January 3rd 1881 aged 63 years. He was churchwarden in the parish for upwards of 20 years also the above Thomasin **Magee** who died March 19th 1886 aged 73 years. "The memory of the just is blessed".

Erected in memory of Joseph **March** of Hetton-le-Hole who died February 1849 aged 68 years also Mary **March** wife of the above who died January 27th 1862 aged 77 years also Elizabeth **Stokel**, who died August 27th 1858 aged 9 months also Nicholas **Stokel** who died January 27th 1862 aged 6 years and 4 months also Joseph **Stokel** father of the above children who died September 22nd 1872 aged 56 years, Annie **Coxon** grand-daughter of the above Joseph **Stokel** who died May 11th 1883 aged 5 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Margaret **Tennet** who died August 22nd 1849 aged 39 years also Eleanor Ann **Tennet** who died December 30th 1845 aged 4 years and 7 months, Benjamin Forster **Tennet** who died December 16th 1850 aged 2 years, Francis **Lamb** who died May 21st 1872 aged 28 years all children of the above Benjamin **Tennet** late of Hetton-le-Hole who died at Darlington May 22nd 1880 aged 67 years. "His end was peace".

In memory of John beloved son of John & Martha **Greenhow** who died at Low Moorsley May 28th 1870 aged 13 years also Mary and John both died in infancy also Jane daughter of the above who fell asleep June 3rd 1885 aged 31 years also John father of the above who fell asleep January 7th 1891 aged 66 years also Martha wife of the above who fell asleep April 2nd 1911 aged 87 years.

Fallen headstone - unknown

In loving memory of Joseph the beloved son of W. A. & M. J. **Lowery** who died May 9th 1891 aged 19 years. "His end was peace".

In loving memory of George beloved husband of Ann **Mitcheson** died July 4th 1884 aged 53 years. Greatly respected and deeply regretted by all who knew him. "Day after day we saw his face, that quietly sank away, yet often in our hearts we prayed, that he might longer stay." "His end was peace".

Sacred to the memory of James & Hannah **Stark** of Hetton-le-Hole. The above Hannah **Stark** departed this life November 26th 1846 aged 63 years also the above James **Stark** departed this life October 23rd 1867 aged (77) years also Jane second wife of the above departed this life March 12th 1867 aged 64 years.

In loving memory of George (Forrest) **Stark** the beloved husband of Elizabeth **Stark** of Hetton-le-Hole who died August (31st) 1882 aged (39) years also John **Stark** son of the above born August 16th 1868 died October 3rd 1896 aged 28 years.

Sacred to the memory of Mary the dear and honoured wife of George **Charlton** of Littleton, Durham Viewer, and fourth daughter of Mr **Wilkinson** of Cocklaw Tower, Hexham, farmer, who died the 26th November A.D. 1859 aged 29 years. "For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. God is love". In memoriam of Francis Joseph **Charlton** a sweet cherub-like infant child of the above who died September 9th 1859 aged 10 days. "Jesus wept". John XI Verse 35.

Sacred to the memory of Mary Ann only daughter of Ralph & Mary **Charlton** of Hetton Colliery who departed this life the 20th day of November 1846 aged 18 years and 7 months. "I love them that love me and those that seek me early, shall find me". Prov. Ch. VIII verse XVII. Also in memory of the above Ralph **Charlton** who departed this life January 30th 1865 aged 67 years. "The memory of the just is blessed". Prov. Ch. X verse 7. Also in memory of Mary, relict of the above Ralph **Charlton** who died August 11th 1868 aged 74 years. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints". Psalms 116 15th v. "God is love". (1st John 4 Chap 3 verse.)

Fallen headstone - unknown

In loving memory of Wilfred dearly beloved son of William & Mary Jane **Stewart** born January 29th 1886 died March 19th 1887. "Safe in the name of Jesus". Also Jemima daughter of the above aged 1 month.

The next three inscriptions are in, or below the south wall of the church:

Two foundation stones of St Nicholas's Church, Hetton-le-Hole bear the following names: Thomas **Lamb** Esq. and Sir Lindsay **Wood** dated May 24th 1899.

In memory of George son of Robert & Margaret Jane **Day** who died May 10th 1891 aged 1 year & 4 months. "Not lost but gone before."

The base of one monument has a verse, but no name remains to identify who it commemorates:

Goodbye, goodbye, dear baby,
Thy well-loved name shall love,
In our fond heart's remembrance,
We have nought else to give,
But God who giveth all things,
Has given thee peace and rest,
In heaven among bright angels,
Peace for ever blest.

In affectionate remembrance of George **Carr** the beloved son of William and Mary **Carr** of Four Lane Ends born July 10th 1869 died January 30th 1885. "He hath found the rest we toil to find handed in the arms of God". Also Alice **Carr** daughter of the above who died April 5th 1863 aged 3 years and 9 months also the above Mary **Carr** who died July 4th 1887 aged 58 years.

In loving memory of Elizabeth beloved wife of John **Whittle** who died December 16th 1885 aged 56 years. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord". Also John **Whittle** husband of the above who died January 17th 1890 aged 66 years. "He giveth his beloved sleep."

Fallen headstone - unknown

In loving remembrance of John **Adamson** the beloved son of Joseph and Sarah **Adamson** of Gargle House Farm, Easington Lane who died at Cove County, Kansas, America July 16th 1884 aged 40 years also of Jane **Adamson** daughter of the above who died September __ 18__ aged 47 years.

4 fallen headstones - unknown

"Thy will be done". In memory of John **Golightly** son of John & Mary Ann **Golightly** died October 29th 1853 aged 3½ years. John **Golightly** son of the above died January 11th 1860 aged 3½ years. Matthew King **Golightly** son of the above died August 2nd 1867 aged 13 years. Henry infant son of the above who died March 9th 1869. James **Golightly** beloved son of the above who died

April 15th 1878 aged 26 years. **Mary Ann Golightly** the beloved wife of **John Golightly** who died May the 15th 1886 aged 59 years. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord". Also **John**, the beloved husband of the above **Mary Ann Golightly** and father of the above children who died February 9th 1903 aged 79 years. Interred at Shincliffe.

Sacred to the memory of **Elizabeth Ann Johnson** daughter of **Joseph & Mary Johnson** of Great Eppleton who died March 3rd 1851 aged 4 years also **Joseph Johnson** son of the above who died June 28th 1851 aged 20 years also **John Johnson** eldest son of the above who died July (8th) 1855 aged 26 years. The above **Joseph Johnson** who died January 12th 1873 aged 82 years also **Jane Ann** wife of the above who died February 1st 1883 aged 80 years also **Mary Ann** wife of **Thomas Johnson** son of the above who died January 18th 1871 aged 27 years.

Sacred to the memory of **Maria Forster** wife of **Nicholas Wood Esq.** of Hetton Hall who departed this life January 24th 1855 aged 56 years also of the above **Nicholas Wood F.R.S.** who departed this life December 1865 aged 70 years.

In affectionate memory of **John Scrymsour Nichol J.P.** for upwards of thirty years the first rector of this parish who died February 20th 1877 in the 73rd year of his age. ("Blessed are the peacemakers" Matthew 5 v 9). Also of **Mary** widow of the above who died January 13th 1895 aged 88 years. "Requiescat in Pace."

Sacred to the memory of **Jane** wife of the Revd. **John Scrymsour Nichol** who died at Hetton Hall on the 1st of January 1836 in the 39th year of her age.

In memory of **George Sheraton Johnson** of Sedgefield who died March 4th 1861 aged 32 years also **Jane Johnson** his wife died June 27th 1901 aged 75 years also **Robert Johnson** their son died December 12th 1875 aged 23 years.

In memory of **George Johnson** who departed this life on the 20th of January 1866 after a residence of fifty years in Hetton-le-Hole aged 70 years also of **Jane Johnson** wife of the above who died on the 27th of September 1866 aged 66 years also **Jane** beloved daughter of the above **George Johnson** born 30th April 1822 died 21st April 1912.

In memory of **Mary Elizabeth** daughter of **Jonathan & Jane Robinson** of Hetton-le-Hole who fell asleep in Jesus November 13th 1872 aged 23 years. "This simple stone will bear a simple Here lies a **Margaret Ann** daughter of the above died January 21st 1861 aged 18 years, **Jane Caroline** daughter of the above died January 26th 1863 aged 3 weeks (a line of illegible

verse, possibly from Rev. II Ch.I). Also of the above Jonathan **Robinson** died January (26th 1881) aged 72 years. Jane wife of the above Jonathan **Robinson** died November 12th 1891 aged 82 years.

Erected in loving memory of Mary daughter of George & Mary **Emmerson** of Hetton-le-Hole who died January 21st 1853 aged 15 years. William son of the above who died July 13th 1853 aged 11 years. Jacob son of the above who died from the effects of an accident September 27th 1860 aged 15 years. "Man cometh forth like a flower and is cut down." Also the above Mary **Emmerson** who died February 23rd 1883 aged 69 years. Thomas eldest son of the above who died September 12th (188) aged 50 years also the above George **Emmerson** who died January 18th 1892 aged 77 years.

Sacred to the memory of Ann daughter of George and Mary **Cockburn** of Hetton-le-Hole who departed this life March 7th 1859 aged 1 year and 7 months also of John George son of the above who departed this life March 14th 1859 aged 3 years and 4 months. "Of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Sacred to the memory of Robert **Wilson** who died December 20th 1860 aged 55 years also Henry **Wonders** son-in-law of the above who died December 20th 1860 aged 34 years. The above lost their lives at the explosion of Hetton Colliery. They lived respected and died lamented. Also Robert son of the above named Robert **Wilson** who departed this live October 19th 1861 aged 21 years. Isabella **Wilson** wife of the above Robert who died September 14th 1875 aged (66) years.

Sacred to the memory of Robert **Cameron** who died August 29th 1861 aged 77 years also Hannah wife of the above who died December 20th 18(63) aged 72 years. "The _____ remembrance of the past shall flourish when they sleep in dust."

In loving memory of William **Stephenson** of Hetton Downs died December 25th 1890 aged 69 years also Ann wife of the above died January 22nd 1891 aged 72 years. "Thy will be done."

In affectionate remembrance of William **Scott** the beloved son of Paul & Isabella **Scott** who was accidentally killed in the Caroline Pit Eppleton Colliery January 6th 1881 aged 14 years & 7 months also Elizabeth twin sister of the above who died February 20th 1869 aged 3 years also Rodger **Scott** who died 12th June 1886 aged 18 years also Elizabeth **Scott** who died October 21st 1886 aged 10 years.

In affectionate remembrance of **George Lowdon** son of Thomas & (Elizabeth) **Lowdon** who died May 1st 1874 aged 5 years & 9 months.

“Even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.” In affectionate remembrance of **Mary** the beloved wife of **Henry Robson** of Easington Lane who died February 3rd 1878 aged 51 years. “Into the hands my saviour Lord, did I my soul design, in firm dependence of Thy truth, which made salvation mine.”

In affectionate remembrance of **Walker Tate** under viewer of Elemore Colliery who departed this life at Easington Lane November 17th 1875 aged 54 years. **Elizabeth Ann Hedley** wife of **William Hedley** and daughter of the above who departed this life December 7th 1882 aged 31 years also **Elizabeth Ann** daughter of the above **Elizabeth Ann Hedley** who departed this life September 19th 1882 aged 1 year.

In affectionate remembrance of **Elizabeth Ellen Charlton** the beloved wife of **William Charlton** who died April 9th 1878 aged 38 years. “We laid her in the hallowed grave, with hope in Him who died to save”. Also **Prudence** wife of **William Charlton** who died February 2nd 1883 aged 47 years also **Mary Jane** daughter of **William and Ellen Charlton** who died April 13th 1885 aged 19 years.

Remembrance of **George Tennet** who died May 22nd 1858 aged 52 years and of **Frances** wife of the above who died May 11th 1877 aged 70 years. “Fear not for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name thou art mine.”

I affectionate remembrance of **Hannah Isabell Kay** who died February 3rd 1877 aged 43 years. “Husband farewell, I am gone before, my love for you can be no more, no grief nor sorrow for me take, but love my children for my sake”. **Thomas William Kay** who died August 17th 1888 aged 18 years and 8 months. **George Henry Kay** who died October 4th 1890 aged 18 years and 4 months sons of **Thomas & Hannah Isabell Kay** of Hetton-le-Hole.

Section Three:

This section is in the south east of the churchyard and overgrown by trees, nettles, brambles and ivy. There are also several headstones which have fallen in this section but are not shown between the following inscriptions.

In loving memory of **William Stephenson** of Hetton Downs died December 25th 1890 aged 69 years also **Ann** wife of the above died January 22nd 1891 aged 72 years. “Thy will be done.”

In memory of Joan the beloved daughter of William & Ann **Wilkinson**, Pitlington who died January 27th 18__ aged 16 years "(a verse or quote, illegible)" also William & Elizabeth son and daughter of the above who died in infancy also Jane Ann beloved daughter of the above who died March (7th) 1885 aged 32 years. "Her end was peace."

In memory of Margaret daughter of Joseph & Jane **Brydon**, butcher of Hetton-le-Hole who died November 23rd 1865 aged 4 years & 6 months also Michael **Greenhow** died August 11th 1880 aged 3 years.

Helena the beloved daughter of Robert **Miller** who died June 8th 1891 aged 33 years also of the above Robert who died February 13th 1912 a 77 years.

Erected to the memory of Ann the beloved wife of William **Reay** who died July 29th 1863 aged 31 years. Children died: Thomas July 20th 1863 aged 1 week, Margaret Ann February 25th 1859 aged 3 years, George February 6th 1869 aged 1 year, Ann February 24th 1872 aged 3 years. "Them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him" also the above William **Reay** who died October 25th 1879 aged 48 years also Jane daughter of the above who died January 31st 1882 aged 5 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Isabella youngest and beloved daughter of Benjamin **Dawson**, Engineer of Haswell Colliery who died October 14th 1873 aged 2 years also of the above Benjamin **Dawson**, The Cottages, Chilton Moor who died March 31st 1880 aged 67 years also of Maria Matilda **Dawson** the dearly beloved wife of the above who died June 21st 1888 aged 76 years also Susannah daughter of the above Benjamin & Maria Matilda **Dawson** who died July 14th 1902 aged 65 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Dorothy Helen Bell daughter of Joseph & Elizabeth **Tindale** who died August 30th 1869 aged 7 years also George William son of the above who died July 5th 1874 aged 11 months also Elizabeth wife of the above who died October 23rd 1895 aged 64 years also Joseph Tindale husband of the above who died January 31st 1899 aged 66 years. "His end was peace." "Thy will be done."

In memory of Benjamin **Hallam** who departed this life September 24th 1884 aged 72 years also Mary wife of the above who departed this life October 13th 1894 aged 76 years.

In memory of Robert Dodds **Logan** son of John & Isabella **Logan** of Easington Lane who died October 10th 1875 aged 24 years also of Sarah **Logan** grandmother of the above who died October 8th 1884 aged 60 years also to the memory of John **Logan** of Easington Lane, father of the above Robert Dodds **Logan** who died July 26th 1882 aged 56 years also John Robert **Logan** son of the above John & Isabella **Logan** who died November 13th 1886 aged 37 years also Isabella **Logan** wife of the above John **Logan** who died February 3rd 1891 aged 63 years.

In loving memory of Thomas son of George & Elizabeth **Stranghan** who died November 25th 1889 aged 15 years. "In heaven there's rest."

In loving memory of Ann **Reed** daughter of James & Ann **Reed** who died August 17th 18__ aged __ years also James **Reed** father of the above who died March (31st) (1870). Ann the beloved wife of the above James **Reed** who died (1_ 1888) aged __ years. Thomas **Reed** the beloved husband Hannah **Reed** who died (June __ 1887) aged 47 years.

Sacred to the memory of Ann **Storey**, only daughter of Christopher & Hannah **Storey** of this parish who died September 7th 1838 aged 2½ years. "This lonely bud so young and fair called hence by early doom, twas just to show how sweet a flower in paradise would bloom." George Booth **Storey** of Monkwearmouth youngest son of the above was Chief Engineer of the Viscount Lambton S.S. and was lost at sea with that vessel on or about October 3rd 1860 aged 27 years. "Boast not thyself of tomorrow for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth". Proverbs 27 v I. Hannah **Storey** the above mentioned who died September 3rd 1870 aged 68 years. "We all do fade as a leaf." Isaiah 64 v VI. Also Christopher **Storey** the above mentioned who died February 8th 1877 aged 82 years. "Thou shall be missed because thy seat will be empty." I Samuel 20 v 18.

In loving remembrance of William **Minto** of Downs House who died August 1st 1884 aged 66 years also Tamar wife of the above who died January 5th 1905 aged 60 years.

To the memory of Isabel **Lishman** who died at Eppleton Hall December 21st 1877 aged 69 years also of Thomas **Lishman** her husband who died at Eppleton Hall January 19th 1890 aged 69 years. "Where I am there shall also my servant be." – on the back of the headstone – Sacred to the memory of Mary **Lishman** who died at Eppleton Hall April 8th 1910 in the 63rd year of her age. "Her end was peace." Also Thomas **Lishman** who died March 1st 1920 aged 70 years. "For they rest from their labours."

Erected by friends and workmen to the memory of **Thomas Hepplewhite**, Viewer of Hetton Collieries who died April 13th 1874 aged 50 years. "How short is life and sure is death, our days how few they be." Also in memory of **Jane Love** daughter of the above who died March 13th 1878 aged 25 years. "Blessed are the meek." Also in memory of **Jane** wife of the above who died April 24th 1886 aged 63 years. "My rest is in heaven."

In affectionate remembrance of **Jane Birbeck** wife of **William Birbeck** of Cross Lane Ends, Hetton-le-Hole who died July 9th 1873 aged 54 years. "Deeply lamented by her family and friends, not lost but gone before." Also **Elizabeth** daughter of the above who died October 6th 1849 aged 16 months. **Mary Jane** daughter of the above who died August 15th 1854 aged 3 days. **William** son of the above who died August 25th 1877 aged 32 years also **William Birbeck** husband of the above who died May 23rd 1865 aged 69 years. "In the midst of life we are in death."

Sacred to the memory of **Anthony Brydon** second son of **Anthony & Jane Brydon** who died on the 29th day of September 1872 aged 28 years also **Elizabeth** eldest daughter of the above **Anthony & Jane Brydon** wife of **Thomas Robson** who died at Wolsingham October 18th 1865 aged 30 years also the above **Anthony Brydon** who died December 3rd 1876 aged 69 years. "His end was peace."

Sacred to the memory of **John Ritchie** who departed this life July 18th 1872 aged 66 years. Erected by the agents and workmen of the Hetton Collieries as a token of respect and esteem the departed having served as an engineman at the above place for nearly half a century. Also **Mary** wife of the above died May 4th 1890 aged 79 years. "Gone but shill to memory dear."

In memory of **Christopher Hetherington** who died October 10th 1870 aged 75 years also **Anne** wife of the above who died June 2nd 1873 aged 75 years. "They rest from there labours and there work do follow them." Also **James** son of the above who died January 14th 1874 aged 35 years.

To the memory of **William Rawsthorne** who died November 13th 1879 aged 49 years also **Annie** wife of the above who died November 30th 1916 aged 84 years also **Eliza Margaret Annie** wife of the Rev. A. E. **Holme** and daughter of the above who died December 21st 1899 aged 24 years.

In affectionate remembrance of **Alexander Gordon** the beloved husband of **Jane Gordon** who departed this life August 25th 1880 aged 57 years. "God has taken

away the desire of mine eyes with a stroke." Also of the above **Jane Gordon** who died April 9th 1916 aged 94 years. "At rest."

To the loving memory of **Elizabeth Gardener** wife of **Thomas Gardener** of Easington Lane who died December 6th 1874 aged 73 years also **Thomas Gardener** who died June 20th 1876 aged 73 years.

In memoriam. George the beloved son of **George and Elizabeth Walton** who lost his life at the Elemore explosion December 2nd 1886 aged 17 years, **Daniel** died May 1881 aged 21 years, **Robert** died aged 2 years, **Edward** died aged 9 days, **Mary Hannah** died aged 3 years, **Jane Ann** died aged 6 months also **George Walton** father of the above who died October 7th 1889 aged 51 years.

In affectionate remembrance of **Matthew Bates** of Hetton-le-Hole who died October 4th 1874 aged 64 years. "In the midst of life we are in death."

"Thy will be done." In loving memory of **Jane** the beloved wife of **Thomas Beckwith** of Sedgfield who died April 1st 1878 aged 55 years.

In memory of **Isabel** wife of **Thomas Fletcher** of Hetton-le-Hole who died November 10th 1870 aged 69 years. "Thy will be done." Also of the above **Thomas Fletcher** who died August 13th 1879 aged 79 years. "Behold, I come quickly." Rev. 22 v 12.

Sacred to the memory of **Margaret** the beloved wife of **Thomas Moffet** of Hetton-le-Hole who departed this life August 25th 1865 aged 57 years also of the above **Thomas Moffet** who died February 11th 1878 aged 69 years, **Jane Moffet** daughter-in-law of the above died September 12th 1886 aged 56 years also **Frances Isabel** daughter of **Jane Moffet** died November 9th 1886 aged 15 years.

In memory of **Thomas** the beloved husband of **Hannah Harland** died 28th March 188_ aged 69 years also **John William** their son died 10th October 1868 aged 7 years also **Robert** their son died 17th August 1880 aged 24 years.

In loving memory of **Thomas Boans** died January 11th 1876 aged 62 years, **Elizabeth Boans** wife of the above died July 3rd 1880 aged 76 years.

Sacred to the memory of **Agnes** the beloved wife of **Edward Stephenson** of Hetton Lyons who died May 28th 1877 aged 46 years.

..... **Robert Barker** who died February 8th 1883 aged 54 years also **Mary** beloved wife of the above who died July 19th 1885 aged 58 years.

In loving remembrance of **John Thompson** who died July 24th 1884 aged 55 years. "His end was peace." Also **Margaret** daughter of the above who died July 12th 1856 aged 3 years also **Joseph** son of the above who died in Australia September 1892 aged 32 years.

In affectionate remembrance of **Ann** the beloved wife of **John Wakefield** of **Elemore Colliery** who died December 17th 1876 aged 80 years. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Also of the above **John Wakefield** who died November 14th 1881 aged 87 years, **Mary Ainsley** daughter of the above who died February 2nd 1850 aged 22 years.

In affectionate memory of **Frances Ayre** the beloved wife of **John J. Ayre** of **Hetton-le-Hole** who died 14th June 1881 aged 46 years. "The memory of the just is blessed." Prov. X v. VII. Also the above **John J. Ayre** who died March 27th 1908 aged 70 years. "He giveth his beloved sleep." Also **William Dixon** son of the above who died 28th March 1874 aged 10 months also **Jane Ayre** beloved wife of **John J. Ayre** who died June 9th 1886 aged 54 years also **Jane** daughter of the above who died February 24th 1908 aged 40 years. "God's will is best."

In affectionate remembrance of **John Archer** who died 16th 1867 aged 31 years also of **Annie Bain** youngest daughter of the above who died December 22nd 1867 aged 2 years & 8 months, **Mary Elizabeth** daughter of the above and beloved wife of **John Dixon Purdy** of **South Hetton** who died suddenly February 21st 1881 aged 18 years. "Not dead but sleepeth." Also **John Archer Purdy** the beloved son of the above who died March 9th 1886 aged 5 years. "Suffer little children to come unto me."

In affectionate remembrance of **George Roxby** who died September 19th 1876 aged 84 years also **Ann** wife of the above who died April 21st 1843 aged 46 years, **Jane** wife of the above who died March 4th 1871 aged 77 years.

"Even so them also that sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." In loving memory of **Stephen Roxby** of **Easington Lane** who died October 21st 1874 aged sixty-nine. Also of **Margaret** wife of the above who died April 2nd 188(1) aged (76) years. "Therefore there before the throne of God and ___ve him day and night in his temple. **Robert Widowfield** of **Newbottle** father of the above **Margaret Roxby** (eroded away).

In memory of John **Cowan** the beloved son of George & Elizabeth of Great Eppleton who died July 7th 1877 aged 71 years.

In memoriam. Robert Stephenson **Hawke** the beloved son of James & Ann **Hawke** who lost his life by a fall of stone at Hetton Colliery September 21st 1888 aged 18 years. "In the midst of life we are in death."

In affectionate remembrance of Mary the beloved wife of John **Reed**, late of Sherburn House who died September 12th 1881 aged 78 years. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2 v 10.

In loving remembrance of Francis **Ayre** senr. Of Hetton-le-Hole who died May 12th 1884 aged 70 years. "Calm was his exit, night dews fall not more gently nor weary worn out winds expire more soft." Margaret wife of the above died July 13th 1877 aged 61 years, William son of the above died May 23rd 1846 aged 6 years.

In loving remembrance of Joseph **Hall** who died May 22nd 1874 aged 42 years. "Thy will be done."

Sacred to the memory of William **Brown** who died at Hetton-le-Hole February 29th 1872 aged 40 years.

Sacred to the memory of Elizabeth Ann **Hopper** the beloved daughter of George & Hannah **Hopper** of Easington Lane who departed this life January 25th 1872 aged 11 years & 6 months. "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not for such is the kingdom of heaven." Also Hannah **Hopper** mother of the above who died June 17th 1888 aged 87 years. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

In memory of William the beloved son of John & Margaret **Smith** of Hetton-le-Hole who died December (27th) 1871 aged (38) years. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

In memory of John **Modral** who died at Hetton Hall on the 7th December 1878 aged 74 years also Ann **Modral** wife of the above who died at Whitworth Park on the 30th of June 1862 aged 55 years.

Sacred to the memory of Rachel **Lister** the beloved wife of Thomas **Lister** of South Shields who died August 27th 1876 aged 58 years also Jane **Corney** mother of the above who died June 4th 1876 aged 86 years also of the above Thomas

Lister who died April 3rd 1881 a 73 years. "Not dead but sleeping in Jesus."
John J. Smith son of John and Ann **Smith** and grandson of the above Jane
Corney who died January 25th 1878 aged 27 years. (continued on the back of the
headstone) Sacred to the memory of Jane wife of George **Bird** of Hetton-le-Hole
who died August 24th 1878 aged 63 years. Thomas **Corney** brother of the above
who died August 4th 1879 aged 51 years.

In affectionate remembrance of Mary the beloved daughter of Henry & Ann
Pillar, Barell, Coldstream, who died at Hetton Hall November 6th 1870 aged 21
years. "With Christ which is far better."

Sacred to the memory of Robert the beloved son of William & Mary Ann
Widdowfield who died July 5th 1873 aged 6½ years. "Lord remember me."

In loving memory of Mary the beloved wife of Thomas **Richardson** of
Houghton-le-Spring who departed this life January 6th 1878 aged 60 years also of
the above Thomas **Richardson** who died _____ 188 aged ____ years also
Elizabeth daughter of the above who died _____ (1889).

Sacred to the memory of Thomas **Stephenson** of Hetton-le-Hole who died
November 14th 1874 aged 64 years also Margaret Ann daughter of the above who
died December 3rd 1850 aged 4 years, Ann **Stephenson** wife of the above who
died October 9th 1879 aged 58 years. "The dead in Christ repose in guarded rest."

In memory of Ralph **Stephenson** of Hetton Cross Lanes who died December 15th
1869 aged 57 years. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." Also
Margaret **Stephenson** wife of the above who died March 20th 1883 aged 60 years.
"The beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety." Thomas Birtley son of the
Thomas & Margaret Ann **Stephenson** who died February 5th 1879 aged 1 month,
William son of Thomas & Margaret Ann **Stephenson** who died March 11th 1881
aged 22 months, Margaret Jane daughter of James & Margaret **Birtley** who died
January 31st 1883 aged 7 years, grandchildren of the above Ralph and Margaret
Stephenson. "For such is the kingdom of heaven."

In affectionate remembrance of James Watson **Young** late engineer of Elemore
Colliery who died June 2nd 1881 aged 46 years. "And ye now therefore have
sorrow but I will see you again and your heart shall rejoice in heaven." This
stone is erected by the workmen and friend. Also James son of the above who
died September 8th 1890 aged 25 years. "Not dead but sleepeth."

In affectionate remembrance of **Mary Lister** beloved wife of **John Lister** of Easington Lane who departed this life 7th August 1869 aged 70 years. "She is not dead but sleepeth." Also of the above **John Lister** who departed this life June 3rd 1875 aged 79 years.

In affectionate remembrance of **Elizabeth Bond** the beloved wife of **William Bond** of Easington Lane who departed this life May 13th 1874 aged 61 years. "Blessed are the dead which died in the Lord." also of **Esther Gowmer Bond** daughter of the above who departed this life January 14th 1879 aged 24 years also of the above **William Bond** who departed this life April 21st 1884 aged 76 years.

In affectionate remembrance of **Richard Burnip** who accidentally lost his life at Hebburn Staithes November 9th 1884 aged 36 years also **Ann Shipley** grandmother of the above who died May 3rd 1865 aged 72 years also **Jane Cox** wife of **John Cox** & mother of **Richard Burnip** who died August __ 1886 aged (64) years.

"Even so them which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." In affectionate remembrance of **Charles Cox** who was accidentally killed December 16th 1881 aged 17 years also of **William Cox** nephew of the above who was accidentally killed March 30th 1876 aged 16 years, **Robert Cox** nephew of the above who was accidentally killed April 25th 1872 aged 6 years and 6 months also **John Cox** brother of the above who died April 7th 1898 aged 77 years.

In loving memory of **William Smithson** of Murton Colliery who died September 18th 1887 aged 62 years also **Mary** his wife who died December 18th 1870 aged 45 years. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord for they rest from their labours." Rev. 14 v 13. Also of **Ann** daughter of the above who died 6th June 1903 aged 45 years. Interred at Holy Trinity, Murton. R.I.P.

... of **Thomas Knaggs** who departed this life March 5th 1866 aged 44 years. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

**The following pages cover the
Inscription & Dedications
found in St Nicholas's Church, Hetton-le-Hole
at the time of recording in May 2004.**

West Wall.

Clear Glass Window

THIS WINDOW THE GIFT
OF PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WAS DEDICATED ON
THE 31ST JANUARY 1988 BY MICHAEL BISHOP OF JARROW
IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

Geoffrey Lynn
Rector
1960 - 1987

H. S. Waddle
N. Jobson
Churchwardens

Stained Glass Window

NATIVITY

THIS WINDOW THE GIFT OF MARGERY MASON
WAS DEDICATED ON THE 31ST JANUARY 1988
BY MICHAEL BISHOP OF JARROW
IN MEMORY OF NORA MURRAY
SISTER
1905 - 1962

Stained Glass Window

MADONNA AND CHILD

THIS WINDOW THE GIFT OF H. S. WADDLE, CHURCHWARDEN
WAS DEDICATED 26th APRIL 1987 BY THE VEN. M. C. PERRY M.A.
ARCHDEACON OF DURHAM
IN MEMORY OF MARY LIZZIE (MAMIE) WADDLE
1900 - 1975

Font

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
PRESENTED BY THE
"MOTHERS"
APRIL 29, 1901

Wooden Framed Plaque

The Incorporated Church Building Society, granted £100 A.D. 1899
toward rebuilding this church, upon condition that all sittings are for the
free use of the parishioners according to law.

Hymn Book Stand

IN MEMORY OF
GEORGE EDWARD SMITHSON
1923 - 1984

Stained Glass Window

ANNUNCIATION

THIS WINDOW THE GIFT OF
HETTON BRANCH
OF THE MOTHERS UNION
WAS DEDICATED ON
31ST JANUARY 1988 BY
MICHAEL BISHOP OF JARROW

Wood Framed Plaque

THE MOTHERS' UNION
Branch - St NICHOLAS
HETTON-LE-HOLE
1st Monday of every
month at 2pm
Durham

South Wall.

Brass Plaque

THIS CHURCH WAS ERECTED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH
ON THE SITE [ENLARGED] OF AN OLD ONE BUILT IN 1831
IT WAS CONSECRATED BY THE
LORD BISHOP OF DURHAM
[DR BROOK FOSS WESTCOTT] ON APRIL 29th 1901
CHARLES H. NEWMAN, RECTOR

C. H. HODGSON
R. D. COCHRANE

CHURCHWARDENS

LINDSAY WOOD
T. LAMB
J. G. WILLIS
J. ROBINSON

BUILDING
COMMITTEE

Wood Framed Plaque

Plan of St Nicholas's Church, Hetton-le-Hole

Stained Glass Window

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN MEMORY OF
QUEEN VICTORIA OF ENGLAND
& EMPRESS OF INDIA
ERECTED BY PARISHIONERS. 1903

Stained Glass Window

HE THAT SOWETH THE GOOD SEED IS THE SON OF MAN
AND THE REAPERS ARE THE ANGELS

Brass Plaque

IN MEMORY OF THE LATE REV'D J. S. NICHOL
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 20th 1877 AGED 75 YEARS,
FIRST RECTOR OF THE PARISH OF HETTON-LE-HOLE,
THE ABOVE WINDOW HAS BEEN ERECTED
BY HIS FRIENDS & PARISHIONERS
AS A TRIBUTE OF THE HIGH ESTEEM
IN WHICH HE WAS HELD
DURING THE 45 YEARS HE FULFILLED
THE SACRED DUTIES OF CURATE AND RECTOR

Morning Chapel

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF
WILLIAM SPARROW 1868 - 1945
BUILDER OF THIS CHURCH

East Wall.

Stained Glass Window depicting the Transfiguration (by Bacon of London)

TO THE GLORY OF GOD THIS CHANCEL WAS REBUILT
& THIS EAST WINDOW INSERTED BY PUBLIC SUBSCRIPTION
TO THE MEMORY OF THE LATE NICHOLAS WOOD
OF HETTON HALL ESQ'R. WHO DIED DECEMBER 19th 1865

Reredos & Panelling - left side of the altar

1.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY
OF THOSE FROM THIS PARISH WHO LOST THEIR LIVES
IN THE DARLINGTON RAILWAY DISASTER ON JUNE 27TH 1928.
THIS REREDOS AND PANELLING IS GIVEN BY THEIR FELLOW
MEMBERS OF THE DURHAM DIOCESAN MOTHERS' UNION,
PARISHIONERS OF HETTON-LE-HOLE
AND OTHER SYMPATHISING FRIENDS.

Reredos & Panelling - right side of the altar

2.

SARAH MADDISON
MARY JANE GOUGH
WILLIAM HENRY GOUGH
ANN BECKWITH
ISABELLA TAYLOR FOSTER
MARY ELLEN BONES
MARY ELLEN HARKER
MARGARET THOMPSON
SARAH YOUNG
MARY WATSON
CARLOTTA BLACKBURN
HANNAH TODD
ALICE POULTON
LILY RACE
MARTHA SMITH

Stained Glass Window - above the altar depicting the Transfiguration

THIS WINDOW WAS ERECTED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY
THOMAS LAMB ESQ. SEN'R
OF THIS PARISH 1904

Altar

HOLY HOLY HOLY LORD GOD OF HOSTS

Brass Plaque

THIS CHANCEL WAS ERECTED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
BY THOMAS LAMB ESQ'RE
OF THIS PARISH - APRIL 1901

Rectors of Hetton-le-Hole - above the Rector's Stall

1847	JOHN SCRYMSOUR NICHOL (CURATE IN CHARGE 1831 - 1847)
1877	THOMAS RUDD
1890	ARTHUR TREHERNE DINGLE
1893	CHARLES HENRY NEWMAN
1903	FREDERICK SMITH
1938	JOHN WYLIE
1946	HERBERT DOUGLAS CAVE
1955	DUNCAN CHISHOLM HANNAM
1960	GEOFFREY LYNN
1988	RAYMOND OWEN DICK
1997	MICHAEL BECK BD. AKC.

Kneeling lectern

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EMILY HOWARD
PRESENTED BY
ELIZABETH WILSON

RELIGIOUS BOOKS

The Holy Bible

Hetton Parish Church
To the glory of god
Presented by
Mr and Mrs J. Boddy
Christmas 1896

A second Holy Bible

Printed in 1849

The Book of Common Prayer (2)

1.

St Nicholas Church
Hetton-le-Hole
December 19th 1849
J. S. Nichol
Rector

2.

Hetton Parish Church
To the glory of god
Presented by
Mr and Mrs J. Boddy
Christmas 1896

The Book of Common Prayer

To the Glory of God and in remembrance
of the life interest and worship
in this church of
Nicholas Thomas Willis (1871 - 1954)
68 years in the choir and for
some years churchwarden
and of his wife
Mary Hannah Willis (1869 - 1951)
a loyal and willing helper
March 1955

The Communion and other Services (2 copies from each person)

1.

Hetton-le-Hole Church
Presented by
The Honourable
Mrs Russell Barrington
1850

2.

Hetton Parish Church
To the glory of god
Presented by
Mr and Mrs J. Boddy
Christmas 1896

Hetton-le-Hole and the Parish Church of St Nicholas.

After the formation of the Hetton Coal Company in 1820, and the sinking of the first pit (the Minor Pit) at Hetton Lyons, the village very quickly grew in size and it soon became apparent to the Rector of Houghton that he must establish a Chapel-of-Ease at Hetton to cater adequately for the spiritual and pastoral needs of the villagers. Documents record of such a chapel having been consecrated on or about 15th November 1825. Within a few years the population reached several thousand and this temporary chapel had to be replaced by something bigger and more permanent. On the 8th September 1831 the foundation stone of a new Episcopal chapel was laid, and the building was completed in 1832.

The ecclesiastical parish was formed July 27th 1838, by an Order in Council, out of the townships of Hetton-le-Hole and Great and Little Eppleton, in the old parish of Houghton-le-Spring. The church of St Nicholas erected in 1832 was pulled down in 1898 and a new church erected at a cost of £5,400, and consecrated on the 29th April 1901, by the Bishop of Durham.

The church is in the Early English style and most beautifully proportioned. Having a very fine barrel roof, unusually, the whole length of the church. The font of Caen stone with marble pillars was given by the mothers of the parish and was made by Jones & Willis of London.

The handsomely carved oak Choir and Clergy stalls, with particularly fine "Poppyheads" on the bench ends and with pinnacled canopies over the Clergy stalls.

The Vincent three-manual organ was built at a cost of about £800 in 1907 to the specification of the brother of the Rector at the time, Revd. Frederick Smith. When it was built, the organ was one of the largest in the country.

On entering from the porch, there is a small stained glass window in memory of Frederick Greenhow of the Church Lads Brigade who was drowned while away at camp in 1908. Other more recent memorial gifts were given to the church include: a very fine silver Processional Cross, designed by a leading church silversmith, Frank Knight of Wellingborough and was given in memory of Mr John Speed, a former prominent business man in the town and a member of the choir for many years. There are also some examples of the work of Mr Thompson of Kilburn, carrying his famous "mouse" motif, also in memory of prominent townspeople and lifelong church members. These are a pair of standard candlesticks in the Sanctuary (Miss A. L. M. Harding) and the two oak stools on the Chancel step (Miss A. Emerson). Other memorial gifts include various Altar Frontals, used in the appropriate seasons and much of the Church silver, which is usually displayed on the Altar for the major festivals.

Much of the information above has been extracted from a leaflet by Geoffrey Lynn, Rector. He recorded some information which was no longer visible at the church when I visited in May 2004.

Other Book Titles

200 years of Trade Directories housed in Northern Depositories

Various books covering the Census of 1841 for:

South Biddick, Bournmoor, Cocken and Great & Little Eppleton;
Burdon, Ryhope, Silksworth & Tunstall;
Colliery Row, Moorsley & Morton Grange; Easington Lane;
East & Middle Herrington & West Herrington inc: pt. of Coxgreen;
East Rainton & Warden Law; Houghton-le-Spring;
Hetton-le-Hole; Newbottle, Philadelphia & Dubmire;
Painshaw & Offerton, Shiney Row inc: pt. of Coxgreen;
West Rainton & Moorhouse; Southwick; South Hylton - Ford

Monumental Inscriptions & Dedications within
St Michael & All Angels - Bishopwearmouth (Sunderland Minster);
All Saints - Eppleton;
Christ Church - Gateshead;
St Michael & All Angels - Houghton-le-Spring - (4 books)

East Rainton; Herrington; Newbottle; Penshaw & West Rainton
Churchyard Monumental Inscriptions - (5 books)

Flag Lane Primitive Methodist Circuit, Baptisms 1843-1859

The 1851 Census for Newbottle township

The 1851 Census for East & Middle Herrington, Offerton
and West Herrington townships

Houghton Feast - The Races during the 1860's & 1870's

The 1861 Census for the township of Newbottle

Newbottle Wesleyan Chapel - Baptisms 1862-1904

The 1871 Census for the township of Newbottle

Herrington, Philadelphia, Pensher & Shiney Row during the 1870's

Newbottle during the 1870's

Philadelphia New Connexion Chapel - Baptisms 1874-1939

Schooling in Newbottle

30 years of Herrington Parish Council - 1894-1924

This book is a record of all those
Monumental Inscriptions which were legible
at the time of recording in May 2004
in the churchyard of St Nicholas, Hetton-le-Hole

Also included within are a record of the
Inscriptions & Dedications
within the church of St Nicholas, Hetton-le-Hole
including:

Rectors and Churchwardens of Hetton-le-Hole;
Victims of the 1928 railway disaster;
Mothers Union; Window Dedications;
Queen Victoria Window and Religious Books

The compilation of the book
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