

## The Benefice Big Bell Project – A Grand Day Out

As part of the work on Hartpury church bells, 3 new bells are to be cast by John Taylor & Co at their historic bell foundry in Loughborough which has been on the same site since 1859, casting bells for churches and buildings around the world.



The trips will be arranged in January 2023 once the date(s) of the castings is scheduled.

This is a unique opportunity to visit the foundry to see bells cast, currently the foundry is closed to the public as it is undergoing major refurbishment works as part of the National Lottery Heritage Fund project to Save the Last Major Bellfoundry in Britain.

Included will be coach transport and visit to the foundry, with profits going towards the projects for Hartpury, Corse and Staunton bells. The cost for the trip will be £35.

If you are interested in going, please contact Jim Chapman, 01452 700333 or email [jjrchapman@btinternet.com](mailto:jjrchapman@btinternet.com)

Book early to avoid disappointment.

**Please note – Fully enclosed flat shoes must be worn to be allowed onto the factory floor.**

