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DAY COACH TOUR TO WENTWORTH WOODHOUSE

also St Joseph's Wetherby and St Gregory's Bedale

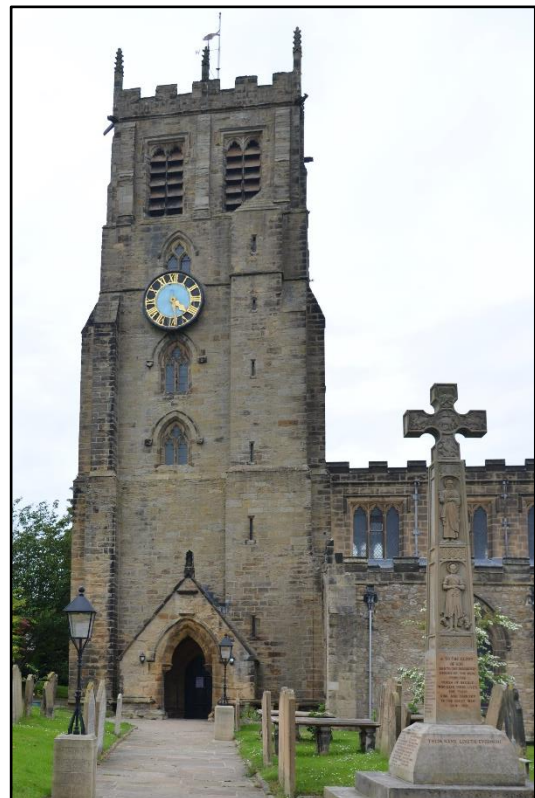
Saturday 9th July 2022



Wentworth Woodhouse



St Joseph's Wetherby



St Gregory's Bedale

Our coach will depart promptly at 07.30 am from the bus stops in Bewick Street, Newcastle and pick up at Scotch Corner.

Wentworth Woodhouse is a Grade I listed stately home in South Yorkshire. It is one of the largest houses in Europe (its east front is twice the length of Buckingham Palace). The house, surrounded by fifty acres of private gardens, was once the home of the Fitzwilliam family and was bought by the Wentworth Woodhouse Preservation Trust in 2017. Just a year earlier, the building had been added to the Historic England Heritage at Risk register and was awarded £7.2m in financial support from HM Treasury for essential repairs. Since then, the Trust has been awarded further grants from Historic England, the Cultural Recovery Fund and other organisations for repair works not only to the main house, but also to the Stable Blocks, the Riding School and more recently the Camellia House.

Our guide Giles Proctor is a highly respected Conservation Accredited Architect working in Historic England's North East and Yorkshire Region office. He has been involved in the Wentworth Woodhouse project since its inception. He has been the lead on many successful and transformative repair grants awards and he will describe the conservation techniques used to rescue the building.

On the return trip, we will visit two contrasting churches:

St Joseph's R.C. Church in Wetherby was originally built in 1881. By 1980 it was clear that a much larger church was needed, and architect Vincent Stienlet was commissioned to design a new church within the garden of the original church. Vincent will talk to us about the church, as we experience its intriguing design.

St Gregory's in Bedale is built in a mixture of gothic styles. Its tower is a good example of one fortified for defensive rather than decorative purposes, erected after Bannockburn in 1314 by the Fitzalans. Their monuments, the 14th century wall paintings, sculpture, and fine crypt are all of great interest. The chancel east window came from neighbouring Jervaulx Abbey.

We will arrive back in Newcastle, after a drop off at Scotch Corner at about 19.30 pm.

More detailed architectural/historical information will be handed round on the coach.



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07:30 Prompt Coach leaves Bewick Street, Newcastle

(Over the road from and just north of Central Station, east of the RC Cathedral)

08:30 Pick-up at Scotch Corner

09:00 Comfort stop at Wetherby Services

10:30 Coach arrives at Wentworth Woodhouse

Morning refreshments

Guided tours

Sandwich lunch

14:30 Coach departs from Wentworth Woodhouse

15:30 Coach arrives at St Joseph's Wetherby

16:30 Coach departs from St Joseph's Wetherby

17:00 Coach arrives at St Gregory's Bedale

18:00 Coach departs from St Gregory's Bedale

18:30 Drop-off at Scotch Corner

19:30 Coach returns to Bewick Street

All timings except the first are approximate.

Cost: £60.00 to include the coach fare, entry costs, morning refreshments, a sandwich lunch, something for the guides and group donations to the places we visit.

Members should note that no afternoon refreshments will be provided – please bring your own flasks and snacks!

The coach will have an on-board toilet.

Stout footwear is advised.

Please check the weather forecast for the day and come equipped with sunscreen/hats or waterproofs/wellies accordingly as much of our time will be spent out of doors.

NAHS Coach Tour to Wentworth Woodhouse Saturday 9th July 2022 – Booking Form

Please return this form to: Chris Downs, 8 Holmside Place, Heaton, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 5AJ

E-mail: chris-downs@outlook.com Tel: (0191) 2760060

Book early to avoid disappointment and by Wednesday 29th June at the very latest.

Name/s.....

I/We would like to come on the visit and enclose a cheque (payable to NAHS) for £.....

OR: I/We will pay £..... by electronic transfer

AND: I/We would like to join the coach at (please tick):

a) Bewick Street.....

b) Scotch Corner

NAHS Bank details: Barclays Bank PLC Sort Code: 20-59-59 Account No: 70694274

All bookings received will be acknowledged. ***If you do not receive an acknowledgement your booking has not been registered.***

Address.....

Contact E-mail..... Phone No.....

I/we understand that the tour involves some walking around the building and grounds and that I/we are responsible for ensuring I/we have suitable footwear together with clothing/protection appropriate to outdoor activity in the forecast weather conditions. (please tick.....)

Person(s) to contact in the event of accident or illness on the tour:

Address.....

Contact E-mail..... Phone No.....

Any pre-existing medical conditions of which emergency services may need to be informed in the event of accident or illness (This information will be retained by the organiser for the purposes of this tour only and will be divulged to medical personnel only in the event of an incident occurring):

I/We note that a sandwich lunch is included and have the following special dietary requirements: