

## **REDGRAVE CHURCH HERITAGE TRUST REPORT 2018**

There were 2900 visitors in 2017, 4 concerts, 2 history days, the play "A man for All Seasons", St Botolphs School annual end of school year concert, 6 services, a wedding, a wedding blessing, a baptism, and 4 funerals.

After 5 years of procrastination and prevarication by the Churches Conservation Trust (CCT) the bells and frame were dismantled by a team of bell hangers including RCHT volunteers in 3 days in November. The bells and frame then went to the factory at Bridport for the bells to be refurbished and retuned and the bell frame to be extensively repaired. The February issue of the parish magazine has an article on the history of the Redgrave bells and tower.

RCHT, being a charity, makes its annual returns to the Charities Commission but if anyone would like to see the accounts they are most welcome. The reserve balance at year end was £25,192 which is being accumulated as contingency for repairs to St Mary's as CCT is becoming unreliable even for routine repairs. Income from services, weddings, and funerals is remitted to CCT.