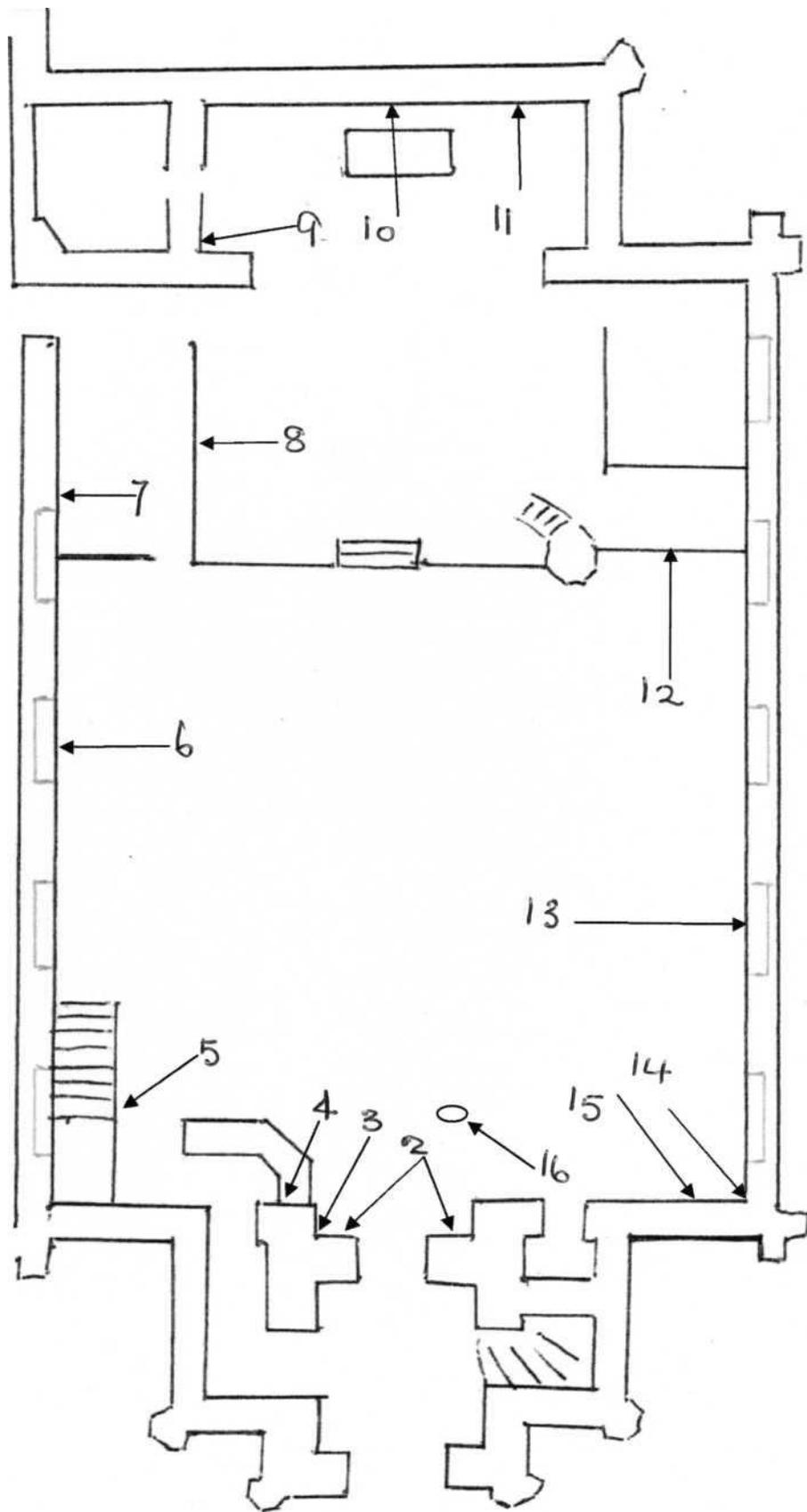




Heritage Guided tour around the church





Number 1 Starting at outside the West Door ,
look to the South, West, North and East. You will see

South as far as Emily Moor,



West beyond Wainhouse Tower,



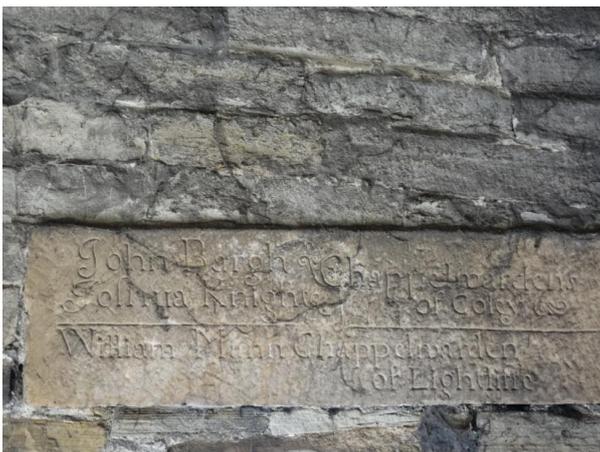
North to Queensbury



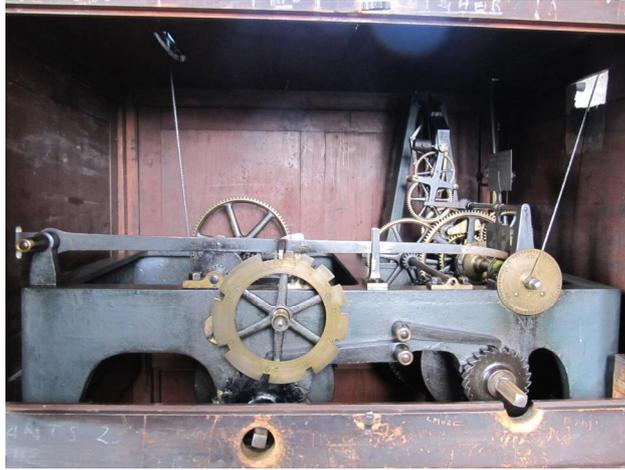
East beyond Wyke.



Look up to the tower. In the room directly above the west entrance on the south wall the stone reads 'This place of God's worship was repaired when these were Coley Chapel Wardens, **Joshua Knight jnr, of Shelf, John Barke, Northowram, and William Mann Lightcliffe Anno Dom 1711** and the North wall this carved dated stone.



In the tower there is a real treasure used by all who pass or come into church is one of only 180 turret clocks produced by Thomas Cook and was made in 1875. It is unique as it is fitted with a single 5 leg gravity escapement coupled with a 30 second remontoire, which drives the hands, making our clock a very special time piece. These clocks are beautifully engineered pieces of art. Each tower has a large clock face so is visible on all directions. The clock is still working after 140 years and keeps accurate time. It is reported by the clockmakers it has the same but smaller workings as Big Ben in the Houses of Parliament.



Now return inside to the inner west door



Number 2 to the left and right of the door are two tables carved by Percy Jackson the well know local wood carver



Number 3 A list of all vicars and curates since 1501.

Just to the right of this



Number 4 is a memorial to Colonel Major Archibald McLeod a partner of the North West Company and a political figure in Lower Canada. In 1805, he built Fort Dunvegan. Represented Montreal West in the Legislative Assembly of Lower Canada from 1810 to 1814. He fought in the War of 1812 as a Major with the Canadian Voltigeurs. McLeod Lake, British Columbia is named for him.

Continue to walk clockwise around the Nave



Number 5. Cabinet containing,
Rules for the Sunday School Teachers 1888,

The plaque giving the church the closed Coley National School, attendance records, an 1854 Lord Wharton's Bible, collection box and a school slate and the box pews owners' plate



Number 6 Stained glass window of Jesus comes to John for Baptism considered to be the finest specimen of stained glass in the district



Number 7 The Knights of St John of Jerusalem (Knights Templar) cross.

Walk into the chancel and look left



Number 8 Carvings of Five Green men.

Continue in the sanctuary turn left and look at the first two carvings.



Number 9 Carving of a tank and a monkey

Stop in front of the communion table and look at the four carvings



Number 10 by George Milburn in 1901 at a cost of £3.10.00, depicting the crucifixion



Number 11 East window erected in 1963

Return down the steps to the Nave and turn left to look at the carvings at the top of the screen



Number 12 This was dedicated to Mr Lister over 50 years as the Sunday School Superintendant as the Children's Corner. The carvings shows Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland with the Grinning cat, Tweedledum and Tweedledee, with Alice sitting on a toad stool.

Moving towards the back of the church and look at the two windows just before the balcony.



Number 13 Look at the very top and see a picture of a boy. This was the grandson of the then Vicar Rev'd George Jowett.

The lower small window is in memory of three church wardens who contracted anthrax while removing bodies buried below the church during the restoration of the church in 1902.

Continue to the back of church and look at the model



Number 14 This was carved by John Northend age 18 year using a penknife in 1879



Number 15 A painting of the church and harvest time late 1800's

With your back to the West Door



Number 16 two Warden's Staff approximately 100 years old.

Walk to the centre of the Nave and look up into the Balcony



Number 17 The coat of Arms of Queen Anne note the unicorn is on the left. On the rear is painted the coat of arms of George III. This was to save money.





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