



About St Peter's

Situated in the remote hamlet of Kingerby, St. Peter's is a peaceful and unspoilt church with an appealing simplicity. It consists of a nave, chancel, clerestory and a Norman tower with window openings typical of the 12th century.

The village of Kingerby is listed in the Domesday Book as the possession of the Bishop of Bayeaux and Goscelin. The name Kingerby derives from the Danish 'Cynehere's by', meaning Cynehere's Village. Archaeological finds, however, show the settlement dates back to the Bronze Age. The earliest fabric is of Anglo-Saxon date, but most of the present building dates from the 12th century onwards.

The manor at Kingerby was originally a motte and bailey castle which burned down in 1216. It was subsequently rebuilt as a moated manorial residence, occupied by the Disney family of Norton Disney during the 14th and 15th centuries. The family's stone effigies within the church have particularly interesting representations of medieval armour.

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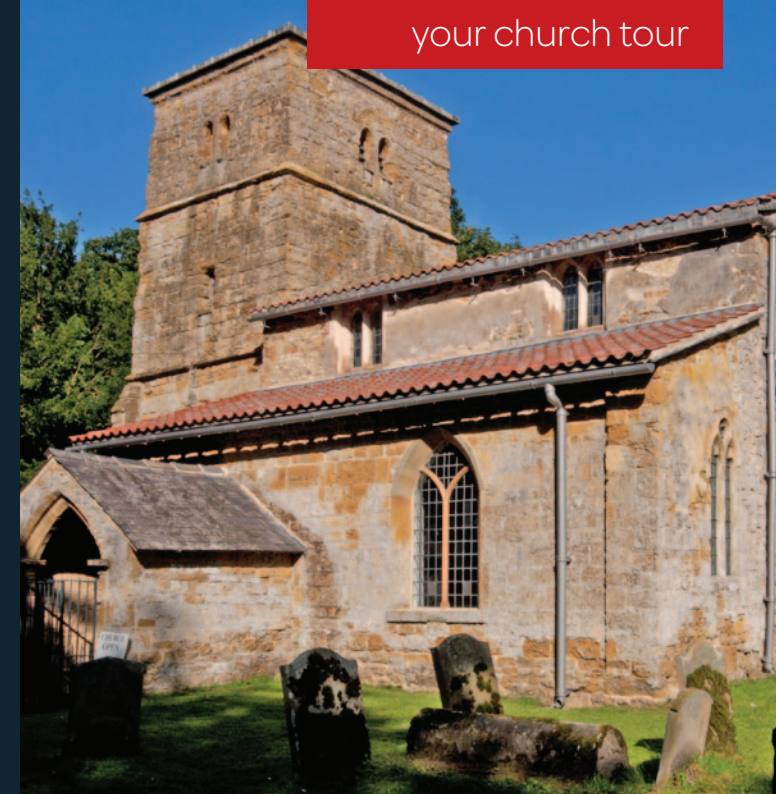
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The historic church of St Peter

10 things to see before you leave...

- 1 The **font** is a simple octagonal design, probably dating from the 13th century.
- 2 Above the tower arch is a small, circular **Saxon window**, indicating the ancient origins of the church.
- 3 The impressive 17th-century **woodwork on the roof** contains intricate floral designs punctuated by elaborate roof bosses.
- 4 The small choir stalls incorporate late-medieval **bench ends** decorated with elegant tracery.
- 5 The purpose of the small **low window** is unknown. It may have let out incense smoke, or enabled those not accommodated in the church at the service to view the Eucharist.
- 6 This late 14th-century **grave slab**, probably made for a member of the Disney family, shows a knight in armour and a cross.
- 7 The image of St. Catherine with the wheel in the **east window of the south aisle** is dated to the 15th century, while St. Cecilia is a fine 19th-century copy of the original.
- 8 The first **effigy** in the south aisle is of a knight dressed in chain mail and is most likely Sir William Disney senior, who was a companion of Edward II. The three Plantagenet lions are depicted on his armour.
- 9 Next to William Disney lies the **effigy** of his son, also William. The son's armour is not chain mail but plate armour. William the younger died during the Black Death in 1349.
- 10 The humble **wooden poor box** bears the inscription 'This is God's treasury: cast one mite into it: 1639'.

