



Cumbrian Codgers outing to Shap and Orton

Thursday 8th March 2018

Just two towers this month, but that means a later start, earlier finish and plenty of time for lunch. Which is probably all for the best given the distinctly unpleasant weather as I write this.

11.00 – 12.00 St Michael, Shap

One of the highest churches in Cumbria at about 850ft, let's hope that the weather has improved from the revolting cold rubbish currently afflicting us, and is kinder. A picturesque limestone church with some beautiful stained glass, well worth a look, and there are 6 easy-going bells which I am sure we will put to good use. (NY564154/CA10 3LD)

12:15 – 14.00 Lunch at "The George Hotel", Orton

The George is an unmissable hotel & pub in Front Street in the centre of Orton, 2 minutes walk from the church. There's no need to order in advance this month, just turn up and peruse the menu – from past experience it is good "pub grub". ***However, please let me know if you are planning to take lunch before Thursday so that I can advise them of roughly how many to expect in advance (they are opening specially for us).***

14.00 – 15.00 All Saints, Orton (Tebay)

Orton's 8 bells are a pleasure to ring and the church is very interesting. There's plenty of time to visit the chocolate factory in the village too (NY622084/CA10 3RQ).

Special methods (if enough of us): Duffield, Erin, Single Oxford Triples.

It would be helpful if you could let me know if you are planning to come along for all or part of the day so that I have a rough idea of numbers.