

## Bell Ringers update 2026

The current team consists of the following 9 members:

James & Claire Millsop  
Alan Patterson  
Andrew Charlesworth  
Chris Cadman  
Damon & Daisy Bonniface  
Gary Grummit  
Justin Minnish

So we are a small team of nine, plus the help of Dominic Sinclair on occasion. We are all members of the Guild.

We try and get together on a Thursday evening, but with both work and children's commitments this continues to prove difficult on a regular basis. We have Tuesday evenings as a plan B fall-back position, but this hasn't made it any easier to date.

But we do all enjoy ringing and keeping the bells alive, we are grateful to have use of the tower, and make the effort as often as domestic constraints permit. Despite a recent challenge to our continuity to keeping the bells ringing, we keep calm and carry on.

As we understand it, most of the village enjoy hearing the bells when we ring, and we continue to herald occasions such as Christmas Day, Easter Sunday and weddings / funerals if asked and if able. So it would be a real shame if we were told we couldn't ring any more. We do try to get together when there is a Sunday service, but Sundays are typically as hard, if not harder, to get enough of us than a weekday evening.

Despite recent challenges, we have managed two out of the last three Sunday services and we will continue to try.

We are grateful also to Geoff Pullin from the Badby Tower. We recently needed to change a couple of ropes which he and a friend assisted with.

And we would also like to thank Gary Grummit who gave his time and skill making and fitting a new stay when one of them was broken a couple of months ago.

All in all we are just a small band, capable but not expert, who enjoy keeping the tradition alive. We also believe that the village enjoy hearing the bells ring so shall continue to do our best!

On behalf of all of us  
James Millsop