



The Ringing Chamber Door

The smallest door in the church opens to a spiral stone stairway leading up to the circular Ringing Chamber located over the centre of the Crossing.

In 1558 a set of 5 bells from Hailes Abbey was installed, but during the Civil War Parliamentary troops plundered these to make armaments. In 1683 a new set of 10 bells was fitted until being recast by Taylors of Loughborough in 1948 as a memorial to the fallen of World War 2.

Today the bells have a reputation of being 'one of the finest peals of "Light 10's" anywhere in the country'. In 1994 an additional fixed bell was installed, alongside the ringing peal, as a service and Sanctus bell, Cast in 1881, it had been 'the funeral bell' used in the chapel of Stratford cemetery until the building fell out of use.

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