

## **CVG Virtual Visits 2020: Visit 13, Boston, Lincs.**

We tried to visit Boston last year but as it was undergoing extensive repairs we decided to wait until this year and now of course we have to put off our visit yet again. Boston, with its famous “Stump”, is rightly celebrated as one of a select few of magnificent churches accorded 5 stars in the Jenkins Guide, “a wonder of medieval engineering”. There’s hardly a superlative that hasn’t been used to describe it and I can’t add to what has already been said before, “spectacular”, “overwhelming”, “graceful”, “exhilarating”, “breathtaking”, “superb” and “extravagant”, says Jenkins. Here are some links, firstly a straight description with photos (sorry about the ads!): <https://www.britainexpress.com/counties/lincs/churches/Boston-Stump.htm>.

We can then read Rob’s account of his trip to Boston in 2018, <http://churchcrawling.moonfruit.com/boston-stump/4594486337>. I don’t know who Rob is but his churchcrawling site always makes for good reading and as usual is illustrated with wonderful photos. Us church enthusiasts are ever in his debt for all his hard work.

There is also an 8 minute Youtube video walking around the church with a reverent commentary: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDuu7XU\\_L\\_M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDuu7XU_L_M).

And finally for the detailed stuff here’s the full listing: <https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1388844>.

There’s lots more info about the church online but I think these four sites give us all the detail we could possibly need. We had planned to go to four more churches on the day but given the wealth of riches at St Botolphs perhaps only two more would be realistic. However I will still cover all four churches in two more virtual trips.