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## **Damage to the Church Roof July and August 2011**

During these two months the roof of our church was seriously damaged by criminals who removed lead sheets and other metal fittings. They hoped to make a few pounds by selling these items on the scrap metal market, but they left in their wake a huge repair bill.

Now the rain pours in, because the lead is what makes the roof watertight. Not only do we have to replace the missing metal, we also have to repair and make good the damage to the roof which the criminals caused by ripping it out in the first place. They were not careful! And then there is the damage caused inside the church because of the flood of rainwater that came in, redecoration, repairs to fixtures and fitting, replacement of water damaged equipment - the list goes on and on.



Insurance will help us to meet part of the cost, but the church itself must find the money to complete the job - and the church is not wealthy! Here are some photographs which show the extent of the damage and the reason for us organising extra fund-raising events.







