



26 Parishes along the 'Street' between Malton and Hovingham, North Yorkshire. Key: 1-5, 7-9, 13 sites of parish churches; 6, 10-12 parochial chapels (10 and 11 in Malton); 14 core of Roman *Derwentio*; 15 site of Roman villa. Boundaries correspond with what is known of the parish layout before the nineteenth century. The 'Street' was established by, possibly within, the Roman period; its name could indicate a paved Roman road. The Street ran from *Derwentio* to Hovingham, following the edge of the Vale of Pickering (characterized hereabouts by marsh and carr), just below the scarp of the Howardian Hills. Most of the parishes encompass portions of both types of landscape and lie at right-angles to the physical boundary between them. Religious communities existed at Stonegrave and Hovingham by c. 800; Stonegrave is attested in a papal letter of the mid-eighth century; Hovingham retains part of a reliquary shrine of c. 800. Old Malton may have been another religious centre before the Conquest

Map 8.20: Early medieval religious houses.

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Morris (1989, 122).