

ALL HALLOWS - RINGMORE.

OUR WINDOWS.

Preb. Hingeston Randolph in his records states that, when he assumed office and began the restoration of the Church in 1861, the stone mullions and tracery of the windows had gone but the splayed openings were unchanged. Wooden casements had been installed. However he found enough fragments of the old windows to enable the original pattern of the mullions and tracery to be replaced.

Over and over again as one studies our Church it is clear that we need to be very thankful Hingeston Randolph was skilled in church architecture and a man of artistry and a third generation Cornish man and a real Celt at heart.

The Church being dedicated to ALL SAINTS he arranged for the windows to remind his people of its dedication.

In the East Window as he says , ' the KING OF SAINTS occupies the central place - Christ Crucified with His Blessed Mother and S. John the Divine ,who stood at the Cross to the end, in the side lights.

The windows were designed by Mr Horwood , evidently a well known artist of those days, who is also credited with the windows in Mells Church in Somerset. ( Further details to be checked.) The design follows the style of the period in which the Chancel was built. The picture occupies the middle third of the window, the upper and lower thirds are of 'grisaille' glass. This design allows more light into the church than those windows which are all picture.

The windows in the chancel are unusual in that they are all three at different levels.

The South window, which is in memory of Preb. Hingeston Randolph's father who died in 1841 contains the missionary saints S. ENDELIANT : S. NECTAN of HARTLAND : S. MORWENNA.

The father of all three of these was Brychan, King of Brecknock. He sent the members of his large family across the water as missionaries in many parts.

Also in the Chancel is a window in memory of Mrs Mary Secker who lived in the Veau and died on August 8th 1900. This window installed after Hingeston Randolph's time does not conform to the medieval pattern of the others. It is all Picture. One light contains a Nativity scene and the other a scene depicting the requisitioning of the Donkey for Christ's entry into Jerusalem. Above is Christ at prayer in Gethsemane and the three disciples in the back-ground..

The Pulpit window conforms to the earlier design and is memory of Thomas Hingeston M.D. who died in 1837. Perhaps he was an Uncle of F.C.H.R. The figures are :

S. DAVIDA of MIDEVIA (Wales) Bp. : S. SENNAN. Bp. whose shrine is the most westerly in Cornwall - the first and the last in England. It is believed that these two were great friends.

At the South west corner of the church is window conforming in style because it was installed in 1873 still in the prebendary's time. It is in memory of JOHN WHITE of Ochenbury who died in 1847 and of his wife JANE who died in 1873. They were the parents of JOHN WHITE of Ochenbury who was the church warden who so staunchly supported F. C. H. R. when he first arrived and set about the restoration. F. C. H. R. wrote very highly of him.

The figures again are of missionary Saints. S. AUGUSTIN and S. ALBAN.

The two windows which were in-tact at the time of the restoration are in the North Transcept. They represent two more Missionary Saints with churches in their hands.

S. VIRGIN MARTYR. who? the other S. PIRAN, Bishop. his Church was engulfed in sands in ancient times and was revealed in another storm which removed sand in the early 18th.

The Lady Chapel window is dedicated to JOANNES (John) GASKILL who was Deacon (Curate) at Ringmore when F. C. H. R. first arrived and is the last on the list of Curates of Ringmore 1861 - 62.

The figure is ' ST MARIA MATER DEI. '

We know that the West window was re-established by The Prebendary after a lengthy period of 100 years or so when it had been blocked up and replaced by a large casement window to give light to the orchestra in the gallery and to the congregation below. There is no record as to whether he designed it himself or not, although he certainly designed the shape which turned out to be almost exactly the size of the old west window.

The WAR MEMORIAL window was designed and made by Beatrice Cameron of Mount Street, London. It was consecrated on November 20th 1919 by the Bishop of EXETER after a confirmation service. He was Bishop Lord Cecil.

29 October 87.

G. C. G.

George

"Our Windows."

1. Thank you very much for the work you have put in on this subject! As a general comment, I think that we ought to have on record the actual wording of the inscriptions in the windows with, in brackets, any translation or elaboration necessary:

Fiddling comments below, purely for the sake of the future!!

Details: para 3 - The dedication is of course "All Hallows"

para 4 - and this ~~of~~ leads into a problem ... frankly, I dislike H.R.'s phrase "The King of Saints" - unless it is quite clear that 'Saints' means "all true believers". (Quote from my Bible Dictionary - "The confining of the word to those who have been conspicuous for personal sanctity and holiness is non-Scriptural"). Our dedication is to "All holy people" - we can choose either All Saints or All Souls for our 'veast-day'.

~~para 5. may suggest: "In the south wall of the chancel are two windows, that to the east is in memory of the Rev. H.R.'s father etc"~~

para 4. In line with my general comment above, suggest adding: -

"The inscriptions are 1. " + O Lamb of God +"

2. "that takest away the sins of the world"

3. " + grant us Thy peace +"

para 6. may I suggest, for the second sentence, :- "In the south wall of the chancel are two windows; that to the east is in memory of ~~the~~ Preb. A.R.'s father - "In mem. Francisci patris hanc fenestra posuit Franciscus Car. Hingeston, huius ecclie Rector. Obvt 1841."

The three lights contain the missionary saints S. ENDELIANTA (St. Endellion): ST. NECTAN OF HARTLAND: ST. MORWENNA... etc

and add "In a roundel (:) above is the slaughtered lamb lying on a cross which is lying on an altar, surrounded by the words

"JESU CORONA MARTURUM MISERERE" (Jesu, crown of martyrs, have ~~compassion~~ pity)

XLV The Cancel Arch. (XIVth work)

"Bold and beautiful diaper-pattern of the same early date"  
"interesting and precious treasure" of ancient village art"

"very little touching up was needed to restore it to its original beauty."

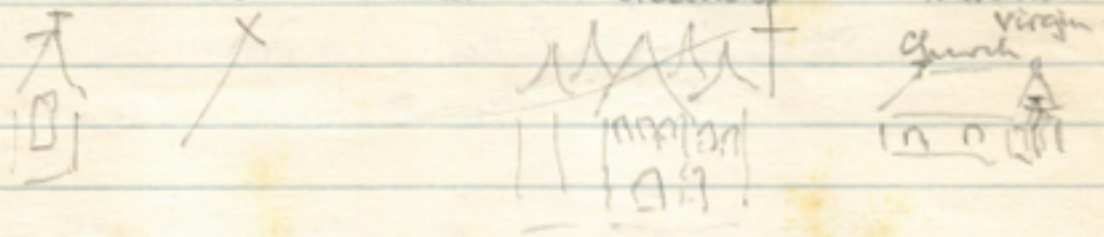
"the plaster, as thin as a biscuit and wonderfully hard, is as sound and firm as it ever was."

"a great part of the walls has now been richly coloured again, the work as well as the stained-glass windows of that excellent artist, Mr Horwood of Frome Selwood."

The South Windows of the Sanctuary

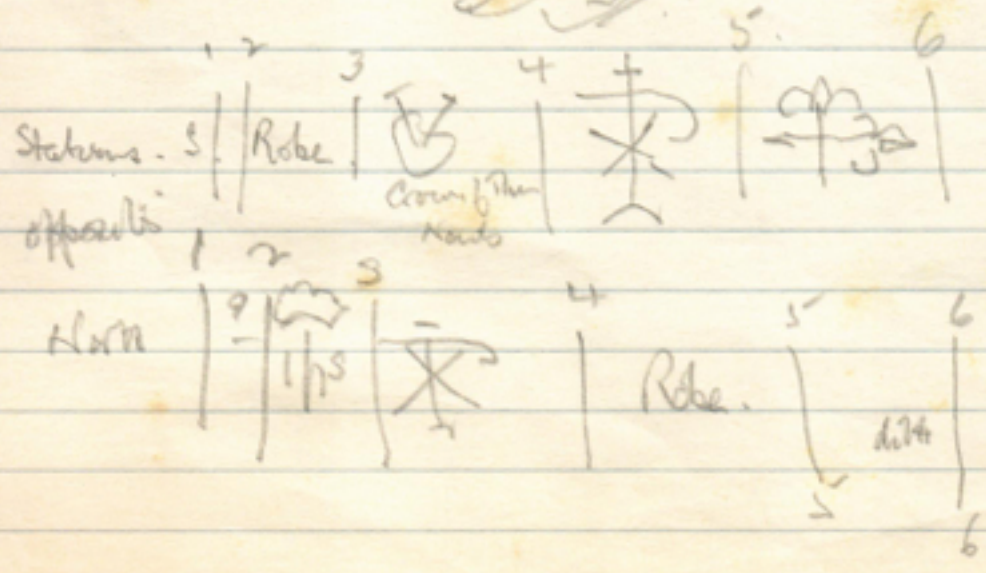
3 of these early Saints, Missionaries from Wales.

St. Nectan of Hartland. St. Endelientia - St. Morwenna.



Jesu CORONA MARTYRIUM MISERRI.

~~Ivy leaves~~  
~~+ Berries~~  
Vine leaves  
+ Grapes



Oxford Dictionary of Saints - New Edition - David Hugh Farmer.

BEYCHAN - (no date) legendary Welsh King, many saintly children - Celtic hagiology. Connection Wales with Ireland. claim the B. burial in Scotland.

Mentioned by William Worcester - Leland - Roscarrock.

Children 12 to 263 - most favoured 24. 3 marriages or several generations. BRECON to Devon or Cornwall where venerated St. Neots Cornwall - (16th windows depicts Bechan hold 10 children - seated - crowned. 6 April his Feast.

St. Endellian (Endelient) 6th Century - Cornwall, part of her tomb and 2 wells - Chapel at Tregony where she is said to have lived on the milk of one cow killed by lord of Tregony because it strayed - Her Godfather cursed him to be slain but E. miraculously revived him.

Another chapel at Lunday opposite Nectan's settlement at Hartland - Feast 29 April

St. NECTAN. brother of St. E. abbot (Nighton) (6th Welsh Hermit settled at Hartland. killed by robbers.

Eldiest & most illustrious of Bechan's 26 children.

Already a monk - sailed from S. Wales to N. Devon. Followed by his relatives who met him on the last day of each year at his hermitage in dense forest.

Trying to convert 2 thieves who stole his 2 cows, he was beheaded. said to have carried his head half a mile to the spring at his hut.

King of Crediton eventually recognized him: enclosed his church at Hartland. Earl Godwin gave gifts.

5 Churches dedicated to St. Nectan in D. & C.

Feast kept at Lanncoster Wells, Exeter 17 June day of his death.

St Marawenna - (Mazynen) (6th, patron of Norwinstow.

Carried stone up from beach on her head - put down well sprang up - church built where she finally placed it. Feast 5 July?

Descended from Bechan.

S. Alban - (3rd Cent) soldier and proto-martyr of Britain  
St. Alban's Church in England with the Church of the  
late Roman Empire.

Alban suffered in the amphitheatre outside  
the town - where slaves were brought in a  
martyrium of a kind known on the Continent  
around which the new town (St Albans instead  
of Verulamium) grew up.

legendary Acts followed by Bede. Alban a pagan  
Soldier sheltered a priest, was converted by  
him and baptized - Soldiers in pursuit of the  
priest later called Amphibalus were sent  
to search his house. Alban dressed in the  
priest's cloth enabled him to escape  
refused to offer sacrifice condemned to  
death. One executioner converted.

Alban beheaded, by another whose eyes fell out.

Feast 20 June. (17th BCP.)

St Ursula - daughter of British Christian King was betrothed  
to a pagan prince but obtained 3  
years delay because she wished to  
remain a virgin. Martyred by Huns  
Buried by citizen of Cologne.

One legend gives Ursula a Cornish Origin  
and makes her sail to Brittany.

1155 bones found at Blythe.

Feast-day Oct 21.

Fine stained glass windows Holy Trinity  
Church York

1969 Roman Reform of Calendar.

Augustine of Canterbury - (d. 602) Hadrian's birth  
Archbishop. - monk later priest

596. Chosen by Gregory, now pope, to head  
the mission of thirty monks who he sent to  
evangelize the Anglo-Saxons.

597. landed at Ebbsfleet (Kent) in 597.  
Received cautiously by Ethelbert King of Kent  
and overlord of the other tribes south of the  
Humber. gave them a house in Canterbury  
and allowed them to preach.

Early writers stress that Gregory rather than  
Augustine was regarded as the "apostle  
of the English". Correspondence reveals

Augustine as the man in the field  
who was executing the wishes of his  
superior. - Gregory's wisdom and  
Augustine's inexperience.

Told not to destroy pagan temples only  
the idols in them.

Augustine helped Ethelbert to draft the  
earliest Anglo-Saxon <sup>written</sup> laws to survive.  
Reputed to be a miracle worker.

All Saints (All Hallows) is the feast of all the redeemed known &  
unknown who are now believed to be in Heaven.  
Last origin - commemorating "the martyrs of the whole  
world"

All Souls - Commemoration of all the faithful  
deceased.

All Souls Coll. Oxford. - All Souls Langham Place.

S. PIRAN (PERRAN). Monk from Ireland or Wales - Perranport h.  
 Patron of Cornish Tinners. Thirde Ages pot groundings  
 to his shrine.  
 Early medieval times his oratory & hermitage covered by  
 shifting sands. Rediscovered (16<sup>th</sup> & again in 1835  
 when excavated - Three headless skeletons  
 and 3 heads found - Since then relics &  
 parts of oratory destroyed by vandalism.  
 Celtic cross marks site of hermitage -

Senneren. Cornwall. The patron of Senneren often assumed  
 to be Senan of Scattery <sup>Island of N. Kiltinloch</sup> seems to have been  
 Cornish woman saint called Sanctae Sennarae  
 in Poll-Tax rolls 1377.

Senan (d. c 544) Irish Abbot. Founder of Monastery  
 Scattery Island. Shrine of Senan's Bell is in the  
 Royal Irish Academy Dublin. Feast 8 March

St Davida of MENEVIA (St. Davids) Wales. (d 601 or 589)  
 Monk and Bishop (6th). From (12th Patron of Wales.  
 Only Welsh saint to be canonized and cultured  
 in the Western Church. Very few details of life  
 known - Primarily a Saint of Pembrokeshire.  
 Dedications in Brittany, Cornwall, Herefordshire.  
 Oldest written evidence comes from Ireland. The  
 Catalogue of Saints (c 730) - earliest Irish Martyro-  
 logies (c. 800) place the feast 1 Nov and locate  
 his Monastery at "Menevia" i.e. St Davids  
 His cult spread by Alfred's Bp Asshe. Glacind  
 by Glastonbury as its patron.  
 Monks of extreme hardship drank only water.  
 imitatus, Rabb of Egypt.

Two pilgrimages to St Davids were worth one to Rome.  
 Richard Green Bp of St Davids 1131  
 1271



1. ~~Ask Donald about "the case"~~ // Michael Jarvis - Kingston.

~~By speed~~ Reason Board.

para 7 : Inscription } Instead of "Also in the Chancel" suggested "  
The window to the west is in memory of ..."

Para 8 : Inscription.

Any knowledge of the designer?

The actual title is "S. DAVIDA OF MENEVIA"  
- ? add "(St. David of Wales)" [Menevia was the old  
diocese - the R.C. Bishop in Wales is now given the title of Menevia]

The actual ascription is S. SENAN. <sup>BISHOP</sup> "add?" "(St. Sennan)"

? Add something to the effect of "Above is an angel flying,  
holding an open book."

para 9 . The spelling of the farm is OKENBURY in the  
window.

" 10 As I <sup>have</sup> mentioned, I doubt if many would regard Alban as a  
missionary. Actually, I suppose these two are the first Roman -  
as distinct from Celtic - Saints of Britain! ~~The~~

"The inscriptions are to "S. AUGUSTINES" (St. Augustine) and  
"S. ALBANUS" (St. Alban)"

"Above is a flying angel bearing a cross."

para 13 Can the window be described?? Is it supposed to be  
Jesus as ... Pantokrator - if that is the right Greek word!! - shown  
as holding the orb (the world) in one hand and the sceptre of 'all power'  
in the other (It is a little difficult to make it out...)

"Our bells" - absolutely no comment - grand!

109. 4/1/88

5 steps

Ward Memorial Windows - Consecrated Nov 20 1919 by  
the Bishop of Exeter after a confirmation service

Parish Reg. ~~Nov 1919~~ Cost 100 gns. £25 more than estimated.  
Oct 1919 Cost of Roll of Service £50 or £15 more than estimated.  
Nov 1919. Total contributed £126.6.10.

Windows designed and made by  
Beatrice Cameron. Pent Street London.  
exquisite in colour & design.

The Processional Cross (Wiffell Co. Exeter.)

in memory of two lads of the choir.

Henry Charles Niles. 84 Devon. Hill Oct 28/1917

Alfred Tremlett his friend. comrade in choir in same school

Account of Service. on page Feb. 1916 -

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	St Thomas the Lion		
	Fuller's Club		
	St Thomas		
	Rich. Hill		
	St Andrew		
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	Paul Balthazar		
	Batholomew John	Peter	
	Flavin Knop	Chabite	(Key)
		(1 Assistant)	
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