

Monuments on the walls of the Priory Church

North Aisle, north wall

William & Anne Reynolds

Sacred
To the memory of
WILLIAM REYNOLDS Esquire, who departed
That Life the 14th day of June 1793 aged 56 Years
Also of ANNE REYNOLDS his daughter who died the 7th day of Jan
1795 aged 19 years

Jane Cart

In assured Hope of the Resurrection, the Body of
Mrs. Jane Cart
who departed this life October 15th 1736 aged 83
was deposited near this Place, together with the
Remains of her Son Mr. James Cart, removed hither
from the Church of St. Mary Le Bow in London

She was a Grand-daughter of Wm Marshe
formerly of this Parish, Gent, one of the Coheirs of
Wm Chew Esq. and Relict of Mr. James Cart of
London, Merchant. To the Memory of him her
loving and beloved Husband, she erected a stately
Monument in the Church of St. Mary Le Bow
Afore-mentioned

She was eminently Pious and extensively
Charitable. A Set of Plate for Holy Communion
and Sundry other elegant Decorations given
to this Church; the Lord's Day afternoon Lecture
here instituted, and the Bread of her Donation
weekly distributed to the Poor; the Charity School
in this Town founded and endowed, to which
she contributed a third part; and six Alms houses
for the aged Women by her solely erected, and their
Maintenance provided for, are some of the Instances
of her generous Goodness. Besides several other
useful and lasting Benefactions, the Surplus of a
large Estate by her bequeathed for the annual
Relief of poor Clergymen their Widows and
Daughters, will be (it is hop'd) an abiding Memorial
of her pure Religion; and hearty Affection to the
Church of England to the latest Posterity

Thomas Chew Cart

Near this place lies the body of THOMAS CHEW CART, of the Inner Temple, gent. who Died March
the 27th, Aged 23 Years. He was the Son of Mr. JAMES CART, of London, by JANE his Wife, one of the

daughters of Mr. THOMAS CHEW of this Parish by ELIZ his Wife, which ELIZ was daughter of Wm MARSHE of the same Parish, Gent. This Monument was Erected at the Charge of his pious mother, who in the Year 1731 did, in the church of St. Mary le Bow, London Bury Mr. JAMES CART, the last Survivor of her nine Children, and in the Year 1732 Did in the same Church at her own Charge, Erected a most Beautiful Monument to the Memory of her Husband and said Children.

She gave one Third towards the Charge of Building and Endowing of the Charity School in this Town, and at Her sole Charge Built and Endowed the Six Alms Houses adjoining to the said School, and Settled A Sermon in the church for ever on Sunday in the Afternoon, as mentioned In the Table of Gifts by the Descendants of Mr. THOMAS CHEW, and She also Gave largely to the Poor Inhabitants of this Town, and to Several other Charitable and Pious Purposes

William Chew, in the Choir Vestry

Near this Place
Lyeth the Body of
WILLIAM CHEW Esq.
Who fined Sheriff of London and Middlesex
And Serv'd High Sheriff in this County
He did intend to Settle an Estate
Of £50 per Annum
For the Indowment of a Charity School
In this Town where he was born
And accordingly gave directions for it
at his Death
which his two Sisters and a Sister's Son
who Inherit his real Estate as Coheirs
(In Gratitude to his Memmory and in
Pursuance of so good a Designe)
Have agreed to perform
And Erect this Monument
In Memmory of him
He departed this life
The 18th day of March
1712
In the 56 year of his Age.

Likewise near this place lieth
the body of
Mr. THOMAS CHEW, his elder brother
who died the 2nd July 1693,
in the 52nd year of his age.

Pillars

Daniel and Samuel Taylor Queneborough

NEAR THIS SPOT ARE DEPOSITED THE REMAINS
OF

Mr. DANIEL QUENEBOROUGH
A NATIVE AND THROUGH LIFE
AN INHABITANT OF THIS TOWN, RELIGIOUS IN THE
TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTIANITY, HE WAS DEVOUTLY
PIOUS TO HIS GOD AND UPRIGHT TOWARDS MAN
CHARITABLY KIND TO THE INDIGENT
SINCERE AND GENEROUS IN FRIENDSHIP
AND ENDEARINGLY AFFECTIONATE TO HIS RELATIONS
BY ALL, THEREFORE, WHO WERE CONNECTED WITH HIM
HIS DECEASE WAS UNAFFECTEDLY DEPLORED,
BUT ESPECIALLY BY THOSE MOST NEARLY
ALLIED TO HIM WHOSE EXPRESSIONS OF DEEP
FELT REGARD ARE TOTALLY INADEQUATE
TO DESCRIBE THEIR SENSE OF HIS GOODNESS
AND OF THEIR LOSS
HE DIED ON THE 30TH OF NOVEMBER 1814
IN THE 56TH YEAR OF HIS AGE

IN THE SAME VAULT ARE INTERRED THE REMAINS
OF HIS BROTHER
SAMUEL TAYLOR QUENEBOROUGH Esq.
LATE OF THE ISLAND OF JAMAICA
WHERE HAVING RESIDED MANY YEARS
HE RAISED HIMSELF BY ASSIDUOUS
IRREPROACHABLE EXERTION
TO AFFLUENCE AND HONOUR AND WHERE HIS LOSS
WAS AS GENERALLY LAMENTED AS HE HAD BEEN KNOWN
FOR BY HIS FRIENDS WHO WERE MANY
HE WAS AFFECTIONATELY REGARDED BY HIS EQUALS
HE WAS HIGHLY ESTEEMED
AND BY A NUMEROUS TRIBE OF DEPENDENTS
HE WAS BELOVED AS A LIBERAL
AND HUMANE BENEFACTOR
TO THOSE CONSOLATORY PROOFS OF HIS VIRTUES
HIS RELATIONS ADD WITH GRATITUDE
THAT THEY UNIFORMLY EXPERIENCED KIND
ATTACHMENT AND UNFAILING GENEROSITY
TO COMMEMORATE WHICH AND TO PERPETUATE
HIS CHARACTER THEY HAVE ERECTED THIS TESTIMONY
OF THEIR REGRET AND LOVE
SHORTLY AFTER HIS RETURN TO ENGLAND
HE DIED OCTOBER 11TH 1815
BEING ALSO IN THE 56TH YEAR OF HIS AGE

Revd John Heyrick Macaulay

To the Reverend

JOHN HEYRICK MACAULAY,
Rural Dean Honorary Canon of Ely
Rector of this Parish from 1884 to 1903
this tablet is erected by his grateful parishioners
in recognition of his faithful ministrations
in the Parish and of his devoted zeal
in restoring the beauties of the church.

John Dickinson

M. S.
OF JOHN DICKINSON
Citizen of LONDON Eldest Son of
JOHN DICKINSON of Gildersome
In the County of York Gent He married
ELIZABETH the Eldest Daughter of
THOMAS POWELL of the said City Esq
She died in 1711 and was Buryed in this
Church by whom he had Issue Five Children
Three where of survived him, JOHN, FRANCIS
and MARSHE, the two other, MARY and THOMAS
died Infants. He departed this Life the 24th
of August 1719 in the 58th Year of his Age.
In this Isle is also Interred the Body of the
Rev. JOHN DICKINSON, M. A.
The Eldest of the said three Surviving
Sons who died the 6th of November
1733 Unmarried aged 33

Revd Frederick Hose

To the Glory of god and in memory of the
Reverend FREDERICK HOSE M.A.
Rector of Dunstable from 1843 to 1883 Rural Dean
This tablet is erected to record his labours for the
Restoration of the fabric of the Church and his long
And faithful services as Rector of this Parish
William Wing Carew Baker, Rector
Charles Crichton Stuart Benning
Arthur William Nash, Churchwardens

The Madonna

THE MADONNA
OF THE MAGNIFICAT
SCULPTOR
LAURENCE BRODERICK
GIVEN TO CELEBRATE THE

MARRIAGE OF RUTH GIBBARD
TO ROGER BOWLES
3 SEPTEMBER
1970

Jane Marshe

IN
FAITHFUL MEMORY OF
JANE MARSHE a worthy Inhabitant
for many Years of this Parish of Dunstable who
dyed unmarried 30 of August 1730 and was
youngest Daughter of FRANCIS MARSHE
Gentleman by REBECCA his Wife, daughter
of JOHN BRIGGS,
formerly of this Town
THIS MONUMENT
is here
placed

Sanctuary

Revd Christopher and Madeline Lindsey Mackonochie

MADELEINE
LINDSEY
MACKONOCHE
1.IV.1910 – 6.X.1963
CHRISTOPHER
MACKONOCHE
11.I.1912 – 4.VII.1994

Revd Herbert Woodford Orton

IN PIAM MEMORIAM
HERBERT WOODFORD ORTON
RECTORIS FIDELIS
MCMLIV - MCMLVII

W E A Sargent

IN PIAM MEMORIAM
W.E.A.SERGENT
PRESBYTER FIDELIS
OBIT NOV XII MCMXLVIII
RIP

The Lady Chapel

William Elliott

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

IN AFFECTIONATE MEMORY OF
WILLIAM ELLIOTT
BORN JAN 7 1802 AT REST APRIL 4 1866
AND OF HIS WIFE
MARY OLIVER ELLIOTT
BORN JAN 1802 AT REST JAN 3 1892
THIS SCREEN IS JOINTLY ERECTED BY THEIR
DAUGHTER ELIZABETH BENNING AND THEIR GRANDSON
GEORGE ELLIOTT OF THE INNER TEMPLE

Charles Chrichton Stuart Benning

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN MEMORY OF
CHARLES
CHRICHTON STUART BENNING
TOWN CLERK
OF DUNSTABLE 1892-1924
CHURCHWARDEN
OF THIS PRIORY CHURCH 1899-1924
THIS CHAPEL WAS FURNISHED
BY HIS FRIENDS IN THE YEAR 1925

Ellen Benning

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ELLEN BENNING
WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO PASSED TO HER REST JUNE 23 1933
ALSO OF BRIAN STUART BENNING
THIRD SON OF THE ABOVE KILLED IN AN
AEROPLANE ACCIDENT MARCH 28 1935

Frances Ashton

IN MEMORY
Of
FRANCES ASHTON
Daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Chew, formerly
inhabitants of this parish, & widow of William Ashton,
Citizen of London, who departed this life December 21st,
1727, in the 80th year of her age
Amongst other Virtues particularly Remarkable for
her extensive Charity. For in her life-time she erected
& endowed one third part of a Charity-School for the
Education and Clothing of Forty poor Boys of the parish
& built six Almshouses in this town for six poor women,
which at her death she liberally endowed and gave,
besides Five pounds four shillings a year, for ever, to be

distribute on every Sunday by two shillings a week
in Bread to the poor of this parish; not to mention
her many other Charities.

South Aisle

(unreadable)

Marshe Dickinson

In memory of
MARSHE DICKINSON, Esquire,
who represented the Borough of BRACKLEY in the County of NORTHAMPTON
in two parliaments till
the 6th day of February 1765,
When he departed this Life
In the 62nd Year of his Age.
He was Sheriff of LONDON in the Year 1752,
and Lord Mayor in the Year 1757.
Those Offices He discharged with Vigilance and Abilities
That did Honour to Himself
and real Service to that City
and
The Publick.

Daniel and John Marshe

Near this place lies the bodies of
DANIEL & JOHN MARSHE
sons of FRANCIS MARSHE of Dunstable, Gent
DANIEL the elder was an Attorney at Law
and dyed June the 20th 1712. Aged 60.
JOHN was a Physician and dyed May
the 4th 1700. Aged 42
Both of them Eminent in their Professions
of unshaken Fidelity to the Crown, and true
members of the Church of England.
They liv'd belov'd and dyed lamented by
all that knew them, and particularly by
their sister Mrs. JANE MARSHE who in
Memory of them erected this
MONUMENT

John Marshe

Near this place lyeth interred
the body of JOHN MARSHE
of Leighton Buzzard in ye County
of Bedford Gent, who departed

this life the sixth day of December
Anno Dni 1706 Aged 52
he married the only Daughter
of THOMAS THEED
of
Linslade in the County of Bucks
Gent at whose charge this
Monument was Erected

Elizabeth Dickinson

To the
memory of
ELIZABETH DICKINSON
Late Wife of JOHN DICKINSON,
Citizen of London,
Who Lyes buried underneath;
as also Two of her Children,
MARY and THOMAS.
She was the Daughter of Thomas and
Elizabeth Powell of London and Granddaughter
of Francis and Rebekah Marshe,
of Dunstable
She departed this life ye 2nd of November
1711, Aged 34, leaving Issue 3 Sons,
John, Francis and Marshe.

Frances Sarah Burr

THIS TABLET
IS ERECTED TO THE MEMORY OF
FRANCES SARAH
THE BELOVED WIFE OF EDWARD BURR Esq. OF THIS TOWN
IT PLEASED GOD TO REMOVE HER FROM THE CONJUGAL TIES
OF AN AFFECTIONATE AND DEVOTED HUSBAND
AND THE MATERNAL CARE OF THREE YOUNG CHILDREN
AT THE EARLY AGE OF 22 YEARS
SHE DIED APRIL 14 1844 DEEPLY REGRETTED
BY HER RELATIVES AND MANY FRIENDS

Maria Rogers

THIS MARBLE IS INSCRIBED TO
THE MEMORY OF
MARIA
THE LATE LAMENTED WIFE OF

JOSIAH ROGERS
SHE DIED Aug 27 1843
aged 54
AN IRREPERABLE LOSS TO
ALL HER FAMILY

Nathaniel and Mary Cartwright

TO THE MEMORY
OF
NATHANIEL CARTWRIGHT
OF THIS TOWN GENT
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
22nd MARCH 1843
AGED 62
ALSO OF MARY
RELICT OF THE ABOVE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE 21st MARCH 1853
AGED 75

Thomas Burr

TO THE MEMORY
OF
THOMAS BURR Esq.
LATE OF THIS PARISH
THIS TABLET
IS
AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED
HE WAS BORN Aug. 2 1778
HE DEPARTED THIS LIFE JULY 13
AND HIS REMAINS WERE DEPOSITED
IN THE FAMILY VAULT AT LUTON JULY 21
1835

Francis Dickinson

Near this place lies the remains
of FRANCIS DICKINSON, Esq.
(a son of JOHN and ELIZABETH DICKINSON,
and a Great Grandson of FRANCIS and REBECCA MARSHE
deceased)
Who after presiding many Years at Mocha in Arabia,
As Chief under the East India Company of England,
and acquitting great sums in that Station with
great Honour and Integrity, returned to his
Native Country,

Where he lived in Universal Esteem, and died a Bachelor
November 13, 1747,
in the 46th Year of his Age, much Lamented.

Elizabeth Aynscombe

To the Pious
memory of her dear
and ever honoured mother
Mrs. ELIZABETH AYNSCOMBE,
Who departed this life the 14th day
of June 1711, Aged 65.

She was the Grand-daughter of William Marshe, Gent.
& eldest daughter of Thomas Chew, and
Elizabeth his Wife;

She married Mr. Henry Aynscombe, Citizen
& Haberdasher of London, who lyes interred
In the Chancel of his parish Church
of St. Mary Woolnoth.

This Monument was erected at the sole cost
& charge of her eldest daughter Mrs. Elizabeth
Gilbert, who had 4 children, (viz.) Elizabeth
Aged 5 years and three months, and lies in her
Grandfather's Grave, with another Daughter
Elizabeth, and a Son William Chew Gilbert,
who both dyed young
Thomas Chew Gilbert only surviving.

William Marshe

WILLIAM MARASHE
Gentleman,

Of an ancient family in the
Parish of Dunstable, dyed 19
January, 1651, And left issue by
ELIZABETH his Wife two Sons,

JOHN and FRANCIS, and one Daughter named ELIZABETH;

The said JOHN married BLANDINA, Daughter of HUMPHREY
IRONMONGER, Gentleman, and left Issue by her JOHN his only Son,
who Dyed without Issue, and two Daughters, BLANDINA and MARY.

The said BLANDINA Daughter of the said JOHN MARSHE founded
and endowed within this parish a Lodge for harbouring there in Six poor
Maiden Gentlewomen descended of reputable parents, and members of
the Church of England, and Dyed unmarried 28 December, 1741, having
left several Charities for the Benefit of the Minister and poor of this Town,
and of other Parishes in the County of Bedford.

The said MARY married THOMAS LOCKINGTON, Esq. and survived him, and dyed
21 Oct. 1730, without Issue, and considerably augmented this and two other Livings,
and made several Charitable provisions for the poor of this parish and elsewhere.

The said FRANCIS MARSHE married REBECCA the Daughter of JOHN BRIGGS,
Gentleman. heretofore of this Town, and had Issue by her two Sons,
Daniel and JOHN, and two Daughters REBECCA and JANE, since
deceased,

TO THE MEMORY of all whome, and pursuant
To the Desire of the last named BLANDINA MARSHE,
This Monument hath been set up.

The Bell,

This Ancient Bell

was probably given to the Priory during the
Black Death in 1349 when, according to the Chronicle
of the Priory, the parishioners made a bell and called it
Mary. It was, tradition states, the old Sanctus Bell
but the inscription AVE MARIA GRATIA PLENA ('Hail
Mary, full of Grace') suggests that it may have been used
for the Angelus. It was alienated from the Church at
the Reformation and did duty at the old Town Hall
as a fire bell. It was probably made by John Rufford
of Toddington and weighs 1¼ cwt. FAF

The Boer War Memorial

To the Glory of God and Sacred to the Memory of
CITIZEN SOLDIERS

LOYAL BRAVE AND TRUE

Pte HUGH ANDERSON G Company 3rd Vol Batt Beds Regt

Pte JOHN ANDERSON D Company 3rd Vol Batt Beds Regt

Pte ARTHUR GOODMAN D Company 3rd Vol Batt Beds Regt

Who willingly offered themselves and

Gallantly serving for Sovereign and Country

LOST THEIR LIVES

IN THE South African War 1899-1902

Also

Serg FREDERICK ROE 44th Battery Royal Field Artillery

Pte ARTHUR FENSOME 3rd Battn Grenadiers Guards

Pte ERNEST CHESHIRE 2nd Battn Seaforth Highlanders

Pte ALFRED GROOM 2nd Battn Beds Regiment

Pte WILLIAM TRING 1st Bttn Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders

Pte ALBERT BAKER 6th Division Ammunition Column

Sapper ARCHIBALD ALLWOOD Telegraph Battn Royal Engineers

Q M Serg GEORGE SPENDLOVE South African Constabulary

Pte HARRY FIELD 16th Queens Lancers

who fell in the same war

This Tablet is erected by the Inhabitants of

Dunstable, Houghton Regis and Leighton Buzzard

DULCE ET DECORUM EST PRO PATRIA MORI

The Passendale photograph

A PICTURE OF PASSENDALE CEMETERY IN BELGIUM
PRESENTED TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF DUNSTABLE
BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF MENEN
ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR SECOND BI-ANNUAL VISIT
TO DUNSTABLE OCTOBER 27th 1977

West Wall

The World War I Memorial

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN LOVING MEMORY
OF THE DUNSTABLE MEN
WHO MADE THE SUPREME
SACRIFICE IN THE GREAT
WAR 1914-18
(172 names)

Tower Doorway

Elizabeth Benning

This Tablet is erected in memory of
Elizabeth Elliott Benning
of Dunstable who bequeathed £100
to be expended on some object connected
with the Church by her executors
and the Rector and Churchwardens
which sum has been applied to the
Restoration of the belfry Doorway May 1906

William James Hambling

TO THE MEMORY
OF
LT-COL WILLIAM JAMES HAMBLING JP
BORN 1831 – DIED 1898
HIS SON
SIR HERBERT HAMBLING BARONET
GAVE A GENEROUS DONATION
TOWARDS THE RESTORATION OF
THE TOWER OF THIS CHURCH IN
1930