

Church Chests in Herefordshire Revisited: New Perspectives on their Dates and Construction

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Supplementary Online Data

The reference material below supplements Rachel Anna Sycamore’s paper—‘Church Chests in Herefordshire Revisited: New Perspectives on their Dates and Construction’—published in 2023 (*Transactions of the Woolhope Naturalists’ Field Club* (70) 2022, pp. 112-35).

The supplement comprises first, a series of reference tables as described in the contents list on this page; these will enable researchers or people with a particular interest—for example, in their local church, a specific parish, or the history of ecclesiastical furniture—to access available information about chests recorded in the county and to identify the sources of records made. Full details of sources quoted (always in an abbreviated form) within the tables are provided on p.2. Where applicable, the numbers of tables are the same as those noted in the text of the published paper.

Secondly, photographs of seventy-three of the chests extant in Herefordshire are also provided, alphabetically listed by place (see contents listing on pp. 3-5).

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TABLE R1

COMPARISON BETWEEN MORGAN'S INVENTORY OF CHURCH CHESTS IN HEREFORDSHIRE (1947) AND SYCAMORE'S OF 2023

Chest Type	Comparison: No. of chests by type recorded in Morgan's inventory and in Sycamore's			No. of chests recorded by Morgan & Sycamore but missing in 2023		New records / recategorised in 2023	Total Extant in 2023
	Morgan 1947	Sycamore 2023	Difference	Morgan	Sycamore		
Boarded Box	23	33	10	6	9	2	24
Boarded Hutch	30	32	2	5	6	1	26
Panelled (Framed)	34	54	20	4	6	4	48
Clamped	0	5	5	0	1	4	5
Dug-out	14	17	3	0	2	1	15
Totals	101	141	40	15	24	12	118

TABLE R2

MISSING CHURCH CHESTS PREVIOUSLY RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME/PARISH	CHEST TYPE	ESTIMATED CENTURY	MORGAN'S CATALOGUE NO.	MISSING, STOLEN, or SOLD
1	Dore Abbey	Abbey Dore I	Boarded Box	17 th	1	Missing 09.07.22
2	Dore Abbey	Abbey Dore III	Framed	17 th	3	Missing 09.07.22
3	St Mary	Avenbury	Clamped	14 th	6	Missing (sold abroad)
4	St John the Baptist	Eastnor I	Boarded Box	17 th	25	Missing 14.07.19
5	St John the Baptist	Eastnor II	Framed	17 th	26	Missing 14.07.19
6	St John the Baptist	Eastnor III	Boarded Box	17 th	-	Missing 14.07.19
7	St Mary	Edvin Loach	Boarded Hutch	18 th	-	Missing 22.04.19
8	St Michael & All Angels	Edwyn Ralph	Boarded Box	17 th	-	Missing 14.07.19
9	St Andrew	Evesbatch	Framed	17 th	27	Missing 10.11.18
10	St Peter and St. Paul	Eye	Boarded Box	17 th	28	Missing 10.09.22
11	St John the Baptist	Lea II	Framed	17 th	-	Missing 18.02.19
12	St Michael & All Angels	Ledbury III	Boarded Hutch	16 th or 17 th	47	Missing 03.11.18
13	St Andrew	Leysters	Boarded Box	17 th	-	Missing 01.12.22
14	St Mary Magdalene	Little Hereford	Boarded Hutch	17 th	39	Missing 30.12.22
15	St Peter	Llancillo	Boarded Box	18 th	51	Missing 04.06.19
16	St Mary the Virgin	Ross-on-Wye II	Boarded Box	17 th	79	Missing 16.07.19
17	St Mary the Virgin	Ross-on-Wye IV	Framed	17 th	-	Missing 16.07.19
18	St James	Stanford Bishop I	Boarded Hutch	16 th	87	Missing 02.01.23
19	St James	Stanford Bishop II	Dug-out	13 th – 15 th	-	Missing 06.02.23
20	St James	Tedstone Delamere II	Dug-out	13 th – 15 th	-	Missing 06.02.23
21	St Mary Magdalene	Turnastone	Framed	17 th	91	Missing (stolen)
22	St Michael & All Angels	Walford	Boarded Box	18 th	94	Missing 16.07.19
23	St John the Baptist	Whitbourne III	Boarded Hutch	17 th	-	Missing 25.06.19
24	St John the Baptist	Yarkhill	Boarded Hutch	17 th	100	Missing 18.11.18

TABLE R3: BOARDED-BOX CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE

'Est. century' means the estimated century when a chest originated. Inscription dates are shown where known.

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
1	Dore Abbey	Abbey Dore I	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	1	Missing 09.07.22
2	St Mary the Virgin	Bishops Frome	16 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	8	Extant 10.11.18
3	St Michael & All Angels	Bodenham II	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	10	Extant 10.09.22
4	St Michael	Breinton	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	12	Extant 14.11.22
5	St Mary the Virgin	Burghill III	18 th	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	13	Extant 03.07.19
6	St Michael	Castle Frome	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 08.11.22
7	St James the Great	Cradley I	14 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Eames (1977, p. 163); Aston (1991)	20	Extant 10.11.18
8	St John the Baptist	Eastnor I	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	25	Missing 14.07.19
9	St John the Baptist	Eastnor III	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Missing 14.07.19
10	St Michael & All Angels	Edwyn Ralph	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Missing 14.07.19
11	St Peter and St. Paul	Eye	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	28	Missing 10.09.22
12	St Andrew	Hampton Bishop	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	33	Extant 28.12.22
13	Hereford Cathedral	Hereford I	14 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Eames (1977, pp. 163-4); Aston (1991)	35	Extant 15.07.17

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TABLE R3: BOARDED-BOX CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. DATE	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
14	Hereford Cathedral	Hereford II	15 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Eames (1977, pp. 174-5); Aston (1991); Geddes (1999, pp.233-34)	36	Extant 15.07.17
15	St Cuthbert	Holme Lacy	16 th	Historic England (1967)	-	Extant 29.08.22
16	St Mary the Virgin	Hope-under-Dinmore	18 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	41	Extant 12.01.23
17	St John the Baptist	Kings Caple	17 th	Sycamore (2022)	-	Recorded 28.07.22
18	St Peter	Llancillo	18 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	51	Missing 04.06.19
19	St Mary Magdalene	Leintwardine II	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 09.01.23
20	St Andrew	Leysters	17 th	Aston (1999)	-	Missing 01.12.22
21	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Madley I	14 th or 15 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	57	Extant 10.03.19
22	St Michael	Mansel Lacey	18 th	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	59	Extant 03.07.19
23	St Bartholomew	Much Marcle	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	60	Extant 16.07.19
24	St John the Baptist	Orcop	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	70	Extant 12.01.23
25	St Mary the Virgin	Ross-on-Wye I	16 th or 17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	78	Extant 16.07.19
26	St Mary the Virgin	Ross-on-Wye II	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	79	Missing 16.07.19
27	St Mary the Virgin	Ross-on-Wye III	18 th	Sycamore (2021)	-	Recorded 16.07.19
28	St Peter	Rowlestone	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	80	Extant 15.09.19
29	St Peter and St. Paul	Stoke Lacy	19 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 02.01.23

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TABLE R3: BOARDED-BOX CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
30	St Cosmas & St. Damian	Stretford	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	90	Extant 10.01.23
31	St James	Tedstone Delamere I	18 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 25.01.23
32	St Michael & All Angels	Walford	18 th	Morgan (1947)	94	Missing 16.07.19
33	St John the Baptist	Whitbourne II	18 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 25.06.19

TABLE R4: BOARDED-HUTCH CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE

'Est. century' means the estimated century when a chest originated. Inscription dates are shown where known.

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
1	St Giles	Acton Beauchamp	18 th	Morgan (1947)	4	Extant 04.10.22
2	Holy Trinity	Bosbury I	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 11.11.18
3	St Mary the Virgin	Burghill I	16 th	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	13	Extant 03.07.19
4	St Clydog	Clodock II	17 th (1695)	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	17	Extant 04.06.19
5	St Clydog	Clodock III (moved from Longtown)	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	54	Extant 04.06.19
6	St Mary	Craswall	18 th (1745)	Morgan (1947)	21	Extant 04.06.19
7	St Mary	Edvin Loach	18 th	RCHME (1924); Aston (1991)	-	Missing 22.04.19
8	St Michael	Garway	16 th or 17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	31	Extant 04.06.19
9	St Bartholomew	Holmer	17 th (1790)	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	40	Extant 08.01.23

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TABLE R4: BOARDED-HUTCH CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
10	St Michael & All Angels	Kingsland	16 th or 17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	42	Extant 13.12.19
11	St Michael & All Angels	Ledbury III	16 th or 17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	47	Missing 03.11.18
12	St Mary Magdalene	Leintwardine I	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947)	49	Extant 09.01.23
13	The Priory Church of St Peter and St. Paul	Leominster II	15 th or 16 th	Sycamore (2021)	-	Recorded 22.05.19
14	St. Mary Magdalene	Little Hereford	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	39	Missing 30.12.22
15	St Peter	Lugwardine	16 th (1702)	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	56	Extant 06.01.23
16	St John the Baptist	Mathon	16 th (1698)	Cox & Harvey (1907) p. 305; RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	61	Extant 10.11.18
17	St Mary the Virgin	Middleton-on-the-Hill	16 th	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	63	Extant 10.09.22
18	St Michael and All Saints	Moccas	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	64	Extant 22.01.23
19	St Mary and St Thomas of Canterbury	Much Birch	16 th or 17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	7	Extant 12.01.23
20	St Mary	Much Cowarne	16 th (1717)	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 02.01.23
21	St Bartholomew	Munsley (moved from Canon Frome)	16 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947);	15	Extant 01.10.22
22	St John	Pencombe	17 th (1687)	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	73	Extant 02.01.23
23	St Dubricius	St Devereux	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	81	Extant 20.01.23

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TABLE R4: BOARDED-HUTCH CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
24	St James	Stanford Bishop I	16 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	87	Missing 02.01.23
25	St Luke	Stoke Prior I	17 th or 18 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947)	88	Extant 09.01.23
26	St Michael	Sutton St Michael's	16 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 12.01.23
27	St John the Baptist	Upton Bishop	18 th (1703)	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	92	Extant 16.07.19
28	St Mary	Walterstone I	17 th	RCHME (1931)	95	Extant 15.09.19
29	St Bartholomew	Westhide	17 th or 18 th	RCHME (1932)	97	Extant 15.01.23
30	St John the Baptist	Whitbourne III	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Missing 25.06.19
31	St John the Baptist	Yarkhill	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	100	Missing 18.11.18
32	St Leonard	Yarpole II (moved from Lucton)	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	55	Extant 10.09.22

TABLE R5: PANELLED (FRAMED) CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE

'Est. century' means the estimated century when a chest originated. Inscription dates are shown where known.

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
1	Dore Abbey	Abbey Dore II	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	2	Extant 20.12.22
2	Dore Abbey	Abbey Dore III	17 th	Morgan (1947)	3	Missing 09.07.22
3	St Andrew	Allensmore	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	5	Extant 29.08.22

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TABLE R5: PANELLED (FRAMED) CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
4	St Michael & All Angels	Bodenham I	17 th (1684)	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	9	Extant 10.09.22
5	Holy Trinity	Bosbury II	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 11.11.18
6	Holy Trinity	Bosbury III	18 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 11.11.18
7	St Michael	Brampton Abbots	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	11	Extant 16.07.19
8	St Mary the Virgin	Burghill	19 th or 20 th	Sycamore (2021)	-	Recorded 03.07.19
9	St James	Colwall	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	18	Extant 10.11.18
10	St James the Great	Cradley II	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 10.11.18
11	St Bartholomew	Docklow	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	22	Extant 10.09.22
12	St Giles	Downton-on-the-Rock	17 th (1650)	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	23	Extant 09.01.23
13	St Peter	Dormington	17 th	Sycamore (2021)	-	Recorded 03.07.19
14	St John the Baptist	Eastnor II	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	26	Missing 14.07.19
15	St Andrew	Evesbatch	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	27	Missing 10.11.18
16	St Dubricius	Hentland	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	34	Extant 16.07.19
17	St Mary	Kenderchurch	17 th	Sycamore (2022)	-	Recorded 09.07.22
18	St James the Great	Kimbolton I	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 10.09.22
19	St James the Great	Kimbolton II	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 10.09.22
20	St John the Baptist	Lea II	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Missing 18.02.19
21	St Michael & All Angels	Ledbury I	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	45	Extant 03.11.18

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TABLE R5: PANELLED (FRAMED) CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
22	St Michael & All Angels	Ledbury II	17 th (1686)	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	46	Extant 03.11.18
23	St Michael & All Angels	Ledbury IV	17 th (1600)	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	48	Extant 03.11.18
24	St Michael & All Angels	Ledbury V	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 03.11.18
25	St Michael & All Angels	Ledbury VI	17 th	Sycamore (2021)	-	Recorded 03.11.18
26	St Mary Magdalene	Leintwardine III	18 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 09.01.23
27	The Priory Church of St. Peter and St. Paul	Leominster I	18 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	50	Extant 22.05.19
28	Christ Church	Llanwame	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	53	Extant 12.01.23
29	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Madley II	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	58	Extant 10.03.19
30	St Michael	Michaelchurch Escley	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	62	Extant 12.01.23
31	St Mary	Monnington-on-Wye	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	65	Extant 23.09.19
32	St John the Baptist	Newton	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947)	68	Extant 01.07.22
33	St Nicholas	Norton Canon	18 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	69	Extant 19.01.23
34	St Mary the Virgin	Pembridge I	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 03.07.19
35	St Mary the Virgin	Pembridge II	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 03.07.19
36	St Mary the Virgin	Pembridge III	18 th	Sycamore (2021)	-	Recorded 03.07.19
37	St Peter	Peterchurch	17 th or 18 th	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	74	Extant 03.07.19
38	St Peter	Pipe and Lyde	17 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	75	Extant 09.09.17

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TABLE R5: PANELLED (FRAMED) CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
39	St Lawrence	Preston-on-Wye	17 th or 18 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	76	Extant 20.01.23
40	St Mary the Virgin	Ross-on-Wye IV	17 th	Aston (1991)	-	Missing 16.07.19
41	St Mary	Sarnesfield I	16 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947)	84	Extant 26.02.22
42	St Mary	Sarnesfield II	17 th	Sycamore (2022)	-	Recorded 26.02.22
43	St Mary	Sarnesfield III	17 th	Sycamore (2022)	-	Recorded 26.02.22
44	St Mary	Sarnesfield IV	17 th	Sycamore (2022)	-	Recorded 26.02.22
45	St Tysilio	Sellack	14 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	85	Extant 18.02.19
46	St John the Evangelist	Shobdon	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947)	86	Extant 12.01.23
47	St Margaret	St. Margarets	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	82	Extant 20.01.23
48	St Luke	Stoke Prior II	17 th	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	89	Extant 09.01.23
49	St Luke	Stoke Prior III	18 th	Aston (1991)	-	Extant 09.01.23
50	St Mary Magdalene	Turnastone	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	91	Missing, Stolen
51	St Bartholomew	Vowchurch	17 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	93	Extant 12.01.23
52	St Peter and St. Paul	Weobley	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	96	Extant 19.01.23
53	St Michael & All Angels	Winforton	17 th (1722)	Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	99	Extant 27.01.23
54	St Leonard	Yarpole I	17 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	101	Extant 10.09.22

TABLE R6: CLAMPED CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
1	St Mary	Avenbury	14 th	RCHME (1932); Morgan (1947)	6	Missing, Sold
2	St George	Burrington	15 th or 16 th	RCHME (1934); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	14	Extant 01.12.22
3	All Saints	Hereford	14 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947); Aston (1991)	38	Extant 28.01.19
4	Hereford Cathedral	Hereford III	14 th	RCHME (1931); Morgan (1947)	37	Extant 15.07.17
5	St Mary the Virgin	Eardisland I	18 th	Sycamore (2023)	-	Extant 15.08.23
6	St Mary the Virgin	Eardisland II	19 th	Sycamore (2023)	-	Extant 15.08.23

TABLE R7: DUG-OUT CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
1	St Clydog	Clodock I	13 th	(RCHME, 1931; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947; Chinnery, 1979)	16	Extant 04.06.19
2	St Michael	Dulas (moved to St Mary, Sarnesfield)	13 th -15 th *	(RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	24	Recorded 09.07.22 Moved 28.09.23
3	St Mary	Fownhope	14 th	(RCHME, 1932; Mee, 1938a; Morgan 1947; Leonard, 2000)	29	Extant 10.02.19
4	St Mary	Foy	13 th	(RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	30	Extant 18.02.19
5	St Michael	Garway	13 th	(RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947; Pevsner, 1963)	31	Extant 04.06.19

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TABLE R7: DUG-OUT CHURCH CHESTS RECORDED IN HEREFORDSHIRE, continued...

No.	CHURCH	CHEST NAME OR PARISH	EST. CENTURY	RECORDED BY AND REFERENCES	MORGAN CAT. No.	STATUS
6	St Michael & All Angels	Kingstone	13 th (1243-1273)	(RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947; Pevsner, 1963, Moir 2021a)	43	Extant 15.09.19
7	St John the Baptist	Lea	13 th	(RCHME, 1931; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947; Leonard, 2000)	44	Extant 18.06.19
8	St Peter	Llancillo	13 th	(RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	51	Extant 04.06.19
9	Church of the Holy Rood	Mordiford	13 th -15 th	(Morgan, 1947)	66	Extant 10.02.19
10	St Bartholomew	Munsley	13 th (1354-1388)	(RCHME, 1931; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947)	67	Extant 01.10.22
11	St George	Orleton I	12 th -13 th	(RCHME, 1934; Morgan, 1947; Geddes, 1999)	72	Extant 18.09.22
12	St George	Orleton II	13 th (1354-1388)	(RCHME, 1934; Morgan, 1947; Geddes, 1999)	71	Extant 18.09.22
13	St Peter	Pudleston	16 th	(RCHME, 1934; Morgan, 1947)	77	Extant 26.02.19
14	St James	Stanford Bishop II	13 th -15 th	(Johnston, 1898)	-	Missing 06.02.23
15	St Weonard	St Weonards	14 th	(RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	83	Extant 04.06.19
16	St James	Tedstone Delamere II	13 th -15 th	(Johnston, 1898)	-	Missing 06.02.23
17	St John the Baptist	Whitbourne I	13 th -15 th	(RCHME, 1932; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947)	98	Extant 26.06.19

* Morgan mis-recorded the Dulas chest as a 17th-century boarded chest.

TABLE R8: DUG-OUT CHURCH CHESTS DATED BY DENDROCHRONOLOGY IN ENGLAND

No.	CHURCH AND PLACE	FELLING DATE (RANGE)	REFERENCE
1	St Mary, Kempley, Gloucestershire	1492-1522	Miles, Worthington & Groves, 1999
2	St Mary and St Margaret, Castle Bromwich, Birmingham	1500-1530	Miles & Worthington, 2000
3	St Michael, Betchworth, Surrey	1505-1537	Moir, 2006
4	St John the Baptist, Wolverley, Worcestershire	Around 1600	Bridge & Miles 2011
5	Chest I, St Cuthbert, Kirkby in Furness, Cumbria	1610-1645	Arnold & Howard, 2016
6	Chest II, St Cuthbert, Kirkby in Furness, Cumbria	1610-1645	Arnold & Howard, 2016
7	St Michael & All Angels, Kingstone, Herefordshire	1243-1273	Moir, 2021
8	St George, Orleton (Chest II), Herefordshire	1347-1377	Moir, 2021
9	St Bartholomew, Munsley, Herefordshire	1354-1388	Moir, 2021
10	St John the Baptist, Feckenham, Worcestershire	1435-1465	Moir, 2021
11	St Lawrence, Lindridge, Worcestershire	1519-1549	Moir, 2021

TABLE R9: DUG-OUT CHURCH CHESTS IN HEREFORDSHIRE—DIRECT AND INDIRECT DATING EVIDENCE COMPARED

Meaning of selected column headings in Table R9

- Entries under ‘Slot?’ show whether the chest features a money slot or not.
- ‘Lid’ means the method used to attach the lid. For the definition of those methods, see Figure 6 in the published paper and Figure 1 below (the same figure) included here for convenience.
- ‘Documented Date Estimate’ means a date estimate provided in a written source; sources providing those dates are also noted.
- An entry under ‘Edict?’ shows that an edict of the year shown may have prompted the construction of the chest.
- An entry made under ‘Dendro Date?’ shows the result of dendrochronological testing (all conducted by **Dr Andy Moir** in 2021).

No.	CHURCH AND PLACE	SLOT?	LID	IRONWORK EVIDENCE	SAW-MARKS?	DOCUMENTED DATE ESTIMATE	EDICT?	DENDRO DATE?
1	St Clydog, Clodock	N/A	Method 3	Concave-sided lock plate (1300-1550) (Chinnery, 1979).	Non-visible (Lid missing)	13 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947; Chinnery, 1979)	1287	
2	St Michael, Dulas (moved to St Mary, Sarnesfield)	Yes	Method 1	Hasp style estimated 1550-1800 (Chinnery, 1979).	Trestle-sawn lid (replacement)	17 th C.** (RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	N/A	
3	St Mary, Fownhope	No	Method 1	Heavy, simple, (post-1350) (Geddes, 1999).	Non-visible	14 th C. (RCHME, 1932; Mee, 1938a; Morgan 1947; Leonard, 2000)	1308	
4	St Mary, Foy	No	Method 5	Light, sparse straps (pre-1350) (Geddes, 1999). Flanged strap-hinges (12 th -13 th C.) (Goodall, 2011).	Trestle-sawn, pre-1540	13 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	1287	
5	St Michael, Garway	No	Method 4	Heavy, wide straps and hinges (post-1350) (Geddes, 1999).	Non-visible	13 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947; Pevsner, 1963)	1287	
6	St Michael & All Angels, Kingstone	No	Method 5	Split-curl hinges (1250-1400) (Goodall, 2011). Fleur-de-lis straps similar to door hinges at Foy (13 th C.) (Geddes, 1999).	Non-visible	13 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947; Pevsner, 1963)	1206	1243-1273

** Morgan mis-recorded the Dulas chest as a 17th-century boarded chest. It is 13th to 15th century in date with 17th-century legs added
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TABLE R9: DUG-OUT CHURCH CHESTS IN HEREFORDSHIRE—DIRECT AND INDIRECT DATING EVIDENCE COMPARED
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No.	CHURCH AND PLACE	SLOT?	LID	IRONWORK EVIDENCE	SAW-MARKS?	DOCUMENTED DATE ESTIMATE	EDICT?	DENDRO DATE?
7	St John the Baptist, Lea	Yes	Method 5	Ring on lid (1275-1385), till-lock (early 12 th C.), flanged hinges on till-lid (12 th -13 th C.) (Goodall (2011). Zig-zag stamped pattern similar to door hinges at Foy (12 th -13 th C.), and straps on dug-out chest at St Margaret, Margaret Roding, Essex, (late 12 th -early 13 th C.) (Geddes, 1999). Heavy, wide, plentiful straps and hinges (post-1350) (Geddes, 1999).	Trestle-sawn, pre-1540	13 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947; Leonard, 2000)	1206/1287	Failed
8	St Peter, Llancillo	No	Method 4	Narrow, sparse straps and hinges (pre-1350) (Geddes, 1999). Single leaf hasp-straps (1275-1385) (Goodall, 2011).	Non-visible	13 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	1287	No
9	Church of the Holy Rood, Mordiford	No	Method 3	Later 'modern' ironwork (Morgan, 1947).	Non-visible	13 th -15 th C. (Morgan, 1947)	1287/1308	No
10	St Bartholomew, Munsley	Yes	Method 5	Plentiful ironwork (post-1350).	Non-visible	13 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947)	1308	1354-1388
11	St George, Orleton (Chest I)	Yes	Method 5	Split-curl hinges similar to Kingstone (13 th C.) (Moir, 2021a).	Non-visible	12 th -13 th C. (RCHME, 1934; Morgan, 1947; Geddes, 1999)	1206/1287	Failed

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TABLE R9: DUG-OUT CHURCH CHESTS IN HEREFORDSHIRE—DIRECT AND INDIRECT DATING EVIDENCE COMPARED
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No.	CHURCH AND PLACE	SLOT?	LID	IRONWORK EVIDENCE	SAW-MARKS?	DOCUMENTED DATE ESTIMATE	EDICT?	DENDRO DATE?
12	St George, Orleton, (Chest II)	No	Method 1	Split-curl hinges (1250-1400) (Goodall, 2011), similar to Kingstone (13 th C.) Heraldic fleur-de-lis (late 13 th -14 th C.) (Geddes, 1999).	Lid appears to be cleaved	13 th C. (RCHME, 1934; Morgan, 1947; Geddes, 1999)	1308	1347-1377
13	St Peter, Pudleston	No	Method 2	Heavy, simple (post-1350) (Geddes, 1999).	Pit-sawn, post-1540	16 th C. (RCHME, 1934; Morgan, 1947)	1536	No
14	St Weonard, St Weonards	Possibly	Method 5	Plentiful ironwork, heavy, wide straps and hinges (post-1350) (Geddes, 1999). Large, elongated escutcheon (15 th C.) (Goodall, 2011).	Non-visible	14 th C. (RCHME, 1931; Morgan, 1947)	1308	No
15	St John the Baptist, Whitbourne (I)	No	Method 4	Light sparse straps (pre-1350) (Geddes, 1999). Flanged strap-hinges (12 th -13 th C.) (Goodall, 2011).	Non-visible	13 th -15 th C. (RCHME, 1932; Mee, 1938a; Morgan, 1947)	1287/1308	No

FIGURE 1: METHODS USED TO ATTACH LIDS TO CHURCH CHESTS IN HEREFORDSHIRE

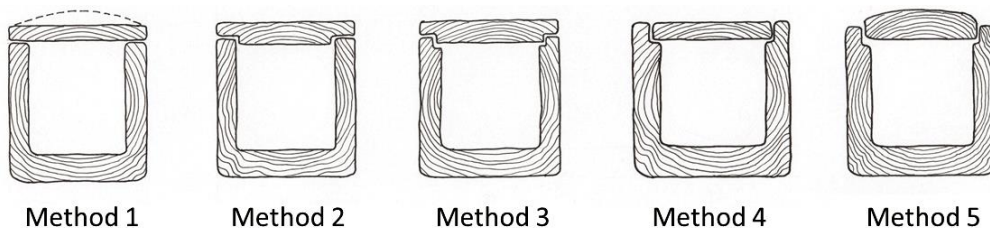




Plate 1. Allensmore,
St Andrew: panelled
(framed) chest



Plate 2. Bishop's Frome, St Mary the Virgin: boarded-box chest



Plate 3. Bodenham, St Michael and All Angels: Bodenham I, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 4. Bodenham, St Michael and All Angels: Bodenham II, boarded-box chest



Plate 5. Bosbury, Holy Trinity: Bosbury I, boarded-hutch chest



Plate 6. Bosbury, Holy Trinity: Bosbury II, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 7. Bosbury, Holy Trinity. Bosbury III, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 8. Burghill, St Mary the Virgin: Burghill I, boarded-hutch chest



Plate 9. Craswall, St Mary: boarded-hutch chest



Plate 10. Clodock, St Clydog: Clodock I, dug-out chest



Plate 11. Clodock, St Clydog: Clodock II, boarded-hutch chest



Plate 12. Clodock, St Clydog: Clodock III, boarded-hutch chest (from Longtown)



Plate 13. Colwall, St James: panelled (framed) chest



Plate 14. Cradley, St James the Great: boarded-box chest



Plate 15. Docklow, St Bartholomew: panelled (framed) chest



Plate 16. Dormington, St Peter: panelled (framed) chest



Plate 17. Downton-on-the-Rock, St Giles: panelled (framed) chest



Plate 18. Dulas, St Michael: dug-out chest, moved to St Mary's, Sarnesfield on 28 September 2023, as the church at Dulas has closed



Plate 19. Eardisland, St Mary the Virgin: Eardisland I, clamped chest



Plate 20. Eardisland, St Mary the Virgin: Eardisland II, clamped chest



Plate 21. Fownhope, St Mary: dug-out chest



Plate 22. Foy, St Mary: dug-out chest



Plate 23. Garway, St Michael: dug-out chest



Plate 24. Hentland, St Dubricius: panelled (framed) chest



Plate 25. Hereford, All Saints: clamped chest



Plate 26. Hereford Cathedral: Hereford Cathedral I, boarded-box chest



Plate 27. Hereford Cathedral: Hereford Cathedral II, boarded-box chest



Plate 28. Holme Lacy, St Cuthbert: boarded-box chest



Plate 29. Holmer, St Bartholomew: boarded-hutch chest



Plate 30. Kenderchurch, St Mary: panelled (framed) chest



Plate 31. Kingsland, St Michael and All Angels: boarded-hutch chest

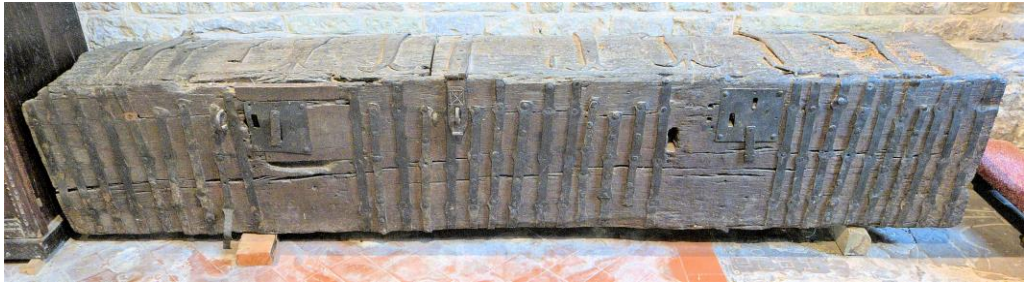


Plate 32. Kingstone, St Michael and All Angels: dug-out chest



Plate 33. Lea, St John the Baptist: dug-out chest



Plate 34. Ledbury, St Michael and All Angels: Ledbury I, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 35. Ledbury, St Michael and All Angels: Ledbury II, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 36. Ledbury, St Michael and All Angels: Ledbury IV, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 37. Ledbury, St Michael and All Angels: Ledbury V, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 38. Ledbury, St Michael and All Angels: Ledbury VI, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 39. Leintwardine, St Mary Magdalene: Leintwardine I, boarded-hutch chest

Plate 40. Leintwardine, St
Mary Magdalene: Leintwardine
II, boarded-box chest

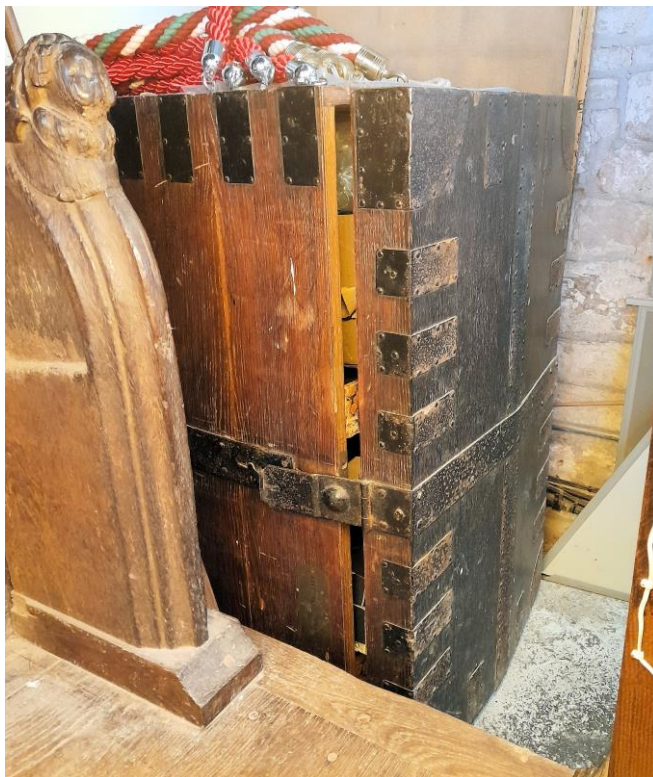


Plate 41. Leintwardine, St
Mary Magdalene: Leintwardine
III, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 42, Leominster, Priory Church of St Peter and St Paul: Leominster I, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 43. Leominster, Priory Church of St Peter and St Paul: Leominster II, boarded-hutch chest



Plate 44. Llanicillo, St Peter: boarded-box chest

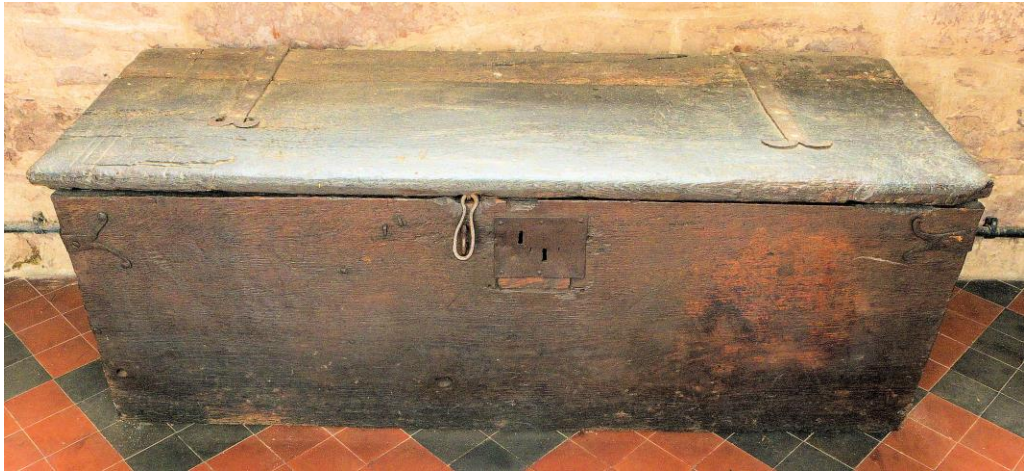


Plate 45. Madley, The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary: Madley I, boarded-box chest



Plate 46. Madley, The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary: Madley II, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 47. Mathon, St John the Baptist: boarded-hutch chest



Plate 48. Mordiford, Church of The Holy Rood: dug-out chest



Plate 49. Much Cowarne, St Mary: boarded-hutch chest



Plate 50. Much Marcle, St Bartholomew: boarded-box chest



Plate 51. Munsley, St Bartholomew: Munsley I, dug-out chest



Plate 52. Munsley, St Bartholomew: Munsley II, boarded-hutch chest (from Canon Frome)



Plate 53. Orleton, St George: Orleton I, dug-out chest



Plate 54. Orleton, St George: Orleton II, dug-out chest



Plate 55. Pudleston, St Peter: dug-out chest

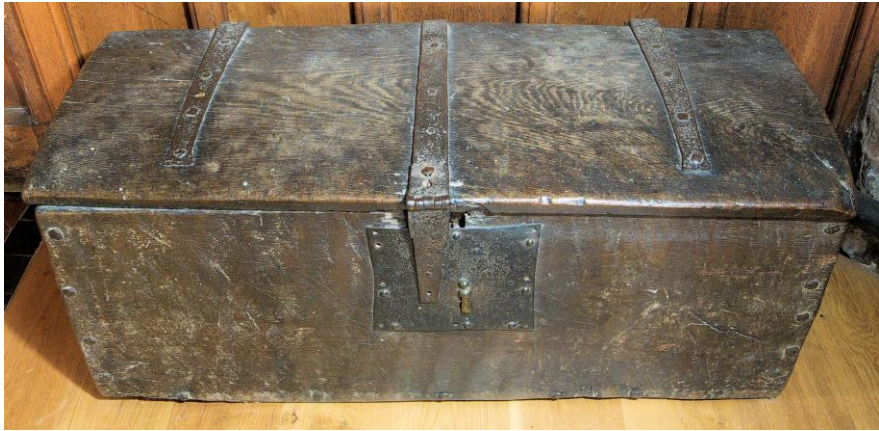


Plate 56. Ross-on-Wye, St Mary the Virgin: Ross-on-Wye I, boarded-box chest



Plate 57. Ross-on-Wye, St Mary the Virgin: Ross-on-Wye III, boarded-box chest



Plate 58. Sarnesfield, St Mary: Sarnesfield I, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 59. Sarnesfield, St Mary: Sarnesfield II, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 60. Sarnesfield, St Mary: Sarnesfield III, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 61. Sarnesfield, St Mary: Sarnesfield IV, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 62. Sellack, St Tysilio: panelled (framed) chest with addition of applied false framing



Plate 63. St Weonards, St Weonards: dug-out chest



Plate 64. Stoke Lacy, St Peter and St Paul: boarded-box chest



Plate 65. Stoke Prior, St Luke: Stoke Prior I, boarded-hutch chest



Plate 66. Stoke Prior, St Luke: Stoke Prior II, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 67. Stoke Prior, St Luke: Stoke Prior III, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 68. Upton Bishop, St John the Baptist: boarded-hutch chest



Plate 69. Walterstone, St Mary: boarded-hutch chest



Plate 70. Whitbourne, St John the Baptist: Whitbourne I, dug-out chest



Plate 71. Whitbourne, St John the Baptist: Whitbourne II, boarded-box chest



Plate 72. Yarpole, St Leonard: Yarpole I, panelled (framed) chest



Plate 73. Yarpole, St Leonard: Yarpole II, boarded-hutch chest (moved from Lucton)