



MARSTON UPDATE

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7th NOVEMBER SERVICE

We had a full band for the Sunday Congregational Evening service (Nov 7), and our ringing included a 120 of St Wilfrid Doubles (whose Saint's Day is in mid-October), which has St Simon's as its base method, with Reverse Canterbury bobs and Grandsire singles.



Remembrance Sunday & Muffled Bells

Then this weekend just gone we rang for the Remembrance Sunday service. This time, amongst other things, we rang the St Martin's equivalent of what we rang the previous Sunday - St Oswald Doubles. Likewise with St Wilfrid, the county of Northumbria during the 7th century was the homeland for Oswald, who was the Anglo Saxon king (634 to 642), and whose Saint's day is in early August.

We are greatly indebted to Richard Bennett for muffling and unmuffling the bells for this important date on the calendar.



Back in the Day Saturday 13th November 2010

Shaw, St Mary (6) 7cwt GF

The completion of the trunk road to alleviate the through traffic in Newbury back in 1998 saw the village of Shaw cum Donnington take the brunt of being effectively sliced up between the A34 and the A339. In the case of the Victorian era St Mary's church, directions to it now would most accurately be described as being tucked away behind the sprawling Vodafone headquarters. (photo left)

(The A to Z Miscellany will return next week)

