



Listed Buildings/ Monuments

In

Knook



Church of St. Margaret

Knook Village, Wiltshire

Grade II* - Listed 11th September, 1968

Anglican parish church. Late CII, C14, C17, restored 1874-76 by W. Butterfield. Dressed limestone with some flint, stone slate roof with coped verges with cross finials.

Plan: nave with north porch, chancel with north vestry. Two-storey north porch with diagonal buttresses, C19 double chamfered pointed archway, C19 pair of cusped ogee lancets to first floor, datestone inscribed 1623 with partly illegible name of churchwarden. Nave has pair of restored cusped ogee lancets to left of porch. Lean-to vestry attached to north side of chancel has shouldered chamfered door and trefoiled lancet. East end of chancel has pilaster buttresses and three chamfered round-headed windows, all C19. South side has two C19 round-arched windows. South side of nave has C19 stone stack with cylindrical ashlar top, pair of C19 cusped ogee lancets and a quatrefoil, fine blocked CII doorway with round arch and tympanum with well-preserved zoomorphic carving, attached shafts, C19 coped gable over. West end has chamfered trefoiled window, probably C13, two C19 trefoiled ogee-headed lancets over.

Interior: porch has fixed stone bench to left, chamfered Tudor-arched doorway with C19 planked door with ornamental strap hinges. Nave has plastered shallow barrel-vaulted ceiling with two moulded tie-beams, one dated 1740, polychrome tiled floor with cast-iron heating grilles. Blocked round arch to south doorway. Chancel has CII carved corbels supporting wooden arch-braced beam with pierced quatrefoils, by Butterfield, 2-bay plaster wagon roof.

Fittings:

C19 octagonal marble font on stone octagonal plinth at west end, pews, pulpit and communion rail all 1870s. Good stained glass in east windows by Gibbs, in memory of Elizabeth Lady Heytesbury died 1874. Limestone reredos with Saxon interlaced carving. One monument at west end; black and white marble tablet to Brouncker-Thring buried 1787, and family, by Harris of Bath. 1876 restoration cost £900 and was paid for by 2nd Baron Heytesbury.

(N. Pevsner, *The Buildings of England, Wiltshire*, 1976; Plans in WRO; *Illustrated London News* 68, 1876)

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