

Manorfield Detectives.

Edmund Messinger.

Edmund Messinger was the 16th Rector of St. Michael's church Stoney Stanton.

He was rector from 1573-1592. In 1571, he married the daughter of a yeoman farmer of Stoney Stanton, Margaret Reade.

Edmundus Messinger duxit in uxorem Margaretam Reade non die Januarij.

They went on to have at least three children that can be found in the register of baptisms; all of them boys.

Samuel Messinger filius Edmundi Messinger baptizatus fuit 25 februarij 1582.

Georgius Messinger filius Edmundi Messinger baptizatus 15 de novembris 1584.

Daniell filius Edmundi Messinger baptizatus et quinto die Augustij 1588.

The next entry in the register was for the burial of Edmund only four years later.

Edmundus Messinger Rector pchalis de stonistanton septus fuit 3 junij Anno pdicto 1592.

What do you notice about the baptism entries for the three sons, what is unusual?

Which of the Tudor monarchs was King or Queen at the time that Edmund was Rector of Stoney Stanton?

Can you name all six of the Tudor monarchs in order? Yes, six not five. There is a sneaky one with a local connection to us in Leicestershire. A tragic story really, can you discover who it was?

Here's a clue if you need it.



If you'd been from a **boy** from a wealthy family in Stoney Stanton, and fortunate enough to go to school in Tudor times, you and the Rector may have been the only people in Stoney Stanton to understand the writing in the registers of baptism, marriage and burial.

Why?

See what you can find out about education in Tudor times.