

## **Portbury Priory Chapter Rose Croix, No 924**

### **Warrant dated 27<sup>th</sup> January 1983**

Portbury is a small village, intersected by the road between Bristol and Portishead in Somerset. The village is mentioned in the Domesday Book and was given by William the Conqueror to one of his favourites, Bishop Geoffrey de Montbray of Coutances, "The battling bishop" - sword in one hand and crook in the other!



There was a small Augustinian Priory founded in Portbury on land donated by Isabella, Countess of Albemarle in the twelfth century of which there is still a substantial part remaining in the Centre of the village.

What better name could therefore appear on the petition to form a new Rose Croix Chapter, than that celebrating the memory of the priory founded so long ago at Portbury.

The Chapter was consecrated in April 1983 by ten members of the Supreme Council & 21 founders.

The current membership is 33 & happily five founder members are still with us.

We meet at Nailsea Masonic Hall on the second Wednesday in February & April 18.30, November Enthronement 18.00.

Current membership 31