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Newsletter - February 2024



Reverend Prebendary Christopher Marshall

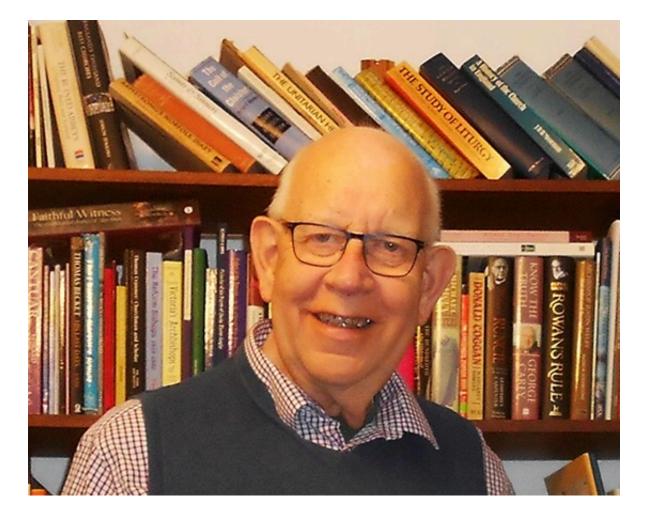
Chris, as he was known to many of us, very sadly passed away peacefully after a short illness at the Dunkirk Memorial House on Monday 26th February. He will be well known to many ringers and clergy nationally and was an honorary life member of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change Ringers, a member of The Ancient Society of College Youths and had been a member of the Guild of Clerical Ringers for well over 60 years. We think his first peal for the Guild was on September 7th 1959, a peal of Grandsire Triples at Chittlehampton in Devon.

He was 91 years old and was still ringing actively up until last Autumn.

A thanksgiving service for his life within a celebration of Holy Communion will be held at St Michael's Church, Milverton, Somerset on Saturday 23rd March at Noon.

If you are planning to attend and would like to join in with the ringing, please let Tim Hawkings know so we can keep you informed.

Reverend David Cawley



The Guild has learned of the death of the Reverend David Cawley. He will have been known to many members in former years. His death was announced in the Ringing World in the 9th February 2024 edition:

We were sorry to hear of the death of the Revd David L Cawley of Canterbury, in the morning of 6th February, aged 79. David was a former Queen's Chaplain and an authoritative bell historian (FSA), serving as bell advisor to the Church of England and a consultant to various dioceses, a member of the Dove's Guide team, and a driving force behind many bell restoration and conservation projects. He was also a valued contributor to and supporter of The Ringing World.

David was ordained deacon in 1972 and priest in 1973, trained at Kings College, London, and served his ordained ministry in a variety of Dioceses within the Province of Canterbury. David rang around 70 peals, 4 of which were for the Clerical Guild.

May David, along with Chris, rest in peace and rise in glory. We thank them for their service to the Guild and the fellowship we have shared with them.

Guild AGM

This will be held on the Wednesday evening (10th April) of the forthcoming Guild Tour of Devon. The agenda and other papers will be distributed beforehand. Members who are not on tour are very welcome to join the AGM by Zoom. The link for this will accompany the agenda.

Best wishes, Jon Rose, President, Guild of Clerical Ringers 07969 008091 revjonrose@gmail.com

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