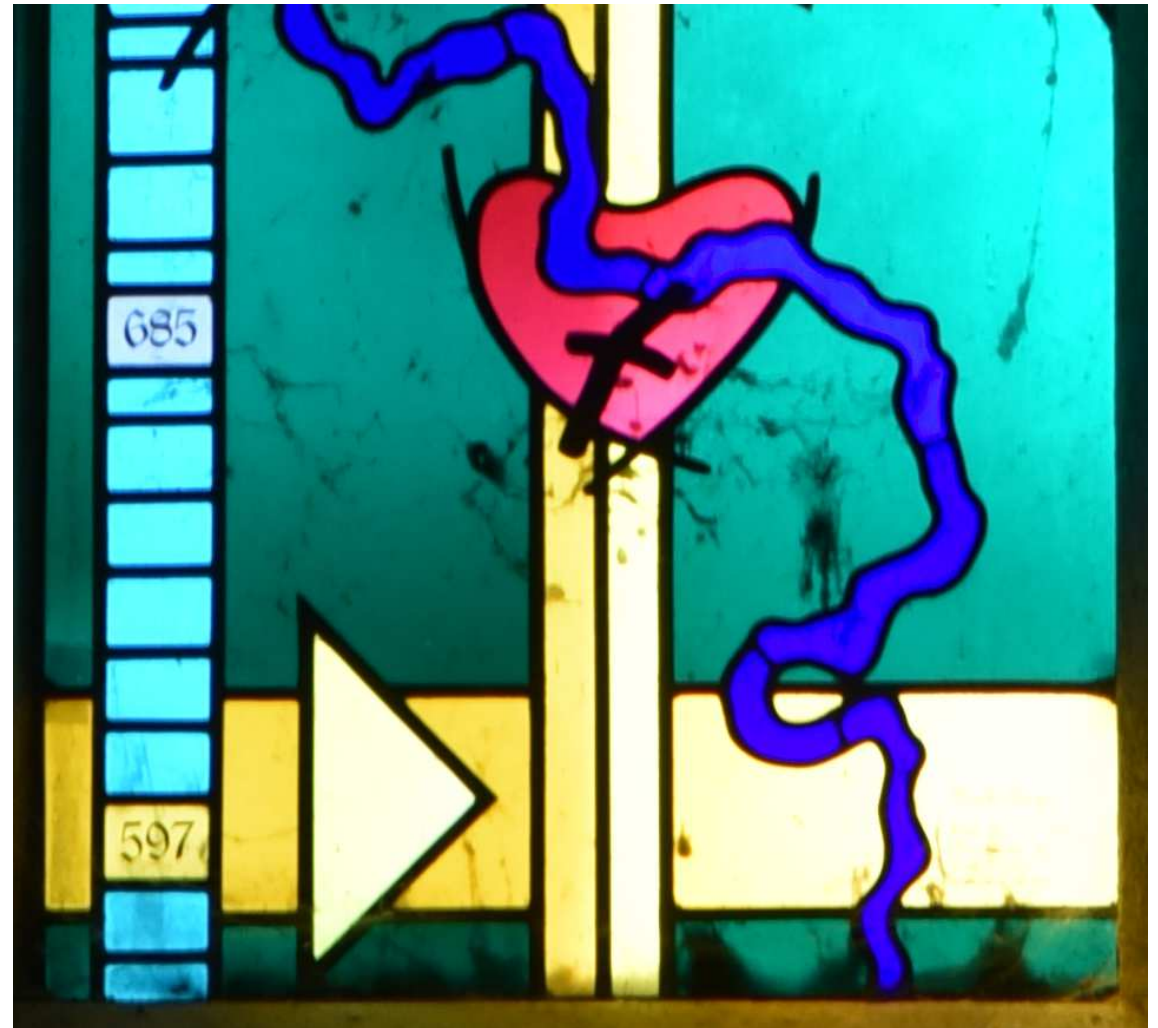




In 685 St Aldhelm founded a minster, a missional community, at Frome. The site was carefully chosen within the ancient Selwood forest close by the river crossing, then a ford, and with fresh water springing from the ground.

In 597 St Augustine came to England. He was a Benedictine monk sent by Pope Gregory the Great to spread Christianity throughout Britain. He became the first Archbishop of Canterbury.





In 1349 the Black Death ravaged the area – many (between a third and half the population) died in this plague.

In 1215 the Magna Carta was agreed at Runnymede – a fundamental document in the story of agreeing human rights.

In 1086 the Domesday survey took place - a great survey of all the lands of England and parts of Wales.

In 1066 the Norman's conquered the country after the death of King Harold at the Battle of Hastings. The Bayeux Tapestry records the events of this time.

In 1837 Queen Victoria begins her reign and the civil registration of births, marriages and deaths for England and Wales begins.

In 1649 King Charles I was beheaded and the Commonwealth began.

In 1536 the separation of the Church of England from the Roman Catholic church was completed as the dissolution of monasteries began.







In 1985 Frome celebrated 1300 years since its foundation as church and town by St Aldhelm.

In 1945 World War Two ended.

In 1939 World War Two began.

In 1918 World War One ended.

In 1913 The Balkan conflicts that escalated into World War One began.