

THE CANONISATION OF THOMAS CANTILUPE



WHO WAS THOMAS CANTILUPE?

- Thomas Cantilupe was Born in 1218 at Hambleden
- He became the Bishop of Hereford
- He was excommunicated
- He Died in 1282 in Ferento, Italy on his travel to see the Pope
- He was buried in Hereford cathedral



THE CRIMES OF WILLIAM CRAGH



- William Cragh travelled to Oystermouth castle with a Welsh Rebel force and helped sack the place
- He was captured in 1290 by the son of William de Briouze
- Was deemed to be hung just outside the de Briouze owned Swansea castle

WILLIAM CRAGH'S RESURRECTION



- William Cragh gets hanged and then hanged again to spite his kin
- The Lady Mary of the manor prays to Thomas Cantilupe to resurrect him
- He comes back to life
- A miracle is performed in front of a large population of the town taking him 14 days to recover



THE PAPACY INVESTIGATES

- The papacy sends representatives down to investigate miracle
- They Question everyone who witnessed the events
- Records are still in archives
- Detailed events of what the people were doing that day



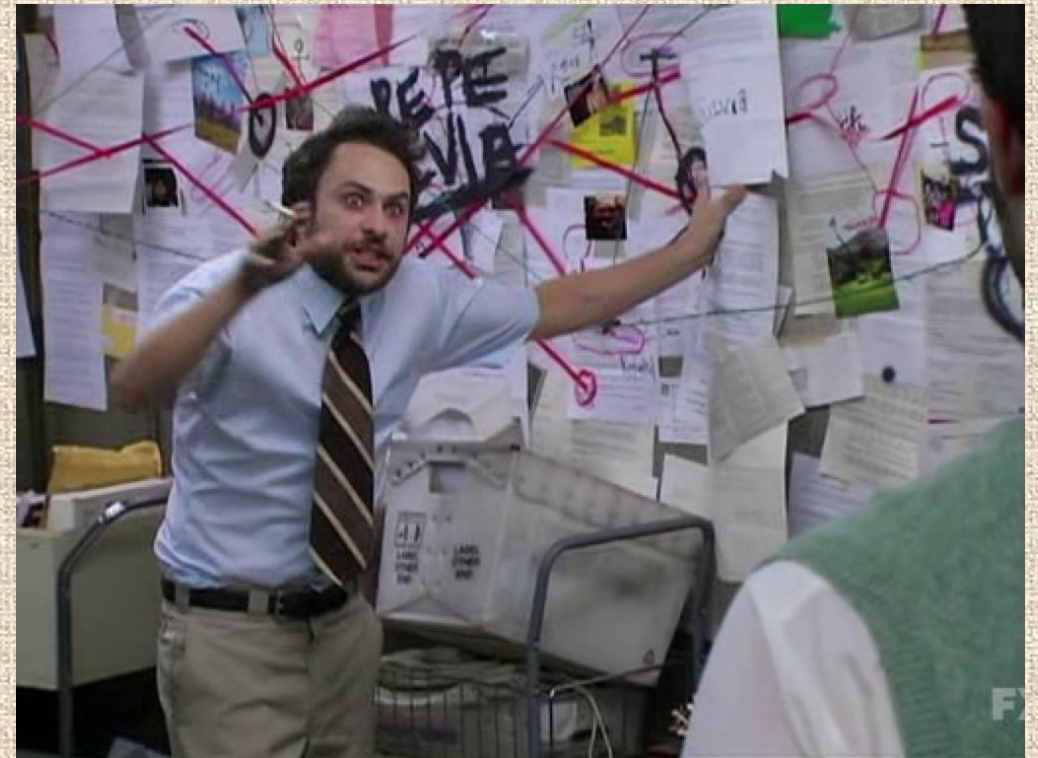
THOMAS CANTILUPE WAS CANONISED

- Reliquary in Hereford Cathedral
- Warriors carved into base
- Depicted as a Bishop
- Title is St Thomas of Hereford
- Shrine was given wax body parts as offerings



IS THERE MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE?

- Is there another reason why the hanging post broke?
- Lady Mary took pity despite the fact that it was her castle burned down and her men slain
- Was Lady Mary a friend or a lover of William Cragh?
- Was she a sympathiser of the Welsh rebellion?
- Good chance she was related to Thomas Cantilupe?



QUESTIONS?



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