

## Great Chalfield All Saints Church

## Heraldry on the Tropnell Chapel Screen

This fifteenth century stone screen carries five painted Coats of Arms. These shields record the Tropnell marriages, including those through which Thomas Tropnell laid claim to the Manors of the Percys, From left to right

- The first shows Tropnell impaling Percy, recording the marriage between Walter Tropnell and Katharine Percy in the thirteenth century
- The second shows Tropnell impaling Rous, Roger Tropnell the great grandfather of Thomas the builder, married Christian, sister of Richard Rous, the ancestor of the William Rous who contested the claims of Thomas Tropnell to Great Chalfield through his desent from Constance, the much married widow of the last Sir Harry Percy.
- The central shield bears Thomas Tropnell's own Arms.
- The fourth shows Tropnell impaling Ludlow of Hill Deverell, Thomas married as his second wife Margaret, widow of John Erley and daughter of William Ludlow.
- The fifth shield displays Tropnell impaling Roche, Henry Tropnell, the father of Thomas the builder, having married Edith, daughter of Walter Roche.

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**Tropnell Coat of Arms**