

SAINT RUMWOLD LECTURES 2026

Come and enjoy a summer evening, with a stimulating talk and discussion by candlelight, in the picturesque setting of St Rumwold's Church, Bonnington on the edge of the Romney Marsh near the Royal Military Canal. SatNav users put in postcode TN25 7BW and keep on down the lane until you see the church.

All lectures start at 7:00 pm.

FRIDAY 3RD JULY

Dr Robert Gallagher (Author and Senior Lecturer in Early Medieval History at the University of Kent)

Saxons, Vikings and the Written Word in Ninth-Century England

Robert will show how Viking attacks impacted education and written communication in a crucial period in the development of a unified English kingdom.

FRIDAY 10TH JULY

Dr James Hannam (Author and historian of science and religion)

Science and Christianity during the Middle Ages: Debunking the Myths

Contrary to popular belief, the medieval church laid the foundations of modern science rather than opposing it.

FRIDAY 17TH JULY

Dr Alex Hibberts (Historian of Climate & Weather at the University of Exeter)

Waiting for the End of the World? Surviving Storms, Floods and Divine Wrath in Medieval and Early Modern Kent

How did faith shape responses to 'natural' disasters in medieval and early modern England?

Supper will be available in the church after the lectures for all who wish to stay.

Admission free, donations towards Saint Rumwold's welcomed.