

PRC 17/29/206b **Will of Thomas Kempe of Chislet, dated 15th July 1550 who was buried at St. Mary the Virgin, Chislet on 24th July 1550 and whose Will was Proved on 20th September 1550**

All spelling is as in the original document.

In the Name of God Amen in the yeare of our Lorde god (1550) the xvth day of July

I **Tho^s Kempe** of the pishe of Chystelet [Chislet] in the Countye of Kente beinge of holle mynde, good of Remembrance thanks be unto god

ffirst I bequethe my Soull to allmygtie god my Saviour and Redemer and my bodye to be buried in the churche yarde of Chyslette aforesaid

Item I geve and bequethe to the poore people of Chyslette and Reculver x^s to be paid at my buriall day

Also I will to **Roberte my sonne** a keyne [cow] xx ewe shepe v seames of whete and v seames of barley to be paid at thage of xxi yeres

Item I give to **Johane my daughter** ij keyne x ewe sheppe to be paid to the said **Johanne** the Mychallmas next after my decease and v^l [£5] of money to be paid att the day of her marriage

Item I give to **Katherine my daughter** ij keyne xx ewe shepe to be paid to her at thage of xv yeres and v^l of money to be paid at her marriage

And if any of my said children shall dye before they come to thage above named that then I wyll one of them to be others hayer [*heir*]

And furthermore I give to every one of my godchildren a Lampe to be paid at Mychallmas nexte following after my dethe

Item I give to John Bewell a lambe

Item I give to Thomas Barnes a lambe

Item I give to John Swane a lambe

Item I give to John Mychell a lambe

to be delivered unto them Mychall or yghell mass followinge nexte after my decease

And also I give and bequethe to **Agnes my wyff** all the Ressydewe of my moveable goods unbequethed, payinge my debts and charges

And furthermore I make and ordayne **Agnes my wyff** my holle and faythfull executrix concerninge my laste will and testament and I make my overseers of my will Ambrose Dad and Thomas Lagdey and they to have for everye day labors beinge above my will and Testament either of them viij^d the day

And also I will that Agnes my wiff shall make uppe a newe kachyne uppon my Lands and Steddyill besides my ? there and ty^{ell} the same kachyne at her dronage costs and charges and amend the barne where as well is And the hall also in lyke manner at her owne proper costs and charges

Thys is the laste Wyll of me the above said **Thomas Kempe** made the daye and yere of our Lord god above named concernynge my Landes in manner and forme following

ffyrst I will that **Agnes my wyffe** shall have both my tene^{ts}. [*tenements*] lyenge and beinge at Steedhill* with all my landes belonginge to yt in the pishe of herne and in the borough of Thornden unto the tyme that **Roberte my sonne** shall come to thage of xxi yeres kepinge suffycente reparacons and paynge the Lords of the fee

* *Studhill, to the West of Herne Bay*

Yff the said **Agnes my wyff** dye before that **Roberte my Sonne** come to thage of xxi yeres then I will the proffytts of the said lands and tentes. [*tenements*] shall remaigne holy to thuse of **Robert my sone**

And also I will **Robbart my sonne** both my tentes. sett at Steddhill withe all my lands belonging to yt beinge in the pishe of Herne at thage of xxith yeres to him and to his hayres for ever

I will yt **Roberte my sone** shall pay to **Agnes my wiff** vx^{ls} by yere out of the said lands and tentes. all the tyme of her naturall Lyffe after he comethe to his age of xxith yeres if she be lyvnge

Also I wyll to **Johane Kathryn** and **Margery my daughters** my Tente. and all my Lands belonginge to it lyenge in the pish of Chislett and in the borough of hoathe at thage of xv yeres to them and to their hayres for ever And if it fortune the said **Agnes my wiff** to be withe child with a man child then I will then I will that he shalhave my tente. and my lands belonginge to it lyeng in the pishe of chistlett at thage of xvth yeres to his hayres for ever which I give as above Ryservd to my three [*daughters*] shall stand for none effect

And furthmore if it fortune to be a mayden child then I will she shall have her porcion of the same lands with her other iij systers that is aforre menconed

This beinge Wytnes of his will

William Byggs **Willm Paramore** **Richard Bestefyld** **Willm Kempe** **Saudes Paramore** and **Ambrose Dod** with others

Probatum fuit: xx die moneth Septembris anno dinid 1550.

Notes:

29 Jul 1546 born and christened **Robte. s. of Thome Kempe** at St. Mary the Virgin, Chislet
17 Oct 1548 born and christened **Agnes**, d. of - " -
Other children probably pre-date parish registers.

5 Oct 1555 married **Agnetta Kempe** (widow) and David Dodd at Chislet.