Did You Know? An Anglican Glossary





Consecration Crosses

Consecration crosses are affixed to the walls of church and are anointed with Chrism by the bishop. There are twelve in number. In this example the quatrefoil is 1'7". Its brass inserts were wrenched out at some time in the past.

Each cross has a candle bracket with taper. The tapers are lighted before the bishop arrives and put out when the ceremonies are over. They are supposed to be lighted on the anniversary of the dedication.

Top: Consecration cross and taper, Uffington Church, Berkshire. *Below:* The church in Uffington today.