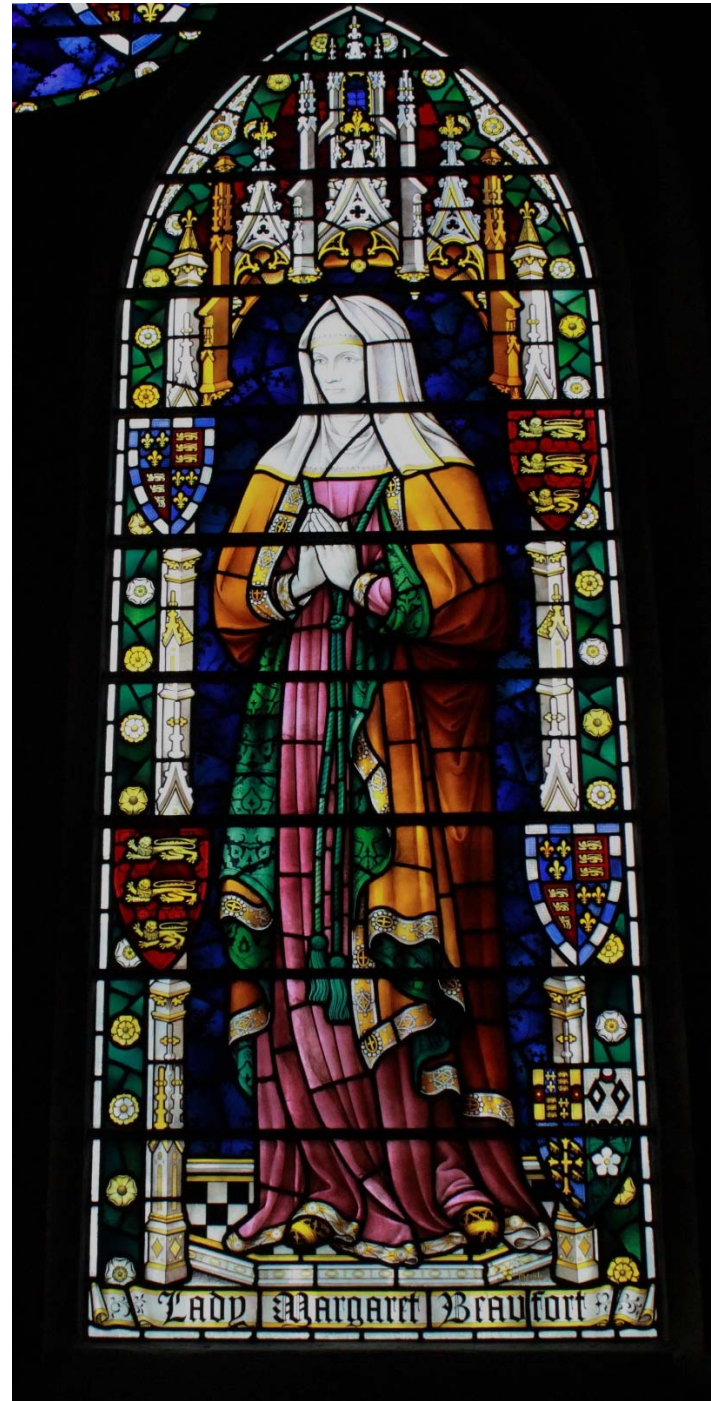






Lady Margaret Beaufort

Mother of King Henry VII, born at Bletsoe Castle 1443, died at Westminster Abbey 1509. She had left Bletsoe before her second marriage, to Edmund Tudor, Henry's father.

The painting of her at prayer by Meynnart Wewych c1510 (*above left*) is in the Master's Lodge at St John's College Cambridge which was founded with a bequest from her. The mid-20th century stained glass window by Sir Ninian Comper (*above right*) is in the triforium of Westminster Abbey. Her tomb in Westminster Abbey is surmounted by this gilded bronze effigy created by the Italian sculptor Pietro Torrigiano.

Further information and references can be found at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lady_Margaret_Beaufort