



## 3 - St. Mary's Church, Protests, and Diggers in Prison

**Watch the video and see if you can find the answers to these questions. Make a note of your answers in the space below.**

1. In June 1649, what happened in England?

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2. Who became the ruler of England after June 1649?

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3. How did Francis Drake and the locals try to drive the Diggers from St. George's Hill?

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4. Where were the Diggers often locked up?

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5. How many Diggers were awaiting trial in Kingston in June 1649?

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6. Did the Diggers have any lawyers, or any kind of formal defence, when they were prosecuted?

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7. What happened in St. Mary's Church on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1649?

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Some soldiers in the army had radical political and religious views, often acting on their own authority, as when six of them burst into St Mary's Church in the middle of the priest's sermon. Choose the speech bubble that best describes some of the views of these soldiers.

Down with Oliver Cromwell!  
His government, along  
with Puritanism and  
universal suffrage, should  
all be abolished!

I think private property,  
the Church of England  
and Monarchy should  
all be abolished once  
and for all!

We should abolish  
church ministers, the  
magistrates, as well as  
the sabbath day!

Catholicism must  
be erased from  
England! As well as  
the Bible and  
the Common Lands!



### ESSAY QUESTION

Why do you think the Diggers' message of equality was so badly received by the locals in Cobham?