

## Sources for ASTLEY ABBOTS

This guide gives a brief introduction to the variety of sources available for the parish of Astley Abbots at Shropshire Archives.

### Printed books:

**General works** - These may also be available at Bridgnorth library

- Eyton, *Antiquities of Shropshire*
- *Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological Society*
- *Shropshire Magazine*
- Trade Directories which give a history of the town, main occupants and businesses, 1828-1941
- Parish Packs
- Monumental Inscriptions

**Small selection of more specific texts** (search [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for a more comprehensive list)

- **O64 v.f.** *A short account of Astley Abbots* – R F-J Sawyer – a Reader's Ticket is needed to view this book
- **OA64 v.f.** *History of Stanley Hall, Astley Abbots* – M J Thompson - a Reader's Ticket is needed to view this book
- **q C65.3** Muster roll for Shropshire 1538/39
- **q O65.9** *The US Army in South East Shropshire 1944* - A & N Turley



St Calixtus Church, Astley Abbots (ref: 6001/372/1 )

## Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers \*\* Up to 1900 on [www.findmypast.co.uk](http://www.findmypast.co.uk)

	Baptisms	Marriages	Burials
St Calixtus Parish Church	1561-1923	1561-1839 1833-1973 (Banns)	1561-1878

### Census returns

1841, 1851(indexed), 1861, 1871, 1881 (searchable database on CDROM), 1891 and 1901.  
Census returns for the whole country can be looked at on the Ancestry website on the computers

### Maps

Ordnance Survey maps 25" to the mile and 6 "to the mile, c1880, c1901  
(OS reference old series: LV111.1V and surrounding sheets. New series: SO 705965)  
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers) and Field Name Map

### Newspapers

*Shrewsbury Chronicle*, 1772 onwards (NB from 1950 as originals only – Reader's Ticket required)  
*Shropshire Star*, 1964 onwards

## Archives:

**To see these sources you need a Shropshire Archives Reader's Ticket.**

### School Records for Astley Abbots Church of England School

Log book, 1875-1957 (ref: ED 5806/1)  
Admissions register, 1945-1962 (ref: ED 1428/1)  
*Please note there are restrictions on access to 20<sup>th</sup> century records due to data protection*

### Official records

Quarter Sessions Records (ref: Q)– see [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for a catalogue  
Bridgnorth Rural District Council (ref: DA17) see [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for a catalogue  
Astley Abbots Civil Parish Council (ref: CP16)

### Other records

Wills for Shropshire post 1858  
Photographs and Postcards  
And much much more!

These are examples of a few of the sources available. For more information please contact us:

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