



Gateway to  
the history  
of Shropshire  
and Telford

## Sources for BASCHURCH

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

### Printed sources:

**General works** - These may also be available at Wem 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
- Victoria County History of Shropshire
- Parish Packs
- Maps
- Monumental Inscriptions

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

- **q GB64** The Baschurch File – *Norman Rowley*
- **BH93 v.f.** Dame Agnes Hunt 1867-1948: Village settlement scheme memorial in honour of a great pioneer
- **q G64** Baschurch: a brief survey of its history and more interesting features – *R A Brown*
- **BD25** A Shropshire Boyhood – *Peter Davies*



All Saints Church, Baschurch ref: 6009/15

## Sources on microfiche or film:

### Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages	Burials
All Saints Church, Baschurch	1600-1931	1600-1977	1600-1929
Walford Heath Primitive Methodist Chapel	1950-1988 (originals only)		
<b>** Up to 1900 on <a href="http://www.findmypast.co.uk">www.findmypast.co.uk</a></b>			

### 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 XXVII.3-4; new series SJ4220)  
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)

### 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

ED2699/37/15 Manager's Returns under 1902 Act  
ED7690 records of Baschurch Church of England (Aided) Primary School

### Official records

Ellesmere Poor Law Union (ref: PL8)– see [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for a catalogue  
See Atcham Rural District Authority (DA16) and Ellesmere Rural District Authority (DA21) – see [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for catalogues. *Held off site, please order in advance.*  
Quarter Sessions Records (ref: Q)– see [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for a catalogue

### Estate/manorial records

Walford Manor Collection (ref: DWalf/A) – see the Shropshire Archives online catalogue at [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk)  
See also the Manorial Documents Register at [www.nationalarchives.gov.uk](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk)

### Other records

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

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