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Sources for MAINSTONE (partly in Montgomeryshire)

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

Printed books:

General works - These may also be available at Bishops Castle 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 – Volume X
- Parish Packs
- Maps
- Monumental Inscriptions
- Various websites such as Routes to Roots – please ask staff about these

Small selection of more specific books (search www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a more comprehensive list)

- **C61 Reading Room** Mainstone Pew Holders – *In Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological Society, vol XLVI, 1931-32, pp 136-199 and vol XLV11 1933, miscellanea p iv*
- **q TP35.1** Education in Mainstone, parts I, II and III – *Patricia Theobald*
- **Reading Room** History of the parish of Mainstone – *In Montgomeryshire Collections, vol XXXVII, 1915, pp 49-74*



St John The Baptist Church, Mainstone, 6001/372/3

Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St John the Baptist church	1590-1875	1590-1956 / 1824-1901	1590-1875
Methodist records – see Methodist Circuit Records (Reader's ticket needed)			

Up to 1900, registers are on www.findmypast.co.uk

Census returns

1841, 1851(indexed), 1861, 1871, 1881 (searchable database on CDROM), 1891 and 1901.
Census returns for England and Wales 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 LXII.6 new series SO 2687
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)

Newspapers

Shrewsbury Chronicle, 1772 onwards
Shropshire Star, 1964 onwards

Archives:

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

You can search many of the catalogues online at:

www.shropshirearchives.org.uk

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School Records – *there may be restrictions on accessing some school records due to data protection*

ED845/1-5 – Manager's minutes and Log Books

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL6 Clun Union Workhouse records

DA19 Clun Rural District Council records (held off-site, please request in advance)

Q Quarter Sessions

LT Land Tax

Estate records

539 Garnett Botfield Estate records

552/30/393 – Sales Particulars and Plans Edenhope Estate July 1912

2589 Willis Collection

Other records

Wills for Shropshire post 1858 (pre 1858 – see Hereford Diocesan Record Office)

Photographs and Postcards

And much much more!

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