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Sources for WORFIELD

This guide gives a brief introduction to the variety of sources available for the parish of **Worfield** 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
- Victoria County History of Shropshire
- Parish Packs
- M
- Monumental Inscriptions

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

- **O64 Reading Room** *Worfield and its townships being a history of the parish from Saxon and Norman times and including notes of old families and documents contained in the parish chest* – J Randall
- **OW35** *A history little known: four centuries of education in a Shropshire village* - J L Turnock
- **O64 Reading Room** *Worfield on the Worfe in the Severn Valley: being a brief history of Worfield in the County of Shropshire and the Diocese of Lichfield* – Samuel B James



The church at Worfield is dedicated to St. Peter. The earliest parts of the church date from the Norman period (1066-1154), but the majority of the church dates from the 14th century, including the tower. During the Victorian period (1837-1901) the south aisle was restored and a new organ recess and porch were added.
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Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St Matthew's church	1560-1936	1560-2005 / 1754-1785, 1898-2001	1560-1940
Methodist registers – 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, 1841-1911 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 LIX.2 new series SJ7595)
Land Valuation Maps, 1910
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)

Newspapers

Shrewsbury Chronicle, 1772 onwards
Shropshire Star, 1964 onwards

Archives:

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P314 Worfield Parish Records

School Records

ED2699/43/35 Manager's returns
ED6564 Log books and other

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL3 Bridgnorth Union Workhouse records
Q Quarter Sessions
DA17 Bridgnorth Rural District Council *records held offsite, please request in advance*

Estate records

5586/5/3/19 – Survey with map of the Burcote Estate 1880
2028/1/5/29 – Declaration of tenants to Mr John Edward, steward of the manor of Worfield 1709
5586/5/5/226 – Rent Roll Apley Park Estate 1753
P315 (1374) manorial records in parish collection – please ask staff for list
1190 Mason (box listed only - please ask staff for index card list)
See www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr for manorial records

Other Records

Wills for Shropshire post 1858 (pre 1858 – see Lichfield Diocesan Record Office)
Photographs and Postcards
And much much more!

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