

Church2Church Walks in Warwickshire – Page 1

No 1. St. Andrew's Church - Rugby to St. Peter's Church - Dunchurch

www.standrewrugby.org.uk

Distance 3.7 miles

Map: Landranger 140; Start SP 504 752

St. Andrew's Church stands at the heart of the old market town of Rugby and is the most welcoming of churches to start your walks.

From the porch of St. Andrew's Church walk out to Church Street and go to the L and almost immediately TL again into a passageway that runs alongside the church. Follow SA as it becomes Little Church Street and along to the A428 (Hillmorton Road). Cross straight over into Barby Road and walk on the right-side until almost opposite the Day Surgery Unit of the Hospital of St. Cross. Take the pathway going to the R and then TL after the children's playground and out to Southbrook Road. Follow the road to the R, cross over Kingsway into St. George's Avenue. After approx. 50 yards take the pathway diagonally R over to the A426(Dunchurch Road). Now take the BW on the L and follow all the way, crossing both Long Furlong and Ecton Leys to reach the B4429(Ashlawn Road). Cross the road using the controlled crossing and walk to the R towards Dunchurch. At Cock Robin Island continue on the A426(Rugby Road) towards Dunchurch. After approx. 70 yards look for the FP on the L, go through the PG and follow as it becomes Homefield Lane and then Vicarage Lane. Just before Waring Way on the R look for a PG on the L, alongside a garage. Follow along and around to enter the churchyard of St. Peter's Church. Your favourite spot in this churchyard;

No 2. St. Peter's Church - Dunchurch to St Edmunds Church - Thurlaston

www.stpeters-dunchurch.org

Distance 2.0 miles

Map: Landranger 140; Start SP 487 712

St. Peter's Church is a beautiful building in warm red sandstone and stands in an extremely pleasant churchyard with commanding views over the surrounding countryside.

Exit the churchyard of St. Peter's Church through the main gates, and walk to the R in front of a row of tiny alms houses built in 1818 that overlooks The Green. Cross to the famous Dun Cow using the controlled crossing over Rugby Road by the statue of Lord John Scott of the Duke of Beccleuch's family. Walk to the R along Rugby Road to cross both Ferriers Close and The Heath on the way to Cawston Lane. Dunchurch Methodist Church is on the opposite side of Cawston Lane. www.rdmethoist.org.uk From Dunchurch Methodist Church, continue down Cawston Lane as far as Northampton Lane and then take the BW going to the L and after passing Windmill Farm and a large property take the wide green track going to the R. Follow as it becomes an enclosed path and at the first way-marker post on the L, TL through a gap in the hedge and walk out to the Coventry Road (B4429) with the HTL. Go to the L here to pass the Nursery and Garage and then cross the B4429 into Main Street, Thurlaston. Follow through the village passing the old stocks on the R, the old P.O./Shop on the L and just after the telephone kiosk TL into Church Lane and along to enter, on the R, the churchyard of St. Edmunds Church. Your favourite spot in this churchyard;

No 3. St. Edmunds Church - Thurlaston to St. Peter's Church - Grandborough

www.stpeters-dunchurch.org

Distance 4.7 miles

Map: Landranger 140; Start SP 469 709 & Landranger 151

Exit the churchyard of St. Edmunds Church and walk SA on the lane down to enter a farm drive using the BG and cross diagonally R to another BG. Follow the BW with the HTR to exit out at an access road to the reservoir. There are several viewpoints along this path over Draycote Water. Cross the roadway to take the BG opposite and continue to follow the BW uphill and to exit at Toft. Walk to the L on Toft Lane (unclassified) and out to the A426(Southam Road). Walk L here as far as the motorway bridge and cross the Southam Road with care to take the FP to the L of a large metal FG. Proceed down a wide track with a panoramic view of East Warwickshire ahead. Continue downhill until the wide double gates with a ST at the side. TR here and walk alongside a wide grass track, ignoring a gate on the R halfway along, to a ST by another FG. Now continue SA to follow this FP and to pass over a brook, and then on to another ST by a FG. Follow the grass track over a nature reserve and out to the farm drive. Walk to the L to pass in front of Whitehall Farm and down to a concrete bridge which spans Rains Brook. At the meeting of tracks TR and proceed in the direction of Toft Lakes. When the made up track finishes at Toft Lakes keep SA and follow the FP with HTR around Beck Hill. Pass to the side of a large green metal gate, then a barn and out through a gateway on to Hill Road. Walk to the L towards Grandborough village. At the first road junction, walk to the L and on to the second with The Old School House on the L corner. Cross straight over into Sawbridge Road and on to The Shoulder of Mutton Pub. Continue along Sawbridge Road to pass The Benn Memorial Village Hall on the L and further on to TL into Church Road. Grandborough Methodist Church is along on the L. www.rdmethoist.org.uk. From Grandborough Methodist Church, continue along Church Road to follow it through the village and to enter the churchyard of St. Peter's Church through the double gates. Your favourite spot in this churchyard;

