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No 37. St. Peter's Church - Binton to St. Andrew's Church - Temple Grafton

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Distance: 1.7 miles

Maps: Landranger 151; Start SP 146 540 & Landranger 150

The stained glass is an important feature of this church. The best known of course, is the memorial to Robert Falcon Scott of the Antarctic, installed in 1908 by the then vicar of Binton who was his father-in-law. The doomed expedition is recounted in four small scenes.

Exit the churchyard of St. Peter's Church through the main gates and walk to the L to the main road that runs through the village. Walk to the R alongside the main road and continue all the way through the village, to pass Binton Social Club on the L and then further on to turn L into the farm driveway to Southerley Park Farm.

At the end of the first field on the R, go to the R and follow the FP with the HTL as far as the PG on the L, near to the field corner. In the next field, walk diagonally to the R with the wire fence on the L over to a ST and then over to another, to exit out on to a driveway. Walk forward through the trees and then cross the field to a PG. Now follow a forward line with the HTL, passing through pedestrian gates on the way and finally with the HTR in the last field, down to a ST on a concrete ramp. Now walk diagonally to the R to a PG and into a pathway that leads into the village of Temple Grafton.

Walk to the L through the village and to enter the churchyard of St. Andrew's Church. Your favourite spot in this churchyard;

No 38. St. Andrew's Church - Temple Grafton to St. Giles' Church - Exhall

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Distance: 1.9 miles

Map: Landranger 150; Start SP 124 549

The south west spire is particularly distinctive, with its timber-framed belfry storey.

Exit the churchyard of St. Andrew's Church and walk to the R to reach the cross-roads. Cross straight over and at the end of the garden wall of the Old Vicarage, go to the R to enter a track. Walk to the side of a FG and then follow with the HTL.

Where the hedge on the left ends – walk to the L and along to a PG to enter a pathway. Follow the FP between fencing and out to the lane at Ardens Grafton.

Walk to the R through the village and continue in the direction of Exhall. Follow the lane as it turns to the R and down the hill and then look for the ST on the L, at the near-side of Little Britain Farm.

Follow the garden fence on the R to a ST by a FG. Now walk down the sloping grass field diagonally to the R to another ST and then from there down to the L to a ST by a FG. Follow with the HTR until the pair of stiles, which leads into the next field. Now continue forward, keeping the HTL for five fields and to enter the churchyard of St. Giles' Church. Your favourite spot in this churchyard;

No 39. St. Giles' Church - Exhall to Church of St. Milburgas - Wixford

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Distance: 1.8 miles

Map: Landranger 150; Start SP 102 551

Exit the churchyard of St. Giles' and walk to the R to cross the drive and then follow the FP going to the L and runs at the rear of the gardens to the houses on the L. Exit out on to the lane at the end of a pathway, by the Exhall village road-sign. Now walk to the R along to the driveway on the L for Rosehall Farm.

Follow the BW (part of Arden Way) all the way up to the edge of Oversley Wood, where it turns to the L and continues just inside the wood. When the BW exits the wood go forward along the track to eventually join part of the Heart of England Way and follow around to meet the driveway to Oversley Castle. An excellent view over to Ragley Hall can be seen from this part of the walk. TR at the driveway and head down to the minor lane at the bottom, after passing through the large iron gates by Oversley Farm.

Cross over the minor lane and go diagonally to the R to enter the churchyard of the 11th century Church of St. Milburgas. Your favourite spot in this churchyard;